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CSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - October 9th, 2010

The CSA Annual General Meeting is being held Saturday, October 9th, 3:00pm, at the Victorin Hotel in Victoriaville, Quebec. Mark your calendar and enjoy a weekend long event, Expo Boeuf, Quebec's largest beef show. The weekend is filled with activities for everyone to enjoy. The events start on Friday with the National YCSA Classic, followed by a banquet and YCSA Calendar Auction. Saturday begins with the Expo-Boeuf Simmental Show, with the CSA AGM in the afternoon, followed with a banquet, entertainment and the Foundation Auction. This will be a fantastic weekend, start making your plans now.

A block of rooms has been reserved for CSA members, however please call early to reserve your room. This is a very popular event and the hotel will fill up fast.

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For the full schedule, please see [attached](#).

CSA FOUNDATION AUCTION - October 9th, 2010

This year we will be holding the annual Garth Sweet Foundation Auction as part of the CSA AGM on October 9th in Victoriaville, Quebec. The funds raised will be used for various CSA projects, with the main beneficiary being the Young Canadian Simmental Association. Items for auction include sporting events tickets, artwork, jewellery, Gift Baskets, Embryos & Flushes, Semen packages, weekend packages and travel vouchers.

The feature item this year is a TRIP FOR TWO TO PARIS, FRANCE, generously donated by Ferme Gagnon. This trip includes return airfare for two from Toronto or Montreal, to Paris, France, hotel accommodations at a beautiful Paris hotel and daily breakfasts.

Thank you to everyone who has generously donated items to this great event. Donation items are always welcome. If you have an item you would like to donate, please contact [Emily Grey](#) at (819) 835-0284.

SIMMENTAL NATIONAL SHOW

The Manitoba Simmental Association invites you to attend the 2010 National Simmental Show at the Keystone Centre, November 5th. This event is being held during the Manitoba Livestock Expo, November 4-7th in Brandon, MB. These three days are filled with activities for cattle enthusiasts, starting on Thursday

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with the Taste of Beef and Little Lady Classic. Friday starts with the Simmental National Show, followed by the Simmental Super Select and the All Breeds Bull Show. Saturday features the Commercial Bull & Female Show, and the Selected Simmental Sale. Sunday rounds out the weekend with the YCSA Show. This is a weekend you don't want to miss!

DR. DIXON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The deadline for the Dr. Allan A. Dixon Memorial Scholarship and the Trevor Vance Memorial Scholarship is October 1, 2010. Please see [website](#) for details and application form.

For other scholarships offered to YCSA members, please see the [CSA Website](#) for more details.

BREED IMPROVEMENT

Performance Data deadline

The busy fall season is upon us, and it is important to remember that performance data must be received in the CSA office by November 1st, in order to ensure inclusion in the EPD evaluation. As well, weaning weights should be collected on calves between 160 and 250 days of age. Calves that have been managed together over the summer, should be grouped together and if possible weighed on the same day within the age range shown.

Ultrasound Season is Coming

It seems early, but many technicians book up quickly. It may be time to start considering adding ultrasound to your performance program. A list of available technicians is available as www.ultrasoundbeef.com. Remember age guidelines are from 300 to 440 days of age. More information can be found at <http://www.simmental.com/carcass.htm>.

CSA On-line

If you are not on the CSA on-line system, it may be worthwhile considering prior to collecting your weaning information. CSA on-line allows reporting of performance information, immediate provision of weaning reports and many other useful and timely features..

REGISTRY INFORMATION

Total Herd Enrollment 2nd Installment Billing OCTOBER 1:

- Members with credit cards on file with CSA – please note the 2nd half of your THE fees owing will be processed at the time of billing.
- Members without credit cards on file, invoices will be mailed to you detailing the 2nd installment billing. The 2nd installment billing is payable upon receipt of your invoice.

Credit Card Users:

Please ensure your credit card information is current in the office. If your card expires or you change numbers, please contact the office so we can continue to process all your work with no delays. Online.Simmental.com users are required to keep a credit card on file with the CSA, or maintain a credit balance of \$500 on account.

Online Simmental.com Users:

Entering Calves using the Online System:

There are two ways in which you can enter your calf records using the Online system. The examples below are assuming the Online user is entering 2010-born (X- year letter) calves.

Option 1:

My Herd

My Inventory

My Posted Inventory – 2010

- by clicking on the word "Calving" to the right of the Dam in the list displayed on your screen

- after clicking the "Save" button to save the calf record, hit the "Back" () button at the top-left of your screen and continue with the next Dam

*** Note: If you are entering multiple calf records (e.g. Twins, triplets, or embryos), you must use Option 2 - as indicated below

Option 2:

My Performance

My Calving (2010 Display Year)

- click the "Add" button to enter the calf information

- click the "Save" button to save the record

If you require further explanation, please contact the Registry staff at 1 866 860 6051.

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YCSA NEWS

YCSA National Classic

National Classic, October 7th to the 10th - Held in conjunction with the Quebec Beef Expo. All YCSA activities will be held on the 7th and the 8th, but participants are more than welcome to stay and take in the show. This event will feature conformation and showmanship classes along with judging, quizzes, clipping and fitting competitions, marketing, team problems, games and much more.

Please see [attached](#) for the weekend schedule.

Please contact Emily Grey at emilygrey29@hotmail.com for more information..

Thank you to our Volunteers

A big thank you goes out to all of the volunteers and participants who helped to make the Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan Classics such a huge success!!!

2011 YCSA Calendar

The Young Canadian Simmental Association is pleased to announce that due to its successes on the 2010 Calendar it will be publishing one for 2011. Thanks to all of the support from Canadian Simmental breeders the calendar will once again be auctioned off at the YCSA National Classic Banquet, being held at Expo Boeuf on October 8th. Don't miss out on an opportunity to be a part of the best advertising tool in the Simmental industry!

The YCSA is looking for New Members

Go online at www.simmental.com for a member registration form or contact [Emily Grey](#), (YCSA Coordinator). Contact your nearest [YCSA representative](#) to find out more about upcoming events in your local area. They would love to hear from you.

YCSA News Makers

The CSA is proud to share the accomplishments of our YCSA members. Youth members learn a great many developmental skills through their involvement with this program and credit their success to the lessons they've learned through the YCSA and the experiences they have had. If you have a story that you would like to share, please send it to [Emily Grey](#) or [Margo Cartwright](#). We know there are more stories out there, and would like to feature as many as possible.

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SIMMENTAL COUNTRY NEWS

The September Commercial Country is now ONLINE. Check it out at www.simmentalcountry.com.

Please make sure to note the following deadlines!

ISSUE	DEADLINE
January Commercial Country	December 1st
February Herdsire Simmental Country Issue	January 1st
March/April/May Spring Simmental Country Issue	April 1st
June/July/August Queens of the Pasture Simmental Country Issue	July 1st
September Commercial Country	August 1st
October Simmental Country	September 1st
November/December Simmental Country	October 1st

Should you have any questions regarding the new online version of the magazine, or the new electronic options for advertising please do not hesitate to contact [Margo](#), [Darryl](#) or [Bruce](#). We would be happy to hear from you.

CSA MEMBERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Andrew & Claire Godfrey

Congratulations to Andrew and Claire Godfrey who were married on July 30th at the Godfrey farm, PEI. Andrew is a CSA Board of Director.

Please [send us](#) your Membership Announcements to have them included in the next Enews.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

[Click here](#) for complete calendar of events

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Remember that life's most treasured moments often come unannounced.

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