

2024 GA Dairy Conference Agenda

Monday, January 15

- 8:00 a.m. ACCM Board of Directors Meeting
- 9:30 **Pre-Conference Symposium: "New Ideas & New Technology in Dairy"**
Join our sponsors Zinpro, SCCL, PivotBio, and CowManager for an informal showcase of some of the newest technology and services available to dairy producers.
- 10:00 GA Milk Board of Directors Meeting
- 11:00 **Registration Opens for Guest and Producers**
- 12:00 p.m. GDYF Board of Directors Meeting
- 12:00 The Dairy Alliance/ADA of GA Meeting
- 1:30 **General Session I Begins**
Processor's Perspective of Future Dairy Markets
Michael Dykes, DVM, CEO, International Dairy Foods Association
- Surviving in a World Market: Influences & Hindrances*
Ron O'Brien II, President, Nui North America
- 3:00 Exhibitor Break in Atrium
- 3:30 Georgia Milk Producers Annual Membership Meeting
- 3:45 **General Session II Begins**
Navigating the Commodity Terrain
Darren Frye, PhD, CEO, Water Street Consulting
- Southeastern Dairy Market Review*
Calvin Covington, CEO (retired), Southeast Milk Inc.
- 5:15 GDC Day One Concludes - Open Dinner

Tuesday, January 17

- 7:00 AM Continental Breakfast Opens in the Atrium
- 8:00 **General Session III Begins**
Selective Dry Cow Therapy
Daryl Nydam, PhD, Cornell University
- Economics, Inflation, Marginal Milk*
Kevin Dhuyvetter, PhD, Distinguished Technical Advisor, Elanco Animal
- Health
- 9:30 Exhibit Break in Atrium
- 10:30 **General Session IV Begins**
Investing in Your Future - Calf Health
Geof Smith, DVM, Dairy Technical Services Veterinarian, Zoetis
- Nutraceuticals as an Alternative Strategy for the use of Antimicrobials*
Michael A. Ballou, DVM, Chair of Dept. Veterinary Services, Texas Tech University
- 12:00 PM GMP Awards Luncheon/GA Dairy Youth Live Auction
- 1:30 **General Session V Begins**
Consistent Feed, Consistent Eating, Consistent Results
Dr. Trevor Devries, Professor & Research Chair, University of Guelph

Keeping the Rumen Happy and Healthy

Dr. Mary Beth Hall, US Dairy Forage Research Center, USDA Agricultural Research Service

3:00

Exhibit Break in Atrium

3:45

General Session VI Begins

Transition Cow Management

Jesse Goff, DVM, Professor Emeritus, Iowa State University

Concepts in Culling Strategies

Mike Overton, DVM, Global Dairy Platform Lead, Zoetis

5:15

GDC Day Two Concludes - Open Dinner

Wednesday, January 18

7:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast Opens in Atrium

8:00

General Session VI Begins

Southeast Dairy Checkoff

Geri Berdak, CEO, The Dairy Alliance

Futureproofing Your Farm Communications

Don Schindler, Senior VP of Digital Innovations, Dairy Management Inc.

9:30

Exhibit Break in Atrium

10:30

General Session VII Begins

Breakthrough in Nutritional Forage: Enhanced BMR Male Sterile Sorghum

Tom Kilcer, Advanced Ag Systems LLC

Monetizing Manure Projects

Mark Stoermann, COO, Newtrient

12:00

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