



Breaking Dormancy

The Newsletter of the Commercial Seed Analysts Association of Canada

Special Edition – 2009 Annual Meeting

CSAAC Workshop and Annual Meeting Winnipeg, Manitoba, July 7-10, 2009

The CSAAC meetings this year are being held in the same hotel and at the same time as the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Seed Growers Association (CSGA). The program for CSAAC meetings is independent from the CSGA program, except that on July 9th, coffee breaks, lunch and the banquet will be held jointly. This will give members of both associations the opportunity to interact.

Registration for the CSAAC and CSGA meetings are separate – registration for one does not include registration for the other, except for the breaks, lunch and banquet as noted above.

Program Overview

Tuesday July 7th

08:30 CSAAC Board of Directors meeting

Wednesday July 8th

8:30 CSAAC Strategic Planning Meeting (Board of Directors and Committee Chairs)
17:00 to 19:00 Registration

Thursday July 9th

07:00 to 08:00 Registration
08:00 Continuing education workshop
12:00 Lunch provided
16:30 End of workshop
17:30 Cocktails with CSGA
18:30 Banquet with CSGA

Friday July 10th

07:00 to 07:30 Registration
07:30 Continental breakfast provided
08:00 Members Open Forum
12:00 Lunch provided
13:00 Annual business meeting
17:00 (est.) Adjournment

Workshop, Meeting and Hotel Registration

The workshop/meeting registration form and the hotel registration form have been posted on the CSAAC website <http://www.seedanalysts.com/cmeetings.html>. The registration forms are also attached to this issue of Breaking Dormancy.

Please register for the workshops and meetings by **June 1st** in order to receive the reduced registration fees. You may register also at the meetings, but will pay the higher fee. Payment must be by cheque or cash. If you haven't registered yet, send the registration form by fax to the CSAAC office, 613-256-0485.

Hotel registration must be received by the Fairmont Winnipeg Hotel by **June 5th** to ensure availability. The CSAAC block of rooms is included in the CSGA block. Therefore, when making a hotel reservation you must quote "CSGA".

Continuing Education Workshop July 9, 2009

The workshop on July 9th will be held in the Harrow/Essex/Canterbury rooms of the hotel.

The workshop will start at 8:00 am and finish at 4:30 pm. Breaks and lunch are included in the registration fee.

Workshop Program

- 8:00 Purity testing of flowers and vegetables
- 9:00 Fusarium in wheat. Dr. Jeannie Gilbert, Agriculture and Agri Food Canada, Cereal Research Centre.
- 9:30 Review of M&P revisions for 2009
- 10:00 Break
- 10:15 Germination testing of flowers and vegetables
- 11:15 Identification of ergot and sclerotia
- 11:30 Guest speaker: Financial wellness
- 12:00 Lunch, joint with CSGA, with guest speaker: John Oliver, President of Maple Leaf Bio-Concepts. *"Unlocking The Future". The future of our industry and agriculture as a whole is hard to predict. We, as an industry, are affected by world markets and global supply issues - not to mention the threat to our climate from global warming. We plan to dive head first into what agriculture may look like in the 21st century and shed some light on the future of farm families and seed producers in the country.*
- 1:30 Guest speaker: Stephanie Staples – *"Your Life Unlimited"*
If stress, overwhelm and the lack of time or energy are robbing you of a great life, you will find loads of inspiration, insight and ideas during this unique, interactive afternoon session. Stephanie Staples, International Personal Growth & Wellness Speaker and Coach will make sure you leave:
- *Empowered with tools you can use immediately to improve communication/leadership skills*
 - *Refreshed, re-inspired and reconnected with yourself and your colleagues*
 - *Equipped with a solid, personal wellness plan that you can get EXCITED about!*
- 4:30 End of workshop

Annual Banquet July 9, 2009

The banquet will be held jointly with the CSGA in the Winnipeg Ballroom at The Fairmont. Pre-banquet cocktails (cash bar) will start at 5:30, with the banquet starting at 6:30. CSAAC's Honorary Member for 2009 will be recognized during the banquet. Dress: Jacket and tie for men would be appropriate. The banquet is included in the registration fee.

Members' Open Forum and Annual Meeting July 10, 2009

The Members' Open Forum is an opportunity for CSAAC members to express their opinions and concerns. The Forum will open with a continental breakfast for members. The first hour will be open to CSAAC members only, to allow an open discussion on matters of interest to CSAAC. The meeting will then be opened to representatives of the CSTA, CSI, CSGA and CFIA. The agenda presented below lists topics, but the Forum is wide open for any topic members wish to discuss.

The business of the Association is presented and discussed during the Annual Meeting. This part of the program also provides an opportunity to hear representatives of government and the seed industry give an overview of activities and concerns of their respective organizations.

Continental breakfast, breaks and lunch are included in the registration fee.

Members' Open forum Discussion Topics

Continental breakfast to begin at 7:30. Break at 10:00. Adjournment 12:00 noon.

CSAAC Members only, 7:30 am

1. Any topic or issue raised by a member
2. Proposal to revise membership categories

CFIA, CSI, CSGA, CSTA to join at 9:00 am

3. Potential sharing of weed seed data with CFIA
4. Problems with Brassica napus/rapa/juncea and consequential changes to Grade Table VII
5. Summary of recent CSI/CFIA workshops on weed seeds order, grade table revision and M&P/AOSA harmonization
6. Proposed changes to list of prohibited species
7. Referees for 2009 - 2010
8. Any topic not already discussed

64th Annual Meeting Agenda

Call to order, 1:00 pm

1. Call to order
2. Opening and Presidential address
3. Approval of Minutes of last annual meeting
4. Industry greetings and updates
5. Regional Directors and Committee reports
6. Financial report
7. By-law amendments
8. New Business
9. Acknowledgement of sponsors
10. Next Annual Meeting, 2010
11. Installation of Board of Directors 2009-2011
12. Adjournment

Silent Auction

There will be a silent auction again this year. Please consider donating an item for the auction. Donations can be taken to the meeting or sent in advance to Betty Girard, c/o McKenzie Seeds, 1000 Parker Blvd., Brandon, MB R7A 6E1.

Hotel Accommodation



Participants in the workshop and annual meeting will stay at the The Fairmont Winnipeg, 2 Lombard Place, Winnipeg. The hotel is located in the heart of downtown Winnipeg, at the corner of Portage and Main.

See <http://www.fairmont.com/winnipeg> for a full description of the hotel.

Transportation to Fairmont Hotel

Airport

The Winnipeg International Airport is serviced by the following airlines:

Air Canada
Northwest Airlines
WestJet Airlines

Airport-Hotel shuttle

There is no shuttle service from the airport to the Fairmont Hotel

Taxis

It takes approximately 15 minutes to travel from the airport to the hotel. Taxi between airport and hotel costs approximately \$15 to \$18, one-way.

Car Rental

Avis	www.avis.com	1-800-879-2847
Budget	www.budget.ca	1-800-268-8900
Hertz	www.hertz.ca	1-800-263-0600
Thrifty	www.thrifty.com	1-800-367-2277

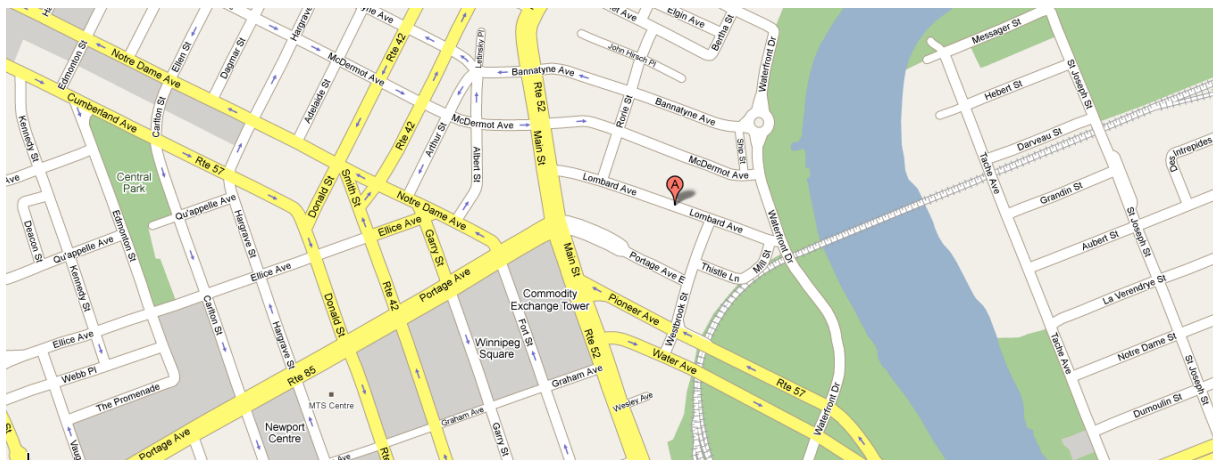
Directions to the Fairmont Hotel by car

From the Winnipeg International Airport:

- Exit the airport onto Wellington Avenue.
- Proceed to Rte. 90 South.
- Turn right on Rte. 90 South.
- Turn left on Ellice (east).
- Proceed to Garry Street (end of Ellice).
- Turn right (south), proceed one block to Portage Avenue.
- Turn left on Portage (east), proceed for 3 blocks and you will see the hotel on your left.

From the South:

- Take Hwy 75, which turns into Rte. 42 -- Pembina Highway.
- Follow Rte 42 (north) to Osborne Street (north).
- Follow Osborne Street to Portage Avenue, then turn right (east).
- Follow Portage Avenue past Main Street, and you will see the hotel on your left.



Hotel Parking

Parking is next to the hotel in the Richardson Center parkade. The parkade can be accessed via Portage Avenue East, which is the street in front of the hotel, or via Lombard Avenue, which is behind the hotel. The hotel can be reached at street level or by a concourse walkway from the parkade to the hotel elevator.

Winnipeg Attractions and Events

For Winnipeg tourism information visit <http://www.destinationwinnipeg.ca/>

More Information

For additional information about the workshop and meetings, contact Doug Ashton 613-256-1995 or csaac@rogers.com

THE FAIRMONT WINNIPEG

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Reservations: Tel. (204) 957-1350 Toll Free 800-441-1414

Fax: (204) 956-1791 email: winnipeg@fairmont.com

Internet reservations: www.fairmont.com/winnipeg



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Winnipeg, Manitoba

July 7 – 10, 2009

Important: To receive a preferred guest room rate, the block of guest rooms for CSAAC has been combined with the Canadian Seed Growers Association (CSGA). To receive the preferred room rate you must **reserve before June 5th and quote "CSGA09" when booking.**

Hotel Registration Form

Please complete and return to The Fairmont Winnipeg before June 5th

Meeting reference: "Canadian Seed Growers Association (CSGA09)"

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Prov/State _____ Postal Code/Zip _____

Phone No. _____ Fax No. _____

Email _____

Single/Double occupancy, per night: \$159 + taxes (approx. 17%)

Hotel arrival date _____ Time _____

Hotel departure date _____ Time _____

Number of adults _____ Number of children _____ Number of beds: One Two

Credit card name and # _____ Exp. Date _____

Parking is \$16 per night per vehicle plus tax, with full in-out privileges.

Check-in time from 3 pm, Check out time noon

Reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card at time of booking. Failure to cancel a guaranteed reservation by **6 pm on the day of arrival** will incur the cost of the first night's accommodation plus tax.