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Sponsorship Package

Why mobility scoring?

- ·Maintaining good mobility is vital in ensuring dairy cattle welfare ·Lameness is visual and represents a potential brand threat to the dairy industry
- ·Accurate mobility scoring is a key tool in managing herd lameness and in quality assurance
- •The requirement for a formal mobility scoring qualification is backed by industry stakeholders including BCVA, AHDB and foot trimmer organisations

About RoMS:

- ·RoMS was founded in 2017 and remains a high-profile industry initiative
- ·Increasingly, milk processors and vendors require mobility scoring by RoMS-accredited scorers
- ·RoMS aims to improve the mobility of the UK national dairy herd by:
- . Improving the quality and accuracy of mobility score data provided to producers and agents
- . Providing standardised data on the mobility of cows on UK dairy farms over time
- . Maintaining standards
- . To be as inclusive of, and reactive to, the mobility scoring requirements of all key stakeholders in the dairy supply chain

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·The website www.roms.org.uk gives farmers easy access to local RoMS mobility scorers. It also manages memberships and lists training providers and courses ·RoMS is also looking to launch a self-validation tool for mobility scorers, giving feedback to scorers and ensuring good inter- and intra-observer repeatability

About the scorers:

·RoMS has over 800 active scorers in the UK, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Greece and Canada ·Scorers are made up of farmers (14%), foot trimmers (6%), vets (45%), Nutritionists (3%) and other (32%)

Sponsorship opportunities:

·Companies can sponsor and be associated with this positive dairy initiative ·For £250 p/a, sponsors will have their logo on the RoMS website and will be acknowledged on all RoMS presentations and press communications ·This sponsorship is for the UK RoMS; sponsorship arrangements can be made with other country RoMS franchises separately ·The RoMS Corporate Sponsorship Policy can be found on the website

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