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Attention: *We are switching over to a new billing system. Please call with any questions you have regarding your statements.*

News Flash!

It is with great sadness that we announce that Dr. Eila is flying the coop and leaving for new and great adventures. We wish her well!



Get a Jump on Pink Eye this Fly Season

The bacteria behind pink eye in our practice area are *Moraxella bovis* and *Moraxella bovoculi*. It is carried from animals by face flies. The flies feed around the eyes, creating wounds. These wounds allow entrance of bacteria. Direct contact between animals will transfer the bacteria as well. Eye irritation from dust, pollen, and feed promote shedding from infected animals. A few carrier heifers can serve as a reservoir for infection for an entire pen.

A vaccination program may be the best alternative for WNY dairies. Ideally, we like to vaccinate 28-45 days before pink eye season. That is roughly just before you receive this May AVA Newsletter. It is not too late, however, to vaccinate.

We stock a vaccine that provides protection for both strains of bacteria. The liquid injectable comes in 50 dose bottles (2ml/injection) and requires a booster 2-4 weeks (2 doses = \$2.34/heifer). The solid implant comes in packs of 50 and is prescribed as 1 dose/season (\$3.34/heifer)

The two other commercial vaccines in stock that provide protection for only *Moraxella bovis* are Piliguard Pinkeye-1 (one dose, \$1.68/heifer) and the combination clostridial/pinkeye vaccine Alpha 7-MB that requires a booster injection (2 doses = \$3.62/heifer).

Check with your regular veterinarian for the program that best meets your farm's needs.

Pink Eye Vaccine

Piliguard Trivalent:

10 dose = \$19.86

50 dose = \$84.39

AVA Autogenous:

Liquid Injectable

50 dose = \$58.59

Solid implant

50 dose = 165.59



Credit: Dan Reynolds

Looking for:

Calf hutches
Please call Lyman:
409-3353
Thanks!

Now offering!

- Need help vaccinating and dehorning? Our technicians are happy to assist. Please call the office to schedule an appointment.
- Dr. Susan will be offering “Cow College” for Hispanic employees interested in learning more about cow & calf care. Dates and programs to come soon!