

# Minnesota DHIA News

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## DHIA Scholarship Application Now Available

Applications are due by October 31, 2023

The application and guidelines are available by visiting [mndhia.org](http://mndhia.org)

### Check your DHI Flex Report for a list of cows that may not need to be Dry Treated.

- Reduce expenses
- Optimize antibiotic use

#### Is my herd eligible for Select Dry Cow Therapy?

- At least 8 DHIA tests in the past year
- SCC below 250,000 for the year
- Less than 3 sample days with over 250,000

#### Which Cows should I consider for SDCT?

- Last DHIA test under 200,000
- Average of last 3 tests under 200,000
- No more than one clinical mastitis case in the this lactation
- Less than 99 days expected dry period

Cows meeting the eligibility list for use of SDCT are highlighted in green on the report for your convenience.

- Continue use of teat sealant

## Take a Closer Look at your Lactation Report (312)

### Useful Comparison Tool:

The ME\$ Value applies the USDA Dollar Value formula to a cow's 305ME values for milk, butterfat, and protein. This replaced ME Milk on your Lactation report to include quality, fat, and protein for a more valuable comparison. It also takes into account the lactation average SCC. We call it ME\$ because it allows you to look at and compare all cows on their economic value as mature animals.

ME\$	Prod Index	Remarks
3068	75	
3396	83	X
4156	102	
3055	75	X
4823	118	X
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In the example to the right, the top cow has a Production Index of 75. She is 25% below the average cow.

## Manure Testing available at the DHIA Lab!

Manure management plans depend on the nutrient content of your animal waste product. Centre Labs, Minnesota DHIA's Lab in Sauk Centre, is a certified lab facility that can analyze animal waste for its nutrient values. Free, postage paid, testing kits are available from Centre Labs. Contact the lab at 763.233.7866 for free shipping supplies.

### Trusted, timely results:

- Solid or liquid manure analysis for integration into farm management and regulatory compliance programs
- Certified by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture
- Testing kits include container, sampling instructions, lab information form, and postage paid return package.
  - Results will be provided in a few business days.

### Available Analysis:

#### Basic Package: \$31.00

Moisture, Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Potassium

#### Expanded Package: \$39.00

Moisture, Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Potassium, Organic Nitrogen

#### Micronutrient Package: \$54.00

Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Potassium, Organic Nitrogen, Calcium, Copper, Iron, Magnesium, Manganese, Sodium, Sulfur, Zinc

#### Carbon Nitrogen Ratio: \$11.00

For composting purposes

Iowa State University and Danish researchers agree that you improve your chances of identifying cows with

**Johne's Disease** by testing them early in lactation. The DHIA Johne's Milk testing program allows you to select those cows automatically on each sample day. Catch them before you breed them! Milk ELISA from Minnesota DHIA – 528,000 cows tested and counting.

#### Which cows should I test for Johnes?

- Low Milk Production
- Early Days in Milk (by 2<sup>nd</sup> DHIA Test day)
- High SCC
- Low Milk Protein

## View your reports at your convenience!

Web Reports, which allows you to access your regularly ordered reports online, is the same valuable service with a new updated look. **The link is available at [mndhia.org](http://mndhia.org).**

**Free!**

### ~First Time Users~

-To Login: Username – Herdcode, Password – Release Code  
(Call 800-827-3442 to get code)

-You will need to click “Subscribe”

-Click on the Web Reports Tab in the middle of your screen and select enroll in Web Reports.

-Then re-click the Reports & Data Tools and you can view your reports online.



## Harvest is Right Around the Corner!

Please remember with the rush of harvest comes the importance of farm safety. According to the U.S. Agriculture Fatality Statistics, more than 150,000 farm workers were injured on the job between 1992 and 2002. This figure has remained fairly consistent in more recent years and has even increased periodically. Here are a few harvest safety tips to keep in mind:

1. While operating tractors and other farm equipment, be very cautious on rural roadways. Look for oncoming cars while making wide turns.
2. Watch out for power lines.
3. Ensure your equipment has roll over protection such as seat belts and roll over protection structures
4. Be sure to do regular maintenance and safety checks on tractors and equipment. Check the steps and platform regularly, keep up-to-date with routine maintenance and replace damaged and worn out parts.
5. If you have employees or your children are helping, make sure they take all the necessary precautions as well!

## July Milk Quality Leaders, ranked by scc then Log SCC

NAME	TOWN	SCC	COWS	NAME	TOWN	SCC	COWS
RYBERG REG HOLSTEIN	FREEPORT	37	29	PANEK DAIRY	GREY EAGLE	96	133
*MIKE MENZE	OTTERTAIL	38	83	RONALD WIRTH	RIDGELAND,WI	96	52
HIGH POINT DAIRY	MELROSE	51	154	TWIN SPRUCE	ROSE CREEK	97	85
SUNNY SIDE DAIRY	MAYER	52	144	CANC	ELK RIVER	100	65
HOUDEK DAIRY LLC	CALEDONIA	52	497	*JEREMIAH SMITH	ALBANY	100	53
*JIM AND MARY EVANS	PIPESTONE	52	108	HEUSINKVELD FARMS	SPRING VALLEY	101	501
KIMM'S DAIRY	PELICAN RAPIDS	52	82	*AARON YURCZYK	ALBANY	102	59
SELKE FARMS	DAKOTA	53	249	DANINGER INC	FOREST LAKE	104	117
*JEFF PETERMEIER	MELROSE	54	51	BITZAN BOVINES	GARFIELD	105	71
*DENNIS AND WAYNE WOLTERS	LITTLE FALLS	55	148	MASCHKA DAIRY	MINNESOTA CITY	105	290
SUNSHINE DAIRY LLC	ARLINGTON	60	92	JOSH HOLT	AVON	105	54
JOHNSON DAIRY	HERON LAKE	60	96	ZAHBULLS HOLSTEINS LLC	PLAINVIEW	106	417
WIRTLAND HOLSTEINS	LEWISTON	62	529	*SCOTT GATHJE	RICHMOND	107	70
HARMONY HILLS DAIRY	VICTORIA	63	61	*TREVOR DICKE	GOODHUE	108	100
PINE-VUE FARMS	ROLLINGSTONE	63	107	TRAIL SIDE HOLSTEINS	FOUNTAIN	109	717
GOCHNAUER FARMS	WEST CONCORD	63	40	RKB DAIRY	FARIBAULT	109	142
*JERRY & BEV POHLMANN	GREY EAGLE	64	68	ALPENTAU DAIRY	REDWING	109	117
BEAVER OAK DAIRY	ALTURA	64	136	WRIGHT WAY DAIRY FARM	OSAGE	110	41
*JOHN SAUBER	LAKEVILLE	65	62	*DON AND SALLY WEISENBECK	DURAND,WI	112	432
*MARVIN RADEMACHER	BELGRADE	68	45	VALLEY VIEW FARM 1	WINONA	112	124
LINDAHL FARMS	LINDSTROM	70	117	MAYHEW LAKE HOLSTEINS	SAUK RAPIDS	112	64
*MICHAEL BANSE	EITZEN	70	110	RIVER VALLEY DAIRY LLC	SHELL LAKE,WI	113	106
BURKE DAIRY INC	SEBEKA	71	184	*GARY SCHLAUDERAFF	FRAZEE	113	613
MUNDT DAIRY	UTICA	71	250	*JOHN & KRIS MILLER	PLAINVEIW	115	369
GEHL ACRES FARM	CAMERON, WI	73	145	*ROGER BENSON	BLUFFTON	115	137
LAX-PIETIG DAIRY LLC	FAIRFAX	76	1048	*DEB HEUER	LITCHFIELD	115	31
*ROGER ALDINGER	WINONA	76	114	PRIGGE FARMS LLC	WINONA	116	330
*RICK AND ANN STOCKER	JORDAN	76	84	*LAWRENCE PENNINGS	BLOMKEST	116	72
*MARK KLEHR	BELLE PLAINE	77	58	VOGT DAIRY LLC	SAUK CENTRE	117	331
DELBERT BECHTOLD	ST JOSEPH	79	36	CASEY O'REILLY DAIRY	RED WING	117	101
*LLOYD AND JULIE BLOMMEL	FREEPORT	79	159	*JOHN & CARL TRAUT	SARTELL	117	107
*DARRELL LUHMANN	ROCHESTER	80	149	EMPIRE FARMS	PAYNESVILLE	119	24
HOEFS' DAIRY	NEW PRAGUE	81	289	CRONK DAIRY	HENNING	119	28
*TOM WOLF	KELLOGG	81	63	ZUMBRO VIEW FARMS LLC	ZUMBROTA	120	80
MARSHALL KORN	ATWATER	81	62	*CORY AND KRISTEN SALZL	LITCHFIELD	120	21
*DEVOINE KRUSE	CALEDONIA	82	238	REMIGER DAIRY LLC	WOODLAKE	120	124
WALTER BROS FARM	PLUMMER	82	438	*ADAM & SARAH MELLGREN	ZUMBRO FALLS	121	77
*SCOTT&MICHELLE HERBER	UTICA	84	758	REILAND FARMS	LEROY	121	509
HAPPKE HOLSTEIN FARM	PIERZ	85	103	BROOKSIDE DAIRY	CLITHERALL	123	540
ERICKSONS DAIRY	BECKER	86	64	*PAT&MIKE DUNCANSON	WINONA	123	107
*NICK + DENNIS TATGE	FARIBAULT	87	260	PAUL AND CINDY SWENSON	NICOLLET	123	333
STELLING FARMS	MILLVILLE	87	311	*RONALD BEHOUNEK	HAYFIELD	124	306
JASSEL HOLSTEINS	ALEXANDRIA	87	77	*RICHARD LAMBRECHT	BELLE PLAINE	125	102
*BILL & ALAN MILLER	THEILMAN	91	284	TOM & JOYCE SEDGEMAN	SAUK CENTRE	126	432
IRISH RIDGE DAIRY LLC	MILLVILLE	91	77	HIDDEN HILL DAIRY LLC	ST CHARLES	127	374
*FRANCIS & THERESA RYNDA	MONTGOMERY	92	49	*LORNE CHAPPUIS	FARIBAULT	127	67
GLEN & BECKY CHRISTEN	SAUK CENTRE	92	38	MEL & SPENCER HACKETT	RICE	127	158
REUTER FARMS	HASTINGS	93	129	*BRIAN AND JULIE LIBBESMEIER	WATKINS	128	66
*JOHN + KARYL DIERSEN	CALEDONIA	95	182	THISTLE DEW DAIRY	WESTBROOK	129	130
BONOW FARMS	LEWISTON	96	273	WOLF CREEK DAIRY	DUNDAS	131	448