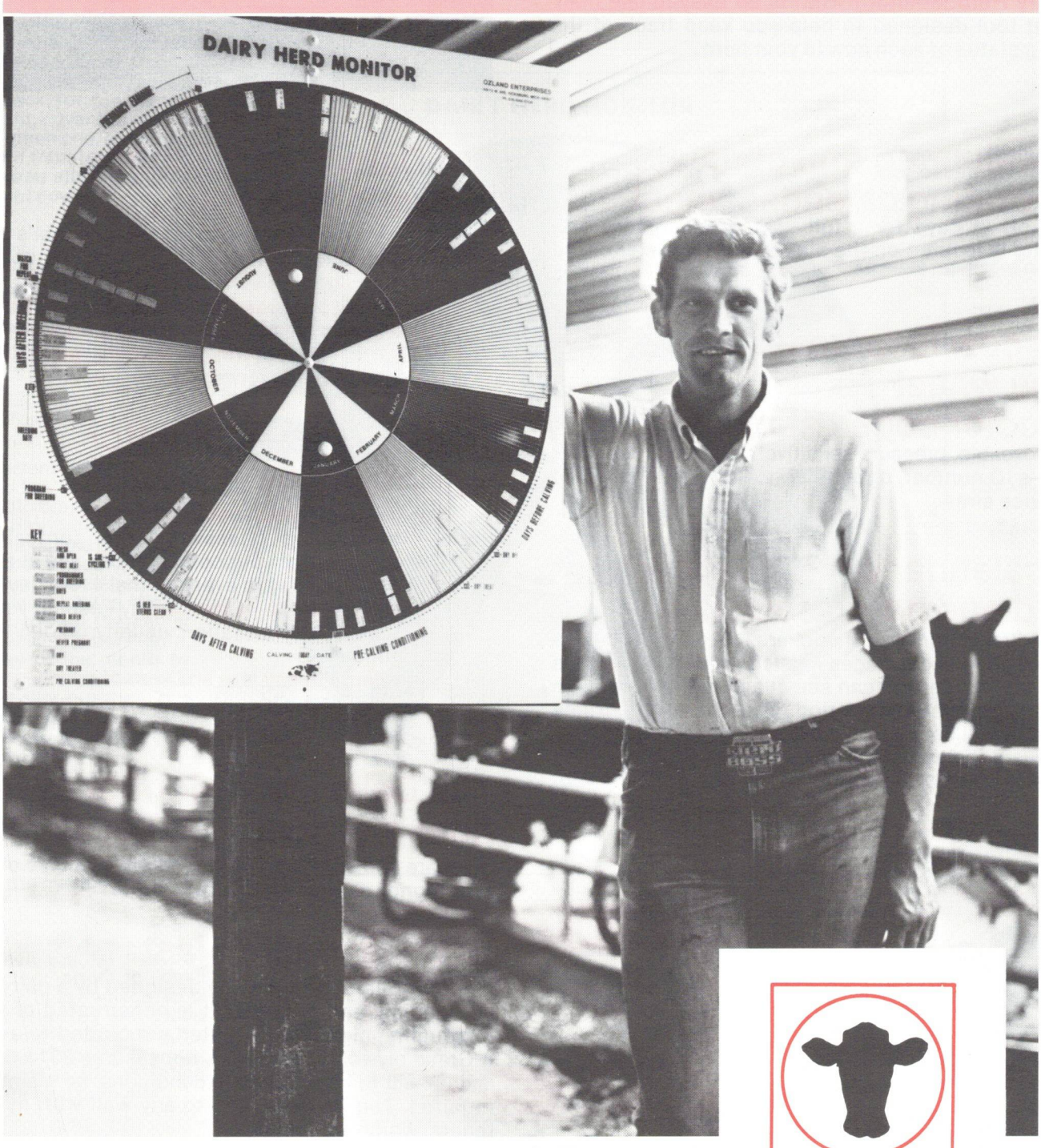
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Follow this example of breeding/calving cycle of Cow #33. *Note that in this example only, the stickers appearing at points 1 through 11 represent a single cow's progression through her reproductive cycle. In actual use, of course, you would have as many stickers on the wheel as you have individuals to monitor.* Remember that the wheel is actually a calendar. It is advanced one notch each day so that the current date is always lined up with "Today," which is located at bottom center of the board. Moving the wheel one notch each day automatically moves Cow #33 through her gestation period.

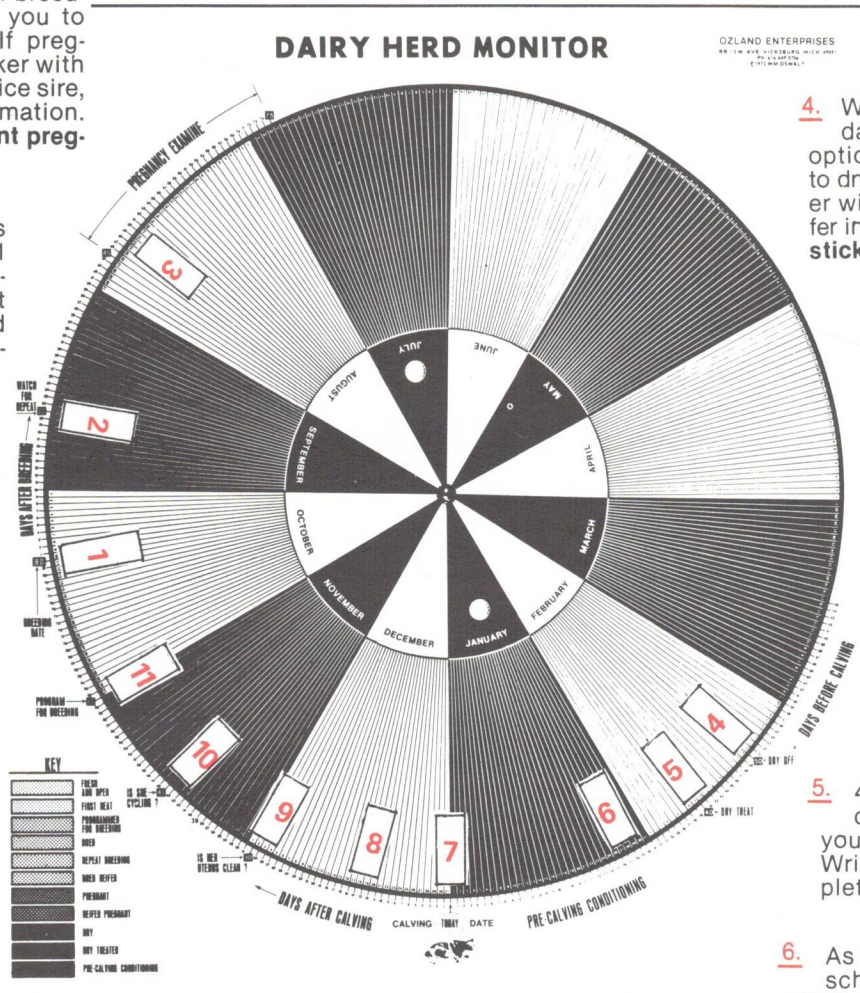
3. When Cow #33 reaches the 45 to 75 day area after breeding, the DHM reminds you to check for pregnancy. If pregnant, cover the red sticker with a green one, record service sire, and transfer all ID information. **Green stickers represent pregnant cows.**

2. When her red sticker reaches 21 days after breeding, (21 spaces past BD), the DHM reminds you to watch for repeat heat. If rebred, record second service sire on sticker and reposition at BD.

1. Align current calendar date with "Today," which is the day you will breed Cow #33. Record ID information on a red sticker (see example below) and place on the wheel opposite BD. Note the calendar date of the space on which the sticker rests. Look toward the center of the wheel to find the month; find the day of the month by noting the number on the space where the sticker is placed. *This date is Cow #33's expected calving date.* **Red stickers represent bred cows.**

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12. When Cow #33 is bred again, repeat the cycle beginning with Step 1.




4. When she reaches the 50th day before calving, or your option, the DHM reminds you to dry her off. Cover green sticker with a yellow one and transfer information as before. **Yellow stickers represent dry cows.**

5. 40 days before expected calving, the DHM reminds you to dry treat as an option. Write DT on sticker when completed.

6. As Cow #33 approaches her scheduled calving date, the DHM suggests pre-calving conditioning left to the discretion of the owner.

| Date last calving | 1st service sire |
|---|---|
| 5-1 | MATT |
| 33 | 11 |
| Cow ID | Repeat service sire |

7. On the day Cow #33 calves, discard her yellow sticker, replace with a blue one, and position on the board at "Today." Record only her ID number on this sticker. **Blue stickers represent fresh, open cows.**

8. When she comes into heat again, place the date in the upper right corner of the blue sticker.

9. When she reaches the 30th day after calving, the DHM reminds you to check for uterine problems.

10. When she reaches the 45th day after calving (or your option), the DHM reminds you to check for cycling.

11. When the 1st heat is detected prior to desired breeding date, replace her blue sticker with red and place at "Program for Breeding," day 61. This schedules the cow to show heat at BD, assisting in accurate heat detection.