

2024 Atlantic OYF Recognition Event

The Atlantic OYF Region invites alumni, families, and sponsors to join us for our annual recognition event. This event will take place July 30-31, in Nova Scotia. Our 2023 Atlantic Outstanding Young Farmers, Marijke Oudshoon & Willem van de Wetering, of Spud Isle Farms, PEI, will be passing the Atlantic torch onto the 2024 honoree who will proudly represent our region at Atlantic Canada at COYF in Lethbridge, Alberta, this November.

Event Hotel: Microtel Hotel <u>https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/en-ca/microtel/antigonish-nova-</u> <u>scotia/microtel-inn-and-suites-antigonish/overview</u> Please book room on own at 902-735-0101 no later than July 15th. Quote Atlantic Outstanding Young Farmers for rate of \$219 plus tax Attendees are welcome to book for July 30th only, or July 30 & 31st if desired.

Please RSVP no later than July 19th to <u>rhondamacdougall11@gmail.com</u> Please include:

- a list of attendees from your family or business
- any food sensitivities/allergies/requirements
- if you will be attending the Distillery tour prior to the luncheon (optional tour)
- If any alumni would like to camp/RV at West River Holsteins, please let us know.

<u>Tuesday July 30, 2024</u>

(both days of the program are casual; please dress according to weather)

11 am – noon	Welcome coffee and refreshments Alumni Tour Hosts: Lauchie MacEachern & Jolene vanden Heuvel, OYF 2017 Folly River Farms, Gray Road, Debert Exit 11 from New Brunswick; Exit 12 from Truro
12:30 pm	Meet & Greet Light Lunch, Creamery Café, Masstown 10 minutes west of Truro, Exit #12 on the Trans Canada Highway 104 https://masstownmarket.com/eat/creamery-cafe/

1:15 pm	Judges Meeting @ Creamery Café
1:45 pm	Tour of the Creamery & Meat Shop, Masstown https://masstownmarket.com/shop/creamery/ https://masstownmarket.com/shop/butcher/
3:00 pm	Enroute to Antigonish to Microtel Hotel, 62 Nova Landing, Antigonish (1 ¼ hour drive on TransCanada Hwy)
5:30 pm	Supper @ Microtel Meeting Room (Pasta & Salad; vegetarian option available)
7:15 pm	Alumni Tour & Social Hosts: Jack Thomson & Rhonda MacDougall, OYF 2004 West River Holsteins, 1543 Highway 337, Harbour Centre (15 minutes from hotel) Transportation available to/from farm as required.
10:00 pm	Hospitality continues Microtel Hotel
	Wednesday July 31, 2024
6:30 am-9:30 am	Option 1: Continental Breakfast Buffet at Microtel (Included, no charge) Option 2: 8 am – 11 am Gabriel's Breakfast (Purchased on your own) (next door to Microtel) <u>https://tap-to-view.com/jxtgvy/gabriel-pizza/breakfast#/category/668</u>
9:15 am	Honoree Interview (Suite, Microtel)
11 am	Hotel check out for 1-night stays
11:15 am	Enroute to Steinhart's Distillery (20 km, approximately 30 minutes from hotel, 5963 Highway 245, Arisaig)
11:45 am	Distillery Tour for those interested (please pre-register) https://www.steinhartdistillery.com/
1:00 pm	Local Food Luncheon-Announcement of 2024 Atlantic Region Honoree Steinhart Distillery Barn

Attendees are welcome to stay in the area a second evening or book hotel for $30^{th} \& 31^{st}$.