Tip of the Month — November 2024

Fluctuations in daily production, incomplete milkings, kicking off, etc.

When you look at the Attention board at Daily production overview, there is a symbol of a graph at the top right. If you click on it, a graph will appear where you can see over a longer period what the average daily production has been in the period you specified.



It is interesting to look at this over a period of a year or even longer.

The average number of milkings per day can be seen and also whether more or fewer incomplete milkings or kicking offs occurred in a certain period or on certain days.

Sometimes you see slow changes, sometimes peaks or troughs.

Can you remember why things went less well or better than average in certain periods / days? For example, a major ration change, hoof-trimming day, many new heifers calved, a long standstill due to a malfunction or service,

And, even better, can some negative changes be prevented in the future?

Introduction / Tip of the Month by category

Dear reader,

From now on you can read the Tips per category on these pages.

So for information about, for example, udder health or concentrate supply, you can find which Tips have been written about this per category since 2010.

There are Tips that are old and Tips that fit into multiple categories.

The latest published Tips can still be found below and on the right side.

On the phone you will find the categories on this page under the last 5 Tips.

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Tip of the Month — October 2024

Use a high-pressure cleaner?

It is very tempting to occasionally clean the robot with a high-pressure cleaner.

DeLaval is against using a high-pressure cleaner when cleaning

the robot.

Because there is too much hardware and also moving parts such as encoders, camera, touchscreen, which can very badly withstand the water pressure of a high-pressure cleaner.

It is protected, but you also want the VMS to last 24/7 for many years.

If you still want to use the high-pressure cleaner for the floor and the fencing, do so with your Farmersense, so with a minimum pressure, at most 80 Bar and pay close attention to what you are spraying.

And make sure that the robot room is well ventilated in the meantime and afterwards.

The splashes go everywhere and the vapor otherwise hangs in the robot room for hours and that is also very bad for the printed circuit boards etc.!

Try to clean as much as possible with the water hose with sprayer in combination with a car wash brush, cleaning cloth, to have to use the high-pressure cleaner as little as possible.

Tip of the Month — September 2024

Do you have a concentrate feed box?

Sometimes you need a concentrate feed box to be able to give the desired extra amount of concentrate feed that cannot be taken up in the milking robot to high-producing cows.

Do you have insight into whether these cows are actually

coming there and whether the programmed amounts are being taken up sufficiently?

There are nice lists to show this, especially when it is programmed as an extra type of feed.

And when was the concentrate feed box last calibrated?

Tip of the Month - August 2024

Corporate blindness.

Do you not (yet) suffer from business blindness?

How many daily chores have been running on "autopilot" for a while now, not thinking anymore about whether it could be done more conveniently or whether some ease has crept in here and there?

How often do you still do the 2-Minute Check?

And do you check weekly whether the concentrate, for example given to old-milk cows, in particular is in line with their condition and production? In other words: are your concentrate costs spent on the right cows at the right time? Are the cows that are going to be dried off in the right condition?

In the robot / milking parlor area: How clean and how maintained are the technical components to prevent unwanted surprises at the wrong time?

Do you still look at the Work Routines list every now and then?