Heifers on Target discussion program

Are your heifers on track? How do you know?

Improved heifer management is a simple tool to help improve dairy herd fertility that has many other potential paybacks. Well-grown heifers perform better in the milking herd, are better able to compete with older herd mates, calve more easily and are more likely to stay in the herd to their second lactation. This has the added benefits of increased sustainability and lower labour costs. You may also be able to reduce your input costs by rearing fewer replacements.

Dairy Australia’s Heifers on Target discussion program gives farmers some new tools for monitoring heifers and the opportunity to share ideas for better heifer management from weaning through to first calving.

The two-hour program will be held on-farm to enable you to:
- participate in some hands-on activities
- learn from others in your local area and share your insights
- discuss how heifer performance can affect farm profits
- look at different ways to monitor heifers, including non-weighing options
- develop suitable targets for your heifers

Workshop details

“Heifers on Target” discussion groups are being run on;
Tuesday 21 May - Leo Phelan, 188 Bankton Road, Dairy Plains
Wednesday 22 May - Neil & Leanne Innes-Smith, 348 Huetts Road, Edith Creek
Thursday 23 May - Barry & Kathryn Forsyth, 429 Maurice Road, Trenah
Friday 24 May - Marrawah Hotel
Monday 27 May - TIA Dairy Research Facility, 210 Nunns Road, Elliott
Wednesday 12 June - Gary & Bev Carpenter, South Riana

Registration is essential

Please RSVP for catering purposes to Lesley Irvine by phone or text on 0428 880 287 or email Lesley.Irvine@utas.edu.au indicating the workshop which you plan to attend and the number of people attending.