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Annual Meeting Set

The 55th Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Dairy Herd Improvement Association will be held on Thursday March 23, 2023 at the Bison Creek Event Center in Buffalo Minnesota. The meeting starts at 10:45 a.m. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Isaac Haagen of the University of Minnesota. There will be small group discussions after lunch seeking your opinions and input.

District Meeting Highlights

We had five great presenters this year that covered some important topics. These are a few highlights of what you may have heard about if you attended:

“The best indicators of health are feed and milk yield. If everyone agrees that stress reduces productivity, then high productivity CANNOT be stressful” – **Dr. Lance Baumgard**

“Data suggests attempting to treat subclinicals is not rewarding economically, nor does it have a significant impact on herd SCC. Never treat a cow based on SCC alone.” – **Dr. Erin Royster**

“Take care of yourself! Practice intentional well-being, remember self-care is not selfish and to adjust your own oxygen mask first.” – **Emily Krekelberg**

We also had two informative sessions with Katie England and Greg Palas from DRMS who showcased DART and what the software has to offer. If you were hoping to attend but were unable to, video recordings of each presentation are posted on our Facebook page (Minnesota DHIA). If you are not a member of Facebook, we are working on posting these videos on our website for your convenience. Thank you to all who attended and participated in these meetings!

Central Plains Dairy Expo is coming up on March 28-30 in Sioux Falls, SD. We will be booth AF104, located in arena in the same spot as last year. We will also have Katie England from DRMS at our booth available to answer questions about DART.

The 2023 budget calls for small increases in lab, sample transportation, reports (passing along price increases), and in some cases field tech pay and health insurance. New prices will become effective on your sample day bill this spring. Some reports will have a \$1 per herd fee added: Lactation Report, Herd Summary, SCC, Reproduction Report, Youngstock, Genetic Evaluation, and SCC Tank. Lab price per sample for butterfat, protein, SCC, and MUN goes up 1.5 cents per sample. Sample transportation adds \$2.50 per herd since SpeedDee charges per tote not by weight alone, and their prices have gone up, as has the cost of vials and totes.

Happy Milestone Anniversary to Tiffany Knott of Redwood Falls who celebrates 20 years of service in March. We thank you for all of your hard work and dedication.

IS SHE PREGNANT?

CONFIRM IT WITH MILK

Milk Pregnancy Testing through Minnesota DHIA is accurate, cost effective, simple, and safe.



February Milk Quality Leaders, ranked by SCC then Log SCC

NAME	TOWN	SCC	COWS	NAME	TOWN	SCC	COWS
JOHNSON DAIRY	HERON LAKE	34	93	*GREG & SANDY WALZ	RICHMOND	84	42
*KEVIN HANSON	FOSSTON	40	92	*PHIL SUESS	GRAND MEADOW	85	11
HARMONY HILLS DAIRY	VICTORIA	40	61	*JIM & MARILYN SCHUMER	ST STEPHEN	86	80
*MARK KLEHR	BELLE PLAINE	42	58	MARSHALL KORN	ATWATER	86	59
HAPPKE HOLSTEIN FARM	PIERZ	45	114	SELKE FARMS	DAKOTA	87	244
*MATT BERKTOLD	LAKE CITY	45	183	BITZAN BOVINES	GARFIELD	87	69
*MAYNARD & JEREMY SCHUMACHER	PLAINVIEW	47	124	SCHEFFLER DAIRY	ZUMBROTA	87	149
*ROGER ALDINGER	WINONA	48	114	*PETER+DAVID BURFEIND	GOODHUE	88	352
SCHULTE FARMS	CALEDONIA	49	272	JIM KLAPHAKE	SAUK CENTRE	89	53
GLEN & BECKY CHRISTEN	SAUK CENTRE	50	40	AVON HEIGHTS	DODGE CENTER	89	73
LAX-PIETIG DAIRY LLC	FAIRFAX	51	999	GLEN-D-HAVEN HOLSTIENS	ALTURA	90	297
KIMM'S DAIRY	PELICAN RAPIDS	53	83	*LAWRENCE PENNINGNS	BLOMKEST	90	74
*RYAN KNISLEY	EDEN VALLEY	54	59	*KYLE MOSER	LAKE BENTON	90	113
*JERRY & BEV POHLMANN	GREY EAGLE	57	70	*MICHAEL BANSE	EITZEN	91	100
*TREVOR DICKE	GOODHUE	57	91	*BILL & ALAN MILLER	THEILMAN	92	281
HIGH POINT DAIRY	MELROSE	58	146	*MIKE MENZE	OTTERTAIL	92	83
LINDAHL FARMS	LINDSTROM	59	113	BLUFF VIEW FARMS	KELLOGG	93	380
WIRTLAND HOLSTEINS	LEWISTON	59	543	ERICKSONS DAIRY	BECKER	94	60
*NICK + DENNIS TATGE	FARIBAULT	60	258	CLARK FARMS,LLC	ROLLINGSTONE	95	676
GEHL ACRES FARM	CAMERON, WI	63	145	*RONALD BEHOUNEK	HAYFIELD	95	304
TWIN SPRUCE	ROSE CREEK	63	88	*CORY AND KRISTEN SALZL	LITCHFIELD	95	21
REUTER FARMS	HASTINGS	63	126	WALTER BROS FARM	PLUMMER	97	431
RIVER VALLEY DAIRY LLC	SHELL LAKE,WI	63	110	MERDAN DAIRY INC	AVON	97	78
SCHEFERS BROTHERS	PAYNESVILLE	66	70	*DEB DOLENCE	GREY EAGLE	97	48
*JOHN + KARYL DIERSEN	CALEDONIA	67	185	*JOHN & KRIS MILLER	PLAINVEIW	99	355
RKB DAIRY	FARIBAULT	68	143	REILAND FARMS	LEROY	100	488
PINE-VUE FARMS	ROLLINGSTONE	69	111	REMIGER DAIRY LLC	WOODLAKE	100	133
FAIRVIEW DAIRY	KENYON	70	306	*ROBERT & RANDY SLIVNIK	RICE	100	46
SUNSHINE DAIRY LLC	ARLINGTON	70	94	STELLING FARMS	MILLVILLE	101	311
NACHREINER DAIRY	FAIRFAX	71	252	BRED & BUTTER DAIRY	KENSINGTON	101	565
HOUDEK DAIRY LLC	CALEDONIA	72	488	JC DAIRY	RICHMOND	101	136
KRAIG&RACHELLE KRIENKE	LESTER PRAIRIE	73	621	DELBERT BECHTOLD	ST JOSEPH	103	37
*JOHN & CARL TRAUT	SARTELL	73	102	*DARRELL LUHMANN	ROCHESTER	103	138
TA LEONARD REG HOLSTEINS	YOUNG AMERICA	73	52	HEMMESCH DAIRY INC.	MELROSE	104	121
*LLOYD AND JULIE BLOMMEL	FREEPOR	75	159	*NATHAN & BRIDGET GIBBS	ROLLINGSTONE	104	207
*SCOTT GATHJE	RICHMOND	76	71	*TOM WOLF	KELLOGG	104	45
BIRCH POINT FARMS PESHON	MINNESKA	76	310	TOWER VIEW DAIRY	EYOTA	104	123
EMERY DAIRY	DENNISON	77	151	*DON AND SALLY WEISENBECK	DURAND,WI	105	439
SCHROEDER BROTHERS	CALEDONIA	77	103	MOLDANS HOLSTEINS	COMFREY	105	93
*DENNIS AND WAYNE WOLTERS	LITTLE FALLS	78	151	DANINGER INC	FOREST LAKE	105	109
WOLF CREEK DAIRY	DUNDAS	79	438	*ROGER BENSON	BLUFFTON	106	119
*CALVIN AND TAMMY BEUMER	HILLMAN	79	81	*DALE MIDDENDORF	SAUK CENTRE	106	83
*RON & PATTY STROBEL	HENDERSON	79	43	*MARK BROSIG	ALTURA	106	261
*KEN & JOHN SCHMIT	ROLLINGSTONE	81	362	*WILLIAM LUND	BRANDON	106	67
CASEY O'REILLY DAIRY	RED WING	81	99	THISTLE DEW DAIRY	WESTBROOK	107	137
*VAUGHN AND JOAN EUERLE	LITCHFIELD	81	65	MUNDT DAIRY	UTICA	108	244
*DAVID & DONNA ANDERSON	LESTER PRAIRIE	81	40	*MICHAEL & KACIE KURTH	STEWART	108	105
BEAVER OAK DAIRY	ALTURA	83	132	CHAIN O LAKES DAIRY	BLUE EARTH	108	272
*ADAM & SARAH MELLGREN	ZUMBRO FALLS	83	76	*KRISTEN REIMAN DUDEN	PRINCETON	108	45
*JOHN SAUBER	LAKEVILLE	84	53	MEL & SPENCER HACKETT	RICE	108	142