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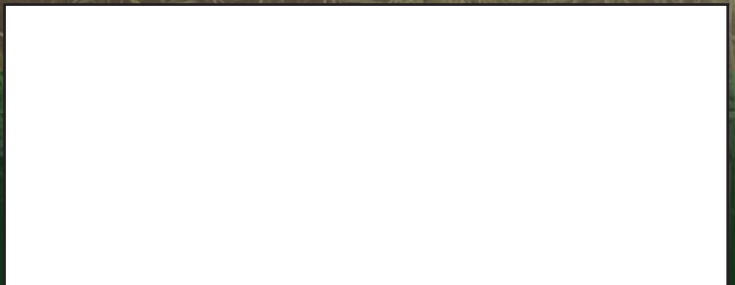
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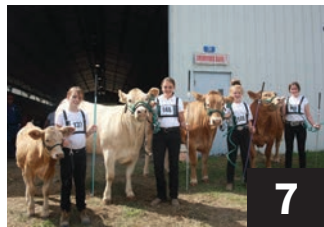
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To access the Members Only Section on the website, please contact a Board member for the password. This page features current and archived Board minutes, as well as AGM minutes and committee reports since 2005.



The 2020 National will be hosted by the Ontario Association and plans are underway. Hopefully they can find a way to host the Show, Sale and Meeting at the same time/location this year as the American Blonde Association has decided to host their AGM on the same weekend as the the Cream of the Crop Sale. This would be a great event if it was all held together and would attract the largest number of participants. The Québec Association was originally planning to host the 2020 event, but decided they weren't in a position to do it this year..

Somehow, we missed being notified that long time New Brunswick breeder, Ron MacArthur, had been selected as the Kent Farm Group Farmer of the Year in 2017. There were articles written in local papers, and we did reach out for permission to re-print but could not find the proper contacts. Thanks to Myrna Flesch for making us aware of this and congratulations to Ron and family.

In a reversal of a previous decision, the Newsletter will continue as a regular publication coming out in June, September and December each year while the Blonde Connection will cover the March quarter. However, the Newsletter will only be available online and through direct email to our contacts – it will not be printed.

We would like to welcome Lisa Leduc from Manotick, Ontario and Jeremy Deweerd from Wooler, Ontario to the Board. Lisa and partner Dave Payne run Bar K Farms, while Jeremy and wife Rachel operate Stonewall Farms.

We would like to thank Ashley McNeven for her two terms of service, as well as, Shellie Wolfe. Executive positions remained virtually the same with one change – Paul Ferguson takes on the role of Vice President. Nicholas Boyd, Dave Kamelchuk and Reed Rigney continue in their respective positions of President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Some issues with service and DNA issues have cropped up at CLRC in the past few months. If you have any issues, please contact President Nicholas Boyd. It is good for the Board to know of issues that you are having as others may be facing the same challenges, and we may be able to help solve them.

Please check out the Canadian Blonde website as it has change somewhat. We have included a Membership Handbook under the “Member Tools” tab, as well as several other useful bits of information for our members. You will also find the “Bulls of the Breed” booklet under the “Publication” tab. We also made a few other tweaks here and there to improve the flow of the website.

You will also notice that there is a tab for Provincial Associations. Over the next year, the Provincial websites will be migrating over to be included in the CBDA website. The Major discussion item at the AGM was in regard to amalgamating the CBDA with the Provincial associations to reduce duplication and increase the cooperation amongst members working on breed projects. The general consensus was that this would be a good thing, however, details will need to be worked out.

Considérant que l'Association du Québec nous a avisé qu'elle ne pourrait pas recevoir la Nationale à l'Expo Bœuf de Victoriaville cette année pour des raisons personnelles c'est l'Association de l'Ontario qui sera l'hôte avec l'American Blonde Association planifiant également son AGA lors de la vente de la « Cream of the Crop », mais avec la situation actuelle du Covid 19, nous ne savons pas ce que l'automne peut apporter en termes de rassemblements.

Il arrive, que nous n'avons pas été informés que l'éleveur de longue date du Nouveau-Brunswick, Ron MacArthur, avait été sélectionné comme agriculteur de l'année du Kent Farm Group en 2017. Il y avait des articles écrits dans les journaux locaux et nous avons demandé la permission de les réimprimer mais nous n'avons pas pu trouver les contacts appropriés. Merci à Myrna Flesch de nous en avoir informés et félicitations à Ron et à sa famille.

Dans le sens inverse d'une décision antérieure, le Newsletter poursuivra comme une publication régulière qui paraîtra en juin, septembre et décembre de chaque année tandis que la Blonde Connection couvrira le trimestre de mars. Cependant, le Newsletter ne sera disponible qu'en ligne et par courriel direct à nos contacts – il ne sera pas imprimé.

Nous souhaitons bienvenue à Lisa Leduc de Manotick, Ontario et Jeremy Deweerd de Wooler, Ontario au Conseil d'administration de la Canadienne. Lisa et son partenaire Dave Payne dirigent Bar K Farms tandis que Jeremy et son épouse Rachel exploitent Stonewall Farms.

Nous voulons remercier Ashley McNeven pour ses deux termes de service, ainsi que Shellie Wolfe. Les postes de direction sont restés les mêmes avec un seul changement – Paul Ferguson assume le rôle de vice-président. Nicholas Boyd, Dave Kamelchuk et Reed Rigney conservent leurs postes respectifs de président, trésorier et secrétaire.

Certains problèmes avec le service et des problèmes avec l'ADN ont surgi au SCEA au cours des derniers mois. Si vous avez des problèmes veuillez contacter le président Nicholas Boyd. Il serait bon que le conseil d'administration connaisse les problèmes que vous rencontrez, car d'autres peuvent être confrontés aux mêmes défis et nous pourrions peut-être aider à les résoudre.

Veuillez consulter le site Internet de la Blonde Canadienne car il y a eu quelques changements. Nous avons inclus un Manuel pour les membres sous l'onglet « Member Tools », ainsi que plusieurs autres informations pour nos membres. Vous trouverez également le livret « Bulls of the Breed » sous l'onglet « Publication ». Nous avons également effectué quelques ajustements ici et là pour améliorer la visite du site Internet.

Vous remarquerez également qu'il existe un onglet pour les associations provinciales. Au cours de la prochaine année, les sites Internet provinciaux migreront pour être inclus dans le site Internet de la CBDA. Le principal sujet de discussion à l'AGA concernait la fusion de la CBDA avec les associations provinciales afin de réduire le duplicata et d'accroître la coopération entre les membres travaillant sur des projets de race. Le consensus général était que ce serait une bonne chose mais des détails devront être élaborés.



**Its that exciting time of the year again** – some folks are just finishing calving, others are just starting while most of the others are right in the middle of it. New beginnings, new hope. A chance to see if all of last years breeding decisions, were the right ones. As I write this article, Paul Fee is sweating out the weekend weather. Ontario is braced to get our worst snowfall of the entire winter and Paul has seven AI'd cows all due to calve Friday through Sunday. One fella NOT sweating is his neighbor Rick Drinkill who sees another Cream of the Crop purchase in his future for every inch of snow that falls. The plowing business is alive and well folks!

Reflecting back on the past year, Agriculture continues to face numerous uphill challenges and the Blonde breed is no exception. While membership and registrations have dropped, all is not doom and gloom. Our membership base may be small but it is mighty. The core, continue to push forward trying to improve the breed through EPDs, herd improvements and public exposure. There has been a slow influx of newer, younger members making their way into the breed. Serena Shufelt who operates Iwana Farm out of Brigham, Quebec is putting together a nice little herd as can be seen from her CLRC inventory. Dave Quehl from Maynooth, Ontario has caught the bug and with the help of Uncle Don (Dunham) is putting together a solid smaller herd of animals. Then in the west, Monica Wood a 3rd generation Blonde breeder is starting up her herd in Carberry, Manitoba. Monica has been showing Blonde projects in the 4H program, and is the daughter/granddaughter of Bill & Brian Wood who operated the successful Hazel Grove Blondes starting in the early 1990s and into the early 2000s. We must not forget some newer breeders who have joined us within the last few years and are making big moves either.

Shane Baker, a 2nd generation breeder, along with wife Nicole, and kids Braeden, Mackenzie and Shelby are building a sizeable herd in Sunderland, Ontario, all the while being very active at the fall fairs. Mackenzie made a big splash winning Reserve Champion Youth Showperson in Markham at the 2020 National Show.

Bruce & Bettina Gorrie, along with daughter Charlotte, are regulars at Ontario functions and fairs. Bettina decided to try her hand in the ring this year competing alongside her daughter, making memories. It was the diligent effort and promotion by the Gorries, which has opened the door for a Blonde breed class at the prestigious London Jr Beef Expo. All younger show persons should start planning now to attend in 2021!

A few years ago, Semex Alliance brought blonde bulls back to their semen inventory offering Hallfield Icarus, Rupari Polled Joiner and High Rock Bill. After a few years without, a Blonde bull enters their Sire Book once again. SMX Supremacy 1750, a purebred embryo son of highly regarded High Rock Crisp and sired by Halffield Icarus, has genetics available for purchase. Its great to see newer Blonde genetics on offer worldwide.

In exciting news for this fall, the American Blonde d'Aquitaine Association will be joining us in Ontario at the Cream of the Crop Sale to host their AGM, while taking in a few herd tours and the sale itself. The OBdAA has a banquet dinner and social in the works for the Friday night so plan ahead to attend. Getting to know and network with our American counterparts will be a wonderful time, and a great chance to further grow our breed.

While this will be the last chance for me to write a Presidents Report for the CBDA due to

constitutional restrictions, I do so with great pride. It has been an absolute honor to serve all CBDA members as your President. I cannot thank those who have served on the Board with me enough for their time, passion and dedication to the improvement of our great breed. I am excited for the future, I believe we are beginning to create a common goal and direction we want to take Blonde cattle. To everyone who contributes in both big and small ways, please continue to do so. Our success will be attributed to the sum of all parts. May your 2020 year be wonderful and filled with success and happiness.

*Nicholas Beyd*



## C'est à nouveau cette période passionnante de l'année

– certains finissent le vêlage, d'autres commencent tout juste tandis que la plupart des autres sont en plein dedans. Nouveaux arrivés, nouvel espoir. Une chance de voir si toutes les décisions d'élevage de l'année passée ont été bonnes. Au moment où j'écris cet article, Paul Fee transpire sur un mauvais temps. L'Ontario est sur le point de recevoir la pire tempête de neige de tout l'hiver et Paul a sept vaches IA qui sont dû à vêler cette fin de semaine. Un gars qui ne transpire PAS est son voisin Rick Drinkill qui voit un autre achat au Cream of the Crop dans son avenir pour chaque pouce de neige qui tombe. L'entreprise de ramassage de neige est bien vivante!

En réfléchissant à l'année dernière, l'agriculture continue de faire face à de nombreux défis et la race Blonde ne fait pas exception. Alors que nous avons moins d'adhésions et moins d'enregistrements d'animaux, il ne faut pas céder au désespoir. Notre base de membres peut être petite mais elle est puissante. Le noyau continue à aller de l'avant en essayant d'améliorer la race grâce aux EPDs, aux améliorations du troupeau et à l'exposition au public. Il y a eu un afflux lent de nouveaux membres plus jeunes qui se sont introduits dans la race. Serena Shufelt, qui exploite la ferme Iwana à Brigham au Québec, qui constitue un joli petit troupeau comme le montre son inventaire sur le site du SCEA. Dave Quehl, de Maynooth en Ontario, a attrapé le virus et avec l'aide de l'oncle Don (Dunham), il est en train de monter un troupeau d'animaux plus petit mais fort. Et dans l'Ouest, Monica Wood, une éleveuse blonde de 3e génération, démarre son troupeau à Carberry au Manitoba. Monica a montré des projets Blonde dans le programme 4H et est la fille / petite-fille de Bill & Brian Wood qui dirigeaient avec succès les Blondes de Hazel Grove à partir du début des années 1990 et jusqu'au début des années 2000.

Nous ne devons pas oublier, non plus, les nouveaux éleveurs qui nous ont rejoints au cours des dernières années et qui font de grands pas.

Shane Baker, un éleveur de 2e génération, avec sa femme Nicole et les enfants Braeden, Mackenzie et Shelby construisent un troupeau important à Sunderland en Ontario, tout en étant très actifs lors des expositions d'automne. Mackenzie a été reconnue Championne Jeunesse "Showperson" au Salon national 2020 à Markham.

Bruce et Bettina Gorrie, ainsi que leur fille Charlotte, sont des habitués des événements et des expositions de l'Ontario. Bettina a décidé de s'essayer dans l'arène cette année en compétition aux côtés de sa fille, créant des souvenirs. Ce sont les efforts diligents et la promotion des Gorries, qui ont ouvert la porte à une classe de race Blonde à la prestigieuse London Jr Beef Expo. Tous les jeunes "Showperson" devraient commencer à planifier dès maintenant pour y assister en 2021!

Il y a quelques années, Semex Alliance a ramené les taureaux Blondes dans leur inventaire de sperme en offrant Hallfield Icarus, Rupari Polled Joiner et High Rock Bill. Après quelques années sans, un taureau de la race Blonde entre à nouveau dans leur livre génétique. SMX Supremacy 1750, fils d'embryon de race pure de High Rock Crisp grandement considéré et engendré par Halffield Icarus, a des semences disponibles à l'achat. C'est génial de voir les nouvelles génétiques Blonde proposées dans le monde entier.

Une très bonne nouvelle pour cet automne, l'American Blonde d'Aquitaine Association feront leur AGA en Ontario lors de la vente "Cream of the Crop" tout en participant à quelques visites de troupeaux et à la vente elle-même. L'OBdAA organise un banquet pour le souper et des activités sociales pour le vendredi soir, alors planifiez à l'avance pour y assister. Apprendre à connaître et à réseauter avec nos homologues américains sera un moment merveilleux et une excellente occasion de développer davantage notre race.

Bien que ce soit la dernière chance pour moi d'écrire un rapport du président pour la CBDA en raison de restrictions constitutionnelles, je le fais avec une grande fierté. Ce fut un honneur absolu de servir tous les membres de la CBDA en tant que président. Je ne peux pas remercier ceux qui ont siégé au conseil avec moi assez pour leur temps, leur passion et leur dévouement à l'amélioration de notre grande race. Je suis enthousiaste pour l'avenir, je crois que nous commençons à créer un objectif commun et une direction que nous voulons amener le bétail Blonde. À tous ceux qui contribuent à la fois de façon importante et modeste, veuillez continuer à le faire. Notre succès sera attribué à la somme de toutes les parties. Que votre année 2020 soit merveilleuse et remplie de succès et de bonheur.

*Nicholas Beyd*

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## ALBERTA & BRITISH COLUMBIA



Alberta and BC had a relatively mild winter this year with only couple cold stretches, a really nice change after the months of cold that winter 2019 brought. The warmer weather also helped to ease cow requirements, as much of the dry forage available was low quality after an extremely wet July which saw first cut hay being put up in August and September.

Cattle prices had remained steady and it appeared that demand for Blonde bulls in our market was strong. However, with Covid 19 rearing it's head, things have slowed a bit in the live markets and on the bull front. Price uncertainty for commercial producers that are backgrounding calves and the slow down of the economy due to the virus as seen lower averages at the bull sales in general.

But on the positive side people still need to eat, and cattleman still need to get their cows bred, so I think the markets will rebound and we should see prices strengthen again. Hopefully everyone is staying safe and healthy out there, and we can see you all this fall for the National events in the East.

L'Alberta et la Colombie-Britannique ont connu un hiver relativement doux cette année avec seulement quelques journées de froid intense, un changement vraiment agréable après les mois de froid de l'hiver 2019. Le temps plus chaud a également aidé à réduire le besoin des vaches, car une grande partie du fourrage sec disponible était de mauvaise qualité après un mois de juillet extrêmement humide qui a vu la première coupe de foin en août et septembre.

Les prix pour les bovins sont restés stables et la demande était forte pour des taureaux Blondes sur notre marché. Cependant, maintenant avec Covid 19, les choses ralentissent un peu sur les ventes en direct et sur le front bovin. L'incertitude des prix pour les producteurs commerciaux qui font la semi-finition des veaux au champ et le ralentissement de l'économie en raison du virus ont vu des moyennes plus faibles aux ventes de taureaux en général.

Mais sur un côté positif, les gens ont encore besoin de manger et les éleveurs doivent encore élever leurs vaches, donc je pense que les marchés vont rebondir et nous devrions voir les prix se raffermir à nouveau. J'espère que tout le monde sont en sécurité et en bonne santé, et nous pouvons vous voir tous cet automne pour les événements nationaux dans l'Est.

Reed Rigney



## MANITOBA & SASKATCHEWAN



Hello to all our friends and those that we do not know as yet. Since we have been introducing many people to the Blonde Breed, I find that most cattle people are down to earth, good persons to deal with. The Man-Sask Association has been proud to introduce a fair number of commercial ranchers to our fine animals with many being return customers.

Our association is a small one; however we manage to produce and sell many animals, thus keeping the Blondes in the market spreading the genetics as far as conditions allow.

Speaking of conditions, what a roller coaster ride this past year has been. We experienced the fear of drought in the spring to a sodden wet mess in the fall in which grains was left standing. There are many fields that looked very promising in the summer that are still there as well as bales in the fields.

The 4-H and Beef Expo program we support is still on our agenda. There is a young girl in the 4-H movement who is now raising her heifer and is learning A.I. The yearly meeting will be held at a campground in Manitoba, site of last year's. This year, we hope to have some activities lined up so we all can enjoy a get together.

Best of luck throughout the calving season to all and may your cattle top the market.

Bonjour à tous nos amis et à ceux que nous ne connaissons pas encore.

Depuis que nous introduisons de nombreuses personnes à la race Blonde, je trouve que la plupart des éleveurs de bovins sont terre-à-terre, de bonnes personnes à connaître. L'Association Man-Sask est fière de présenter à un bon nombre d'éleveurs commerciaux nos beaux animaux, dont beaucoup sont des anciens clients.

Notre association est petite; cependant, nous parvenons à produire et à vendre de nombreux animaux, gardant ainsi les Blondes sur le marché en répandant la génétique dans la mesure où les conditions le permettent.

En parlant de conditions, quel tour de montagnes russes a été l'année dernière. Nous avons ressenti la peur de la sécheresse au printemps et un temps pluvieux à l'automne où les grains sont restés sur place. Il y a beaucoup de champs qui semblaient très prometteurs en été qui sont toujours là ainsi que des balles de foin dans les champs.

Le programme 4H et le programme Bœuf Expo que nous soutenons est toujours à notre agenda. Il y a une jeune fille dans le mouvement 4H qui élève maintenant sa génisse et apprend I.A. La réunion annuelle aura lieu dans un terrain de camping au Manitoba, le même site que l'année dernière. Cette année, nous espérons organiser quelques activités afin que nous puissions tous profiter d'une rencontre.

Bonne chance à tous pendant la saison de vêlage et que votre bétail domine le marché.

Pat Filz



## QUEBEC

Bonjour chers éleveurs Blonde d'Aquitaine. Cette année l'Association Blonde d'Aquitaine du Québec sera l'hôte de l'Assemblée Générale Annuelle de l'Association Canadienne Blonde d'Aquitaine.

Nous vous invitons donc à assister à cette importante réunion et par la même occasion inscrire vos plus belles Blondes au jugement et à rencontrer les éleveurs qui seront présents à l'Expo Bœuf 2020 de Victoriaville.

C'est une opportunité de voir ce qui se fait pour l'amélioration de la race à l'échelle nationale, c'est un rendez-vous, on vous attend en grand nombre.

### Autres rendez-vous 2020

- Expo St-Hyacinthe Fair : du 16 au 25 juillet
- Expo de Brome Fair : du 4 au 7 septembre
- Expo Richmond Fair : du 10 au 13 septembre
- Expo Lindsay Fair (Ontario) : du 18 au 22 septembre

### Dear Blonde d'Aquitaine breeders

This year the Québec Blonde d'Aquitaine Association will be hosting the Canadian National Annual General meeting.

We invite you to be present at this important meeting and by the same occasion enter your best Blondes in the judgement and come and meet the breeders who will be at the 2020 edition of Expo Bœuf in Victoriaville.

This is an opportunity to see for yourself the breed improvements on a National level. It's a date and we are expecting you.

### Other 2020 dates

- Expo St-Hyacinthe Fair : from July 16th to July 25th
- Expo de Brome Fair : from September 4th to the 7th
- Expo Richmond Fair : from September 10th to the 13th
- Expo Lindsay Fair (Ontario) : September 18th to the 22nd

Gilbert Gauthier, President



## ONTARIO & THE MARITIMES



What a difference from one winter to the next! Last year in Ottawa, a every day felt like minus 20 with water bowls freezing and tractors needing a little more help to get started. This year is the opposite, being too warm, which comes with its own problems. We needed a lot more bedding, and we're constantly worrying if the cattle would get pneumonia because of the drastic weather changes from one day to the next. As farmers and Canadians, that is what we do best, talk and complain about the weather.

The Ontario Board is already planning big things for 2020. The year starts off with the Ottawa Farm Show, from March 17- 19th. If you are in the neighborhood drop by, say hello to the Fergusons and throw your name on the ballot to win a great steakhouse dinner. If not for the chance to win a dinner, it is worth the drive to watch Paul tie helium balloons, especially if there is more than one child with their arm out. Oh the pressure!

Then on March 21st, we are holding our Ontario & Maritimes AGM at Brownsdale Community Center. Registration is at 11:00 am. It's a great time to catch up on the calving stories and it is a great venue to express your thoughts and opinions that will shape and mold the future of our association.

Crystal Farms 2019/2020 Bull Test will be completed by the end of March. It's always great to see the final results and how well the Blonde breed gains. Anyone wanting to place an animal in 2020/2021 test, please contact Paul Ferguson.

Once again a road map for our advertising programs are laid out and underway. Anyone wanting to participate this year and place your farm in our ads, please contact Kirk McGee.

We also have some new incentive plans on top of the EPD program, so remember to get your birth/weaning weights entered for this year's calving season. New for 2020 is a buyer incentive plan of 100 dollars rebate to anyone buying a registered Blonde bull off a bull test.

The board is looking for a location to host The Ontario Blonde Picnic. If you want to show off your herd and host this annual event for 2020, please contact Nicholas Boyd.

Campbellford Fair in August is the first Blonde show of the year that kicks off the show string. The competition is getting better and better so get your brushes and halters ready. It's always a great time with lots of laughs. The show incentive program is still running strong, so any 4H member who competes should contact Rick Drinkill to let him know you are showing a Blonde this year to receive your 150 dollars.

We'll have a display and a couple of our breeders to promote our Blondes at the Hastings Plowing Match, so make sure to look for us there! Many thanks to our volunteers who keep our breed on the map for these events.

Likely one of our biggest changes for 2020 will be how we'll be running our Annual Cream of the Crop Sale. Since it will be our 20th anniversary, the board decided to change it up. Alongside the live venue, we will be broadcasting the sale online via Liveauctions.TV. More information to come so stay tuned. Looking forward to another great year with great people! See you on the circuit.

All the best,  
Dave Payne

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Quelle différence d'un hiver à l'autre! L'an dernier à Ottawa, on avait l'impression que chaque jour était comme moins 20 avec des bols d'eau gelés et des tracteurs ayant besoin d'un peu plus d'aide pour démarrer. Cette année, c'est le contraire, étant trop chaud qui vient avec ses propres problèmes. Nous avons besoin de beaucoup plus de litière et nous nous demandions constamment si le bétail souffrirait d'une pneumonie en raison des changements climatiques drastiques d'un jour à l'autre. En tant qu'agriculteurs et Canadiens, c'est ce que nous faisons le mieux parler et nous plaindre de la météo.

Le conseil d'administration de l'Ontario prévoit déjà de grandes choses pour 2020. L'année commence avec le Ottawa Farm Show, du 17 au 19 mars. Si vous êtes dans le coin, venez dire bonjour aux Fergusons et mettez votre nom sur le bulletin de vote pour gagner un excellent repas dans une maison de steak. Si ce n'est pas pour la chance de gagner un souper, il vaut la peine de regarder Paul attacher des ballons à l'hélium, surtout s'il y a plus d'un enfant avec le bras tendu. Oh la pression!

Le 21 mars, nous tiendrons notre assemblée générale annuelle de l'Ontario et des Maritimes au Brownsdale Community Center. L'inscription est à 11h00. C'est un moment idéal pour entendre des histoires de vêlage et c'est un excellent endroit pour exprimer vos pensées et opinions qui pourrait améliorer l'avenir de notre association.

Les tests de taureaux Crystal Farms 2019/2020 finiront à la fin de mars. C'est toujours génial de voir les résultats finaux et à quel point la race Blonde rapporte. Quiconque souhaite placer un animal au test 2020/2021 doit contacter Paul Ferguson.

Une fois de plus, une feuille de route pour nos programmes publicitaires est établie et en cours. Si vous souhaitez participer cette année et placer votre ferme dans nos annonces, veuillez contacter Kirk McGee.

Nous avons également de nouveaux plans d'incitation en plus du programme EPD, alors n'oubliez pas de saisir vos poids de naissance / sevrage pour la saison de vêlage de cette année. Une nouveauté pour 2020 est un plan incitatif d'une remise de 100 dollars à quiconque achète un taureau enregistré Blonde à la suite d'un test de taureau.

Le conseil est à la recherche d'un endroit pour avoir le pique-nique Blonde de l'Ontario. Si vous souhaitez montrer votre troupeau et accueillir cet événement annuel pour 2020, veuillez contacter Nicholas Boyd.

La foire de Campbellford en août est le premier spectacle Blonde de l'année qui donne le coup d'envoi à la série d'exposition. La concurrence s'améliore de plus en plus, alors préparez vos brosses et vos licols. C'est toujours un bon moment avec beaucoup de rires. Le programme d'incitation au spectacle fonctionne toujours fort, donc tout membre 4H qui participe devrait contacter Rick Drinkill pour lui faire savoir que vous montrez une Blonde cette année pour recevoir vos 150 dollars.

Nous aurons un kiosque et un couple d'éleveurs pour promouvoir nos Blondes au Hastings Plowing Match, alors assurez-vous de venir nous visiter là-bas! Un grand merci à nos bénévoles qui gardent notre race sur la carte pour ces événements.

L'un de nos plus grands changements pour 2020 sera probablement la façon dont nous organiserons notre vente annuelle du "Cream of the Crop". Comme ce sera notre 20e anniversaire, le conseil d'administration a décidé de le rendre spécial. Parallèlement à la salle en direct, nous diffuserons la vente en ligne via Liveauctions.TV. Plus d'informations à venir alors restez à l'écoute.

En attente d'une autre grande année avec des gens formidables! Rendez-vous sur le circuit.

Bonne chance,  
Dave Payne



**4-H  
CANADA**

# JUNIOR SHOW RESULTS

## CONGRATUALATIONS TO ALL OUR 4-H MEMBERS!

We received the following pictures and information from 4-H Members in Alberta, Ontario and who showed Blonde or Blonde cross animals this past year.

PLEASE SEND US YOUR 4-H RESULTS AND PICTURES SO WE CAN INCLUDE THEM IN THE 2021 PUBLICATION!

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**ALBERTA**  
**Colinton 4-H Club**  
**ATHABASCA DISTRICT**

**DELANEY KAMELCHUK**  
*with steer*  
**FIZZYPOP**



**EMMA KAMELCHUK**  
*with steer*  
**GHOST**



**AVERY KAMELCHUK**  
*with heifer*  
**LITTLE CREEK FRENCH KISS 199F**

**2**

**ONTARIO**  
**TORONTO ROYAL**  
**WINTER FAIR**

**KYLEE GRAY**  
*with* CBDA President  
Nick Boyd & Roby  
Westcott from UK  
at MASTERFEEDS NATIONAL  
JUNIOR BEEF HEIFER SHOW



**KYLEE GRAY**  
*at*  
**SPENCERVILLE ACHIEVEMENT DAY 2019**



**SOPHIA CROWELL, KYLEE GRAY, EMILY  
IRVINE & ALAINA COOTE**  
*at* SPENCERVILLE ACHIEVEMENT DAY 2019



3

**ONTARIO**  
**4-H Club**

HANNAH VAN TOL

*with*

HIGH ROCK  
GLITTER GIRL 2G



KEISHA SCHIESTEL

*with*

SCHIESTEL  
FRANKIE 16F



MACHAILA  
DUNHAM

*with*

OVER THE TOP  
FLOWY  
29F

# 2019 BREEDER OF THE YEAR

## *Ridge View* BLONDES



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The look on Kirk McGee's face when it was announced he was the 2019 Shirley Bilton Breeder of the Year recipient told a story greater than any one I could ever tell.

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He is humble to a fault. The first one to lend a hand in the show ring or at the sales barn, and the last to accept thanks for his tireless work within the breed. A 3rd generation farmer carrying on the family tradition started in 1940 by grandparents Gordon and Irene McGee, and later by his parents Ron and Donna McGee.

Kirk's herd, Ridge View Blondes consists of 15 cows that he runs in conjunction with his father's, Rondakk Acres. Between the two farms there are 40-50 mature cows roaming the pastures, along County Rd 30 in Codrington. At the home farm you will also find 40 ewes, which Kirk owns with hard bargain partners, Teagan and Larkin. It was on his 9th birthday he acquired his first sheep and he's been expanding since.

The journey into the Blondes took a bit different path. Grandfather Gordon ran a herd of Herefords, when Ron (father) convinced him to use a Limousin bull. During those times it was always the tan calves topping the sales barns, and they were often referred to as "little golden nuggets". The desire for these color of calves were why the first Blonde bull showed up at the farm in 1992, and there's never been another breed of bull since.

Along with the purebred Blonde bull, Ron also purchased two fullblood heifers from Dave McNeven. Sugar Creek Blossom 13B and Hilltop Orchard Brandy 20B landed at Rondakk Acres with Kirk and brother Kyle both buying a quarter interest in Brandy. As the herd started to expand, Kirk and Kyle both traded in their ¼ interest for a resulting heifer calf. While Brandy was an absolute pet to be around, her docility that the Blondes are known for did NOT transfer to the calves. They were shipped before the First Cream of the Crop Sale, and that's where Kirk made a pivotal purchase.

Don Dunhams Donaleen Blondes consigned a number of quality offerings from his show string and Kirk was the last man standing when the hammer fell on Donaleen Miss Little Breath 8L, a heifer calf sired by successful show bull Beau Bois Café. Don offered all buyers to take the animals back to his place as he had entered them all in the Royal Winter Fair. Initially Kirk brought his purchase home, but 2 days later she was on the trailer and headed back to Don's for the show. Having never been to the Royal, Kirk and the family headed to watch his new prized possession. Anyone who "knows" Uncle Don knows that watching was not an option. Fitted with a stylish green association vest, Kirk headed into the ring for both showmanship and the open class shortly after arriving. The hook had been set.

Although he never took part in the 4H beef club, Kirk was very active in the Northumberland 4H Veterinary Club for a



number of years, often linking up with the Vink (Halcyon Farms) children.

Working alongside father Ron, Kirk purchased a number of animals for himself including High Point Miss Hope 18H at the 2002 Cream of the Crop who became his foundation cow, producing her last calf Ridge View Epic Finale at the whopping age of 19! It was in 2013 when Ridge View Blondes were officially on their feet as Kirk swung out on his own. The first registered with the prefix was Ridge View Ava 28A who sold to John Langstaff at the Cream of the Crop that year. How did he come up with his farm name you ask? The answer is complex but simple. The farm is situated in a valley that was carved by a glacier. It left stone-free fields and a ridge to the west that runs the length of all 3 McGee farms. The view from the ridge is phenomenal, especially in the fall. Many cars stop for photo ops, often citing the beautiful 'ridge view'. If anyone knows even the littlest tidbit about Kirk, it's that not often he's seen without a camera around his neck. The name just seemed to fit.

With the change to his own prefix, Kirk's involvement in the breed was just starting to accelerate. He has been a fixture on the OBDAA Board since 2015. Now in his 3rd term, he is the mastermind behind all the magnificent Ontario advertisements in various industry magazines. Also included on his resume is the design and production of the 2019 Cream of the Crop Sales catalogue. Kirk was very active in the show ring this past year, starting off the season at his hometown fair in Campbellford, and ending it with a successful showing at the 2019 Blonde National in Markham. Never one to miss an event, Kirk setup and manned the OBDAA booth at the Hastings Plowing Match, just a few short weeks after travelling west across the province to attend the Ontario Picnic festivities in Langstaff country!

Affectionately named 'Eagle Eye' by Paul Fee, due to his immaculate attention to detail, it's not hard to see why Kirk McGee was an easy choice for 2019 Breeder of the Year. With the wheels in motion at Ridge View, and an appetite to improve the Blonde breed, I'd say the eagle has landed!



Le regard sur le visage de Kirk McGee lorsqu'il a su qu'il était le récipiendaire du titre de l'éleveur de l'année Shirley Bilton 2019 a raconté une histoire plus grande que celle que je pourrais raconter.

Il est tellement humble. Le premier à donner un coup de main dans l'arène d'exposition ou à l'étable et le dernier à accepter les remerciements pour son travail acharné au sein de la race. Un fermier de 3e génération perpétuant la tradition familiale qui a commencé en 1940 par ses grands-parents Gordon et Irene McGee, puis par ses parents Ron et Donna McGee.

Le troupeau de Kirk, Ridge View Blondes, se compose de 15 vaches qu'il dirige en collaboration avec son père Rondakk Acres. Entre les deux fermes, 40 à 50 vaches matures errent dans les pâturages le long du chemin County 30 à Codrington. À la ferme familiale, vous trouverez également 40 brebis que Kirk possède avec des partenaires de bonne entente Teagan et Larkin. C'est à son 9e anniversaire qu'il a acquis son premier mouton et il a élargi son troupeau depuis.

Le chemin à se rendre aux Blondes a pris un chemin un peu différent. Le grand-père Gordon dirigeait un troupeau de Herefords, lorsque Ron (père) l'a convaincu d'utiliser un taureau limousin. À cette époque, c'étaient toujours les veaux hâles naturels qui dominaient les étables de vente et ils étaient souvent appelés « petites pépites d'or ». Le désir de ces couleurs de veaux était la raison pour laquelle le premier taureau Blonde est apparu à la ferme en 1992 et il n'y a jamais eu d'autre race de taureau depuis.

Avec le taureau Blonde de race pure, Ron a également acheté deux génisses Fullblood de Dave McNevean. Sugar Creek Blossom 13B et Hilltop Orchard Brandy 20B ont atterri à Rondakk Acres avec Kirk et son frère Kyle, tous deux achetant un quart de la participation dans Brandy. Alors que le troupeau commençait à prendre de l'expansion, Kirk et Kyle ont tous deux échangé leur ¼ d'intérêt contre un génisse progéniture. Alors que Brandy était un animal de compagnie absolu, sa docilité pour laquelle les Blondes sont connues n'a PAS été transférée aux veaux. Ils ont été expédiés avant la première vente du "Cream of the Crop" et c'est là que Kirk a fait un achat essentiel.

Don Dunham de Donaleen Blondes a consigné un certain nombre de ses meilleurs animaux et Kirk était le dernier homme debout lorsque le marteau est tombé sur Donaleen Miss Little Breath 8L, une génisse engendrée par le taureau Beau Bois Café, un

taureau de spectacle à succès. Don a proposé à tous les acheteurs de ramener les animaux chez lui car il les avait tous inscrits à la Royal Winter Fair. Au départ, Kirk a ramené son achat à la maison mais 2 jours plus tard elle était dans la remorque en chemin pour la ferme à Don et ensuite pour le jugement. N'ayant jamais été au Royal, Kirk et sa famille se sont dirigés pour voir sa nouvelle possession. Quiconque « connaît » l'oncle Don sait que regarder n'était pas une option. Équipé d'un élégant gilet d'association vert, Kirk s'est dirigé vers l'arène pour le jugement et la classe ouverte peu de temps après son arrivée. Kirk était accroché.

Bien qu'il n'ait jamais participé au club de bovin 4H, Kirk a été très actif au Northumberland 4H Veterinary Club pendant un certain nombre d'années souvent en lien avec les enfants Vink (Halcyon Farms).

Travaillant aux côtés du père Ron, Kirk a acheté un certain nombre d'animaux pour lui-même dont High Point Miss Hope 18H à la "Cream of the Crop" 2002 qui est devenue une vache de base produisant son dernier veau Ridge View Epic Finale à l'âge de 19 ans! C'était en 2013 lorsque Ridge View Blondes était officiellement debout que Kirk se lançait tout seul. Le premier enregistré avec le préfixe était Ridge View Ava 28A qui a été vendu à John Langstaff au Cream of the Crop cette année-là. Vous vous demandez comment a-t-il trouvé son nom de ferme? La réponse est complexe mais simple. La ferme est située dans une vallée creusée par un glacier. Il a laissé des champs sans pierre et une crête à l'ouest qui s'étend sur les 3 fermes McGee. La vue depuis la crête est phénoménale, surtout à l'automne. De nombreuses voitures s'arrêtent pour des séances de photos, citant souvent la belle

« Vue sur la crête ». Si quelqu'un connaît même la plus petite chose de Kirk, c'est qu'il a toujours une caméra autour du cou. Le nom semblait juste.

Avec le changement de son propre préfixe, l'implication de Kirk dans la race commençait à accélérer. Il fait partie du conseil d'administration de l'OBdAA depuis 2015. Maintenant à son troisième mandat, il est le cerveau derrière toutes les magnifiques publicités de l'Ontario dans divers magazines de l'industrie. Son curriculum vitae comprend également la conception et la production du catalogue de vente 2019 du Cream of the Crop. Kirk a été très actif dans l'arène cette année, débutant la saison à la foire de sa ville natale de Campbellford et se terminant avec un jugement réussi au "Blonde National 2019" à Markham. Jamais un pour ne manquer un événement, Kirk a installé et a tenu le kiosque OBdAA au « Hastings Plough Match », quelques semaines seulement après avoir voyagé vers l'ouest à travers la province pour assister aux festivités du pique-nique de l'Ontario au pays de Langstaff!

Nommé affectueusement « Eagle Eye » par Paul Fee, en raison de son attention immaculée aux détails, il n'est pas difficile de comprendre pourquoi Kirk McGee était un choix facile pour l'éleveur de l'année 2019. Avec les roues en mouvement à Ridge View et un appétit pour s'améliorer. Je dirais que l'aigle est atterri!

**NOMINATIONS  
NEEDED FOR**

# **2020 BREEDER** *Of the* **YEAR**

The award will be presented annually at the CBDA "National" event. Nominations will open on July 1st, and must be received by August 1st each year.

Nominations may be submitted by letter post or email.

The award year will run from August 1st to July 31st.

Nominator and nominee must be paid CBDA members in good standing for the years in question.

Members may not nominate themselves, family members or those that they share memberships/breeding programs with.

An individual or an entire farm operation may be nominated.

The nominator will be responsible for making the case for the nominee, must present well written thoughts and a list of facts detailing the nominees activities and accomplishments in service of the Blonde breed.

Emphasis will be put on the 12 month period in question, however past accomplishments and involvement will not be overlooked.

Activities may include, but are not limited to: current year registrations, service on Blonde Boards, service at Trade Shows, participation in CBDA and provincial events, participation and success in the show ring, buying and selling of animals at Association sales, volunteer positions on behalf of the blondes (ie CLRC, fair boards, beef committees, etc), participation in the BIO program, performance testing, new breeders they have introduced to the breed, advertising of their animals in Association and outside publications, contributions to the 4H program. Nominees will be assessed by a non-biased individual with in-direct ties to the breed, knowledge of purebred beef cattle operations and Associations. Nominators/Nominees will remain anonymous, with the exception of the winning nominee.

The nominator of the winning nominee may also stay anonymous if they so choose, however the information they provide for the nomination may be used in articles/speeches recognizing the winner.

The Breeder of the Year will receive an individual award, a short congratulations in the December newsletter and a full story on their operation in following years "Blonde Connection".

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(À noter que le genre masculin est utilisé dans le but d'alléger la lecture du texte, et ce, sans discrimination pour le genre féminin). Le prix sera remis chaque année lors de la "Nationale" du CBDA

Les candidatures débiteront le 1er juillet et doivent être reçues avant le 1er août de chaque année.

Les candidatures peuvent être soumises par la poste ou par courriel. L'année d'attribution sera du 1er août au 31 juillet.

La personne proposant ou la personne proposée doivent être des membres en règle du CBDA pour les années en question.

Les membres ne peuvent pas présenter leur propre candidature, les membres de leur propre famille ou ceux qu'ils partagent l'adhésion ou programme d'élevage.

Un particulier ou une exploitation agricole entière peut être proposé

Le proposant devra présenter la mise en candidature du proposé, il devra préparer un texte bien écrit et détaillé des activités et des réalisations que la personne proposée a accompli pour la race Blonde.

L'accent sera mis sur la période de 12 mois en question, mais les réalisations et les participations passées ne seront pas ignorées.

Les activités peuvent comprendre mais sans s'y limiter à: l'enregistrement d'animaux de l'année courante, la participation sur des conseils d'administration de la Blonde, la participation aux expositions, la participation à des événements organisés par le CBDA ou l'association provinciale, la participation et le succès dans l'arène, l'achat et la vente d'animaux à des ventes organisées par l'association, être bénévole au nom des Blondes, (par exemple: SCEA, un organisme d'expositions, des comités de bœuf, etc.), la participation au programme BIO, la participation aux épreuves de performance, introduire des nouveaux éleveurs à la race, la publicité de leurs animaux dans les publications de l'association ou autres, leur contribution au programme 4H

Les candidats seront évalués par une personne impartiale avec des liens indirects à la race, la connaissance d'exploitations de bovins de race pure et d'associations

Les proposants et les proposés demeureront anonymes à l'exception du candidat gagnant

À sa demande, la personne proposant le candidat gagnant pourra demeurer anonyme, mais les informations qu'il fournit, pour la nomination, peut être utilisé dans des articles / discours reconnaissant le gagnant

L'Éleveur de l'Année recevra un prix, une courte citation dans le Newsletter du mois de décembre et un article complet sur leur exploitation dans la prochaine publication de la Blonde Connection.



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## SENIOR Herdsire WSS Celebration 2C



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EPD's %	CE	BW	WG	MILK	YG
49	46	90	67	98	

## JUNIOR Herdsire Crystal Fabio 5F



Top Natur's Topper x Crystal Waldo

EPD's %	CE	BW	WG	MILK	YG
85	83	64	69	79	

*Check out the offspring from our 2 main herdsires  
at the Cream of the Crop Sale this fall!*



Celebration Heifers



Fabio Heifer



Paul, Mary Ellen, Samantha & Phillip Ferguson

# CREAM

OF THE

# CROP

## 2019 Sales Report

The 19th Annual Cream of the Crop Sale was held on October 26, 2019 at Hoards Station Sale Barn, Campbellford, ON. A solid offering of bred cows, bred heifers, heifer calves, bulls, and bull calves were on hand.

A challenging year in Ontario beginning with winter-kill leaving hay fields looking sparse, a wet spring which delayed planting followed by a summer of drought, and topped off with a wet fall that made harvest nearly impossible led to an uncertain cattle market. With feed supplies short, and beautiful weather on sale day, which had the commercial buyers in the fields, it was a softer than normal sale. Sixteen consignors offered 38 live lots, which brought an average of \$1923.68. Semen sold well with 63 straws averaging \$35.11.

Top selling female was a Fullblood daughter of the Crystal Champ 4C bull, Crystal Febe 7F, consigned

by Paul and Mary Ellen Ferguson & Family of Crystal Farms, Jasper, Ontario. Febe was purchased by Darren Dunham, of Franmar Blonde Farm, Campbellford, ON for \$3400. Top selling bull was Crystal Grande 3G, a paternal brother to the 2018 high selling bull, sired by the two time National Champion WSS Celebration 2C. He was consigned by Paul and Mary Ellen Ferguson & Family of Crystal Farms and purchased by Ron & Kim Fintelman of Rosepark Blondes, Cameron, Ontario for \$3800. One of the two bull calves purchased through the sale, Fee Haven General 225G consigned by Fee Haven Farms and purchased by Jarno Miedema, made the trip to to Jasper, ON to take part in the Crystal Farms 2019-2020 Bull Test.

For the sixth year, attendees were able to crown a winner of the People's Choice Award by voting for their favourite consignment. This year the Ferguson Family of Crystal Farms took home the banner sponsored by Acres Farms for their high selling consignment, Crystal Febe 7F, who was a crowd pleaser in the barn on sale day. The purchaser, Darren Dunham of Franmar Blonde Farm, Campbellford, ON also received a banner sponsored by Little Creek Farms. Thank you to the consignors, buyers, bidders, and all attendees for the continued support of the OBdA's Cream of the Crop Sale! We look forward to the 20th Annual Cream of the Crop Sale this fall!

# TOP SELLERS

## BULLS

**CRYSTAL GRANDE 3G \$3800**  
Consigned by Crystal Farms  
Purchased by Rosepark Blondes  
Cameron, ON

**FEE HAVEN GENERAL 225G \$3500**  
Consigned by Fee Haven Farms  
Purchased by Jarno Miedema  
Bruceville, ON

**CRYSTAL DUKE 13D \$2400**  
Consigned by Donaleen Blondes  
Purchased by Recker Farms  
Duoro-Dummer, ON

## BRED COWS

**VAN BAKEL BLONDES ELEANOR 31E \$2800**  
Consigned by Jarno Miedema  
Purchased by Franmar Blonde Farm  
Campbellford, ON

**VAN BAKEL BLONDES EBAY 33E \$2500**  
Consigned by Jarno Miedema  
Purchased by Crystal Farms  
Jasper, ON

**VAN BAKEL BLONDES ELYSE 30E \$2350**  
Consigned by Jarno Miedema  
Purchased by One OAK Blondes  
Guelph, ON

## BRED HEIFERS

**CRYSTAL FEBE 7F \$3400**  
Consigned by Crystal Farms  
Purchased by Franmar Blonde Farm  
Campbellford, ON

**MCGILLIS ACRES ELLY-MAE 2E \$3100**  
Consigned by McGillis Acres  
Purchased by John Langstaff  
Sombra, ON

**LANGSTAFF FAYE 27F \$2600**  
Consigned by John Langstaff  
Purchased by JAE Acres  
Rockton, ON

## OPEN HEIFERS

**BAR K FIREFLY 19F \$1850**  
Consigned by Bar K Farms  
Purchased by Birchview Farms  
Lakefield, ON

**BEAVERMEADOW FAYE 12F \$1350**  
Consigned by Beavermeadow Blondes  
Purchased by Birchview Farms  
Lakefield, ON

**BAR K FREDIA 06F \$1250**  
Consigned by Bar K Farms  
Purchased by Stonewall Farms  
Wooler, ON

## HEIFER CALVES

**DONALEEN GINGER 7G \$1900**  
Consigned by Donaleen Blondes  
Purchased by Dave Quehl  
Maynooth, ON

**FEE HAVEN GLITTER 333G \$1800**  
Consigned by Fee Haven Farms  
Purchased by Donaleen Blondes  
Campbellford, ON

**FOREST VIEW GRACIE 8G \$1350**  
Consigned by Forest View Farms  
Purchased by Ian Vink &  
Laura Stevenson, Wooler, ON



### PEOPLE'S CHOICE CONSIGNOR

**CRYSTAL FARMS – Crystal Febe 7F**

### PEOPLE'S CHOICE BUYER

**FRANMAR BLONDE FARM – Darren Dunham**

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Acres Farms – Steve Acres  
Bar K Farms – Dave, Lisa, & the Payne Family  
Beavermeadow Blondes – Bruce and Cathy Langstaff  
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Donaleen Blondes – Don and Wendy Dunham  
Fee Haven Farms – Paul Fee  
Forest View Farms – Rick and Jan Drinkill  
JGM Blondes – Jarno Miedema  
John Langstaff  
McGillis Acres – Phyllis Dubeau  
One OAK Blondes – Nicholas Boyd  
Pierce Blondes – Ryan and Sarah Pierce  
Schiestel Blondes – John and Jane Schiestel  
Stonewall Farms – Jeremy and Rachel DeWeerd  
White Willow Blondes – Keisha Schiestel  
Willow Springs Stock Farm – Reed Rigney & Family

## BUYERS

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Pierce Blondes – Ryan & Sarah Pierce  
Dave Quehl  
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Ridge View Blondes – Kirk McGee  
Rosepark Blondes – Ron & Kim Fintelman  
Schiestel Blondes – John & Jane Schiestel  
Shelbramack Blondes – Shane & Nicole Baker & Family  
Split Rail Farm – Bruce, Bettina, & Charlotte Gorrie  
Stonewall Farms – Jeremy & Rachel DeWeerd  
Ian Vink & Laura Stevenson



# SHOW RESULTS 2019

## CAMPBELLFORD FAIR

AUGUST 11, 2019

CAMPBELLFORD, ONTARIO

### BULL CALVES (5 Shown)

1st Donaleen General Lee 4G

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Donaleen Goliath 2G

Donaleen Blondes

3rd Donaleen Garth 1G

Donaleen Blondes

### GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Donaleen General Lee 4G

Donaleen Blondes

### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Donaleen Goliath 2G

Donaleen Blondes

### HEIFER CALVES (4 Shown)

1st Franmar Glitter Girl 10G

Franmar Blonde Farm

2nd Donaleen Goldilocks 3G

Donaleen Blondes

3rd Ridge View Gabby 18G

Ridge View Blondes

### JUNIOR YEARLINGS (3 Shown)

1st Forest View Fancy 031F

Forest View Farms

2nd Rondakk Fancy 13F

Rondakk Acres

3rd Rondakk Farrah Fowler 51F

Rondakk Acres

### SENIOR YEARLINGS (4 Shown)

1st Donaleen Fancy 1F

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Echo Pond Genesis 8F

Split Rail Farms

3rd Over the Top Flowy 29F

Emveedee Farm

### MATURE COW WITH CALF (3 Shown)

1st High Rock Alotacreme 6A

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Donaleen Daisy Duke 7D

Donaleen Blondes

3rd Donaleen Bramalea 25B

Ridge View Blondes

### BREEDER'S HERD (2 Shown)

1st Donaleen Blondes

2nd Ridge View Blondes

### GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

Franmar Glitter Girl 10G

### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

High Rock Alotacreme 6A



### GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Donaleen General Lee 4G / Donaleen Blondes



### GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

Franmar Glitter Girl 10G / Franmar Blonde Farm



### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Donaleen Goliath 2G / Donaleen Blondes



### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

High Rock Alotacreme 6A / Donaleen Blondes

## KINMOUNT FAIR

AUGUST 31, 2019  
KINMOUNT, ONTARIO

### BULL CALVES (5 Shown)

**1st Donaleen General Lee 4G**  
Donaleen Blondes  
**2nd Donaleen Goliath 2G**  
Donaleen Blondes  
**3rd Donaleen Garth 1G**  
Donaleen Blondes

### YEARLING BULLS (1 Shown)

**1st Shelbramack Fireball 42F**  
Shelbramack Blondes

### GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Donaleen General Lee 4G

### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Shelbramack Fireball 42F

### HEIFER CALVES (4 Shown)

**1st Franmar Glitter Girl 10G**  
Franmar Blonde Farm  
**2nd Donaleen Goldilocks 3G**  
Donaleen Blondes  
**3rd Fee Haven Goldie Locks 327G**  
Fee Haven Farms

### JUNIOR YEARLINGS (2 Shown)

**1st Forest View Fancy 031F**  
Forest View Farms  
**2nd Shelbramack Fancy 09F**  
Shelbramack Blondes

### SENIOR YEARLINGS (4 Shown)

**1st Franmar Faith 9F**  
Franmar Blonde Farm  
**2nd Donaleen Fancy 1F**  
Donaleen Blondes  
**3rd Echo Pond Genesis 8F**  
Split Rail Farms

### MATURE COW WITH CALF (2 Shown)

**1st High Rock Alotacreme 6A**  
Donaleen Blondes  
**2nd Butternut Christina 23C**  
Shelbramack Blondes

### BREEDER'S HERD (2 Shown)

**1st Donaleen Blondes**  
**2nd Shelbramack Blondes**

### GET OF SIRE (2 Shown)

**1st Donaleen Blondes**  
**2nd Shelbramack Blondes**

### GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

Franmar Faith 9F

### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

Donaleen Fancy 1F



**GRAND CHAMPION BULL**  
Donaleen General Lee 4G / Donaleen Blondes



Rick Drinkill / Forest View Fancy 031F



**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL**  
Shelbramack Fireball 42F / Shelbramack Farms



Shelby Baker / Shelbramack Grace 17G

## ORONO FAIR

SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

ORONO, ONTARIO

### BULL CALVES (5 Shown)

1st Donaleen General Lee 4G

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Fee Haven General 225G

Fee Haven Farms

3rd Donaleen Goliath 2G

Donaleen Blondes

### YEARLING BULLS (1 Shown)

1st Shelbramack Fireball 42F

Shelbramack Blondes

### GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Donaleen General Lee 4G

### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Fee Haven General 225G

### HEIFER CALVES (4 Shown)

1st Donaleen Goldilocks 3G

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Fee Haven Goldie Locks 327G

Fee Haven Farm

3rd Franmar Glitter Girl 10G

Franmar Blonde Farm

### JUNIOR YEARLINGS (2 Shown)

1st Forest View Fancy 031F

Forest View Farms

2nd Shelbramack Fancy 09F

Shelbramack Blondes

### SENIOR YEARLINGS (4 Shown)

1st Franmar Faith 9F

Franmar Blonde Farm

2nd Over the Top Flowy 29F

Emveedee Farm

Donaleen Fancy 1F

Donaleen Blondes

### MATURE COW WITH CALF (2 Shown)

1st High Rock Alotacreme 6A

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Butternut Christina 23C

Shelbramack Blondes

### BREEDER'S HERD (2 Shown)

1st Donaleen Blondes

2nd Shelbramack Blondes

### GET OF SIRE (2 Shown)

1st Donaleen Blondes

2nd Shelbramack Blondes

### GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

High Rock Alotacreme 6A

### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

Franmar Faith 9F



### GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Donaleen General Lee 4G / Donaleen Blondes



### GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

High Rock Alotacreme 6A / Donaleen Blondes



### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Fee Haven General 225G / Fee Haven Farm

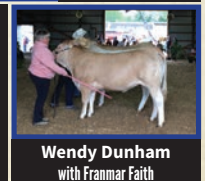


### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

Franmar Faith 9F / Franmar Blonde Farm



**Bakers** - There's no such thing as being a 'spectator' at a Blonde show, you never know when you'll be handed a rope. Here are Mackenzie, Braeden, and Shelby Baker of Shelbramack Blondes, enticing Gracie Kruis of Knox Innovations into the showring.



Wendy Dunham with Franmar Faith

## WARKWORTH

September 8, 2019

WARKWORTH, ONTARIO

### BULL CALVES (5 Shown)

**1st Donaleen Goliath 2G**

Donaleen Blondes

**2nd Donaleen Garth 1G**

Donaleen Blondes

**3rd Donaleen General Lee 4G**

Donaleen Blondes

### GRAND CHAMPION BULL

**Donaleen Goliath 2G**

### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

**Donaleen Garth 1G**

### HEIFER CALVES (4 Shown)

**1st Franmar Glitter Girl 10G**

Franmar Blonde Farm

**2nd Donaleen Goldilocks 3G**

Donaleen Blondes

**3rd Ridge View Gypsy 6G**

Ridge View Blondes

### JUNIOR YEARLINGS (2 Shown)

**1st Rondakk Farrah Fowler 51F**

Rondakk Acres

**2nd Rondakk Fancy 13F**

Rondakk Acres

### SENIOR YEARLINGS (4 Shown)

**1st Over the Top Flowy 29F**

Emveedee Farm

**Franmar Faith 9F**

Franmar Blonde Farm

**3rd Echo Pond Genesis 8F**

Split Rail Farms

### MATURE COW WITH CALF (2 Shown)

**1st High Rock Alotacreme 6A**

Donaleen Blondes

**2nd Donaleen Bramalea 25B**

Ridge View Blondes

### BREEDER'S HERD (2 Shown)

**1st Donaleen Blondes**

**2nd Ridge View Blondes**

### GET OF SIRE (2 Shown)

**1st Donaleen Blondes**

**2nd Ridge View Blondes**

### GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

**High Rock Alotacreme 6A**

### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

**Over the Top Flowy 29F**



**BREEDERS HERD** – 13 Breeders Herds from all different breeds showed together. Not everyday you see 52 animals in the ring at once....and all was calm!



**BREEDERS HERD DONALEEN** – (left to right) Clarke Dunham, Wendy Dunham, Charlotte Gorrie, Don Dunham



**BREEDERS HERD RIDGE VIEW** – (left to right) Teagan McGee, Kirk McGee, Eve Hilwerda, Kyle McGee, Christina McGee



**EVE HILWERDA** – looking like a pro taking her first trip around a showing. A calf, a quick crash course, a costume change into a Blonde shirt and she was ready to go!



## LINDSAY EXHIBITION

September 22, 2019

LINDSAY, ONTARIO

### BULL CALVES (8 Shown)

1st Donaleen General Lee 4G

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Fee Haven General 225G

Fee Haven Farms

3rd Shelbramack Gunner 23G

Shelbramack Blondes

### YEARLING BULLS (1 Shown)

1st Shelbramack Fireball 42F Shelbramack Blondes

**GRAND CHAMPION BULL** Donaleen General Lee 4G

**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL**

Shelbramack Fireball 42F

### HEIFER CALVES (8 Shown)

1st Donaleen Goldilocks 3G

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Franmar Glitter Girl 10G

Franmar Blonde Farm

3rd Schiestel Glamour 23G

Schiestel Blondes

### JUNIOR YEARLINGS (4 Shown)

1st Rondakk Fancy 13F

Rondakk Acres

2nd Rondakk Farrah Fowler 51F

Rondakk Acres

3rd Shelbramack Fancy 09F

Shelbramack Blondes

### SENIOR YEARLINGS (4 Shown)

1st Schiestel Frankie 16F

Schiestel Blondes

Franmar Faith 9F

Franmar Blonde Farm

3rd Donaleen Fancy 1F

Donaleen Blondes

### MATURE COW WITH CALF (4 Shown)

1st High Rock Alotacreme 6A

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Butternut Christina 23C

Shelbramack Blondes

3rd Donaleen Bramalea 25B

Ridge View Blondes

### BREEDER'S HERD (3 Shown)

1st Donaleen Blondes

2nd Ridge View Blondes

3rd Shelbramack Blondes

### GET OF SIRE (3 Shown)

1st Donaleen Blondes

2nd Schiestel Blondes

3rd Ridge View Blondes

**GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** High Rock Alotacreme 6A

**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**

Schiestel Frankie 16F



**GRAND CHAMPION BULL**  
Donaleen General Lee 4G / Donaleen Blondes



**GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
High Rock Alotacreme 6A / Donaleen Blondes



**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL**  
Shelbramack Fireball 42F / Shelbramack Farms



**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
Schiestel Frankie 16F / Schiestel Blondes

**NATIONAL SHOW ~  
MARKHAM FAIR**

October 5, 2019 MARKHAM, ONTARIO

JUDGE: John Pearson of Grafton, ON

**BULL CALVES (8 Shown)**

- 1st High Rock Good to Go 1G  
High Rock Farms
- 2nd Donaleen General Lee 4G  
Donaleen Blondes
- 3rd Fee Haven General 225G  
Fee Haven Farms

**YEARLING BULLS (1 Shown)**

- 1st Shelbramack Fireball 42F  
Shelbramack Blondes

**GRAND CHAMPION BULL**

High Rock Good to Go 1G

**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL**

Donaleen General Lee 4G

**HEIFER CALVES (8 Shown)**

- 1st High Rock Glitter Girl 2G  
High Rock Farms
- Donaleen Goldilocks 3G  
Donaleen Blondes
- 3rd Fee Haven Goldie Locks 327G  
Fee Haven Farms

**JUNIOR YEARLINGS (4 Shown)**

- 1st Shelbramack Fancy 09F  
Shelbramack Blondes
- 2nd Forest View Fancy 031F  
Forest View Farms
- 3rd Rondakk Fancy 13F  
Rondakk Acres

**SENIOR YEARLINGS (7 Shown)**

- 1st Crystal Firecracker 14F  
Crystal Farms
- 2nd Franmar Faith 9F  
Franmar Blonde Farm
- 3rd Crystal Foxy 3F  
Crystal Farms

**MATURE COW WITH CALF (3 Shown)**

- 1st High Rock Alotacreme 6A  
Donaleen Blondes
- 2nd Donaleen Bramalea 25B  
Ridge View Blondes
- 3rd Butternut Christina 23C  
Shelbramack Blondes

**BREEDER'S HERD (3 Shown)**

- 1st Donaleen Blondes
- 2nd Shelbramack Blondes
- 3rd Ridge View Blondes

**GET OF SIRE (3 Shown)**

- 1st Donaleen Blondes
- 2nd Schiestel Blondes
- 3rd Ridge View Blondes



**GRAND CHAMPION BULL**

High Rock Good to Go 1G / Donaleen Blondes



**GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**

High Rock Glitter Girl 2G / High Rock Farms



**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL**

Donaleen General Lee 4G / Donaleen Blondes



**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**

Crystal Firecracker 14F / Crystal Farms

**GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
 High Rock Glitter Girl 2G  
**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
 Crystal Firecracker 14F

**BANNER WINNERS**

**CHAMPION BULL CALF**  
 Sponsored by Fee Haven Farms  
 High Rock Good to Go 1G/High Rock Farms

**RESERVE CHAMPION BULL CALF**  
 Sponsored by Man-Sask Blonde Assoc.  
 Donaleen General Lee 4G  
 Donaleen Blondes

**CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL**  
 Sponsored by Schiestel Blondes  
 Shelbramack Fireball 42F /Shelbramack  
 Blondes

**GRAND CHAMPION BULL**  
 Sponsored by Bar K Farms  
 High Rock Good to Go 1G/High Rock Farms

**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL**  
 Sponsored by Willow Springs Stock Farm  
 Donaleen General Lee 4G/Donaleen Blondes

**CHAMPION FEMALE CALF**  
 Sponsored by One OAK Blondes  
 High Rock Glitter Girl 2G/High Rock Farms

**RESERVE CHAMPION FEMALE CALF**  
 Sponsored by Forest View Farms  
 Donaleen Goldilocks 3G/Donaleen Blondes

**CHAMPION JUNIOR FEMALE**  
 Sponsored by Alberta Blonde Assoc.  
 Crystal Firecracker 14F/Crystal Farms

**RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR FEMALE**  
 Sponsored by Miller Insurance  
 Franmar Faith 9F/Crystal Farms

**CHAMPION SENIOR FEMALE**  
 Sponsored by Halcyon Farms  
 High Rock Alotacreme 6A/Donaleen Blondes

**RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR FEMALE**  
 Sponsored by Pierce Blondes  
 Donaleen Bramalea 25B/Ridge View Blondes

**GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
 Sponsored by Quebec Blonde Assoc.  
 High Rock Glitter Girl 2G /High Rock Farms

**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
 Sponsored by Ridge View Blondes  
 Crystal Firecracker 14F/ Crystal Farms

**BREEDER'S HERD**  
 Sponsored by Ontario Blonde Assoc.  
 Donaleen Blondes

**GET OF SIRE**  
 Sponsored by Crystal Farms  
 Donaleen Blondes

**CHAMPION YOUTH**  
 Sponsored by Hilltop Orchard Farm  
 Machaila Dunham



**CHAMPION YOUTH**

Machaila Dunham with Over the Top Flowy and banner sponsor Dave McNevan



**CHAMPION YOUTH CLASS**

– Front: Charlotte Gorrie, Mackenzie Baker, Machaila Dunham Back: Braeden Baker, Teagan McGee, Eve Hilwerda



**MARKHAM JUNIORS**

– Back Row: Braeden Baker, Mackenzie Baker, Isla Easby, Cordelia Sullivan, Ethan Easby, Abe Sullivan, Teagan McGee, Larkin McGee, Anna Sutcliffe, Dave McNevan.

Front Row: Charlotte Gorrie, Eve Hilwerda, Shelby Baker, Machaila Dunham



**MARKHAM GROUP**

## ELMVALE FAIR

October 12, 2019

Elmvale, ON

(OPEN CLASS)

### BULL CALVES (4 Shown)

1st Donaleen General Lee 4G

Donaleen Blondes

2nd Schiestel Gun Powder 26G

Schiestel Blondes

3rd Fee Haven General 225G

Fee Haven Farms

### YEARLING BULLS (1 Shown)

1st Shelbramack Fireball 42F

Shelbramack Blondes

### GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Donaleen General Lee 4G

### RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Shelbramack Fireball 42F

### HEIFER CALVES (5 Blondes Shown)

2nd Donaleen Goldilocks 3G

Donaleen Blondes

4th Fee Haven Goldie Locks 327G

Fee Haven Farms

7th Shelbramack Grace 17G

Shelbramack Blondes

### JUNIOR YEARLINGS (2 Blondes Shown)

3rd Forest View Fancy 031F

Forest View Farms

4th Shelbramack Fancy 09F

Shelbramack Blondes

### SENIOR YEARLINGS (5 Blondes Shown)

2nd Schiestel Frankie 16F

Schiestel Blondes

3rd Donaleen Fancy 1F

Donaleen Blondes

5th Echo Pond Genesis 8F

Split Rail Farm

### MATURE COW WITH CALF (2 Blondes Shown)

1st High Rock Alotacreme 6A

Donaleen Blondes

3rd Butternut Christina 23C

Shelbramack Blondes

### GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

High Rock Alotacreme 6A

Correction from last year's Blonde Connection Issue

*We are sorry about the error*

MARKHAM FAIR



2018 NATIONAL GRAND CHAMPION BULL  
Over the Top Driller 6D / Over the Top Cattle Company

**A**nother year of the Ontario Blonde Point Shows is in the books! A long, wet spring quickly turned to drought conditions, which made putting up the winter's feed quite challenging to say the least. Weekends at the fairs gave a nice escape as the Blonde camaraderie was out in full force, once again! Show numbers remained strong and the energy and enthusiasm for Blonde cattle was palpable in the barns. Our group of dedicated breeders put in the long hours of training, feeding, grooming, and driving to keep our breed in the public eye. As always, the quest for Top Female, Top Male, and Premier Exhibitor began in August with our first point show at Campbellford Fair. The infamous '3 mile walk' to the ring and 'the dreaded ramp' make for a daunting first fair, but the breeder's who hadn't spent the summer fishing brought an impressive lineup of cattle that were a sure sign there was going to be quite a race for the top honours again this year. The points were calculated using the same system as previous years. Exhibitor's animals were required to show at a minimum of three point shows (The National Show at Markham Fair was mandatory) and all shows that qualified as point shows in 2017 and 2018 were automatically deemed point shows for 2019. The Ontario Fairs that qualified as point shows this year were Campbellford, Kinmount, Orono, Warkworth, Lindsay, Markham, and Elmvale.



**HIGH POINT FEMALE – High Rock Alotacreme 6A  
Donaleen Blondes**

# ONTARIO BLONDE

BY KIRK MCGEE

2019

# POINT SHOWS

Ten of our breeders and their animals met the requirements and it was another exciting race to watch all season. A front runner shot out early in the chase for Top Female. The heifer calves and yearlings traded places all season, but the experienced showgirl found her place at the head of the class and was untouchable. High Rock Alotacreme 6A with her Poll Cat heifer calf Donaleen Goldilocks 3G at side, exhibited by Donaleen Blondes, was named Top Female for 2019. The competition for Top Male was tight with a solid group of bull calves and a quality junior yearling battling it out. In the end, Donaleen General Lee 4G exhibited by Donaleen Blondes, proved unstoppable and came out on top being awarded Top Male for 2019. Banners sponsored by Shelbramack Blondes and Bernie Pilon Construction were presented to the winners.

Taking back the title and making it a clean sweep, Donaleen Blondes was crowned Premier Exhibitor. A banner sponsored by Split Rail Farms was presented to the big winner. Congratulations to The Dunham Family (and extended family) for putting together an outstanding showstring and exhibiting quality animals, as always! Thanks to all who participated in making this year another successful one in the showing. Get your 2020 winners picked out and start halter breaking...the thrill is in the chase and August will be here before you know it!



**HIGH POINT MALE – Donaleen General Lee 4G  
Donaleen Blondes**



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The Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Association's Annual summer picnic was held August 5, 2019. Our gracious hosts for the event this year were the Langstaff Families of Beavermeadow Blondes. It had rained for nearly 4 months in Tupperville, but guests were treated with sunny skies that set the backdrop for a great event. Great visits, amazing food, and the always entertaining mini-auction made for an enjoyable day for all in attendance. There seemed to be Blondes around every corner as we embarked on pasture tours via hay ride, led by Ben with a little help on the clutch from Dan. What a pleasure to see so many Blonde cattle in one area!

# 2019 OBDA ANNUAL PICNIC

The cattle looked great and Bruce was ready for questions with his calving booklet on hand for backup. A sincere thank you to our hosts for the day Dan & Camie, Bruce & Cathy, Sarah & Ryan, Julie & Brent and families. Thanks to Clive for being our auctioneer for the day and to Cathy for accumulating so many fantastic items from local businesses for the mini-auction. Hospitality was second to none! The extra pasture tours at John's herds were a great addition as well. Thanks to everyone who attended, including the Beavermeadow 4-H Family! See you in 2020.



## PHOTO CONTEST

# ONTARIO BLONDE D'AQUITAINE ASSOCIATION



Looking forward to seeing everyone at:

- \* the Ontario AGM March 21, 2020 Brownsdale Community Centre ~ Registration 11am Meeting 12 pm
- \* the OBdAA Annual Picnic and on the 2020 show circuit
- \* the 20th Annual Cream of the Crop Sale - October 24, 2020 4 pm ~Broadcast online for the first time via LiveAuctions.TV~

Join us in welcoming the American Blonde d'Aquitaine Association for the weekend as they host their AGM in Trenton and attend the 2020 Cream of the Crop Sale!



### Attention 4-H Members

Continuing in 2020: The OBdAA will be paying \$150 to every 4-H Member who completes their project using a Blonde d'Aquitaine or Blonde influenced animal in Ontario and the Maritimes! Contact us for details.



Find information about OBdAA Events on Facebook and at: [www.canadianblondeassociation.ca](http://www.canadianblondeassociation.ca)



SEND YOUR PICTURES TO:  
**Canadian Blonde d'Aquitaine Newsletter**

E-mail your photos to Reed Rigney

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### PHOTO TIPS

- Don't cut off the head, feet, butt, nose! Don't crop your photo -- let your ad designer or webmaster crop the picture to give the best possible design for each individual situation.
- When you think you have the picture just right, take two steps back. Give your designer lots to work with.
- Remember to identify your photographer or include a brief description of the shot.
- You don't get a second chance to make a first impression. Make sure you take those pictures at a high enough resolution so your printer doesn't have any trouble getting them ready for your next brochure or magazine ad. Remember, for a chance to win a \$25 registration credit and see your photo in a Blonde publication or on the Blonde website, take your camera the next time you go to check on the fences!

### PHOTO CRITERIA

- Include a complete shot of animal in photo (including feet, tail and full head if possible).
- Limit of five pictures submitted per operation per calendar month.
- All photos submitted become the property of the Canadian Blonde d'Aquitaine Association and the Association will be able to use them accordingly (photo credit will be provided when possible).
- The Canadian Blonde d'Aquitaine Board reserves the right to not have a winner if it is deemed no picture is eligible in a particular month, and the decision is final.





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## FACTS ABOUT BIRTH WEIGHT + CALVING EASE

- i. for every 1 lb of birth weight equals 8 lbs at weaning
- ii. the birth weight itself influences calving ease by 65%
- iii. the female has 60%-70% influence on birth weight of her calf
- iv. the bull has 30%-40% influence of birth weight of his progeny
- v. size + maturity of the cow influences calving ease



## Agsights Bull Evaluation

Bull Evaluation 56 Day Report				2020 CRYSTAL FARMS				Genetic Evaluations (11 Feb 2020)							
Tag	Owner Information	Bull	Pedigree	Herd Recording								Evaluations			
Tag Pen	Producer Farm Name Phone #	Tattoo HC Breed Birthdate Colour	Sire-Sire Sire Dam Dam-Sire	CE BW AWW WI	CE %ab ABC Acc %wb	BW %ab ABC Acc %wb	WG %ab ABC Acc %wb	Milk %ab ABC Acc %wb	SOT 28D 56D ADG	WPDA	PWG (84D) %ab ABC Acc %wb	YG %ab ABC Acc %wb			
001G	DUNHAM, DON T. DONALEEN BLONDES 705-653-4293	DCJ 1G BLONDE D-AQUITAINE 02Jan2019	PFER 1Z DONALEEN CHACHI 1C WSS YVONNE 67Y ARSHAS POLLED UMPIRE 219U	U 82	33 0 PE 54	49 -1.2 PE 59	24 34 PE 48	71 27 PE 81	955 1055 1200 4.38	3.09					
002G	DUNHAM, DON T. DONALEEN BLONDES 705-653-4293	DCJ 2G BLONDE D-AQUITAINE 03Jan2019	WEST WINDS EXACTOR 60E WEST WINDS GERSHWIN 147G DONALEEN ELVIRA 3E WSS REX 6R	U 85	28 0 PE 48	38 -4 PE 47	9 27 PE 25	11 14 PE 27	975 1040 1125 2.68	2.91					
004G	DUNHAM, DON T. DONALEEN BLONDES 705-653-4293	DCJ 4G BLONDE D-AQUITAINE 03Jan2019	DOUBLE L XAMPLE 22X LIAHN POLL CAT 31C DONALEEN DAISY DUKE 7D CRYSTAL ZIGGY 25Z	U 84	19 -2 PE 35	38 -4 PE 47	22 33 PE 45	17 17 PE 36	1090 1215 1300 3.75	3.36					
225G	MIEDEMA, JARNO 519-767-2665	FHF 225G P BLONDE D-AQUITAINE 02Mar2019	MR WW CORBY 1R MAPLE CREST SUPREME 1B FHF 2A	U 88	13 -3 PE 23	35 -2 PE 44	2 19 PE 6	48 23 PE 66	850 910 1000 2.68	3.04					



# 2021 BLONDE CONNECTION

**BOOKING DEADLINE**

Monday, January 25, 2021

**AD/COPY DEADLINE**

Monday, February 8, 2021

## NEWSLETTER

We are still doing newsletters in June, September and December. Advertising can be done in them as well, however they are only available through email or on-line ([www.canadianblondeassociation.ca](http://www.canadianblondeassociation.ca)), so if you would like to get it sent directly to you, please send your email to Reed Rigney ([rigney@clearwave.ca](mailto:rigney@clearwave.ca)).



## PUBLICATIONS

Connection Back issues are also available on the website, as well as the “Bulls of the Breed” booklet under Publications.

Under the Member tools section there is a Member handbook with useful info in it.



## What the 2021 Blonde Connection will provide to advertisers:

- The best opportunity to reach a wider Commercial and Purebred Blonde audience with an expanded distribution in relation to the member newsletter.
- Every member (those listed on CLRC website) will receive a hard copy of the magazine.
- Every person who has had a Blonde animal transferred into their name by the CLRC in the last five years will receive a hard copy of the magazine.
- Hard copies will be sent to commercial mailing lists in each of the provinces (where available).
- Each Province will receive copies for distribution at trade fairs.
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