

Canaryseed News

News from the Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan (CDCS)
& the Canaryseed Association of Canada (CAC)



Message from the Chair

by Glenn Byrnes

Crop Production Week 2014 features two centres of activity - the Saskatoon Inn and TCU Place - in addition to the trade show.

As in past years, the annual information and business meeting for the Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan will take place on the Monday afternoon of Crop Production Week (January 13) at the Saskatoon Inn. See the full agenda on page ?? of this newsletter.

Canaryseed could have joined the groups holding their event (CropSphere) at TCU Place, but we decided to stay with the location and format used in the past.

This is our main information event for the year and we wanted to be able to devote enough time to

topics of specific interest to canaryseed growers and the canaryseed industry. We also believe that we can get better attendance at the brief Annual General Meeting by having it surrounded by agronomic and marketing presentations.

With the TCU location, there are concerns with parking. As well, downtown hotels tend to cost a bit more. The Saskatoon Inn has long needed an upgrade, but hotel representatives say major renovations are scheduled for 2014.

CropSphere is charging a registration fee to help cover the cost of bringing in some major presenters. There is no charge to attend the Canaryseed meeting and you just register at the door. The speakers are all involved in the Canaryseed industry, so our costs are minimal.

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With the Canaryseed meeting on Monday afternoon, producers are still able to attend CropSphere at TCU on Tuesday and Wednesday, then the other meetings back at the Saskatoon Inn on Thursday and Friday.

Let us know what you think, particularly if you are able to attend Crop Production Week/CropSphere in January.

- Should Canaryseed continue to hold its meeting at the Saskatoon Inn?
- Should we ask to join the CropSphere portion of Crop Production Week at TCU Place?
- All the groups have teamed up to hold meetings in Saskatoon during one week in January. Does this work for you or would you rather have Canaryseed as a stand-alone meeting at some other time and location?

We look forward to seeing you in January and we look forward to your feedback on how the annual Canaryseed meeting should be handled in future years. Please share your comments by talking to one of your directors and/or sending an email to the executive director – kevin@hursh.ca

All the best for 2014.



CDC Calvi - A New Canaryseed Variety

by Kevin Hursh

Seed stock will be increased for a new glabrous (hairless) canaryseed variety in 2014. Certified seed should start to become available for the 2015 growing season.

Developed by Dr. Pierre Hucl of the University of Saskatchewan's Crop Development Centre, the new variety is called CDC Calvi. Calvi, explains Hucl, is a town on the island of Corsica, off the coast of France, where canaryseed grows wild. His earlier variety, CDC Bastia, is also named for a town on Corsica.

CDC Calvi will be distributed by Canterra Seeds. An application is being made for Plant Breeders Rights, which will enable producers to save seed for their own use but not sell seed to other growers.

CDC Calvi features higher yield than the other hairless varieties, CDC Togo and CDC Bastia, while not quite reaching the yields attainable with the itchy varieties such as Keet.

Hucl believes the yield gap is caused by the glabrous varieties being shorter maturity. By selecting for slightly longer maturity, he hopes to eventually eliminate the yield difference.

Hucl will talk about his breeding program as well as other research work on canaryseed at the CDCS annual meeting in January.

New Director Acclaimed

Lucas Sutherland has been acclaimed to the board of directors for the Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan. Lucas was the only nomination received for the three director positions that were open.

Lucas is a 4th generation farmer whose farm is located near Eston in West Central Saskatchewan. Being born and raised on a family farm, he has been farming at some level of commitment for his whole life. Educationally, he has earned a degree in Engineering from the University of Saskatchewan. After graduating, he split time between farming and a career in the oil industry. In 2011, he committed his full time to farming after deciding it was his true passion.



Lucas farms with his father and brother growing primarily Durum, Lentils, Canola, and Canaryseed. He looks forward to his new role as a Director on the Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan and hopes his skill set is a positive contribution.

Three directors, Glenn Byrnes, Vince Walker and Barbara Podhorodeski have reached the end of their terms and will be leaving the board. Glenn and Vince have been with the Commission since its inception and were instrumental in its establishment.

Canaryseed Annual General Meeting

Crop Production Week 2014 happening in Saskatoon from January 11 to 18, is seeing some significant format and venue changes. The popular week long meeting schedule is now split between the Saskatoon Inn and TCU Place.

The annual general meeting for the Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan will continue to be the Monday afternoon (January 13) of Crop Production Week at the Saskatoon Inn. Here is our meeting agenda:

Monday January 13, 2014
Saskatoon Inn, Courtyard Room
No charge to attend

- 12:30 p.m. **Registration**
- 1:00 p.m. **Opening remarks and announcements**
- Greetings from Saskatchewan's Minister of Agriculture**
Honorable Lyle Stewart
- 1:15 p.m. **Agronomic Research Update**
Bill May, AAFC, Indian Head
- 1:45 p.m. **Breeding Progress and Phenology Research**
Pierre Hucl, Crop Development Centre, U of S
- 2:15 p.m. **Canaryseed Diseases and Fungicides**
Randy Kutcher, Crop Development Centre, U of S
- 2:45 p.m. **CDCS Annual Business Meeting**
- 3:15 p.m. **Coffee**
- 3:45 p.m. **Canaryseed Market Outlook**
Elyce Simpson, Simpson Seeds Inc.
- Adjournment**
- 4:15 p.m. **Canaryseed Association of Canada Annual Meeting**

Crop Production Week

The Crop Production Week Special Session, a presentation of all the member organizations, is moving from Wednesday evening to Thursday evening starting at 7:00 at the Saskatoon Inn. The topic this year is *Managing Farm Costs*. There's no cost to attend and everyone is welcome. The speakers are Allyn Tastad from the Saskatoon accounting firm Hounjet Tastad Harpham and Doug Faller, the Policy Analyst for the Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan.

Four of the Crop Week member organizations, Sask Pulse Growers, SaskCanola, SaskFlax and the Saskatchewan Oat Development Commission, are moving to TCU Place for an event called CropSphere that includes plenary sessions, concurrent sessions and annual meetings for each of the organizations. The new Saskatchewan Wheat and Barley Commissions will also hold annual meetings at CropSphere.

Here's an overview of the Crop Week agenda

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| Saturday January 11 | Sask Ag Grads at TCU Place |
| Monday January 13 | Saskatchewan Winter Cereals Development Commission, Saskatoon Inn
Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon Inn |
| Tuesday January 14 | CropSphere (Pulse, Canola, Flax and Oats), TCU Place |
| Wednesday January 15 | CropSphere (Pulse, Canola, Flax and Oats), TCU Place
Saskatchewan Seed Growers Association, Saskatoon Inn
Sask Mustard 10th Anniversary Reception, Saskatoon Inn |
| Thursday January 16 | Saskatchewan Seed Growers Association
Saskatchewan Soil Conservation Association,
Saskatchewan Mustard Development Commission
Crop Production Week Special Session, Saskatoon Inn |
| Friday January 17 | CWB, Agri-Arm and Saskatchewan Fruit Growers, Saskatoon Inn |
| Saturday January 18 | Saskatchewan Fruit Growers, Saskatoon Inn |

Each organization is responsible for its own meeting agenda and registration.

Of course, many producers will also be in the city for the Western Canadian Crop Production Show at Prairieland Park which starts Monday and runs through Thursday. The easiest way to link to all the events of the week is through cropweek.com.

Top Canaryseed Export Destinations

By Kevin Hursh

From January to the end of October 2013, here are the top ten customers for Canadian canaryseed expressed in millions of Canadian dollars:

Mexico	-	26.3
EU 28	-	25.0
Colombia	-	7.8
United States	-	7.0
Brazil	-	6.4
Indonesia	-	3.1
Peru	-	2.2
Chile	-	1.6
Algeria	-	1.4
Turkey	-	1.1

January to October export levels were well ahead of the same time period in 2012, but well behind the export pace of 2011. A lot more business is being done with Brazil and Indonesia than in previous years.

Within the EU 28, the biggest buyer is Belgium, followed by Spain, Italy and Portugal. Interestingly, Belgium is also the third largest exporter of canaryseed. (Canada is number one and Argentina is number two.) Belgium produces little or no canaryseed, but is a re-exporter of Canadian product.

If you examine canaryseed exports from Saskatchewan, Belgium appears to have evaporated as an export destination. A closer look at the stats reveals that most of the canaryseed going to Belgium is through Manitoba. (Almost all of the Canada's canaryseed comes from Saskatchewan.)

While Canada (Saskatchewan) is the world's largest canaryseed producer, Thailand is in the number two position. However, Thailand neither exports nor imports very much indicating that their production is closely matched to domestic consumption.

The number three world producer of canaryseed is Argentina. Statistics from 2011 show them at roughly 20 percent of Canadian production.

From 2010 to 2012, the value of Argentina's canaryseed exports ranged from a low of roughly \$6 million to a high of \$17 million. Over those three years, the value of Canadian canaryseed exports was \$103 million, \$134 million and \$92 million. Canadian exports for 2013 would seem to be on track to hit the \$110 million range.

Since 1995, Canadian canaryseed exports have ranged from a low of 109,000 tonnes in 1996 to a high of 187,000 tonnes in 2006. Exports in 2012 were the second lowest of that time frame at roughly 121,000 tonnes. Exports for 2013 would appear to be on track at roughly 140,000 tonnes.

Unlike acreage, production and carryover numbers that are based on surveys, export data is much more empirical and should be quite accurate.

Statistics provided by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture, Statistics Canada and the World Trade Atlas.

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To coordinate research and market use expansion for the advancement of the canaryseed industry for the benefit of growers and other stakeholders.

The Canaryseed Development Commission of Saskatchewan was established in 2006 under the Agri-Food Act, 2004

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