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CSBA Hires New General Manager

The Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association is happy to announce the hiring of Stacey White as their new general manager. With the resignation of Cathy Gallivan from the position of secretary-treasurer in March of 2010, the CSBA board felt that the time was ripe to expand the position to a half-time one with additional responsibilities, in an effort to help the board and the association carry out the objectives of its recently-developed business plan.



Stacey grew up on a farm in Saskatchewan and had a small flock of sheep. He used the sheep to raise money for his education at the University of Saskatchewan, where he obtained a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (with Great Distinction) in 1997.

Since then he has worked in veterinary practices in Alberta and Toronto, but has always wanted to get back to being directly involved in the sheep industry and helping it to prosper.

In addition to his veterinary training, Stacey holds a Master's degree in Leadership and Training (2003), and a certificate in Executive Coaching (2010), both from Royal Roads University in Victoria, British Columbia.

Stacey began his new job on December 6, 2010. He can be contacted at the CSBA's regular toll-free number (1-866-956-1116) and email address (office@sheepbreeders.ca).

The new mailing address of the CSBA will be 333 Ontario St., Toronto, ON M5A 2V8.

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La SCÉM embauche un nouveau Directeur général

La Société Canadienne des Éleveurs de Moutons est heureuse d'annoncer l'embauche de M. Stacey White à titre de directeur général. Suivant le départ de Mme Cathy Gallivan de son poste de secrétaire-trésorière en mars 2010 et afin d'aider l'association à réaliser les objectifs du nouveau plan d'affaires, le conseil d'administration a pris la décision de créer un poste à mi-temps avec plus de responsabilités.

Stacey a grandi sur une ferme en Saskatchewan où il y avait un petit troupeau de moutons. Les moutons lui ont permis de payer son éducation à l'Université de la Saskatchewan, où il a obtenu un doctorat en médecine vétérinaire (avec grande distinction) en 1997.

Depuis ce temps, il a pratiqué la médecine vétérinaire en Alberta et à Toronto, mais il a toujours voulu revenir à une implication directe dans l'industrie ovine et l'aider à prospérer.

En plus de sa formation vétérinaire, Stacey a une maîtrise en leadership et formation (2003) et un certificat en coaching exécutif (2010), tous deux de la Royal Roads University à Victoria en Colombie-Britannique.

Stacey a commencé son nouveau travail le 6 décembre 2010. Il peut être rejoint au numéro de téléphone sans frais de la SCÉM (1-866-956-1116) et par courriel (office@sheepbreeders.ca). La nouvelle adresse postale de la SCÉM est: 333, rue Ontario, Toronto, ON M5A 2V8

Industry Commits to Study Canadian Sheep Improvement Services

January 29, 2010 Guelph, Ontario - Leaders from both federal and provincial sheep industry organizations met on January 19 in Guelph with sheep improvement researchers and service providers from Quebec and Ontario. The goal of the meeting was to address the need to implement a sustainable national data and evaluation program and to increase the amount of animal and flock performance recording in the Canadian flock. To date, there are major deficiencies in the important areas of: the amount of data captured on-farm; the on-farm data stored in central locations; and the number of animals receiving evaluations for genetic merit.

"In order to improve the genetic and reproductive performance of the Canadian flock there is a need to increase the amount of information gathered to make the genetic evaluations more meaningful. Having both provincial and national level organizations coming together is a huge step forward in making this happen" said Markus Wand, Chair of the Ontario Sheep Marketing Agency, who attended the meeting.

A thorough review of the GenOvis Canada performance recording service highlighted for the group the benefits of a national database housing genetic and performance information. Housing all of the data in one central location not only makes it easier to analyze but also provides shepherds from across Canada the opportunity to access information that could enhance their management and genetic decisions.

With a focus of increasing flock productivity in Canada, the organizations agreed to collectively:

- investigate ways to formalize a working relationship between federal and provincial organizations to set policy and provide service for a national data and evaluation system.
- investigate ways to offer a user-friendly enhanced GenOvis service across Canada.

Replacement Tags for Purebred Registrations

As per the Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association (CSBA) Constitution, section 16(6), in the event of a lost tag, the tag must be replaced within 21 days with a duplicate tag bearing the same national ID number as the lost tag. A copy of the CSBA's Constitution can be found on their website www.sheepbreeders.ca.

Currently the only tags that are approved as a paired set of tags are the Allflex button/dangle tag combination.

The use of replacement tags is being offered to registered purebred producers *only* at this time.

While the current ISO standards 11784 and 11785 that are related to the use of Radio Frequency Identification in animals do not specifically refer to the replacement of tags, according to the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, the Working Group responsible for the establishment of these standards is aware of this need. In the standards being developed by ISO for advanced transponders, it is possible to include a code that would reflect that the tag is in fact a replacement tag.

Replacement tags will be identified with the prefix "R" being placed in front of the official CSIP number.

Producers who require a replacement tag need to send a Replacement Tag Request Form into the CSBA office via fax or email (see Appendix). The CSBA then transfers this request directly to Allflex in an electronic file.

CSBA will also be responsible for collecting payment from the producer for the replacement tag and submitting that payment to Allflex.

Check off will not be applied to replacement tags.

Replacement tags will be shipped directly from Allflex to the producer. Producers should be aware that replacement tags come from a different source than first-time tags and as such, Allflex will require a 10 day lead time in order to produce these tags.

In all cases of retagging, the customer (producer) will be responsible for paying the freight, and a 30-40% premium over and above the normal tag charge.

Replacement Tag Order Form / Formulaire de commande de boucle de remplacement

Please send form to: by fax: 416-972-1023 or email to office@sheepbreeders.ca

SVP envoyer ce formulaire par télécopieur: 416-972-1023 ou par Courriel à office@sheepbreeders.ca

Name/Nom:

Shipping address/Adresse de livraison:

Telephone:

Fax:

Email:

List of replacement numbers to be reproduced/Liste de numeros de remplacement a reproduire

| Tag number Please record the number of the lost tag | Please indicate (with an X) if you need to have Visual Tag or an Electronic tag replaced | | Registration number of animal replacement tag is being ordered for |
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Payment Information:

Visa Credit Card # _____ Exp: _____
MasterCard Cardholder Name: _____
Signature: _____

Cheque (payable to the Canadian Sheep Breeders Association)