

SUMMER 2021



VALLEY VETERINARY CLINIC

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

YOU'RE INVITED!

OUR ANNUAL CLIENT APPRECIATION COOKOUT WILL BE HELD AT ROCK LEDGE PARK IN SEYMOUR ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 26TH! MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW!

VVC ANNIVERSARIES

- JULIE MARCKS - 5 YEARS
- KENDRA WELLS - 3 YEARS
- MARK SAUDER - 9 YEARS
- RACE PRICE - 6 YEARS
- JACK HANSEN - 43 YEARS
- KIM STRAIT- 1 YEAR
- JENNY BREUTZMANN-7 YEARS
- BRIAN STAMPFL- 4 YEARS
- STEVE COVE - 15 YEARS
- TERRY HOMAN - 25 YEARS
- DAWN WAGNER- 3 YEARS



What do you call a sleeping cow?
A Bull-Dozer

NEWS & UPDATES

How Do Your Heifers Measure Up?

Heifer growth and development is a hot topic in our industry, for good reason. Heifer raising is one of the largest areas of investment for dairy farms. The best way to protect that investment is to ensure that you are raising healthy, strong replacements that perform well in their first lactation and beyond. A great way to monitor the performance of your calves and heifers is through body weight measurement. VVC is proud to announce that we now have a fully mobile scale unit which can be used to monitor heifer weights all the way from weaning to first calving. By weighing heifers at strategic time points, you can start to see where the strengths and weaknesses of your heifer program lie. Talk with your herd vet or contact our office if you'd like to hear more about how to start utilizing heifer weights at your dairy!



New Clinic Sign

After our VVC road sign was blown over earlier this year, plans for a new sign began. We would like to introduce our new door display in the picture below.



EST. 1971
VALLEY VETERINARY CLINIC
CLINIC HOURS
 MONDAY-FRIDAY 7:00am - 5:00pm
 SATURDAY 7:00am - 12:00pm
 SUNDAY CLOSED
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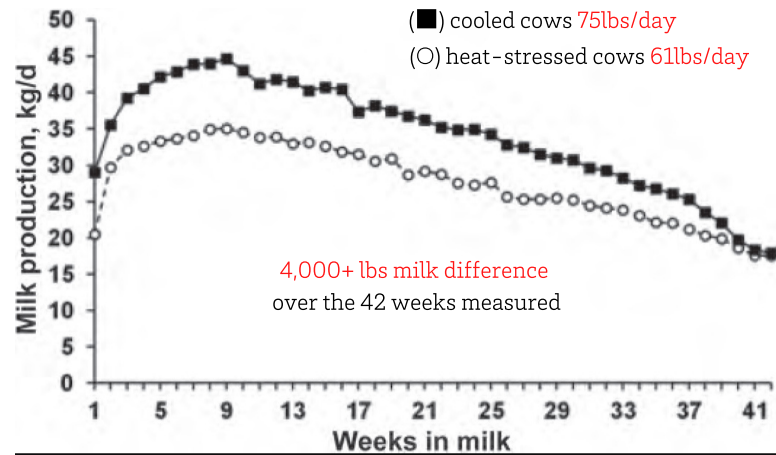
A HANDLE ON HEAT STRESS

CONSIDERATIONS WHEN IT'S HOT

- Work with cows when it's cool
 - Start earlier in the morning on tasks requiring cows to be locked up
 - Cows will eat more in the cool parts of the day/overnight
- Be mindful of feed heating up
 - If possible, put out fresh feed twice a day
 - Push up feed frequently
 - Check quality of refusals being fed, and keep an eye out for heavy mold growth

DON'T FORGET DRY COWS!

Cooling strategies for dry cows make a real difference in production over the next lactation.



Tao, et al., 2012. Effect of cooling heat-stressed dairy cows during the dry period on insulin response. J. Dairy Sci. 95:5035-5046.

Effect of cooling heat-stressed cows during the dry period on milk production up to 42 wk postpartum in the subsequent lactation.

FAREWELL TO DR. PAMELA DRAHEIM

Dr. Pamela hails from the Manitowoc area of Wisconsin. She graduated with her DVM in 2007 from the University of Wisconsin - Madison. She immediately joined the Valley Veterinary Clinic team in July of the same year. Pamela lives in Freedom with her husband, Steve, and their two sons, Evan and Jackson. In her spare time, Pamela enjoys camping and hiking with her family, reading and going to country concerts. She is also a VERY devoted Green Bay Packer fan. After 14 years of dedicated work at VVC, Pamela has announced a career change and will unfortunately be leaving our team this coming August. She will be greatly missed, and we are wishing her all the best!

