

2013-14 DFNS EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS

Farmers from 10 counties across the province received special recognition when presented with Excellence Awards at the Dairy Farmers of Nova Scotia AGM held in at the Best Western Glengarry on January 7th and 8th.

Annapolis County: A&J Bent Farms Ltd., Lone Willow Farm Incorporated, Peter DeNuke;

Antigonish County: Derek MacNeil, Donald & Karen MacDonald- 10 Years, Michael J. Vermeer, Misty Hills Farm Limited, William A. MacDonald;

Colchester County: Clover Crest Farm Limited, Curtmar Farms Ltd., Dalhousie University, Fort Land Farm Limited, L. Ross Davidson, Vriesland Farm Ltd.- 5 Years;

Cumberland County: Bacon Farms Limited, Northumberland Dairy Farm;

Hants County: Adrian Ackermann, Owen L. Blois- 25 Years, Bokma Farms Limited, Bonderosa Farms Limited-10 Years, Broad Cove Farm Limited- 5 Years, Cornelius Penner- 5 Years, Sandy Desert Farms Limited, John G. Suidgeest, Sunny Point Farms Limited, Vermeuland Farms Limited;

Halifax County: Belland Farms Limited, Hillspeak Farms Limited- 5 Years, Holmstein Farm Ltd.;

Inverness County: Matt and Meghan Borsens, d & C Lake-Thompson;

Kings County: Cornwallis Farm Limited, Dabro Farms Inc., Bernard J. Gerrits, Mark & Randy Keddy, James H. Lamb Farms Limited, Menkhorst Farm Limited, Patterson Farms Ltd., Richard Rand;

Pictou County: Centurymac Farm Ltd.- 5 Years, Cinnabar Farms, Trebor Farm;

Yarmouth County: Churchill Bros. Farm Limited.



Lloyd Blois received a standing ovation when he accepted a 25 Year Excellence Award from Honourable Keith Colwell, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture.



Honourable Keith Colwell, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture presents Cornelius and Dora Penner with a 5 Year Excellence Award.



Honourable Keith Colwell, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture presents Anne Crowe of Broad Cove Farm Ltd. with a 5 Year Excellence Award.



Honourable Keith Colwell, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture presents Jean and Donald Bond, of Bonderosa Farms Limited, with a 10 Year Excellence Award.

Butter Sales Brighten Future

Canadian Dairy Commissioner Hennie Bos brought good news to the DFNS Annual General Meeting held in Truro on Jan. 7th and 8th.

He was pleased to report there was a 3.1% increase in butter fat consumption last year and the forecast for 2015 looks positive.

"We did not think four or five years ago we would see this trend, but thanks to a renewed interest and new research showing butter is

good for people, hopefully this trend is sustainable," says Bos.

The positive health and wellness messaging was reinforced by Bob Stultz, Director of Marketing & Development for DFC, who says butter is finally getting its due and recognition.

A similar trend is happening with chocolate milk, as researchers indicate chocolate milk has proved to be an effective post-workout drink for restoring muscle.



Commissioner Hennie Bos, presented the 2015 Canadian Dairy Commission Report.



Honourable Keith Colwell, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture presents Greg Archibald of Hillspeak Farms Limited with a 5 Year Excellence Award.



Honourable Keith Colwell, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture presents Donald, Johan and George de Vries of Vriesland Farm Ltd., with a 5 Year Excellence Award.



Honourable Keith Colwell, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture presents Donald and Karen MacDonald with a 10 Year Excellence Award.

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