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for an announcement on where the

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The deliverance and agenda for the 2019 event

will be full of new surprises –

we can't wait to share the details with you...

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4 ways you can improve how consumers see Canadian ag and food

Make a difference one conversation at time

Let's be honest. It can be frustrating to hear misleading stories about food production. Consumers see sensationalized headlines about food production and may not have all the necessary facts to make informed food choices.

Can you blame them? We're all leading busy lives. It can be difficult to isolate facts in an atmosphere of emotion and noise. Sometimes, there can be a temptation to respond with a witty or snarky comment. But how does that response build trust in our food system?

Think about your biggest concern for your family's health or well-being. Imagine if your concerns were simply dismissed. Would that bring you peace of mind? How would people watching the conversation on the sidelines react?

Keep in mind these tips next time you have a potentially heated conversation about ag and food:

- 1. Listen, listen and listen.** Then listen some more. Do you remember the last conversation you had where it felt like the other person truly understood where you were coming from? How did that affect your sense of connection to that person? Building trust matters. Practise active listening by re-framing what you've heard in a respectful way and make sure the other person agrees with your interpretation.
- 2. Keep calm.** Appreciate someone's concern and genuine interest in food. It's an opportunity for us in the ag industry to listen and connect. Remember that there are often observers evaluating how you handle the situation. In the case of extreme activism or cyber bullying, it's perfectly OK to politely defer or completely exit a conversation.
- 3. Dump your assumptions.** It's all too easy to lump consumers or "city people" into one category and assume they have certain opinions, experiences and knowledge. Remain curious – you may be surprised what you learn.
- 4. Get personal.** Connect the topic to your own farm and food story. Why do you do the things you do on your farm, or, in your work in the industry? What are your own concerns as a farmer, a parent, a business owner, a community member? Tie-in your own concerns and experiences to find common points of interest from the listening exercise in the first point.

Even though many of these conversations can and should happen online, a face-to-face conversation does wonders in creating a memorable and meaningful way to echo across that person's circle of influence.

Thanks for being a part of the conversation,
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BCYF Chilliwack Tour

Saturday, July 25 was hot, but it was a beautiful day for a BCYF tour of Chilliwack area farms and agri-businesses.

The first stop was Qualtree Propagators with a great tour of their production facilities.



The second stop was at PrairieCoast equipment. Who doesn't like looking at tractors and other farm equipment?

The last stop was Toop Farms to look at their new robotic milking system and enjoy a summer barbecue.



BCYF would like to thank everyone that participated in the tour and the three hosts/tour farms and businesses.



Alberta Young Farmers and Ranchers



The Alberta Young Farmers and Ranchers are coming off an extremely busy summer! As we grow our network base with other Alberta based agriculture groups, we are increasing our presence at other events! On June 23, 2018, we were able to promote and have a presence at the Peace Country Forage and Beef Association at their More Grass, More Profit and a Better Quality of Life Workshop! It was a very well attended event and a lot of great reviews came out of it from the young farmers in the Peace Region.

On July 11, 2018, we were able to send our social media manager and board member April Ockerman to be a judge for the Alberta Young Speakers for Agriculture competition. April said the speeches were extremely well done and the future of agriculture is in fine hands in Alberta! Congratulations to junior winner Carmen White and senior winner Kara Oosterhuis, who won free registration to our upcoming annual event Rock the Farm, November 23-25, 2018!

Finally, on July 23, we had a Summer Farm Tour held at Raoul Drost's seed potato farm in Rolling Hills, Alberta. The event was well attended and allowed members to tour a carrot and seed potato farm as well as some members took the option to learn how to properly assess grazing lands. We had a lot of great feedback. A huge thank you to board members Raoul Drost for hosting and helping plan the event, as well as Clayton Andrew and Lesley Burton for organizing the event as well.

Our fall is shaping up to be exciting! We are finalizing the details for Rock the Farm "Focus on Financial Success" on November 23-25, 2018. Speakers involved in the financial side of the industry in Alberta are coming to teach young farmers and ranchers about getting access to capital and land and dealing with the risk of having that capital. We are extremely excited for the workshop by Greg Appleyard from AgraRisk Solutions to teach us about trading commodities and hedging our risks. We will have a full schedule and registration information on our website and Facebook pages by the time this newsletter is distributed. All are welcome to attend and we hope to see you November 23-25, 2018 at the Deerfoot Inn & Casino in Calgary!

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Sask Young Ag-Entrepreneurs

Carla Borsa, General Manager

The SYA is happy to announce our 2019 conference & AGM themed Proudly Ag will be held on January 9 & 10, 2019 at the Radisson Hotel in Saskatoon. Plans are well underway and we invite you to our website to view speaker announcements.

Stay tuned for registration announcements. The SYA Fall Newsletter will be going out to membership and can be viewed at www.saskyoungag.ca at the end of September.

This September we have featured SYA member Krystal Nordick in our newsletter, see her profile in our article here.

We have a big keynote speaker announcement coming... Stay tuned on social media and the website for updates and announcements!

SYA would like to wish everyone a safe and happy harvest and fall season on your operations.



Saskatchewan Young Ag-Entrepreneurs

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January 9-10, 2019

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Annual Conference & AGM

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Meet an SYA Member

Name:

Krystal Nordick

Where are you from?

Nokomis, SK



How are you involved in the Ag industry?

My husband Troy and I run about 200 commercial Targhee sheep and we also own and operate Rafter N Trucking Co. Ltd. that specializes in hauling grain and livestock.

What kind of work do you do?

I work full time on the farm and I am the Secretary at Rafter N Trucking Co. Ltd. We also have three young children.

Is succession planning an issue in your business?

No, not yet.

What is your favourite part about your job?

I really am excited to be able to watch my children grow up on a farm. I love that they are able to learn about and appreciate agriculture, nature and animals as much as I do. Watching them interact with the lambs at lambing time is my favourite.

What are your hobbies?

I am an artistic person so I like to paint and draw when time allows. I also come from a very musical family and enjoy singing and all live music. I also enjoy gardening and being outside.

What is your favourite part about being in the agriculture industry?

I really appreciate the connection to the land, to nature, and to real life that living on a farm provides. I take pride in the quality of products we are able to produce here in Saskatchewan, Canada.

How has being a part of the SYA benefitted you?

I have enjoyed the chance to network with like-minded young farmers who are as excited about agriculture and as passionate about what they do as I am.



Saskatchewan Young Ag-Entrepreneurs



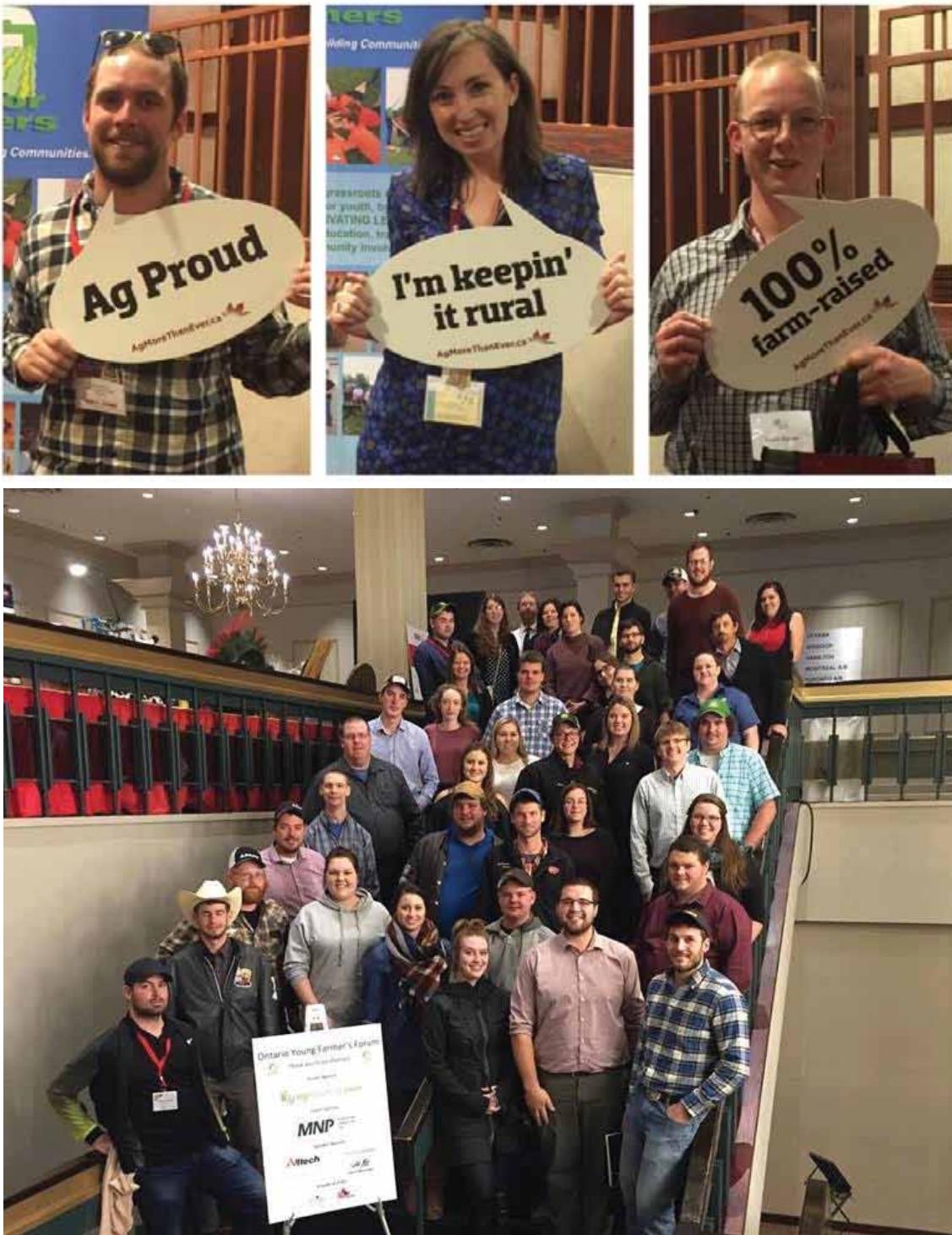
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Preparing Bees for Overwintering

by Robyn McCallum

Successfully overwintering honey bees in Atlantic Canada can be difficult. Honey bees are not native to our conditions, and must be properly cared for in order to survive our winters. Here are a few tips to help with your winter preparations:



1) Disease and Pest Management

Varroa mites are often the biggest culprit in colony death, and definitely contribute to poor overwintering. Honey bee colonies should be sampled for varroa mite levels in late summer, and proper management is needed to keep colonies free of mites as they enter the winter. Mites feed on the bees, causing physical damage and also creating opportunities for other 'bugs' to move in. Secondary damage from viruses is also common with varroa mites. Common fall treatments include the use of organic acids such as formic acid and oxalic acid, and to a lesser degree, synthetic miticide strips. For more information on varroa mite management, please see Varroa Mite Management Options for Atlantic Canada on the Perennia website: <http://www.perennia.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/01-varroa-mite-management-options-eng.pdf>

In addition to monitoring for varroa mites, brood inspections are also important. Ensure hives are free of European Foulbrood and American Foulbrood.

2) Fall Feeding

Honey bees should be fed a sugar syrup mixture (often 2 parts white sugar to 1 part warm water) in the early fall to build up food stores for the winter. There are several ways to feed bees this mixture (see Feeding Honey Bees <http://www.perennia.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/06-feeding-honeybees-eng.pdf>). Feeding can begin as soon as honey supers are removed, or around Labour Day Weekend. Feeding should continue until approximately Thanksgiving weekend, or until the bees stop taking the sugar syrup.

Feeding early enough in the season allows bees the time and suitable temperatures to properly store the sugar syrup, which they will access and consume during the winter months. You can perform the 'lift test' throughout the winter to gently gauge if the hive has enough food to survive.

The New Brunswick's Young Farmers Forum would like to invite you to its Annual General Meeting and Conference set to happen on **January 18th, 2019** at the Crowne Plaza in Fredericton. For more information, please contact General Manager, Camille Coulombe, at 506-452-8101 or email info@nbyff.ca.

Feeding pollen patties has not traditionally been common in Maritime beekeeping operations, but we are beginning to see this practice more often. Once the queen begins laying again in late winter, nurse bees will need a close source of pollen to feed the developing larvae, in order to produce successful generations of summer bees. As you are preparing hives for the winter, check to make sure there are frames with pollen stored on them, and be ready to feed pollen patties early the following spring, as temperatures allow you to briefly crack the hives.

It is important to make sure hives are not 'honey bound' before the winter. If all the frames are filled with food, there will be limited room for the queen to begin laying later in the winter. You may need to replace a full food frame with an empty drawn comb frame if you suspect a hive is honey bound in the fall.

3) Preparing Hives

Generally cold temperatures do not kill colonies, but moisture can and will. Make sure hives have a reduced bottom entrance as well as an upper entrance. This upper entrance will allow bees to take cleansing flights on nicer days (essentially allowing them to defecate outside of the hive, rather than inside), and also regulate moisture within the hive. Insulation under the inner cover of the hive can also aid with moisture regulation. Without some sort of insulation, moisture can rise in the hive, hit the top of the cover, condense, and begin dripping on top of the bee cluster, harming and eventually killing the bees.

There are many types of winter wrap for hives. Black plastic, tar paper, and commercially available bee hive wraps are all common materials used to wrap hives. If overwintering in 'doubles' (two hive boxes), consider placing bubble wrap under the black plastic (or other type of wrap) in the top box for when the cluster eventually moves there. This bubble wrap will aid in temperature regulation and insulation when brood is being produced later in the winter.

Consider the location for overwintering. Wind breaks (especially from the north) are ideal- either a tree line, or an artificially made wind break (e.g. hay bales, snow fencing). Snow is a great insulator

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for hives, but be prepared to remove snow from the entrances to avoid suffocation in the event of a storm. Also consider how you will access the yard in early spring for hive checks, emergency feeding, mite treatments, and hive movement.

Mouse or shrew guards can be important in certain regions of the Maritimes. They can be purchased at bee supply stores or you can make them yourself. Pest guards can be placed over the bottom entrance.

The bottom entrance should also be reduced as we enter the autumn to protect hives from robbing (which can happen during certain types of sugar syrup feeding, or even to weak hives any time of the season).

For beekeepers just starting out, we generally recommend overwintering outside. It can be difficult to successfully overwinter inside without the proper ventilation system, lighting, structure size, etc. Hives overwintered outside can do just as well for spring build up as hives overwintering inside, if not better (no temperature shock when moved outdoors).

For more information, check out our Fall Honey Bee Management Guide: <http://www.perennia.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/09-fall-honey-bee-management-guide-eng.pdf> or any of the many resources available in English and French at <http://www.perennia.ca/portfolio-items/honey-bees/?portfolioCats=137>

Good luck with your bees this winter!

**NEW BRUNSWICK
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NL Young Farmers Expand Mentorship Support

By Matthew Carlson



Since late 2017 the Newfoundland and Labrador Young Farmers' Forum (NLYFF) has been seeking mentors and mentees to start a small pilot program. The mentorship initiative will match three to five pairs of participants to test the feasibility of such a program in the province and provide the hands-on learning so many new farmers are seeking. So far, we have had interest from both mentors and mentees, but we have yet to match any due to geographic and other challenges.

In order to make the program more attractive to potential mentors and provide new opportunities to mentees, we have recently secured funding through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership (CAP) to enhance and expand the program. We are able to provide an honorarium to mentors in the program, which can cover up to \$2,000 in support for an 8-week or longer program. All matches are subject to approval.

Similarly, we have also been successful in securing travel funding for aspiring young farmers to take part in mentorship programs from outside the province, in those cases where outside programs may be able to offer a better match. This includes all established programs from outside the Newfoundland and Labrador, like Cattleman's Young Leaders, International Rural Exchange, FarmLink, and others.

If you are interested in the mentorship pilot program, want to apply, or learn more about it, please visit the NLYFF website at <http://www.nlyoungfarmers.ca/mentorship-pilot>. To further

explore the possibilities of out-of-province programs, send an email to Coordinator Matthew Carlson at mcarlson@nlfa.ca.

NLYFF is also working on lots of other great programming for new, aspiring, and existing young farmers. This year's Leadership Summit takes place on November 14 and 15 in St. John's. We will once again be bringing in world-class speakers to the event, with speaker announcements coming soon. This will be the first of several workshops and events the Young Farmers will be hosting throughout the fall and winter.

Through this project we can offer new opportunities to young farmers in the province. The NLYFF will be able to provide better opportunities and services to young agriculture entrepreneurs and professionals. It will assist us in achieving our vision of young farm leaders preserving the future of a sustainable agriculture industry and working towards food self-sufficiency.

Funding to carry out all these initiatives is provided by Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a federal-provincial-territorial initiative.

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Canada's agriculture sector is poised for growth, as the global market for Canadian agricultural products expands to meet the demands of an ever-increasing world population. However, this sector faces significant workforce challenges that could jeopardize its growth potential and contribution to the national economy. EVERY province and commodity in Canada is affected by chronic and significant labour shortages.

To ensure a healthy future for agriculture in Canada, it is urgent that the agriculture industry find and implement solutions to address the looming workforce crisis.

That's why CAHRC research is so important and needed to help to better clarify labour shortage issues with current data. We are re-running the numbers to see if the labour shortage and agricultural job vacancies are growing.

And we need your help.

The Canadian Agricultural Human Resource Council (CAHRC) is conducting a **Labour Market Information (LMI) survey** from October 12 – November 30, 2018. All farm owner-operators, agricultural workers and supporting stakeholder groups will have an opportunity to provide valuable input to guide future action on workforce issues.

By understanding workforce needs, the agricultural industry can then present the new research to policy makers. LMI for the agriculture industry helps us understand the current state of farm labour and accurately forecasts requirements for the next 10 years by province, commodity and occupation.

We're requesting only 10-15 minutes of your time to assist us in working towards a sustainable workforce. Please complete the online survey at <https://mailchi.mp/cahrc-ccrha.ca/survey> by **November 30, 2018**.

The Canadian Agricultural Human Resource Council (CAHRC) is a national, non-profit organization focused on addressing human resource issues facing agricultural businesses across Canada. Over the past ten years, the Council has worked with industry stakeholders to quantify labour requirements and trends.

FRAQ

March for supply management in Montreal



On September 6th, nearly 500 people gathered in front of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's office in Montreal to deliver a clear message: No concessions in the Canadian supply management system. Groups of young farmers from all over the province of Quebec assembled for this gathering, including many fellow friends from New Brunswick, Manitoba and Alberta! Several young farmers each gave a testimony in front of the crowd and talked about their reality and the necessity to maintain supply management. Members of the executive counsel of the FRAQ met with Marie-Claude Bibeau, minister in charge of representing Justin Trudeau in office to explain the disastrous consequences if the Canadian government were to concede on part of our market to US producers. The FRAQ is thankful for everyone who took part in this march for the future of Canadian farming.

2018 National Recognition Event – Outstanding Young Farmers



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Canada's Outstanding Young Farmers Program

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The Canadian Agricultural Loans Act Program makes loans more accessible for beginning farmers

The Canadian Agricultural Loans Act (CALA) Program is a loan-guarantee program designed to increase the availability of loans to farmers and agricultural co-operatives. With low interest rates, longer repayment periods, and lower down payments, CALA loans can be obtained by farmers to establish, improve and develop their farms, and by agricultural co-operatives to process, distribute or market the products of farming.

Thanks to CALA loans, investments in farm improvements loans help farmers increase their competitiveness and profitability, meet consumer demands for food safety and environmental performance, and manage risk proactively.

CALA loans are open to:

- existing farmers;
- beginning farmers (those who have been farming for less than six years);
- start-up farmers;
- farmers taking over the family farm;
- part-time farmers; and
- agriculture co-operatives as long as at least 50% + 1 of their members are farmers.

A loan can be issued to an existing farmer for 80% of the value of the asset purchased or **to a beginning farmer for 90% of the value of the asset purchased.**



CALA-guaranteed loans are available through lenders, such as banks, credit unions or Caisses Populaires, as part of their normal lending practices.

Up to \$500,000 in combined loans can be borrowed per farm operation for purchasing land and constructing or improving buildings, and up to \$350,000 can be borrowed for all other loan purposes, including consolidation and refinancing. The loan limit for agricultural co-operatives is \$3 million. The repayment terms are 15 years for land purchases and 10 years for all other purposes.

Talk to your lender about a CALA loan today. For more information, visit The Canadian Agricultural Loans Act program at www.agr.gc.ca/cala or call us toll-free at 1-888-346-2511.

CALA Loan Limit: A farmer who gets a CALA loan for \$300,000 to purchase a tractor can still access up to \$200,000 to purchase land or repair buildings, or up to \$50,000 to purchase another implement and \$150,000 to purchase land or repair buildings.



CYFF Farm Safety for Young Farmers booklet

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Coming home to the farm: meet Manitoba young farmer Kate Van Deynze-Fleming

You might say that Kate Van Deynze-Fleming was raised in the barn, alongside her three sisters on their rural Manitoba dairy farm. Kate says if they weren't in the barn caring for the cows or milking, they were out in the field haying or outside playing. So when the opportunity arose to come back to the family farm after attending the University of Manitoba and then teaching away from home for a few years, Kate knew that was exactly how she and her husband Tyler wanted to raise their family.

Kate's oldest son, Billy, was born shortly after returning to the family farm, and siblings Anna and Luke followed. Now 9, 7, and 5, her kids are growing up in and around the barn and animals just like she did, though with different livestock to care for. In 2012, Kate, together with her parents Daniel and Joann, decided to transition their dairy farm to egg production. "When the cows went out, I cried," says Kate, "the cows were my whole life." But Kate and her family didn't have much time to think about the past, with only five months to renovate their barn and get their first flock in by August.

"When we went to meetings and told people we wanted to be up and running in five months, some people laughed," says Kate. "They didn't believe we could do it, but my dad had a plan, and we made it happen." Now five years in, the farm has 12,600 hens housed in an enriched system. In addition to egg production, the Van Deynze-Fleming family also grows grain on their farm and future plans include expanding the business to raise pullets.



The Van Deynze-Fleming household is a busy one, with Kate working part-time as a pre-school teacher and Tyler working off-farm as a millwright. The family is actively involved in hockey, with the kids playing on local teams and Kate and Tyler coaching. This means that her kids spend much of their time alongside her in the barn, doing chores, homework, and playing, just as their mom did when she was a kid. "It gets easier as they get older, and now they are taking on more responsibility," says Kate. "I really want my kids to have the same opportunities as I did, so that's why we are doing this, building this business."

Kate is a proud advocate for her industry, and says learning about the egg business was a bit of a steep learning curve after spending the first part of her career in the dairy industry. She took part in Egg Farmers of Canada's national young farmer program this

year to share what she has learned over the past five years and to gain skills and experience to develop as a leader in the egg industry.



Join CYFF

CYFF, as a relatively "young" organization, has worked diligently since 1997 to support young Canadian agriculture producers of every commodity from across Canada – the organization continues to focus on delivering and developing programs and activities that educate, energize and empower young and new entrant agriculture producers. Not-for-profit organizations require a steady income stream to financially support the existence and growth of the organization... NEW this year, CYFF is implementing a membership

structure to help the organization work more closely with Canadian Young Farmers, to create an even more secure relationship with our producers and to help us to understand our members' needs. The new membership structure will give CYFF the ability to consult our members to find out what matters most and to learn how CYFF can best serve our industry.

CYFF would like to invite you to become a member of our organization by completing the **membership form found on page 16!** We look forward to welcoming you to the CYFF team... together we are stronger!



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We're recruiting young farmers to represent the CYFF and *be a voice for young farmers in Canada!*

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- ... attend industry events on behalf of Canadian Young Farmers
- ... be the voice for young farmers in Canada at the table of various industry meetings / events
- ... be an advocate for the CYFF and agriculture in Canada
- ... professionally represent the CYFF
- ... provide / share input from the perspective of a young farmer with various government departments and industry representatives.

Individuals interested in representing the CYFF and being a voice for young farmers of Canada are encouraged to complete the form below and email it the CYFF cyffinfo@sasktel.net.

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- ... wear a CYFF name badge to industry events
- ... travel in Canada and potentially internationally (travel expenses paid)
- ... contribute to shaping the future of Ag and specific Ag industries
- ... grow your connections
- ... gain a greater understanding of policy development
- ... be featured on CYFF social media accounts
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For a list of upcoming events, please contact the office cyffinfo@sasktel.net.

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Name: _____ Age: _____

Farm Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Website: _____ Twitter handle: _____

Facebook page: _____ Linked-In: _____ Instagram: _____

Are you a member of any agricultural organizations?

____ YES ____ NO

If so, which ones? _____

Tell us a little more about your operation (marketing, specialized areas, etc.): _____

Tell us about your operation: _____

Tell us a bit about yourself and your involvement / experience with industry meetings and board governance structure: _____

Where is your farm located? _____

What commodity /area / industry of ag are you the most passionate about? _____

How many acres do you farm? _____

Have you been involved in with the CYFF in the past? If so, how? _____

What crops do you grow? _____

What livestock do you raise? _____

Is there a specific meeting you are interested in attending? _____



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DEFINITION	Directors & Current Voting Delegates	Young Farmer Provincial Organizations	Under 18 years of Age	Young Farmers aged 18-40	Alumni, Over 40, General Individual Public	Companies	Not-for-profit organizations
FEES	FREE	FREE	FREE	\$100.00	\$150.00	Sponsorship Level	\$500.00
VOTING / NON-VOTING STATUS	voting	assigned 3 voting delegates (<i>travel fee \$275 returning and \$250 new</i>)	non-voting	non-voting	non-voting	non-voting	non-voting
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE	Discounted	Discounted	Discounted	Discounted	Discounted		Discounted
BONUS				Free T-shirt & Decal			
APP							listed
EVENTS POSTED ON WEBSITE AND APP		FREE					FREE
CYFF NEWSLETTER CONTENT		FREE					listed
RECEIVE QUARTERLY ISSUE OF CYFF NEWSLETTER	included	included	included	included	included		included
WEBSITE		Contact Info & Links					Link to Website
EMAIL UPDATES	receive	receive	receive	receive	receive		receive
LISTED IN MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY - ANNUALLY IN CYFF NEWSLETTER	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		included
REDUCED REGISTRATION RATE FOR CYFF EVENTS	yes		yes	yes			
RECEIVE INDUSTRY NEWS RELEVANT TO YOUNG FARMERS	yes	yes	yes	yes			
1ST OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND INDUSTRY EVENTS AS A YOUNG FARMER ON BEHALF OF CYFF (<i>expenses paid</i>)	yes			yes			
1ST CHANCE TO LIMITED SEATING EVENTS / WORKSHOPS	yes			yes			
PROVIDE ITEM FOR DELEGATE BAGS FOR PARTICIPANTS							yes



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2018 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____ AGE: _____ FARM/COMPANY: _____
 EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____ FAX: _____
 MAILING ADDRESS: _____
 CITY/TOWN: _____ PROVINCE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____
 WEBSITE: _____
 TWITTER: _____ LINKEDIN: _____
 FACEBOOK: _____ INSTAGRAM: _____

OPERATION / COMMODITY – please select all that apply:

- | | | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grains / Oilseeds | <input type="checkbox"/> Beef - Cow/Calf | <input type="checkbox"/> Beef - Feeders | <input type="checkbox"/> Beef - Breeding Stock | <input type="checkbox"/> Beef - Purebred Operation | <input type="checkbox"/> Dairy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poultry - Broilers | <input type="checkbox"/> Egg Production | <input type="checkbox"/> Turkeys | <input type="checkbox"/> Hogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Horse | <input type="checkbox"/> Elk |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deer | <input type="checkbox"/> Goats | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheep | <input type="checkbox"/> Bison | <input type="checkbox"/> On-Farm Processor | <input type="checkbox"/> Potatoes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Apples | <input type="checkbox"/> Forage | <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetables | <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit / Berries | <input type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse | <input type="checkbox"/> Seafood |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fur | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | | | |

SELECT MEMBERSHIP TYPE:

- FRIEND MEMBERSHIP – \$100.00** \$ _____
Young Farmer 18-40 years of age
- SUPPORTER MEMBERSHIP – \$150.00** \$ _____
CYFF Alumni over 40 years of age; Public
- ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP – \$500.00** \$ _____
Not-for-profit organizations
- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP – FREE** \$ _____
CYFF Directors and Current Voting Delegates
- AFFILIATED MEMBERSHIP – FREE** \$ _____
Young Farmer Provincial Organization
- JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP – FREE** \$ _____
Young Farmer under 18 years of age
- CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP** – Please contact the CYFF Office for details

NOTE: Memberships are annual for the period of April 1 – March 31

Subtotal = \$ _____

GST 5% = \$ _____

Total Enclosed = \$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD

*Please submit payment payable to **Canadian Young Farmers' Forum**

Amount Submitted / Authorized: \$ _____

Cheque - Cheque Number: _____

Credit Card (Visa / Mastercard)

Cardholder's Name: _____

Credit Card Number:

_____ / _____ / _____ / _____

Expiry Date: _____ / _____

Cardholder's Signature: _____

I authorize CYFF to auto renew my membership annually in April using the credit card number provided.

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November 26-28, 2018

The Fort Garry Hotel | Winnipeg, Manitoba

The Agricultural Excellence Conference is a one-of-a-kind event in Canada that brings diverse industry experts and stakeholders together from across disciplines, regions and production sectors to share and explore beneficial farm management practices and insights with leading farm business thinkers. Build your network of farm management enthusiasts!

For a limited time, BUY ONE GET ONE 50% OFF! This offer is available as an early bird incentive, so don't delay!

AGEX SPOTLIGHT – Healthy Farmer – Healthy Farm: A Discussion moderated by Janet Smith. Featuring: Sylvia Massinon, Klinik; Gerry Friesen, the "Recovering Farmer"; Marcel Hacault, Canadian Agricultural Safety Association.

Unleash Your Potential. Register Today! For more information and to register, visit: fmc-gac.com/programs-services/agricultural-excellence-conference/. Follow #AgExConf18 on Twitter or Facebook for Conference updates!

Young Farmers – You could WIN an all-expense paid trip to AgEx2018!

**Start filming
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VIDEO COMPETITION

In a short 1-minute video, we're asking young farmers from across Canada to answer the following question: **If you could tell a consumer one thing - what would it be?**

Your video could be 1 of 3 winners! The 3 winners will have an all-expenses paid trip to the Agricultural Excellence Conference happening November 26-28, 2018 in Winnipeg.

Winners will be selected based on the following criteria: • Quality and creativity of the video submitted; • Logic and coherent flow of ideas; • Relevance to the questions posed; • Delivery of presentation; • Compliance with eligibility criteria.

Eligibility criteria: • Contestant must be at least 20 and under 40 years of age as of January 1, 2018; • Contestant must complete the video application form; • Contestant must be involved in the Canadian agricultural industry; • Contestant must reside in Canada and be a Canadian citizen; • Contestant must submit a video, 1 minute in length, responding to the contest question; • Contestant must make an appearance in their video submission; • Video must include "Y WE FARM" in the title.

Farm Management Canada must receive the completed application form and video submission no later than October 19, 2018. For more information, please visit www.fmc-gac.com. Winning videos will be featured on FMC's social media channels and showcased at AgEx2018!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

2018-19 Excellence Award for Agricultural Students is now Open!

Farm Management Canada (FMC) and the Canadian Association of Diploma in Agriculture Programs (CADAP) are proud to announce the launch of the 2018-19 Excellence Award for Agricultural Students, designed to encourage students to improve their critical thinking, communication and leadership skills through a national competition.

How to Apply: FMC and CADAP are collecting submissions from agricultural students across Canada and will award three winners with scholarships towards furthering their education in agriculture. First place stands to win \$1,500! The award is designed to help students develop their communication skills by having the opportunity to voice their opinion on a subject related to farm management.

Students are asked to submit a multimedia presentation, a video, a Twitter chat, a blog or a Wiki, responding to the following question: **How can agriculture bridge the increasing rural and urban divide?**

To take part in the competition, for details on how to enter, or to apply: www.fmc-gac.com. *All applications must be received no later than May 3rd, 2019.

JOIN US FOR THE 22nd INTERNATIONAL FARM MANAGEMENT CONGRESS IN TASMANIA!

Growing Agriculture @ 41 Degrees South
March 3 – 8 2019
Tasmania, Australia
www.IFMA22.org



The International Farm Management Congress takes place every two years in host countries around the world. The theme of the 22nd Congress hosted by Tasmania, Australia is 'Growing Agriculture @ 41 Degrees South - excellence in farm management through innovation, diversification and integration with tourism'. Growing agricultural output will help to feed the world, and improve rural economies. Delegates attending the Congress will hear from farm managers, consultants and academics from around the world, as they discuss the challenges facing farm managers as they work to increase output.



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The Congress will include presentations, roundtable discussions and farm visits with a focus on farming in Tasmania, a state with mostly smaller diversified farms, producing mainly for export markets. **Registration is NOW OPEN!** Register by January 25th for the early bird discount! Accompanying persons program also available.

Call for Papers, Posters and Workshops NOW OPEN! Submit your Papers, Posters and Workshops by October 31st! Applied and Academic Papers accepted.

Pre- and Post-Congress Tours are Available!

Pre-Congress Tour February 24 - March 3

Prior to the IFMA22 Congress, take the opportunity to visit Hobart and the surrounding agriculturally-diverse regions. Meet leading producers with enterprises including prime lamb, superfine Merinos, beef cattle, seed breeding, fruit and vegetable production, viticulture, aquaculture and land management. See Tasmania's wild and spectacular east coast and enjoy the world class food and wine of our island state.

Post-Congress Tour March 9 - March 15

7 Day Escorted Post-Congress Tour. Travel to some of south-eastern mainland Australia's leading agricultural regions. Inspect a range of farming and livestock enterprises. Plus sightseeing highlights.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Sept 30	Next Gen Applications Due
Oct 31	Papers Due
Jan 25	Early Bird Registration Closes
Feb 24 – Mar 3	Pre-Congress Tour: Tasmania
Mar 2-3	Next Gens Program
Mar 3 – Mar 8	IFMA22 Congress in Tasmania, Australia
Mar 9 – Mar 15	Post-Congress Tour: Sydney to Melbourne



Watch for fun contests scheduled throughout the year on CYFF social media accounts



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