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Exciting July 2021 Event for Youth

EastGen Announces Virtual Beef and Dairy Competition For Youth from Ontario and Atlantic Provinces

Accepting the reality that EastGen's four traditional youth events could not be safely held this summer, we've pivoted to create the *EastGen Youth Ag-Stravaganza*. This exciting virtual event for beef and dairy 4-Hers will be held July 6th and 7th.

Details are being finalized for this free event, to be held over two successive evenings. The four components of the competition are: 1) TikTok-style video entries; 2) a recorded speech submission; 3) judging of dairy and beef classes; and 4) completion of a written quiz.

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Ag-Stravaganza!

"Even during these trying times, EastGen is dedicated to the future of our industry, with an unparalleled commitment to youth programs," said Brian O'Connor, EastGen General Manager. "We are excited that *Ag-Stravaganza* will provide a rewarding, challenging learning experi-

> ence for our future dairy and beef agriculturalists in five provinces."

The Ag-Stravaganza is open to the traditional age group for EastGen events - 4-H beef and dairy club members aged 14-21 as of January 1, 2021, from the provinces of Ontario, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland.

Pre-event how-to sessions, educational presentations from experts in their field, celebrity judges, and a plethora of prizes will entice and reward participants. In addition, all youth who successfully complete the competition will receive, via courier, their own swag box chock full of surprises. A live announcement of the winners will take place later in July, and will include a reveal of the top teams and the first time-ever grand champion competitor over all five provinces.

The EastGen Youth Ag-Stravaganza was created with the following goals in mind:

- Support agricultural youth by providing educational and competitive activities.
- Connect beef and dairy enthusiasts in the same fun event.
- Create a safe venue for 4-Hers to develop their future-ready skills while embracing virtual opportunities and technology.
- Bridge the distance for EastGen's first-ever interprovincial event.

The safety of youth, their families and staff remain at the forefront of EastGen's thoughts. The company looks forward to resuming traditional EastGen Challenge and Showcase competitions after the COVID-19 pandemic no longer prevents the organization of large gatherings.

Stay tuned to our social media channels and www.east-gen.ca for further announcements that are sure to keep the excitement building. Additional details will be also conveyed to 4-H organizations and leaders in cooperation with their provincial 4-H organizations, and available on AssistExpo upon registration.

Participants must pre-register via the following link:

https://www.assistexpo.ca/eastgen-2021

Registration Opens: Tuesday, June 1st

(and acceptance of TikTok-style video entries begins via AssistExpo)

Registration Closes: Tuesday, June 22nd @ 8:00 p.m. EST



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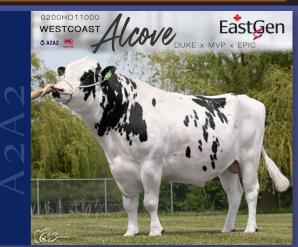


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Maggie-Jo Hickson 2021 EastGen Marketing & Communications Intern

We're pleased to introduce you to EastGen's summer 2021 intern, Maggie-Jo Hickson, who joined us on May 3rd.

Maggie-Jo has grown up on her family's dairy farm in Oakwood, ON, where they also keep a herd of Hereford cattle. This fall she will be entering her third year at the University of Guelph studying Agricultural Science, majoring in Honours Agriculture.

Her ongoing involvement in a wide variety of 4-H clubs and events since 2011 has provided her with many additional learning opportunities to expand on her experiences in the agricultural sector. Aside from 4-H, Maggie-Jo is the Vice-President of the Ontario Junior Hereford Association, as well as Vice-President of the Ontario Agriculture College Beef-Science Club. She has been able to gain experience in marketing and communications during her time with the Lindsay Exhibition and International Plowing Match & Rural Expo, as well as through involvement in the Student Federation of the Ontario Agriculture College as their Public Relations Representative.

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