

AHDB have secured a grant from Scottish Government that will allow all Scottish dairy businesses to be signed up to Dairy Pro, the professional development register.

Membership of the Dairy Pro scheme, which offers access to a range of training services, is normally £20 a year, however the fee for 2017/18 will be waived for new members, current members will also benefit from free membership next year.

Sally Williams, dairy and sheep farmer in the Scottish Borders, has been a member of Dairy Pro for nearly three years, she says the easy to use system has focused her professional development, "I used attend workshops and meetings which helped my professional development, but this effort wasn't recorded. I joined Dairy Pro so I could log all those activities, and the process has given me a greater understanding of the areas where I have built expertise, and those areas where I perhaps need to do more."

The scheme enables members to establish an online profile, register for training and events and build up Dairy Pro points. There are a huge range of activities eligible for points including entrepreneurship classes, dairy discussion groups, workshops on subjects as soil management, animal health, breeding and business management, as well as large scale events such as conferences and shows, such as AgriScot. Farmers can find out more about Dairy Pro by visiting the AHDB stand at AgriScot on 15 November, or to sign up now visit [www.dairypro.co.uk](http://www.dairypro.co.uk)



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