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Reminder

The DHIA Scholarship Application is now available. Applications are due by November 30th. The application and guidelines are available on mndhia.org or dhia.org



July Somatic Cell Counts averaged 234,697, down over 33,000 from July of 2019. The average for the first 7 months of 2020 is down 7% from those same months in 2019.

Buying a new milking system or electronic meters? Want to make sure they are approved and accepted for Genetic Evaluations? Go to this web address for the latest list of approved meters & milking systems: http://www.quality-certification.com/approved_devices.asp and see the details on robotic systems here: <http://www.quality-certification.com/AMS.asp>

Manure management Plans depend on the nutrient content of your animal waste product. Centre Labs, Minnesota DHIA's Lab, is a certified lab facility that can analyze animal waste for its nutrient values. Free, postage paid, testing kits are available. **Contact the lab at 320.352.2028 for free shipping supplies.**

We offer the **"Specials" test for milk pregnancy testing** between DHIA Sample Days. Check with your DHIA Field Technician or call Centre Labs for details, shipping options and prices. The PAGs we test for are found throughout the milk, so unlike the SCC test, we do not need a representative sample – any squirts will do!

445,000 cows pregnancy tested and counting

Select Dry Cow Therapy is now being practiced by some herds. You may be able to save time and money, and anti-biotics by only dry treating cows that are likely to benefit. Dairy Comp Unlimited and a new DHIA report scheduled for September release can help – see details next month!

Wishing everyone a safe & successful harvest season!

Ways to improve tractor operator safety include:

- Ensuring an approved cab or roll-over protective structure (ROPS) is fitted.
- Fitting and using a seatbelt on tractors with ROPS.
- Fitting a seat with side restraints and a back rest to reduce the risk of back strain.
- Wearing hearing protection - not all tractor cabs are soundproof.
- Keeping children away from tractors and machinery.
- Having an up-to-date maintenance schedule.
- Following safe maintenance and jacking procedures.
- Always mounting and dismounting on a tractor's left side in order to avoid the controls.
- Keeping all guards in place, including the power take-off (PTO).
- Operating the self-starter from the operator position only.



Happy Milestone Anniversary

and a big Thank You goes out this month to:

Keith Korkowski, Mayer 30 years
Harley Bork, Jasper, 25 years

July Milk Quality Leaders ranked by SCC, then Log SCC

Name	SCC	Cows
STARLIGHT ACRES	25	7
RYBERG REG HOLSTEIN	33	38
*LESTER DONNA BANSE	34	146
SUNNY SIDE DAIRY	37	121
*ERIC SEIFERT	39	9
*RYAN KNISLEY	42	56
JOHNSON DAIRY	46	98
SELKE FARMS	50	240
*MARK KLEHR	50	56
TWIN SPRUCE	50	86
LUX-URY HOLSTEINS INC.	54	126
SCHEFERS BROTHERS	54	79
RKB DAIRY	57	127
KARA-KESH HOLSTEINS	61	8
HOUDEK DAIRY LLC	62	463
MERDAN DAIRY INC	62	79
*MITCH MEHRWERTH	62	66
DNA FARMS INC	62	84
HIGH POINT DAIRY	63	127
*ROGER & NANCY QUIRING	64	2
GEHL ACRES FARM	66	139
*SCOTT&MICHELLE HERBER	67	723
AVON HEIGHTS	68	104
*CHARLES & MARY SCHORNACK	68	50
MUNDT DAIRY	69	214
*TIM&SARAH AHO	69	191
*DUANE&KAREN TIMM	71	107
*BILL & ALAN MILLER	72	273
HEMMESCH DAIRY INC.	72	117
*MAREN & JEREMY HOLST	73	128
*JOHN LARSEN	73	36
MARSHALL KORN	74	55
*TREVOR DICKE	74	97
DAN KREKELBERG	75	64
*GREG & SANDY WALZ	75	66
BREEZY WILLOWS FARM	77	46
JOHNSON DARREN+LYNN	78	225
RICK & SHARI WEIR	79	72
*FRANCIS & THERESA RYNDA	79	52
HOEFS' DAIRY	80	287
*JIM EVANS	81	116
CRONK DAIRY	82	37
VIRCHOW DAIRY	82	37
*JAMES & GARY SOBECK	83	311
*RICK AND ANN STOCKER	83	87
*MARVIN RADEMACHER	83	56
MID LANE DAIRY	84	21
SASS FARMS	85	262
*RODNEY RAY	85	55
HILKE-ERIC	86	130

Name	SCC	Cows
*STACY & JULIE MILLER	86	91
GLEN & BECKY CHRISTEN	90	39
*ADAM & SARAH MELLGREN	91	71
*MAYNARD & JEREMY SCHUMACHER	91	126
MARSHLAND FARMS	91	121
STEVE & RUTH BUTZLER	91	123
*BRIAN LIBBESMEIER	91	73
*DAVID & DONNA ANDERSON	92	49
VALLEY ACRES DAIRY	93	883
*KEVIN HANSON	93	94
DOUG & SANDRA DEROUSSEAU	93	80
ANDREW LORENZ	93	98
*DEVOINE KRUSE	95	229
HOLKER DAIRY	95	74
METOGGA LAKE DAIRY LLC	96	433
CHUCKKLAPHAKE JARRETTBORG	96	124
RON HENGEMUHLE	97	215
*AARON & TIFFANY RUTHER	97	165
ROGER AND SANDY ERICKSON	97	52
MOGER FARMS	97	52
BURKE DAIRY INC	98	177
*JAMES & BETH OLSON	98	77
CALVARY HOLSTEINS	98	104
WELGRAVEN DAIRY LLC	98	127
BILL & NORMA ROUSAR	98	45
BORST FAMILY DAIRY LLC	99	284
*MIKE HULSTEIN	99	547
HARMONY HILLS DAIRY	99	60
BEAVER OAK DAIRY	100	141
PATNODE DAIRY LLC	101	125
*DARRICK HEITMAN	101	2
ST.PAUL DAIRY	102	98
REILAND FARMS	103	512
SANDHILL DAIRY	104	355
*MARK RUEGEMER	104	73
RIVER VALLEY DAIRY LLC	105	101
CURRIER BROTHERS	105	113
*RAY AND CHERYL SEIBERT	107	94
GRAZIN ACRES	107	83
*BRUCE & JODI HEIM	108	392
LINDAHL FARMS	109	126
SUNSHINE ACRES	109	213
CLASEMANN DAIRY	109	238
*ROBERT ERTL	110	57
THISTLE DEW DAIRY	111	130
ZAHBULLS HOLSTEINS LLC	111	382
*GORDON & MICHELE MANSHAEM	111	43
REUTER FARMS	111	146
*CORY AND KRISTEN SALZL	111	25
ALPENTAU DAIRY	111	113