

### **Canadian Western Agribition Announces Barn Boss of the Year**

Canadian Western Agribition (CWA) awarded the 2010 Barn Boss of the Year award to Les Kroeger of Hanley, Saskatchewan. Kroeger has served as the barn boss for the Canadian National Bison Show & Sale since 2003.

Presented annually, the award serves to recognize the important work of all barn bosses who assist staff and exhibitors to ensure the safe movement of livestock, the overall look and coordination of their barn and to promote cooperation. The award is given to an individual who has faced an extraordinary challenge at the past show and rose to the occasion or to an individual who has shown consistent and exemplary performance in their role as barn boss.

Barn bosses serve in a volunteer capacity along with an additional 400 who bring their time, energy and passion each year. This commitment proves invaluable to the overall success of the organization. Recently CWA held its annual volunteer appreciation night where long time service awards were presented. Included in the ceremony to recognize volunteers reaching milestones (five, ten, fifteen, twenty, twenty five, thirty, thirty five) were three individuals who have volunteered with the organization each year. This forty year milestone was recognized for Frank Linthicum, Ward Mortenson and the late Bill Small. Ward was in attendance and received a standing ovation from the crowd for his dedication and commitment to the show.

Canadian Western Agribition will hold its Annual General Meeting Thursday, April 7 in Salon 3, Queensbury Convention Centre, Evraz Place, Regina with registration beginning at 1 p.m.

Canadian Western Agribition is Canada's premier international livestock show and marketplace. The 41<sup>st</sup> edition will be held Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> to Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at Evraz Place Regina Saskatchewan.

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