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**2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

***Annual Report***

February 25 by Webinar



**2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 25 • WEBINAR**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Introduction of Board of Directors and staff**
- 3. Approval of the agenda**
- 4. Review of 2020 AGM minutes**
- 5. Committee Reports:**
  - ⇒ Treasurer
    - ⇒ Adoption of the Treasurer's report
    - ⇒ Presentation of 2021 budget
    - ⇒ Appointment of the Auditor
  - ⇒ Production Committee
  - ⇒ Show Committee
  - ⇒ Youth Committee
  - ⇒ General Manager Report
  - ⇒ CNGF Report
  - ⇒ Constitution Committee: vote on the proposed amendments
- 6. Review of 2020-2024 Strategic Plan**
- 7. Introduction of 2021 CMGA Board of Directors**
- 8. New business**
- 9. Adjourn**

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# President's Message

Good Evening Everyone!

I would like to welcome you to our AGM! Its hard to believe it has almost been a year since our AGM in Ottawa. It has been such a crazy year for many, and I hope you all have remained healthy and have been able to have somewhat of a normal day to day life in this crazy time we have been having. The Board and GM have been working hard this last year on how we are rolling out our new Strategic Plan, getting new judges for our shows, and how we can engage further with our members. I hope this evening you learn some new things, have your input heard and engage with our breeders.

Our Strategic Plan covers so many different objectives from technology use to promoting the consumption of goat meat. Our website was due to rollout very soon but thanks to COVID-19 it has been delayed while Base132 has been closed due to lockdowns in Quebec. I look forward to when it is completed, and we all can access it! Have you noticed more Facebook posts about events from Board Members that are relative to the industry? I have, that is part of our goals to reach more of our members using technology. Many of us carry our phones with us and have Facebook.

2020 brought no shows unfortunately due to COVID-19 but that does not stop us from preparing for 2021 and 2022 shows! Our judges are wonderful, but we certainly need more to help to keep our old shows going and make new shows available. Becky our VP has been working hard at getting that going with the help of current CGS judges. We are also looking at getting more classifiers, Type Evaluation is such a valuable tool to so many producers. It shows you in black and white the strengths and weaknesses of your individual animals.

The Board also wants to promote not only the consumption of goat meat but also the sales. We are sharing recipes in the Journal and want to modify the membership forms so that we can see who is selling goat meat and be able to direct consumers directly to those breeders.

2020 was such a difficult year for everyone. It cut us off from family and friends and doing activities we love. We unfortunately had to cancel Classification again, and all shows were a no go. I hope to see these activities back this year if possible. It is so important to support our programs that we run but also our local fairs when we can attend again not just as an exhibitor but as a spectator as well.

I am pleased to say that despite all the negative things 2020 has thrown at us, we did see an upswing in not just registrations in animals, both Boer and Kiko, we also saw more breeders join the CMGA as well. That is such a positive thing to see.

I hope 2021 can bring some normalcy back to us all and that we continue to culture more friendships and business relationships with each other.

In closing I would like to thank our GM Catherine, without her dedication things would be much more turbulent. I would also like to thank every one of our Board members. You each bring something valuable to the table and it is much appreciated! Every board member is a volunteer, and their dedication and hard work is shown time and again.

Stay safe and stay healthy!



Sarah James

# About the Canadian Meat Goat Association

In 1992, an enterprising group of Canadian entrepreneurs was instrumental in the importation of Boer goat embryos into Canada from New Zealand and France, and later directly from South Africa. On November 27, 1993, the Canadian Boer Goat Association was formed through an ad hoc process involving 7 charter members. On October 10, 1995, this Association was officially incorporated by Agriculture Canada under the Animal Pedigree Act, with official by-law approval coming on January 3, 1996. This approval provided sole authority as the only association approved to register Boer and Boer cross goats in Canada. The newly incorporated association, which had begun its registration process under the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation, moved to Canadian Beef Improvement Inc., and eventually began self-registry out of the Association office in Glenwood, AB, Canada.

From the very incorporation of the Association, the requirement was put in place for mandatory DNA sampling on every purebred registration. The purpose of this was to build a data bank of DNA from which a program of random parentage verification testing could be based. Presently, random testing is done on 1% of all purebred registrations submitted. The Canadian Boer Goat Association is the only Boer goat association in the world to have such a program, which is designed to maintain the integrity of Canadian Boer goat pedigrees.

The first CBGA-sponsored Boer Goat Sale was held in November of 1998 in connection with the Boer Goat Show at the Canadian Western Agribition in Regina, SK. Sanctioned shows with Canadian Boer Goat approved judges were started in 1999 with the first in July 1999 at Yorkton, SK. The Association has a judges training program to develop Canadian judges across the country.

In 2001, the Association office was relocated to eastern Ontario, and bilingual services became available to Francophone producers. Since then, the Association has been working hard to offer all of its written materials, including the quarterly Canadian Meat Goat Journal and the web site, in both official languages.

In 2004, the membership of the CBGA voted to change its name to the Canadian Meat Goat Association and to expand its mandate to the broader meat goat industry in Canada. Since then, the Association has been developing educational and marketing tools for both commercial meat goat and purebred seed stock producers.

Other CMGA activities have included: a youth program, a buck test station, development of a type evaluation (classification) program, and representation at agricultural events across the country. The Association's Annual General Meeting is held early in the calendar year.

In 2009, the Association office was relocated to Saskatchewan, and the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation in Ottawa was contracted to process registrations and memberships.

In February 2016, CMGA joined the Livestock Alliance and the office was relocated to Guelph, Ontario. Veal Farmers of Ontario, Ontario Goat and the Canadian Goat Society were the other partners in the Alliance.

At the end of 2017, the CMGA and the Alliance decided to separate by mutual agreement. The office was relocated to Quebec.

The Association owes a tremendous debt of gratitude to the early pioneers of the Boer goat industry in Canada. Untold hours of volunteer labor and expense were donated to establish an organization and structure upon which to build the future industry. To this day, the Association depends on the commitment of its volunteer Board and committee members, who keep its many programs running.

## *2021 Board of Directors*

<b>President</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Directors at Large</b>
Sarah James	Anny Martin	Nancy Mc Neil
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	Rob Schill
Becky Vissers	Jasmin Bautz	Jade Pinel

## Mission

The Canadian Meat Goat Association supports the development of a profitable meat goat breeding stock and meat industry in Canada by providing animal registration, member education and industry promotion for the membership and by partnering in research and market expansion.

## Vision

A long term profitable Canadian meat goat industry where dairy, fiber and meat interests work together locally, provincially and nationally for the growth and development of the meat goat industry.

## Purpose

The primary purpose of the Association is the establishment of breeding standards, the keeping of pedigree records and the carrying out of a credible system of registration of Boer and Kiko goats in Canada.

Further purposes of the Association shall be:

- ◆ to promote meat goats as a long term, stable source of income in a diversified farming and ranching economy
- ◆ to improve Boer and Kiko goat genetics by identifying superior performance
- ◆ to encourage the improvement of meat goats in general
- ◆ to enhance consumer demand for chevon (goat meat) at the retail level



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# 4. 2020 AGM Meeting Minutes

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**Canadian Meat Goat Association  
Annual General Meeting  
February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
OTTAWA, ONTARIO**

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 11:42 am EST by Sarah James.

2. Introductions of Board and staff

Sarah introduced each of the CMGA Board members and staff.

3. Approval of the Agenda

There were no proposed additions to agenda.

IT WAS MOVED BY Shannon Thurston and SECONDED by Nancy Mc Neil that the agenda be approved as presented.

The vote was CARRIED by a majority.

4. Approval of the 2019 AGM Minutes

IT WAS MOVED BY Becky Vissers and SECONDED by Anny Martin that the minutes from the 2019 AGM be approved as presented.

The vote was CARRIED by a majority.

5. Committee Reports

Sarah indicated that the various committee reports were included in the Annual Report.

a. **Financial**

Catherine presented the Financial report.

• *Approval of the Treasurer's report*

IT WAS MOVED BY Nancy Mc Neil and SECONDED by Rob Schill that the Treasurer's report be adopted as presented.

The vote was CARRIED by a majority.

• *Approval of the Auditor appointment*

IT WAS MOVED BY Greta Prins and SECONDED by Bonnie Cameron that Raymond-Chabot-Grand-Thornton (RCGT) in La Pocatière be appointed as the 2020 auditor for the CMGA.

The vote was CARRIED by a majority.

b. **Production**

Rob presented the Production report.

c. **Show Committee**

Becky presented the Show Committee report.

Becky announced the 2019 CMGA Canadian Show Champions as follows:

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**Purebred Buck:** Show Me Boers Red Tail Arising-owned by Chèvrerie Du Biquet  
**Purebred Doe:** Du Biquet Célébrité owned by Chèvrerie Du Biquet  
**Percentage Doe:** Flathill Fiona owned by Candice Sauder  
**Commercial Doe:** Country Strong Coronation owned by Country Strong Boer Goats

##### **d. Youth Committee**

Sarah presented the Youth Committee Report.

Sarah announced the winners of the Youth Point Chase award:

**Honourable mention:** Léa Bernier

**Runner up:** Lucas Cairncross

**First place:** Sarah Kay

The Youth Point Chase will continue for 2020. Attendees were encouraged to get youth involved in showing goats.

##### **e. Ad & Promo Committee**

Anny presented the Ad & Promo Report.

##### **f. General Manager's Report**

Catherine presented the General Manager's Report.

##### **g. Constitution Committee**

Sarah presented the Constitution Committee report.

Because there was an amendment to the Constitution to be voted on, Sarah explained that to have the motion debated and voted, a chair and scrutineers will need to be nominated.

IT WAS MOVED BY Jasmin Bautz and SECONDED by Becky Vissers that Catherine Michaud be nominated as the Chair for the voting process and that Ann Brunet-Burgess and Jillian Craig be nominated as Scrutineers.

The vote was CARRIED by a majority.

Sarah then turned to Catherine who explained the voting procedure. Catherine then restated the motion and opened the debate.

After many discussions on the proposal on the floor, Catherine reinstated the motion and called the vote.

IN FAVOR: 9

OPPOSED: 19

For a TOTAL of 28 votes.

For adoption of a motion amending the CMGA Constitution, a majority of 2/3 of the votes from the voting members at the assembly was necessary, so at least 19 votes were necessary, but there were only 9 in favor.

The motion was LOST.

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- **Note:** there was supposed to have a vote on a motion regarding Boer breed standards, but it was postponed to the next AGM because of the delay that was taken in the schedule.

#### 6. 2020 Board of Directors

Sarah introduced the 2020 Board of Directors: Rob Schill, Becky Vissers, Jasmin Bautz, Anny Martin, Myriam Landry, and the newly elected Jade Pinel from Quebec.

Sarah also thanked Marshall James who completed the last term of a 3-year term and who's term was up.

#### 7. New business

Items from the floor brought forward:

- Some members were in favor of regarding the possibility to work collaboratively with CGS or other goats/livestock organisations to see if common challenges and needs could be addressed and solved together. Catherine answered that it was part of the new strategic plan and the CMGA was open to collaboration with other organisations.

#### 8. Adjournment

**IT WAS MOVED BY** Becky Vissers that the meeting be adjourned at 1:15pm EST.



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## 5.1 Financial Report

You will find as a separated document that was sent to you with this Annual Report the reviewed 2020 financial statements for review by membership. On pages 10 and 11, you will find the figures from 2020 Budget VS 2020 Actual.

Notes regarding 2020 revenue and costs:

### Income

- We have almost reached our goals for advertising, missed by only \$20.
- AGM revenue are below what we expected. We were hoping a larger attendance, so it had an impact on our revenue from the entries and from the silent auction.
- The CMGA Type Evaluation program did not run in 2020, so we did not have the expected revenue. On the other side, we did not have the expected expenses either.
- We are over our budgeted income for membership. Number of members have increased in 2020 from 137 in 2019 to 162 in 2020.
- The show program did not run in 2020, so we did not have the expected revenue.
- We are over our budgeted income for registration. Kiko registrations have increased from 32 in 2019 to 92 goats registered in 2021, mainly purebreds. We also had a slight increase of Boer registrations.
- We have had no calendar sales so our revenue from sales is down by about \$1,150. Included in sales are also the Journal subscriptions.
- Overall, we are a little over budget for our total revenue for the year even if some expected income amounts were not there. This is due to an unexpected increase in revenue from Memberships and Registrations.

### Expenses

- Ad & Promo: no calendars were made in 2020 so we did not have this expense.
- AGM expenses were over what was budgeted mainly due to higher travel costs.
- A little over budget with our teleconferences because we had 2 meetings with CGS.
- Show ribbons: I have only ordered the Canadian Champions rosettes because shows have been cancelled in 2020.
- No TE this year, so no expense there.
- GM salary: less hours done due to COVID where I had to take care of kids at home plus maternity leave.
- Journal: on target with budget.
- Membership expenses: over budget mainly due to CLRC levy. CLRC costs have increased from \$6,40 to \$7,50 in 2020 and our budget is based on 2019 fees. We also had \$490.64 more units processed in 2020 compared to 2019.
- Postage: no postage for calendars this year, only regular costs.
- Website: delayed due to COVID. Actually, working on website structure. First invoice will be paid in 2021.
- Registration expenses: big increase in Kiko registration. A total of 74 tests in 2020 compared to 17 in 2019. Some of these expenses are covered by registration revenue. CMGA pays costs related to random DNA testing as stipulated in the bylaws.
- Youth project: no request for funding in 2020 and the prizes costs are below budget.
- Overall, we have much less expenses than what was budgeted mainly due to the website for \$10,200, reduced GM salary for \$6,700 and no calendars for \$1,500 despite a big increase for the CLRC levy and DNA testing.

2020 Adopted Budget VS 2020 Actual	2020 BUDGET	2020 ACTUAL
<b>Income / Revenu</b>		
YOUTH PROJECT / PROJET JEUNESSE	\$ -	\$ -
ADVERTISING / PUBLICITÉ	\$ 1 500,00	\$ 1 480,00
AGM Income / Revenu de l'AGA	\$ 4 250,00	\$ 2 765,00
CMGA Type Evaluation Program / Programme de classification	\$ 6 830,00	\$ -
MEMBERSHIPS / COTISATIONS	\$ 11 000,00	\$ 12 043,75
OFFICE COST REIMBURSEMENT / REMBOURSEMENT FRAIS DE BUREAU	\$ -	\$ 15,75
SHOW FEES / FRAIS D'EXPOSITIONS	\$ 620,00	\$ -
PAID TO CMGA / PAYÉ À L'ACCB	\$ -	\$ -
REGISTRATIONS / ENREGISTREMENTS	\$ 35 000,00	\$ 42 527,88
SALES / VENTES	\$ 1 500,00	\$ 350,38
INTEREST / INTÉRÊTS	\$ -	\$ -
CREDITS WRITTEN OFF / CRÉDITS RADIÉS	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Income / Revenu total</b>	<b>\$ 60 700,00</b>	<b>\$ 59 182,76</b>
<b>Expense / Dépenses</b>		
ACCOUNTS WRITTEN OFF / COMPTES RADIÉS	\$ 585,05	\$ -
ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION / PUBLICITÉ ET PROMOTION	\$ 1 500,00	\$ -
AGM / AGA	\$ 8 000,00	\$ 8 701,35
<b>CMGA Board Expenses / Dépenses du CA</b>		
Telecon Expenses / Conférences téléphoniques	\$ 220,00	\$ 252,94
Travel / Déplacements	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total CMGA Board Expenses / Dépenses du CA</b>	<b>\$ 220,00</b>	<b>\$ 252,94</b>
<b>CMGA SHOWS / EXPOS DE L'ACCB</b>		
Show Ribbons / Rubans	\$ 366,95	\$ 111,48
Judges Licensing Forums	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total CMGA SHOWS / EXPOS DE L'ACCB</b>	<b>\$ 366,95</b>	<b>\$ 111,48</b>
<b>CMGA Type Evaluation Program / Programme de classification</b>		
Evaluator Fees & Expenses / Frais et dépenses des évaluateurs	\$ 6 600,00	\$ -
Forms & Handbook / Formulaires et manuels	\$ 230,00	\$ -
<b>Total CMGA Type Evaluation Program / Programme de classification</b>	<b>\$ 6 830,00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>GENERAL MANAGER / DIRECTRICE GÉNÉRALE</b>		
Salary / Salaire	\$ 18 345,60	\$ 11 618,88
GENERAL MANAGER - Other - DIRECTRICE GÉNÉRALE - Autre	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total GENERAL MANAGER / DIRECTRICE GÉNÉRALE</b>	<b>\$ 18 345,60</b>	<b>\$ 11 618,88</b>

<b>2020 Adopted Budget VS 2020 Actual continued...</b>	<b>2020 BUDGET</b>	<b>2020 ACTUAL</b>
<b>MEAT GOAT JOURNAL / REVUE</b>		
Ad. sales commissions / Comissions sur les ventes de publicité	\$ -	\$ -
Coordination of content / Coordination du contenu	\$ -	\$ -
MGJ Postage / Envoi postal	\$ 400,00	\$ 496,95
MGJ Printing / Impression	\$ 800,00	\$ 732,00
MGJ Shipping/Handling / Port et manutention	\$ 900,00	\$ 870,00
Production and artwork / Production et graphisme	\$ 1 600,00	\$ 1 500,00
Reimburse MGJ advertisers	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total MEAT GOAT JOURNAL / REVUE</b>	<b>\$ 3 700,00</b>	<b>\$ 3 598,95</b>
<b>MEMBERSHIP EXPENSES / DÉPENSES LIÉES À LA COTISATION</b>	\$ 500,00	\$ -
CLRC Levies / Charges SCEA	\$ 13 000,00	\$ 20 351,33
CLRC Miscellaneous / Divers SCEA	\$ 370,00	\$ 306,99
CLRC Credit Card Admin. / Admin. de Carte de crédit SCEA	\$ 1 100,00	\$ 1 152,98
CLRC DNA Sample Storage / Stockage d'Échantillon ADN SCEA	\$ 3 500,00	\$ 3 575,00
<b>Total MEMBERSHIP EXPENSES / DÉPENSES LIÉES À LA COTISATION</b>	<b>\$ 18 470,00</b>	<b>\$ 25 386,30</b>
<b>OFFICE EXPENSES / BUREAU</b>		
Accounting and Legal / Comptabilité et frais juridiques	\$ 2 600,00	\$ 2 550,00
Office supplies and equipment / Équipement et matériel de bureau	\$ 30,00	\$ 105,62
Postage / Poste	\$ 1 000,00	\$ 224,48
Telephone - Internet / Téléphone	\$ 542,00	\$ 587,66
Website / Site Internet	\$ 10 430,00	\$ 284,60
Quickbooks	\$ 600,00	\$ 600,00
Enterprise Registrar / Registraire entreprises	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total OFFICE EXPENSES / BUREAU</b>	<b>\$ 15 202,00</b>	<b>\$ 4 352,36</b>
<b>REGISTRATION EXPENSES / DÉPENSES LIÉES AUX ENREGISTREMENTS</b>		
DNA Testing / Testage ADN	\$ 700,00	\$ 2 939,56
<b>Total REGISTRATION EXPENSES / DÉPENSES LIÉES AUX ENREGISTREMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 700,00</b>	<b>\$ 2 939,56</b>
<b>UNCATEGORIZED EXPENSES / DÉPENSES DIVERSES</b>		
Bank Service Charges / Charge service bancaire	\$ 500,00	\$ 384,66
Cheque order / Commande de chèques	\$ -	\$ -
Interest Charges	\$ -	\$ -
CNGF Membership / Cotisation FCNC	\$ 937,00	\$ 937,50
PayPal Fees / Frais PayPal	\$ 3,00	\$ 19,79
NFACC Code developpement committee	\$ 600,00	\$ 600,00
<b>Total UNCATEGORIZED EXPENSES / DÉPENSES DIVERSES</b>	<b>\$ 2 040,00</b>	<b>\$ 1 941,95</b>
<b>YOUTH PROJECT / PROJET JEUNESSE</b>		
Youth Project expenses / Dépenses Projet jeunesse	\$ -	\$ -
Youth Project prize / Récompense Projet jeunesse	\$ 400,00	\$ 337,22
Youth Support Fund / Fond de support à la relève	\$ 500,00	\$ -
<b>Total YOUTH PROJECT / PROJET JEUNESSE</b>	<b>\$ 900,00</b>	<b>\$ 337,22</b>
<b>NATIONAL INTEGRATED GENETIC SERVICES PROJECT</b>	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Expense / Dépenses</b>	<b>\$ 76 859,60</b>	<b>\$ 59 240,99</b>
<b>Net Profit (Loss/perte)</b>	<b>(\$ 16 159,60)</b>	<b>(\$ 58,23)</b>

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## 2021 Budget

The 2021 budget was discussed and approved by the Board of Directors via an email motion adopted on February 17, 2021. It is presented on pages 13 and 14.

Factors influencing decisions surrounding the 2021 budget include:

- To raise funds for the youth project to be able to offer the Youth Fund again in 2021 and 2022.
- Recruiting more advertisers for the Canadian Meat Goat Journal.
- Manage the increase in CLRC fees for 2021 without losing registration revenue.
- Maintaining the CMGA programs and services offers in 2021 including Type Evaluation.
- Working towards a new website with an online payment and members' space options.

It is a deficit budget, but it allows the organization to be more visible, more accessible to its members, and to better promote the meat goat industry.

### Increase in CLRC unit cost for 2021

After regular annual costs increases from the CLRC, from 2018 to 2020, the CLRC increased his units cost again in January 2021 to \$7.65 per unit (they were at \$6.40 per unit when we applied a new fee structure in April 2019).

The CMGA board has revised the fees structure and an increase is planned for May 2021 just to keep the same level of revenue. You will find on page xx the comparison between the April 2019 fee schedule and the proposed fee schedule for 2021. The increase varies between \$1.50 to \$4.00 per item. The board has also worked on a new fee category for regular transfers and transfers within family. The new fee structure is presented on page15 and comparison is made with the 2019 fee structure.

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## The CLRC Unit Cost System

The unit cost system by which CLRC charges member breed associations for work performed was implemented in 1987 in response to requests from the members associations for charges based more accurately on the exact cost of providing the various services. An addition to the system was made in 1992 with the introduction of a volume factor.

The base "Unit" is defined in the CLRC by-laws as "the unit of business required for the production of a standard two-generation certificate of registration bearing only the information specifically outlined in section 29 of the Animal Pedigree Act as being the minimum information required on a certificate". This means a certificate for an animal identified by tattoo markings, official ear tags or electronic implants.

All other services are prorated to the standard unit, either as a fraction or a multiple thereof. The prorates are determined according to the amount of time required and the material needed to perform each type of transaction. Unit values are revised from time to time, as changes occur in the procedures involved in processing the various transactions.

And finally, in order to provide a discount to larger volume associations in recognition of the efficiencies created in processing larger volumes of the same type of work, there's also a multiplier factor that is used. In 2018, CMGA activities generated around 2,413 units. For the first 500 units, the volume factor used was 1.2 and for the next 1,500 units the factor was 1.1. At 8,000 units, the factor is 1.0.

The unit cost is set each year by the CLRC board of Directors at the budget meeting in October of the previous year.



# CANADIAN MEAT GOAT ASSOCIATION

Approved 2021 Budget

	2021 BUDGET
<b>Income / Revenu</b>	
YOUTH PROJECT / PROJET JEUNESSE	\$ 750,00
ADVERTISING / PUBLICITÉ	\$ 1 500,00
AGM Income / Revenu de l'AGA	\$ -
CMGA Type Evaluation Program / Programme de classification	\$ 7 000,00
	\$ 15 000,00
MEMBERSHIPS / COTISATIONS	
SHOW FEES / FRAIS D'EXPOSITIONS	\$ 620,00
REGISTRATIONS / ENREGISTREMENTS	\$ 42 000,00
SALES / VENTES	\$ 650,00
<b>Total Income / Revenu total</b>	<b>\$ 67 520,00</b>
<b>Expense / Dépenses</b>	
<b>ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION / PUBLICITÉ ET PROMOTION</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>AGM / AGA</b>	<b>\$ 300,00</b>
<b>CMGA Board Expenses / Dépenses du CA</b>	
Telecon Expenses / Conférences téléphoniques	\$ 192,00
Travel / Déplacements	\$ -
<b>Total CMGA Board Expenses / Dépenses du CA</b>	<b>\$ 192,00</b>
<b>CMGA SHOWS / EXPOS DE L'ACCB</b>	
Show Ribbons / Rubans	\$ 370,00
Judges Licensing Forums	\$ -
<b>Total CMGA SHOWS / EXPOS DE L'ACCB</b>	<b>\$ 370,00</b>
<b>CMGA Type Evaluation Program / Programme de classification</b>	
Evaluator Fees & Expenses / Frais et dépenses des évaluateurs	\$ 6 700,00
Forms & Handbook / Formulaires et manuels	\$ 300,00
<b>Total CMGA Type Evaluation Program / Programme de classification</b>	<b>\$ 7 000,00</b>
<b>GENERAL MANAGER / DIRECTRICE GÉNÉRALE</b>	
Salary / Salaire	\$ 18 346,56
GENERAL MANAGER - Other - DIRECTRICE GÉNÉRALE - Autre	\$ -
<b>Total GENERAL MANAGER / DIRECTRICE GÉNÉRALE</b>	<b>\$ 18 346,56</b>

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## CANADIAN MEAT GOAT ASSOCIATION

*2021 Approved Budget (continued)*

	2021 BUDGET
<b>MEAT GOAT JOURNAL / REVUE</b>	
MGJ Postage / Envoi postal	\$ 500,00
MGJ Printing / Impression	\$ 900,00
MGJ Shipping/Handling / Port et manutention	\$ 900,00
Production and artwork / Production et graphisme	\$ 1 600,00
Reimburse MGJ advertisers	\$ -
<b>Total MEAT GOAT JOURNAL / REVUE</b>	<b>\$ 3 900,00</b>
<b>MEMBERSHIP EXPENSES / DÉPENSES LIÉES À LA COTISATION</b>	<b>\$ 316,20</b>
CLRC Levies / Charges SCEA	\$ 18 000,00
CLRC Miscellaneous / Divers SCEA	\$ 310,00
CLRC Credit Card Admin. / Admin. de Carte de crédit SCEA	\$ 1 250,00
CLRC DNA Sample Storage / Stockage d'Échantillon ADN SCEA	\$ 3 500,00
<b>Total MEMBERSHIP EXPENSES / DÉPENSES LIÉES À LA COTISATION</b>	<b>\$ 23 376,20</b>
<b>OFFICE EXPENSES / BUREAU</b>	
Accounting and Legal / Comptabilité et frais juridiques	\$ 2 600,00
Office supplies and equipment / Équipement et matériel de bureau	\$ 100,00
Postage / Poste	\$ 1 000,00
Telephone - Internet / Téléphone	\$ 590,00
Website / Site Internet	\$ 10 500,00
Quickbooks	\$ 600,00
<b>Total OFFICE EXPENSES / BUREAU</b>	<b>\$ 15 390,00</b>
<b>REGISTRATION EXPENSES / DÉPENSES LIÉES AUX ENREGISTREMENTS</b>	
DNA Testing / Testage AND	\$ 2 000,00
<b>Total REGISTRATION EXPENSES / DÉPENSES LIÉES AUX ENREGISTREMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 2 000,00</b>
<b>UNCATEGORIZED EXPENSES / DÉPENSES DIVERSES</b>	
Bank Service Charges / Charge service bancaire	\$ 500,00
CNGF Membership / Cotisation FCNC	\$ 1 125,00
PayPal Fees / Frais PayPal	\$ 3,00
NFACC Code developpement committee	\$ -
<b>Total UNCATEGORIZED EXPENSES / DÉPENSES DIVERSES</b>	<b>\$ 1 628,00</b>
<b>YOUTH PROJECT / PROJET JEUNESSE</b>	
Youth Project expenses / Dépenses Projet jeunesse	\$ 500,00
Youth Project prize / Récompense Projet jeunesse	\$ -
Youth Support Fund / Fond de support à la relève	\$ 500,00
<b>Total YOUTH PROJECT / PROJET JEUNESSE</b>	<b>\$ 1 000,00</b>
<b>NATIONAL INTEGRATED GENETIC SERVICES PROJECT</b>	<b>\$ 2 500,00</b>
<b>Total Expense / Dépenses</b>	<b>\$ 76 002,76</b>
<b>Net Profit (Loss/perte)</b>	<b>(\$ 8 482,76 )</b>

FEE SCHEDULES COMPARISON FOR 2019-2021

	2019	2021
<b>MEMBERSHIP:</b>		
Active	75,00\$	Same
Associate	50,00\$	Same
Junior	20,00\$	Same
New Membership Package – includes 1st year membership fee, your choice of registered Herd Name and Tattoo letters (New Members Only)	100,00\$	Same
New <b>Junior</b> Membership Package – includes junior membership fee, your choice of registered Herd Name and Tattoo letters (New Members Only)	45,00\$	Same
<b>ENREGISTRMENTS :</b>		
Foreign or imported animals regardless of age	40,00\$	Same
<b>Purebred Animals (Boer and Kiko)</b>		
0 - 12 months of age, single registration submitted .....	32.00\$	\$35.50
0 - 12 months of age, 2-19 registrations submitted together .....	26.50\$	\$28.50
0 - 12 months of age, 20 or more registrations submitted together .....	20.00\$	\$22.00
Over 12 months of age .....	37.00\$	\$40.00
<b>Boer DNA Storage fee</b>	<b>5.00\$</b>	<b>Same</b>
<b>Kiko DNA random sampling and storage fee</b>	<b>13.50\$</b>	<b>Same</b>
<b>Percentage Animals (Boer and Kiko)</b>		
0 – 12 months of age, single registration submitted .....	22.00\$	\$25.50
0 – 12 months of age, 2 – 19 registrations submitted together.....	16.50\$	\$18.50
0 – 12 months of age, 20 or more registrations submitted together .....	12.00\$	\$14.00
Over 12 months of age .....	22.00\$	\$25.50
<b>TRANSFERS:</b>		
<b>Within 6 months of date of sale and <u>at time of registration</u></b>		
single animal.....	14.50\$	\$17.50
2-19 transfers submitted together.....	13.00\$	\$14.00
20-39 submitted together.....	12.50\$	\$13.50
40 or more transfers submitted together.....	n/a	<b>\$12.00</b>
<b>Within 6 months of date of sale (<u>animal already registered</u>)</b>		
single animal.....	22.00\$	\$26.00
2-19 transfers submitted together .....	17.00\$	\$18.50
20-39 submitted together.....	16.00\$	\$18.00
40 or more transfers submitted together.....	n/a	<b>\$16.00</b>
<b>After 6 months of date of sale .....</b>	<b>50.00\$</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>Transfer within a family, provided no financial consideration is involved</b>		
1 to 4 transfers submitted together.....	20.00\$	\$11.93
5 + transfers submitted together.....	12.50\$	\$7.80
Entry Fee (Added to the total) .....	n/a	\$10.94
<b>OTHER:</b>		
Duplicate certificate (without corrections)	16.00\$	\$17.50
Re-issued certificate (with corrections)	21.50\$	\$25.50
Registration of tattoo letters (Herd Identification)	21.00\$	\$25.00
Transfer of tattoo letters (Herd Identification)	21.00\$	\$25.00
Registration of Herd Name	21.00\$	\$25.00
Transfer of Herd Name	21.00\$	\$25.00
Registration of lease	21.00\$	\$25.00
DNA Testing fee (subject to change without notice)	40.00\$	\$40.00
Rejected Application Fee (charged on all applications returned due to errors, missing information, or short- age of funds)	13.00\$	\$15.00
RUSH SERVICE (in addition to regular transaction fee, must be included in remittance)	18.00\$	\$21.50
Send registration certificate to new owner (one fee charged for each different new owner)	3.00\$	\$3.00



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## 5.2 Production Committee

### Type Evaluation

Type Evaluation utilizes a linear appraisal system to “score” an animal (and its respective parts) against the “ideal” for the breed. Type Evaluation offers breeders an opportunity to have an objective evaluation performed on their animals by a trained CMGA classifier on farm.

Unfortunately, Type Evaluation did not run this year due to COVID-19. If you want to see the results of the classification of previous years, I invite you to go to our website in the “Programs” section.

We had meetings with the Canadian Goat Society (CGS) to see how we could work collaboratively on training new evaluators for the Type Evaluation program. They already have 2 evaluators in office who might be interested in taking the evaluator course for meat goats. This will provide more flexibility in terms of classification dates and frequency of evaluations.

The CMGA also needs to replace their actual evaluation tools that are outdated. We are looking into an application that could be downloaded on a tablet or a smartphone and where scores could be sent electronically to the office or to the CLRC to be included with the animal’s pedigree. Type Evaluation scores could also serve into index calculation in a genetic evaluation program as conformation has a significant influence on animals’ performance.

### GHIP 2020

The Goat Herd Improvement Program is free of charge to members and was first offered in 2012.

The program is a collaboration with Dr. Ken Andries from Kentucky State University, whereby producers can submit data and receive standardized on farm performance data on their does, kids, and bucks.

We had 6 farms participate in GHIP in 2020. These are partial results as 2 farms will be submitting their results later as their late 2020 kidding will be weaned in February. So, their results are not included in this AGM presentation. The full results will be posted on the CMGA website as soon as they are received by the office.

The 6 herds participating to GHIP in 2020 are:

<b>Deur Brais Farms</b>	<b>Fermette Harbour</b>	<b>Triple G Ranch</b>
<b>Stavelly Farms</b>	<b>Charlene Whattam</b>	<b>Chevriere Du Biquet</b>

In 2021, we will be looking at replacing the GHIP program by something else that will be run by someone else. Dr. Andries has changed his duties and department and he is really doing this because he is nice and devoted to the cause. We are looking into developing real genetic evaluation program for meat goats. I know that we have talked about it in the past, but the circumstances make us believe that the opportunity is there more than ever, plus it is in our strategic planning!



## 2020 GHIP DATA

The tables below contain data collected from our Canadian herd from 2015-2020. Please note that these are partial results.

### *Kid Data*

Group	# of head	BWT	WNAGE	WNWT	ADG	90D WT	ADJWWT
OVERALL	2725	7.82	92.44	41.71	0.46	41.46	46.66
2020	354	7.84	77.041	27.19	0.8	33.97	36.06
2019	474	7.76	89.16	43.86	0.41	44.58	51.09
2018	374	7.75	93.899	44.51	0.39	43.19	49.26
2017	270	7.69	90.83	46.16	0.44	46.94	53.84
2016	650	8.07	101.04	45.21	0.36	40.48	45.50
2015	603	7.81	102.67	43.33	0.36	39.60	44.21

### *Dam Data*

Group	# head	# born	BWT	# wean	WNWT	90DWT	ADJWW	DAMW T	ERATIO
OVER- ALL	1307	1.99	15.19	1.72	74.62	73.01	82.75	114.69	66.18
2020	167	1.95	15.01	1.31	50.87	53.85	60.05	112.76	37.03
2019	238	1.98	14.78	1.79	78.16	80.10	91.65	113.80	74.03
2018	160	2.08	16.02	1.80	77.94	75.30	85.65	115.36	65.40
2017	109	2.02	15.36	1.88	85.09	86.15	98.41	113.67	70.66
2016	280	2.00	15.44	1.81	81.34	73.61	83.17	124.72	71.91
2015	353	1.91	14.53	1.73	74.32	69.05	77.57	107.83	78.05

### *Sire Data*

Group	# head	# born	BWT	# weaned	WNWT	90DWT	ADJWWT
OVERALL	164	16.28	7.92	14.58	43.70	42.70	48.02
2020	16	22.53	8.13	21.54	34.24	36.1	39.12
2019	28	17.00	7.59	14.93	43.09	44.00	49.78
2018	29	12.28	7.88	10.62	47.76	45.78	51.04
2017	26	8.96	7.75	8.36	47.16	47.62	54.39
2016	33	20.75	7.99	16.69	46.18	43.14	48.80
2015	32	16.16	8.18	15.34	43.77	39.56	44.99

## Integration of Genetic Services

At the end of 2020, the Centre of Excellence in Ovine Production of Quebec (CEPOQ) and the Canadian Center for Swine Improvement (CCSI) started an initiative to develop the collaboration between 8 Canadian organisations toward the integration of genetic services. Among those organisations, there are 3 producers associations, the CMGA, the Canadian Goat Society (CGS) and the Canadian Sheep Breeders Association (CSBA), and 4 service providers, the CLRC, AgSights, the Center for Genetic Improvement of Livestock (CGIL), and the 2 project instigators, CEPOQ and CCSI.

The objective of this initiative is to pool needs and service offers in the field of genetic improvement and to see if we share some of those needs and if they could be met by joint projects.

It is important, as we move forward in the development and growth of the Canadian goat industry, to have access to performance recording software, to facilitate data exchanges between the breeders and the different databases, and to make use of new genetic evaluation services. Furthermore, in the long term, development done in the genetic services will benefit all sectors (sheep and goat, meat, and milk) which is important and needed for the development of a small sector as meat goat.

## 5.3 Show Committee

By Becky Vissers

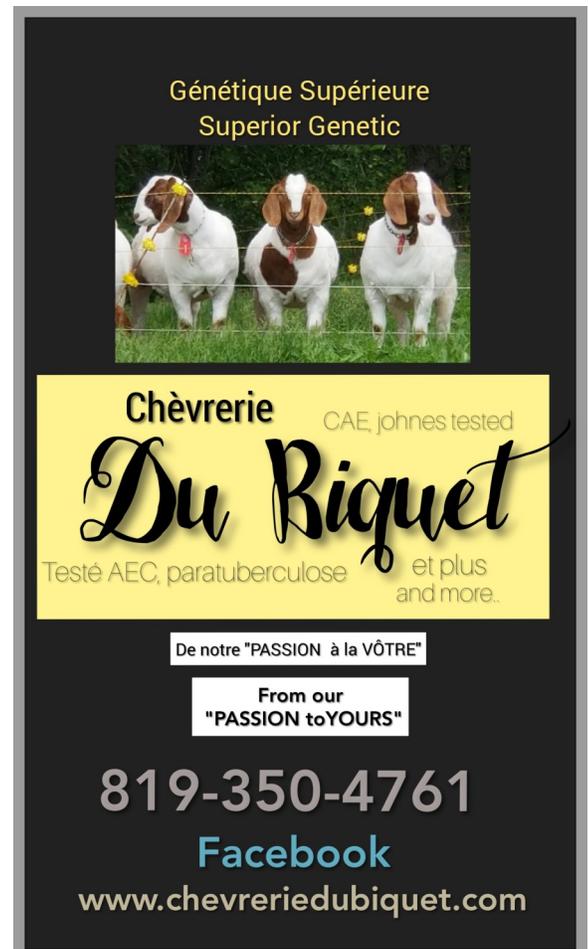
In a very uncertain world right now unfortunately CMGA sanctioned and open type meat goat shows did not happen in 2020. I am sure we all missed seeing each other, socializing, and just enjoying the fairs and expos. Planning the perfect breeding and raising those special kids must go on! We will see each other again soon!

Even though shows have not happened, we have been working on getting more certified judges on our list. There has been some interest from top experienced dairy goat judges to become certified by the CMGA for judging meat goats. At our yearly judges' conference call, it was discussed and agreed that training could be slightly different for those with experience in the ring and for passing our written test. We look forward to welcoming new judges to our association. We are also looking into setting up some sort of online training for anyone new to come aboard as well. Here is hoping we see each other out at some shows this summer and fall!

## 5.4 Youth Committee

By Jasmin Bautz

The CMGA Youth Committee encourages youth to gain knowledge, experiences, memories, and pride of their involvement and achievements in the meat goat industry. It is critical that we encourage and support the youth as they pave the exciting future. CMGA members under 18-years-old as of January 1, are considered youth. As a youth member myself, I confidently state that support and encouragement are critical for youth to successfully work and represent the industry.



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Despite the absence of shows in 2020, all youth can participate in the Youth Point Chase. Points can be accumulated at CMGA sanctioned events, open meat goat shows, and 4-H Achievement Days. The CMGA recognizes and awards the top youth in and around the ring. When shows do return, the effort and pride of youth in the show rings and industry are recognized and can be rewarded!

During 2020, the CMGA did not receive applicates for the Youth Support Fund. These results are unfortunate. However, it reiterates the great opportunity for all CMGA youth to apply. It is a wonderful opportunity to help develop the industry and must be utilized. Selected applicates receive up to \$500 towards their goals in the meat goat industry. All young CMGA members are encouraged to apply to receive the support.

Complete details of the Youth Point Chase, Youth Support Fund, or committee are available on the website or by contacting CMGA. We are so proud of the youth who are actively involved to raise the standards of the industry. Good job kids! We anticipate much excitement in the years to come.



## 5.5 Ad and Promo Committee

By Anny Martin

We chose not to go forward with a 2021 calendar edition. Even if we know that the project has potential, the situation with Covid and the suspension of all activities led us to believe that the sales would have been a challenge and so we decided to postpone to another year.

Our strategic planning for the following years will lead us to increase our communication with our members and the industry in general through the use of social media. The committee will have a goal to promote goat meat and give options to consumer: ex by using our web site to inform consumer where to find goat meat, how to cook it by sharing recipe through our Facebook page etc.

## 5.6 General Manager

One thing that we all know is that 2020 was a year of ups and downs. After a successful AGM in Ottawa in February, the whole country was shut down a few weeks later because of the COVID 19 pandemic. We were fortunate to be able to bring together some of our members from eastern Canada and to host speakers from Western Canada and even from New Zealand before we were all confined. I hope we will be able to organize another event of this extent again soon.

At this AGM, there were 2 amendments presented. One was proposing to remove the requirement for submission of DNA samples on all Purebred Boer animals to be registered and to remove the requirement for random full DNA parentage verification testing and it was defeated. The second one was proposing to change the CMGA Boer Breed Standards by using the same wording pertaining to colour mark on the body as in the Rules of eligibility for Boer goats from the CMGA by-laws. The latter has simply not been debated by forgetfulness and lack of time. It is put back on the agenda this year.

In 2020, the publication of the Journal continued with two editions in July and December. I had incredibly positive comments from our readers about the December edition. I am always happy to receive feedback about the Journal. I am

putting all my heart in this publication alone in my office and I always wonder if the readers will be pleased about it. If you have any suggestions for topics to cover in the journal, please let me know.

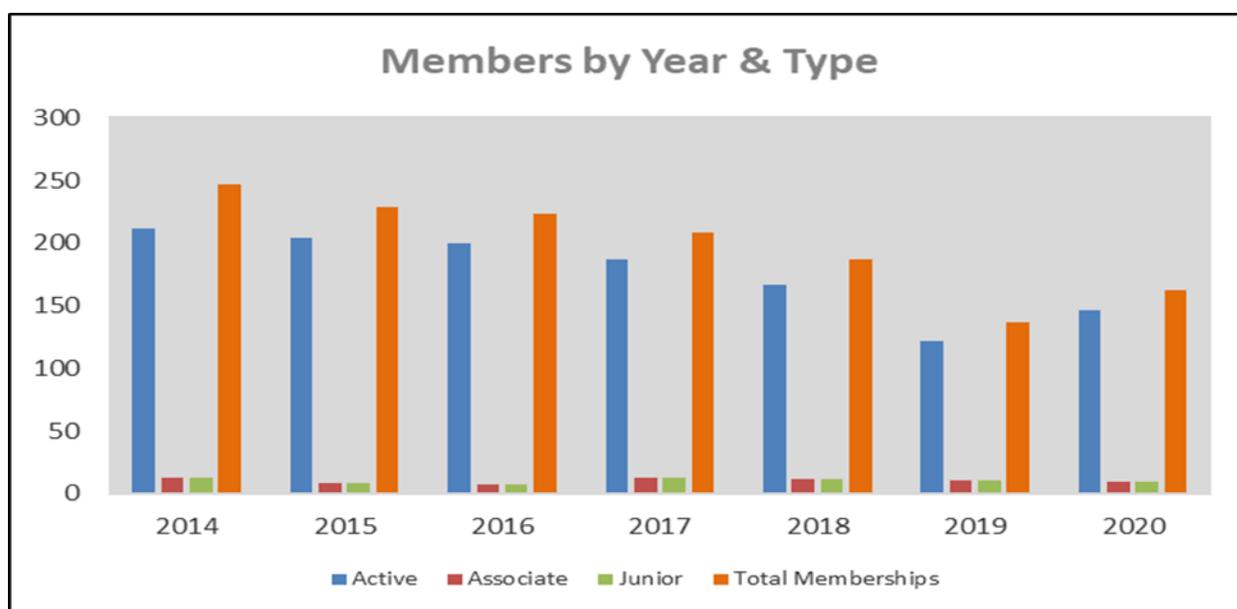
The association's continued to offer some programs in 2020. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the CMGA board decided not to run the Type Evaluation program to protect our evaluators and producers. We hope to be able to offer it in 2021, but it will not depend on our will, but rather on the state of the pandemic when we will arrive at Fall. The office received many requests for information about the Goat Herd Improvement Program (GHIP) which continued to be offered in 2020. The CMGA board is looking for an alternative to this program as it has been discussed in the Production Committee report.

Another program that was cancelled was the show program. Again, we hope that some shows will be able to run in 2021, but this one is out of our control. The Show Committee will investigate organising online events through the year if shows are cancelled.

### Membership

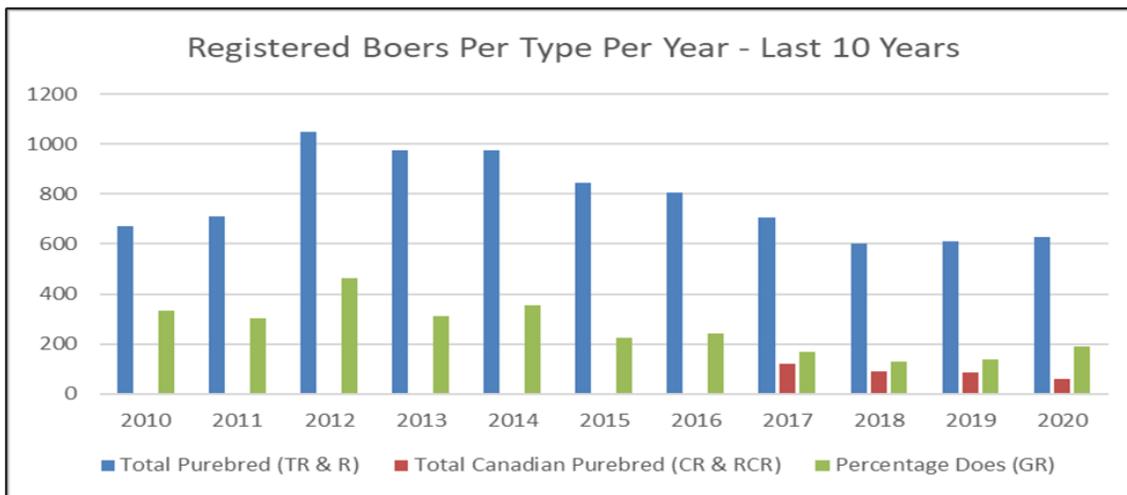
Surprisingly, the number of members increased in 2020. In 2019, we had 137 members and it increased to 162 in 2020. We also had a record number of 33 new members in 2020. At the end of the year, we sent membership renewal notices to 2019 members as well and it had great results seeing some of those members who did not renew their membership for 2020, coming back to CMGA for 2021. As we speak today, we have a little over 83 members for 2021 and I know that some 2020 members just forgot to renew for 2021. So far, it is looking promising for 2021.

The list of CMGA members is still available on the CMGA website. Updates are made as members renew their membership or as new members join the organization. Please ensure your contact information is up to date by contacting the office with any changes.

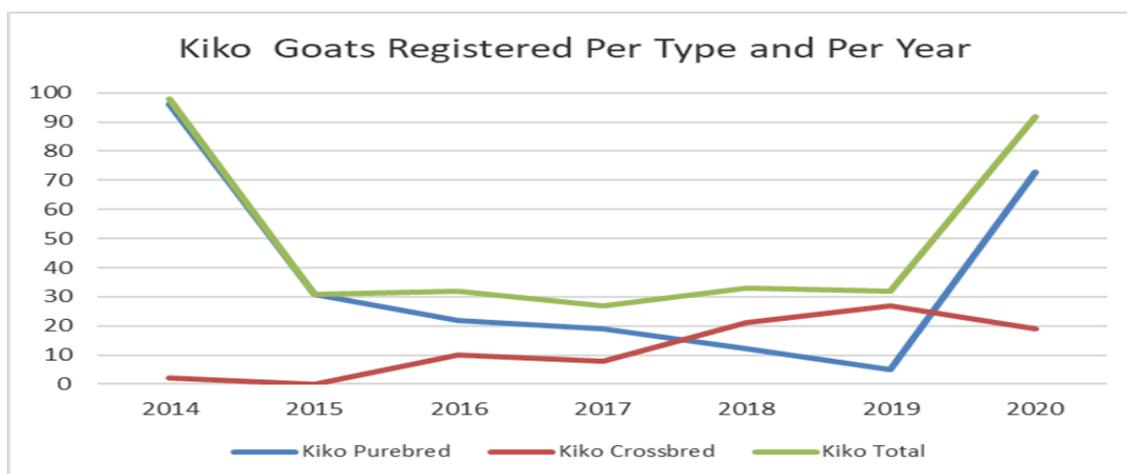


### Registrations

The number of purebreds, Canadian registered and percentage Boer goats' registrations increased in 2020. In the graph below, starting in 2017, you will be able to see the proportion of Purebred, Canadian registered and percentage that have been registered within the last 10 years Prior to 2017, the numbers of traditional purebreds (TR), registered purebreds (R) and Canadian purebred goats (CR & RCR) were compiled together.



The number of registered Kiko goats has jumped from 32 in 2019 to 92 in 2020 mainly due to the increase in registrations of purebred Kikos.



Transfers also increased by around 100 in 2020.

Registering your meat goats helps with developing your breeding programs especially for those who take part in Type Evaluation. You cannot manage what you do not measure. Remember registering your goats is a great way to maintain records and help build on your herd genetics. For those who do not raise purebred stock, you surely need a purebred buck occasionally to put on your commercial females. A buck with proven performances and an excellent conformation if you want it to breed your females efficiently and to give you fast growing kids. The CMGA GHIP and Type Evaluation programs will tell you what you need to know about that buck. A nice-looking buck does not always guarantee good performances.

Last year I devoted an entire paragraph of my report to the importance of registration, membership, and other revenues in keeping our organization alive and continuing to help the industry grow. I believe that some of you have read my report and I thank all those who have continued to support your association in 2020. The year 2021 promises to be busy meeting certain objectives of our strategic plan and the CMGA will need the support of its members more than ever.



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## Goal #6: to promote goat meat.

The strategic objectives under these goals are to advertise on the CMGA website who is selling goat meat amongst our members and to promote goat meat through different medias such as videos, recipe cards, goat meat cuts diagram to the consumers and other meat industry stakeholders

The 2020-2024 CMGA Strategic Plan has been finalised and a copy was included in the documents you could download along with the Annual Report and will be displayed on the CMGA website. The next step will be to implement the plan, i.e., to schedule the organisation of the different activities on the 4-years period. We cannot do everything at our first year! And then the last step will be to evaluate and monitor the plan to ensure that the objectives remain relevant and that the implementation activities are carried out.

Implementing the plan will be a big challenge and fortunately CMGA board members and staff are motivated to make things happen.

If members wish to participate to the organisation and implementation of some actions identified in the strategic plan, they are welcome to join the different committees that will take charge of these activities. The more members will get involved in their association, the more their association will meet their needs.

## 5.7 Report from the CNGF



### Office Report

- The CNGF Board held six board teleconferences in 2020: March, June, August, October and two in November.
- At the Board teleconference in October 2019 a motion was made to raise CNGF membership fees by 50% over two years in order to cover basic operational costs and help with the cost of the Code of Practice liaison position.
  - ◇ As a result the fees for 2020 were: \$187.50 for less than 20 members, \$375 for 20-30, \$562.50 for 30-50, \$750 for over 50 and \$937.50 for national organizations.
  - ◇ The fees for 2021 will be: \$225 for less than 20 members, \$450 for 20-30, \$675 for 30-50, \$900 for over 50 and \$1125 for national organizations.
- CNGF Executive Director Kimberly Sheppard completed her contract at the end of April.
- In June, Karen Kolkman was hired as the new part-time CNGF Executive Director. Karen is a former Canadian Meat Goat Association General Manager, Judge and Evaluator.
- The CNGF office and all bookkeeping has been transitioned to Annaheim, Saskatchewan and all written correspondence should be addressed to:

Canadian National Goat Federation  
PO Box 61  
636 Main Street  
Annaheim, SK S0K 0G0

### On Farm Food Safety

- Technical Review by CFIA of CNGF's On Farm Food Safety Program completed August 26, 2020 – no changes were made to the current CNGF OFFS Manual.

### Scrapie

- Scrapie Working Group – CNGF has designated two individuals to represent the association in this group (Kerry

O'Donnell and Geraldine Goodman). The group also includes representatives from the Canadian Sheep Federation, Canadian Sheep Breeders Association and the Canadian Livestock Genetics Association.

- The Scrapie Working Group held a Scrapie Flock Certification Program – National Standards Review teleconference on November 27, 2020 with both CNGF representatives participating Traceability.

### Traceability

- CNGF had two teleconferences with CFIA in 2020 – June 19 and August 28:
  - ◇ CNGF board reviewed and discussed extensively the proposed regulations presented by CFIA.
  - ◇ CFIA outlined the traceability regulation process:
    1. Regulations published in Canada Gazette 1 (CG1)
    2. Open for further comments from affected parties/stakeholders
    3. After comments received/implemented, final regulations published in Canada Gazette 2 (CG2) and no further changes will be possible
    4. One year after CG2 is published, regulations will come into force
  - ◇ Once the regulations are published in CG1 there will be more definitive timelines for implementation
  - ◇ CFIA underscored the importance of producers being aware that they will need to go to the CCIA website to purchase approved tags
  - ◇ CNGF highlighted the challenge of the goat industry in regards to being able to communicate regulations when they come into effect – during consultation and afterwards CFIA indicated they will have a communications blitz to try to inform everyone. They will also be preparing sector-specific interpreted guidance for the regulations in plain language that will be published along with the CG1 regulations.
  - ◇ COVID-19 has significantly delayed everything at CFIA – they are currently aiming for publication of the Proposed Regulatory Amendments to the Livestock Identification and Traceability Program in Canada Gazette 1 in Spring or Summer of 2021.
  - ◇ CNGF board members reiterated the frustrations of goat producers that the traceability process is still not complete – CFIA responded that they recognize the problems with fatigue in the goat industry because of delays in traceability regulations; they're moving the file forward as best they can.
- CNGF requested and received permission from the Canadian Meat Goat Association and the Canadian Goat Society to include their names in a letter of support sent to CFIA encouraging the publication of the Proposed Regulatory Amendments to the Livestock Identification and Traceability Program in the Canada Gazette, Part 1.
- CNGF was invited to attend an Industry Government Advisory Council (IGAC) meeting in Ottawa on March 5, 2020, but declined due to budgetary constraints.
- The Canadian Cattle Identification Agency (CCIA) is the Responsible Administrator for goat traceability tags in Canada. CNGF worked with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and CCIA to have tags available prior to regulations coming in to force. Further information on pre-approved tags available for purchase is on CCIA's website: <https://www.canadaid.ca/>



## Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Goats

- The Code of Practice outlines the minimum standards to provide responsible care for goats; the current Code was published in 2003.
- CNGF has been funding the Code of Practice liaison position (occupied by Amy Vingerhoeds) and actively soliciting sponsorships from industry partners and associations to assist with this funding
- A draft Code has been developed by the multi-stakeholder committee following the National Farm Animal Care Council (NFACC) Code development process and this draft is now available in both English and French for feedback from the public until February 22, 2021.
- Following the Public Comment Period, the Code Development Committee will consider all feedback, revise the draft as deemed necessary, and submit a final Code to NFACC. The revised Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Goats is slated to be released in the winter of 2021.
- More information on the Code of Practice: <https://www.nfacc.ca/codes-of-practice/goats>

## 5.8 CMGA Constitution

### In accordance with Article XII of the CMGA by-laws:

*“This constitution may be amended by a resolution at any Annual or Special Meeting of the Association by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present voting in person or by proxy as stipulated in ARTICLE IV (1) (b). Notice of all proposed amendments shall be given to the President and/or General Manager in writing ninety (90) days in advance of a General Meeting. All proposed amendments will then be subject to a by-law review process by the Constitution Committee which shall include, but shall not be limited to, consultations with Agriculture Canada. The Constitution Committee shall provide the Board with a report containing the results of its review and a copy of such report shall be sent to each of the said proposing members. Once reviewed and approved by the Board, in accordance with previously-established policy and procedures, amendments shall be included in the notice calling the General Meeting, otherwise the meeting shall have no power to deal with same. “*

### The Board of the CMGA proposes the following bylaw amendments for consideration at the 2021 AGM:

- 1. The first proposed amendment concerns the storage of DNA samples that will become the responsibility of the breeders. The samples will be stored at home and breeders will be required to produce DNA samples upon request of the registrar (CLRC) for use in the random DNA Parentage Verification Test.**
- 2. The second proposed amendment provides specific clarification upon registration of colored goats in relation to the different statuses as cited in the bylaws (e.g., R, RCR versus TR, CR).**

### Bylaw amendment 1: DNA Storage

#### Rationale:

- Considering that the meat goat sector is facing challenges regarding the cost of production;
- Considering that the storage costs for DNA samples at CLRC represent between 14% and 20% of the registration costs for the Boer goats and between 30% and 40% of the registration costs for the Kiko females;
- Considering that the storage costs are subject to increase according to the unilateral decisions of the CLRC;

- Considering that the DNA samples can be stored at home by the producers in an appropriate manner;
- Considering that home storage of DNA samples would enable online registration of the majority of Boer goats and Kiko females;

The CMGA board is proposing these changes to the CMGA Bylaws:

**ARTICLE XVIII, 1) GENERAL RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR BOER GOATS, paragraph d) shall read:**

As part of the requirements of animal registration with the Canadian Meat Goat Association, the owner of any goats being registered under any of the Purebred Boer classifications must submit a sample of DNA source material taken from the animal to be registered, of a source approved by the Board of the CMGA (e.g., blood or hair sample). The sample must be submitted to the Registrar at the same time as the application for registration, for storage and possible use in the random DNA Parentage Verification Test described below. The Registrar must receive the DNA sample before proceeding with any Purebred Boer registration.

**Proposed changes (in red)**

As part of the requirements of animal registration with the Canadian Meat Goat Association, the owner of any goat being registered under any of the Purebred Boer classifications must **retain** a sample of DNA source material taken from the animal to be registered, of a source approved by the Board of the CMGA (**hair sample**). **The sample must be retained and stored at home for possible use in the random DNA Parentage Verification Test described below. The sample must be produced upon request of the Registrar.**

**ARTICLE XVIII, 1) GENERAL RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR BOER GOATS, paragraph d), i), shall read:**

Beginning in 1999, the CMGA will complete a randomly selected full DNA parentage verification test on at least 1% of all Purebred animals being registered each year. This testing program will be administered as follows:

**DNA PARENTAGE VERIFICATION TEST FOR PUREBRED BOER GOATS**

Animals to be verified will be randomly selected by the Registrar and will consist of a minimum of 75% buck kids, and the remaining percentage for doe kids. The Registrar will inform the owner of the required test and the results. The Test will be completed as soon as possible by a lab appointed by the Board of Directors of the CMGA.

**Proposed changes (in red)**

**DNA PARENTAGE VERIFICATION TEST FOR PUREBRED BOER GOATS**

Animals to be verified will be randomly selected by the Registrar, and will consist of a minimum of **75% bucks**, and the remaining percentage for **does**. The Registrar will inform the owner of the required test and the results. The Test will be completed as soon as possible by a lab appointed by the Board of Directors of the CMGA. **The initial DNA test cost will be covered by the CMGA. Failure to produce a DNA sample when requested will void this animal's application.**

**ARTICLE XVIII, 1) GENERAL RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR BOER GOATS, paragraph d), iii), shall read:**

If the animal fails the test, no registration certificate can be issued. The owner shall be informed of the results and may submit another sample of DNA source material from the same animal for re-testing, at the owner's expense.

**Proposed change (in red)**

If the animal fails the test, no registration certificate **will** be issued. The owner shall be informed of the results and may submit another sample of DNA source material from the same animal for re-testing, at the owner's expense.

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**ARTICLE XVIII, 1) GENERAL RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR BOER GOATS, paragraph h), iii), shall read:**

In all cases of Purebred Registration, a sample of DNA source material from the animal must be placed on file and stored at a lab specified and approved by the Board of Directors of the Canadian Meat Goat Association, and pass the random DNA Parentage Verification test as set out in these Bylaws, if selected for testing and,

**Proposed changes (in red)**

In all cases of Purebred Registration, a sample of DNA source material from the animal must be **stored at home and supplied upon request from the registrar to** a lab specified and approved by the Board of Directors of the Canadian Meat Goat Association, and pass the random DNA Parentage Verification test as set out in these Bylaws, if selected for testing and,

**ARTICLE XVIII, 1) GENERAL RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR BOER GOATS, paragraph i), viii), shall read:**

In all cases of purebred registration, a sample of DNA source material from the animal must be placed on file and stored at a lab specified and approved by the Board of Directors of the Canadian Meat Goat Association and pass the random DNA Parentage Verification test as set out in these Bylaws, if selected for testing.

**Proposed change (in red)**

In all cases of purebred registration, a sample of DNA source material from the animal must be **stored at home and supplied upon request from the registrar to** a lab specified and approved by the Board of Directors of the Canadian Meat Goat Association and pass the random DNA Parentage Verification test as set out in these Bylaws, if selected for testing.

**ARTICLE XVIII, 2) GENERAL RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR KIKO GOATS, paragraph e), shall read:**

As part of the requirements of animal registration with the Canadian Meat Goat Association, the owner of any goats being registered under either of the Purebred Kiko classifications must submit a sample of DNA source material taken from the animal to be registered, of a source approved by the Board of the CMGA (e.g., blood or hair sample). All males must successfully pass DNA parentage analysis before proceeding with any New Zealand Purebred Kiko (NZP) or Domestic Purebred Kiko (DP) buck registration. For Purebred Kiko (NZP or DP) females, the DNA sample must be submitted to the Registrar at the same time as the application for registration, for storage and possible use in the random DNA Parentage Verification Test described below. The Registrar must receive the DNA sample before proceeding with any Purebred Kiko registration.

**Proposed change (in red)**

As part of the requirements of animal registration with the Canadian Meat Goat Association, the owner of any goats being registered under either of the Purebred Kiko classifications must take a sample of DNA source material from the animal to be registered, of a source approved by the Board of the CMGA (**hair sample**). All males must successfully pass DNA parentage analysis before proceeding with any New Zealand Purebred Kiko (NZP) or Domestic Purebred Kiko (DP) buck registration. For Purebred Kiko (NZP or DP) females, the DNA sample **must be stored at breeder's home and submitted to the Registrar upon request** for use in the random DNA Parentage Verification Test described below. **The Registrar must receive the DNA sample before proceeding further with the registration of the animal selected.**

**ARTICLE XVIII, 2) GENERAL RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR KIKO GOATS, paragraph g) REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION, i) RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR PUREBRED KIKOS, d), shall read:**

In all cases of Purebred Registration, a sample of DNA source material from the animal must be placed on file and stored at a lab specified and approved by the Board of Directors of the Canadian Meat Goat Association, and pass the DNA Parentage Verification test as set out in these Bylaws, and,

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### Proposed change (in red)

In all cases of Purebred Registration, a sample of DNA source material from the animal must be **stored at breeder's home and supplied to the registrar upon request to** a lab specified and approved by the Board of Directors of the Canadian Meat Goat Association, and pass the DNA Parentage Verification test as set out in these Bylaws, and

### **ARTICLE XVIII, 2) GENERAL RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR KIKO GOATS, paragraph g) REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION, ii) RULES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR CROSSBRED KIKOS, g), shall read:**

In all cases of Purebred Registration, a sample of DNA source material from the animal must be placed on file and stored at a lab specified and approved by the Board of Directors of the Canadian Meat Goat Association and pass the DNA Parentage Verification test as set out in these Bylaws.

### Proposed change (in red)

In all cases of Purebred Registration, a sample of DNA source material from the animal must be **stored at breeder's home and supplied to the registrar upon request to** a lab specified and approved by the Board of Directors of the Canadian Meat Goat Association and pass the DNA Parentage Verification test as set out in these Bylaws.

### **Bylaw amendment 2: registration of colored goats**

Rationale:

- Considering the higher number of colored animals being registered now.
- Considering that we found that several animals had not been registered correctly.
- Considering that the actual wording in the bylaws can be confusing for new members.
- Considering that nothing about quality or status is to be taken away from an animal registered as a recorded purebred or a Canadian recorded purebred.
- Considering that breeders who breed for colored animals and buyers who are looking for colored animals will look for the R at the beginning of the registration number when registering or purchasing breeding stock.

The CMGA board feel this clarification is needed and is proposing the following amendments to make it easier for the membership to know what category their animal will fall into.

### **ARTICLE XVIII, 1, g, ii), shall read:**

Traditional Boer – A Traditional Boer is required to have a white body; reddish brown on both sides of the head which is a minimum of 10cm; ears must be at least 75% reddish brown; reddish brown may extend as far as the withers and brisket; body may have a reddish-brown mark, but it cannot exceed 10% of area.

### Proposed change (in red)

Traditional Boer **(TR)** – A Traditional Boer is required to have a white body; reddish brown on both sides of the head which is a minimum of 10cm; ears must be at least 75% reddish brown; reddish brown may extend as far as the withers and brisket; body may have a reddish-brown mark, but it cannot exceed 10% of area. **White blaze, stripe, or star patterns on the front of the face on a solid reddish brown head pattern are allowed.**

**Any other coat patterns including, dapple coat, tiger strips, paint spots larger than 10% of the body, black head, black body, full red body will be registered as Recorded Purebred (R) or as Recorded Canadian Purebred (RCR). Any dapple coloring on the head will also be considered for the R/RCR registration.**

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## 5.9 CMGA Breed Standards

In accordance with Article XVIII, paragraph 7, of the CMGA by-laws:

*“The Breed Standards of this Association shall be developed outside these Bylaws and must be ratified and/or amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership at any general meeting or mail-in vote.”*

The Board of the CMGA proposes the following Breed Standards amendment for consideration at the 2021 AGM:

**Rationale:** in order to standardize the language used to describe colouring to grant the Traditional (TR) status to a Boer goat at registration and to avoid any confusion regarding the Traditional (TR) status of registered Boer goats, the CMGA board proposes to change the CMGA Boer Breed Standards by using the same wording pertaining to colour mark on the body as in the Rules of eligibility for Boer goats from the CMGA by-laws.

The Rules of Eligibility regarding colouring of TR Boer goat from the CMGA by-laws read as following:

**Article XVIII, paragraph g), ii):**

*“Traditional Boer – A Traditional Boer is required to have a white body; reddish brown on both sides of the head which is a minimum of 10cm; ears must be at least 75% reddish brown; reddish brown may extend as far as the withers and brisket; body may have a reddish-brown mark, **but it cannot exceed 10% of area.**”*

The Boer Breed Standards regarding colouring read as following:

*“Traditional Boer goat colouration consists of a white body with reddish brown on both sides of the head, the color patch being a minimum of 10 cm (about 4 inches) across in any direction. Ears must be 75% reddish brown. Reddish brown may extend as far as the withers and brisket. The body may have a reddish-brown mark **not exceeding 15 cm (about 6 inches) across in any direction.** Hairless areas must be 75% pigmented.”*

**Proposed change to CMGA Boer Breed Standards (in bold):**

*“Traditional Boer goat colouration consists of a white body with reddish brown on both sides of the head, the color patch being a minimum of 10 cm (about 4 inches) across in any direction. Ears must be 75% reddish brown. Reddish brown may extend as far as the withers and brisket. The body may have a reddish-brown mark, **but it cannot exceed 10% of area.** Hairless areas must be 75% pigmented.”*

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