



DAIRY NOTES



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Water Quality Regulation Workshops – March 12th and April 16th in Hanford

Spring workshops about next steps for dairies' compliance with the new Waste Discharge Requirement have been scheduled throughout the region. The Hanford workshops will take place on March 12th from 9:30 to 12:30 and from 1:30 to 4:30 (2 sessions), and again on April 16th from 1:30 to 4:30. Please note the location for the March 12th sessions will be the **Kings Art Center** at 605 N. Douty Street. The same program will be held at many other locations – the announcement and complete listing are attached.

Hoof Trimming Seminar – March 15th from 9:00 to noon at Brown Dairy in Hanford

Anthony Amaro, hoof trimmer, and Steven Berry, DVM, UC Cooperative Specialist will conduct demonstrations and a seminar on all aspects of hoof care at Brown Dairy, 14803 Grangeville Blvd. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by calling 559-906-9796 or 559-779-0553.

Kings County DHIA – 90th Annual Event – April 3rd in Hanford

Kings County DHIA dates back to the year 1917. At that time it was known as the Kings County Farm Bureau Cow Testing Association. It was operated by the Dairy Department of the Farm Bureau, and managed by the local UC dairy farm advisor. From the records that I have found, it appears that reports of the association were produced for 1917, 1927, 1932 and then annually thereafter. Fun and interesting information can be found looking through these historical documents. For example, in 1927, there were 53 herds, and 2070 cows in the association. That is an average of 39 cows per herd! You might long for those simple days again – until you learn that the average milk per cow was 7,386 lbs, and fat was 264 lbs. At this year's annual awards banquet for the 2007 testing year, we are celebrating the 90th anniversary of Kings County DHIA. Mark your calendar – Thursday, April 3rd at the Civic Auditorium in Hanford.

UCCE Dairy Herdsman Short Course - April 15th - 17th in Tulare

Registration materials for the next Dairy Herdsman Short Course are enclosed. The classes will be held at the UC Vet Med Teaching and Research Center in Tulare. Please register early as space is limited. You can also register on-line at <http://cefresno.ucdavis.edu/Dairy/>.

UC Cooperative Extension Dairy Farm Advisor position open in Tulare County

UC Cooperative Extension in Tulare County is seeking an academic candidate to plan, conduct and coordinate applied research and education programs across a broad spectrum of dairy industry issues. The program will emphasize environmental quality issues such as air emissions, groundwater contamination, odors and flies. A Master's degree is required. Degrees in dairy or animal science are preferred, but closely related degrees will be considered. Experience in dairy manure and nutrient management including environmental and confined animal production interactions is highly desirable. Beginning salary will be in the Assistant Advisor rank, commensurate with experience and education. The full announcement for #ACV 07-01 and the required application form are available at <http://ucanr.org/cvr.joblisting>; or e-mail recruit07-01@uckac.edu. Deadline to apply is March 21.



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