



Jones Feed Mills Information update



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Reminders:

To ensure feed can be delivered when you need it, please place your order by 11am the day before the feed is required. This keeps the mill running smoothly and lowers the risk of cross-contamination between batches.

There is a 20 bag or a half tonne minimum for custom feeds and premixes when you order. Please keep this in mind when you call.

Please label your bins to reduce the risk of an error when feed is delivered. Also, when designing or making changes to a bin, keep the safety of yourself and our drivers in mind.

Congratulations

The staff at Jones Feed Mills would like to congratulate George and Jean Jones on their 55th wedding anniversary, which was May 24. All the best to George and Jean.

What's new at Jones

Humane Hog Program Arrives

A humane hog contract offered through Ontario Pork is leading to a new line of feed. Jones has created an antibiotic free, probiotic enriched feed for hogs enrolled in the program.

The feed will have the same nutrition analysis as the feeds on our regular hog program, but to compensate for the missing medications, probiotics and other feed additives are being added to combat illness.

For information on the humane hog program, or on the feeds available, contact the office or one of our sales representatives.

New Faces and New Voices

Jones would like to welcome two new people to the office staff team. At the end of April, Patricia Dickenson joined the Linwood order desk team. She has just completed her Agricultural Science degree at the University of Guelph, and has a wide range of agricultural experience, being from a farm which raises dairy cattle, beef, and sheep; having her own goat herd; and having worked at the Elora Dairy Research Station.

Jen Armstrong has joined the Heidelberg team and will be working in the store and at the order desk. She brings us horse experience including raising horses on her family farm and selling horse feed, which she has been doing since 2004. Also a Guelph graduate, Jen holds a degree in Animal Science and Nutrition.

Livestock Futures – May 25 / 07

Live Cattle - \$/cwt		Change	Dressed Hogs \$/ckg		Change
June	\$98.41	-5.15	June	\$151.68	-3.83
August	\$98.55	-3.38	July	\$149.61	-7.54
October	\$103.14	-2.92	August	\$148.59	-6.51
December	\$102.87	-3.08	October	\$133.26	

Canadian Dollar 1.08026 -
0.02054

The change column refers to the change in futures from the values published in the last update. All prices are in Canadian dollars.

Management Tip

Reducing Heat Stress in Dairy Cattle

Facts: Feed intake in cattle decreases at temperatures above 28°C, with reduced performance occurring above 32°C. Production decreases by three to 20 per cent, and sometimes more, with conception rates falling as low as zero per cent.

Possible Management Changes:

1. Use evaporative cooling through fans, as cattle only sweat 10% as much as people
2. Provide shade – especially over feeding areas and on pasture
3. Increase sanitation through more cleaning and bedding to reduce mastitis risk
4. Provide a clean and abundant supply of drinking water, as water consumption can increase five to six gallons per head per day

Feeding Guidelines:

- Use high quality digestible forages – require less energy for digestion
- Add extra water to TMR or forages if dry matter intake drops
- Provide most of the ration during cooler periods of the day (early morning and evening)
- Remove silage from silos just prior to feeding
- Feed a higher fat ration if dry matter intake drops below 90 per cent of normal
- Consult your nutritionist – mineral levels need to be adjusted and certain feed additives can be added to aid in reducing heat stress

Fly Bait Special

Snip Fly Bait special is being held over for another month

10% off per jar

15% volume discount for 5 jars or more

Offer expires June 30, 2007

Increase in Milk Replacer Prices

Prices of all milk replacers have increased, and may continue to increase with time. There are many drivers for this change, including increases in prices of skim milk powder, whey protein concentrates, and whey powder.

Production of these milk replacer components is limited, and there is a risk that Canada will no longer have a surplus at year end.

Canada Day Holiday

A reminder that all three mills will be closed on Monday, July 2 to celebrate Canada Day.

Please place orders well in advance to ensure delivery.

Today's fact: Cheese was first made over 4,000 years ago in Asia

