

Half Yearly Milk Quality Awards



Winner:

Michael Crowley, Castlecor.



Runners up:

Donald McSweeney, Knocknagree,
and Coolroe House Farms
(John & Ursula Forrest)



**From everybody at
North Cork Creameries.**

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Milk Price

The milk price for July 2017 is 34.5 cent per litre (incl. Vat.) for milk of 3.60% Butterfat and 3.30% Protein.

Health and Safety Stay cautious around bulls

Caution with bulls is required in August, as breeding is over with spring-calving herds and a bull is separated from the herd. Isolation can make bulls aggressive, so they should be at grass or housed with companion animals. Never enter a field or yard with a bull without protection and a means of escape. Ensure that the bull has a ring and chain attached. Always keep a bull's temperament under review.

New Delivery Schedule

Commencing Week beginning Monday 28th August.

We are currently introducing an improved delivery service. We have allocated one day in the week for delivery to each of our branch areas. This will allow us to streamline our delivery service which will lead to a better service to you our customer.

Delivery routes

Day	Branch
Monday	001 Kanturk
Tuesday	002 Glensouth
Wednesday	003 Castlecor 004 Banagh
Thursday	005 Ballyhoulihan
Friday	006 Cullen



Delivery days will be Monday to Friday and we would appreciate your help in ordering at least 24hrs in advance. However, we do understand that from time to time it is not possible to order within these parameters and every effort will be made to accommodate these requests.

**Order in store or call
Kanturk 029 50003 or
Cullen 029 79002**

Mastitis Identification and Antibiotic Sensitivity & Specificity Testing (PCR)

- Ref Dry Cow tube determination

Subsidy of €10 per supplier will be paid

At Herd level from June and 6 weeks prior to dry cow tube treatments – On bulk milk sample €60.00 total
Individual cow samples can also be done for treatment purposes Identification only €28.00 plus an additional Sensitivity & Specificity €10.00

Contact the Co-op Marie Lehane

Antimicrobial resistance

Anti-microbial resistance and anti-microbial use – a National, European and Global Issue

Ongoing review of the EU veterinary medicine directive. Specifically article 110 which stated that veterinary prescription can only be made on foot of a veterinary clinical visit or other related proper assessments. Prophylactic use will not be allowed unless there are exceptional circumstances. Article 111 stated that antibiotics cannot be used to replace good animal husbandry practices.

Ireland will struggle to demonstrate compliance – an issue ref trade requirements to other markets
Ireland will be subject to an EU audit by the end of 2018 and that schedule 8 as currently drafted is not in compliance with current international best practice.

Most likely will be a requirement to have data per cow on SCC level and susceptibility testing per cow for prescriptions to be issued in future

ICOS in talks with DAFM on path forward

- **10-15 cows per herd will have to be susceptibility tested to determine dry cow tube type per year**
- **For individuals using dry cow tubes - Coops will have to visit individuals with SCC >400k and those individuals will be mandated to join AHI Cell check program**
- **Prescription lengths for tubes to be reduced from 12 to 6 months**

Special Offer

Buy **10 Bags** in one transaction of North Cork Premium gold grass seed mixtures and get **15%** off 20 L Barclay Gallup XL



Offer valid from Monday 24th July to Thursday 31st August.
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