



# The KAP Alert

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## KAP Sets Policy at General Council

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Keystone Agricultural Producers (KAP) delegates from across the province met in Portage la Prairie on October 15 to learn more about emerging issues in agriculture, and to set direction for the organization. The following resolutions were passed, and are now KAP policy:

### ***Beneficial Management Practices***

**THAT** KAP lobby the provincial government to ensure that the Environmental Farm Action Program and the Manitoba Sustainable Agriculture Practices Program allow every farmer in Manitoba to have equal access to funding of all beneficial management practice categories regardless of what region they are located in.

### ***Support for Hog Industry***

**THAT** KAP call upon the Manitoba Government to work with the hog industry and provide financial support to hog producers.

### ***Bee Farming Disaster Program***

**THAT** KAP lobby both the federal and provincial governments for a disaster program for leafcutter and honey producers in the flood

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### **KAP Membership**

Membership renewals for 2009 have been sent out and we encourage members to pre-pay. You may now pay using a credit card on the KAP website using [\*\*PayPal\*\*](#).

### **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](mailto:kap@kap.mb.ca).

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### **Activities**

**Wednesday, October 14:** GM Yvonne Rideout participated in a CFA conference call regarding the 75th anniversary.

**Thursday, October 15:** KAP

affected regions of Manitoba, recognizing that these are labour intensive farms that are valuable to local economies.

### ***Equitable Disaster Assistance***

**THAT** KAP lobby the Manitoba government to treat all producers in Manitoba, regardless of commodity produced, equitably in all provincial disaster assistance programs.

KAP hosted guest speaker Rick McConnell (right) from DYMAC Risk Management Solutions Ltd. to discuss Individualized Area Based Insurance. The afternoon session featured a

Growing Forward update from Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives with guests Leloni Scott (Environment Suite), Daryl Domitruk (Innovation Suite), Bobbie Robertson (Business Development Suite), and Nelson Bowley (Food Safety Risk Management Suite).



held General Council in Portage la Prairie.

**Friday, October 16:** President Ian Wishart and GM Yvonne Rideout attended a meeting with the province on EG&S.

## **Events**

**October 16:** Bowsman and District Lions Club Bull-a-Rama. Call 238-4351.

**October 23 - 25:** Wheat City Stampede, Keystone Centre, Brandon.

**November 1 - 3:** Manitoba Farm Women's Conference, Winnipeg. [Website](#)

**November 5 - 8:** Manitoba Livestock Expo, Keystone Centre, Brandon. [Website](#)

**November 17 - 18:** Canadian Hemp Trade Alliance convention, Winnipeg. [Website](#)

**November 30, December 1 - 2:** 2009 Manitoba Grazing School "On the Cutting Edge," Brandon, MB. [Website](#)

**December 7:** The 34th Manitoba Conservation Districts Association Convention and Tradeshow, Keystone Centre, Brandon, MB. Theme: "Our



Left: Nelson Bowley



Above (left to right): Daryl Domitruk, Bobbie Robertson, and Leloni Scott



## KAP District Meeting Schedule

*Please join us at these important*



Environment: The Co\$t of Doing Nothing" with a kick off on Monday evening at the Tradeshow Reception. [Website](#)

**January 19 - 21, 2010:**  
Manitoba Ag Days, Keystone Centre, Brandon. [Website](#)

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### **Reminder: Send in your Harvest Sample program envelopes!**

The Canadian Grain Commission's Harvest Sample program needs you to fill the postage-paid sample envelope (you may have received one in the mail) with grain from this year's crop, fill out information about the sample on each envelope, and mail the envelopes back to them.

The Canadian Grain Commission uses the samples to create information for the year's Harvest Survey and crop quality for the current year. Producer samples are also used to create composite samples to make Canadian Grain Commission tests more accurate.

For more information please call 1-800-853-6705.

*producer meetings to talk about what's important to YOUR operation! For more information, call the KAP office at 697-1140. All producers are welcome.*

### ***District 1 Annual Meeting***

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2009 7:30 p.m.

Mountview Centre

Deloraine, MB.

Guest Speaker: Daystar Financial on Farm Estate Planning

### ***District 2 Annual Meeting***

Monday, Nov. 9, 2009 7:30 p.m.

Mariapolis Friendship Club

Mariapolis, MB.

Guest Speaker: MAFRI on Growing Forward - Environment

### ***District 3 Annual Meeting***

Thursday, Nov. 12, 2009 1:30 p.m.

University of Manitoba Carman Facility

Carman, MB.

### ***District 4 Annual Meeting***

Friday, Nov. 13, 2009

1:00 p.m.

Level 2, Real Canadian Superstore

Steinbach, MB.

Guest Speaker: David Drozd, President, Ag-Chieve Corporation.



### ***District 5 Annual Meeting***

Monday, Nov. 23, 2009 7:30 p.m.

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## **Member Benefits Corner**

Are you looking for some term life insurance? Want a program for your employees? Under the KAP Benefits program, members (including spouses, children, and farm employees) have access to economical group term life program through The Co-operators.

The term life program goes until age 70. Policy riders that are included at no additional charge under the group program are:

-a living benefit, whereby 50% of the insurance coverage is paid (up to a maximum of \$50,000) if the insured is diagnosed with a terminal illness.

-a waiver of premium, if you are totally disabled prior to your 65th birthday.

*\*You must be enrolled prior to your 65th birthday.*

Under the group program, coverage is available in \$25,000 units from \$50,000 up to a maximum of \$500,000. [\[Click here\]](#) for an application form.

In addition, on-farm visits are

Garson Community Hall  
Garson, MB.

***District 6 Annual Meeting***

Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2009 7:00 p.m.  
Portage Fair Board Office  
Portage la Prairie, MB.

***District 7 Annual Meeting***

Thursday, Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m.  
Kirkup Lounge, Souris Glenwood Memorial Complex  
Souris, MB.

***District 8 Annual Meeting***

Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2009 7:30 p.m.  
Binscarth Drop-In Centre  
Binscarth, MB.

***District 9 Annual Meeting***

Monday, Nov. 16, 2009 7:30 p.m.  
Minnedosa Ukrainian Hall  
Minnedosa, MB.

***District 10 Annual Meeting***

Thursday, Nov. 26, 2009 7:30 p.m.  
Arborg Senior Citizens Club  
Arborg, MB.

***District 11 Annual Meeting***

Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2009 7:30 p.m.  
Gilbert Plains Legion  
Gilbert Plains, MB.

***District 12 Annual Meeting***

available for life insurance needs above \$500,000, Critical Illness, and for Farm Estate and Succession Planning (see webinar information below).

**Benefits Reminder!**

***Farm Estate Planning Webinar***

The KAP Benefits Farm Estate Planning Webinar will provide you with professional presentations by Meyers Norris Penny, Daystar Financial and The Wealth Planning Group.

You can enjoy this webinar in the comfort of your own home. There is no travelling and everyone can view the presentation on their own computer and hear the audio live from either your computer speakers or your telephone.

There is no cost to participate, register early by calling 1-866-787-2826 or email [kapbenefits@stratabenefits.ca](mailto:kapbenefits@stratabenefits.ca).

For more information, or other benefit programs, please call our Member Benefits line at 1-866-527-0123, or go to our [website](#).

Wednesday, Nov.18, 2009 12:30 p.m.  
Westwood Inn  
Swan River, MB.

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## Register now for a Farm Safety and Health Seminar!

*The Farm Safety and Health Seminar will help agricultural producers better manage safety and health risks on their farms.*

### **November 4, 2009**

Dauphin Recreation Complex

### **November 10, 2009**

Pembina Threshermen's Museum, Morden

### **Registration Fee: \$15**

Space is limited. To register call 1-800-282-8069 extension 2315 or email [SafeFarms@gov.mb.ca](mailto:SafeFarms@gov.mb.ca).

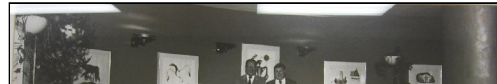
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## Coming Winter 2010: The KAP History Book! Pre-Order Your Copy Today!

*Twenty-five Years as the Voice of Manitoba Farmers*

Own a piece



of Manitoba's agricultural history! KAP's History Book provides a great way to commemorate a milestone in the history of the policy organization built by and for Manitoba farmers.

More than a collection of facts and photos, this book brings farm policy to life through the stories of KAP members and leaders spanning a quarter-century in our province.

***Pre-Sales Offer: Pre-order this soft-cover book for \$25 (includes shipping).***

***\*SPECIAL OFFER\**** Manitoba producers are invited to list their name or farm name in the book as supporters of KAP. Include your name in KAP's History Book for \$75 (includes one copy of the book shipped straight to you).

KAP also welcomes ***corporate sponsors*** to partner with us as we present KAP's history.

### ***Sponsorship Levels***

#### ***\$2500+***

Your company name will be featured on the acknowledgement page at the beginning of the book along with your company logo. Your company name will also appear at the back of the book on our sponsorship page.

#### ***\$1000 – \$2499***

Your company name and small logo will appear on our sponsorship page at the back of the book.

#### ***\$500 – \$999***

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For more information, please contact KAP at 697-1140 or [kap@kap.mb.ca](mailto:kap@kap.mb.ca).

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