Tennessee Master Goat Producer Program Presentations and Manual—Descriptions
(Note: presentations are labeled by chapter and author initials; not descriptive names. Some chapters are more than one part. Listed below are chapters as the presentation is named, and the title of the presentation. These presentations may be used in their entirety, and may be shared as a tutorial; they may not be modified.)

Chapter 1: Marketing

Chapter 2: Business and Financial Planning and Management for Meat Goat Operations—94 slides. Included in here are sample records; slides 28, 37-40; a budget on slide 60, and kidding sensitivity information

Chapter 2: Goats: Value-Added Products—14 slides. Includes ideas of various products and nutritional comparisons of goat versus cattle products.

Chapter 2: Introduction to Value-Added Goat Products—22 slides. Options and tips.

Chapter 3: Health—103 slides. Informative; some great pictures and notes.

Chapter 4: Nutrient Management in Mixed Specie Pastures for Goats—30 slides. Excellent graphics, excellent concepts; would be useful to have the author present.

Chapter 4: Forages—2—34 slides. Excellent concepts, photos, tips for grazing.

Chapter 4: Forage Considerations for the Goat Herd—79 slides. Lots of technical information; nice pictures of forages. Rotational grazing information.

Chapter 5: Silvopasture in Southeast—21 slides.

Chapter 5: Introduction to Silvopasture—65 slides. Excellent slides covering soil compaction and forage growth and rest; see slides 40 and following. Some graphs need explanation, but great pictures and unique and useful information in this presentation.

Chapter 6: Understanding Genetics for Use in Goat Production—108 slides. “Pick your buck” exercise at the end; explanation of breeding values, EPD’s, heritability, use of ratios, and more. Technical.

Chapter 8: **Nutrition**—89 slides. Very informative.


Chapter 9: **Part 2: Meat Goat Carcass Fabrication**—58 slides. Continues from examining the animal live and on the rail to how to cut it up. Clear drawings.

Chapter 10: **Environmental Factors Affect Nutrient Requirements for Goats**—30 slides. An Peischel. This presentation needs An’s commentary; she has written on the subject and included that article in the manual. Read that article along with this presentation.

Chapter 11: **Meat Goat Structures/Equipment**—47 slides.

Chapter 12: **Predators and Predation**—64 slides. Some pictures.

**Manual**—Final—412 page pdf  2009. Created with the same general idea as the NCAT manual, but with different content; this is complementary and includes a lot of great articles that I had not previously seen. As with the NCAT manual, it is handy to pull an article on a subject; just be sure to specify which pages you want when you print. The chapters of the manual correspond to the chapters noted on the powerpoint presentations; look in the manual for expanded information to supplement the presentations.

This manual includes chapters (use bookmarks to navigate) as follows:

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   - Integrated Parasite Management
   - Holistic Health by Minimizing Stress
   - Health Management and Maintenance for Meat Goats Browsing Native Vegetation
4. Forage considerations for the Goat Herd
   - Poisonous Plants
5. Silvopasture in the Southeast
   - Keys for Silvopasture Understory Management
6. Genetics and Breeding
   - Breeds (and how to use information in previous article)
7. Reproduction
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   - Nutrients and Requirements
   - Feeds and Feed Additives
Energy and Protein Nutrition
Nutrient Management in Mixed Specie Pastures

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   1: Carcass Merit
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    Environmental Factors Affect Nutrient Requirements

11. Facilities, Fencing and Equipment
    Fencing
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    Body Condition Scoring
    Understanding the Essence of Goat Meat in Human Nutrition
    Carbohydrate Reserves
    Behavior Depends on Consequences
    Learn What to Eat and What to Avoid
    Grazing Response Index
    Nutrients Influence Palatability

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Exams and Evaluations