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Dates and Presenters

December 6, 2012 - John Patience lowa State University "Strategies to Reduce Feeding Costs"

February 7, 2013 - Mike EllisUniversity of Illinois
"Optimizing Stocking Density in Wean-Finish Barns"

April 4, 2013 - Aaron Gaines
The Maschhoffs
"Managing Finishing Pigs to Improve
Production Efficiency"

June 6, 2013 - Mark Whitney University of Minnesota "Managing Heat Stress"

August 1, 2013 - Mike Tokach and Hyatt Frobose

Kansas State University
"Effect of Optimizing Feed Withdrawal
Length and Fiber Levels Prior to
Marketing on Net Return"

October 3, 2013 - Andrew Bowman The Ohio State University "Pigs Flu, and You"

Submit your registration and payment of \$125 by November 12, 2012 to guarantee delivery of the materials for the first session.

WHAT IS PORKBRIDGE?

PorkBridge is a distance education method that offers relevant and timely information for people involved with grow-finish swine operations. It consists of six teleconference sessions conducted by industry experts.

Session content addresses daily decisions related to the grow-finish process, including swine management, heat stress, production efficiency and feed cost reduction strategies.

HOW MANY SESSIONS ARE THERE?

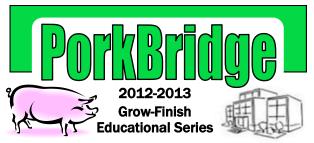
There are six sessions in the program year, beginning in December 2012 and ending in October 2013.

WHEN ARE SESSIONS HELD?

All sessions begin at noon Central Time and last for approximately 1 1/2 hours.

HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

- About a week before each session, you'll receive a packet in the mail that contains a CD with session materials, including that session's presentation and any spreadsheets, video clips, publications, or activity lists provided by the speaker.
- The delivery process of materials is slightly different for those with non-U.S. mailing addresses and requires an e-mail address.
- ◆ After the formal presentation, 20-25 minutes are available for speaker questions and producer discussion.



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WHAT DOES PORKBRIDGE OFFER?

- ◆ access to university and industry professionals with a variety of expertise.
- ♦ no need to take time off from work, and no worry about travel distance or inclement weather.
- ♦ flexibility to attend sessions wherever it works best: at home, office or swine unit.
- ◆ valuable information to improve your operation through direct access to professionals six times a year.

WHAT DO I NEED TO PARTICIPATE?

- Telephone with long distance access
- Computer with CD drive
- ◆ Email address and access (required for non-U.S. participants)
- ◆ While not required, a speaker phone allows you to gather a group for each session

Remember: no Internet access is needed to participate in the scheduled sessions!

WHY SHOULD I SUBSCRIBE?

Here's what past participants have told us:

"As a consultant to several farms in USA and Canada, the information helps me keep up on current topics. I have used some of the information during farm visits and meetings."

"Presentation was a level appropriate for most of the people listening. Often had good discussion within the group after the presentation."

"Good to review biosecurity regularly to help staff stay focused."

"It was nice to have a live speaker with the presentation."

"Having the webinar made it easier to make time for staff to participate."

"I am a loan officer and I think it was beneficial to learn some of the terms and some of the practices that may be implemented in the future with my growers."



Since 2005, **PorkBridge** has helped pork operation managers, operators and other professionals stay current on topics that are relevant and important to today's grow-finish swine industry.