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### Canadian Western Agribition elects new President and Board of Directors

REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN – Canadian Western Agribition (CWA) introduced a new leadership team at its Annual General Meeting on Thursday, April 6 with the election of its new President, Executive, and Board of Directors.

Bruce Holmquist of Saskatoon, SK is the newly elected CWA President. Bruce has been involved with CWA for 40 years in a number of different capacities. He joined the CWA Board of Directors in 2007 and became an Executive member in 2012. He has been involved in numerous committees as a volunteer or chair including Rodeo, RBC Beef Supreme, Beef Cattle, Animal Health, High School Rodeo, and Prospect Steer and Heifer. Bruce is currently the General Manager of the Canadian Simmental Association (CSA). He has been a Simmental breeder and a member of the CSA since 1977 and operates a farm with his family at Kinistino, SK.

Also elected to the Executive are:

- Vice-President: Chris Lees – Arcola, SK
- Executive Members at Large:
  - Kim Hextall – Grenfell, SK
  - Ross Macdonald – Lake Alma, SK
  - Bryce Thompson – Regina, SK

Part of the Executive Team includes Past President, Stewart Stone of Regina, SK.

Members of CWA elected the following representatives to the Board of Directors to serve a two year term:

- Jodi Banks – Regina, SK
- Curtis Kuchinka – Regina, SK
- Michael Latimer – Calgary, AB
- Courtney MacDougall – Regina, SK
- Blake MacMillan – Nokomis, SK
- Barry Young – Carievale, SK

Directors serving the second of their two year term are:

- Carla Borsa – Waldheim, SK
- Doug Fee – De Winton, AB
- Kim Hextall – Grenfell, SK
- Levi Jackson – Sedley, SK
- Marty Kratochvil – Milden, SK
- Chris Lees – Arcola, SK
- Ross Macdonald – Lake Alma, SK
- Bryce Thompson – Regina, SK

Appointed Directors include: Jerry Flegel (City of Regina), Deborah Niekamp (Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada), Kim Onrait (City of Regina), and Grant Zalinko (Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture).

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**Back Row (L to R):** Michael Latimer, Blake MacMillan, Jodi Banks, Barry Young, Marty Kratochvil, Doug Fee, Curtis Kuchinka

**Middle Row (L to R):** Grant Zalinko, Jerry Flegel, Stewart Stone (Past President), Courtney MacDougall, Carla Borsa, Levi Jackson

**Front Row (L to R):** Ross Macdonald (Member at Large), Kim Hextall (Member at Large), Bruce Holmquist (President), Chris Lees (Vice-President), Bryce Thompson (Member at Large)

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Canadian Western Agribition (CWA), located in Regina, Saskatchewan, is the best beef show on the continent and the largest livestock show in Canada. The show is anchored by beef cattle and features horses, bison, sheep, goats, an extensive agribusiness trade show and professional rodeo. CWA continues to promote the expansion, development and interest in agriculture. The 47th edition of CWA will be held November 20-25, 2017.