



The KAP Alert

May 29, 2009

Let There Be Golf!

Keystone Agricultural Producers invites its members and friends to join us for The 8th Annual KAP Classic Golf Tournament on Friday, June 19, 2009 at the Carman Golf Club (only 45 minutes from Winnipeg's Perimeter Highway OR 55 minutes from Portage la Prairie, OR 1 hour and 51 minutes from Wawanesa).



The cost to enter is \$75 which includes your green fees, golf cart, and dinner. Enjoy country cooking with Danny's Whole Hog BBQ following the event.

To register, please fill out the form provided [here](#). For more information contact Kathy Ulasz at finance@kap.mb.ca or 697-1140.

The deadline to register is Friday, June 5, 2009. Hope to see

Activities

Wednesday, May 27: President Ian Wishart and GM Yvonne Rideout met with Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Barry Todd.

Other Events

To June 7: Food Cycle 2009. In partnership with the Manitoba Pork Council, local bike enthusiast and avid Winnipeg Harvest supporter Ken Livingstone will cycle across Manitoba to raise food and funds for Winnipeg Harvest and rural food banks registered with the Manitoba Association of Food Banks. Livingstone will begin on the western edge of the Manitoba portion of the Trans Canada Trail and follow the trail's route - over 1,286 km - to the Manitoba/Ontario border. To find out which communities Food Cycle will visit on which dates, or how you can volunteer or donate food, contact Susan Riese at the

you there!

Attend a Bipole III Public Open House

From www.hydro.mb.ca

Plans are moving forward to develop a new high voltage direct current (HVDC) transmission line, known as [Bipole III](#), on the west side of the province.

This is an opportunity for producers to provide input and voice concerns regarding access to agricultural land.



Identification of a route for Bipole III will be based on a Site Selection and Environmental Assessment (SSEA) process. The SSEA began in fall 2008 and is scheduled to take four years to complete. Regulatory approvals will be required to proceed with constructing the project. The project in-service date is 2017.

Public Open Houses are being held to June 19, 2009.

Information obtained during these consultations, including local input and Traditional Knowledge, will be built into the planning process to assist in the identification of alternative routes. The goal for this round is to narrow down a set of alternative routes by the summer of 2009.

All [sessions](#) will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Manitoba Pork Council (204) 235-2307 or Dana Todd at Winnipeg Harvest (204) 982-3581.

June 2-3: Trace R&D 2009, a conference on agriculture and food traceability, Fairmont Hotel, Winnipeg, MB. [Website](#)

June 2-6: International Wheat Quality Conference, Radisson Hotel, Saskatoon, SK. [Website](#)

June 3-7: Manitoba Summer Fair, Brandon, MB. [Website](#)

June 17-19: Western Canada Farm Progress Show, Evraz Place, Regina, SK. [Website](#)

July 13-16: Canadian Special Crops Association annual convention, The Fairmont Winnipeg, Winnipeg, MB. [Website](#)

Request for Proposals

The Manitoba Livestock Manure Management Initiative invites individuals, partnerships, companies, and research organizations to submit [proposals](#) for innovative manure management research and demonstration projects under [this RFP](#). The deadline for submissions is June 30, 2009.

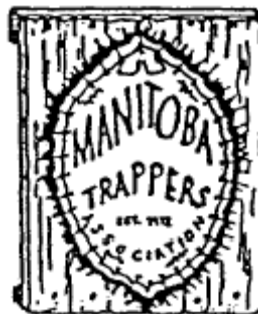
- Portage la Prairie - June 2, Army & Navy Hall
- Dauphin - June 4, Watson Art Centre, Main Auditorium
- Thompson - June 10, St. Lawrence Hall
- Roblin - June 16, Roblin Community Centre
- Winnipeg - June 18, Holiday Inn Winnipeg South

Read the Bipole III newsletter [here](#).

Problem predators?

Assistance is available if you are experiencing predation on stock

Manitoba Conservation has entered into an agreement with the Manitoba Trappers Association (MTA) for MTA to administer Problem Predator Removal Services (PPRS).



This agreement is similar to previous ones. Producers who are experiencing problems should notify the Manitoba Agricultural Services (MASC) [office](#) nearest to their location and report the problem. MASC will assign a claim number and an adjuster to investigate the claim. Producers may then contact the Manitoba Trappers Association at 345-9107 and request that a qualified trapper be assigned to deal with the issue.

For more information, contact Barry Verbiwski, Aboriginal Liaison Manager and the Head of the Furbearer and Problem Wildlife Management Unit at 945-7751.

Member Benefits Corner

Interested parties are encouraged to contact Brandy Street (Executive Director) by phone at 945-2122 or by email at brandy.street@gov.mb.ca.

Interested in Biomass?

KAP's Agri-Energy Sub-Committee is looking for a producer presently using coal for heat who may be interested in converting their system to biomass. Provincial money is available to offset some of the costs associated with conversion and acquiring fuel. Please contact James at policy@kap.mb.ca or at (204) 697-1140 for more information.

Manitoba Farm Mentorship Program

The Organic Food Council of Manitoba has just launched the Manitoba Farm Mentorship program (MFM)!

This is an exciting new program designed to connect people, land and local knowledge for a food-secure Manitoba.

There are still spaces available for this year for farmers looking to diversify or transition to an



PAT Inc. AgGPS Specials

KAP Members can receive 2% cash back with the purchase of new Trimble EZ products when purchased through PAT Inc. The program includes any of the following qualifying products (on purchases before June 30, 2009):

- AgGPS® EZ-Guide® 250 lightbar
- AgGPS EZ-Guide 500 lightbar®
- AgGPS EZ-Steer assisted steering system®
- AgGPS EZ-Boom® automated application control system

PAT Inc. is also pleased to offer the following sales programs for the KAP Member Benefits Program:

1. EZ-Steer 500 Assisted Steering System Trade-Up Program

- PAT Inc. will assist KAP members to trade-up with the Trimble® AgGPS® EZ-Steer® 500 assisted steering system Trade-Up. This program allows you to trade-in competing guidance products and receive a \$500 trade-up credit. On approval, PAT Inc./Trimble will issue the trade-up credit amount directly to you.

**Conditions (Offer is available up to June 30, 2009, retail cash sales only, leasing programs are not eligible, qualifying guidance products in Manitoba only. Contact PAT Inc. for a list of qualifying products).*

environmentally sustainable form of agriculture. MFM wants to connect you with a mentor to help you along the way. For more information please call 785-8828 or check out the [website](#).

KAP in Net News

Manitoba farmers' '08 profits below national average
[Winnipeg Free Press](#)

2. PAT Inc. /Trimble EZ Lease Program: 0% Interest - PAT Inc. /Trimble Agriculture are excited to offer a new EZ Lease program for the KAP Members Benefit Program. KAP members can repay the cost of their new equipment in three equal semi-annual payments and enjoy 0% interest.

This applies to the following Trimble® Agriculture equipment in Manitoba:

- o AgGPS EZ-Guide 250 and 500 lightbar guidance systems
- o AgGPS EZ-Boom® System and AgGPS 332 receivers
- o EZ-Products and AgGPS receiver accessories and cables

**Conditions (Program expires June 30, 2009. Applies to new equipment only. Minimum transaction amount is \$3,000. Available only through Trimble Financial Services. The PAT Inc. /Trimble EZ Lease program may not be used in conjunction with other PAT Inc. Agriculture subsidized leasing programs).*

Eligibility - This offer is for customers of qualifying EZ Products. Limit one claim per customer or household (the customer may claim the rebate for multiple qualifying products purchased within the program dates, up to a maximum of \$2,500 USD per household). *Valid in Manitoba on sales transacted through PAT Inc. ONLY.

KAP Members will also get 2% cash back from PAT Inc. on the total amount of the invoice minus taxes. [This form](#) must be filled in and sent to KAP Member Benefits before 60 Days of the invoice date.

For a complete list of conditions and eligibility [\[click here\]](#) or call Toll Free 866-531-2887.

For all other Member Benefits [[click here](#)], call 1-866-527-0123, or [email](#).

Congrats Class of 2009!

Congratulations to all University of Manitoba students who received agriculture graduate and undergraduate degrees this week at the 130th Annual Spring Convocation.



We wish you success in your chosen field and applaud you for choosing agriculture!

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