

## Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport Makes Announcements at SAASE Convention

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The Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Cutlure and Sport - Dustin Duncan -made two announcements regarding funding for Saskatchewan's agricultural societies at the annual SAASE convention in Moose Jaw. The first announcement was regarding SAASE's core funding. Minister Duncan announced that there is now a 5 year agreement in place guaranteeing funding of \$310,00 per year until March 31, 2014.

This funding will give Saskatchewan agricultural societies and SAASE stability as we move forward. The minister also announced funding of an additional \$50,000. This money is to be added to SAASE's Venture Project fund of \$45,000. This will bring the total available funds for the Venture Project fund to \$95,000. The additional funding will be used for community and event development. The additional funding will have a focus on tourism and developing new events with wide appeal. It will also be used to promote and enhance the quality of life within communities around Saskatchewan.

"We are pleased to provide grants to community organizations. The grants support events that are important to community vitality," Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport Dustin Duncan said. "They provide tremendous value to rural Saskatchewan by helping ensure the cultural identity of our province, which



Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Dustin Duncan announces SAASE funding

includes the agricultural industry. We build stronger communities by working with organizations such as SAASE."

Information on the new Venture Project Program was made available at the SAASE convention, as well as being sent out after the convention. There have been a number of projects approved since the convention and agricultural societies are encouraged to get their application in as soon as possible for any new projects they are considering running. If there are any questions on the new program, or any agricultural society needs a hand in completing the application form, give Glen a call at the SAASE office.



## President's Message: Dave Young

June is upon us. Information has it that the 7.5 inches of rain we have received in the Prince Albert area is a record. I can believe that. While the provincial weather has kept a lot of our agriculture friends out of the fields, the long range seems to hold some hot temperatures for us. Hopefully all will work out for the best.

Glen Duck continues to move in the fast lane and has the ADOPT Program well in hand. This program should prove to be interesting and well received. The Venture project response is overwhelming and a number of worthwhile projects have been approved with others being planned. If you are looking at a new program or expanding an existing program the Venture Project program is an ideal way to help out with seed money needed to get it up and running. Give the office a call to see if your project is eligible.

The convention in Moose Jaw was very well attended and thanks to the efforts of Glen and fellow board members went off without a hitch. A BIG thanks to Moose Jaw for hosting the event.

Summer Fair Season is upon us and I can well imagine the whirlwind of activity going on throughout the province. Summer is an exciting time for everyone and with new programs and events SAASE members are increasing their profile and continuing the tradition of being a leader in the tourism and entertainment industry. With new members joining the Association, we will only get stronger. We are working with a number of groups and the possibility of further expanding our membership into the northern portions of the province is looking good.

The board is presently short two directors and conversations with potential appointees are looking quite positive. The additions will add experience and depth to an already well rounded group.

As you look through this edition of the SAASE newsletter, take time to reflect on the great strides this association is making and see why SAASE is a leader in the Agriculture Society field.

I wish all of you a successful summer and all the best in your new and exciting ventures.

Respectfully:

David M. Young President

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#### SAASE OFFICE

The SAASE Office is located in the Canada Centre complex on the lpsco Place (Regina Exhibition Park) grounds, next door to the Saskatchewan Livestock Association office on the 2nd floor. Visitors are always welcome—give Glen a call at 565-2121 and drop in.



The 2010 version of the SAASE Convention and Annual meeting was held March 12th and 13th in Moose Jaw at the Moose Jaw Exhibition grounds. The convention was very well attended and the feedback that was received by the delegates was very positive.

On Friday the 12th the convention began with a website development workshop, which was sponsored by SaskTel. SAASE board members Donna Sagin and Dave Young led representatives from 13 agricultural societies through the development of websites for their organisations. It turned out to be a full day, and the workshop ended up running until 4:00. Donna is continuing to work with the agricultural societies that were there to get their websites up and running.

The convention officially opened on Friday night at the Moose Jaw Exhibition Golden Nugget Centre, with registration opening at 6:00. After a quick business session Monica Pukas - Co-ordinator of Environmental Policies and Issues for SaskPower - did a presentation on the various environmental programs that SaskPower are involved in, as well as the SaskPower/SAASE Clean Team



Delegates hard at work at the website development workshop

Program. The night finished up with some great entertainment from the area, as Hungry for Hagis and We Could be Cousins entertained the crowd. Magician James Grant also put on a great show. The Silent Auction opened with some great items being donated and a 50/50 was run with the proceeds going to the Clark and Anne Lewis Scholarship.

The Saturday breakfast opened early, and the sessions for Saturday began at 8:30. David White from Synergy Solutions reported on the results of the SAASE board of directors Mission and long range planning development sessions. Connie Ashworth from the Southwest Tourism Region then led a workshop on the new partnership between SAASE and Tourism Saskatchewan on the event survey program. There is an article later on in the newsletter that gives much more detail as to the tremendous opportunity that this gives our members. This session took us right up to the SAASE Awards Luncheon.

We were very lucky this year to have a great many guests attend our luncheon. Ray Boughen - MP for Palliser - and his wife Sandy were in attendance.

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We Could Be Cousins perform on the Friday Night

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Warren Michelson - MLA for Moose Jaw North - also was in attendance, as well as Glenn Hagel - Mayor of Moose Jaw. Hannah Service - Executive Director for CAFE, Ernie Wilson President of the Moose Jaw Exhibition, as well as Joyce Walter from Western Canada Fairs were also in attendance. Dustin Duncan - Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport with his wife Amanda also attended. Minister Duncan led off the awards with two funding announcements for SAASE. He announced the new 5 year core funding deal, and then announced the new \$50,000 Venture Project tourism funding for 2010 (see the front page).

Minister Duncan then presented the various awards. For Anniversary Certificates the Broadview Ag. Society is celebrating their 125th anniversary and the Unity Ag. Society received their 100th. Achievement of the Year was awarded to Tracy Stevenson and the Swift Current Ag. and Ex. SAASE then added 5 new Honourary Life members. They included:

- Elizabeth McMahon Perdue
- Irene Greer Battlefords
- Olive Haughian Unity
- Doreen Leslie Unity
- Freda McCallun Unity

A big congratulations goes out to all the recipients and a big thanks to all the Agricultural Societies that made the nominations.

Dave Young - SAASE President - took over after lunch with a workshop on the new SAASE Venture Project Program. Dave outlined the new program and went through the criteria that needs to be followed when putting in a Venture Project application. Judging by the response that the SAASE board has received for the program, it will be very successful, as a number of creative projects have already come in. You can take a look at the article on Venture Projects to see what projects have been approved.

Hannah Service - Executive Director for CAFE - finished off the workshop component of the convention with a presentation on developing relationships with governments at all levels. If you require the handbook that she used just let the SAASE office know and we will get one out to you right away.

The convention then finished off with the SAASE annual meeting. SAASE reported a net income for 2009 of \$3,000. The new SAASE Mission Palette and Vision statement was approved by the membership.

The SAASE annual meeting then shifted to the election of the new SAASE Board of Directors. Don Kunkel, Moe Neault, Ron Locke, Lyal Fox and Mark Frison all finished **Convention** 

up their terms as board members. On behalf of SAASE, the board of directors and all of our members - a big thanks goes out to them for their comittment and dedication to SAASE. New SAASE board members include:

- Susan Kuzma Saskatoon Prairieland Park
- Ray Wiman Mortlach Ag. Society
- Vern Bexson Lloydminster Exhibition.

The SAASE Board will be making appointments of the final two positions. The SAASE executive is as follows:

- President Dave Young Prince Albert Exhibition
- Past President Donna Sagin -Swift Current
- Vice President Lisa Haynes -Biggar Ag. Society
- Director at Large Susan Kuzma - Saskatoon Prairieland Park.

There are many challenges ahead for SAASE and the new board will meet these challenges head on. A big thanks goes out to everyone who supported SAASE by attending the SAASE convention. Next year the convention is in Weyburn - see you then.



Mike Pylypchuk busy selling 50/50 tickets



The Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport's expanded Venture Project program has generated a great deal of interest among SAASE's members. At the most recent meeting of the SAASE board of directors a total of 9 Venture Projects were approved in Saskatchewan. The total amount of money that was approved for the projects is \$45,000. The total budget for the new program is \$95,000, so that still leaves an additional \$50,000 available for other projects throughout the year. To put this in prespective, over the history of the Venture Project Program SAASE has never approved 9 projects in a whole year, and we are barely halfway through this year.

The projects are very diverse and are great examples of what agricultural societies do for their communities, as far as events, agricultural awareness, tourism and community development. The following is a listing of the projects that were approved, as well as a brief description of each one.

#### 1 - Carleton Trail Ag. Society Youth, Art and Tourism Initiative.

Bruno youth will have hands on learning experience with agriculture and tourism. The project consists of construction along the north and west sides of the Bruno Cherry Park. Industrial Arts students from Bruno Central School will assist in construction of the fence and the installation of 30 panels on the fence. The attached panels will provide a "canvas" for local arts students to display their talents and beautify the community. The theme of the murals will be scenes of prairie agriculture thus helping to foster recognition, understanding and appreciation of our agricultural roots. The structure will define a space set aside in their community to focus on agriculture, as well as enhancing a natural spot for community gatherings and a focal point for tourism.

#### 2 - Hanley Agricultural Fair

The Hanley Agricultural Society has been dormant for the last few years. A group in Hanley has revived the agricultural society and is in the process of organizing the first fair that Hanley has had in a number of years. The Venture Project fund is assisting in getting the fair up and running again. Hanley will be hosting a variety of events throughout the weekend to promote an awareness of the agricultural society in the community, as well as bringing the community together. There will be a petting zoo, AG-EXperience, and agricultural farm competition, slow pitch tournament, horse drawn wagon rides, two evenings of dinner and entertainment, face painting, a bike parade, agricultural photography competition, pancake breakfast, 4 H beef show, car show and a gymkhana. The fair is important because it is an integral part of keeping a small town community in touch with each other, as well as bringing an emphasis on what our community is all about - farming, agriculture and family. We believe that the more we can involve the children and students in agriculture the more interested they will be in continuing in the field in one form or another.

#### 3 - Battlefords Agricultural Society Childrens Festival

The Battlefords Childrens Festival has run successfully for a number of years, but it was felt that in order to keep the cost to those attending reasonable, attendance has to increase. With that in mind the Children's Festival is extending their advertising area. Many schools use the festival as their year end field trip because the festival is reasonably priced and the festival is a fun filled day for those attending. As well as the entertainment component, education also plays a key role. In addition to the traditional educational and multicultural componets of the festival the AG-EXperience will also be featured. The festival continues to have widespread community support, and with the additional marketing into new areas it is hoped that attendance will increase.

# 4 - Rosthern Agricultural Society- Joint Venture on Horse Sales.

Ever since the Saskatoon Auction Mart closed its doors there has been a void in people being able to purchase good riding horses in the area. To fill this void, the Rosthern Agricultural Society in partnership with Bodnarus Auctioneering will run 3 sales throughout the year selling horse, tack and related items. Those attending the sales will have the opportunity to ride the horses in the riding arena before the auction. These auctions will bring people into the community and help to promote local restaurants and businesses.

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As well as showing off the fair grounds it is hoped that these sales will help the fair by bringing in more competitors, as well as giving the Rosthern Agricultural Society a new way to generate revenue and become more involved in the community.

## 5 - Saskatoon Prairieland Park - AG-EXperience Phase 3

SAASE has been partnering with Saskatoon Prairieland Park on the development of the AG-EXperience since its' inception. This award winning program was heavily scheduled in 2009, and it continues to be in 2010. As Prairieland has expanded the program, they have made available the signage and games for SAASE to continue to expand the provincial display. Phase 3 of the project will focus on two of Saskatchewan's lesser known livestock sectors - the Bison and Elk farming industries. The interactive station will be very similar to the stations from Phase 1 and 2, and will feature games on touch screen computers, information, graphics and pictures pertaining to the bison, elk and other non-traditional livestock.

#### 6 - Yorkton Exhibition - Quad Racing/Mud Bog Family Entertainment and Education Day

Under the Community Development/ Rural Living component of the Venture Project Program, it will be a family oriented day of entertainment as well as education on the safe operation of quads. With quads being used daily on farms, the safe operation will be highlighted by local dealerships running courses and giving demonstrations on not only how to safely operate a quad, but also the proper size and safety features.

The day will also be a day of entertainment that will showcase local talent. The objective is to bring families out for a day of fun, showcase local talent, educate visitors and participants on the safe operation of quads, as well as bring people into Yorkton for the weekend.

7 - SAASE/Tourism Saskatchewan Event Survey Program

See article on page 8.

## 8 - Rosthern Agricultural Society- Mutton Busting

In attempt to get more youth involved with the fair the Rosthern Agricultural Society will be adding Mutton Busting as part of the fair. We are constantly looking at new ways to get kids involved and to keep younger families at the fair instead of at the lake. If we can get the kids excited about the fair then we can get the parents excited about the fair. The money will be used to promote and get the program up and running.

#### 9- Battlefords Agricultural Society - Canadian Professional Chuckwagon Races - Stand Alone Event.

This event was featured at the Battlefords fair last year and met with great success. The event is very important to the community, as it

#### brings in spectators from all over the region. It was felt the the races should be moved out of the fair and made an event all on their own on a seperate weekend. The money requested will assist in the additional promotion used for the event. The major partner is the Battlefords Tribal Council. Professional Chuckwagon

major partner is the Battlefords Tribal Council. Professional Chuckwagon Racing is true family entertainment with demographics ranging from 3 to 93. Some of the drivers are from our community and have a huge following. Our aboriginal population takes great pride in the races and are eager to attend this event. Wagon families, fans and sponsors stay in the community for an extended period of time and invest in local businesses. A number of these businesses include gas stations, grocery stores, restaurants, laundry facilities, hardware stores and other agricultural related businesses.

As you can see there is a great variety in the projects that were approved. some of them are big and some of them are small, but all are very important to the agricultural society applying for the funds. As part of the approval each of the Venture Projects will be required to do a presentation at next years SAASE convention in Weyburn. The Friday night of the convention will be devoted to showcasing all the projects that have taken place throughout the year. If you have an idea for a project give the SAASE office a call. The office and board of directors are there to help out. The more events and projects that we can get going through this program the greater the chance of success that we will have in being able to continue to expand the program in the future.



### Farm Show



Tickets available at www.ticketmaster.ca 1-800-970-7328

> **Dwight Yoakam** Wed, June 16

**Trooper** Thurs, June 17

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# **SAASE to Partner on Event Survey Program**

SAASE will be partnering on a new event survey progam with the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport and Sask. Tourism. Originally the project was to involve the delivery of surveys to 10 - 15 events across Saskatchewan, and was to be delivered by Sask. Tourism. SAASE has agreed to partner on the program for an additional 10 surveys that will take place with SAASE members across Saskatchewan this summer.

Connie Ashworth from the Southwest Tourism region presented to SAASE delegates at the convention the outline of what the project will be about.

This is a tremendous opportunity for our members to learn about their event, as well as the economic impact of their event to not only their communities, but also to the provincial tourism industry. The information that will be gathered for the project will form the basis for a common Economic Impact Analysis. As a result the survey that will be used will be common to all locations, but each event will have the opportunity to add questions specific to their event.

In partnering on the survey project SAASE will have access to 25 handheld survey devices that will be loaded with the formal and custom-



Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport designed survey for delivery to the 10 events. SAASE will be responsible for securing and staffing the volunteers necessary to conduct the surveys at each event. With this in mind SAASE will have people trained in how to conduct the surveys. Each event will then be responsible to supply volunteers to assist the SAASE representatives in the delivery of the survey at their event.

Once the survey is completed the handheld survey devices will be returned and the information will be downloaded and then analyzed. In the fall of 2010 all the participants in the program will be invited to a workshop where the results will be delivered. It will be at these workshops where the economic impact information will be presented. The economic impact information and resulting statistical indicators will not be released until these sessions. The sessions will be conducted by a representative from Tourism Saskatchewan and Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport. The purpose of the sessions will be as follows:

- To deliver the economic impact to the representatives of the events.
- To provided guidance in reading, interpreting, understanding and utilizing the statistical data.
- to answer questions that may arise.



This project is a new and rare opportunity for SAASE members and the tourism industy itself to gain insight into the expenditures, habits and demographics of the guests of our events across the province. This will allow for the formation of intelligent business decisions providing opportunities for growth, change and recognition of the contribution of our provinces agricultural societies and volunteers. This project would not have been possible without the support, both administrative and financial, of the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport.

The SAASE board of directors are very excited about the possibilities that this new partnership will bring. If you are interested in being one of the ten events to be involved in the survey contact the SAASE office. If your event is chosen as one of the ten you will be responsible to supply volunteers to assist in the delivery of the surveys, with the guidance of the trained SAASE representatives. You must also complete and return the event information form that has been sent out with the newsletter to the society Secretaries amd Presidents. Take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about the people who attend your event.



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# Broadview Agricultural Society Celebrates 125th Anniversary W Agricultural Society Broadview Society to aid in the erection Show and Farmer's Market, Fall Fair,

The Broadview Agricultural Society received the 125 anniversary award at the SAASE Annual Convention in Moose Jaw. The following is an article that was written by the President of the Broadview Agricultural Society - Shirley Larter - and appeared in the local paper.

The annual convention of the Saskatchewan Association of Agricultural Societies and Exhibitions (SAASE) was held in Moose Jaw on March 12 & 13, 2010 with President Shirley Larter and Secretary Joyce Richter representing the Broadview Agricultural Society. At the Saturday Awards Luncheon, the Broadview Ag. Society was honoured with an Anniversary Award Certificate in recognition of 125 years of continuous service. The Honourable Dustin Duncan, MLA for Weyburn-Big Muddy and the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport made the presentation. The Unity Agricultural Society also received an Anniversary Award Certificate for 100 years. In total, there are 62 Agricultural Societies in the province of Saskatchewan who receive support from Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport through SAASE. Through SAASE programs, over \$200,000. was dispersed in 2009 in support of agricultural events.

According to the Broadview History Book, the Broadview Agricultural Society was organized in 1883 and was incorporated in 1885 with the first exhibition being held in 1883. In 1887-88 a committee was appointed to plan for the building of an Agricultural Hall and it was recommended to Lt. Gov. Dewdney a grant of \$300. be made to the Broadview Society to aid in the erection of an Agricultural Hall. The 1888 membership totalled 88 and by 1909 had reached 171 members (including many women). Three years later paid memberships were 193.

During the early years, there was considerable emphasis on the raising of good horses and cattle, and the showing of poultry. The Agricultural Society was an active factor in the betterment of the country as its direct contact with the farmers enabled it to distribute new ideas and information and to generally assist in the advancement of farming interest.

By 1965, the fall fair had shifted its emphasis to homemaking, garden produce and preserve competitions, 4-H Club work and displays including hobbies, handicrafts and school children's work.

The Broadview A gricultural Society continues to work for the betterment and advancement of the agricultural interests of the community. A l t h o u g h membership has

significantly decreased over the years, the Society hosts an annual Horticulture

Show and Farmer's Market, Fall Fair, Chili night, and sponsors an Agribition bus for students.

There is an annual St. Patrick's Day fundraiser soup and sandwich held in March which is always well attended and supported by the community. This fundraiser goes towards paying the prize monies at the Hort Show and Fall Fair.

The Broadview Agricultural Society is an excellent example of pioneer and present day co-operation successes as it continues to promote agricultural awareness.



Minister Dustin Duncan presents Shirley Larter with the 125th Anniversary Certificate



## Venture Projects

The first of three horse and tack sales - a Venture Project by the Rosthern Ag. Society - happened on May 25th on the Rosthern Ag. Society grounds. Below is the article that appeared in the June 2 edition of the Saskatchewan Valley News and was reprinted with the permission of Rod Andrews of the Saskatchewan Valley News

#### **First ever Sask Valley Horse and Tack auction in Rosthern**





Rain and cold shrank the number of horses and bidders that were expected to attend the first ever Frederick Bodnarus/ Rosthem Agricultural Society joint Sask Valley Horse and Tack Auction, which was held Tuesday, May 25 at the Rosthern Fair Grounds. Up to 90 horses and several hundred people have attended similar auctions held

Pictured (clockwise from top left):

Frederick Bodnarus making a bid go higher.

Potential bidders checking out some of the leather goods.

It was so cold during the sale, quilts and winter gear came out.

Jeff Stucky, president of the Rosthern Ag Society, helping out in the tack auction.

Riders Chantaia Poulin, left, Madison Laventure and Debbie Torgeson, all of Spiritwood, attending the tack and horse auction.

Wally Ives of Warman holding a miniature horse that was put up for auction.

Rosthern Ag Society supporter Ashley Lehmann was all smiles selling raffle tickets. Part of the proceeds from the tack and horse auction will go to the Rosthern Ag Society.









# SASE Unveils New Direction

The new SAASE Mission and Vision statments, which will become the framework for the future direction of SAASE, were unveiled at the SAASE Annual Convention in Moose Jaw on March 13th. The SAASE Board of Directors had been working with David White of Synergy Solutions over the previous months to identify what the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats to SAASE and the member agricultural societies are. The board and David then developed the SAASE Mission Palette, and it was presented at the SAASE convention to get

feedback from the SAASE membership. The Mission Palette includes the Mission Statement, Values of the organisation, as well as the Vision of SAASE.

Over the last number of years the fair industry and SAASE have experienced tremendous change. In order for SAASE to continue to move forward and to capture the changes that have been happening in the fair industry in Saskatchewan, it was felt by the board of directors that the members of the board needed to step back and take a look at those changes and make sure SAASE's direction was consistant with where the membership wanted to go. The new 5 year funding agreement with the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport has given SAASE and its' members the financial stability to be able to plan into the future. The basis for the long term planning of the organization requires that SAASE knows what the values and vision of our members and the organization are.

The new Mission Statement for SAASE is "To encourage, contribute and communicate programs and services



David White presenting at the SAASE Convention

which address member challenges, leading to healthy, sustainable community foundations." From this the new SAASE Vision was developed - "We see communities coming together in positive interaction, experiencing a deep appreciation for our rural heritage, while embracing new cultures and expanding borders."

Because Saskatchewan's agricultural societies have always been such integral parts of our communities, they generally reflect how the province as a whole is doing. Saskatchewan continues to grow, with there being great opportunities for new partnerships and programming. Our agricultural societies are reflecting that. SAASE as the umbrella organization for Saskatchewan's agricultural societies has identified many opportunities for growth and must continue to work on developing new partnerships with both government and private enterprise to benefit Saskatchewan's agricultural societies. Going forward this new Mission Palette will give SAASE the framework within which to operate, as well as move the organistion forward.

## SAASE Partners on the ADOPT Program

SAASE has been approved for 2 pilot projects under the Agriculture Demonstrations of Practices and Technology Program (ADOPT).The ADOPT Program is an initiative under the Canada-Saskatchewan Growing Forward bi-lateral agreement. The program provides funding to help producer groups evaluate and demonstrate new agricultural practices and technologies at the local level. Producers attend the demonstrations and assess the merit of adapting these new practices and technologies in their farming operation.

The two pilot projects that SAASE has been approved for are at the Lloydminster Exhibition and the Yorkton Exhibition. The Yorkton Exhibition project is to be happening later this year, with the project in Lloydminster originally scheduled to take place on May 28. The Lloydminster Exhibition has partnered with 4 manufacturers, as well as many local suppliers, and will be doing a canola seeding demonstration. Unfortunately due to continued wet weather the demonstration has been postponed on three different occasions. Stay tuned in the next newsletter for the results of the projects.



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## **Coming Events**



#### June 2010

June 2010			
1-2	Kerrobert 4 H Show and Sale	Kerrobert	
2-5	Moose Jaw Jonathon Field Clinic	Moose Jaw	
2	Meadow Lake 4 H Show and Sale	Meadow Lake	
4-6	St Walburg Annual Fair Days	St Walburg	
4-6	Biggar Town and Country Fair	Biggar	
5-7	Lloydminster 4-H Expo	Lloydminster	
6-7	Prince Albert 4-H Finished Beef Show	Prince Albert	
6	Biggar 4-H Achievement Days	Biggar	
6	Battlefords 4-H Regional Show and Sale	Battlefords	
7-8	Spiritwood 4-H Regional Show and Sale	Spiritwood	
11	Fairmede Summer Fair	Fairmede	
10-12	Meadow Lake Ag. Week	Meadow Lake	
11	Battlefords Children's Festival	Battlefords	
11-13	Yorkton CPCA Chuckwagon Races	Yorkton	
12	Alameda Summer Fair	Alameda	
12	Whitewood 4-H Regional Show and Sale	Whitewood	
12-13	Moose Jaw Sask Appaloosa Horse Show	Moose Jaw	
13-14	Benough Horse Show and Home Fair	Bengough	
16-18	Moose Jaw Schooling Show	Moose Jaw	
16-18	Western Canada Farm Progress Show	Regina	
21-23	Estevan Summer Fair	Estevan	
24	Moose Jaw Hometown Fair Parade	Moose Jaw	
25-27	Moose Jaw Hometown Fair	Moose Jaw	
30-3	Swift Current Frontier Days and Rodeo	Swift Current	
July 2010			
1	Grenfell Quilt Show	Grenfell	
1-2	Estevan 4-H Achievement Days	Estevan	
1-3	Estevan Rodeo	Estevan	

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1-2	Estevan 4-H Achievement Days	Estevan
1-3	Estevan Rodeo	Estevan
2-4	Prince Albert Centennial Light Horse Show	Prince Albert
3	Maple Creek Ranch Rodeo	Maple Creek
3	Mortlach Saskatoon Berry Festival	Mortlach
3	Estevan 4-H Show and Sale	Estevan
3	Stoughton Daze	Stoughton
4	Estevan Ranch Rodeo	Estevan
4	Weyburn Ranch Rodeo & 4-H Light Horse Show	Weyburn
5	Weyburn Heavy Horse Show	Weyburn
5-7	Weyburn Ag. Society Annual Exhibition	Weyburn
7-10	Yorkton Summer Fair	Yorkton
10	Carnduff Glen Ewen Trail Blazers	Carnduff
10	Ogema Ag. Society Annual Summer Fair	Ogema
11-12	Melfort 4-H Beef Regional Show and Sale	Melfort
14-17	Lloydminster Colonial Days	Lloydminster
17	Creelman Ag. Society Summer Fair	Creelman
19-21	Nipawin Exhibition	Nipawin
22	Maryfield Ag. Society Fair	Maryfield
22-23	Perdue Agricultural Fair	Perdue
23	Abernethy Exhibition	Abernethy
23-25	Melfort Agricultural Exhibition	Melfort
24-25	Bruno Cherry Festival	Bruno
24	Glenavon Summer Fair and Sports Day	Glenavaon
29	Flower and Garden Show & Farmers Market	Broadview
30-31	Connaught Ag. Society 95th Annual Fair	Connaught
31	Nokomis Annual Fair	Nokomis
30-1	Kelvington Ag. Society Fair and Race Meet	Kelvington
31-1	Turtleford Agricultural Fair	Turtleford

#### August 2010

1-2	Rosthern Town and Country Fair
3-7	Prince Albert Summer Fair

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4-8	Regina Buffalo Days Exhibition	Regina
5-8	Moose Jaw SQHS Horse Show	Moose Jaw
6-8	Radisson & District Agricultural Fair	Radisson
7-8	Invermay Fair and Horticulture Show	Invermay
7-8	Melville SBRA Barrel Racing Jackpot	Melville
7-8	Melville Barrel Racing Futurity and Derby	Melville
7-8	Shaunavon Horse Show	Shaunavon
7-8	Weyburn CCA Rodeo	Weyburn
7	Golburn 69h Annual Fair	Golburn
9	Alameda Flower Show	Alameda
10-15	Saskatoon Exhibition	Saskatoon
11	Shand Fair	Shand
12	Stoughton Fall Horticultural Show	Stoughton
13-15	Melville Provincial Light Horse Show	Melville
14-15	Vanscoy Summer Fair	Vanscoy
14-15	Maple Creek Light Horse Show	Maple Creek
14-15	Moose Jaw Versatile Horse Show	Moose Jaw
14	Moosomin Horticulture & Home Craft Fall Fair	Moosomin
15	Docs Town Tractor Show and Victorian Tean	Swift Current
16-21	Royal Red Arabian Horse Show	Regina
16	Battlefords Territorial Days Parade	Battlefords
17-20	Battlefords Northwest Territorial Days	Battlefords
19-22	Lloydminster Westridge GMC CPCA Finals	Lloydminster
20-21	Maple Creek Border Country Rodeo	Maple Creek
23	Maple Creek Rope and Stroke	Maple Creek
27-28	Prince Albert 8th Annual Polkafest	Prince Albert
27-28	Hanley Agriculturl Fair	Hanley
28-29	Melfort 4 H Light Horse Clinic	Melfort

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1-6	Moose Jaw SQHS Horse Show	Moose Jaw
3-6	Prince Albert Chuckwagon Finals	Prince Albert
10-12	Moose Jaw SRCA Horse Show	Moose Jaw
10-11	Maple Creek Ranch Country Horse Sale	Maple Creek
11-12	Melville Fair	Melville
11-12	Melville Parimutual Horse Racing	Melville
18-19	Melville Parimutual Horse Racing	Melville
18-19	Carnduff True Grit	Carnduff
18	Maple Creek Chriiba Horse Sale	Maple Creek
18	Melfort Fall Flea Market	Melfort
25-26	Moose Jaw Paint Horse Show	Moose Jaw
25	Grenfell Ag Society Fall Fair	Grenfell
25	Grenfell Trade and Craft Sale	Grenfell
25	Lloydminster Rare and Exotic Sale	Lloydminster
26	Swift Current Ranchman's Ridin and Recitin	Swift Current
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1-2	Unity & District Trade Show and Fall Fair	Unity
7	Broadview Fall Fair	Broadview
8-11	Lancer Chokecherry Festival - 40th Anniversary	Lancer
8-10	Moose Jaw Sask Appalloosa Horse Club	Moose Jaw
20-24	Moose Jaw SRHA Horse Show	Moose Jaw
23	Denzil Trade and Fall Fair	Denzil
23	Perdue Market Place	Perdue

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