



Fall 2024

Dear Friend:

Thank you for your interest in Select Sires Member Cooperative (SSMC) A.I. training. Enclosed are the dates and locations of our upcoming Herdowner A.I. Training Courses.

SSMC's A.I. training course is an excellent opportunity for the person who is serious about improving their reproductive program. This economical program offers 'hands-on' practice with a large number of live cattle each day in addition to the classroom instruction. Our aim is to teach you a working understanding of dairy and beef cattle breeding, heat detection and synchronization programs as well as other herd management practices.

The fee schedule for the SSMC A.I. schools is designed to teach our SSMC member-customers and future customers artificial insemination at no cost to them. The course fee is \$700 with a \$100 non-refundable deposit, which will be applied to the \$700 fee. Registration slip and deposit must be received in the office by the registration deadline. Each participant in the course will receive 7 (seven) \$100 semen certificates that are valid for one year to be used towards semen purchases and have no cash value. Each certificate must be used in \$100 increments. In addition, you will receive a complete A.I. manual, which details all aspects of A.I. training and more. At the end of the course, you will receive a laminated certificate of completion.

Select Sires Member Cooperative currently has a dairy and beef line-up to meet most producers' needs. For example, it takes only 70 units of \$10 semen to make your A.I. training FREE! A herd with good reproductive performance can expect to use 1.5 straws per pregnancy. Depending on your semen needs you can use part of your certificates this year and with some planning ahead the balance can be used for the next breeding season.

There will be classroom and live cattle practice each day. You will want coveralls, over boots and warm clothes (depending on the weather) for all courses. There will be a break for meals, which are on your own.

Please adhere to the registration deadlines. If there is low registration received, there is potential for the class to be cancelled.

If you have any questions, please reach out to the appropriate instructor.

Sincerely,

Select Sires Member Cooperative

Scott Winchell  
Technician Supervisor  
(330) 464-9398

Bekah Meller  
Genetic & Reproductive Advisor  
(419) 966-0810

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Enclosures

**Fall 2024**  
**HERD OWNER A.I. TRAINING COURSES**  
**Select Sires Member Cooperative**

**Botkins, OH – October 23 & 24, 2024 Daytime Course - Bekah Meller**

Egbert's Trucking: Go past Big E Livestock. Location is on the north side of the road between May Road & Hardin Wapak Road.

Physical Address: 10343 Botkins Road, Botkins, OH 45306

Days and Times: Wednesday & Thursday at 10AM to 3PM.

Registration Deadline: slip & deposit must be received in the office by October 11, 2024.

Maximum number of participants is 15.

**Sugarcreek, OH – December 12 & 13, 2024 Daytime Course - Scott Winchell**

Four Pines Dairy: Rt. 39 south of the Dutch Valley Restaurant on Ragersville Rd. NW for 1.4 miles then left on Sugarcreek Road. Dairy is on the right, go up the drive to the dairy on the hill.

Physical Address: 8064 Sugarcreek Road, Sugarcreek, OH 44681

Days and Times: Thursday & Friday at 10AM to 2PM.

Registration Deadline: slip & deposit must be received in the office by November 29, 2024.

Maximum number of participants is 15.

For additional information and questions contact:  
Select Sires Member Cooperative at 614-878-5333  
*Classes are subject to cancelation due to lack of participation.*

**Daily Schedule**

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| Day 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Start in classroom with anatomy and physiology, work with repro-tracts from cattle.</li><li>- Lunch on your own</li><li>- Start A.I. technique and working in barn with cattle.</li><li>- Purchase /order supplies, semen, equipment, etc.</li></ul>  |
| Day 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Start in classroom with proper semen handling and thawing.</li><li>- Semen tank management, heat detection, timing of insemination, synchronization, etc.</li><li>- A.I. Gun loading practice.</li><li>- Lunch on your own</li><li>- Work with cattle in barn.</li><li>- Graduation</li></ul> |

REGISTER TODAY!  
Class size is limited.

***Please adhere to the registration deadline.***

Please mail this card at least one week prior to the class with your information, class/location desired and your \$100 deposit to:

Select Sires Member Cooperative  
c/o Tammy Jenkins  
1224 Alton Darby Creek Rd.  
Columbus, OH 43228

For questions call 614-878-5333

- I plan to attend your Herdowner Training Course on \_\_\_\_\_ . My \$100 deposit is enclosed.
- I cannot be present, please notify me of the next training.
- If no longer interested, please call the office or email SSMC@ssmcoop.com to be removed from the mailing list.

Please mark the following:

\_\_\_ Dairy \_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_ # of Cows \_\_\_ Student

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_