

2011 Northeast Regional Dairy Challenge Schedule of Events

Wednesday, October 26, 2011

6:00 Dinner with committee and host farms in, Watertown, New York - meal sponsored by Kent Nutrition.

Location: Ramada Inn, Watertown, NY

Thursday, October 27, 2011

Dairy Challenge Central in Greenstreets Room Thursday through Saturday

- 4:00 Students and coaches arrive and check in computers and cameras in
GREENSTREETS FOR DAIRY CHALLENGE CENTRAL
Brett Denny, John Gloss, Kas Ingawa and staff available to check in computers and cameras
- 5:30-6:30 Dinner – **Renaissance Room A & B**
- 6:00 Welcome and introductions – Cathy Wickswat, Steve Mooney, Beth Keene, Owen Bewley
- 6:30 – 7:00 Student teams receive farm folders for initial review
-all students should have name tags and at least one camera per team
- 7:00 – 8:15 Simultaneous dairy records and financial management seminars (1/2 of each team in each seminar)
Renaissance Room A with Dr. Mark Thomas (Frans Vokey contact and confirm)-Dairy Records
Renaissance Room B with Kathryn Canzonier, Farm Credit East-Farm Financial Records Review
- 8:15 – 9:00 Team activities in **Renaissance Room A & B**
-Focus on Team Building with Eric Reid, Old Mill Troy
- Professionalism exercise with Barry Putnam, Cargill
-Video of a good presentation
- 8:00 Coaches Meeting-Directors Room
Cathy Wickswat, schedule of events, expectations for participation, and transportation requirements
Steve Mooney & Beth Keene- coaches program and schedule
- Judges Meeting – Executive Room
John Lehr
General program information
Judges schedule
Rules booklet/scorecard
Host farm information & farm data notebook
Team interviews/presentation schedules
Summary & worksheets for evaluations
- 9:00 Hand out computers to students-John Gloss, Brett Denny, Kas Ingawa
- 10:00 Collect computers from students

Friday, October 28, 2011

- 6:30 Breakfast buffet – **Renaissance Room A&B**
- 7:15 Morning announcements, Cathy Wickswat, Steve Mooney, Beth Keene
-What are you trying to do on the farm? Barry Putnam
-“What if analysis”, Barry Putnam
- 7:30 Volunteers meet with Kathy Hanehan for instructions in **Directors Room**
- 8:00 Board buses for farms 1, 2, 3
Board bus for farm #1 first, #3 second, #2 third
-Host Farm Coordinator warn about specific safety issues on that farm (bunks, pits, bulls, etc.)
-Extension Agents also board bus to speak about agriculture in this area (Ron Kuck, Joe Lawrence, Art Baterman)
- 8:15 Judges depart to assigned farm.
Coaches depart to tour all 3 farms using college vehicles
- 8:30 Students arrive at farms
- 9:00 -PSU shaker box and manure screens available on farms, piles of feed available for viewing
-Introduction of producer and general questions from teams
- 9:15 Students tour farms
- 11:15 Board buses to return to hotel
- 12:00-1:00 Group photo as students return from farms
Lunch at the hotel – **Renaissance Room A & B**
- 1:00-6:00 Students prepare and complete presentations
• Volunteers bring snacks and drinks to students
- 1:00-6:00 Judges from each farm meet, review, and prepare summary in a judge’s room
- 2:00-2:30 Team Farm Manager Interviews (30 minutes per farm)
• Farm 1 – **Directors Room**-teams 1, 2, 3, 4
• Farm 2 – **Executive Room** -teams 5, 6, 7, 8
• Farm 3 – **Lounge** -teams 9, 10, 11, 12
- 2:30-3:00
• Farm 1 – **Directors Room** -teams 13, 14, 15, 16
• Farm 2 – **Executive Room** -teams 17, 18, 19, 20
• Farm 3 – **Lounge** -teams 21, 22, 23, 24
- 2:00-4:00 Sponsors, coaches, and volunteers meeting **Renaissance Room B**
-Barry Putnam, Dairy Challenge Direction Meeting
-Details for Saturday, need 2 vans to leave tour farm at 11:00 with the three teams presenting at 1:00
- 6:00 Collect student teams’ presentations at **Dairy Challenge Central Room**
Bring all team members, computers, financial data, and thank you notes
- Judges final reports completed and turned in

- 7:00 Halloween Party **Renaissance Room A & B**
Event organized by Molly Zorn, Kevin Putnam, Barry Putnam
- 9:30 Snacks provided by "Morrisville Fresh, LLC "

Saturday, October 29, 2011

- 6:30 Breakfast buffet and morning announcements – **Renaissance Room A&B**
- 7:00 Judges, moderators, room clerks, and traffic ushers meet with John Lehr, Cathy Wickswat, and Kathy Hanehan in **one corner of Renaissance Room**
- First 3 Teams receive presentations at Dairy Challenge Central
Presentations will be handed out to teams 1 hour prior to presentation start
- Following presentations all teams must report for pictures, debriefing, and time with sponsors at the **Career Fair in Lounge/Dining Room Balcony**
All students must participate in the farm tour/trade show in the morning or afternoon depending on presentation schedules
- 7:30 Sponsors set up booths – **Lounge/Dining Room Balcony**
- 7:45 Afternoon teams and coaches board buses to travel to **Woods' Farm**
- 8:00-12:00 Morning Team Presentations
- Farm 1 – **Directors Room**
 - Farm 2 – **Executive Room**
 - Farm 3 – **Lounge**
- Following presentations all teams must report for pictures, debriefing, and time with sponsors at the **Career Fair in Lounge/Dining Room Balcony**
- 8:55-1:00 Team photos and debriefing, visit sponsors in Career Fair area following presentations
- 9:50-10:05 Break
- 12:00 Room check out
Changing rooms available for students-Check at Dairy Challenge Central for location
Board Room available for luggage
- 11:30-1:30 Boxed lunches available – **Renaissance Room**
- 12:45 Morning teams and coaches board buses to travel to **Woods' Farm**
- 1:00-5:00 Afternoon Team Presentations
- Farm 1 – **Directors Room**
 - Farm 2 – **Executive Room**
 - Farm 3 – **Lounge**
- Following presentations all teams must report for pictures, debriefing and time with sponsors at the Career Fair in the **Lounge/Dining Room Balcony**
- 1:55-5:00 Team photos and debriefing, visit sponsors in Career Fair area following presentations
- 2:50-3:05 Break
- 5:00 Sponsors tear down booths

5:00 Judges final scoring for awards and meeting with host farm families in presentation rooms

6:00 Evening banquet – **Renaissance Room A & B**
Brief remarks by speaker

6:15 Judges presentation, key issues on farm 1-five slides

6:30 Judges presentation, key issues on farm 2-five slides

6:45 Judges presentation, key issues on farm 3-five slides

7:00 Presentations of awards

7:30 Photographs of winners in lobby area

Safe trip home!