

# The Dairy Management Academy

Building a stronger industry through leadership excellence



**Our Dairy Management Academy is the leading industry training programme aimed at herd managers, aspiring herd managers and leaders of the future. It covers all areas of dairy farm management, ranging from rationing dairy cows to financial planning.**



### VERSATILE PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

The academy comprises a two-year programme, covering the key technical and business areas of dairy management. It combines classroom sessions, workshops and practical sessions on farm



### VALUABLE MENTORING

You will be offered access to a mentor, who will work directly with you to help you apply all learnings to practical training situations



### INTERNATIONAL EXPOSURE

The programme offers you the opportunity to broaden your experience of international dairy farming, with the inclusion of an overseas study tour



### PROGRESS REPORTS

Informal appraisals are provided to offer additional support and training, and to ensure you get the most out of the programme



### BUILD A PROGRESSIVE CAREER

You will be challenged to build your technical and business skills in a practical way and learn how to get the most from your farm team to deliver profitable milk production



“The Dairy Management Academy gave me the opportunity to learn from subject matter experts on both current and future developments in the field, alongside a group of other ambitious cow managers. I found this insight to be an invaluable addition to my current skills set. I feel confident that I have gained knowledge that will benefit me both now and in years to come, as I progress in my career.

Beth Kirby

# Course content overview

## Cow comfort & environment



The importance of understanding your cows environment should never be underestimated. We cover a range of topics from stress to cow flow



## Forage production & utilisation

Are you getting the most out of your natural resources? This module covers everything from fertiliser recommendations and soil to clamp management



It's essential for your calves to have the most advantageous start. This module covers the calf environment through to the transition period



## Nutrition & feeding

This is one of the biggest costs for any dairy farmer, so getting clued up on your cattle's varying nutritional needs and the impact on their health is paramount



## Fertility, genetics & herd performance

Delving into the practical management of herd reproduction and choosing the optimum genetics for profit on different systems



## Financial management

Gaining the ability to understand milk contracts, the difference between profit and cash, influencing profitability and margins



## Staff Management

Gain the ability to self-assess - what are your strengths, weaknesses and opportunities as a manager? As well as health and safety training.



## Final overview module

The opportunity to apply all learnings by recommending improvements for a case study farm and developing a short report that outlines your future objectives.

# Do you want to be at the forefront of dairy farm management in the UK?



## REGISTER YOUR INTEREST NOW



### WHAT WE SEEK:

- ✓ You are committed to developing a career in the dairy farming sector
- ✓ You have around two years experience in dairy livestock management
- ✓ You will have a desire to learn and develop your skills base
- ✓ You're prepared to widen your perspectives and travel for the overseas study tour

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