



LATEST NEWS FROM CIS | September 2016

Welcome to the September edition of the CIS Newsletter.

This month focuses on the launch of the gKIT and gCOMPLETE which you can read more about below. Aside from that, the team have been very busy preparing for the UK Dairy Day which takes place next week on Wednesday 14th September at the International Centre in Telford where we do hope to see many of you there!

Genomics

Genomics and the ability to test animals via CIS has been available for a while now but as we all look to improve herd performance, the CIS team have enhanced the service offering two new options in the field of genomics.

For those looking to either test animals already 'on the ground' or looking to do a large proportion of the heifer calves each year there is an option of forward buying quantities of tests at a discounted rate.

For those customers already on Holstein complete service there is the option to add genomic testing of heifer calves for an additional per cow/month fee. We are working on bringing the same offer to those on other complete services in the near future as well.

Come along to the CIS stand in Hall 2 at UK Dairy Day to find out more about our gKIT's and gCOMPLETE or speak to your CIS Area Manager.



Remember

Samples can be either hair or tissue. Instructions are included in the gKit.



SHARING KNOWLEDGE ZONE AT UK DAIRY DAY



Want to know more about genomics and what it can offer to your herd?

Join Marco Winters of AHDB within the Sharing Knowledge Zone at UK Dairy Day for his presentation on what genomics can offer the modern dairy herd.

Seminar Area 1 at 12.40pm

USING GENOMICS

Using Genomics as a tool to benefit their business is the route being taken by CIS customer and Arla members Roger and Tom Hildreth of Curlew Fields Farm, Hessey, York.

The farm, which has been in the family since 1880, currently runs 110 Holstein cows and rears their own replacements. In recent months the focus has been trying to bring the herd into a tighter calving block from July to Sept alongside ensuring that they have the 'right' sort of animals to match their Arla profile for solids. It is here that Roger believes genomics has a role to play.

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CIS MANAGEMENT DIARY 2017

The CIS Management Diary is an invaluable tool for all dairy farmers and their staff.

It includes:

- Full 1 week to view diary for day to day herd management
- Medicine and Movement records
- Breeding, Feeding and Waste Management Plans
- Complies fully with National Farm Assurance

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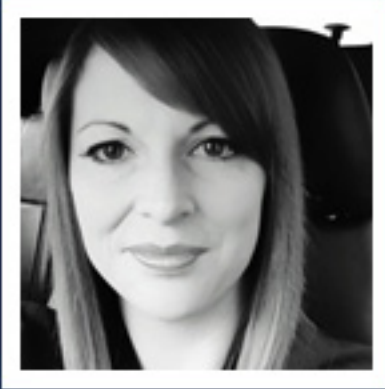
WHAT'S ON

Westmorland Show, Kendal	8th September
North Wales Club Calf Show Qualifier at Clynnog	10th September
East Midlands Club Calf Show Qualifier at Wysall	11th September
UK Dairy Day 2016	14th September
Norfolk Club Calf Show Qualifier at Norfolk Showground	18th September
Western, Staffordshire & Shropshire Club Calf Show	24th September
Central Counties Club Calf Show Qualifier at Stoneleigh	25th September
Cheshire Ploughing Match at Ashley Hall, Altrincham	28th September

Visit the CIS & Holstein UK stand #29 in Hall 2 at UK Dairy Day to meet the team and find out about a new exciting service launched at the event.

NEW TEAM MEMBERS

Becky Brayshaw - Contract Milk Recorder



Becky lives in Eccleshall and joins the CIS as a milk recorder for Staffordshire. Becky is familiar with the dairy industry, having done relief milking previously.

Mobile: 07837 675042

Mairi Fisher - Contract Milk Recorder



Covering the Ayrshire area, Mairi looks forward to increasing her knowledge of the dairy industry. In her spare time she competes in tug of war and horse riding.

Mobile: 07884 554197

Agnieszka Blachowicz (Aga)



CIS have strengthened the processing team at CIS head office and laboratory with the appointment of Agnieszka Blachowicz (Aga) to the team. Based at the Telford office, Aga has taken on responsibility for the tissue paperwork processing, this includes the Scottish BVD eradication programme, Northern Ireland BVD Programme and BVD Free England. This new role builds on Aga's experience having worked within the lab team for over four years.

For queries in relation to tissue samples sent in for BVD tissue testing please contact Aga on 01923 695320

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