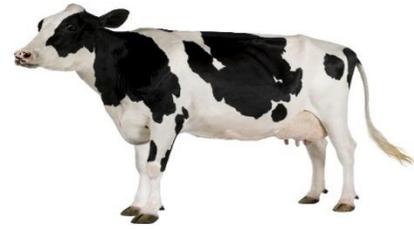


Attica Veterinary Associates

May 2020



Watch our Website for Fair Information

At time of print, the status of many county fairs for this year is still unknown, pending further direction from NYS. Rather than calling the office, please keep checking our website (www.atticacows.com) for updated information.

At-Clinic Visits

In order to better schedule our vets' times and ensure prompt service to all clients, please note that clients bringing their animals to the clinic will be charged a nominal \$20 call charge, effective 5/20/2020. Please call the office ahead of time to schedule an early appointment and ensure a vet will be on-site. Late call fees and after-hours/emergency charges still apply.

Please Continue to Help Us Serve You Safely!

Help us keep you and our staff safe.

1. Please use one of the following methods to place your orders prior to picking them up:
 - a. Call the office at 585-591-2660
 - b. Send a text message to 585-356-3420
 - c. Email avacattltek@icloud.com
2. Your order will be placed on the table outside of the clinic. Please do not enter the clinic
3. If you'd like to pay by credit card, please call with your card information ahead of time.
4. To better serve our clients, please contact us with your order before coming to the clinic.

Time to Think Fly Control

CCE has an online checklist to help you develop or evaluate an Integrated Pest Management ("IPM") plan for flies on your dairy:

<https://ecommons.cornell.edu/handle/1813/69594>

Ask Roy Gilkinson, our Cattle-Tek route manager, about our support program using parasitic wasps. He is familiar with assessing the quantity needed and setting up a schedule for on-farm application.

We have a supply of baits, tapes and sprays in-stock.

Oh, No! Not Crypto Again!

With warmer weather we are going to be challenged by increased calf diarrhea caused by this parasite.

A background piece on "crypto" (*Cryptosporidium parvum*) is available in the Calf Facts Resource section on our website. It includes (1) Exposure, (2) Control, (3) Normal recovery by calves and (4) People concerns.

Please remember persons working with calves if not previously exposed to crypto when the spring crypto surge occurs may have diarrhea for a few days.

Bunker Safety

Cornell Cooperative Extension NWN
Dairy team reminds us of the need for safety training including:

- If possible, have everyone on or around the bunk wear a safety vest.
- Remind everyone on the farm to be careful of increased truck traffic.
- Remind those operating packing tractors to wear their seat belt and pack the silage at a safe slope.
- Have a quick huddle with everyone before covering the bunk. Review the plan so everyone knows what their job is.
- Remind everyone to follow these safety practices:
 1. No horseplay.
 2. Stay away from the edges of the bunk as much as possible.
 3. Watch out for one another.

Field Work & Somatic Cell Counts

What? How is field work related to somatic cell counts? Spring field work commands a lot of attention and effort. It is easy to let our attention to parlor protocol compliance slip away in this busy time.

Remember:

- Quiet movement of cows into the holding area and parlor.
- Thorough and complete coverage of teats with predip.
- Adequate wait time before wiping, careful and complete wiping.
- Adequate wait time before unit attachment to allow oxytocin release.
- Thorough and complete coverage of teats with postdip.

It is possible to maintain a low somatic cell count even when the dairy is swamped with spring field work.

FOR SALE

First cutting big square bales. Call Jason Kehl at 585-297-9155

Straw: Stokoe 1812 Farm "3X3" bales. Call Chris at 585-409-3848. Delivery is available.

Equipment: H&S Silage Wagon – approx. 100 loads. Model 7610 CaseIH Round Bale Chopper. Model 7155 Hesston Chopper with corn & hay heads. Poly Square & Calf-Tel Calf Hutches. Call Marvin Luders at 585-322-6789.

WANTED

Heifers to board. Call Walt McCormick at 585-314-8580

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