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OSA NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Season's Greetings to All:

The Royal has come and gone. The Futurity was quite a success and will return in 2009.

The 40th Anniversary celebration at the Royal was attended by more than 150 members including many past Presidents and Board members. The CSA Foundation auction and the OSA heifer raffle were both enthusiastically supported by all in attendance. Thank you to Prospect Hill for their donation of the 2008 raffle heifer. Thanks also to our volunteer auctioneer, Carl Wright who happened to be the lucky winner of the heifer.

It was quite heart warming to see Lorne and Linda Orser receive the wall of Fame award and for Mike Burns to receive the Golden Book award for their many years of contributing to Simmental. Congratulations.

A special thanks to the Board of Directors for all of the assistance at the Royal, as well as for your input and positive attitude through out the past year.

I hope to see you all at our AGM coming in March 2009. Try and find someone to look after the cows so you can stay for dinner and enjoy the company of old and new friends.

Now we are winding down, doing the last minute fall jobs, and starting to think about the reality of winter and getting ready for calving. For most of us the calving season is the top of of a new year, full of promise, picking the best calves and every few days changing your mind about which one is looking like a champion today. I don't know about you but I CAN HARDLY WAIT.

I hope everyone has a safe and peaceful Christmas and a happy New Year.

Dan O'Brien

OSA Annual General Meeting
March 14, 2008 @ 1:00pm
Cambridge, Ontario

Holiday Inn Cambridge

200 Holiday Inn Dr
Cambridge, ON N3C1Z4
Hotel Front Desk: 1-519-6584601
web: www.holiday-inn.com/cambridgecan

In conjunction with the Ontario Charolais Association and the Ontario Limousin Association. Annually an exciting informative event, don't miss out on this fun filled week-end. Bring along the kids and spouse as there is a pool and lots of activities for everyone.

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2008 Royal Winter Fair

Bright Lights Futurity

A new feature show brought on by the OSA board. There was great response and there will be another show next year. Deadline for this is **December 31, 2008**. A form will be attached and is also available on the OSA website.

2008 Winners

Champion Bull: Indian River Cattle Company - IRCC UPPER CUT 818U
Reserve Champion Bull: Acedemy Hill Livestock - ACADEMYHILL UNDERCOVER 4U
Champion Female : Indian River Cattle Company - IRCC U GO Girl 804U
Reserve Champion Female: Laura Robson - ROBSON ACRES UELLA

Open Show

Close to 100 head exhibited at the 2008 Royal as the breed celebrated its 40th Anniversary With a good crowd and strong classes, judge David Allen from Texas explained his places thoroughly. and commented on the depth of quality. Look for more results on the OSA website.

2008 Winners

Champion Female - Shawn & Erin McIntosh - JF Linden 7036T
Res. champion Female - Indian River Cattle Company - IRCC U Go Girl 804U
Champion Bull - Indian River Cattle Company - IRCC Sand Man 613S
Res. Champion Bull - Indian River Cattle Company - IRCC U Da Man 807U
Premier Breeder and Exhibitor - Indian River Cattle Company

CSA Foundation

We would like to say Thank You to those companies, breeders, and individuals who have donated auction items to this event. Another big thanks must go to those on the Foundation Committee responsible for organizing these auctions.

The Auction held was a great success, raising \$8,350 for the CSA Foundation. Thank you to the buyers and bidders for their generous support at this event.

OSA Raffle Heifer

Prospect Hill was very gracious in donating the heifer. The OSA raised \$3960 for the youth. The lucky winner was Carl & Laurie Wright. Congratulations.

TD Canada Trust Agriculture Youth Leadership Congress

2008 Winners

Champion Simmental - Robson Acres Tia - Laura Robson
Reserve Champion Simmental - Destiny Vision Girlicious - Alexa Campbell
Champion Intermediate Showperson - Patrick Leahy

Nominations for the RAWF Judge

Have your nominations in to Juanita Elmhirst by December 31st.
Mail: 1870 Settlers Line, R. R. #1, Indian River, ON, K0L 2B0 or fax 705-295-3369 or email: ircc@nexicom.net

Thank You

Bev and Bernie Engel graciously donated the coffee again at the Royal. Many people enjoyed this table.

Heifer Raffle 2009 Donation Request

If you would like to donate a heifer for 2009, contact Dan or Juanita.

OYCS NEWS

OYCSA will have a general membership meeting 1 hour before the OSA meeting on March 14 in Cambridge. All members are encouraged to attend.

Anyone interested in being a part of the OYCSA executive please contact Katie Wood at redribbonlivestock@yahoo.ca.

We are looking for new ideas and locations for the 2009 Trillium Classic. Please contact Katie if you have any ideas or would like to be involved.

Thank You Prospect Hill Farm !!!

The Ontario YCSA would sincerely like to thank Prospect Hill and all the contributors for the very generous donation of the proceeds from the sale of the 2008 raffle heifer "PHS Cutie 8U"

THANK YOU TO
RUSSEL CODE FOR SPONSORING THE
2008 ROYAL YCS SHOW

Congratulations to our Royal
Showmanship Winners :
Champion: Danielle Sullivan
Reserve: Laura Robson

OSA CONTEST

We are glad to announce our winners for the age verification OSA contest. OSA members and any other willing person were asked to send in a copy of their certificates to win some free advertising. The winners were:

1 full page in the Advocate
Jetstream Livestock

1/2 page in the Ontario Cattlemen's
Acedemy Hill Livestock

OSA ADVOCATE DEADLINE

Deadline is January 10, 2009.

Take advantage of your extra help over the Christmas holidays and get your pictures taken.