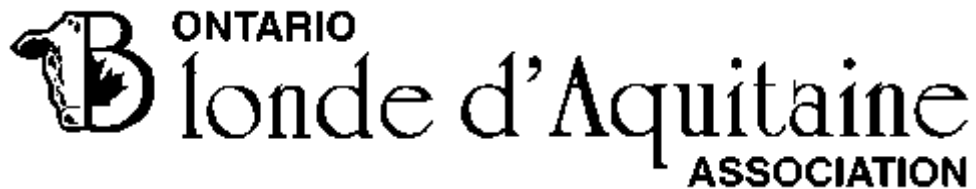


The Blonde Banner

The Official Publication of the Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Association

February 2009



is proud to announce its

'Spring Select' Sale

May 23rd/09 @ 7:00 p.m.

Hoards Station Sale Barn

⇒ the OBdAA board is planning a Spring Sale, with a special emphasis on breeding age bulls.

⇒ Members can consign up to 6 animals, all must be 8 years of age or younger (born in 2001+).

⇒ EPD's must be provided for *all* consigned animals.

(Available from CLRC for \$5/head, or \$0 for calves less than a year old.)

⇒ Calves 200+ days of age at the time of the sale will sell separately from their dams.

⇒ Please note that ALL (original) registration papers must be handed into the office before the sale starts in order for your animals to sell. **Animals that arrive on Sale Day without papers will not sell.**

Deadline for consignments is March 23rd

To consign contact Marcel Lachance

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NOTE: The OBDA reserves the right to edit any newsletter submissions for length and content suitability. The goals of this newsletter are:

To **inform** the membership of all the pertinent activities and initiatives being taken by the Association, the Association Board, and/or its members.

To **provide** educational information in order to assist Blonde breeders in all aspects of the seed stock industry.

To **promote** the Blonde d'Aquitaine breed and the members of the Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Association.

Upcoming Events:

Ontario Cattlemen's Assn. AGM

Feb. 25 -26
655 Dixon Rd. Toronto, ON
www.cattle.guelph.on.ca

East Central Farm Show

March 4-5
Lindsay, ON

Western Fair Farm Show

March 11-13
London, ON

Ottawa Valley Farm Show

March 17-19
Volunteers needed: Brian 613-392-7052

OBDA Annual General Meeting

April 4 @ 1:00 p.m.
Rock Haven Convention Centre
Peterborough ON

OBDA 'Spring Select' Sale

May 23 @ 7 p.m.
Hoards Station Sales Barn

OBDA Family Day Picnic

Date & location to be announced

Campbellford Seymour Fair

August 8

Hastings County Plowing Match

Aug 19 & 20
(Volunteers needed)

Orono Fair (Durham Central Fair)

Sept 12

Warkworth Fall Fair

Sept. 13
Warkworth, ON

Canadas Outdoor Farm Show

September 15, 16, 17
Woodstock ON

International Plowing Match

September 22 - 26
Temiskaming (Volunteers needed)

Lindsay Central Exhibition

September 26 & 27

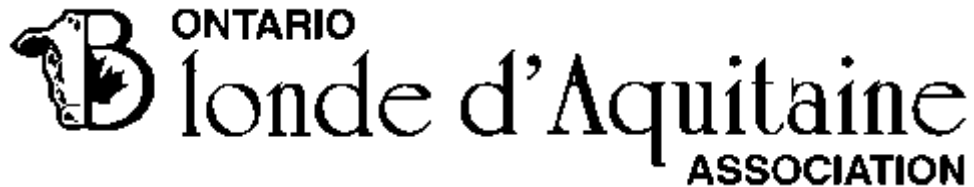
Roseneath Fair

October 4

'Cream of the Crop' Sale

Date to be announced
Hoards Station, ON





ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, April 4th, 2009

at the
Rock Haven Motel & Convention Centre
1875 Lansdowne St. W., Peterborough, ON

REGISTRATION @ 12:00 P.M. - MEETING @ 1:00 P.M.

Mini Auction, Complimentary Buffet Dinner, Social to follow

Accommodations: Rock Haven (705) 742-8807

'An item or two for the 'Mini Auction' would be much appreciated'

**RSVP: Marcel Lachance (705) 639-2183 or
Sheila McNeven (705) 295-6208**

From the 401: Take exit 436 Hwy 115 N north towards Peterborough for 44.8 km. Take the Kings Hwy 7 exit toward Fowlers Corners 0.5 km. Merge onto Hwy 28/Hwy 7 and continue to follow Hwy 7 for 3.6 km. Turn right at Sir Sanford Fleming Dr 0.2 km. Continue on N Monaghan Pkwy 2.0 km. Turn left at Dobbin Rd 1.7 km. Turn left at Lansdowne St W. Destination will be on the left.

From highway 7 east: As you approach Peterborough, turn left at Hwy 115 S towards Toronto for 5.7 km. Take The Pkwy/Sir Sanford Fleming Dr. exit 0.5 km. Slight right at Sir Sanford Fleming Dr for 1.6 km. Turn right at Brealy Dr 1.4 km. Turn left at Lansdowne St W for .03 km. Destination will be on the left.



Thank you!!!

A *HUGE* thanks to Murphy and Judy Baker of Butternut Blondes for their invaluable help with finding sponsors for and organizing the Blonde Show at Lindsay Central Exhibition in September 2008. More thanks to Laverne and Elaine McGee of Lavelaine Farms for their sponsorship of the hospitality table at Lindsay Ex as well.

THE ONTARIO BLONDE d'AQUITAINE ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I - Name and Objective

1. The name of the organization shall be "The Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Association" (herein called the "Association").
2. The aims and objectives of the Association shall be:
 - a) to promote and encourage the breeding of Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle in the province of Ontario;
 - b) to arrange for, and promote shows and sales of Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle in the province of Ontario;
 - c) to assist, where possible, the Canadian Blonde d'Aquitaine Association in their promotion of the Blonde d'Aquitaine breed;
 - d) To promote and encourage performance testing for Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle in the province of Ontario.

ARTICLE II - Membership

1. The general membership shall consist of:
 - a) persons, firms, partnerships, organizations or corporations who shall have submitted an application for membership, paid the requested membership fee, and be approved by the Board of Directors.
2. There shall be a membership fee which shall be established by the Board of Directors and approved by the general assembly.
3. The Board of Directors shall have the power to enact by-laws establishing classes of memberships similar to those of the Canadian Blonde d'Aquitaine Association.
4. Membership is not transferable and shall lapse automatically:
 - a) upon the wind-up, liquidation or surrender of charter of a member;
 - b) at the end of the Association's fiscal year, but subject to the right of renewal on payment of requisite fee;
 - c) upon resignation at any time from the Association, and not from the Board of Directors..
5. Membership fees are not refundable in whole or in part.

ARTICLE III - General Assembly and Board of Directors

1. There are hereby established, as the principal organs of the Association, a General Assembly and a Board of Directors.
2. General Assembly:
 - a) the general assembly shall consist of all members of the Association.
 - b) each member shall be entitled to one vote at all meetings of the General Assembly, with provisions made for the permission to use a maximum of three proxy votes.
 - c) the General Assembly shall meet at least once a year at such time and place as the Board of Directors shall determine, and upon three weeks written notice.
 - d) a quorum of the General Assembly shall be ten members present in person or by proxy.
 - e) decisions of the General Assembly, except where otherwise expressly provided to the contrary, shall be by majority vote of those present in person or by proxy and voting.
3. A member in arrears in the payment of membership fees shall not be entitled to receive the benefits and privileges of membership, nor to representation in the General Assembly.
4. Board of Directors:
 - a) the property and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a board of seven directors, one being the President elected by the members from the general membership of representatives thereof.
 - b) the president shall be elected by the general membership. The president's term of office shall be from the meeting at which he/she is elected or appointed until the annual meeting next following or until his/her successor is elected or appointed. Six directors shall be elected by the general membership. The directors' term of office shall be from the meeting at which they were elected or appointed until the 2nd annual meeting following or until their successors are elected or appointed. Three directors shall be elected or appointed each year.
 - c) the president and the directors shall elect from amongst themselves a vice-president and a secretary-treasurer or a secretary and a treasurer.
 - d) a quorum for the transaction of business at meetings of the Board of Directors shall be by majority.
 - e) any vacancy occurring in office of directors shall be filled by appointment by the directors remaining in office for the remainder of the term of the retiring director.
 - f) a director must be a member of the Association in good standing.

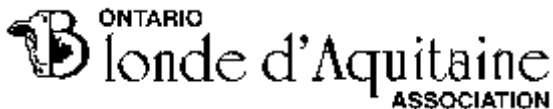
- g) any director or executive officer may be removed from office for failure to perform properly his duties on the vote of two-thirds of the Board of Directors then holding office.
- h) all meetings of the Board of Directors shall convene at the call of the president and notice thereof shall be given to the members of the Board at least one week prior to the date of the meeting, provided, however, that the directors may meet on regular dates without notice or may by unanimous consent meet at any time or place without notice.
- i) the Board of Directors shall establish by-laws as it shall require and these shall govern the board of directors when they are consistent with the provisions of the Constitution.
- j) the directors may hire, retain or appoint such employees as may be required to achieve the objectives of the Association and shall assign duties to them.
- k) the president shall perform all duties of the chairman at meetings of the Board of Directors and of the General Assembly and be responsible for the initiation of policies. In his absence, the vice-president shall act in the place and stead of the president. The secretary-treasurer or secretary and treasurer shall do such things as are normally carried on by a secretary-treasurer or secretary and treasurer.

ARTICLE IV - Committees

- 1. The Board of Directors may appoint such committees as may be necessary for achieving the objectives of the Association, but there shall be the following standing committees appointed by the Board:
 - a) Nominating committee - this committee shall present to the Annual General Meeting a list of members to be considered for the election to the Board of Directors. Additional nominations shall be received from the floor and if voting is necessary, it shall be by ballot.
 - b) Show and Sale Committee - this committee shall make arrangements for the showing of Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle at various shows and shall be responsible for arranging and holding periodic sales of Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle.
 - c) Publicity Committee - this committee shall be responsible for publication and distribution of materials that may be necessary to promote the sales and shows arranged by the Show and Sale Committee and, in addition, shall carry out such matters and activities as will promote the Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle breed.

ARTICLE V - General

- 1. Any elected person to the Board of Directors or any appointee who by virtue of his failure to fulfill his duties of office or failure to conduct himself as befits his office, may be removed from office. The person in question having been advised of such failure, and having been unable to resolve his dereliction, shall be removed, after a prior notice to that effect of seven days, two-thirds of the Board of Directors concurring.
- 2. This Constitution may be amended in the following manner: proposed amendments must be submitted to the Board of Directors 60 days prior to the Annual General Meeting with members being notified at least 45 days prior of the Annual General Meeting date. All proposed amendments shall be included with the written notice of the annual meeting of the General Assembly, at which such amendments are to be dealt with. Two-thirds of those members present, in person or by proxy, at the General Assembly meeting aforesaid concurring, this proposed amendment shall be deemed to have approved and it shall be entered into this constitution



2009 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING PROXY

Proxy eligibility: All members in good standing are entitled to vote at the Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Association's Annual General Meeting. If you are unable to attend you may request another member in good standing to represent you and your vote. Each member is entitled to carry three (3) proxy votes. (Maximum 4 votes)

I, _____, am unable to attend the 2009 Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Association on April 4, 2009, and hereby designate _____ of _____ (address) to represent me at this meeting.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PLEASANT VALLEY BLONDES

Full Blood Blonde d'Aquitaine



**YEARLING
PHOTO**

**DOUBLE POLLED
PLEASANT VALLEY TAILS 2T
OFFSPRING FOR APRIL 2009
6 WSS MIGHTY DIO
1 WW MISTER CORBY**



**ALL A.I. BREEDING & EMBRYO PROGRAM
WITH 42 BULLS IN TANK**

PLEASANT VALLEY BLONDES

**613-483-3385
Harrowsmith ON**

Sheldon Asselstine

Hoard's Station Sale Barn

PLEASE PRINT

Animals Name _____ Reg. no. _____

Percentage Sex Breeding Info Tattoo _____
 Fullblood bull calf at side picture included
 Purebred female open Birth date _____
 _____% polled bred/exposed to: _____ Birth wt. _____ lbs.
 Reg. no. _____

		Reg. no.
Sire		Reg. no.
		Reg. no.
		Reg. no.
Dam		Reg. no.
		Reg. no.

COMMENTS: (MUST BE SUPPLIED BY CONSIGNOR) _____

EPD'S: _____

"A" LOT: Name _____ Tattoo _____ Reg. no. _____

NOTE: CALVES MUST BE REGISTERED AND LEGIBLY TATTOOED PRIOR TO SALE

Percentage Sex Birth date _____ Sire _____
 Fullblood bull Date Mon Year _____
 Purebred female Birth wt. _____ lbs. _____ Reg. no. _____
 _____% polled EPD'S: _____

CONSIGNOR DATA (Please print)

Your name _____ Farm name _____
 Address Fire # _____
 City _____ Postal code _____
 Phone () _____ E-mail _____