

Join MBP at Manitoba Beef and Forage Days 2012

Producers from across the province will gather at Manitoba Beef and Forage Days from Jan. 9 to 13, 2012 to receive up-to-date information and insight on their industry.

Learning events will be held in a variety of regions in order to allow producers to access information which is relevant to their operations.

Speakers will provide information on holistic management, how to maximize production, manage forage production with excess moisture, market livestock more successfully, and other topics. Speaker sessions include:

- Manitoba Forage Council
- Beef Market Update, Scott McKinnon, Market Analyst, Canfax
- Introduction to Holistic Management for Beef and Forage Producers, Don Campbell, Meadow Lake, SK.
- Manitoba Packing Plant Update, Doug Cooper, President and CEO, ProNatur
- Premises ID Update, David Hunt, Agri-Food Traceability Co-ordinator, MAFRI
- Forage Restoration of Flooded Land, Land Preparation, Sod-Seeding and Other Management Practices, Glenn Friesen, Forage Specialist, MAFRI

- Cattle Animal Health Concerns and Biosecurity, Dr. Marc Philippot, Veterinarian, St. Claude Vet Clinic

Manitoba Beef Producers (MBP) is also pleased to be involved as a presenter at these events to provide a review of timely issues and action items that concern beef producers.

MBP recently held its annual general meeting in Brandon, where producers voted on resolutions to determine MBP policy for the upcoming year.

These policies give our organization direction for lobbying the federal and provincial governments for 2012. MBP will be updating producers on some of these upcoming lobbying efforts. One focus of the presentation will be on flood compensation programs including programs that have been rolled out and programs that we are still working on with the federal and provincial governments. In addition, we will be discussing the requests MBP submitted to the provincial government to further

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Upcoming Events

Manitoba Ag Days Jan. 17-19

-Keystone Centre, Brandon
Visit the MBP booth in the Westman Place Concourse.
www.agdays.com

CCA Town Hall Meeting Feb. 9

-Pipestone Community Hall
Session from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
followed by a complimentary meal. RSVP at
www.cattle.ca/townhall
or 403-275-8558.

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assist producers in the rehabilitation of land affected by flooding in 2011.

Other key issues to be discussed by MBP include: traceability, development of a national manifest, and protecting producers when a licensed dealer is bankrupt.

This is just a brief highlight of the topics MBP will be discussing at Beef and Forage Days. Check out the schedule to find out when we will be presenting in your area.

*Seminars run from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- Monday, January 9: Vita, contact the Vita GO Office at 204-425-5050
- Tuesday, January 10: Eriksdale, contact the Ashern GO Centre at 204-768-2782
- Wednesday, January 11: Ste. Rose du Lac, contact the Ste. Rose GO Office at 204-447-4032
- Thursday, January 12: Holland, contact the Treherne GO Office at 204-723-3232
- Friday, January 13: Teulon, contact the Teulon GO Centre at 204-886-2696.

This event is supported by Manitoba Beef Producers.

The Richardson Ground Squirrel Survey

Producers are encouraged to participate in the Richardson Ground Squirrel Survey being conducted by Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives in co-operation with the Association of Manitoba Municipalities.

Collecting the information in this survey will allow the Manitoba Government to apply for the use of appropriate pest control products such as liquid strychnine concentrate.

To obtain your survey, visit www.Manitoba.ca/agriculture or contact your local MAFRI GO Office.

Deadline: Dec. 23, 2011

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and
Happy New Year*



*From the
MBP Staff
and Directors*

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