



Hamilton Branch Meeting

Monday, 15 Feb, 2010

Speaker: Murray S. Hunt M.Sc. (Animal Breeding).
SUBJECT: 'The Growth of Sheep Farming in Ontario'

Murray Hunt was born and resides in the Flamborough area of Hamilton (Wentworth). He was educated in Flamborough, Cambridge, and has worked for the majority of his career on the Ontario, Canadian and international fronts in dairy cattle, specializing in improvement schemes and services working for OMAF, Holstein Canada, CAAB and as a consultant in Canada, EU, Balkans, Iran, Poland, Hungary, Portugal, UK, Mexico, South America, Egypt, Zimbabwe, Kenya, and Cuba. Holsteins have been both his career and his passion and he and wife Karen own a small elite genetics breeding herd. By the way he is proud of their three agriculturally train children and seven eager to learn grandchildren.

Fourteen months ago Murray joined the Ontario Sheep Marketing Agency as their GM with his first focus being to establish and implement a state-of-the-art business plan and obtain across Ontario producer support from the 3500 Ontario shepherds. Having achieved the first aspects of that mandate, Murray is now turning his skills to a national flock monitoring scheme that includes animal id, traceability, on-farm food safety, biosecurity, animal health, disease recording,....and knowing Murray he'll not stop there.

Time: 6:15 pm gather 7:00 p.m. Dinner \$25 cash; cash bar.
8:00 pm speaker

Location: King's Court Banquet Centre , 1159 King Rd., Burlington.
Phone 905 632 0125

DIRECTIONS to King's Court:

From the West: On #403 going East down the long hill past the Hamilton exit , or down #6 and joining #403 toward Toronto, proceed to take exit 78 Waterdown Rd. Turn Left toward Waterdown, and cross over #403 to the North Service Rd. Turn right and go to the next bridge over #403, King Road. Turn right (S) over #403, and drive .6 km. to King's Court on your left. (also Maitre d' Catering)

From Toronto: On QEW travelling toward Hamilton, pass Guelph line to exit 101, Brant St. Turn right on to Brant St. (N) then only 30 m. up the hill get into the left lane and turn left on to the North service Rd. Proceed beside 403 to the next bridge over 403, King Rd. At that light turn left (S) over 403 and proceed .6 km. down the hill and find King's Court on your left. (also Maitre d' Catering)

From Niagara: On QEW toward Toronto over the Skyway, take exit 99 on to Plains Rd. Turn left on to Plains Rd. E. and drive 1 km. toward Hamilton and find King Rd. on your right. Turn right and drive about 2 blocks and find King's Court on your right. (also Maitre d' Catering)

We hope that **spouses, guest, and friends** will accompany members to hear the address, and discuss it afterwards.

As always, Central, Niagara, and Guelph members are encouraged to join us. Please call Doug Walters P. Ag. at 905 637 8843 or email at dwalters@iprimus.ca to give us a head count for dinner. The venue has been selected to provide easy access for members from other branches.