



The right Choice

Insentec

Most University Farms in North America use Insentec's proven individual feeding system. This is the same company that also builds the Astrea Robotic Milkers. In 2005, UBC installed an Insentec individual feed system for the cows and, since then, have installed one for the heifers and one for the calves. It is a state-of-the-art system which lends itself for university research. They are unique in their capabilities. Researchers can accurately measure individual feed and water consumption. By the way, the ID system is also from Insentec. When you are at UBC, if you see large blue feeder containers, that is the Insentec System.

Accident

June 10, 2009 - A highway truck accident never sounded so delicious. A semitrailer hauling Hungry Jack pancake syrup collided with a highway median at the Buttermilk Pike overpass in northern Kentucky, causing the truckload of syrup to spill all over the highway.

German Cow

About 8 months ago, a Bavarian cow named Yvonne escaped from a farm. It went on the run and earned a hefty bounty on her head. Yvonne was found near in the Bavarian Alps, six kilometers from the farm where she escaped, the Bild newspaper reported. Bild published a \$14,000 reward for Yvonne after local authorities told hunters to shoot her on sight because she was a threat to traffic. Because of the ad, hunters and locals went out in numbers to look for her in the woods. An animal sanctuary offered to buy the cow if taken alive. Locals brought in Yvonne's sister, Waltraut, and an alluring bull called Ernst to try to lure her out. A government wild life officer said the animal did not resist attempts to put a rope around her neck.

(from The Province Newspaper)



Seven Tips

Take a look at these seven tips to help guide you in the right direction to see some immediate improvement to the quality of milk harvested and shipped from your dairy.

- 1) Clean out your Freestalls.
 - clean average of 2.2x per day.
 - fully replace bedding every 4 to 5 days.
 - dig 10-12 in. out (esp. sand) periodically.
- 2) Upgrade Milking Equipment.
 - clean and rebuild Pulsators.
 - scheduled maintenance.
- 3) Replace Rubber Goods and Hoses.
 - replace liners and short milk tubes.
- 4) Have milking routine evaluated.
- 5) Cull cows with Chronic Mastitis.
 - culling is just one component to a complete mastitis control plan.
- 6) Evaluate your water quality and CIP System.
- 7) Be sure your teat dip is meeting your herd's needs.
 - it is important to adjust to the season.
 - hotter weather needs stronger teat dip.
 - keep track of skin condition on teats.

(from Milk Quality Specialist Newsletter)

Gelato

A Vancouver man has won a prestigious award for creating the best gelato at an international competition in Florence, Italy. James Coleridge, who owns the Bella Gelateria in Vancouver, said thousands of people who attended the Florence Gelato Festival 2012 voted for his pecan and Canadian maple syrup treat. The event drew 200,000 fans. Coleridge credited his expertise to a year long course he completed in 2009 at Carpigiani Gelato University in Italy, where he specialized in chocolate and alcohol infusion in gelato. He said gelato has 7 percent fat versus 28% for ice cream, and gelato has less than 15% air compared to 60 to 80% for ice cream.

Golf Tournament Sign-Up
PDC's Annual Golf & Dinner, at Ledgerview, is on for October 4, 2012. Please call the office for more information.

Hope to see you there!

YouTube

GEA Farm Technologies - North America is very pleased to announce that a YouTube video channel has been established to showcase key videos within the Westfalia Surge product line. The channel is: GEAFTvideosUSCANADA
The channel website address is: <http://www.youtube.com/user/GEAFTvideo-sUSCANADA>

You can also access these videos from the link on our website:

www.pacificdairycentre.com

Currently you can find videos on parlor stalls, calf feeders, milk tanks, the IQ milking unit, sort gates and other products. Our new UV Pure Pasteurizer for calf milk is well worth checking out. You can now kill bacteria while maintaining strong milk proteins and components for your calves.

Vietnam

The largest and most comprehensive dairy project in the world is now becoming a reality in Vietnam. Known as the TH Milk Project, this ambitious vision aims to supply 50% of the Vietnamese milk market, and to be milking some 34,000 cows by 2015 and 67,000 by 2020. The vision of the TH Milk Project is that every child in Vietnam should drink a glass of milk a day.

Vietnam has a population of 89 million people and just 110,000 cows which produce 350,000 tons of milk at less than 3.5 tons per cow. By the end of Phase 1 this year, the intention is to have 12 operational dairy farms each with 2400 milking cows and 3600 heifers. Each farm requires 1000 hectares.

(from International DairyTopics)



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