



Ontario Shorthorn Connection

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ATTENTION

EMAIL USERS!

If you wish to receive your OSA Newsletter electronically, simply send an email to Sandra Alton (salton@ksu.edu) and she will add you to the distribution list. Email will help defray costs to the OSA with mailings.

THANKS!

Ontario hosting Canadian AGM in 2008

Be sure to mark your calendars, as Ontario is hosting the Canadian Shorthorn Association's AGM on June 7th and 8th at the Holiday Inn in Guelph, ON. The weekend will be fun and informative, so plan to attend!

There is a great lineup of speakers for the event this year:

University of Guelph - Dr. Ira Mandell will be speaking on finishing beef from forages and how it affects quality and taste.

Beef Improvement Ontario (BIO) - A rep from BIO will be speaking about using Performance Testing and Ultrasound to develop ones' productivity.

American Shorthorn Association - Greg Ruehle, Executive Secretary/Treasurer with the ASA and Gwen Reynolds, Registrar for the ASA will be available to discuss US programs and initiatives, along with answering questions with regards to their new EPD Performance Reporting Program.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE - Friday evening - arrival and social time together with the CSA Directors.

Saturday - 10 am. - 2 pm. will be reserved for Speakers/Information Sessions and from 2 pm. - 4 pm. we will have the AGM portion of the meeting. For those not wishing to participate in the sessions, there are several local shopping and sight-seeing destinations. Saturday evening hosts the banquet, speakers, auctions & entertainment. Sunday will host farm tours of Ontario Shorthorn Breeders. An itinerary with stops and timing will be decided closer to the date.

Auction Items / Donations - There are many opportunities to get involved with the meeting through donations of live/silent auction items or by sponsoring breaks throughout the conference. Contact Martin for more information!

Accommodations - A Block of rooms have been reserved until May 6, 2008 at \$134.99 (double occupancy).

Call the Holiday Inn at 519-836-3116 for Reservations. Address: 601 Scottsdale Drive, Guelph, ON N1G 3E7

For More Information - Contact Martin Mason at 519-442-7066

Bull Test Station - 60 Day Update

Consignor	Sire	DOB	BW	Entry Weight	Start Weight 12/13/07	Weight 01/12/08	Weight 02/11/08	Pounds Gained	ADG (At 60d)
John Mason	Muridale Buster	3-Jan-07	96 lbs	850 lbs	1048	1140	1304	256	4.27
Martin Mason	Sprys true Blue	17-Jan-07	116 lbs	805 lbs	1064	1163	1325	261	4.35
Martin Mason	Red Soder Canyon	19-Feb-07	95 lbs	725 lbs	914	1012	1206	292	4.87
Dale Asser	CF Varsity	10-Feb-07	100 lbs	865 lbs	1025	1160	1326	301	5.02
Dave Currie	Crawdown Piper 9P	13-Mar-07	n/a	750 lbs	878	1003	1170	292	4.87
Pat Thibodeau	K-Kim Gold Count	2-Apr-07	n/a	700 lbs	816	895	950	134	2.23
George Brown	Poplar Lane Shocwave	18-Apr-07	93 lbs	655 lbs	714	774	824	110	1.83
George Brown	Poplar Lane Shocwave	23-Apr-07	85 lbs	645 lbs	745	830	962	217	3.62
Emerson Clarke	K-Kim Gold Count	26-Apr-07	n/a	685 lbs	773	820	949	176	2.93
George Brown	Poplar Lane Shocwave	27-Apr-07	95 lbs	640 lbs	732	838	1005	273	4.55

INFORMATION ON AN OPEN HOUSE WILL BE AVAILABLE LATER THIS MONTH.

COMING EVENTS

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JUNIOR SHOWS

WESTERN FAIR JUNIOR BEEF EXPO

March 29th & 30th

Location: At the Agriplex - Western Fair Grounds

For more information, please contact:

Cheron Chamberlain 519-764-2188 OR

Kerri Watson 519-666-2998

www.westernfair.com/fair/juniorbeef

YOUTH FORUM

Saturday, April 19th - One-day show

All Breeds Jr. Steer & Heifer Show

Show Time - 8:00 a.m.

Location - Orangeville Fairgrounds

For more information, please contact:

Melissa Reid 519-638-3533

2008 CANADIAN NATIONAL JUNIOR SHORTHORN SHOW

July 24th - 26th, 2008

Location - Russell, Manitoba

Entry forms will be mailed to all members of the Canadian Junior Shorthorn Association later this spring.

For more information, please contact:

Ken Hodge 204-685-2582 OR Orville Renwick 204-522-8686

2008 SHORTHORN PICNIC & JR. SHOW

Saturday, August 16th, 2008

Location - Windyview Farm

Mike & Christine Ormiston

25 Lilac Rd, Omeme, ON K0L 2W0

Phone: 705-799-6357

STIERWALT FITTING CLINIC

July 12th and 13th

Location - Stratford Fair Grounds

Registration Deadline - June 1, 2008

For more information, please contact:

RK Animal Supplies 519-638-5942

www.showsteers.com/stierwalt

CLASSIFIED ADS

Shorthorn Semen for Sale - \$5/straw or \$50 for all inventory.

Butterfield Krakatoa (1 unit), Shadybrook Dreamer (4 units), Alm Surf (2 units),

RPS Grand Slam (3 units), Shadybrook Scotty (1 unit), Strathore Extra Edition (3 units),

Downlea Double O Seven (1 unit), Strathore Mystic Marvel (4 units).

For more information, contact Kelly Severn at:

severndale@rogers.com OR 519-757-1794 After 6pm.

SALES

OTTAWA VALLEY SHORTHORN CLUB SALE

Monday, May 19th

Location - Hobbs Bros Sale Arena

2394 Dwyer Hill Road, Ashton, ON

To consign to the sale, or for more information, please contact:

Glen Brydges, Sale Chairman at 613-256-1747

ebrydges@sympatico.ca OR

Ken Jones at 613-838-2501 Fax: 613-838-8370

OSA FALL CLASSIC SALE

Saturday, October 25th, 1:00 p.m.

Location - Orangeville Fairgrounds

More information to follow in the next newsletter

ROYAL SHORTHORN SALE - 2008 NATIONAL

Friday, November 7th (tentative date)

Location - Royal Agricultural Winter Fair

More information to follow in the next newsletter

ROYAL SHORTHORN SHOW - 2008 NATIONAL

Saturday, November 8th (tentative date)

Location - Royal Agricultural Winter Fair

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

GREY-BRUCE SHORTHORN CLUB

Annual Banquet and Meeting

Saturday, March 29th, 12:30 p.m.

Location - Lamlash Hall (at County Rd 3 in Lamlash)

Speaker - Emerson Clarke "The Scotsdale Story"

OSA BREEDERS DIRECTORY

Get your name in the 2008 Shorthorn Directory! Ads are being offered in both colour and black and white, so take your pick!

Centrefold (full colour) - we are offering this ad by email silent auction with a \$500 minimum bid. Send bids to salton@ksu.edu.

Front Inside/Back Inside Covers (full colour) - also being offered by email silent auction with a minimum bid of \$150/ad (4 pages available).

Full Page Ad (colour) - \$100 each; an unlimited number available

Full Page Ad (b/w) - \$75 each; **Business Card Ad** (b/w) - \$25

Name/Address Ads in ABC Order - \$10 each.

Please Note: Anyone purchasing an ad will be listed free of charge in the name/address section in ABC order.

A Director will be contacting you by March 31st, so get ready!

DEADLINE - all online bids, ad info and payment must be to Sandra Alton no later than April 30th/08

(Contact info is on left side of this page). NO PAYMENT, NO AD.