

You are invited to International Dairy Week's Seminars for 2020

Venue: The Ballantyne Centre at Tatura Park

MONDAY 20th JANUARY 2020

9.00^{am}



Tracking Heat and Health in Dairy Cows

Presented by: **Allflex**

The Allflex Animal Monitoring System is a well proven Heat and Health tracker for Dairy Cows. Scientifically proven with over 20 years of knowledge, Allflex leads the way in helping customers put more milk in the vat. Come along to our seminar and hear how our solution can work for you to save labour, reduce deaths and improve the health of your herd.

10.15^{am}



Fatty acid Nutrition of dairy cows - what does the science tell us?

Presented by: **Volac International - Richard Kirkland**

Dr Richard Kirkland has been with UK-based nutrition company Volac for the past 15 years, working as part of the animal nutrition team. He specialises in the use of feed fats, or more-correctly fatty acids, in improving performance of lactating dairy cows. He has experience in dairy production systems in highly-contrasting environments, using latest research data to provide practical nutritional advice. He attained a PhD from the Queen's University of Belfast for an evaluation of energy metabolism in dairy cows and is currently Global Technical Manager of Volac Wilmar Feed Ingredients, actively involved in fatty acid research programmes.

11.30^{am}



Probiotics - More than Good Bugs

Presented by: **Daviesway - Hamish Hunt**

This presentation focusses on the growing body of research that links positive health outcomes for commercial livestock through the use of Probiotics (beneficial "good" bacteria) in conjunction with naturally occurring compounds such as the Saponins and Phenolics of Yucca schidigera. The research data accumulated internationally indicates that certain naturally occurring combinations of compounds are highly efficient at binding or disabling certain types of pathogen behaviour in ways equivalent to / or even exceeding more conventional compounds.

TUESDAY 21st JANUARY 2020

9.00^{am}

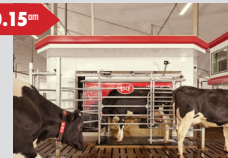


There is no magic bullet

Presented by: **Maxum**

How do you rear a calf? Health, Nutrition, Hygiene, Housing... this is just the start of topics we need to consider and manage every day in calf rearing systems. It is not easy and there are many different ways to achieve the desired result. We have gathered a panel of Calf Rearing Specialists who have reared calves, and plenty of them to share their experience both good and bad to help you consider different options and make better decisions in your calf rearing operations.

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Lower input to get better output on all scale Dairy Farms

Presented by: **Lely - Gert Aerts**

The ultimate aim of a dairy farmer is to produce high quality milk in the tank. We derived the Automated milking principle by reviewing value-added activities on the farm that lead to more milk in the tank. The results can improve by eliminating unnecessary activities on the farm and by optimizing workflows in the chain. With this concept, we focus on less inputs and more outputs on all scales and ways of dairy farming. Overall, this leads to more profitable and enjoyable farming experience.

11.30^{am}



In Pasture We Trust! But Change... Or Bust!

Presented by: **Provico - Dr Les Sandles**

Pasture has underpinned our industry for decades, but things have changed - it's hotter, drier, and input costs are escalating. But more importantly, sustainable farming methods are being mandated by domestic and export dairy consumers. Navigating successfully through these challenges requires an open mind and a willingness to change. Dr Les Sandles will challenge some old beliefs and present some new thinking around the use of fertilisers, on-farm resources and pasture options to reduce inputs, improve soil fertility and grow more pasture. He will also discuss how this will improve health, fertility and milk quality in your herd.

WEDNESDAY 22nd JANUARY 2020

9.00^{am}

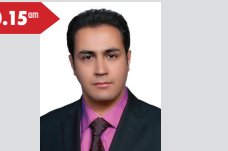


Social media for dairy farmers and breeders - Doing it right!

Presented by: **Holstein Australia - Adam Sewell**

If you're like most dairy farmers, updating your business's social media is never a priority. In this fast paced and engaging session from Holstein Australia, you'll hear first-hand from a number of breeders and businesses on how to use social media to market your herd, develop your brand and achieve a return on the time you invest, complete with some useful takeaway tips and tricks. Whether you are trying to reach consumers, looking for top price at your next sale or just want your voice to be heard, this session is for you.

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Nutritional strategies to manage heat stress in cattle

Presented by: **Ridley - Dr Babak Nobari**

In recent years, global warming is a major concern for the agricultural sector. In the most basic sense, heat stress occurs when a cow must change her behaviour and physiology to cope with environmental conditions. Heat stress impairs welfare and productive performance of dairy and beef cattle. Babak will focus on Nutritional strategies to manage the heat stress in dairy farms.

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Getting the right number of heifers in your herd

Presented by: **ST Genetics Australia - Kevin Ziemba**

The secrets of increasing herd profitability through genetics and heifer inventory management will be shared by Kevin Ziemba, East Regional Manager for STGenetics®. The main objective is to provide strategies to ensure you have the right heifer replacements to suit both the bottom and top end of your herd. Making the right heifers leads to greater profitability. Kevin has strong expertise and will present several methods and strategies to achieve this. The best way to predict the future, is to CREATE it!! A Light Lunch will be provided at the conclusion.