

EXECUTIVE

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President's Message

Malcolm McIlroy

It is hard to believe that another year has gone by since the last AGM. The year has been a busy one with SERLO participating in many events over the year.

Sue Pearson and myself met with a lawyer from the NRCB. He was working on setting up mediation and remediation for conflicts over CFO developments. We felt that our concerns were heard.

SERLO was also asked for our input for the review of the NRCB that was done by George Cuff and Associates. Again Sue Pearson and I met with the representative and are pleased to see that some of our concerns are included in the recommendations of the report.

SERLO was also invited to the annual NRCB/ENGO meeting. Murray Marsh and Kathy McCulloch went as representatives of the SERLO Board of Directors. We also had SERLO members at this meeting that were representing other groups.

SERLO has representatives involved in many other organizations and these people deserve a big "Thank You" for all their hard work making sure that SERLO's voice is heard. To name a few of the organizations that SERLO has representation are the following: Alberta Environment Network, Clean Air Strategic Alliance, Health Canada, Global Resource Action Centre on the Environment, Beyond Factory Farming, and many local groups.

My term as president will be ending at the AGM. I have enjoyed my term as president and look forward to continuing with SERLO in a lesser role and again thank you for your support over the past two years.

Get to know your Board of Directors

Murray Marsh- The majority of Murray's time has been spent working on issues his community has faced in opposing an expansion of a 2500 head feedlot to an 18,200 head feedlot. Murray is the spokesperson for the Lonepine Community and farms in the Didsbury area with his wife and children. Denis Sauvageau- Denis is a fourth generation farmer from the Fahler area in northern Alberta. Raised on a family farm he was actively involved in raising livestock, which included hogs, cattle, and chickens. Cleaning the barns and feeding the livestock were part of the daily chores. Denis is the President of FOUL (Friends of an Unpolluted Lifestyle.)
Changes to Bylaws

We would like to amend Bylaw 28b and 28d to read that we no longer require a professional person to do the audit of our books each year but rather one member and another person can do the audit.

FEATURED PRODUCER

Sunworks Farms

Sunworks Farms is the home of Ron, Sheila, Shae and Erin Hamilton and is located near Armena, Alberta.

In 1992 we moved from the City to our new farm and immediately started converting our land to certified organic status. In 1995/96 we took a Holistic Management Course, which helped us focus on the direction our farm, and lives would take.

Holistic Management is described as a goal-oriented approach to managing land, livestock, people and finances in a manner, which is environmentally friendly, and economically and socially sound. We have been raising Certified Organic Animals since 1997.

Our family strongly believes in the principals of organic and holistic agriculture as well as the importance of ethical/humane handling of all creatures, including farm animals.

Although a small amount of our products may end up in stores and restaurants we are committed to marketing as much of our product as possible directly to the consumer. In this way we can offer the highest quality meats and eggs at an affordable price. We enjoy discussing our products and how we raise our animals with our customers and we welcome your comments and orders.

We believe that we are stewards of the land and that we should leave it in a better state than when we got it. We do our best to work with Mother Nature and not against it.

We believe that our children should be raised in a healthy mental and physical environment.

We believe that animals should be treated kindly, humanely and ethically and have access to fresh air, clean water and sunshine.

We want to grow good, healthy food for our customers.

We guarantee that you will not taste better meat than our pasture raised products.

You can visit them at www.sunworksfarm.com.

They have certified organic, free-range chicken, turkey, duck, geese, pork, beef and eggs.