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Maritime Hereford Association Annual General Meeting

Lansdown Lodge at Upper Stewiacke, N.S., was the site of the 2001 Annual General Meeting of the Maritime Hereford Association June 1-3.

MHA President Ron Dykeman presided over the activities and gave a special welcome to Jacques DeCorby, CHA Marketing Manager and Rolf Birchler, national Vice-President both of whom made a long, overland trip to Nova Scotia, apparently without a pit stop!

Secretary-Manager Gordon Catt reported the MHA ended the 2000-2001 fiscal year with a bank balance of \$2, 837.11. He noted the need to find a method to increase revenues if the MHA is to do a proper job of promoting the Hereford breed throughout the Maritimes. Breeders were urged to contribute items of interest to their provincial club secretaries who are asked to pass on news and notes to the Secretary-Manager for publication in the Hereford Digest.

Vance Wilson, secretary of the New Brunswick Club, noted a total of 23 members on the roster and said feedback from the various shows and sales during the year indicated people were "very impressed" with the quality of Hereford stock on display. The New Brunswick Club finished the year 2000 with a bank balance of \$436.

Larry Ward, president of the Nova Scotia Club, not only welcomed delegates to the annual meeting but reported another successful fundraising effort with the N.S. Hereford Club calendar.

Hubert Proud, president of the Prince Edward Island Hereford Association, paid tribute to the assistance of many volunteers for the successful running of Bonanza 2000/CHA AGM in Charlottetown. The PEI Provincial Exhibition Hereford Show will be held Tuesday, Aug. 14 at Charlottetown, with the Dundas County show to be held Aug. 23 - 24. Cattle are to arrive on Friday morning and depart Saturday evening for the Dundas event.

Brian Trueman, exiting after several busy years on the national CHA executive, including a stint as our national President, described it as an "honour" to represent Maritime breeders at the national level. He reminded delegates the onus was on them to make use of the space available for MHA news in the Hereford Digest.

National V-P Rolf Birchler suggested each provincial association should have some form of liability insurance to protect its directors and to insure against potential accidents at various events. He noted it was essential for all Hereford breeders to work together for the success of the breed across Canada.

Marketing Manager Jacques DeCorby outlined a number of projects on the national level, including the Sire Summary, THE program and the use of ultrasound for carcass merit evaluation.

Victor Oulton, past-president of the MHA was elected to serve as the new Maritimes delegate to the national board of directors.

Larry Ward was nominated to serve as the MHA representative on the Board of Directors of the Maritime Beef Test Society at Nappan, N.S. He mentioned the Society is looking at ways to expand its services to Maritime beef breeders, including the possibility of steer and heifer testing programs.

UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

August 14: Hereford Futurity.
August 15: MOE Show at Charlottetown.
August 22: MOE Show at Windsor, N.S.
August 23 - 24: Dundas, PEI, Hereford Show.
September 3: N.B. MOE Show at Beef Expo in Fredericton.
September 15: Hereford Sale at Nappan, N.S.
October 6: Annual Fall Sale at Maritime Test Station, Nappan, N.S.
October 20: Consignor's Fall Hereford Sale at Jemseg, N.B.

MJHA ANNUAL MEETING AND EAST COAST ROUNDUP

Maritime Junior Hereford members enjoyed a weekend of activities in conjunction with the Maritime Annual meetings, early June in Upper Stewiacke Nova Scotia. Juniors held their annual meeting, their annual fund raiser auction and of course the East Coast Round Up Show held at Lyoming farm owned by Milton Lynds. The juniors decided in their meeting to donate the proceeds from their auction this year back to the adult MHA in recognition for their help during last year's Bonanza 2000 events. They also selected their new executive and CJHA delegates - President: Mark Trueman; Vice-President: David Ross; Communications: Beth Trueman; Amanda Hiltz will fill the remainder of Ciadella Guadet's term and Beth Trueman has been elected as the new CJHA delegate of the MJHA.

EAST COAST ROUND-UP SHOWSPONSORED BY SHUR-GAIN

Showmanship: Pee Wee: Wyatt Oulton, Windsor N.S.; Junior/Intermediate: Candace Black, N.S.; Senior: Mark Trueman, N.S.
Champion Showman: Mark Trueman, Amherst, N.S.
Res. Champion: Ciadella Guadet, Amherst, N.S.
Conformation:
Junior Heifer: 1st: Wyatt Oulton, N.S.; 2nd: Bobbi Guzzo, N.S.; 3rd: Sarah Smith N.S.
Senior Yearling: 1st: David Ross, PEI; 2nd: Mark Trueman, N.S.; 3rd: Candace Black, N.S.
Cow/Calf: 1st: Wyatt Oulton; N.S. 2nd: Sarah Smith, N.S.; 3rd: Ciadella Guadet, N.S.
Grand Champion: Wyatt Oulton, Windsor, N.S., with his heifer calf.
Reserve Champion: David Ross, Prince Edward Island, with his senior yearling.