

# 2 Canadian Goat Society 0 Annual General Meeting 1 & Breeder Education Program 6 La Société Canadienne des Éleveurs de Chèvres



Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 9:30 am - 3:00 pm  
Fairfield Inn & Suites Guelph 35 Cowan Place Guelph, Ontario N1G 0C1

## DRAFT AGENDA

- 9:30 am **Registration**
- 10:00 am **Welcome**
- 10:10 am **Marketing genetics: what breeders need to know for a smooth transaction, Kendra Keels, Canadian Goat Society**  
As a goat breeder you may find yourself in a position to buy or sell registered breeding stock. Kendra will present protocols to help ensure a smooth transaction for those buying or selling registered goats, especially if you are new to the industry or working with someone who is. These important steps will help to keep the buying and selling process running efficiently.
- 10:30 am **Regulations for importing and exporting goats, Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)**  
As a breeder, the opportunity to import or export your goat genetics often arises. The CFIA will discuss what you need to know when importing and exporting animals, semen and embryos. This presentation will help you grow your markets in and out of Canada.
- 11:00 am **Annual General Meeting**
- 12:30 pm **Lunch**
- 1:30 pm **Results of the genotyping for scrapie sensitivity study, Dr. Brad White, Trent University**  
Ontario Goat partnered with Trent University and the Centre of Excellence for Goat Research & Innovation to test goat breeds and herds for genotypes that may confer resistance and susceptibility to scrapie, a slow-moving but fatal central nervous system disease in goats and sheep that limits productivity and poses a severe risk to the viability of the industry. Dr. White will share the results of the recently completed study.
- 2:30 pm **Johne's disease and small ruminant lentiviruses, Nancy Stonos, PhD Candidate, University of Guelph**  
Johne's disease and the small ruminant lentiviruses (SRLV) are devastating diseases that affect sheep and goats worldwide. Both Johne's and SRLV can be a major source of economic loss to producers. Due to the widespread nature of Johne's and SRLV, many herds and individual animals are co-infected. Since both diseases are difficult to diagnose, and go undetected for long periods of time many animals transmit infections to other herd members making these diseases difficult to control. It may be possible, however to breed for disease resistance. Identifying and selecting individual genes to develop a breeding program, however, may not be the best approach since disease resistance is a combination of many genes. One approach is to breed for overall high immune responses which may be promising for the sheep and goat industries but further investigation is required.
- 3:00 pm **Adjourn**

Please join us for the 2016 Annual General Meeting and Breeder Education Program. We look forward to seeing you on October 22nd!

**Questions?** Contact [info@livestockalliance.ca](mailto:info@livestockalliance.ca) or call 519-824-2942

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### **Registration**

Pre-registration is encouraged. Please complete the enclosed registration form and return it with payment to the CGS office before **Friday October 14th, 2016.**

### **Cost to Attend (per person)**

\$20 CGS member rate  
\$35 non-member rate