ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SATURDAY, APRIL 1ST
- REGISTRATION @ 12:00 P.M.
- MEETING @ 1:00 P.M.

UTICA MEMORIAL HALL, UTICA
(5 miles west of Port Perry on Cty. Rd. # 21 - right next to Utica Farm Equipment)

ACCOMMODATIONS:
San-Man Hotel (905) 985-2333 or Railroadhouse Hotel (905) 985-7111
Join us for a buffet dinner afterwards - plan to attend - Everyone Welcome!

Please RSVP to Murphy and Judy Baker @ (905) 985 0563 or bakerblondes@sympatico.ca

Thank you!!
The OBdAA Board would like to thank Lavelaine Farms (Laverne and Elaine McGee), for donating their 2005 show expense award of $175 to the Blonde Association’s 4-H account.

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Our cattle are in demand around the world! Interested buyers have commented on the overall eyeappeal and structural soundness of our animals as viewed on our website. They demonstrate natural thickness, muscle expression, milking ability and depth of body. We have done the homework and have selected genetics based on EPD’s and performance data! Our Blonde lads and lassies must compete with our high performing crossbred herd and must work hard to earn their place in our herd. Since 1997, we have sent embryos to: Brazil, Costa Rica, Denmark, New Zealand and Sweden! The MBRHEO prefix is working across Canada - New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta! Home of two highly successful Internet Production Sales. Why not take the time to contact us?

Our breeding program has been featured in the July Aug ‘99 and Fall ‘00 issues of the Ontario Beef Farmer magazine. In addition, Holland’s National Blonde magazine “de Blonde” did a feature article on our program in their December 1997 issue.

Our dedication to the Blonde Breed is evident by our involvement!

Our dedication to Blonde Breeders is evident by our cattle!

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**Upcoming Events:**

- **March 1-2, 2006**
  East Central Farm Show
  Morrow Building, Peterborough
  Exhibition grounds, Peterborough
  Admission $2.00

- **March 8-10, 2006**
  Western Fair Farm Show
  Fairgrounds, London, Ontario
  www.westernfair.com

- **March 14-16, 2006**
  Ottawa Valley Farm Show
  Lansdowne Park, Ottawa
  www.ottawafarmshow.com

- **April 1, 2006**
  Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Association AGM
  Location: Utica, Ont.
  RSVP needed for dinner ($14.00 pp)
  Please phone Murphy and Judy Baker (905) 985-0563
  PLEASE NOTE: 2006 memberships are due before the AGM for voting eligibility.

- **Sept. 19-23, 2006**
  International Plowing Match
  Keene, Ontario
  www.plowingmatch.org

**NOTE:** The OBdAA reserves the right to edit any newsletter submissions for length and content suitability. The goals of this newsletter are:

To inform the membership of all the pertinent activities and initiatives being taken by the Association, the Association Board, or its members.

To provide educational information in order to assist Blonde breeders in all aspects of the seed stock industry.

To promote the Blonde d'Aquitaine breed and the members of the Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Association.
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& the guy who bought VBB6P at CARSONS PRIME TIME BULL SALE
4-H Report:

Thirteen junior members showed Blonde calves as their 4-H projects at various fairs across Ontario in 2005, and were eligible for a full refund of their 4-H membership fees. A total of $660 was paid to these members from the raffle account:

Aaron Hunking, Annette Pedlar, Dylan Thompson, Curtis Bell, Andrew Bunda, William Bunda, Alexis Dorland, Erin Bell, Ashley McNevan, Rachel Vink, Darren Vink, Ian Vink, and Bradley Stein.

Congratulations to all of you, and wishes for a successful 2006 season showing Blonde cattle!

To receive a 2006 entry form for 4-H and Blonde Shows, contact your 4-H club leader, the Ontario Blonde d’Aquitaine Association (see p.3 for contact information) or go to the website www.ontarioblondes.com for a printable file.

Lindsay Fair Jr. Showmanship

The following junior members showed in the Junior Showmanship Division of the Blonde d’Aquitaine Show at Lindsay Fair: Alex Beeken, Jessie Longpre, Ashley McNevan, Krystin Purdy, Stephanie Beauregard, Becky DeWitt, Melinda Wilman, Josie Wilman.

Blonde Merchandise available:

Golf-shirts are green with the OBdAA logo on the left side. Sizes: S, L, XL, XXL. Price $30

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OVERALL CHAMPION FEMALE, OVERALL CHAMPION MALE AND PREMIER EXHIBITORS

In order for a show to be considered as a point show, there must be at least 3 exhibitors and 18 head of cattle. Any Blonde d’Aquitaine Show that meets these requirements will be considered towards the show points.

An exhibitor must show at four shows with one being the Lindsay Fair. The Lindsay Fair will be considered the final show for the show year. (The show year will run from the day after the Lindsay Fair show to the day of the Lindsay Fair Show day. Points earned at shows after the Lindsay Fair will be accumulated towards the next season.)

Method for determining Overall Champion Female and Overall Champion Male:

1. Points per class per show are awarded as follows:
   1st 8 points
   2nd 7 points
   3rd 6 points
   4th 5 points
   5th 4 points
   6th 3 points
   7th 2 points
   8th 1 point
   Grand Champion 2 points
   Reverse Grand 1 point

2. Points are accumulated from 4 shows with one being the Lindsay Fair.
3. If a tie occurs, the animal with the most points earned at the Lindsay Fair will be selected as Overall Champion.
4. Points earned during the year remain with the animal in cases when the animal is sold.

Method for determining Premier Exhibitor:

5. Points for Premier Exhibitor are calculated using the 1st to 8th placings as above on their best 5 animals at 4 shows with one being the Lindsay Fair.
6. Points accumulated by an exhibitor remain with the exhibitor in cases when the animal is sold.
7. Awards are given to the top three exhibitors.

Note: Request must be made for payment to be made.

ONTARIO BLONDE D’AQUITAINE ASSOCIATION
2006 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING PROXY

Proxy eligibility: All members in good standing are entitled to vote at the Ontario Blonde d’Aquitaine Association’s Annual General Meeting. If you are unable to attend, you may request another member in good standing to represent you and your vote. Each member is entitled to carry three (3) proxy votes. (Maximum 4 votes)

I, ____________________________, am unable to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Blonde d’Aquitaine Association on ______________________ and hereby designate ___________________________ of ___________________________ (address) to represent me at this meeting.

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CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I - Name and Objective
1. The name of the organization shall be "The Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Association" (herein called the "Association").
2. The aims and objectives of the Association shall be:
   a) to promote and encourage the breeding of Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle in the province of Ontario;
   b) to arrange for, and promote shows and sales of Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle in the province of Ontario;
   c) to assist, where possible, the Canadian Blonde d'Aquitaine Association in their promotion of the Blonde d'Aquitaine breed.

ARTICLE II - Membership
1. The general membership shall consist of:
   a) persons, firms, partnerships, organizations or corporations who shall have submitted an application for membership, paid the requested membership fee, and been approved by the Board of Directors;
   b) each member shall be entitled to one vote at all meetings of the General Assembly, with provisions made for the permission to vote by proxy or absent members;
   c) the president and the directors shall elect from amongst themselves a vice-president and a secretary-treasurer or a secretary and a treasurer.
   d) a quorum for the transaction of business at meetings of the Board of Directors shall be by majority.
   e) any vacancy occurring in office of directors shall be filled by appointment by the directors remaining in office for the remainder of the term of the retiring director.
   f) a director must be a member of the Association in good standing.
   g) any director or executive officer may be removed from office for failure to perform properly his duties on the vote of two-thirds of the Board of Directors then holding office.
   h) all meetings of the Board of Directors shall convene at the call of the president and notice thereof shall be given to the members of the Board at least one week prior to the date of the meeting, provided, however, that the directors may meet on regular dates without notice or may by unanimous consent meet at any time or place without notice.

ARTICLE III - General Assembly and Board of Directors
2. The Board of Directors shall have the power to enact by-laws establishing classes of memberships similar to those of the Canadian Blonde d'Aquitaine Association.
3. Membership fees are not refundable in whole or in part.

ARTICLE IV - Committees
1. The Board of Directors may appoint such committees as may be necessary for achieving the objectives of the Association, but there shall be the following standing committees appointed by the Board:
   a) Nominating committee - this committee shall present to the Annual General Meeting a list of members to be considered for the election to the Board of Directors. Additional nominations shall be received from the floor and if voting is necessary, it shall be by ballot.
   b) Show and Sale Committee - this committee shall make arrangements for the showing of Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle at various shows and shall be responsible for arranging and holding periodic sales of Blonde d'Aquitaine cattle.
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