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The KAP Alert

April 16, 2010

News of Proposed Amendments Encouraging for Farmers

Keystone Agricultural Producers is encouraged by the province's move to propose amendments to its Onsite Wastewater Management Systems Regulation related to sewage ejectors.


KAP would like to thank the province for its announcement which acknowledges that a severe financial burden has been placed on producers and other rural landowners under the new regulation.

"We're pleased the government has recognized that landowners who have sewage ejectors on their property need an opportunity to retain their existing systems at the time of property transfer," said Ian Wishart, KAP President.

KAP looks forward to more details on the proposed amendments. KAP will examine the application and interpretation of the rules to judge whether they can be applied in a fair and equitable manner.

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KAP Membership

You may now pay your membership by credit card on the KAP website using .

Looking for your EFP

Certificate?

If you are a producer who has misplaced your Environmental Farm Plan Statement of Completion and you need another copy, please contact Christine at KAP at 697-1140 or kap@kap.mb.ca.

Activities

“The province is moving in the right direction, but we need further clarification on the proposed amendments,” said Wishart. “For example, we need to know how the province will define ‘transfer,’ as property transfers between farm family members shouldn’t require major cost inputs from producers.”

KAP believes landowners still need the right to use new ejectors in the right locations based on science. Moving forward, similar types of rules and regulations must take into account considerations for landowners. This is an issue KAP has been working on since the initial consultation process, and KAP will continue to lobby for a workable solution for producers.

Save the Date!

9th Annual KAP Klassic Golf Tournament June 18, 2010 - 12:00 p.m.

The Meadows at East St.

Paul Golf Course

(Located on McGregor Farm Road)

COST: \$80.00

INCLUDES: GREEN FEES,
GOLF CART AND DINNER.



TO REGISTER: PLEASE SEND PAYMENT WITH REGISTRATION FORM TO THE KAP OFFICE BY JUNE 5, 2010.

COME OUT FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN AND GREAT

Monday, April 12:

GM Yvonne Rideout attended a National Food Strategy Working Group meeting Ottawa.

Tuesday, April 13:

Executive Members Glenn Young and Chuck Fossay attended The Co-operators' annual meeting in Regina (Tuesday to Thursday). President Ian Wishart, Executive Member Weldon Newton, and Policy Analyst James Battershill attended the Manitoba Pork Council's annual meeting and banquet.

Wednesday, April

14: VP Doug Chorney attended a Manitoba Employers Council meeting.

Thursday, April 15:

President Ian Wishart met with Deputy Minister of Agriculture Barry Todd. President Ian Wishart attended the Manitoba Century

COMPETITION!

Danny's Whole Hog BBQ to be held at the golf course (meal-only tickets available)

**Two weeks cancellation required for a full refund*

**Payment must accompany your registration form to be registered*



Manitoba Farm & Rural Stress Line Farmer-To-Farmer Workshops

The [Manitoba Farm & Rural Stress Line](http://www.ruralstress.ca) is running a series of free workshops on the topic of men and depression. If you (or someone you know) may be at risk of depression please plan to attend.

Learn the signs and symptoms of depression, treatment options, and where to go for help. Learn to live a healthier, more balanced life and/or help someone you love. There is hope and there is help available.

Workshops are free and open to farmers and ranchers, spouses, family members, service providers, and the general public.



Summit on economic opportunity in Manitoba.

Friday, April 16: The Grains, Oilseeds and Pulses Committee met at the Canadian International Grains Institute. President Ian Wishart and VP Doug Chorney attended a meeting with supply management groups to discuss the quota levy that was announced in the provincial budget.

Events

April 16-18: Equine Educational Weekend Horse3 (Head*Heart*Hooves), Keystone Centre, Brandon. [Website](#)

April 20: Farm Equipment Operators Course for Women, Reit-Syd Farm Equipment, Dauphin, MB. Call 204-572-5501 to register.

April 21: Anaplasmosis

Monday, April 19, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Dauphin Provincial Building 27-2nd Ave SW

For more information call: 1-877-367-3276 (toll free) or email
info@ruralstress.ca.

CFA Photo Contest and Awards

Join the [Canadian Federation of Agriculture](#) in celebrating its 75th anniversary by taking part in the [CFA's Photo Contest: The face of farming](#) OR by submitting an entry for the [CFA Agricultural Awards](#).



CFA Photo Contest

Deadline: September 10, 2010

Criteria: Photos which depict farming or portraits of farmers are welcome. This may include landscape photos, portraits of children, and much more. As long as the photo shows technical excellence, originality, and artistic creativity, while



Information Night, Vita
Arena (2nd level),
Vita, MB.
Call 204-425-5050 to
register.

June 16 - 18:
Western Canada
Farm Progress Show,
Evraz Place, Regina,
SK. [Website](#)

reflecting the theme, it may be selected as a winner in the contest. The contest is open to Canadian residents, age 15 or older as of the day of submission. [MORE DETAILS](#)

CFA Agricultural Awards

Deadline: September 10, 2010

Agricultural Awareness and Education

To be presented to one of the CFA's 22 member organizations or member of a member organization which features a particularly outstanding campaign or other educational vehicle aimed at increasing the public's agricultural awareness and education.



Environmental Stewardship

This award will be given to the member organization or individual member of a member organization that has demonstrated a variety of environmentally conscious business practices or policies.



Youth Leadership

This is to be presented to an individual farmer (a member of a member organization), 25 years of age or younger who has contributed to the agriculture industry.




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Keystone Agricultural Producers.

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Radio in Portage La Prairie
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880 CKLQ Today's Best Country in
Brandon
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Lower Your Long Distance Costs this spring!

How can a residential toll-free number help me?

You can take advantage of the residential toll-free service that allows family members to call home from any phone in Canada or the US at only 3.9¢/min. Even from pay phones, 50¢ will not be required when calling a toll-free number. Great when away on vacation, business or for students at university.

Are you on a time-restricted plan that charges you a higher fee when calling during daytime hours?

You can take advantage and call anytime to anywhere in Canada or the US at 3.9 ¢/min. and reduce your annual long distance charges, during those high daytime charges.

What is your monthly long distance fee....or monthly plan fee?

You need to look at your bill closely, as most programs are \$2.95/month or higher. With the KAP program, the long distance network fee is only \$1.25/month and there is no plan fee, and no monthly fee for residential toll-free numbers. This rate has remained constant and has not increased as we have seen with other companies.

Are you annoyed when you use your calling card and you get charged a \$1.00 transaction fee for each call you make?

With the KAP program, there is no transaction fee for the Canada/US calling card. You are only charged 12¢/min. for all calls to and in the US and Canada, 24 hours a day!

Do you call family members on a regular basis?

With the KAP program, there is a group rate of only 2.5¢/min. So if family members you call are also on the program, everyone can enjoy this low rate – 24/7.

Benefits Reminder

Acklands-Grainger Spring Promotions

For savings on your
Welding Supplies,
see the new Acklands
Grainger **welding**



line-up! And for their new Spring 2010 Specials **click here**. Remember to use your KAP discount code - 253321

Discount at Mark's Work Wearhouse

Mark's Work Wearhouse discount cards are being mailed out with the regular KAP mailings to members. Members can also cut out the coupon [click here](#) and print!. *(Note: one coupon must be printed for each sales transaction)*



Private Health Services Plan

This spring, make sure your health coverage is in order. By using the KAP Private Health Services Plan (PHSP), you can reduce your health, dental, prescription drug and dental expenses. As an example, for a self-employed farmer or director of a farm corporation who is in a 35% personal tax bracket, the PHSP program can provide net savings of \$400 on \$1,000 of medical expenses. Call Karley at 1-866- 996-7477 to find out how a PHSP can help you and/or to receive an information package.

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