

## Swingover #4: (40 Unit)



### Dairy Statistics

- Farm location: South Gippsland
- Max. cows milked: 450
- Calving pattern: Autumn and Spring
- Dairy type: Herringbone Swingover
- No. of units: 40
- Labour units employed: 2



### Automation Options

- ACR's
- Out of parlour teat spray
- Automatic drafting
- Rapid exit
- Electronic cow identification
- Milk metering
- Auto plant cleaning
- Auto vat cleaning
- Auto heat detection
- Integrated herd management software



### Dairy Performance

The following performance figures were calculated at peak lactation using CowTime's Milking Monitor:

- 112 Cows per operator per hour (cups on cups off)
- 1625 Litres per operator per hour (cups on cups off)
- 1181 Litres per operator per hour (total milk harvesting time)



### Dairy Builder

- Shed Design: Jeff Taafe
- Phone: 0409 688 247



### Special or key features of this dairy

- The dairy recently made a transition from 18 to 40 units.
- The intention was to demolish the old building, but providing a cover over part of the the holding yard proved to be beneficial for cow flow.
- The cows are keen to enter the covered area - especially when it is raining - and then move onto the platform.
- Having the pit end of the yard under cover and slightly darker means flies are less likely to enter the dairy.
- Head stalls instead of stall gates are used, providing a wide 1.6 m pathway along the platform.
- Plenty of halogen lights make the dairy bright and the large windows at the end of the platform are conducive to good movement of cows.

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1. Yard Entrance  
(from track looking into yard)



4. Dairy layout / cow entry  
(looking from yard into dairy)



2. Holding yards  
(from end looking toward dairy)



5. Inside Pit  
(from holding yard end)



3. Holding yards  
(from dairy looking towards rear)



6. Cow exit  
(from outside shed looking into dairy exit)



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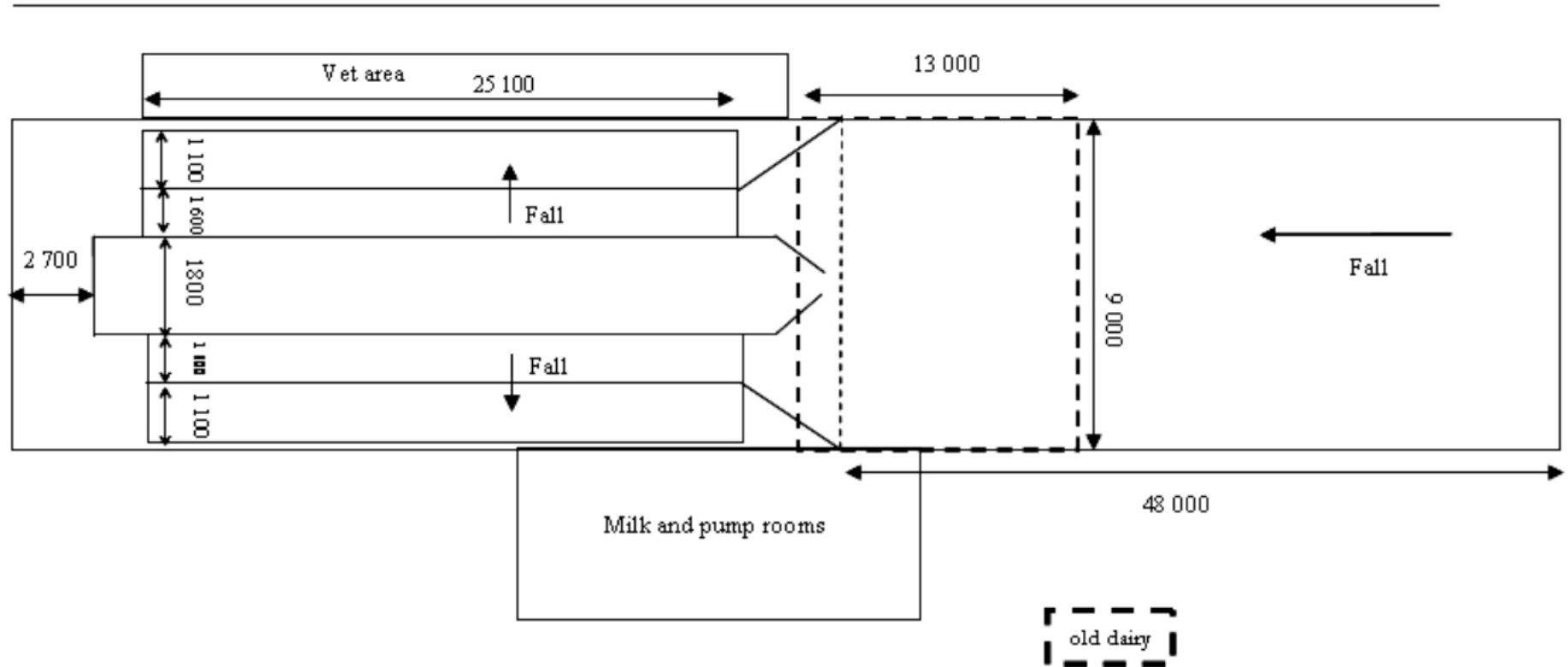


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Not to scale



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