

NC2042 Annual Meeting - 10/17 – 10/19/19

USDA Dairy Forage Research Center - Institute for Environmentally Integrated Dairy Management

2615 Yellowstone Drive, Marshfield, WI 54449

Thursday, October 17

8:30 am Welcome and Introductions

9 am – 11 am Business Meeting (approve minutes; advisor comments;
University research/extension discussion; future secretary and meeting location)

-This time may change depending on when the USDA NIFA advisors can make the call if not attending the meeting. Still waiting to hear back on this.

11 am – 12 pm Station Reports (limit 15 min each)

Lunch - USDA building

1:30 pm – 3:30 pm Station Reports (limit 15 min each)

3:30pm Leave for tour of UW Marshfield Ag Research Station

4-5:30pm Tour of station

7pm Group Dinner - Location TBD

Friday, October 18

Breakfast – Holiday Inn

8:30 – 10 am Research reports from USDA Marshfield scientists

(Time may change depending on their schedules)

Wayne Coblenz – Research Dairy Scientist and Interim Director

Mark Borchardt – Microbiologist

Tucker Burch - Research Agricultural Engineer

Break

10:30 am – 12 pm Station Reports (limit 15 min each)

Lunch – USDA building

1:30 – 3:30 pm Station Reports (limit 15 min each)

3:30pm TBD - Leave for tour of local dairy

4 – 6 pm TBD - Tour of local dairy farm and dairy store

7 pm Group Dinner – Location TBD

Saturday, October 19

Breakfast – Holiday Inn

8 am - Leave for farm tours

8:30 – 9:30am – Cranberry harvest tour with Matt Lippert (Wood Count Extension Agent)
Pittsville, WI (Farm TBD depending on harvest schedule)

10:15 – 11:15 am – Nighthawk dairy farm – Stratford, WI - Excellent management with low culling rate.
Uses genomics and lung ultrasound for heifer culling decisions. Automated calf feeder.

11:30 am - 12:30 pm Stueber dairy farm – Stratford, WI
High-producing (90-100lb milk) robotic milking herd with unique robot setup

Lunch – Stratford, WI Severt's restaurant

2 – 3 pm Arnold organic dairy farm – Edgar, WI
High level of pasture management. Outwintering of heifers on pasture