

Canadian Heritage Breeds Newsletter

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2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It's SHOWTIME!! (almost)

The wait is almost over for the Canadian National Poultry Show! This exciting event is coming to the Cow Palace in Olds, Alberta on the first weekend of November. Many poultry shows are held across Canada each year, but only one is designated as the National. This distinction is assigned by the American Poultry Association (APA), which is the overseeing body that sets the standards for poultry breeds in North America.

Being selected to host the Canadian National Show is a great honour for CHB, and the organizing committee felt that Olds would be the perfect location. Olds is a vibrant, friendly town with excellent agricultural facilities. Breeders and exhibitors from across the country will be bringing their best birds to compete.

Poultry judges Bart Pals of Iowa and Merle Watson of Nova Scotia will be put to work choosing the best of the best. A vast assortment of large fowl and bantam chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys and possibly even guinea fowl will be competing for ribbons, cash, and prizes. There are also egg classes and separate competitions for juniors, which include Showmanship.

There will be lots going on all day Saturday, whether you attend as an exhibitor or spectator. All kinds of attractions and displays will ensure plenty of entertainment for visitors of every age. A highlight will be the fantastic petting zoo supplied by our friends John and Elaine of Chicken John's Petting Zoo. There is lots of buzz already surrounding the Elite Breeders Auction, which includes a few specially sourced birds from highly esteemed breeders in North America. There will be activities and crafts to help keep the kids entertained, and Olds College Brewery students will be on hand to offer samples of their craft beers to keep the adults occupied! There will even be a Maker's Market to showcase local artisans and producers, so come prepared to do some early Christmas shopping.

This newsletter is filled with all the details about the show and how to register as an exhibitor. We hope we've convinced you to come to Olds and *experience it!*

Photo: Masen and Maddox Grover were out and about in Olds to do some promotion for the National Poultry Show. With some help from Ron, a few of their beautiful chickens and a team of Halflingers, they spent the day handing out information cards and giving rides at the Seasons retirement home in Olds



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About CHB

What We Do

Our mandate is "Conservation through Education". Shows: Every year CHB organizes at least two poultry shows and has more recently begun to host dairy goat shows. Poultry and livestock shows are an excellent public forum to showcase and promote the dazzling and diverse assortment of chickens, turkeys, geese and ducks, as well as several breeds of goats. These exhibits also provide opportunities for people interested in breeding to connect one-on-one with top breeders.

Information: We compile and distribute quarterly newsletters to inform and inspire members. We conduct interviews with successful breeders to facilitate the sharing of their valuable knowledge and the insights they have gained through experience. CHB offers social media resources and networking opportunities to anyone interested in learning more and connecting with others in the world of heritage livestock.



Photo by Jean Kinnear

Support: CHB strives to encourage and support heritage breed advocates through educational seminars and hands-

on workshops. Our members provide youth and family mentoring, and we partner with other organizations such as agricultural societies and 4-H to lend our support to their members and programs.

Promotion: We present displays of animals and printed materials at public venues to demonstrate the diversity of heritage breeds to both urban and rural people.



Why Is This Important?

- * Heritage livestock and poultry are the perfect alternative for non-commercial farmers and families interested in selfsustainable alternatives
- * These animals allow producers to capitalize on unique and niche markets
- * Protecting genetic resources and survival traits is a crucial strategy for ensuring future food supplies * Heritage breeds are a living link to our agricultural history and culture
- * Traditional livestock breeds are rapidly disappearing from the rural North American landscape, but keeping a current census of numbers is difficult. Some are on the verge of extinction, and are in desperate need of saving.

You can advertise in the CHB Newsletters!

Ad pricing:

Full Page \$40.00 (8.5 x 11) 1/4 page or business card \$20.00

Contact us to submit your ad, or for more info:

<u>canadianheritagebreeds@gmail.com</u>

Become a Member

- Quarterly Newsletters and access to the Members Only area of the website
- Discounts or free access to select CHB Events
- Advertising opportunities
- The satisfaction of contributing to a great organization with lots of opportunities to become involved!

Register online today! Canadian Heritage Breeds is a Registered Non-Profit Society.

2019 AGM Announcement

When: Friday, November 1, 2019 @ 5:30PM

Where: Olds Cow Palace, 51116 54 St, Olds, AB T4H 1P5

The 2019 Canadian Heritage Breeds AGM will once again be held in conjunction with the Annual Fall Show.

Each year the Board of Directors of CHB strives to focus on events and activities that align closely with CHB's mission and are of the highest value to our members.

Your ideas, support and involvement as a member of CHB are key so please join us at the AGM and help shape CHB's future!

Makers and Growers Market

CHB is inviting applications for vendors who would like to take part in the Makers and Growers Market on Saturday, Nov 2nd at the Olds Cow Palace.

A limited number of 10 x 10 stall spaces are available for \$25.00 to market your handmade or homegrown products.

The market will run from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm on Saturday only. Vendors will need to supply their own table and display materials. If you are a crafter or a grower and would like to inquire about becoming a vendor at the Poultry Show, please email us at: canadianheritagebreeds@gmail.com.



CANADIAN NATIONAL POULTRY SHOW

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National Poultry Show Elite Breeder Auction



Here is a sneak preview of what you can expect to find at the National Show's Elite Breeder Auction. The following 3 lots, plus more to be announced in the next weeks will be up for grabs!

Lot #1 Sebastopol Geese

This is an honour, a pair of these stunning Sebastopol in the ONLY recognized APA colour....white, will be looking forward to their new home. These birds will be coming from an APA Judge Stephen Blash from Massachusetts. Stephen often judges waterfowl and I first met him at the Ontario Poultry Breeders Fall Show and he had the duty of judging close to 100 white call duck in one class.....the man had a job of paying attention to detail. These geese have been confirmed and will be at the APA Canadian National Poultry Fall Show in Olds.







Lot #2 LF Black Cochins Pair

These birds are on their way from Berryton Kanas. Jim and Patti Zimmerman have 4238 total APA points. Grand Master Exhibitor and Hall of Fame Exhibitor as well as 2018 Cochins International Master Breeder. Not sure if things can get any better......unless you are the highest bidder at the APA Canadian National Poultry Show in Olds Alberta. Then you get to take them home.

(photo is not exact bird being auctioned)

Lot #3 Golden Sebrights

Sebrights are on their way from North Carolina. Here is an example of stock from Howard Myers. Howard is an ABA Master Exhibitor and APA #534 Master Exhibitor. In 1985 he won the ABA Nationals with Golden Sebrights. On Nov 2 at the Canadian Nationals in Olds, Alberta they will be ready to go to the highest bidder.





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With special thanks to Mountain View County for generously supporting this show and our Junior Program













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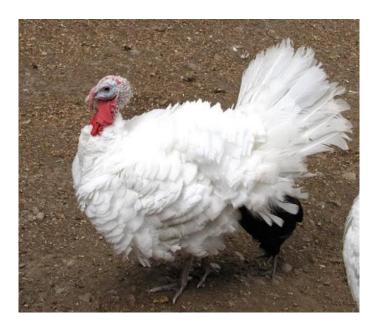
Pick Your Favorite Turkey From Roy's Farm:

https://www.roysfarm.com/turkey-breeds/Heritage Turkey Breeds

"Heritage breed" is a livestock term, applied to animals that have been bred over time to be best adapted to local conditions. Heritage breeds are often more resistant to disease and are able to survive very well in harsher environmental conditions than their commercial counterparts. There are few heritage turkey breeds available to choose from.

Beltsville Small White

Beltsville small white turkeys were developed in the 1930s. They are similar in size as the Midget Whites. But Beltsville small white turkeys have wider breasts than the Midget Whites. Beltsville small white turkeys make a nice table bird but are blander than Midgets or some other heritage birds. They are prolific layers and mature hens are good sitters and can hatch eggs well. Although, they are not very social compared to other heritage turkey breeds.



Blue Slate

Blue slate turkeys have slate gray colored plumage. They are lighter birds and are also sometimes called Lavender turkeys. In fact, slate turkey breed may be any number of

shades between white and pure black. They are among the beautiful heritage turkey breeds. An adult Blue Slate hen can weight about 14 pounds and an adult tom can weight about 23 pounds.



Bourbon Reds

Bourbon Red turkeys are very attractive birds thanks to their beautiful red plumage. They are also known and popular for providing a full flavored and delicious meat and are considered to be of the best tasting heritage turkey breeds. This breed came from their origin in Bourbon county, Kentucky. They were first bred there during the 1800's. A mature Bourbon hen weights about 12 pounds and a mature tom can reach about 23 pounds.



Midget White

Midget White turkeys are a relatively new heritage breed. Researchers at the University of Massachusetts developed this turkey breed in the 1960s. They are a cross of Broad-Breasted whites and Royal Palm. They are smaller in size and are known for their deep, delicious flavor.

Midget White turkeys are calm in nature and do well raising poults (because the Midget White hens are small and they can become good fence-jumpers). A mature Midget White hen weights about 8 to 12 pounds and a mature tom weights about 16 to 20 pounds.



Narragansett

Narragansett turkeys were the staple of the New England turkey scene before commercially-raised turkeys became the norm (they are originally from Rhode Island). On average, mature Narragansett hens weight about 18 pounds and toms weight about 30 pounds.



Standard Bronze

The Standard Bronze turkey is one of the largest heritage turkey breeds. They have also been the most popular turkey breeds in American history. Bronzes were originally a cross between the native wild turkeys (discovered by Europeans) in America and the turkeys brought to the colonies by Europeans. Among the Standard Bronze varieties, the Broad-Breasted Bronze is the most commercially raised variety and most have been bred by artificial insemination since the 1960s. This variety was replaced by the Broad-Breasted White at that time, because the white feathers of the Broad-Breasted White turkeys led to a cleaner looking carcass. As a result, they become most popular commercial turkey breed. On average, an adult hen weights about 16 pounds and a tom can reach about 25 pounds (although birds which are available nowadays may be smaller than this.)



Royal Palm

The Royal Palm turkey is a very beautiful, striking turkey breed with its white and black plumage. Actually, this breed was bred for its good looks. They were not bred for commercial purpose. Because they are smaller in size than most other heritage varieties, they are mostly raised for exhibition or to enhance the beauty of home or farmyard.

However, these birds are suitable for meat production for family consumption purposes. Royal Palm are an active turkey breed that forage extensively, they can control insects well and are also good flyers. Royal Palm hens weigh about 10 pounds and toms weight about 16 pounds.



White Holland

White Holland turkeys were bred in Holland. This turkey breed migrated to the USA with early settlers to the country, and they were popular as meat bird in the 1800s. White Holland turkeys are calm in nature and good setters and mothers, but they sometimes break their eggs because the hens are so heavy. A mature White Holland hen can weight up to 20 pounds and a mature tom can weight up to 30 pounds.



Vermilion Fair Poultry Show

CHB was pleased to participate in Vermilion's Fair again this year, and several of our members came away with ribbons and prizes. Tony Albrightton drove up from Idaho to judge the show.









K-Days Poultry Show Results

July 20, 2019 marked the 2nd Annual Canadian Heritage Breeds K-Days Poultry Show in Edmonton Alberta.

CHB was very pleased to welcome Mark Camilleri to judge his first show in Alberta, which included nearly even numbers of large fowl and bantam chicken breeds, a selection of ducks and a few geese. His frank, friendly manner and sense of humour was much appreciated by all the exhibitors as well as by the Juniors who participated in Showmanship.

CHB would like to thank Edmonton Northlands for their generous sponsorship and support of this event. The venue was spectacular, and we could not have hoped for a better public relations opportunity as there were so many people through the poultry area that some members cooped out 4 hours late just to accommodate the crowds and their many questions.

Exhibitors were also treated to a catered reception and awards evening in a private conference room, which was a nice chance to unwind and relax for the night. It is our hope that this show continues to grow and succeed considering the beneficial partnership with Northlands and the huge public exposure we gain from this event. Onward and upward for 2020!





<u>Large Fowl</u>	
American Champion	White Chantecler Pullet by Kathy Stevenson
Reserve	Buckeye Pullet by Crystal McKinnon
Champion English	Buff Orpington hen by Kathy Stevenson
Reserve	Black Orpington Cock by Kristine Skeels
Champion Asiatic	Black Cochin hen by Kathy Stevenson
Reserve	Blue Cochin hen by Kathy Stevenson
Champion Continental	Salmon Faverolle hen by Alice Johnson
Reserve	Barnevelder hen by Tommy Johnson
Champion Mediterranean	Blue Andalusian hen Kathy Stevenson
Champion AOSB	Sumatra Cockerel by Silver Ridge Aviaries
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Champion Large Fowl	White Chantecler Pullet by Kathy Stevenson
Reserve	Buff Orpington hen by Kathy Stevenson
<u>Bantam</u>	
Champion RCCL Harangozo	Black Wyandotte hen by Sophia
Reserve McKinnon	White Wyandotte Cock by Crystal
Champion OEG	Wheaton Hen by Silver Ridge Aviaries
Reserve	Wheaton Hen by Silver Ridge Aviaries
Champion SCCL Aviaries	Light Brown Dutch Hen by Silver Ridge
Reserve Ridge Aviaries	Cream Light Brown Dutch Pullet by Silver
Champion FL Ranches	Buff Brahma Cock by Mountain View

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Champion AOCCL	Sumatra Pullet by Silver Ridge Aviaries
Reserve	Buckeye hen by Crystal McKinnon
Champion Bantam Aviaries	Light Brown Dutch Hen by Silver Ridge
Reserve Harangozo	Black Wyandotte hen by Sophia
Champion Land fowl Aviaries	Light Brown Dutch Hen by Silver Ridge
Reserve Harangozo	Black Wyandotte Bantam hen by Sophia
<u>Waterfowl</u>	
Champion Heavy Duck Ranches	old Pekin Duck by Mountain View
Reserve Ranches	old Pekin Drake by Mountain View
Champion Medium Duck Ranches	old Cayuga Drake by Mountain View
Reserve Ranches	old Cayuga Duck by Mountain View
Champion Light Duck Harangozo	old Welsh Harlequin Duck by Sophia
Reserve Harangozo	old Welsh Harlequin Duck by Sophia
Champion Duck Ranches	old Pekin Duck by Mountain View

Harangozo

Champion Heavy Goose	Embden Gander by Crystal McKinnon
Champion Light Goose	Tufted Roman Goose by Callum McLeod
Reserve	Tufted Roman Gander, Callum McLeod
Champion Goose	Tufted Roman Goose by Callum McLeod
Reserve	Tufted Roman Gander, Callum McLeod
Champion Waterfowl Ranches	old Pekin Duck by Mountain View
Reserve	Tufted Roman Goose by Callum McLeod

Show Grand Champion Light Brown Dutch Hen by Silver Ridge Aviaries

Reserve: Black Bantam Wyandotte Hen by Sophia Harangozo

Speckled Sussex hen by Jillian Skeels
Salmon Faverolle by Tommy Harangozo
Black Bantam Wyandotte Hen by Sophia
Buff Brahma by Justin Skeels
old Welsh Harlequin Duck by Sophia
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Jillian Skeels
Justin Skeels
"Humpty fell off the Wall" by Jillian



