

WELCOME TO KICKABOO FARMS

Kickaboo Farms Partnership is owned and operated by Stan and Mary Hellenbrand & Ivan and Beth Hellenbrand. Stan and Mary have three grown children: Matt, Nicki, and Katie. Ivan and Beth have also have three grown children: Alex, Tyler, and Adam. Growing up, the children all helped on the farm. After graduating high school, Tyler attended UW Madison Farm Short Course and continues to work on the farm. He has purchased some machinery and plans to continue farming. The farm has one part time employee.

The family farm started when Stan and Ivan's parents, Don and Evelyn Hellenbrand, purchased the main farm in 1956. Stan graduated in 1971 and continued to work on the farm. In 1975, Don and Evelyn purchased a farm at the east end of Kickaboo Road and in 1979 Stan purchased the farm where Mary and Stan live. Ivan graduated in 1979 and continued to work on the farm with the herd growing to over 100 cows. Stan and Mary were married in 1980, and Ivan and Beth were married in 1987. During the 80's, Stan and Ivan started buying the cattle and machinery. In January 1989, Stan and Ivan formed the Kickaboo Farms Partnership. In 1994, the home farm was purchased by Stan and Ivan from their Dad. In 1996, the milking parlor, freestall barn and manure storage were built. The old barn was remodeled for freshening cows and milking sick or treated cows. A new calf barn was added a few years later. Haylage and silage are stored in 4 bunker silos in front of the milking parlor. High moisture shelled corn is stored in the sealed silo. In the past few years rubber flooring for the cows was added to the feed alleys and milking parlor for cow comfort. Automatic alley scrapers were added to scrape the alleys several times a day. Last year, waterbed mattresses were installed to keep the cows comfortable. Ivan and Stan plan on expanding the calf barn and adding robotic calf feeders in the near future. Stan, Ivan, and Tyler, with the help of Mary and Beth, are currently milking 180 cows and are raising 160 head of young stock. Corn and alfalfa are grown for the herd on 400 acres of owned and rented land. Protein supplements are purchased as needed. Stan and Ivan have worked closely with Dane County Soil Conservation in constructing waterways, contour strips and planting cover crops. They are also members of Yahara Pride Farms. In 2012, electricity started being produced on the farm when EPIC built 6 wind turbines in the area, two of which are located on the home farm.

We would like to thank all of our family, friends neighbors, and sponsors for helping us promote the dairy industry.

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