

PASTURE SUMMIT

AUTUMN EVENTS 2024



Pasture Summit is holding two on farm events this Autumn, hosted by farmers for farmers, with input from dairy sector specialists, sharing ideas and developments on achieving profitable dairy food production from grass. We're in the business of turning grass to milk to cash - it's our key competitive advantage. Our host farmers are focused on achieving strong bottom-line financial performance and growth. They will present their costs and returns and discuss their farm management strategy to drive profit now and into the future.

Outline Programme for Bay of Plenty Event

THEME:	<i>Profit, Pasture, Progression</i>
DATE:	Wednesday 1st May 2024
LOCATION:	Hosted by Jordyn Crouch & Isaac Algar in Ātiamuri
TIMING	SESSION DETAILS
9:30 to 10:00	Arrival, registration and morning tea
10:00 to 10:15 (15 mins)	Welcome, introductions and why we are on this farm – Robert Ferris, Pasture Summit Orientation and H&S Briefing - Kevin McKinley, DairyNZ
10:15 to 11:15 (60 mins)	SESSION 1: Business Goals and Financial Results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Background ➤ Business & financial performance ➤ Industry benchmarks & regional comparisons ➤ Growth strategy Host farmers, Jordyn and Isaac presenting, facilitated by Kevin McKinley, DairyNZ
11:30 to 12:45 (75 mins)	SESSION 2: Herd Reproduction Key management practices to achieve excellent reproductive results Session facilitated by Kevin McKinley, DairyNZ Science Team Presentation Kevin Macdonald, Farm Systems Scientist Dr Susanne Meier, DairyNZ Senior Scientist and herd reproduction specialist <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Key farm system components of high in calf/low empty rate herd ➤ Trend of 6 week in calf rate over time ➤ Latest research on repro/replacements ➤ Latest info on genetics/fertility BV et ➤ Q&A Our Journey with Herd Repro Host farmers, Jordyn and Isaac presenting BOP contract milkers to share herd reproduction strategy Presented by Josh and Fern Saunders from Armer Farms Open Q&A
12:45 to 12:50 (5 mins)	Key messages & wrap up – Olin Greenan, Pasture Summit
13:00 to 13:45 (45 mins)	LUNCH
13:45 to 14:45 (60 mins)	SESSION 3: Equity Growth Pathways Panel discussion exploring equity growth pathways for young farmers wanting to progress in dairying. Session facilitated by Kevin McKinley/Paul Bird, DairyNZ