



Canadian Cattlemen's Association

News Release

Cattlemen's Young Leaders announces 2013 Mentorship Recipients

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Calgary, AB – The Cattlemen's Young Leaders (CYL) development program is pleased to announce its 2013 national mentorship recipients. The 16 recipients were selected following the final selection round at the CYL Spring Forum in Ottawa during the Canadian Cattlemen's Association (CCA) Annual Meeting. A total of 22 semi-finalists vied for a spot in the national youth initiative of the CCA.

The 2013 CYL mentorship recipients are:

British Columbia: Cuyler Huffman

Alberta: Amanda Elzinga, Becky Page, Claire Windeyer, Daniel Doerksen, Debra Murphy, Shelby Froland

Saskatchewan: Carla Schmitt, Kelcy Elford, Lance Leachman

Manitoba: Andrea Bertholet, Austen Anderson, Carolynne Kehler

Ontario: Noa Mullin

New Brunswick: Meghan Black

Nova Scotia: Daniel Muir

CCA director and CYL committee member Rob Somerville said the level of interest industry youth continue to show in the mentorship program is heartening. "The CYL program offers unique industry experiences and the opportunity to learn from seasoned mentors, teachings that these future leaders will ultimately draw on years from now to help shape the future of Canada's cattle industry," Somerville said.

He congratulated the 2013 recipients, who will be paired with a mentor for an eight month mentorship. The CYL Development Program provides industry-specific training and mentorship opportunities to young producers. CYL participants have the opportunity to explore a potential career choice or involvement with a provincial/national producer organization, while gaining the expertise and business acumen necessary to sustain the cattle industry into the future.

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