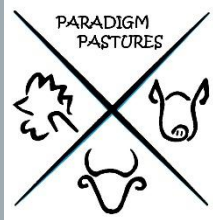


CHICKEN TENDER TIMES

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Greetings from Paradigm Pastures, and welcome to our monthly newsletter. We have been rocking and rolling in our efforts to practice humane animal husbandry in raising pastured poultry!



What's been going on:

It took a little longer than normal to get the first newsletter out, but it hasn't been for a lack of activity! The winter was milder overall than we are used to, but there were some really cold patches to deal with! The egg-layers spent the winter clearing the ground outside the garden and the pear tree, and they laid consistently all winter. We are never short of eggs! As far as meat birds go, we have the first batch of freedom rangers in the brooder and ready for the coming season. Unfortunately for those who have inquired, the first batch of 75 has already sold out. We had some requests this winter for large orders, and the entire order has already been claimed. We have another batch that will be available for pickup in September around Labor Day, and that is up on the website already. There will be a third batch, but we do not have the available pickup date on those yet (it will either be Aug or Oct). We will update the website with those once we get confirmation on when we can pick them up. The shop is in full effect with just the plumbing still to be finished. We will be framing the bathroom and installing the fixtures this summer, and we may be putting up a hoop house just across from the shop. This will function as a greenhouse, garden, and a winter shelter for the bees to help them deal better with the harsh winter temps. Speaking of garden the rhubarb and asparagus have already made their appearances this spring, and the potatoes and some seeds have gone in the ground already. The remainder of the seeds have been started and are under the grow lights before they get transplanted in May. This is where the busy season begins, and we are well on our way to another beautiful Iowa summer! We hope you get a chance to come out and see it, and as usual, we appreciate you and all your support!

THE SHOP IS OPEN!

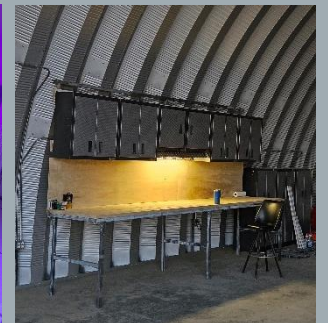
We have plenty of eggs and merch available for purchase:

[Paradigm Pastures](#)

WHAT'S THE BUZZ?



The weather is getting warmer, and the dandelions are popping up. This is the first real source of food for pollinators, so you will start seeing them out and around the yard. The weather is still pretty wet and windy, so the hives will stay closed for the most part, but we are supplementing food and the winter hive wraps have come off. Now is the time for them to build a stronger hive and start getting the brood and honey in the frames. It's lovely to see them flying around the garden and outside the windows knowing the season has begun.



Weapons Training

Interest in weapons training is stronger than ever, so we encourage you to sign up early if you're interested. Quentin offers the following classroom/range classes:

- ◆ Introduction to Handguns
- ◆ Iowa Concealed Carry Certification
- ◆ Tactical Shotgun course
- ◆ Introduction to Carbine Rifles
- ◆ Real Estate Agent Safety
- ◆ Church Security

He also offers some Range-only classes. These offerings include:

- ◆ Introduction to Red Dots
- ◆ Intermediate handgun/rifle/shotgun
- ◆ Weapons Maintenance & Cleaning

If you or someone you know are interested in one of these classes, go to the link below to register on the USCCA site or to contact Quentin for scheduling. You can also contact him if you want to set up a private class that is not on the schedule:

[Field Fire](#)