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Top Managed Herds of 2017 Announced

Guelph, ON and Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue, QC.--CanWest DHI and Valacta are proud to recognize excellence in dairy herd management by releasing the Canadian top 25 herds based on the 2017 Herd Management Score results. The evaluation was done at the national level amongst a total of 7,500 herds.

The Herd Management Score allocates points for performance in different management areas (including milk production, udder health, reproduction, heifer rearing and longevity) and is an excellent indicator of overall herd performance. It is a great tool for herds to monitor their progress from year to year and also allows herds to benchmark themselves against others, including within their unique production system (free stall, tie stall, robotic, organic).

We congratulate these producers, whose sustained efforts have led to outstanding performance.

Farm	Owner(s)	City	Province
1. Ferme Barjo Inc.	Amélie Tremblay & Dominique Bard	Baie-Saint-Paul	Québec
2. Ferme M.& R. Boutin	Martin et Renaud Boutin	Saint-Georges	Québec
3. Ferme Aquarel Enr.	Michel Labbé	Saint-Lazare-de-Bellechase	Québec
4. Ferme Denis St-Pierre	Denis St-Pierre	Saint-Arsène	Québec
5. Pauferlou Inc.	Marc-Antoine Rousseau	Pohénégamook	Québec
6. Ferme Pierlie SENC	Pierre Guévin & Julie Michel	Saint-Adelphe	Québec
7. Ferme B. Lehoux & Fils Inc.	M. Lehoux	Saint-Elzéar-de-Beauce	Québec
8. Ferme Seric Inc.	Éric Gregoire	Napierville	Québec
9. Ferme Roquet Inc.	Sylvio Rodrigue & Barbara Paquet	Saint-Côme-Linière	Québec
10. Ferme Collette & Fils Inc.	Daniel Collette	Saint-Antoine-sur-Richelieu	Québec
11. Haag Farms Inc.	Roger & Karen Haag	Brussels	Ontario
12. Milky Way Dairy	Frank & Debbie Les	Chilliwack	British Columbia
13. Summitholm Holsteins	Carl, Dave & Ben Loewith	Lynden	Ontario
14. Pfister Dairy Farm	Hans Pfister & Family	Mitchell	Ontario
15. Wilmarlea Farms	John & Willard Mackay	Embrow	Ontario
16. Albadon Farms Ltd.	Mark & Josh Ireland	Teeswater	Ontario
17. Ferme M. R. Larochelle Inc.	Martin Larochelle	Saint-Narcisse-de-Beaurivage	Québec
18. Ferme Drahoka Enr.	Francis & Sylvain Drapeau	Kamouraska	Québec
19. Muilwyk Farms Ltd.	Wim Muilwyk	Brownsville	Ontario
20. Ferme Agrimatic Inc.	Julien Pelletier	Saint-Charles-de-Bellechasse	Québec
21. Ferme Missiska 2014 Inc.		Saint-Armand	Québec
22. JPC Farms Inc.	Jamie Beaumont & Family	Mitchell	Ontario
23. Sunny Point Farms Ltd	Phillip Vroegh	East Noel	Nova Scotia
24. J. N. Beauchemin & Fils	Raphaël Beauchemin et al.	Saint-Ours	Québec
25. Ferme Girelou	René Morel	Saint-Wenceslas	Québec

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Top Herds by Category

Top Tie Stall

Ferme Barjo Inc. Amélie Tremblay & Dominique Bard Baie-Saint-Paul, QC

Top Free Stall- Parlour

Ferme Aquarel Enr. Michel Labbé Saint-Lazare-de-Bellechasse, QC

Top Robot Herd

Haag Farms Inc. Roger & Karen Haag Brussels, ON

Top Organic Herd

Ferme Y. Lampron & Fils Yves Lampron Saint-Boniface, QC

Top Herds by Province

British Columbia

Milky Way Dairy	Frank & Debbie Les	Chilliwack
West River Farm Ltd.	Grant & Gene Sache	Rosedale
Kish Farms Ltd.	Darren Kish	Abbotsford

Alberta

Boxrose Farms Ltd.	Jesse Bouwknecht & Eric Boeve	Lacombe
Richards Farms Ltd.	William Richards	Red Deer
Houweling Farms Ltd.	Pete Houweling	Coaldale

Saskatchewan

Sierra Colony Farms Ltd.	Thomas Kleinsasser	Shaunavon
Dept. Animal & Poultry Science	Jay Olyniuk	Saskatoon
Alley Holsteins	Albert Leyenhorst	Dalmeny

Manitoba

Rehoboth Farms	Henry, Evelyn, Dave & Kristin Stam	Grunthal
Readore Farms	Rheal Simon	Notre Dame
Sight Hill Farm Ltd.	Clarence Doerksen	Austin

Ontario

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Pfister Dairy Farm	Hans Pfister & Family	Mitchell

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New Brunswick

Clarke Farms	Matthew Clarke	New Canaan
Ravenwood Holsteins Ltd	Alex L Henderson	Irishtown
Wesselius Holstein Farms Ltd	George & Heather Wesselius	Wheaton Settlement

Nova Scotia

Sunny Point Farms Ltd	Phillip Vroegh	East Noel
Winding River Farms Ltd	The Visser Family	Mackay Sidin
Murray Holman		Middle Musquodoboit

Prince Edward Island

Carruthers Farms Ltd	James Carruthers	Kensington
Red Oak Farms	Pat Versteeg	Oyster Bed Bridge
Newland Farms Inc.	Kees, Elly & Erik Verhulst	Hunter River

Newfoundland

N. & N. Farm Ltd	Lee Noel	Cormack
Larch Grove Farms	Ian Richardson	Cormack
Cornerstone Farm	Michelle Ralph - Spears	Cormack

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