Hello,

With the support of JerseyNZ, I am again taking a team from New Zealand to compete in the International Dairy Week (IDW) Youth Challenge. This premier event involves 10 members aged from 12 to 22, who either clip an animal, judge animals or parade animals. The leaders coming on the trip to supervise and coach are: Julie Pirie, James Wallace, Pam Goodin, and Karen Fitzgerald.

While there, we plan on staying on for the duration of the event to gain knowledge around showing dairy cattle, and network with youth from Australia. In 2018, 13 teams from across Australia competed.

The team will have the opportunity to compete in the handler’s competition and lead animals for competitors in the Junior Show.


I have been liaising with personnel from IDW, and will be able to enter a team. To be fair on all interested youth, we have decided to ask for Expressions of Interest (EOI). A panel will assist in making the selection.

The aim this year is to be competitive, so we will enter a team to fit within the age limits. The selection will be based on the age groups required, and the application. Prior experience in this type of competition is preferred, but not a pre-requisite.

We have enclosed last year’s criteria and information – we envisage the rules for next year will be similar – please read this before filling in your application.

Proposal:
Team members – 10.

Adult supervision – Julie Pirie, James Wallace, Pam Goodin, Karen Fitzgerald.

Travel – Depart Auckland Friday 18 January, Arrive back in Auckland January 25 or 26. We will hire two or three mini-vans. Accommodation will be an apartment complex – in Shepperton – approximately 20 minutes from Tatura.
Our estimate for costs is that travel and accommodation will be around $2000. We will require a deposit (as soon as possible after the team is announced), and a full payment by 10 December. Each member will also need to make arrangements for travel to and from Auckland International Airport. Parent helpers and the youth team will be expected to adhere to a code of conduct that is enclosed.

It will also be useful to have a whole team meeting, so each member would need to make themselves available to attend a day held in December to have a training day.

At this early stage we can only give an estimate of costs. It will pay to consider the full cost before putting in an expression of interest. We hope to gain sponsorship but need to get a team together first. Food and spending money is not included above.

More information will be available to the successful applicants regarding flights, accommodation and other requirements.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any queries.

EIo due by 5 October 2018

NZ Dairy Event Youth Challenge  Australian IDW Youth Challenge

Kind regards,

Julie Pirie
Conduct:

Expectations.

- We expect everyone going on this trip to act responsibly – we are guests of the Australian farmers at the International Dairy Event, and are representing JerseyNZ. If you have any concerns about anyone’s behaviour please talk to someone about it.
- It is important as a team to look out for each other – so make sure that you are not putting yourself or your team in any danger with anything that you do.

RULES – Thanks Venturer’s for DADS Rules – which will apply for this JerseyNZ event:

**DADS RULES**

**DRUGS:** The possession of and/or use of illegal drugs is banned. Misuse of prescription drugs or other substances will be treated as for illegal drugs.

**ALCOHOL:** Alcohol shall not be in the possession of, nor consumed by, any person.

**DISCRIMINATION:** Discriminatory behaviour that may be degrading or cause offence to others is not acceptable. This includes discrimination on the grounds of gender, race, religion, sexual orientation or any other reason.

**SEX:** Behaviour of a sexual nature is not appropriate. Couples shall not share sleeping accommodation. Affectionate behaviour is acceptable providing it does not offend or cause others present to feel uncomfortable.

Any behaviour that offends or causes harm to others is not acceptable!

**Consequences**

Any person found in the possession of, or using, illegal drugs will be referred to the Police.

Persons found to be in breach of the rules on drugs, alcohol, or sex will have this reported to their parents, and further action decided upon liaising with parents.

Persons found to be in breach of the rules on discrimination, violence, or offensive behaviour will be asked to make a written or verbal apology to the satisfaction of the leaders. Continued or extreme instances or failure to apologise in a satisfactory manner will be reported to parents and appropriate action decided in conjunction of leadership group and parents.

Persons found in the possession of alcohol will have the alcohol confiscated and parents will be notified.
HOLSTEIN YOUTH DAIRY CHALLENGE 2017 Rules

HOLSTEIN YOUTH DAIRY YOUTH CHALLENGE - Sunday

Event guidelines:
- Team nominations due by 4 December 2016 to the Holstein Australia Office ph: 1300 788 188 or enquiry@holstein.com.au (team members need not be organized at this time).
- All electrical equipment used in the competition is required to be tagged by an electrician.
- No Alcohol is to be consumed by team members or present during the competition.
- Teams are required to supply their own tarp of an adequate size to catch hair during clipping.
- Teams to come from dairy youth groups, sub branch areas, interstate teams or minor breed teams (Guernsey, Ayrshire, Brown Swiss and Illawarra) may enter a national team.
- All participants to be under 22 years of age on competition day.
- The Dairy Youth Challenge is for all breeds of dairy cattle. The participation of the youth involved in all breeds should be actively encouraged and promoted.
- Teams are to consist of 10 working members, plus a team coordinator. Coordinators are not necessarily part of the working team and can be outside the competitive age limit.
- Each team must include at least 3 junior members (under 15 years). If insufficient juniors, the team will lose 5 points/person for each junior not participating.
- Each team is restricted to 3 working members over the age of 18 and under 22 on the day of the show. Each member over the limit of 3 will be penalised by a loss of 5 points/person to the teams overall score. No person to compete in more than 1 event.
- Cattle for the clipping and judging will be provided by the organizers.
- Uniforms to consist of team coloured shirts, jeans, leather boots and caps (optional). Shirts may have teams name on the back. Sponsors logos may be used on the front of the shirt - no larger than 15cm (pocket size), or on caps.

Teams will be judged on the following:

CLIPPING - points awarded out of 100
- 4 members to take part
- Duration 30 minutes
- To be judged on teamwork, attitude, equipment use and it's safety as well as the quality of the completed job, including topline
- At the end, animals must be led using a leather halter for final inspection
- A short questionnaire is to be completed by all team members collectively during this time
- There will be 2 clipping heats, clipping order will be notified on the day prior to the event

JUDGING - points awarded out of 100
- 3 members to take part
- Duration 20 minutes • Animals will be paraded, with team members to judge the class collectively, recording their places on the sheet provided, and then hand into the officials (50 points)
- One team member is then nominated to present their teams placing and reasons over the microphone (50 points)

PARADING - points awarded out of 100
- 3 members to take part
- Duration 20 minutes
- 3 animals to be paraded as a group, side by side and head to tail under the direction of the ring steward/judges • Animals for the parading are to be provided by the competitors
INTERNATIONAL DAIRY WEEK – YOUTH CHALLENGE

Expression of Interest (EOI) Application

Name ........................................................................................................

Birth Date ....................../............../..............

Address ........................................................................................................

Phone ............................... email ..........................................................

Parents Name ..............................................................................................

Parents Address ............................................................................................

Parents Phone ......................... email .........................................................

Parents Signature: (If under 18 years of age) I agree with my son/daughter submitting this EOI. I agree for my child to be in the care of the named adult leaders, and agree to the code of conduct, should they become a member of the Youth Team.

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• What Experience have you had in showing cattle?
• Please give details of youth challenges you have been involved in.
• Please write a short essay (between 50 and 300 words) explaining why you would like to be part of a team to attend IDW.
• The Australian farmers would like to know who will be leading theirstock – Please provide a short outline – around 50-100 words on the experience you have, and the type of animals you are able to handle so that we can send this to them.

EOI due by 5pm 5 October 2018

Please send your EOI to pgoodin@jersey.org.nz and cc julie@piriefarms.co.nz we will send a confirmation of receipt.