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ACTION REPORT FROM CGS

We have a goodly number of updates to report on in this issue! Here they are!

- CGS will finish 2021 in a very solid position with regard to finances. We have recently moved the large portion of some funds that have been in a savings account into investments with our banking services provider. During 2021 we were able to start building investments again after a period without any. These latest investments will expand the investment portfolio reopened this year! It is crucial that any association have a base of reserves.
- The Board has decided that **CLASSIFICATION** service will return in 2022! Deadline for applications is **MARCH 31, 2022**. The application form can be found on the CGS website at www.goats.ca under the **CLASSIFICATION** heading. Or, contact the CGS office.
- **SHOW SANCTIONS**-the application in the SHOWS section on the website has been updated. IF rosettes are desired your application must be received by March 31, 2022.
- **JUDGES LICENSING CONFERENCES** will return in 2022, for the first time since 2019. Bids to host a JLC are on the CGS website under SHOWS. Deadline: January 31, 2022.
- In this package are your **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE** which can be actioned by communication with CLRC. Also included a fee schedule which takes effect on January 1, 2022. CGS received notice of a modest increase in charges for registry work processing and has adjusted our schedule accordingly
- We want to remind newer members in particular that all processing of registry work-memberships, transfers, registrations and any other work in that realm is processed by the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation on behalf of CGS. All questions and comments about any of this work should be directed to CLRC. If needed, CGS is consulted on cases that are exceptions. 613-731-7110 ext. 306 or melanie.overduin@clrc.ca are the prime contact pieces of info.
- A point which occupies CLRC staff time and CGS time is exceptions and can increase costs is any case which involves transfers not submitted within six months of date of sale or registrations that are promised as part of a sale and are not processed promptly. Please process all registry work, especially items involving first time or new members and their purchases as soon as possible. Such promptness is good for you and good for the entire industry. Having a clear bill of sale for any transaction, outlining who is responsible for which roles is so valuable!
- The CGS office will be closed **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24th** and **FRIDAY DECEMBER 31st**.
- Progress has been made on the joint Heritage Livestock Canada/CGS initiative to study genetic diversity in the breed populations served by CGS. Samples for testing have begun to flow in. Should you desire more information on this effort please contact the CGS office or Rebecca Lange of HLC at bramblesnubians@gmail.com , Sandy Howell at Clearday29@gmail.com and Callum McLeod at callum.kaarsoo.mcleod@gmail.com.
- The association is also actively involved in interaction with members, industry partners and the government re the Scrapie issue.
- We continue to invest effort into planning the future of registry services for dairy goats in Canada and in integrating databases and modernizing them in cooperation with industry partners.
- Year end registry statistics will be strong with our highest membership total since 2002!!!!

We wish all CGS members and their families a terrific Christmas and an even brighter 2022!

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF CANADIAN GOAT SOCIETY

Due to ongoing challenges with Covid-19 the 2022 Annual Meeting will take place virtually by Zoom. There will be options to call into the meeting by phone..

DATE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19th, 2022

TIME: 12:00 PM Eastern Time Zone (Ontario and Quebec time)

AGENDA: As per section 17 of CGS by-laws

17. ORDER OF BUSINESS The order of business at all annual and general meetings shall be as follows:

- a) Identification of members
- b) Reading minutes of previous meeting and approval of same
- c) Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting
- d) Announce the new Board)
- e) Directors and Committees Reports
- f) Correspondence
- g) Unfinished Business
- h) New business
- i) Adjournment

The above order with the exception of (a) Identification of members, may be changed at the pleasure of the meeting assembled.

Minutes of the 2021 AGM and the full Annual Report of CGS are available upon request from the CGS office and are available on the CGS website at www.goats.ca. The full Annual Report can be found in the INFO and LINKS section of the website.

Financial statements for 2021 will be presented at the 2022 Annual Meeting. The review process for 2021 statements will begin in mid-January.

Members may contact CGS at info@goats.ca to access information on how to participate.

The CGS Board sees this as an excellent opportunity for members across Canada to take part in the discussions at and processes of the AGM.

There is no better time to renew your CGS membership than now. Paper reminders about renewing memberships have been sent by CLRC.

Please note that 2022 CGS memberships are due on January 1st.

******Members have until MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022 TO RENEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP OR TAKE OUT A NEW MEMBERSHIP TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING! **** Information on how to participate in the meeting, via the Zoom link will be sent to all members who have renewed their membership by February 14th by email, after the 14th. PLEASE ENSURE THAT CLRC HAS THE CORRECT EMAIL ADDRESS ON FILE FOR YOU IN THEIR SEARCH THE REGISTRY FUNCTION. For those members without email access please contact the CGS office for details on how to participate.**

We look forward to strong participation in the meeting on February 19th!