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Convention Program 2006



*Welcome to the Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association (WCWGA) Annual Convention. We are pleased to celebrate over 35 years of providing innovative, farmer-driven solutions. The theme for this year's convention is "Solutions for Profitable Agriculture." We're glad you decided to join us and welcome your participation.*

### **Wednesday March 15, 2006**

- 11:00 am Registration (Student registrations sponsored by **Louis Dreyfus Canada**)
- 1:00 pm *Welcome*, Geoffrey Hewson, Director, WCWGA and Conference Chair
- 1:10 pm *Greetings and Reflections from the Past Chair*, Randy Hoback, Assistant to Parliamentary Secretary David Anderson, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
- 1:30 pm *Canadian and Global Trends in Agriculture*, Brian Hayward, CEO, Agricore United
- 2:15 pm *Resolutions and Nominations Process*, Joseph Janzen, Director, WCWGA
- 2:30 pm Refreshment Break, sponsored by **Agrium Inc.**
- 3:00 pm *Are We Going to get a Good Trade Deal?* Todd Hunter, Acting Deputy Director, Multilateral Trade Policy Division, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Patty Townsend, Executive Director, Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance, and Rolf Penner, Agricultural Policy Fellow, Frontier Centre for Public Policy
- 4:30 pm *Resolutions*, Joseph Janzen, Director, WCWGA
- 5:00 pm Adjournment
- 6:30 pm President's Reception and Banquet, sponsored by **John Deere Ltd.**, with entertainment by Doug Arden, sponsored by **Bayer Crop Science**, and music by Tommy John Ehman

### **Thursday March 16, 2006**

- 7:00 am Continental Breakfast (Thursday Morning Session sponsored by **BMO Financial Group**)
- 8:00 am *Market Outlook*, Mike Jubinville, Pro Farmer Canada
- 8:45 am *Getting Our Grain to Market*, Mark Hemmes, President, Quorum Corporation, and Lorne Keller, Vice President, Marketing & Development, Prince Rupert Port Authority
- 10:15 am Refreshment Break, sponsored by **DuPont Canada Ag Products**
- 10:45 am *Grain Grading and Quality Assurance*, Terry Harasym, Assistant Chief Commissioner, Canadian Grain Commission, Chris Van Natto, Market Development Manager, DuPont Acurum, and Greg Lore, Manager, Alberta Operations, Business Development, SGS Canada Inc.

### **Thursday March 16, 2006, continued**

- 12:00 Noon Buffet Lunch, sponsored by **Saskatchewan Wheat Pool** and Luncheon Presentation, *A New Canadian Agricultural Policy*, Gerry Ritz, Member of Parliament for Battlefords-Lloydminster (Thursday Afternoon Session sponsored by **Western Producer Publications**)
- 1:30 pm *Global Biotech Crop Production: Are Wheat Growers Missing Out?* Dr. Colin Carter, Professor, University of California, Davis
- 2:15 pm *Resolutions*, Joseph Janzen, Director, WCWGA
- 2:30 pm Refreshment Break
- 3:00 pm *The Future Role and Structure of the Canadian Wheat Board*, Dr. Hartley Furtan, Professor, College of Agriculture, University of Saskatchewan and Cheryl Jolly-Nagel, President, WCWGA
- 4:15 pm *Resolutions*, Joseph Janzen, Director, WCWGA
- 4:45 pm Adjournment
- 6:00 pm Evening Banquet and Program, dinner sponsored by **Agricore United** and co-sponsored by **Dow AgroSciences Canada Inc.**, entertainment by Don't Mind Us, sponsored by **Syngenta Crop Protection Canada, Inc.**

### **Friday March 17, 2006**

- 7:30 am Continental Breakfast, sponsored by **James Richardson International**, and Demonstration by DuPont Acurum (Friday Morning Session sponsored by **BASF Canada, Inc.**)
- 8:30 am *Research and Development in the Australian Grains Industry*, Terry Enright, Chairman, Grains Research and Development Corporation, Australia
- 9:15 am *Resolutions*, Joseph Janzen, Director, WCWGA
- 9:30 am Refreshment Break
- 10:00 am *Bio-Energy Opportunities*, Vince Chin, General Manager, Supply & Logistics, Midstream/Refined Products, Husky Energy Inc. and Mike Bryan, CEO, BBI Biofuels Canada
- 11:15 am *Resolutions*, Joseph Janzen, Director, WCWGA
- 11:30 am *Introducing the 2006-2007 WCWGA Board of Directors*, Ron Hamner, WCWGA Member
- 12:00 Noon Buffet Lunch, sponsored by **CN Rail**
- 1:00 pm *The Australian Outlook*, Neil Wandel, Deputy Chairman, Co-operative Bulk Handling Ltd., sponsored by **Monsanto Canada Inc.**
- 2:15 pm *Concluding Remarks*, Cheryl Jolly-Nagel, President, WCWGA
- 2:45 pm WCWGA 36th Annual General Meeting