



THE RIGHT CHOICE

A MILKING SYSTEM

There is probably not a more interesting system of mechanics that does a more interesting and important job, than the Milking System in a Parlour, Robot or Flat Barn. It is the only harvester used on live animals. Think about this list of items and how they work for you, day in and day out and in some cases - for a very long time, ie: 30 years.

Vacuum Pump	Milking Stall
Vacuum Regulator	Milk Pumps
Pulsators	Milk Filters
Claws	Vacuum Gauge
Liners	Milk Flo Sensors
Shells	Milk Meters
Collapse Force	Vac Shut Offs
CIP Manifolds	Auto Drains
Air Injectors	Milk Hoses
Pulsator Controls	Air Tubes
Wash Controls	Hose Hangers
Vacuum Dist. Tank	Clean Air System
Wash Lines	Milk Lines

All need attention.

15 Nifty Uses for Milk

(Not just for drinking or eating)

1. Thawing out frozen fish (moisturizer).
2. Facial mask and bath powder (skin milk powder).
3. Polish silver ware (soak, wash, rinse, dry).
4. Repair fine china (boil & simmer for 45 minutes.)
5. Soothe itchy skin or sunburn (milk paste)
6. Industrial strength hand cleaner (milk paste).
7. Stain Removal (soak clothes overnight).
8. Quick Shine for Leather (milk rag shoes).
9. Makeup remover (powdered milk & warm water).
10. Pill Aid - (help swallow big pills).
11. Soothe spicy burning mouth (ease discomfort).
12. Can also boost the flavor of corn
13. Spraying grapes or berries
14. Catching flies.
15. Adding to paint ingredients.

(from Buzzfeed)

BRUSHING-OFF

EYS COW BRUSHES

Mechanical grooming brushes in calving pens could help to reduce stress for animals during their time of calving. Canadian scientists, at Universities of Guelph and British Columbia, compared behavior of cows with access to a brush in the calving pen with that of an un-groomed control group. The cows with the opportunity of continual grooming tended to lick their calves more after birthing. On top of this, the length of time these cows spend licking themselves following separation from their calves was noticeably longer than the control group. It's long been acknowledged that cows reduce stress through such self grooming sessions. Next mission is to check the possible palliative effect of grooming brushes before and after difficult calving.

(from Agriculture)

GRAZING COWS

A fast dwindling proportion of European dairy cows get out to graze in summer, according to an analysis by the University of Wageningen. There are national exceptions to this trend: the successful "milk from grass" system in Ireland means grazing retains a sure place in profitable dairying there. And in Sweden, laws insist cows get out to grass. Further south though, it appears that pasteurizing dairy cows is on the way out. In fact, the Wageningen analysis reckons only 5% of milkers in northwest Germany will have access to grazing by 2025. There has been a trend by consumers looking for grazed milk. The Netherlands' largest dairy co-operative, Friesland Campina, joins other dairies in Europe in encouraging grazing with a bonus for milk produced from grazing cows.

(from Agrifuture)



WELCOME GORDON ROSS!



PDC would like to welcome Gordon Ross to our staff. Gord has a 35 year career in helping dairymen with the cost benefits of manure storage and feeding systems. His wealth of experience will be a great benefit to all of us. Give him a call @ 604-855-8117.

SPRING SPECIALS

- Double 14 Parabone with GEA Automation.
- All barn equipment from Artique Farms including Houle Cable Scrapers.
- Like new RM Irrigation Reel 3.7" x 1870 ft.
- Used Cadman 4" x 1850 ft. Reel.
- Used Houle Vertical Agitator.
- Used JayStar - Jamesway (Artex) Lagoon Agitator.

-COW SCOUT

GEA Westfalia Surge "Cow Scout" Activity Monitoring System was recently installed at Kambro Farms. With the software's ability to monitor 24/7, send "high activity" alerts directly to multiple e-mail accounts and access to the program via internet, this system was a huge selling feature for Will Kampman. "Where I used to have to go down to the heifer barn 3 times a day to check for "heats", I now rely on the "Cow Scout" software to e-mail me directly an activity alert as soon as it is triggered. I now go down to the heifer barn when I choose to - not on a schedule anymore. I like the fact that the system is monitoring the heifers 24/7 and I can access it via the Internet anywhere. I can choose, within the settings, everyone who can receive the "activity alert" emails."

Will Kampman - Kambro Farms

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