

Press Release

For Immediate Release

April 1st, 2010

Winnipeg, MB - The 83rd Annual General Meeting for the Canadian Brown Swiss and Braunvieh Association was hosted by the Manitoba club March 25th – 28th, 2010. The meeting was an excellent opportunity to visit with old friends and meet new members. Thank you to Corina Coulter for organizing the meetings, Armin Dueck & Rejean Mathys for the sale preparations, Swiss Dream, Max & Susanne Buechi, Crikside Farm and Four Oak Farm for hosting the farm tours and the many others that pulled together to make this year's meeting a wonderful success.

Immediately following the Annual General Meeting the Board of Directors elected their Executive for 2010:

President – Ernst Gubelmann, Walton, ON

Vice-President – Renald Dumas, Inverness, PQ

Director – Dave Rousseau, Vercheres, QC

Director – Mark McConnell, Kincardine, ON

Director – Armin Dueck, Kleefeld, MB

Director – Ted Kostenuke, Sundre, AB (Braunvieh Representative)

Congratulations to Heidi and Walter Von Ah, ON for receiving the Top Composite BCA Brown Swiss cow award sponsored by Swiss Dream Farm for Eastwind Victory Cookie (GP) with 337 Milk, 409 Fat and 363 Protein for a total composite BCA of 1109. The 2009 Top BCA Herd under 25 cows was awarded to Hans Schweizer, QC and for over 25 cows once again went to Heidi & Walter Von Ah, ON.

There were three 100 Tonne Producer Awards given this year. One to Stephen Henhoeffler, Ayr, ON for Nor L Jolyn (EX) for producing in 7 lactations 103,792 Milk, 4285 Fat and 3,522 Protein. The next presented to Ernst & Stefan Gubelmann, Walton, ON for Gubelman Gordon Dora (VG) for producing in 6 lactations 102,237 Milk, 4,628 Fat, 3,992 Protein. The final plaque was for Katharina Andrist, Bowden, AB for Kama Pete Rose Simme (GP) for producing in 10 lactations 101,970 Milk, 3,572 Fat, 3,160 Protein. There were eleven animals receiving their 75 Tonne Producer Award. Congratulations as well to our All-Canadian winners and other production award winners.

The Board gladly accepted an invitation from the Quebec club to host the Annual General Meeting in 2011. The meeting will be scheduled for mid April in conjunction with the SIL show in St. Hyacinthe.

Nineteen high quality head and 5 lots of embryos were sold at the sale held at Swiss Dream Farm. The high seller, a September calf of Swiss Dream Jetvin Sylvia by Wonderment went to Four Oak Farm, Manitoba for \$4,300.00.

The membership is optimistic that with high components, longevity and solid feet & legs, Brown Swiss is the desired breed of the future. Brown Swiss...Components that Pay...Cows that Last!

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