



KVC University with Farm and Food Care Ontario- IMPACT Program

Another education opportunity for producers and all animal handlers on dairy farms is coming up in May. The Farm and Food Care Ontario group through funding from Growing Forward 2 and the IMPACT program is bringing expert cattle handler Don Hoglund to Ontario. Don will be hosting workshops in the area during this summer and the KVC is hosting 2 sessions in May.

“Dr. Hoglund is an expert in safe, efficient, large animal handling techniques. He combines an understanding of cow behaviour and how cows learn, to show farmers how to work with their farm animals to move them calmly and with less stress. The workshop will feature techniques on using low-energy handling to improve outcomes for both people and the cattle they work with. The result is better welfare for the cows and handlers which in turn will result in increased production.”

The first session will be held at Wicketthorn Farms located just outside Lambeth on May the 27th. If you are interested in attending please register online at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/impact-dairy-handling-workshop-london-tickets-16682528893>. Or follow the links for registration at www.farmimpact.ca. Only those registered online will be accepted into the course.

The second session will be held at Greiden Farms located just outside of St. Marys on May 28th. If you are interested in attending please register online at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/impact-dairy-handling-workshop-st-marys-tickets-16682599103>. Or follow the links for registration at www.farmimpact.ca. Again, only those registered online will be accepted into the course.

Each session will have 10-15 participants in size and will be working with animals 3 to 5 months in age. This group of animals is more ideal for training and provides the least amount of disruption in the daily farm routines. There will be an in class portion in the morning followed by a hands on learning session in the afternoon. Lunch will be provided and there is NO COST to this event!

This is an excellent opportunity to upgrade cattle handling techniques on your farm for all people involved in handling animals. Each person will come away with a new technique to more quietly and confidently move cattle. And although each course is during a potentially busy time of year it is in your cows' best interest to invest in this opportunity!!

Please call Reg if you have any questions regarding this event or other education opportunities you may have in mind.

Summary of Don Hoglund Workshops on Cattle Handling

When: May 27th and May 28th

Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm

Where: Wicketthorn Farms and Greiden Farms

Who: All on farm cattle handlers who pre-register