

# Holstein Canada 2010 Enrolment Program

## *Participation for Profit*

### PROGRAM DETAILS (VALID TILL DECEMBER 31, 2010):

- Free copy of Functional Conformation of Dairy Cattle CD (\$20 value).
- Herd consultation visit with an experienced classifier. Discuss the potential benefits of classification and how the information can be used on your farm.
- Free herd visit fee (value \$75) for first classification. Take advantage of this no obligation opportunity to see how this service can help you.
- You don't need a registered herd to have your cows classified. If you decide to register your classified animals at a later date their score will be applied.
- If you haven't registered animals in more than 3 years we can help you with that:
  - Registration fee discounted by 50% for all animals (excluding base) registered within 6 months of commitment to program.
  - No charge to transfer ownership of animals resident in herd prior to commitment to program.
  - Ontario Holstein Field staff available to help you with the registration process



**Holstein Canada**

### *Zekveld Farms Ltd* BOWMANVILLE, ON

FOLLOWING A FEW YEARS OF ENCOURAGEMENT BY THEIR AI TECHNICIAN, THEIR DHI CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE AND THE AREA HOLSTEIN REPRESENTATIVE, ZEKVELD FARMS LTD (HENRY & ANNETTE ZEKVELD AND FAMILY) DECIDED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE HOLSTEIN CANADA HERD ENROLMENT PACKAGE.

This well managed family farm had complete herd records (birth dates, sire and dam and NLID tags) of all animals born on the farm for more than a decade. This allowed for animals to be registered at not only the 50% recorded level but also many animals were identified at 75% and 87%.



*The Zekveld family of Zekveld Farms Ltd. has taken advantage of the Holstein Canada Herd Enrolment Package. Sitting in Back (l to r): Nickolas, Thomas and Aria. Front (l to r): Annette, Hannah, Henry, Christi and Grace with her kitty.*

Henry really appreciated the ease and convenience of HAC's online registration program with 125 animals being registered in February of 2009 by Annette with the help of their daughter Christi. Since that time the herd has also been classified and a dozen animals have been sold for dairy purposes. The information provided by the classifiers and DHI has proven very helpful for Henry in deciding which families in the herd to focus on as parents on the next generation. The entire herd was registered for less than \$600. The registration papers provide proof of lineage, age and farm of origin, thus creating an added value to well grown, healthy open and bred heifers.

Henry knows he is accountable to God as a steward of what he has been given. Holstein Canada has helped him to look ahead and move forward. The Zekveld family decided that "Forward" was a fitting prefix and having been a member of Holstein Canada for less than a year it has already proven to be "a step in the right direction" for this hard working dairy family.



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