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ROYAL AGRICULTURAL WINTER FAIR AND ONTARIO GOAT LAUNCH FUTURITY CLASS

Ontario Goat (OG) together with the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair (RAWF) are excited to announce the creation of the Ontario Goat Futurity. The RAWF Goat Show Committee has developed a 2 year old dairy goat futurity class that will be implemented this year with the first futurity show being held at the 2012 Royal Dairy Goat Show.

This new class aims to challenge, select and nominate dairy goat does that will develop into the best 2 year olds. The base date for the futurity class is November 1st. The class will be sponsored and managed by OG.

"Ontario Goat is pleased to be the official sponsor of the Ontario Goat Futurity Class," stated OG President Tobin Schlegel. "The Ontario Goat Futurity is another important tool to help producers identify good genetic stock in their herds in a fun and exciting format but at the same time garnering recognition for the goat industry," he added.

This 2012 show is open to Canadian bred and owned Alpine, La Mancha, Nubian, Saanen, Toggenburg and Recorded Grades. Each breed will be shown separately. Prize money awarded will vary depending on the number of entries received for each breed class.

"The Royal Goat Show Committee is excited to introduce the 2012 Futurity Class," stated RAWF Goat Show committee member and OG Board member Kevin Weaver. "We hope this new class will bring renewed energy and enthusiasm to the Royal Dairy Goat Show as well as showcase the excellent dairy goat genetics in Canada."

"The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair is thrilled to host the Ontario Goat Futurity Class as part of our Goat Show programming," stated Kathryn Kyle, Agriculture Manager at the RAWF. "We are confident that this new class will enhance the steady growth of our Dairy Goat Show, and we are very pleased to partner with Ontario Goat in this endeavor."

Entry fees will be collected over a series of 3 payments of \$5, \$10, and \$15 due October 1st 2010, 2011, and 2012, respectively. For more information and for a copy of the entry form, please visit the OG website at www.ogba.ca.

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