



ALBERTA POULTRY BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

SPRING 2023



Welcome to the very first APBA Newsletter!

As you are aware by now, CHB has turned a corner, and from now on this club will be known as **Alberta Poultry Breeders Association!** It's a brand-new adventure and we are so happy to have you here with us!

The thing I like most about this new name is that it expresses a feeling of belonging. "Alberta Poultry Breeders" is each of us, and all of us together. We are a community of people with a common interest - breeding and raising poultry.

Poultry breeding can mean quite a few different things to different people. Methods, selection criteria and the ways we measure success will vary according to what the desired outcome is. But as members of this Association, I hope we can learn from each other and form a network to support each other in achieving our individual breeding goals.

On that note, I hope you enjoy this inaugural newsletter, which is packed with photos from our wildly successful, Wild Rose Classic! The amount of foot traffic coming through the show hall, and the overwhelmingly positive comments from the spectators, really helped to validate this work we do. It also proved that there is a need to continue to get our favourite breeds out there where the public can see them and learn about them.

I hope each of YOU share this vision too, and you'll continue to lend your support as a paid member to help make these events possible!

~ Kathy Stevenson, Secretary, APBA ~

Help Wanted!

APBA is looking for someone to assemble and edit our quarterly newsletters. If you are interested in volunteering as Newsletter Editor, please contact us:

<mailto:canadianheritagebreeds@gmail.com>



There are few people we need to thank for their awesome service to CHB over the past few years!

Pauline Copithorne – In 2016 Pauline volunteered to take on the role of CHB Newsletter Editor. Her ability to arrange content and format it into an attractive package is nothing short of amazing! She’s now decided it’s time to step back from this task. While Pauline’s talents will be missed, her many years of dedicated service to this club will be remembered with much appreciation!

Mike Skeels – our Tremendous Treasurer! Mike has been a long time board member and more recently took on the role of treasurer (with some reluctance!). But he gave it his all for the past two years, and for that we are very grateful! He is a Spreadsheet Guru, and has managed the books with expertise and good grace. Thank you, Mike!

Mike Grover – Mike has completed a 3-year term as Director. He’s a great supporter at every show and event, and is always ready to lend a hand. We hope the end of your official duties does not mean we will stop seeing you at the shows, Mike!



Meet APBA's New Director, Tamara

Tamara Taylor has been passionately involved in the agriculture industry for the past 30 years in various capacities. She completed her BSA degree in Animal Science from the U of S in 2004. Tamara and family then operated a pasture to plate butcher shop and cafe in central Alberta for 5 years before selling it to focus on raising her family and the production end of the farm.

At this time Tamara and her family live on a large diverse ranch named "Ravenwood" near Caroline, AB raising beef cattle, warmblood horses, dairy goats, rabbits as well a variety of fowl including call ducks, guineas, quail and chickens. Her pride and joy are her large fowl Cochins, Partridge Chanteclers and her Sebastopol geese. Tamara looks forward to promoting the preservation of exhibition quality poultry in Alberta and meeting all of the other fanciers of these wonderful creatures.



About the Transition...

The shift to APBA is well underway, but there is still some work ahead.

One thing you can count on is your continued membership. If you have paid for a 2023 CHB membership, it has been automatically transferred to APBA. **Remember all 2022 memberships expired at the end of December, so unless you have renewed for 2023 this will be your last newsletter...we don't want to lose you!**



We have a new logo! Four unique designs were submitted to the board and the simplicity of the APBA triangle was chosen. Blue and gold represents the official colours of Alberta.

Over the next few weeks we will be working to update the CHB website, and we will set up a new email address. You'll be kept updated on these processes. For now, please keep using the old CHB email address and you can still pay your membership fees through the CHB website.

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Introducing Brittany Hutchings, Treasurer for APBA

Brittany's love for the farm life is deep in her roots. She grew up in southern Ontario raising chickens, peafowl, pheasants, and ducks. She got her first 5 chickens when she was 8 and that's where the big dreams began. As an 8 year old, Brittany would spend her summer days in the sunshine beside her flock diving into all of the chicken books that she could get her little hands on... a pastime that continues to this day.

In her early adult years, she moved to Medicine Hat Alberta to chase her dream of becoming a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA). She achieved her goal and has been helping small businesses through EBT Chartered Professional Accountants since 2014. In 2015, Brittany met her future husband. They've recently expanded their family to welcome two future poultry farmers (although they'll need some training first... one is only 10 months old and the other is 2 and a half years old).

In addition to her accounting career, Brittany owns and operates Green Valley Acres near Medicine Hat. She focuses on improving rare and unique breeds (Svart honas, Golden phoenix, Black copper marans, Silverudds, Opal leghens, Ameraucanas, Beltsville turkeys, assorted peafowl, and guinea fowl). Her passion for her flock shines through and she loves meeting fellow poultry enthusiasts! Volunteering as treasurer for the club seemed like a perfect match for Brittany's two passions (farming and accounting). Brittany is looking forward to using her accounting expertise to give back to the poultry community.

Free Seminar at the Wild Rose Classic

An Introduction to Standard Bred Poultry

Mr. Bart Pals shared some of his extensive knowledge with poultry enthusiasts during his seminar at the Wild Rose Classic show.

Bart explained about the importance of the Standard of Perfection in poultry breeding and took the group around the show hall to demonstrate some of these qualities with live examples. Youth and adults came away inspired and instilled with a new understanding of how birds are rated and judged.

Thank you Bart for providing such an excellent learning opportunity!



THANK YOU!

A Huge Thank You goes out to everyone who helped make the Wild Rose Classic Double Poultry Show such a success! To our judges, volunteers and exhibitors...we couldn't do this without you! Special mention goes out to the Eagle Hill Beef and Multi 4-H Club for their amazing help with show set up and tear down. They made quick work of a big job, and they are just an amazing group of helpers!

WILD ROSE CLASSIC DOUBLE SHOW – JANUARY 21, 2023

**APBA Wild Rose Classic APA
District 11 Meet Show Results,
Judge: Bart Pals, Mason City, Iowa**

Champion American: White Chantecler
Cockerel, Kathy Stevenson

Reserve American: New Hampshire Hen, C-R
Ducks

Champion Asiatic: Black Cochin Hen, Maddox
Grover

Reserve Asiatic: Black Cochin Hen, Adam
Scanlan

Champion English: Black Orpington Hen, Kris
Skeels

Reserve English: Buff Orpington Pullet, Kathy
Stevenson

Champion Mediterranean: SC White Leghorn
Pullet, Maddox Grover

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Pullet, Bryan Shelton

Champion Continental: Black Copper Marans
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Champion AOSB: Black Sumatra Hen, Silver
Ridge Aviaries

Reserve AOSB: Black Ameraucana, Jean Kinnear

Champion Large Fowl: Black Cochin Hen,
Maddox Grover

Reserve Large Fowl: Black Orpington Hen, Kris
Skeels

Champion Game Bantam: Black Old English
Game Bantam Hen, C-R Ducks

Reserve Game Bantam: Black Breasted Red Old
English Game Bantam Cock, C-R Ducks



Champion SCCL Bantam: Barred Plymouth Rock
Bantam Hen, CK1 Bantams

Reserve SCCL Bantam: Light Brown Dutch
Bantam Cock, Silver Ridge Aviaries

Champion RCCL Bantam:
RC White Leghorn Bantam Pullet, Bryan Shelton

Reserve RCCL Bantam: White Wyandotte
Bantam Cockerel, Maddox Grover



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Champion Bantam Chicken: Black Cochin Bantam Pullet, C-R Ducks

Reserve Bantam Chicken: RC White Leghorn Bantam Pullet, Bryan Shelton

Champion Heavy Duck: Rouen Old Drake, C-R Ducks

Reserve Heavy Duck: Pekin Old Duck, Mountain View Ranches

Champion Medium Duck: Cayuga Old Duck, Mountain View Ranches

Reserve Medium Duck: Buff Old Drake, Jean Kinnear

Champion Light Duck: Silver Welsh Harlequin Young Duck, Jean Kinnear

Reserve Light Duck: White Runner Young Duck: Shelan Sekora

Champion Bantam Duck: Pastel Call Old Duck, J&J Call Ducks

Reserve Bantam Duck: East Indie Young Duck, J&J Call Ducks

Champion Goose: Buff American Old Gander, John Posthuma

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Champion Waterfowl: Pastel Call Old Duck, J&J Call Ducks

Reserve Waterfowl: Rouen Old Drake, C-R Ducks

Champion Turkey: Royal Palm Young Hen, John Posthuma

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Best Junior Bird in Show:

Buff Brahma Bantam Hen, Justin Skeels

Reserve Junior Bird in Show: Black Ameraucana Hen, Reece Kinnear

Super Grand Champion of Show: Black Cochin Bantam Pullet, C-R Ducks

Reserve Grand Champion of Show: Black Cochin Hen, Maddox Grover

APBA Wild Rose Classic Alberta Provincial Show Results

**Judge: Stephen Blash, North
Oxford, Mass**

Champion American: New Hampshire Cockerel,
Lena Fulton

Reserve American: Partridge Wyandotte Hen,
Jean Kinnear

Champion Asiatic: Black Cochin Pullet, Maddox
Grover

Reserve Asiatic: Black Langshan Cock, Leila
Kinnear

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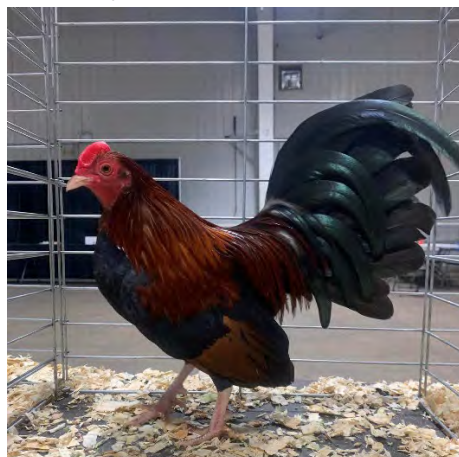
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CHB 2022 AGM MINUTES

Location: Online (MS Teams)

Date: Sunday, Nov. 13, 2022 7:00 PM MST

Attendance

BOD: Callum McLeod, President; Rico Sebastianelli, VP; Kathy Stevenson, Secretary; Mike Skeels, Treasurer

DIRECTORS: Becky Haffner, Kris Skeels, Mike Grover, Jean Kinnear

MEMBERS: Brittany Hutchings, Melora Allen, Ed Fandrick, Bryan Shelton, Tamara Taylor

1. Call to Order

Callum called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm with quorum present.

2. Approval of Agenda

Items added by Callum: 2024 APA Canadian National Bid discussion, President's Message and Treasurer's report. Mike S moved to approve the agenda with additions as noted. Rico seconded. Carried.

3. Approval of 2021 AGM Minutes

The minutes from the 2021 AGM had been distributed with the January Newsletter. Callum summarized the main topics. Rico S. moved to approve the minutes as distributed, Jean K. seconded. Carried.

4. Message from the President

Callum gave a summary of CHB's activities during 2022. While Covid was less of a factor this year, the Avian Flu disrupted poultry show plans. A successful dairy goat show was held in Edmonton in July and the exhibitors who attended expressed appreciation. Go Edmonton has indicated they will be happy to work with our group again in the future. The annual November show was rescheduled to January, and along with a new date came the decision to host a double show and include pigeons as well.

5. Treasurer's Report

Mike S. presented the financial report for 2021, which indicated a net loss of \$907.60. At this time, we have \$20,199 in cash assets, which includes grant funding of \$6,544 to be spent on the January Show. Proceeds from the goat show netted \$800.00.

Callum responded to a question from Bryan regarding the ability of our club to continue to host goat shows under the proposed new name and bylaw changes. Dairy goat exhibitors have expressed interest in forming their own association, and if that happens they would likely take over hosting the shows. In the mean time our club could choose to continue with goat shows as a fund-raising project.

Also on the topic of finances, Bryan questioned whether the change of name could impact our ability to qualify for grants in the future. Kathy explained that while some past grants have been awarded through Alberta Agriculture, this year there was no agricultural requirement. Our group must prove that our show provided a cultural benefit to the community by reducing isolation and by including a learning component. When applying for agricultural grants in the future, having "Poultry Breeders" in the name should help to validate our connection to agriculture.

6. New Business

a. Special Resolution/Bylaw amendments

Callum explained the rationale behind the proposal to rename the association. The board feels it is important to have a name that accurately reflects the scope and purpose of our mandate. While this change won't really affect our day to day operations, it will help us be more successful in meeting the expectations of our membership base without the added pressure to do more.

The revised bylaws are identical to the current CHB version with only the name changed throughout. The proposed amendments were distributed to all members in good standing on October 23rd, 2022.

MOTION:

Rico Sebastianelli moved to approve a special resolution to change the name of Canadian Heritage Breeds Association to Alberta Poultry Breeders Association, repeal the exiting bylaws, and replace them with the amended bylaws as circulated on October 23rd 2022. Any minor language edits needed to comply with Alberta Societies Act requirements will be considered pre-approved by the membership.

Kris Skeels seconded the motion.

No members were opposed.

The motion passed unanimously.

b. Elections

Director #4 Mike Grover has completed his 3-year term.

Nomination: Callum nominated Tamara Taylor. Tamara accepted the nomination. With no further nominations, Tamara was elected by acclamation.

Treasurer Mike Skeels announced his resignation after two years of serving as Treasurer.

Nomination: Callum nominated Brittany Hutchings. Brittany accepted the nomination.

With no further nominations, Brittany was elected by acclamation.

c. APA National Show 2024 bid

Every year the APA designates one show in Canada as the National meet. Members expressed agreement in submitting a bid to host the National in 2024. Callum will prepare a bid and have it submitted to the APA by January 1st.

Further conversation took place around the timing of the name change. Jean was concerned the January show presents a tight timeline to have all the changes in place.

Kathy agreed, and suggested we could introduce the new name and branding at the show, but the full transition will take more time.

Bryan announced that since the APA District show was cancelled this year, one of our double shows in January will be designated the 2022 APA District meet.

7. Adjournment

Callum wrapped up the meeting with a thank you to the outgoing board members and a welcome to the new ones. An orientation meeting and some board level planning will be arranged in the weeks ahead.

Rico moved to adjourn at 7:41 pm.

