DAYS TO CALVING IN HERDMASTER

Extracting Breedplan Matings

The concept is that BREEDPLAN herds that wish to collect and submit the DC data for BREEDPLAN processing will do so on a whole herd basis.

Our advice to breeders is to submit the information at the end of the mating season (rather than progressively as the events occur).

The data that should be collected as “events” on a cow by cow basis is:

- Start and end mating dates
- Matings (AI, natural, observed, etc)
- Synchronisation events
- Embryo flush dates
- Embryo implant programs
- Pregnancy test results
- Extra events (eg shows, abortions, etc as a performance group)
- Cow fates / disposals using specific BREEDPLAN codes (See Tip Sheet, Society Codes).

A cow will have multiple records, some of which may occur on the same day. You need synchronisation date as well as AI date as some herds do not AI all the cows that were in the synchronisation program.

The idea is that cows are grouped together for mating. We need to identify which cows have been in the same mating program and what happened to them within that program. Both AI and natural matings are important. **All matings need to be recorded – not just the successful mating.** In particular all cows that were mated need to be recorded – whether they calve or not.

You can also record mating fates on animals. This option will only appear if you have told HerdMASTER that you want to record the DTC information for BREEDPLAN. To say you want to use the DTC information please follow the instructions below.
1. Setup Site | Options and choose the mating tab and check the box’s that say you want to record DTC information. See picture below

2. When you have said that you want to record the DTC information you will get an extra tab in the animal details screen. In this tab you will be able to record the mating fates for animals and these fates will get extracted in the BREEDPLAN mating extract. See picture below to see where this tab will appear and what it will look like.

Here is a list of all the valid fates codes for BREEDPLAN that you will be able to record in the Disposal code on the DTC tab.

A = Cast for age
B = Sold surplus breeding female
C = Calving incident
D = Disease
E = Eyes
F = Not in calf
G = Genetic condition
H = Horns
J = Cull unjoined heifer surplus
K = Coat type
M = Missing assumed dead
P = Poor performance
Q = Appearance
R = Reproduction abnormality
S = Structural problem
T = Poor temperament
U = Udder or teat problems
V = Poor EBVs
W = Calved but failed to rear calf to weaning
X = Parasites
Y = Unknown cause
Z = Accident
To extract the DTC information and your mating information for BREEDPLAN please follow the instructions below.

1. Select reports | BREEDPLAN | Mating extract.

2. You will now be presented with the following screen

Choose the owner and select the date ranges for the matings you want to extract.

3. When you have entered the owner and mating data date ranges press the finish button and you will get the following report that you can Email to BREEDPLAN.

Note: You will also get a notification report that will list any issues with the matings before you send the information to BREEDPLAN.