



Farm Animal Council of Saskatchewan Inc.

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Demonstrations Teach Cattle and Horse Handling Techniques

Livestock producers and horse enthusiasts of all ages appreciated the April 30th cattle and horse handling demonstrations organized by the Farm Animal Council of Saskatchewan (FACS).

“For its 2011 Stockmanship Clinic, FACS successfully combined two valuable topics by presenting internationally recognized cattle handling expert Curt Pate and Saskatchewan’s own Dwight Dokken, who has 30 plus years experience as a horse trainer,” says Adele Buettner, FACS Executive Director.

Cattle and horse handlers from across Saskatchewan interested in gaining practical information about safely handling livestock attended the event at Prairieland Park Ag Centre in Saskatoon.

Curt, a Montana-based rancher, collaborates with the National Cattlemen’s Beef Association for low-stress cattle handling presentations across the United States. This is the third time FACS has invited Curt to share his knowledge in Saskatchewan.

Dwight is a new FACS presenter with an impressive resume. In addition to extensive horse training experience, Dwight has conducted clinics for numerous years; been a pasture rider for 15 years; and competed in various rodeo events.

Like other FACS activities, the Stockmanship Clinic provides education about responsible farm animal care and handling.

FACS appreciates support from the following sponsors for this full day of stockmanship training: Intervet Schering-Plough Animal Health; Saskatchewan Cattlemen’s Association; Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture; The Western Producer; and Westway Feed Products Inc.

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FACS, which was established in 1992, is recognized as the only member-based, industry-led non-profit organization committed to advancing responsible care of livestock and poultry in Saskatchewan. In this role, FACS is respected for consistently: providing educational opportunities for producers, ranchers and others involved in animal agriculture; and disseminating information to the public about ways livestock and poultry producers assure quality and safety in food products.