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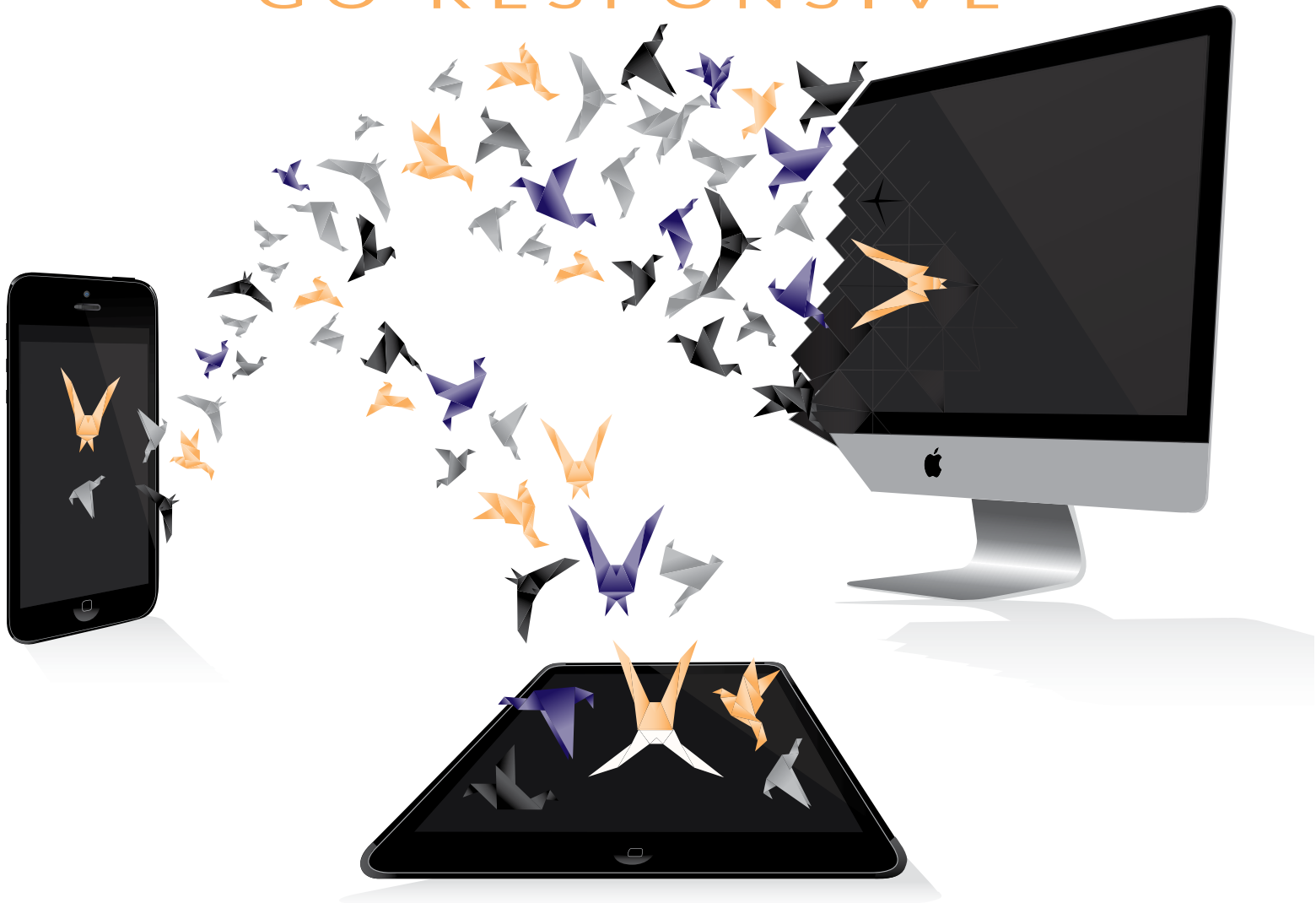
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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello again Maine members! It is almost Fall again and I hope you have been able to find enough feed for the winter as most of Western Canada has been very dry. Feed prices hit an all-time high this summer which is disappointing if you need feed. However, cattle prices continue to climb to plateaus never seen before and man, is it exciting! 660 lb. steers bringing \$2100 last week in Alberta proves that we are in a good place in the cattle industry.

We as a breed have had some challenges and as breeders we have collectively overcome them. We have such a good product; people are starting to see our breed for more than our steers. We have great cows, good calving, dispositions, tonnes of hair...and yes! incredible carcass quality. Our market share is about to explode as the Commercial man is looking for the next key to their success. I truly believe we will see huge growth in this breed if we continue to be responsible breeders.

In the office, Heidi is balancing many jobs and I must say Thank You. We have a lot of data to input with the EPD program but papers have been churning out on time. Remember to send in registrations applications early that are required for show cattle so they can be processed in a timely manner. I urge you to submit as much accurate data as you can.

There are some fabulous grants available for state of the art weigh scales and programs with RFID readers that make it very affordable for people to own and easy for accurate weights to be taken.

We look forward to an awesome fall show season which will showcase some of the best cattle this breed has ever seen. Take time to attend the fall shows in Lindsay, ON, the National Show at Farm Fair, Edmonton, AB and Agribition in Regina, SK.

I look forward to seeing many of you this fall on the show road and encourage anyone who has any questions, to please give me a call. I love to visit with everyone and hear what you have to say about the direction the board is taking this great breed.

Thanks again to the Sask. Maine-Anjou Association and Gary & Sandy Graham for hosting the 2015 CMAA Annual Meetings this summer.

Proud to serve you,  
Scott McCormack,  
CMAA President

## OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT

Dear members,

It is hard to believe that September is here already. For many members it has been a very challenging summer with no rain or too much rain. Let's hope that next winter will be mild and we will have enough feed to get our animals through the winter.

We can look back to a great Annual General Meeting held in Lloydminster the first week in August. A very special thank you to Gary and Sandy Graham for organizing the meeting and for the tour they offered on Sunday at their farm. Lunch was delicious. It was a great weekend of conducting Maine-Anjou business and socializing with fellow friends and breeders. I enjoyed meeting some members face to face for the first time and truly enjoyed the Maine-Anjou cattle at the Manitou farm.

The online registry is still in need of some fine tuning, but should be released fairly soon. Remember in order to register your animals online I will need your credit card number on file.

An amnesty program is being offered for animals over 24 months for a fee of \$45. The deadline to submit applications is end of February 2016. Take the opportunity and register some overaged animals at a reasonable cost.

Remember to send in birth weights, weaning weights and a management group code with your calves' registration applications so we can begin to generate accurate EPD's.

Be sure to take time this fall to attend and support one of the many Maine-Anjou shows. Good luck to all the exhibitors!

My days in the office are always busy and I often wonder where my day went. Registrations are coming in for 2015 calves, some transfers and there is always some daily business to take care of to make your office run smoothly.

I wish all of you a safe harvesting season!

Sincerely,  
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## CMAA ANNUAL MEETING - AUGUST 7-9, 2015

The 2015 Canadian Maine-Anjou Annual Meetings were hosted by the Sask. Maine-Anjou Association and Manitou Maine-Anjou on the weekend of August 7 - 9th in Lloydminster, SK.

The weekend began with some relaxing time reminiscing in the karaoke lounge on Friday night. The Annual Meeting began on Saturday morning with some great discussion regarding EPD's, online registry and much more. During the lunch break, attendees listened to a talk by Deb Wilson from BIXS (Beef InfoXchange System). Following the lunch break, Heidi Voegeli-Bleiker, our new office manager explained the new online registry program. There are still hiccups to be worked out but hope to have on-line very soon. Congratulations to our returning directors Brian Brown, Kelly Fraser and Sid Wilkinson. After a delicious banquet, many laughs were shared while listening to the comedic talents of Brian Stollery.

On Sunday, all were treated to a beautiful day and an awesome tour of the Manitou Maine-Anjou herd. Including the antics of "Ga-nome" - a sought after silent auction item. Following a wonderful lunch it was time to say Good-bye again...until next year. Many thanks to Gary & Sandy Graham for their hard work planning such a nice weekend.



### 2015 - 16 CMAA Board of Directors

**Back Row:** Sid Wilkinson, MB, Kody Roddick, ON, Myles Hansen, SK, Brian Brown, AB, Clayton Elliot, AB

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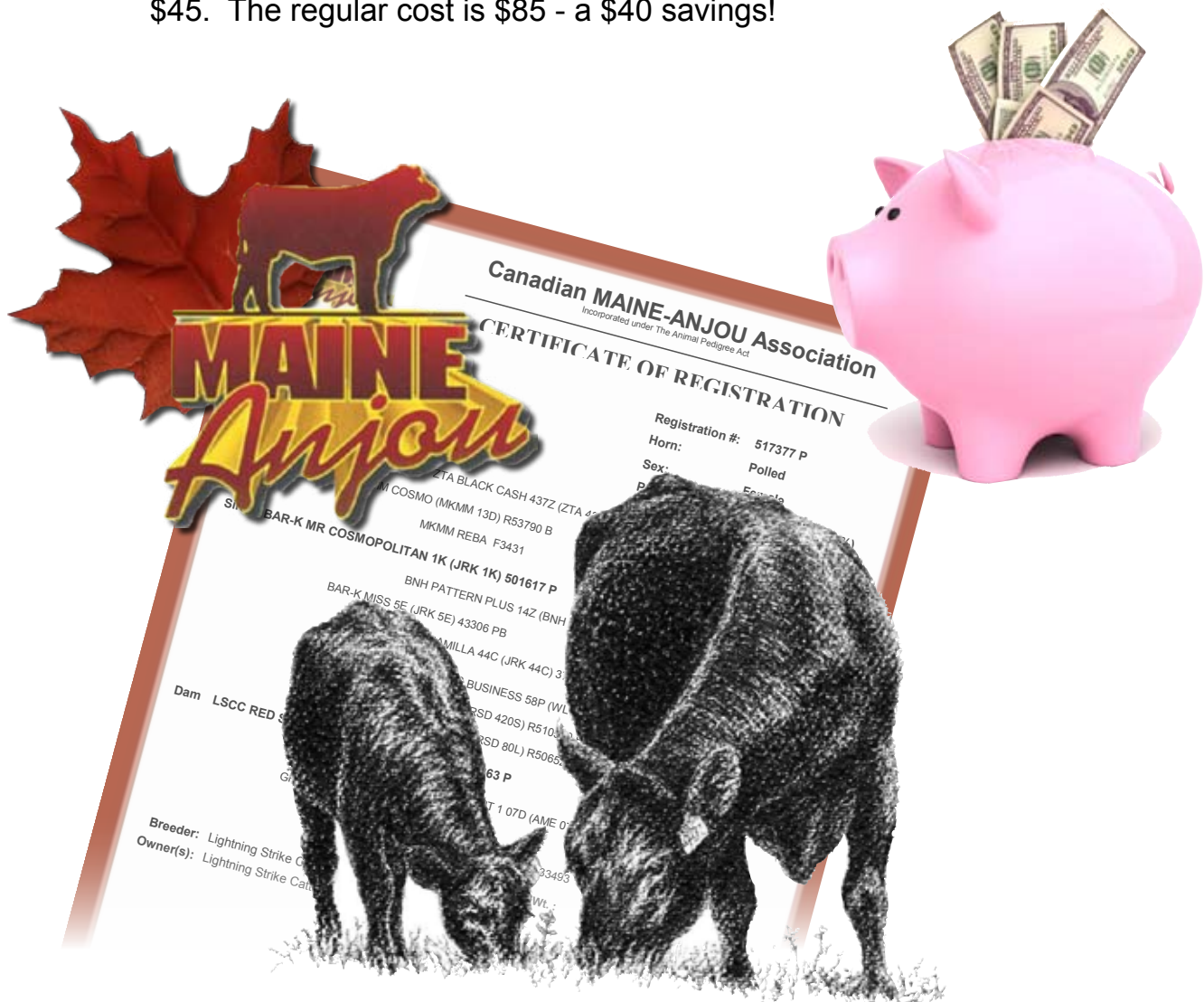




**Rhett Lorne Hansen** arrived safely on February 27th, 2015, weighing 7 lb 12.8 oz and measuring 21" long. He was welcomed by very proud parents, Myles and Colleen Hansen and big sister Paisley of Hansen Livestock, Weldon, SK.

## CMAA ANNOUNCES AMNESTY PROGRAM FOR CATTLE OVER 24 MOS.

At the Canadian Maine-Anjou Annual Meeting in August, the CMAA announced a new Amnesty Program for cattle over 24 months. Until February 28, 2016, the cost to register Purebred, Fullblood or Percentage cattle over the age of 24 months will be \$45. The regular cost is \$85 - a \$40 savings!







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Cattle prices continuing on this long, something had to give, right? The rain clouds out here quit working and by the time they were repaired there was not a lot left of the pastures or hay fields. But the rain has come and is helping Albertans to maintain pastures and increased hope of filling feed requirements.

Della Whelan continues to do a great job of running our provincial 4-H program. She has provided us with the following data regarding 4-H. As of today 33 clubs have reported. 105 4-H members (up 25%) with 143 Maine-Anjou projects (up 20%). 94 steers, 45 females, 2 carcass projects and 2 calendar year calves. This is a great upward trend! Only 1/3 of the clubs reported actual results but with 8 champion steers and 12 reserve champion steers to go along with 12 champion females and 19 reserve champion females the numbers speak very favourable to the success the members are having with their Maine projects.

Both the Alberta Maine-Anjou Show and Summer Synergy were great representations of what the Maine breed has to offer. The Alberta Jr. Maine-Anjou show had 20 juniors with 22 head. Summer Synergy continues to grow with 21 juniors and 31 head. It's great to see these young people, many of which are raised around other breeds of cattle, selecting Maine and Maine influence cattle as their show and 4-H projects. Thank you to Della Whelan and Lee-Ann Zimmer for all of the time and effort you put in to make these shows a success.

The Alberta Maine-Anjou Association's 2016 calendar is in the early phases of being built. The deadline for submitting your ad is August 31st. If you require assistance with your ad or business card ad please contact Keltey Whelan who would be happy to assist you for a

reasonable fee. It was brought to our attention last year that there were people interested in purchasing calendars to give out as promotional items. If this is something you are interested in, please contact Bryan Zimmer or Miriam Cameron. Calendars are \$15 each and must be ordered by August 31st. Last year's calendar is up on the Alberta website if you would like to take a look. Thanks to Brian Zimmer, Miriam Cameron and Keltey Whelan for creating such a professional high quality calendar.

It is an honor to host the 45th Anniversary of Maine-Anjou in Canada, held in conjunction with the National Maine-Anjou Show at Farmfair this November. We have a Committee put together and headed up by Doug Roxburgh. Thanks to Doug for taking this on. It is a great opportunity for us all to come together and enjoy a great week of events. It's a work in progress with details to come. If you are interested in being part of this great event, contact Doug Roxburgh.

Much of what goes on with the Alberta Association can be viewed on our Alberta website: [www.albertamaine-anjou.com](http://www.albertamaine-anjou.com). All Director contact info, classifieds, jr. stuff, calendar, etc. can be viewed. I encourage everyone to make use of this site as Keltey does a great job on it and it's a great tool for us all.

So that's it for now, feel free to give myself or any of our directors a call anytime regarding what the board is up to. If you like what the board is doing, that's great; consider saying thanks to the directors when you see them because they volunteer their time to ensure the breeds business is taken care of. It's a great group of people with diverse talent and ability which is why I feel we are moving in the right direction.

*Please join us!*

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**Thank you to Todd Brown of Hamiota, MB  
for purchasing a bull at the  
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# Badgerhill Maine-Anjou

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The Saskatchewan Maine-Anjou Association hosted the CMAA Annual General Meetings in Lloydminster, SK at the beginning of August. Thanks a bunch to Gary & Sandy Graham, Manitou Maine-Anjou for organizing the weekend.

The SMAA has begun planning for our major Fall Show at Agribition. The show is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 27. Please come out and support the only Maine show in the province. If you have any questions regarding the show, please contact show chairman Scott McCormack 306.697.2945.

Last call for 4-H Prize Winners! The SMAA will award a special prize to Champion or Reserve Steers, Heifers and Cow/calf provided the animal is 50% or Maine-Anjou and shows breed characteristics. Please send qualifiers information (name, phone, award and a photo) to the temporary SMAA office - sasksimmental@yourlink.ca. In the event of more than one qualifying award, only one prize will be awarded.

The Sask. Maine-Anjou Association is planning a meeting in the near future to rebuild the Board of Directors. If you are interested in helping to revive the SMAA, please contact Scott McCormack to be part of the future!



◀ 2014  
Grand Champion  
Maine-Anjou  
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## MAINE-ANJOU SHOW

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2015



◀ 2014  
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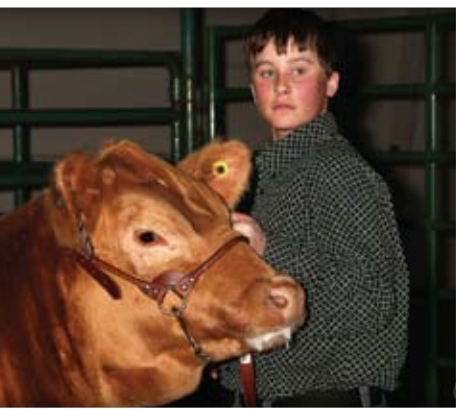
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The Manitoba Maine-Anjou Association held its annual meeting in January at Season's restaurant in Portage la Prairie.

It was decided to hand out flash drives to all 4-H members showing Maine influence animals in 2015. It was reported that 10 tokens were handed out and all members had successful show seasons. It's very encouraging to see the increase in Maine Anjou and Maine influence animals at many of the open shows across Manitoba this year.

Wilkinridge Stock Farms held a successful bull sale in April and a Female production sale has been confirmed for Dec 12th, 1pm at the Ridgeville Hall. Other Manitoba breeders also reported having successful on farm sales of bulls and females this spring.

Producers are looking forward to weaning their calves with record prices anticipated. The upcoming show season is also on the horizon. Best of luck to all who head out on the show road!

## DOUGLAS TEST STATION REPORT *DOUG KERR - MB MAINE-ANJOU BREED REP*

### 2014-2015 Season >>>

The 2014-15 season test weights at Douglas Bull Test Station, Douglas, MB were taken on March 5 on 145 bulls. Station averages 3.63 lbs./day Average Daily Gain (ADG) and a Weight Per Day of Age (WPDA) of 3.35 lbs. Three Maine-Anjou bulls consigned by Badgerhill Maine-Anjou finished the test with ADG of 3.49 lbs and WPDA of 3.31 lbs. Sale day was April 4 where one Maine-Anjou bull sold to Todd Brown of Hamiota, MB. Sale averages on 84 bulls was \$3908.00. High selling bull was a Black Angus bull consigned by Kurtis & Holly McKee of KLM Angus for \$9500.00. There were also 13 heifers sold for an average of \$2815.00.

On June 15, 2015 the Douglas Bull Test Station held their first Annual Summer Sale in conjunction with their Annual General Meeting. 18 bulls were consigned with 4 bulls being sold. This coming season we are hoping to test a group of younger bulls born April, May & June and these bulls would be marketed through the Summer Sale on May 31, 2016.

### 2015-2016 Season >>>

For the 2015-16 regular test season, bulls will be delivered Oct. 5 - 9. The will go on test Nov. 2.

#### Test schedule:

28 day weights	Nov. 30, 2015
56 day weights	Dec. 28, 2015
84 day weights	Jan. 25, 2016
End of test	Feb. 22, 2016
Sale Date	Apr. 2, 2016

We are hoping to get enough younger bulls born late April, May and June to run a separate test of 112 days. These bulls would be sold in the Summer Sale on May 31, 2016. The test for the younger bulls would be as follows:

#### Younger Bull Test days...

28 day weights	Jan. 25, 2016
56 day weights	Feb. 22, 2016
84 day weights	Mar. 21, 2016
End of test	Apr. 18, 2016
Sale Date	May 31, 2016

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During the month of June 2015, I had the great privilege of formally interviewing nearly twenty industry leaders from all parts of the supply chain to discuss a critical topic—the issue of exchanging information. (A full summary of information is available at a link below). Those of you who know me know that this issue has been on my radar for years. This is why I agreed to join a startup technology company (BIXSCO) when most women at my stage of life (notice I didn't say age, I said stage) would be finding ways to wind down.

I believe that industry-wide data sharing is critically important. Despite my passion, I realize that not everyone shares my enthusiasm. Talk to the hand Deb, some might say. Instead, let me talk to a couple of other important localities. The first is your back pocket. The second is your chest pocket. But don't take my word for it. Take it from the cross section of industry leaders I spent hours with on the phone.

The first thing they will tell you, as they told me, is that information is power. It's the key to understanding what you're producing so you can do it better, faster, with a higher quality—and get properly rewarded for the meat you're able to produce. One insider told me that there could be up to twenty-five percent more profit if producers have access to data information flow at the cow/calf stage.

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“The key to unlocking  
the value of data is in  
the industry's hands”

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It's also the key to accessing the world's high value markets like Asia and Europe—who are asking us to prove the history of care of our animals, which at the moment, we aren't able to do. Countries that can—like Ireland and Australia—are going to gain a much bigger share of these markets while fight amongst ourselves, thinking that the best way to make money is at someone else's expense (their words, not mine).

I was happy to hear them say that the industry has a lot of confidence in BIXSCO's management and is willing to give BIXS another shot after a disappointing first attempt. And while they're optimistic, they're also realistic about our chances for success. So they're sceptical about whether BIXS can overcome the competitiveness, mistrust, and complacency that plague the industry and have delayed the evolution of data sharing.

That's why our job at BIXSCO is to help the industry imagine the value of an integrated supply chain, and to help everyone (from producers through to packers) find their own ways to unlock the value of information by buying and selling it to others. We're here to help facilitate those relationships so that everyone can find value. When we do that, some believe that industry fragmentation will be a thing of the past. Others wonder if mandating data sharing is the only realistic solution. The answer is clearly in the industry's own hands.

Now that I've addressed your back pocket, let me talk to the chest pocket—specifically the left side pocket. Yes, I'm speaking to your heart now, and the pride that every one of us feels about being part of this industry. But again, don't take my word for it. Listen to the industry leaders I interviewed. They'll tell you that Canadian beef is recognized as the highest quality protein in the world, raised right by producers who care. They'll tell you that you're part of a great industry with a great story. They'll also tell you that none of that matters because we can't prove our promises. And that's the other important thing that BIXS can do—reflect the pride of care that goes into raising, feeding, and packaging our beef. By helping to track those practices through the chain, we can strengthen and protect the whole industry while helping individual players extract value from their data.

The last thing these industry leaders told us is that our job isn't going to be easy. So our goal is to start with some small wins. As a sign of positive momentum, several breed associations are now prepared to bridge their databases with BIXS to allow their data to flow through the chain. This is an important first step, providing us with millions of new records. Secondly, the packers have agreed to re-engage with BIXS by inputting their most recent carcass data into the system. These are exciting new developments for sure, but we still have other hurdles to overcome. We're working on technology and website improvements, and have developed a strong industry engagement plan that we'll roll out later this fall.

Over the next few months, we'll keep building momentum by getting support from different parts of the chain—starting with the most interested and engaged parts of the industry that already buy into the importance of data sharing. Maybe you're not interested in unlocking the value of the data that you already have. Perhaps you don't want to get compensated by other parts of the chain for the value of your work or the pride you take. After all, improving marketing, management, and profitability isn't for everyone. But if it's for you, get on board! In fact, what are you waiting for? If everyone waits until someone else takes the first move, we'll never progress. If you haven't already signed on to BIXS, please take a moment to sign up now—it's as easy as three simple steps ([www.bixs2.ca](http://www.bixs2.ca)). And please encourage others to do the same.

BIXSCO is helping to unlock the value of data. But you hold the key. If you don't believe me, read the summary report by contacting me at [dwilson@bixsco.com](mailto:dwilson@bixsco.com).

BIXS is a national voluntary web-based application designed to facilitate cross-segment exchange of specific data linked to an individual animal's unique electronic ID tag number; known as the CCIA (Canadian Cattle Identification Agency) tag or RFID (radio frequency identification) tag. The system enables participants to communicate, build business opportunities and hone marketing programs based on accurate and reliable individual animal and carcass data.



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In order to achieve the maximum benefit out of vaccines or antibiotics this fall they must be handled properly right up to the time they are administered. You as producers pay good money for these products and the pharmaceutical companies want to insure you get the maximum benefit. Vaccine failures are not desirable in any one's eyes.

This article will review some very common pitfalls regarding handling product and give some easily implemented procedures to avoid them.

The most common way products are damaged is with poor temperature control. In the heat of the moment (this could be considered a pun) with handling cattle you must put someone in charge of handling the products to be administered. Their job is to insure safe efficient administration of a quality product. We often are processing in inclement weather either freezing in winter or under very hot conditions with lots of sunlight in summer. It is far more harmful to freeze product than have it get a bit warm. Keep in mind as soon as the product is administered it is in an environment of 39C (body temp). If you freeze vaccines they are toast and should be discarded. I have most producers use an insulated container. You can put in warm water bottles in winter or ice packs in summer to keep the product at the right temp. If the weather is really bad the full syringe can even be placed in the container between uses. This also protects the product from UV light, which can also be detrimental to some products. Heat lamps or in car heaters are also used to keep product warm. Be ever cognizant of maintaining the ideal temperature - five to 15 degrees centigrade is what you want to aim for. Getting the product too close to these heat-producing devices can fry product and that is a no-no as well. This is likewise very true when picking product up from the veterinary clinic. I encourage producers to bring the insulated containers with them or we send them home with ice packs in the summer. Don't make the mistake of throwing vaccine up on the dash: the strong heaters in vehicles or the warmth of the sun has cooked a lot of vaccine over the years I am sure.

Only rehydrate the amount of vaccine you will use directly (within the next hour). This is especially true of the modified live vaccines, which are in common use these days. Once rehydrated their absolute maximum shelf life is a few hours. It is better to rehydrate and use them right away (within one to two hours). The modified vaccines are also very fragile so do not disinfect the needle with things like alcohol between uses. This will render the vaccine inactive and destroy its effectiveness.

Always label the syringe as to what product it contains. As an example formalin is present in the blackleg vaccine and if you accidentally pull up a full syringe of modified live vaccine in the same syringe the small amount of formalin left will destroy all the vaccine in the syringe. Label the syringe to avoid this mistake and place the vaccines apart from each other so these mistakes don't happen.

Double and triple check the volume to be given. It is not uncommon for automatic guns to get bumped and the setting accidentally changed. Overdosing wastes valuable product and under dosing will not give you the desired effect. Make sure if using automatic guns they are dispensing properly. The newer models are very accurate and don't allow air to get into the syringe. I always make a mental note that vaccine is running out when they should be. A 50-dose bottle of vaccine should run out after 50 head. If it doesn't run out or runs out too early take a minute to check things out. Often the setting may have been improperly set. Companies usually have just a little bit extra product as a buffer (one or two percent).

When administering multiple products make sure they are at least 10 cm (hand width) apart as contact may inactivate them. Either give the product on opposite sides of the neck or make a conscious effort to place them apart. Try and consistently give products in the same place therefore if you have any types of local reactions at least you know what product is giving the problem.

Last, but not least, follow label directions as to dosage and type of administration (subcutaneous or intramuscular). Try and use the neck area when administering either way. Have the cattle properly restrained to avoid broken needles or vaccine being discharged into the air. Use the one handed subcutaneous technique to avoid injury to the applicator. If you believe a product was not given properly repeat the vaccination. This will not harm the animal and it is far better than way underdosing. This occurs in situations where vaccine is injected intradermally (between the skin layers), discharged into the hair, the automatic gun is not discharged fully or the needle is pushed through the skin and out again so the vaccine is discharged into the air. Check the vaccines expiry date. These are all very common errors right at the time of vaccinating and need to be avoided. Avoiding or recognizing these common errors will help you convey maximum immunity benefit to your herd. The products have been engineered to work and it is up to all of us to be diligent with their handling and administration. If we administer them properly and handle them carefully our cattle should derive maximum protection. Lastly select the proper needle size and length (subcutaneous vaccines can be given with a 3/4 inch needle), change needles frequently and don't vaccinate through manure or dirt.

If you follow all the above recommendations you and your livestock will derive the maximum benefit from the vaccines you used good money to purchase. There are many causes as you can see for "supposed" vaccine failure.





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## ANOTHER YEAR OF SYNERGY SUCCESS DELLA WISE-WHELAN

The Summer Synergy program in Olds, AB, continues to grow every year. With increased sponsorship, scholarships valued at \$80,000 were awarded in conjunction with the Calgary Stampede International Youth Livestock program. Anticipating an increase in entries following

the inaugural show in 2014, the Maine-Anjou show organizers were thrilled when the Maine-Tainer and Maine-Anjou entries doubled with 20 juniors exhibiting 32 head. Two strong classes of Maine-Tainer yearlings produced the Grand Champion Female. Judge Blythe Graham, Crossville, Tennessee, selected the Walkie Talkie-sired March entry of Tony Schmidt, Falun, AB. The Reserve Champion Maine-Tainer Female, LDM Miss Fancy 25U, D: SW Blue 23P exhibited by Laurie Morasch, Bassano, AB, topped the mature cow-calf class. Her Man Among Boys-sired calf was chosen as the bull calf champion. Riley Pashulka, Derwent, AB, took Miss Ruslyvia Ain't She Pretty to the winner's circle. The BPF Chiller 26W daughter, along with her I-80 bull calf, was named Champion Two-Year-Old Cow-Calf. The Champion Heifer Calf was a daughter of DRSS Legendary Princess 52A; Carmen Biggelaar, Lacombe, AB, brought this Halls Crossing 454W granddaughter to town. Ash-Lynn Duffy's yearling, Black Velvet 978B, sired by OHL Scoreboard and out of the ZTA Black Maggie 978R dam, claimed the purebred division. Katie Smith, Bainbridge, Georgia, selected Miss Lucy 502B as Reserve Champion Female. Clay Duffy, Lacombe, AB, exhibited the heifer, sired by Daines Sir Dr. Suess 520T and out of Shannon's Miss Money Maid 02T.

The Maine-Anjou breed was well represented in the International Youth Livestock Supreme Championship show following the UFA Junior Steer Classic on the final Sunday of Stampede. A number of Maine-Tainer yearlings were entered in the Commercial AOB yearling classes. The Grand Champion was a Bodacious x Maine X daughter exhibited by Jaymie Thompson, Abbotsford, B.C.

Our Maine-Anjou competitors shone among the 155 junior exhibitors. Joining our pictured aggregate winners on the Stampede Grandstand stage receiving scholarships were Bailey Wauters, Tony Schmidt, and Delanie Knull. Plans are already underway for next year's event July 12-16, 2016. Hope to see you there!



Kyla Kelly, Innisfail, AB, Junior Maine-Anjou Aggregate Champion displayed her numerous skills throughout the week and was named Synergy Junior Aggregate Champion, earning a CSIYL scholarship and an RBC ambassador scholarship. Kyla captured the coveted multi-judging buckle, teamed with Alexis Couch for the junior grooming championship, and placed a strong third in marketing.



Justin Couch, Sundre, AB, the Intermediate Maine-Anjou Aggregate Champion, captured the Synergy Reserve Champion Intermediate Aggregate, a \$1000 CSIYL scholarship, a \$750 RBC ambassador scholarship, Reserve Champion Multi-judging and Team Grooming and fourth in marketing.



Jared Couch, Sundre, AB, the Senior Maine-Anjou Aggregate Champion was fifth in the Synergy senior aggregate, awarded a \$2000 CSIYL scholarship, first in team grooming, and showed superb team work with Blythe Clemence of Kipling, SK, to win the very competitive senior show team judging.



Cayley Peltzer and Alexis Couch were runners-up in the senior and junior aggregate competitions. Cayley, centre, was a \$1000 scholarship winner, Alexis, right, pocketed a \$500 scholarship for her third place aggregate score, assisted by a fifth-place show team judging finish. AshLynn Duffy, not pictured, was the intermediate runner-up.



Carmen Biggelaar won the Sundown Livestock Transplant \$500 gift certificate towards a donor flush.

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Grand Champion Maine-Anjou Female - Ashlynn Duffy



Reserve Grand Champion Maine-Anjou Female - Clay Duffy



Grand Champion Mainetainer Female - Tony Schmidt



Reserve Grand Champion Mainetainer Female - Laurie Morasch



Champion Mainetainer Bull Calf - Laurie Morasch



Res. Champion Mainetainer Bull Calf - Riley Pashulka



Champion Mainetainer Heifer Calf - Cameron Biggelaar



Res. Champion Mainetainer Heifer Calf - Justin Couch



Res. Champion Mainetainer Yearling Heifer - Kathryn Dolliver



Champion Mainetainer 2 yr. old - Riley Pashulka



Res. Champion Mainetainer 2 yr. old - Carmen Biggelaar



Res. Champion Mainetainer Mature Cow - Bailey Wauters



## Maine Influence Heifer Calf

- 1 - Miss Gracie 56C - Mandi Morris
- 2 - KKS Miss Honey Badger 509C - Faith Shuckburgh
- 3 - DJS Minnie Blue - Summer Greiner

## Maine Influence Yearling Heifer

- 1 - KKS Miss Fightin Irish 411B - Faith Shuckburgh
- 2 - DKS Miss Maggie 486B - Blake Stoneman
- 3 - KKS Miss Fightin Irish 451B - Lindsay Douglas
- 4 - KKS Miss Chubby Chick 412B - Ava Greiner

## Maine Influence 2 yr Cow/Calf

- 1 - KKS Irish Blue 323A - Kathryn Dolliver

## Maine Influence Mature Cow/Calf

- 1 - ZMA Miss Speckles 42Z - Kelsey Zimmer
- 2 - BAU Fantasy Girl - Kelsey Sim

## Grand Champion Maine Influence Female

KKS Miss Fightin Irish 411B - Faith Shuckburgh

## Reserve Grand Champion Maine Influence Femals

KKS Miss Irish Blue 323A - Kathryn Dolliver

## Maine Influence Bull Calf

- 1 - KKS One N Done 508C - Faith Shuckburgh
- 2 - DKS My Little Willy 515C - Corbyn Stoneman
- 3 - ZMAK Mr Coconut 751C - Paige Zimmer

## Grand Champion Maine Influence Bull

KKS One N Done 508C - Faith Shuckburgh

## Reserve Grand Champion Maine Influence Bull

DKS My Little Willy 515C - Corbyn Stoneman

## Purebred Yearling Heifer

- 1 - DJS Miss Fightin Irish 419B - Cole Shuckburgh
- 2 - Mel's Bently 41B - Michelle Duncan
- 3 - ZMAK Bubbles 504B - Alyssa Zimmer
- 4 - Rapid Creek Miss 401B - Tateum McPherson

## Purebred 2 Year Cow/Calf

- 1 - ZMA Miss Athena 257A - Kelsey Zimmer

## Grand Champion Purebred Female

DJS Miss Fightin Irish 419B - Cole Shuckburgh

## Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Female

ZMA Miss Athena 257A - Kelsey Zimmer

## Purebred Bull Calf

- 1 - Mel's Hawkeye 18C - Michelle Duncan
- 2 - CLG 80 Proof - Ava Greiner
- 3 - ZMA Mr Coco 803C - Erika Zimmer

## Grand Champion Purebred Bull

Mel's Hawkeye 18C - Michelle Duncan

## Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Bull

CLG 80 Proof - Ava Greiner



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**Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Bull**  
CLG 80 Proof - Ava Greiner

## JUNIOR MAINE-ANJOU SKILLS RESULTS...

### Junior Showmanship

- 1 - Ava Greiner
- 2 - Paige Zimmer
- 3 - Cheyanne Douglas

### Intermediate Showmanship

- 1 - Kelsey Zimmer
- 2 - Faith Shuckburgh
- 3 - Corby Stoneman

### Senior Showmanship

- 1 - Kathryn Dolliver
- 2 - Tateum McPherson

### Junior Sales Talk

- 1 - Erika Zimmer
- 2 - Cheyann Douglas

### Intermediate Sales Talk

- 1 - Blake Stoneman
- 2 - Corby Stoneman

### Senior Sales Talk

- 1 - Ryan Coleman
- 2 - Chase Dolliver

### Junior Photography

- 1 - Ava Greiner
- 2 - Paige Zimmer
- 2 - Summer Greiner

### Intermediate Photography

- 1 - Faith Shuckburgh
- 2 - Blake Stoneman

### Senior Photography

- 1 - Kathryn Dolliver
- 2 - Chase Dolliver
- 2 - Ryan Coleman

### Junior Team Judging

#### 1st Place Team

- Eric Coleman  
Paige Zimmer  
Ava Greiner  
Kelsey Zimmer

#### 2nd Place Team

- Ryan Coleman  
Faith Shuckburgh  
Cheyanne Douglas  
Alyssa Zimmer

### Junior Herdsman Quiz

- 1 - Erika Zimmer, Cheyanne Douglas, Alyssa Zimmer

### Intermediate Herdsman Quiz

- 1 - Kelsey Zimmer  
2 - Eric Coleman

### Senior Herdsman Quiz

- 1 - Kathryn Dolliver  
2 - Ryan Coleman

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**Grand Champion Maine Influence Female**  
 KKS Miss Irish Blue 323A - Shuckburgh Cattle



**Reserve Grand Champion Maine Influence Female**  
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**Grand Champion Purebred Female**  
 ZMA Miss Athena 257A - Bry-Ann Farms



**Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Female**  
 DJS Miss Fightin Irish 419B - Shuckburgh Cattle



**Grand Champion Maine Influence Bull**  
 KKS One N Done 508C - Shuckburgh Cattle



**Reserve Grand Champion Maine Influence Bull**  
 DKS My Little Willy 515C - Stoneman Cattle



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### Reserve Grand Champion Maine Influence Femals

- ZMA Miss Speckles 42Z - Bry-Ann Farms

### Maine Influence Bull Calf

- 1 - KKS One N Done 508C - Shuckburgh Cattle
- 2 - DKS My Little Willy 515C - Stoneman Cattle
- 3 - ZMAK Mr Coconut 751C - Bry-Ann Farms

### Grand Champion Maine Influence Bull

- KKS One N Done 508C - Shuckburgh Cattle

### Reserve Grand Champion Maine Influence Bull

- DKS My Little Willy 515C - Stoneman Cattle

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- 2 - Mel's Bently 41B - Mel's Maines
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- 4 - Rapid Creek Miss 401B - Partridge Hill Cattle

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### Grand Champion Purebred Female

- ZMA Miss Athena 257A - Bry-Ann Farms

### Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Female

- DJS Miss Fightin Irish 419B - Shuckburgh Cattle

### Purebred Bull Calf

- 1 - Mel's Hawkeye 18C - Mel's Maines
- 2 - CLG 80 Proof - Shuckburgh Cattle
- 3 - Mel's Winchester 7C - Mel's Maines
- 4 - ZMA Mr Coco 803C - Bry-Ann Farms

### Grand Champion Purebred Bull

- Mel's Hawkeye 18C - Mel's Maines

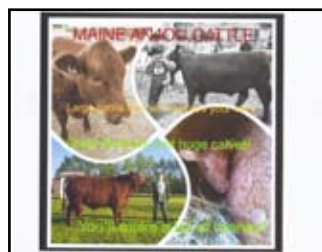
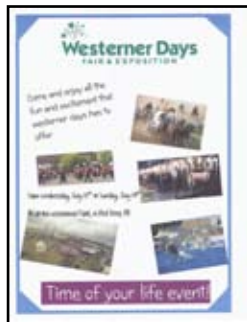
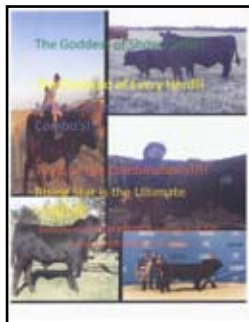
### Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Bull

- CLG 80 Proof - Shuckburgh Cattle



*We had 16 Juniors participate in the skills competition and 20 juniors exhibit animals. We had a lot of fun and are looking forward to next year. Keep an eye on [albertamaine-anjou.com](http://albertamaine-anjou.com) and [westernerdays.ca](http://westernerdays.ca) for next years show details.*





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**Nov. 11, 2015**

Northland's Farm Fair - National Maine-Anjou Show  
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**Nov. 27, 2015**

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**Mar. 29, 2016**

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