



Yadkin County Horticulture Newsletter

August 2025

National Farmers Market Week

National Farmers Market Week (August 3-9, 2025) is a special time to highlight the Yadkin Farmers Market and its crucial role in the community. Located behind the Yadkinville Community Park at 1141 Tennessee Street, the market is a hub for fresh, local produce, meats, baked goods, plants, and artisan crafts, brought directly to you by a dedicated group of local farmers, producers, and crafters. The Yadkin Farmers Market is open Tuesdays from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM and Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. It's a fantastic opportunity to directly support local farmers, enjoy the freshest seasonal ingredients, and connect with your community right here in Yadkinville.

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MAY-AUGUST
TUESDAY 3PM-6PM
SATURDAY 9AM-12PM

1141 TENNESSEE STREET
YADKINVILLE, NC 27055

FOLLOW THE MARKET ON FACEBOOK
@YADKINFARMERSMARKET

FARMER'S MARKET DONATION STATION

The Yadkin County Cooperative Extension, in partnership with the Yadkinville Farmers Market, will offer the Donation Station program this summer at the farmers market in Yadkinville. Customers at the market can donate food purchased from market vendors or make a financial contribution that can be used to purchase products from the vendors.

Donation Station days for 2025 are
May 13, May 27, June 10, June 24,
July 8, July 22, August 5, and
August 19.



What is a Donation Station?



Support farmers
by purchasing
their food



Make healthy, local food
available to food pantry clients
and other food insecure
populations



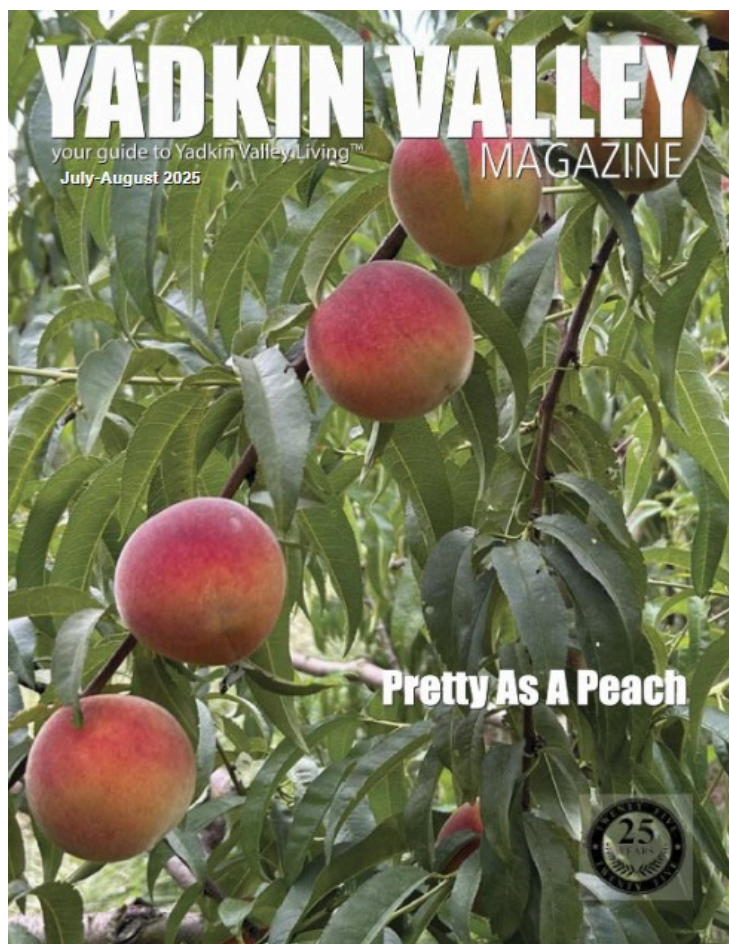
Divert any food
waste at the end of
the market



The N.C. Cooperative Extension Yadkin County Center has launched a Donation Station program at the Yadkin Farmers Market as a way for the community to engage in supporting local food and food security efforts. According to the USDA, in 2023, North Carolina's food insecurity rate was 10.9%, slightly lower than the national average of 13.5%. For Yadkin County, 16% of residents do not have consistent, dependable access to enough food for active, healthy living. The Donation Station program is a joint program that seeks to improve access to fresh, locally-grown food while supporting the farmers who grow it.

Community members are also encouraged to volunteer with the program. Stop by the Donation Station table or call Extension Agent Kellee Payne or Chelsea Johnson at 336-849-7908 to learn more.

Check out what is “In Season” during the month of August!



Check out the July-August Edition of the Yadkin Valley Magazine. Learn about “Blue Skies, Blueberries: North Carolina’s Sweet Summer Treasure” on page 42.

You can pick up your free copy at the Yadkin County Agricultural and Educational Building.

Yadkin Valley
Magazine



YADKIN COUNTY SEED LIBRARIES

Use seeds to plant and donate seeds to keep our seed library growing!



THE LIBRARIES AND YADKIN COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION HELP YOU WITH:



seeds to plant

Coming Soon

Tools, Wonderbooks, and Launchpads for checkout!



classes on gardening, microgreens, soil, and other horticulture topics



classes on food preservation, spices, butter making and more



gardening, homesteading, and plant care books for check out



educational plant & food programs for children



outreach programs in the community



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NC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

NC A&T

NC STATE

Steps to Health
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education (SNAP-Ed)



and patrons like you!

DOLLAR TREE

Yadkinville location

LOWE'S

Mocksville location

See also the seed libraries at Elkin, Mt. Airy, Pilot Mountain, King, & Walnut Cove libraries!



Other Events

2025 Mtn Hort Field Day Thursday, August 14, 2025

Save the date for this special opportunity to visit the Mountain Horticultural Crops Research & Extension Center.

Tours of Alternative, Apples, Nursery, Specialty and Tomato Research Crops.



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College of Agriculture
and Life Sciences



Mountain Horticultural Crops
Research and Extension Center
74 Research Drive
Mills River, NC 28759



For more information, please contact
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Jessica.Edney@ncsu.edu.
NC Pesticide Credits Applied For.

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The Mountain Horticultural Crops Field Day is taking place on Thursday, August 14th, 2025 in Mills River, NC! This is an excellent opportunity to tour and learn about the research going on with tomatoes, apples, specialty and alternative crops!

Register Now:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2025-mtn-hort-field-day-tickets-1357065171459>

Other Events



Ginger PRODUCTION FIELD DAY



~ From Aggie Land to Your Land ~



SEPTEMBER 4 ~ N.C. A&T UNIVERSITY FARM ~ 9 A.M. TO 3:30 P.M.
growing in natural shade ~ cutting seed ginger ~ transplanting ~ pest scouting ~ "color shade" updates

scan the QR code to register



or visit bit.ly/4mbKCi9

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Register Online at: bit.ly/4mbKCi9

CEFS Lunch & Learn: Cool Season Maintenance

August 19th - 12pm to 1pm

Register Online: <https://cefs.ncsu.edu/event/lunch-and-learn-cool-season-maintenance/>

Want to keep up with Yadkin County Horticulture? Follow Yadkin County Horticulture on Facebook @YadkinHorticulture and hit the like button.

Our office hours are Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. We are located at 2051 Agricultural Way, Suite 201, Yadkinville, NC 27055.

Contact us at 336-849-7908.



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