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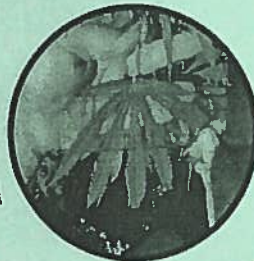
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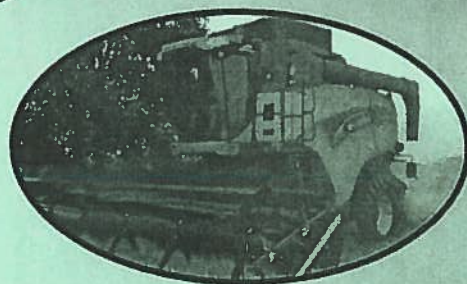


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RENFREW COUNTY BEEF

Renfrew County sent a resolution to BFO on the euthanizing of livestock. The resolution asks that BFO work with other agencies, organizations, and authorities to develop a protocol that will address the necessity of humanely euthanizing livestock. BFO is currently working on this resolution.

The marketing and Promotions Committee of BFO is working on a Carcass 101 video which will provide beef farmers a greater understanding of beef carcass quality.

As of December 1, 2018 it becomes law that farmers must get medicine for animals from a veterinarian. BFO continues to pressure OMAFRA on some unanswered questions about these changes.

Working dollars continue to be a problem for BFO. There have been many cuts to provincial committees within BFO. With that in mind BFO will again be looking for support of a resolution looking for an increase in Check-off dollars per animal sold; so that financially they have an increased budget to work with. The increase of \$1.50 per animal narrowly missed being passed last year.

Renfrew County Beef will be having a meeting with John Yakabuskie to discuss issues of concern for us in the near future. Some of the issues are the need to increase the Risk Management budget, Predator remuneration, and to address issues that have come from resolutions from other counties that Renfrew fully support.

Renfrew County Veterinary Services Committee Annual Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2018, 7:30 pm.

**Whitewater Municipal Building - Cobden
(Parking & entrance at the back of the building)**

Producers welcome to attend

Veterinarians on Contract

Veterinarians under contract with the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines to provide Veterinary Services to large animal producers in Renfrew County and Nipissing District:

Dr. Tony Ruyter, Cobden Animal Centre, Cobden – 613-646-2345

Dr. Linwood Fisher Veterinary Services, can be contacted through the Cobden Animal Centre at 613-646-2345

Dr. Laurie Jeffrey – Madawaska Veterinary Clinic, Renfrew – 613-432-9187

Dr. Donald Clarke - Renfrew Animal Hospital – 613-432-8884

For more information, contact the Chairman of the Renfrew County Veterinary Services Committee, Dave McGonegal 613-582-7031 or the Director to the Northern Producer Animal Health Network, Craig McLaughlin 613-646-7820 or the Secretary/Treasurer, Glen Smith at 613-628-2987. You may also want to visit the Northern Producer Animal Health Network web page – NorthernProducerAnimalHealthNetwork.com.

Entanglement Keep your hands to yourself. Or else.

The concept of something happening in a split second is rarely meant in literal terms. Not so on the farm.

At full speed, a power take-off (PTO) operates at 1,000 RPMs. That's 16.6 rotations a second. And each one of those rotations has enough torque to remove a limb in 1/16 of a second. A split second to change a life forever. And as we know, not just the life of the unfortunate individual to succumb to machine entrapment, but their families and even their communities as well. Yet each year we read about the incidents that occur or worse, are touched by them in our own worlds.

While entanglement injuries and fatalities can happen anytime, Canadian Agricultural Safety Association statistics show that they rise and peak in the Sep-Feb time frame. For many operations, this time frame includes the period when farmers are working their hardest and longest hours, and working long hours without rest is often a key causal factor. Just one short lapse in attention combined with a loose shirt sleeve can set a chain reaction in motion with devastating consequences.

"It's important to stop and evaluate the potential for hazards around any given machine. When looking for mechanical hazards, ask yourself does it move, can I reach the movement and can it hurt me."

— Michael Wilson, WSPS Technical Specialist

He also recommends doing a full check-out of the machine to see if anything's changed since the last time you used it. Is it possible that the equipment has somehow been modified or that someone has done a repair and not reattached an important piece of guarding? Guarding is always there for a reason and circumventing it can lead to tragic results.

As we are getting ready to interact with the machine we need to be sure we understand the correct use of the equipment, or if we've assigned a young worker to do the job, whether they've been adequately trained in its use. There's a whole generation of youth who are brilliant at figuring things out themselves on their computers by trial and error and are confident this approach applies in the 'real' world. They don't fully understand that errors around dangerous machinery don't offer second chances. Ask the right questions to determine their skill level.

They are also likely not familiar with the use of tag-out. This is hugely important when operating machinery, especially in situations where jams are a possibility and actions need to be taken.

Personal Protective Equipment is also crucially important, and for more than the usual reasons. Of course wearing goggles is important to protect our eyes when woodchips are flying, but the sting of a woodchip can cause us to lose balance leading to a machine entrapment with consequences far worse than a minor eye injury.

By taking the time to recognize the hazards associated with machines and taking in to account our own circumstances we can make better decisions and arrive home in the same shape as when we left.

For guidance on entanglement hazards, view the Stop Think Act Machinery Entanglement video <https://bit.ly/2GIhM4k>



Submitted by:
Renfrew County Farm Safety

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Workplace Safety
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RENFREW COUNTY FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE

SAVE THE DATE - Saturday October 27th for the Annual Harvest GALA.

We would like to take this time to express our huge thanks to our
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The tickets for our Gala this year are \$50 each and will become available in September from directors and online. The band for the evening is Sidewinder and the caterer is Waterfalls, the same caterer as last year for those of you who attended our event. The Gala is again being held at the Renfrew Armouries. There will be a Silent Auction Table and possibly a pie auction again. The money raised for our Gala will go to the Hospice in Renfrew this year. Hope to see you there!

The board is waiting for a date to meet with John Yakabuskie to discuss issues of concern. With the provincial parliament sitting longer this summer we have not been able to tie him down to a date.

One of the issues we want to bring up to him is noxious weed control on all roadways, provincial highways, county roads and municipal ones. We continue to struggle with the county and municipals to take action on this issue. The provincial highways in Ontario also have seen some noxious weeds along them.

OMAFRA's control over predation compensation is not being fair to farmers who have lost livestock.

Many times with sheep they drag the animal away with only fleece being left - changes in the Livestock Predation Compensation needs to be made. We also want to express the need to continue with the Risk Management Program so that farmers have the protections they need.

Renfrew County's Annual/Regional meeting is set for **Tuesday October 2, 2018 at the Rocky Mountain House for 9:00 am**. This is a breakfast meeting with breakfast being served from 9:15 am to 9:45 am. The Annual meeting begins then followed by the Regional meeting. Our guest speaker for the morning is Bob Friesen from the Canadian Federation of Agriculture. He will be speaking on the issues that have arisen from NAFTA and how they will affect agriculture and other trade issues. This breakfast meeting is free to our members but you do need to respond to our secretary, Donna Campbell by **Friday September 28, 2018**. Her phone number is 613-432-5568.

District Women's Institutes

North Renfrew District WI will be hosting the Eastern Area Convention
on Oct. 15 2018 at the Cobden Royal Canadian Legion.

Remember to prepare entries for the Bernice Noblett Competitions and to have your registration in by Oct. 1.

For further information contact Ruth at 613 636 2366 or Lynn at 613 432 6317.



CANADA
4-H Ontario

Renfrew County 4H Association

Fair time is here! Lots of members will be showing their projects in Cobden and Renfrew. Check out the barns and exhibit halls! Let's all hope for good weather for the show rings! The annual awards night will be coming in November in Cobden. Many members attend this to enjoy the evening with their families and to celebrate everyone's accomplishments. Did you know that 4H includes members from ages 6-21? Lots of activities for all age groups and you don't have to live on a farm to participate. Have you seen the 4H Rabbit Club out at events? Members train their rabbits to do an agility course. Amazing what members can do with their rabbits and anyone has room for a rabbit or two or three...! Interested in 4H? Contact Agatha at 613-649-2734 or renfrewcounty4h@gmail.com for more details.

RENFREW COUNTY NATIONAL FARMERS UNION

rcnfu330@gmail.com

The Renfrew County National Farmers Union, Local 330, will be at various community events over the next few months.

Volunteers will be at a booth at the Renfrew Fair, Friday, Saturday and Sunday – Sept. 7, 8 and 9.

Volunteers will be manning a booth at the Renfrew County Plowing Match, Saturday, Sept. 15, at the Stewart Farm on the Barr Line.

Volunteers will also be at Cobden Taste of the Valley on Saturday, Oct. 13.

At each of the booths, there will be 10 draws for some homemade goodies. Don't be shy, stop by and try your luck at plucking a black bean from among the many white beans.

If there are any members who would like to volunteer, please email the address included below or stop at the booth and offer to stay for a bit.

We will soon be discussing the national convention, which is in Saskatoon at the end of November. If you would like to attend, please attend a meeting, or email the address below, and let your intentions be known.

The NFU continues to work on agricultural issues that affect farmers, if you have one, please email the address below or contact a member.

For any information regarding the Renfrew County NFU, please email rcnfu330@gmail.com

The next meeting is Monday, Sept. 3, 7:30 p.m., at the Barr Line Community Centre.





RENFREW COUNTY PLOWING MATCH

A RURAL FAMILY FESTIVAL

Saturday, Sept. 15 8:30am-5pm

Hosts-Stewart Farms

1975 Barr Line, Douglas ON

(Hwy 60 from Renfrew/Douglas, or Cty Rd. 8 from Cobden/Eganville)

Tractor Square Dancing
Kubota Excavator Rodeo
Crop Tillage and Equipment Demos

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Dateline

September

- 3 NFU Mtg - Barrline
- 5-9 Renfrew Fair
- 15 Plowing Match - Douglas
- 19 Plowman's Mtg - Cobden
- 20 Cattlemen's Mtg - Cobden
- 24 Fed of Ag Mtg - Cobden
- 25 Vet Services Annual Mtg - Cobden
- 27-30 Metcalfe Fair

October

- 1 NFU Mtg - Barrline
- 2 Fed of Ag AGM - Renfrew
- 13 Cobden Taste of the Valley
- 15 WI Eastern Area Convention - Cobden
- 17 Plowman's Mtg - Cobden
- 18 Cattlemen's Mtg - Cobden
- 27 Harvest Gala - Renfrew

November

- 2-11 Royal Winter Fair - Toronto
- 5 NFU Mtg - Barrline
- 9 **Deadline for Submissions-RC Farm News**
- 15 Cattlemen's Mtg - Cobden
- 16 Holstein Banquet - Cobden
- 21 Plowman's Mtg - Cobden
- 26 Fed of Ag Mtg - Cobden

Attention to all Organizations

Please mark your calendars with the following dates to submit articles for the

Renfrew County Farm Newsletter
November 9, 2018

Please send to
rcfarmnews@gmail.com

REMINDER

Monthly Meetings:

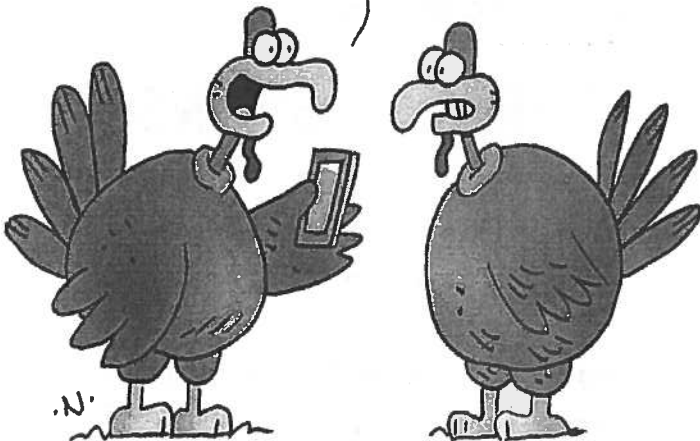
Arnprior Federation of Agriculture
2nd Monday of the month
8pm at the Galetta Community Hall
Contact Ernie Smith 613-623-3439

Renfrew County Plowmen - Cobden
3rd Wednesday of the month
Contact Myles England 613-582-3470

Renfrew County Cattlemen - Cobden
3rd Thursday of the month
Contact Donna Campbell 613-432-5568

Renfrew County Federation of Agriculture -
Cobden
4th Monday of the month
Contact Donna Campbell 613-432-5568

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