

The **45th South Carolina Peanut Growers' Meeting** will be held on **Thursday, January 30, 2025** at the Santee Conference Center located at 1737 Bass Drive/US-15, Santee, SC 29142.

Come get information to benefit your peanut operation.
Meet with folks from all ends of the peanut industry.

- 8:00 – 9:00** Sponsor Display Setup
8:30 – 9:15 Registration and Industry Exhibits
9:15 Prize Drawings*
9:25 Welcome – Richard Rentz, Chairman, South Carolina Peanut Board
9:35 Commissioner's Update – Hugh Weathers, Commissioner, SC Department of Agriculture
9:50 Peanut Market Update – Dell Cotton, Peanut Growers Cooperative Marketing Association
10:05 Technological Advances in Peanut Harvesting – A Review and a Look to the Future – Josey Peele, AMADAS Industries
10:25 Combine Setup and Maintenance – Eric Streepy, KMC
10:45 Break and Prize Drawings*
11:00 Precision Agriculture in Peanut Research Update – Kendall Kirk, Precision Agriculture Engineer, Clemson University
11:20 The Sustainable US Peanuts Initiative – Allison Randell, Director of Sustainability, American Peanut Council
11:35 Improved Probe Technology for the Buying Point – Clay Pirkle, Director of Operations, GAFFSIS
12:00 Lunch
Peanut Yield Contest Awards
1:00 Prize Drawings*
1:15 Update from Governor McMaster's Office – Cody Simpson, Chief Executive Assistant and Agricultural Advisor
1:25 2025 Cost and Returns Outlook – Nathan Smith, Extension Economist, Clemson University
1:40 Dos and Don'ts of Depredation – Riley Godwin, Region Three Law Enforcement, SC DNR
1:55 Weed Control Update – Mike Marshall, Extension Agronomic Weed Specialist, Clemson University
2:10 National Peanut Board Update – Ashton Pellom, National Peanut Board
2:25 Twin Row and Growth Regulator Effects on Maturity and Pod Distribution – Dan Anco, Extension Peanut Specialist, Clemson University
2:40 Grand Prize Drawings from Kelley Manufacturing Company and AMADAS Industries

The **KMC Grand Prize** is a \$5,000 voucher to be used towards a piece of equipment or parts – growers must visit the KMC booth for entry, and be certified as a peanut grower with an FSA farm number.

Grand Prize from AMADAS is the use of a new 4-row or 6-row Amadas Peanut Digger/Inverter for the 2025 harvest season or \$10,000 towards the purchase of a new Amadas Self-Propelled Peanut Combine or \$5,000 towards the purchase of a new Amadas 4-row or 6-row Pull-Type Peanut Combine. Prize eligibility: 2024 commercial peanut growers who intend to plant peanuts in 2025. Growers must be present to win.

Continuing education and pesticide credits will be available, as will newly updated copies of the 2025 South Carolina Peanut Production Guide.

Hope to see you there!

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