

WESTVIC DAIRYNEWS

WestVic Dairy Newsletter

November 2015



Local workforce expert, Chris Hibburt discusses the importance of managing staff to the engaged group of attendees.

Billings host ‘Manage and maximise staff performance’ field day at Larpent.

On Tuesday October 27, Mark and Sam Billing opened the gates of their business and invited farmers and service providers on-farm to discuss different systems, ideas and rosters to manage and maximise staff within their businesses.

Chris Hibburt, a local workforce expert facilitated the day and topics covered included:

- What does the employer look for in a prospective employee?
- What does the employee really want from the job?
- Where does the employer typically go wrong?

A common theme of discussion on the day is that it is absolutely paramount that time be invested in the people that work in our business. This includes creating rosters with consultation from staff members, discussing challenges that the business or individuals are faced with, and rewarding good behaviour, even with a simple thank you or pat on the back.

This creates a positive workplace culture and atmosphere. As one dairy farmer commented *‘these little things create a really great vibe within the business and the team’*.

As farmers, we can face many challenges in our business. Our people are an asset and we need to ensure that each employee is happy and looked after. Ensuring we are compliant and have a culture that everyone enjoys to be a part of is also very important.

The staff at Mark and Sam’s acknowledged that they enjoy coming to work. The flexible roster accommodates for sport and supports a healthy work life balance ensures that retention of staff is achieved, and employees are happy.

WorkSafe Victoria also presented at the field day and explained how an inspection on a property works, and the process post-inspection if there are issues that need to be resolved. An important message from this talk was that we need to be pro-active in regard to safety. Resources regarding Worksafe are available from WestVic Dairy. Please contact (03) 5557 1000 for more information.

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Farmers: why an extra week of Artificial Insemination can be worth thousands \$\$\$

For dairy farmers who plan on spring calving, the next few weeks are a crucial time not only for their herds, but also for their business and profit plans, especially if they are using Artificial Insemination (AI) techniques on-farm.

Dairy Australia Program Manager for Genetics and Data Management Matthew Shaffer and Michelle Axford of the Australian Dairy Herd Improvement Scheme (ADHIS) recommend farmers ensure they have enough replacements sired by AI bulls from the Good Bulls Guide. This may mean extending their AI program by a few days before allowing bulls into the paddock to naturally join with their cows.

“Don’t fall short with your AI program and give it that extra bit of time as the upfront costs will pay dividends for over the lifetime of the cow,” said Mr Shaffer.

“Improving the genetics of your herd will benefit your business bottom line and ultimately your profits even when times are tight.



Barongarook West Business Focus Farm Field Day 17 November

Meet the Scott Focus Farm family, their facilitator and support group members

Hear about the updated farm journey in meeting challenges after 12 months of Business Focus Farm operation, and latest information about managing weeds (fat hen) in fodder crops

View the milking herd and farm preparations for summer feeding

Analyse and discuss using DairyBase financial implications of changing calving patterns, summer feeding strategies, the Scott’s 2014/15 business data, 2015/16 business budget, and 2014/2015 regional Dairy Farm Monitor results

Presenters include:

- Focus Farmer Simon Scott
- Dairy farm consultant and Focus Farm facilitator John Kane (Onfarm Western Vic Pty Ltd)
- Support group members (farmers and service providers, including DEDJTR’s Matt Reynolds)
- Dow Chemicals

WHEN: Tuesday 17 November 2015

WHERE: The Scott’s Dairy Farm 875 Irrewillipe Road, Barongarook West, 3249

TIME: 11am – 2.30pm

RSVP: WestVic Dairy (03) 5557 1000 or email amanda@westvicdairy.com.au (RSVP essential for catering purposes)

For more information or if you have a question please contact Laurie Hickey on 0439 833 484 or email laurie@westvicdairy.com.au

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“In 2014, for example, AI bred Australian Holsteins produced 22kg of more fat and 23kg more protein than those naturally bred creating an additional annual production value of about \$271.80 per cow.

“And that means if you have 100 more AI bred Holstein cows in your herd you can expect an extra \$27,000 of production value every year,” he said. Ms Axford said that ADHIS and NHIA research for 2014 showed the total number of herd-recorded Holstein cows in Australia was 317,290, of which about 70% are AI bred. The extra value of annual production (based on \$6.04/kg MS, source Dairy Farm Monitor Project 14/15) if the other 30% of cows were bred by AI rather than by the herd bull was approximately \$25 million.

“The reason we do research on better genetics for our cows is that it produces healthier cows who produce better quality milk and make better profits for our dairy farms,” said Ms Axford.

VOTING FOR THE DAIRY LEVY POLL

REMINDER

The Dairy Levy Poll Process ballot can be completed by post, email, fax or online at www.computershare.com.au/dairylevy2015

Voting will remain open until midday (AEDT) Friday 27 November 2015.

WestVic YDN & BEC Feed Solutions present Dr Charles Schwab

On Thursday 15 October the WestVic Young Dairy Network, combined with BEC Feed Solutions, hosted two traveling experts specializing in cow herd nutrition. The Commercial Hotel, Camperdown hosted 20 young feed nutritionists from local feed companies and some local vets to hear the latest in fine tuning feed rations for efficient dairy farming.

Dr Charles Schwab, Professor Emeritus of Animal Sciences at the University of New Hampshire and of Schwab Consulting USA, also owns his own Jersey herd. Dr Schwab is recognized internationally for his research on amino acid nutrition of dairy cattle.

As a consultant, Dr Schwab educates dairy nutritionists and producers worldwide on advances in amino acid nutrition and its implications on milk component production, transitional cow health, and efficiency of nitrogen utilization. He presented on the research advances in protein and amino acid nutrition in dairy cows.

Dr Schwab suggested traditionally dairy nutritionists have primarily looked at rumen-degradable protein (RDP) and rumen-undegradable protein (RUP) levels when formulating diets.

RDP is required by the rumen microorganisms for the process of protein synthesis, while the RUP compliments RDP for cow requirements.

Dr Schwab with the assistance of Dr Haihong Peng, Technical Manager Ruminants Asia Pacific Region for Adisseo (China) reviewed the methionine (Met) and lysine (Lys) levels in feed ration materials supplied by the attendants. Research confirms that Met and Lys are two amino acids that limit milk production. The ideal ratio between Lys and Met should be 3:1 to maximize milk protein output. One of the latest technologies that helps achieve this balancing strategy is rumen-protected amino acids.

Camperdown vet Will Bredin said that the information from the day was of a very high standard and he had identified at least three of his higher producing clients that could possibly benefit from this level of detail regarding feeding.

The WestVic Dairy Young Dairy Network is looking to bring more high caliber industry professionals into the region to share their knowledge with the broader dairy community.



19 participants enjoyed Dr Schwab's presentation at Camperdown Commercial Hotel



FRUIT POPS WITH MARSHMALLOW YOGURT DIPPING SAUCE

Ingredients

- 250g punnet strawberries, hulled
- 2 medium kiwifruit
- 2 bananas
- 500g cantaloupe
- 500g watermelon
- 12 bamboo skewers or lolly pop sticks
- 100g marshmallows
- 400g reduced fat strawberry yogurt

Method

- Peel fruit and into 1-2cm slices. Use a small round cutter to cut rounds from the watermelon and cantaloupe. Thread fruit rounds onto skewers.
- Place marshmallows in a microwave safe bowl with 1 teaspoon water. Microwave on high for 15-20 seconds until just melted and stir until smooth. Fold in yogurt and pour into a serving bowl. Refrigerate until ready to serve.
- Serve yogurt dip with fruit skewers for dipping.

New RD&E model to drive Victorian dairy farm profitability

Dairy Australia and the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources (DEDJTR) today announced changes to the investment and services delivered to the Victorian dairy industry.

Under the new arrangement, Dairy Australia, through its Regional Development Programs Murray Dairy, GippsDairy and WestVic Dairy, will take responsibility for the delivery of dairy productivity extension services from 1 July, 2016.

DEDJTR will continue to invest in services that support economic growth and jobs in the dairy sector. These will include improving risk management and protecting market access through its focus on biosecurity, animal welfare, climate variability as well as emergency preparedness and response work.

In addition DEDJTR, in consultation with industry, will explore options for new services that support economic growth and jobs in the dairy sector. These services will seek to complement other government and industry initiatives.



Heathmere Business Focus Farm Field Day 19 November

Meet the Taylor family, their facilitator and the support group

Hear from presenters;

Farm owners - The Taylor Family
 Farm consultant - Angus Drummond Intelact Limited
 Support group members - Farmers and service providers, including Cameron Penny, Ridleys

Analyse and discuss the following topics:

Irrigated Maize – the economics and value, and what part can it play in a feed system?
 Use of grain – costs and margins
 Update of the Taylor Focus Farm business performance over the past 12 months and compare results through DairyBase 2014/15 & Dairy Farm Monitor results
 Farm walk focus on silage, plantain and cow condition
 Focus Farms support groups role in discussion making

WHEN: Thursday 19 November 2015

WHERE: 234 Wilsons Rd, Heathmere

TIME: 11am – 2.30pm

RSVP: WestVic Dairy (03) 5557 1000 or email amanda@westvicdairy.com.au (RSVP essential for catering purposes)

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Dairy Australia Managing Director, Ian Halliday, said the changing nature and structure of the industry over the past decade required Dairy Australia and DEDJTR to consider new services that enable government and industry to focus on areas that will deliver the greatest overall benefits for the dairy industry.

“Dairy Australia’s extension strategy is to have enough feet on the ground to be well coordinated and connected with farmers in each region and to partner with a range of providers to deliver relevant activities that meet regional priorities and help improve farm profitability,” Mr Halliday said. Dairy Australia and the Victorian Government have a long and successful history of shared investment in Research, Development and Extension (RD&E) over several decades and remain committed to promoting economic growth in the dairy sector.

Victoria’s Lead Deputy Secretary of Agriculture, Energy and Resources, Luke Wilson, said DEDJTR and Dairy Australia will maintain their partnership commitment to research and development through a long-term funding agreement. This will see an increased focus on the development of new technology packages to extend research outcomes ready for adoption in dairy farming systems.

DEDJTR and DA are committed to maintaining investment in Victoria’s dairy sector which contributes more than \$9.5bn to the State’s economy each year, supports more than 21,000 jobs on-farm and in milk processing and generates export earnings in excess of \$2 billion per annum. There are currently 4,130 dairy farms in Victoria.



Profit Prophet

Tips for November

Water – Make every litre count!

By Rachael Campbell, Dairy Extension Officer, DEDJTR Ballarat.

In many parts of the region the drier than average winter meant less pugged paddocks. Although great at the time, there has been limited or no runoff into dams due to the soil profile not being saturated. This could be a major issue for some farmers who rely on dam water.

Knowing how much water you have on hand and require to last through until dams refill is important. This will help plan steps you can take. The Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources website has some useful resources to help with this planning, including a farm water calculator and information notes. It can be found at: <http://agriculture.vic.gov.au/agriculture/farm-management/soil-and-water/water/farm-water-solutions>

Dairy Australia's website also has some useful resources: <http://www.dairyaustralia.com.au/Environment-and-resources/Water/Saving-water.aspx>

There may also be emergency water supply points in your area. Please see <http://delwp.vic.gov.au/water/emergency-water-supply-points> for more information.

If it is going to be a tight year water-wise on your farm, check and recheck your figures. It is also important to note where any potential water losses could occur and opportunities to improve efficiency. Is there anything you can do to eliminate or reduce the impact of these?

If you rely on dams and they are shallow, the amount of water lost to evaporation can be substantial over summer. In this situation it is worth considering pumping water from shallow dams to deeper ones, if practical. This will reduce the amount of water lost in evaporation.

In this type of year it is worth making every litre of water count. Are there leaking troughs or pipes on your farm? Fixing these could potentially save you lot of water. If you collect water from your dairy/hay shed roof, make sure all gutters and pipes are clean so maximum water is collected.

Another area you could potentially save water is through recycling. Are there areas you could use recycled water instead of fresh water? Maybe you could recycle water for yard wash rather than use fresh water, to free up some fresh, drinking water.

Along with areas you can recycle water, your second pond effluent is also a great source of water and nutrients. Obviously, it is only suitable for some purposes. You could use your effluent on your summer crop. If you normally irrigate you could save some fresh water by shandy-ing with second pond effluent.

Second pond effluent is suitable to apply to both single graze and regrowth summer crops. If you are going to apply to a single graze crop, such as turnips, then the effluent should be applied in one application in the rapid growth phase (approximately 6-8 weeks after sowing). If a regrowth summer crop is being grown, applications can be split and applied, firstly in the rapid growth phase and then directly after the first grazing. Application rates should be determined by the nitrogen content of the effluent so, if possible get it tested as these values can vary widely. As with applying effluent to pasture, do not graze for at least three weeks following effluent application to reduce the potential animal health risks.

If you are short of water this year, make every litre count. Get an idea of how much you are likely to need, how much you have and then you can start to plan how you are going to get through.

For more information contact Rachael Campbell at DEDJTR Ballarat on (03) 5336 6868.

The number one focus right now should be to stop milk production from dropping too quickly as the pasture quality and quantity declines. The first thing to do is ensure that the cows continue to have enough ('quantity') food. Lack of intake (the amount a cow eats) will easily drop production, especially in a herd where nearly all cows are past peak production (and therefore won't be looking to pull weight off to hold milk). An extra kg of any food will be better than nothing.

The next thing is to ensure that they are getting enough protein now that the pasture is disappearing out of the system. Most supplements (hay and silage) are going to be lower in protein so to maintain milk you will need to increase the protein concentration in the grain that you are feeding. Consult your nutritionist about how much to increase it and also about whether a kg or two more will pay off. Signs of protein deficiency (apart from a big drop in milk) include lazy cows that won't walk, firm and fibrous dung (a bit like a dry cow), and lots of cud-chewing all the time (even when they should be eating). Once the cows drop at this time of year, it is very difficult to get them back so if you haven't already you need to increase the protein level of the grain.

Regional extension Update

“DGAS” shows Timboon Focus Farm is on track

By Graeme Ward, Dairy Australia Consultant Land, Water and Carbon, south west Victoria.

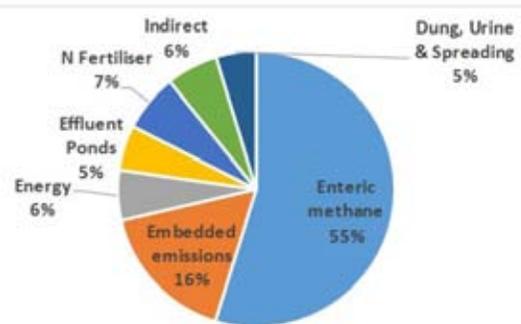
A recent assessment of the greenhouse gas emissions from the Timboon Business Focus Farm has shown the farm to be an efficient, well run enterprise with a low intensity of emissions. The assessment was done using the “DGAS” calculator as part of the WestVic Dairy “Profitable Dairying” project. By entering a range of information on the farm including stock numbers and diet, production levels, fertiliser and energy usage, purchased feeds etc.

“DGAS” estimates the total amounts of the different greenhouse gases being emitted from the farm. “DGAS” estimated the intensity of on-farm emissions for milk production to be 11.2 kilograms of Carbon

Dioxide equivalents per kilogram of milk solids. This compares very favourably with the results of the latest Dairy Farm Monitor Survey where the range of on-farm emissions for south west Victorian farms varied from 10.6 to 15.6 kilograms of Carbon Dioxide equivalents per kilogram of milk solids. Such information is important not only because the dairy industry has a target of reducing the greenhouse gas emissions intensity by 30% by 2020, but also because some of these greenhouse gasses can result from inefficient use of feed, energy and nitrogen.

By far the largest source of greenhouse gasses emitted on dairy farms is enteric methane. Enteric methane (CH₄) is produced by the digestion of feed in the rumen, or first stomach of the cow. On the Timboon farm enteric methane represents 55% of the total emissions from the farm (Figure 1.). If the embedded emissions; that is the emissions that occur off-farm in the purchased feed and fertiliser are taken out, over 2/3 of the total emissions are from enteric methane.

For this reason, improved management in this area will usually lead to the largest reductions in emissions and improved profitability! Some of the reasons the Timboon Focus Farm was able to achieve such a low emissions intensity is an emphasis on high pasture utilisation, feeding the cows a higher quality - better balanced diet, culling lower producing cows and improving reproductive performance so that there are fewer dry or empty cows. Other areas of the farm’s management that will have contributed to this good result include improved nitrogen fertiliser strategies and smarter energy use on farm.



DairyBase - How to get started

DairyBase is a web-based tool that enables dairy farmers to measure and compare their farm business performance over time.

The first time you log in you will be asked for some details. This allows DairyBase to identify you and provides security around your data and information. It doesn’t take long and is only required the first time you log in.

Head to dairybase.com.au to commence registration or for support contact dairybasesupport@dairyaustralia.com.au



DairyBase registrations at 30 October 2015 in the WestVic Dairy region – 155

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Focus Farm Data

Please accept our apologies for the mistake that appeared in the October edition of DairyNews. The October Focus Farm data was incorrect. To access the correct set of data please visit www.westvicdairy.com.au/

WestVic Dairy Business Focus Farms

Heathmere	
Date	10 October 2015
Milking Area (ha)	305
Production	
Cow Numbers	460
kg Milk Solids/cow/day	1.85
Litres/cow/day	24.5
Fat%	4.08
Protein %	3.46
Grazing and Supplement Feeding	
Pellets 42.8c/kgDM (\$385/t)	5.5
Maize Silage (27.5c/kgDM)	0
Oaten Hay 24.4c/kgDM	0
Vetch Hay 36.1c/kgDM	0
Pasture/Lucerne (kgDM) approx.	12.3
Area in rotation (ha)	180
Rotation Length (days)	25.7
Grazing area (ha/24hrs)	7
Daily Income over Supplementary Feed Costs (IOSFC)	
October Milk Price (\$/kgMS)	\$5.00
Income/cow	\$9.25
Supplementary Feed costs/cow	\$2.35
IOSFC/cow	\$6.90
IOSFC/ha	\$10.4

Cost of pasture has not been included. This will range from 10c – 20c per kg DM during the year

Cows are going into 2500 – 2600kgDM/ha and leaving residuals of 1600kgDM/ha giving a growth rate of 36kgDM/ha/day. 100 hectares of silage has been harvested and another 60 hectares is to be cut this weekend. Soil moisture is reasonable and the first cut paddocks are showing solid regrowth. No nitrogen was applied last week in the heat and it is questionable now whether any more will be applied. Focus Farmer will re-assess nitrogen use this week and decide on use in some of the wetter paddocks. 8 hectares of lucerne was planted last week and 6 hectares of oats and peas was sown on the out paddock. 14 hectares has been sprayed out in preparation for maize planting, some of which will be irrigated.

Barongarook West	
Date	23 October 2015
Milking Area (ha)	249
Production	
Cow Numbers	395
kg Milk Solids/cow/day	1.80
Litres/cow/day	24.3
Fat%	4.02
Protein%	3.39
Grazing and Supplement Feeding	
Pellets 40.2c/kgDM (\$362/t as fed)	5.4
Silage 5.7 cents kgDM	0
Oaten hay 27.3c/kgDM	0
Pasture (kgDM) approx.	12
Area in rotation (ha)	170
Rotation Length (days)	49
Grazing area (ha/24hrs)	3.5
Daily Income over Supplementary Feed Costs (IOSFC)	
October Milk Price (\$/kgMS)	\$4.48
Income/cow	\$8.06
Supplementary Feed costs/cow	\$2.17
IOSFC/cow	\$5.89
IOSFC/ha	\$9.31

Cost of pasture has not been included. This will range from 10c – 20c per kg DM during the year

Milk price is current announced total package and inclusive of productivity and quality.

Spring calving almost completed and the milker herd now has 155 fresh cows. Another 54ha shut for silage, expecting to be cut next week. 1080 silage rolls made so far with another 550 expected. Total will be up 500 from last year. Feed budget completed, fodder reserves likely to be sufficient. Turnip and rape crops sown 18 October into good stored soil moisture. Production YTD 15% ahead of last year and 3% ahead of budget. Average farm cover (with silage out) 2226kgDM/ha, pasture growth rates have been over 50kgDM/ha/day during the last month. Urea applications likely to stop next week as some paddocks are showing signs of moisture stress.

FOCUS FARM FIELD DAY 17 NOVEMBER 11AM.

Timboon	
Date	19 October 2015
Milking Area (ha)	303
Production	
Cow Numbers	692
kg Milk Solids/cow/day	2.00
Litres/cow/day	26.6
Fat%	3.99
Protein%	3.53
Grazing and Supplement Feeding	
Grain 40.9c/kgDM	7.0
Pasture (approx. 0.15c/kgDM)	13.4
Hay (Vetch 33.5c/kgDM)	0
Oaten Hay 23.5c/kgDM	0
Area in rotation (ha)	200
Rotation Length (days)	26
Grazing area (ha/24hrs)	7.7
Daily Income over Supplementary Feed Costs (IOSFC)	
September Milk Price (\$/kgMS)	\$4.78
Income/cow	\$9.56
Supplementary Feed costs/cow	\$3.15
IOSFC/cow	\$6.41
IOSFC/ha	\$14.61

Cost of pasture has not been included. This will range from 10c – 20c per kg DM during the year

Milk price is current announced total package and inclusive of productivity and quality.

All spring cows now calved – last one on 10 October. 201 fresh cows of which 120 are heifers average 28 days in milk doing 32 litres or 2.38 kg MS. Stale cows doing 23.4 litres or 1.83kg MS. Dry off will be starting in 4 weeks for 1 January calving. 4000 rolls of silage now stored. No further cuts planned at this stage but will depend on rainfall. Pasture growth still not impeded by moisture and will respond to further rain. Summer turnip crop planted in 10 hectares. Sorghum to be planted in some run off paddocks in need of renovation.

DemoDAIRY Terang	
Date	2 October 2015
Milking Area (ha)	140
Production	
Cow Numbers	243
kg Milk Solids/cow/day	1.82
Litres/cow/day	24.8
Fat%	3.90
Protein%	3.45
Grazing and Supplement Feeding	
Pellets 37c/kgDM	3.2
Pasture	13.3
Pasture demand KG/dm/HA	24.9
Nitrogen kg/ha/day	1.2
Rotation length (days)	25
Grazing area (ha/24hrs)	2.5
Daily Income over Supplementary Feed Costs (IOSFC)	
October Milk Price (\$/kgMS)	\$5.00
Income/cow	\$9.12
Supplementary Feed costs/cow	\$1.17
IOSFC/cow	\$7.96
IOSFC/ha	\$13.81

Pellets are at 3.5 kg/cow and will reduce to 3 kg/cow in November when less pasture is available. This is less pellets than used in previous springs, but the herd continues to milk well. Pastures are being grazed hard with just 2.5 hectares/24 hours. The grazing rotation to remain at 25 days with 62 ha continuing to be grazed. 76 hectares are shut for silage, plan to start cutting in mid-October. Around 260 tonne of silage dry matter or 3.4 tonne/ha needed to meet requirements. Pregnancy test is due in mid-October, 6 weeks after the end of AI.



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What's on November 2015

NOVEMBER 10

EVENT How big is your stack? - MEPUNGA
TIME 11am-2pm
WHERE 170 Allans Flat Rd, Mepunga
RSVP Amanda (03) 5557 1000

NOVEMBER 10, 17, 24

EVENT Farm Chemical Users Course (Short Course) SAFARMCHEM1
TIME 10am-3pm
WHERE Colac
CONTACT Michelle Easterbrook, (03) 5592 2437 or 0407 552 011

NOVEMBER 11

EVENT Provide First Aid (SCHLTAID003)
TIME 9am-4pm
WHERE Terang
CONTACT Michelle Easterbrook, (03) 5592 2437 or 0407 552 011

NOVEMBER 11

EVENT How big is your stack? - DIXIE
TIME 11am-2pm
WHERE 1195 Timboon Terang Rd, Dixie
RSVP Amanda (03) 5557 1000

NOVEMBER 12

EVENT How big is your stack? - IRREWILLIPE
TIME 11am-2pm
WHERE 160 Baileys Rd, Irrewillipe
RSVP Amanda (03) 5557 1000

NOVEMBER 17

EVENT Barongarook Focus Farm field day
TIME 11am-2.30pm
WHERE Scotts Dairy, 875 Irrewillipe Road, Barongarook West
RSVP Amanda (03) 5557 1000

NOVEMBER 18, 25, DECEMBER 2

EVENT Farm Chemical Users Course (Short Course) SAFARMCHEM1
TIME 10am-3pm
WHERE Terang
CONTACT Michelle Easterbrook, (03) 5592 2437 or 0407 552 011

NOVEMBER 19

EVENT Heathmere Focus Farm field day
TIME 11am-2.30pm
WHERE Taylor Farm, 234 Wilson Rd, Heathmere
RSVP Amanda (03) 5557 1000

NOVEMBER 19

EVENT Implement and Monitor Quality Assurance Procedures (from AHC40110 Certificate IV in Agriculture)
TIME 10am-3pm
WHERE Terang
CONTACT Michelle Easterbrook, (03) 5592 2437 or 0407 552 011

NOVEMBER 19, 26

EVENT Operate Pressurised Irrigation (from AHC30210 Certificate III in Agriculture (Dairy Production))
TIME 9am-3pm
WHERE Colac
CONTACT Michelle Easterbrook, (03) 5592 2437 or 0407 552 011

NOVEMBER 27

EVENT Dairy Australia AGM
TIME 10:30am
WHERE The Atrium, Flemington Racecourse, 448 Epsom Road, Flemington, Victoria
CONTACT General inquiries about the AGM can be directed to the Dairy Australia toll-free Memberline on 1800 004 377.



WestVic Young Dairy Network - Keep your finger on the pulse!

Free membership provides access to WestVic Dairy, Dairy Australia industry information and events for young farmers and service providers. For membership information contact WestVic Dairy 03 5557 1000 or WestVic YDN Co-ordinator **Rob Swinton** on 0459 227 337.

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