

Saskatchewan flax Grower



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Chair,
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Commission

Our Mission

"To lead, promote,
and enhance
the production,
value-added
processing and
utilization of
Saskatchewan flax."

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Chair's Report

By the time this newsletter reaches growers, at least some of the 2012 flax crop will be in the bin. Once again, spring gave us difficult seeding conditions due to excessive moisture and now this fall we are seeing some areas that are overly dry with reduced yields. The bright spot for 2012 is that prices are remaining steady. The dry conditions in the United States and Eastern Europe could further increase prices as could increased demand from China.

The Triffid problem is still present, but test results continue to show reduced positive results. These improving results are due to the diligence of producers and the grain industry to do the required testing. New varieties are being registered that are GM free. Reconstituted varieties from the Crop Development Centre will be available to producers after the 2013 harvest. Producers will be asked to switch to these new GM free varieties and renew their seed stocks. More information will be sent out in the next few months regarding that change.

In early September, SaskFlax had the opportunity to be part of a provincial trade mission to China as part of the Pulse/Flaxseed Group. This gave us an opportunity to renew previous Chinese contacts and to meet prospective new buyers. This mission provides a great opportunity to show China what we have to offer for quality products.

Two major research projects that we are supporting are the Northern Adapted Flax Variety Development project and herbicide tolerant flax. The Northern Adapted program with Viterra and flax breeder Michelle Beath has several varieties close to registration. These non-GM varieties will have better cold tolerance, determinate growth,

higher yields and increased oil content. The Flax Council of Canada and Cibus Global are working on a glyphosate-tolerant variety that is also non GM. Both projects will give producers increased options for production management. The Commission has also supported the TUFGEN project for the past several years.

SaskFlax will be looking for nominations for two director positions this fall. My term as director ends in January 2013 and I will not be eligible to run again. Directors are elected for a three-year term and may serve for three consecutive terms.

During my nine years as director, I have been able to be a part of many positive projects such as the Northern Adapted Flax program, Cibus, Flax Canada 2015, NAFGEN, TUFGEN, GRAS status, the provincial environmental group farm projects, several fiber projects and many stripper header research projects. There have been some difficult times as well with the Triffid issue being the most difficult to overcome. Three years of very wet seeding conditions have reduced acreages and yields which in turn have resulted in reduced levy revenues. In the spring of 2012, producers supported a levy increase which will allow us to carry out and expand our research projects.

Have a safe harvest and a successful marketing year. We hope to see you at our Flax Day on January 7, 2013 at Crop Production Week in Saskatoon.

Lyle Simonson
Chair



Linda Braun
Executive Director,
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Commission



Executive Director's Report

The Commission annually reviews its Board Orders and the Regulations under which it operates. This year, notable changes included a revised definition of registered producer which states that a registered producer is an individual who is registered with the Commission and has paid the levy in the past two years for which he/she has not received a refund. Provisions were made to accommodate electronic communication for notification of elections, annual and special meetings. Producers wishing to utilize this alternative are asked to email the office and provide the information required.

Board Orders provide information as to how specific powers will be applied (i.e. producer and buyer registration, exemptions, levy collection, etc.). These orders are presented to the Agri-Food Council and must be approved by the Agri-Food Council to be effective.

Board Order 16/11 Exemptions, 18/12 Producer Registration and 19/12 Levy Collection were revised to reflect planting seed levy status, definition of registered producer and the levy increase effective August 1, 2012 (\$0.06 per bushel or \$2.36 per tonne). The levy increase was brought before the membership March 19, 2012 and unanimously passed as all registered producers in attendance recognized the value of the Commission and the research and development activities undertaken.

As noted in the Chair's report, the Commission is participating in Premier Wall's multi-sector mission

to China September 4 to 16, 2012. I am presenting at the 2012 China Peas and Linseed Conference and meeting Chinese businesses and organizations interested in our product. As China is becoming an increasingly important trade partner for Saskatchewan agri-food products like flax, canola and pulses, this STEP mission is an excellent opportunity to recognize, understand and strengthen our business relationships. Information gleaned from the mission will be shared with the membership and our registered buyers.

The Commission continues to seek additional funds to execute activities geared to improve your bottom line (i.e. research, development market facilitation). We are currently awaiting word from CAAP about funding for a communications plan and a flax feed research project.

We are also procuring program partners for the January 7, 2013 Flax Day "Gearing Up For Change." The program agenda appears in this newsletter and on the SaskFlax website www.saskflax.com

With the Commission's fiscal year end July 31st (2011/12) and new year started, activities are currently centered around annual reports and industry events that will grow the industry.

Should you have comments, questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.



Annual General Meeting and Flax Day

SaskFlax is confident that Flax Day 2013 will give growers some tools to deal with the many changes affecting the industry. In addition to the annual business meeting to report on the organization's activities and finances over the past year, the conference will showcase flax markets, production tips, seed supply and innovative new research.

The 'Economics of Flax' will offer attendees the chance to hear how flax provides the highest net income for some producers among their crops seeded. As well, there are new market opportunities emerging, such as flax in premium animal feeds to produce omega-3 meats and cheeses.

National and international industry development efforts will be discussed and Larry Weber of Weber Commodities will return to deliver the always-popular market outlook for flax in 2013.

Growers will get to learn about major changes underway in Canada's flax seed supply. Speakers from the national and provincial flax industry, growers and research scientists will discuss the new 're-constituted' stock of breeder seed coming in 2014 that will be completely free of any seed from the GM variety CDC Triffid.

As well, Flax Day will highlight researchers who are working on new varieties and genomics that hold the keys to new opportunities previously undreamed of.

Make plans now to attend Flax Day 2013 in Saskatoon. This is your opportunity to connect with other growers and people in the industry to plan for a bright future for Saskatchewan flax.

"Gearing Up For Change"

Monday, January 7, 2013

Saskatoon Inn

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

(Note: Agenda subject to change)

Our first Program Partner for the 2013 Program is FMC Canada.

Thank you to



Flax Day registration is \$25.00, payable at the event (cash or cheque only)

Attention Flax Producers!

Please forward by email to saskflax@saskflax.com or phone 306.664.1901 or fax 306.664.4404 your name, email address and telephone number. This information will be added to the confidential membership list. Also indicate your preference of communication with the Commission. Thank you!

Act now!



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- 8:00 a.m. Registration
- 8:20 a.m. Opening Remarks, Announcements
- 8:30 a.m. **The Economics of Flax – Dispelling The Myth That Flax Can't Compare Favourably To Other Crops**
Panel: Shane Stokke, O&T Farms
Moderator: Venkata Vakulabharanam
- 10:00 a.m. Snacks/Networking
- 10:30 a.m. Business Meeting
- 11:30 a.m. **Partner Agency Reports**
 - AmeriFlax
 - Flax Council of Canada
 - Manitoba Flax Growers Association
- 12:00 Luncheon
Honourable Lyle Stewart, Saskatchewan's Minister of Agriculture
- 1:15 p.m. **Canada's Flax Supply is Changing-Reconstituted Flaxseed Program**
Panel: Helen Booker, University of Saskatchewan; Todd Hyra, SeCan; SaskFlax Director.
Moderator: Venkata Vakulabharanam
Farm Stewardship Testing, Flax Council of Canada
- 2:00 p.m. **Flax Market Outlook for 2013**
Larry Weber, Weber Commodities
- 2:45 p.m. Snacks/Networking
- 3:00 p.m. **Coming Down the Pipe**
 - Northern Adapted Flax Variety Development, Michelle Beath, Viterra
 - Non-Transgenic Herbicide Tolerant Flax, Paul Dribnenki, Flax Council of Canada
 - Total Utilization Flax GENomics (TUFGEN) project, Gordon Rowland, University of Saskatchewan
- 4:00 p.m. Closing Remarks
Erwin Hanley, SaskFlax



CHINA: An Important Trading Partner for Saskatchewan

In September, representatives from Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission took part in a trade development mission led by the Saskatchewan Trade and Export Partnership. Delegates met with high-level China government officials, state-owned importers, and business partners. They also attended the 2012 China Peas & Linseeds Conference held in Yantai, China. The mission and conference were opportunities to facilitate trade between the two countries. See www.saskflax.com or www.sasktrade.com for more details.

In 2011, China was Saskatchewan's second largest export market overall with sales of \$1.7 billion and second largest agri-food export market with sales of \$1.1 billion. Saskatchewan makes up 35 per cent of total Canadian agri-food exports to China in 2011 (\$3.1 billion).

China is the world's fourth-largest country in terms of land mass. 14.9 per cent of the land is arable for farming, with most of the farmland located in the east. The northeast grows wheat and soybeans while the southeast grows rice

with other crops like potatoes and vegetables. Rapeseed and vegetables are grown to produce edible oils. Northern areas of the country are especially prone to water shortages. China's rapid economic development has put additional stress on the agriculture environment. The government is working to maintain a balance between keeping its agricultural land intact and economic growth.

China has the world's largest population, with 1.3 billion in July 2011. Back in 1979, China imposed the "one child" policy as a way to contain its exploding population. China's population is migrating towards the cities at 2.3 per cent per year with 47 per cent of the population currently living in an urban environment. Over the course of the next decade, 300 million people will migrate to the urban centres. Since the economic reforms of the 1980s, China's GDP has been doubling every eight to ten years and over the last ten years, China's GDP growth rate has averaged 9.5 per cent per year. In 2010, China's per capita GDP was US\$4,393 which is

Value of Major Saskatchewan Exports to China 5-Year Trend (CAD\$ Millions)

Commodity	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Canola Seed	130.3	307.1	612.3	334.1	362.8
Canola Oil	7.7	46.1	3.5	309.4	281.4
Peas	73.5	70.0	105.9	165.9	236.4
Barley	55.1	23.1	75.9	62.4	26.7
Canola Meal	0.0	0.0	6.0	73.9	64.4
Flaxseed	18.4	15.7	68.6	47.2	35.7
Soybeans	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	32.8
Non-Durum Wheat	0.2	0.0	13.0	29.9	24.8

Volume of Major Saskatchewan Exports to China 5-Year Trend (Tonnes)

Commodity	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Canola Seed	313,855	579,842	1,363,241	741,490	627,769
Peas	247,742	158,105	331,948	566,807	589,906
Canola Meal	0	0	28,555	290,959	229,284
Canola Oil	11,258	47,781	3,876	329,945	244,359
Non-Durum Wheat	808	0	46,740	124,668	70,468
Barley	191,820	65,802	285,923	258,303	69,743
Soybeans	0	0	0	0	65,300
Flaxseed	48,176	25,428	141,627	107,816	54,405



Crop Walk 2012

a 114-per cent increase from 2006 levels (US\$2,069).

China's food preference varies greatly depending on the region, with people in northern China using wheat to make noodles, whereas in the south, rice is the major staple. China is the largest food producer in the world although it still has difficulties feeding itself from domestic production. Since 1995, China's agricultural imports have grown by 12 per cent annually. China is expected to become the world's largest importer of agri-food by 2015-2020.

China has multiple natural trade partners, including those countries that are in close geographic proximity and those countries or trade blocks that have signed Free Trade Agreements (FTA) with China. China has signed FTAs with the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN), Pakistan, Peru, Chile, New Zealand, Singapore and Costa Rica. China has a close trading relationship with the majority of the countries within the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) organization.

Saskatchewan's government is committed to increasing the trade relationship with China. In 2010, Saskatchewan's Premier, along with the Premiers of Alberta and British Columbia, conducted a mission to China to promote the opening of a new trade office for the three provinces under the New West Partnership. With a trade office in Shanghai, China, Saskatchewan companies will have greater access to Chinese importers. Saskatchewan Trade and Export Partnership (STEP) conducts four trade missions a year to China with at least one of the missions being agriculture-related.

2011 was another strong year for Saskatchewan agri-food exports to China. Despite blackleg trade restrictions on canola seed it was by far the largest export with sales of 627,769 tonnes worth \$362.8 million. As a result of the blackleg contamination, Chinese importers continued looking for canola oil and canola meal. Canadian exports of canola oil were worth \$281.4 million or 244,359 tonnes while canola meal had sales of 229,284 tonnes worth \$64.4 million. Pea exports continued to grow significantly in 2011 after falling off slightly in 2008. Barley exports fell off in 2011. Exports to China in 2011 included drops in non-durum wheat and flaxseed.

Source: "Trading Partner Country Profile: China," Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture, 2012.

Directors enjoyed the Crop Walk July 20 at the CDC's Kernan Farm. Dr. Booker and farm staff provided an overview of the extensive operational undertakings to clear the flax supply of any Triffid (this included taking apart and thoroughly cleaning equipment, cleaning storage areas, destroying fabric storage bags, etc.).

Following the lab tour, the group moved to the flax plots where Dr. Booker explained the various aspects of the flax breeding effort, including the cooperative trials underway.

Breeding programs such as Dr. Booker's are vital for the flax industry to remain globally competitive. SaskFlax continues to support the breeding programs offered in western Canada. Flax Day 2013 (January 7th) will feature updates on three: Northern Adapted Flax Varietal Development, TUFGEN and CIBUS programs.

Non-GM Herbicide Tolerant Flax Project

The Flax Council of Canada continues to lead this non GMO breeding effort using RTDS technology with Cibus Global.

To gain insight and understanding of the technology and its impact on flax growers, the Council asked SaskFlax to host a focus group session. On July 21st, directors and other farm leaders, weed scientists and flax breeders came together with Flax Council and Cibus Global representatives.

Facilitated by Dr. Paul Dribnenki, the group addressed the challenges and opportunities related to introducing a herbicide tolerant flax on Saskatchewan farms. A similar session was held with the Manitoba Flax Growers Association. Issues discussed ranged from weed resistance, chemicals used and rotations, to what the next steps the technology would take. As a result of the sessions, there will be a stewardship program developed as well as a resistance weed management plan including weed management, crop rotation, herbicide rotation, and herbicide tank mixes. The Flax Council of Canada will be bringing us more information in January 2013.

A Word About Levy

The flax levy initiated on seed by growers in 1996 of \$.03 per bushel (\$1.18 per tonne) has been increased to \$.06 per bushel (\$2.36 per tonne) effective August 1, 2012. Straw levy remains the same at \$.50 per tonne.

Registered producers attending the special meeting March 2012 voted unanimously to double the levy. Your levy contribution speaks volumes about your commitment to your industry. Your willingness to invest attracts other investment by government and industry. These dollars fund breeding and agronomic research; develop new/expand existing markets and keep you up to date to help generate profit over the long term. Your levy dollars also ensure that your concerns are heard by provincial and federal governments, allied organizations, industry representatives and the research community.

Your levy also promotes your product, providing extensive, scientific research about flax's role in human and animal health; industrial applications and complete plant utilization. It also encourages consumption through the dissemination of product and nutritional information and recipes.

Check out the website www.saskflax.com to review past activities and annual reports to see your levy dollars at work.





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Seeking Directors

“Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality.”

(Warren G. Bennis)

Each year, two of the six director positions of the SaskFlax Board become available. Director terms are three years and an individual may hold office for three terms (9 years). The retiring director then may be re-elected after a one year wait period. Our Chair, Lyle Simonson is completing his third term and will retire. Director Shane Stokke has completed his first term.

Producers who have sold flax within the past two years, paid the levy and have not requested it back are eligible to run for office.

The nomination form must be signed by three registered producers. You can call the office to confirm their registration status. Your completed form plus your biography must be received by Noon, Friday, October 19, 2012. Forward to:

Returning Officer

c/o Agriculture Council of Saskatchewan
104 – 411 Downey Road
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7N 4L8
Fax: 306.975.6850

In your biography, please briefly describe what you would like to accomplish during your term as a director on the Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission and on what activities you would like to see the Commission concentrate its energies. Please also outline your reasons for wanting to be a director.

Optional information about yourself might include details of your farming operation (crops grown, acres seeded, livestock) and other organizations you belong to; your education; spouse's name and number of children and ages; sports/hobbies etc.

Note: Only registered producers may nominate, vote or hold office. If your levy is collected under a company name, contact us at 306.664.1901 or saskflax@saskflax.com to designate your company representative.

An election will be called in the event of 3 or more nominations received. The election would be by mail ballot with a ballot return deadline of December 7, 2012.

Should you have questions about director roles and responsibilities, please contact the office or any director. See director contact information on last page of newsletter.

NOMINATION FORM FOR DIRECTOR

SASKATCHEWAN FLAX DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

In accordance with the Saskatchewan Flax Development Plan Regulations, I, the undersigned, hereby submit my name as a candidate for election to a seat on the Board of Directors of the Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission. I have sold flax within the past two years, paid the levy required and have not requested levy rebate for the same period pursuant to the Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission Regulations.

First Name		Last Name	
Address			
Town	Postal Code	Email	
Telephone		Facsimile	
Signature		Date	

I nominate the above flax producer as a candidate for election as a Director of the Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission.

Registered Producer 1 (signature)	Please Print Name	Telephone/Fax
Address		Postal Code
Registered Producer 2 (signature)	Please Print Name	Telephone/Fax
Address		Postal Code
Registered Producer 3 (signature)	Please Print Name	Telephone/Fax
Address		Postal Code

Please return this form along with your biography before Noon, October 19, 2012.

Returning Officer

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Flax Checkoff Deadlines

Period 1 January 31, 2013

Period 2 July 31, 2013

Applications must be received by midnight February 28, 2013 for Period 1 and August 31, 2013 for Period 2

Application forms are available by contacting SaskFlax by phone 306.664.1901, by fax 306.664.4404; by email saskflax@saskflax.com or mailing to Saskatchewan Flax Development Commission ASA – 116 – 103rd Street East, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7N 1Y7

Our Logo Tells A Story

The bright and lively crown of the sheaf of flax represents the coming together of many members into a solid organization.

The stalks of the flax plant positioned in a woven



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