

Honour Roll Brad Corbiell



The CHA congratulates Brad Corbiell on his induction into the Canadian Hereford Association Honour Roll.

Brad was born in 1959 to Armand and Mary Ellen Corbiell, in Bassano Alberta. The Corbiell family has been raising horned Herefords for over 60 years in Cluny Alberta, where Armand and Mary Ellen first established the operation. Brad graduated from his local school, Cluny Bow Valley High School, in 1977 and acquired his first purebred Hereford, ONG 2Y, given to him by his father. Brad used the ONG tattoo for approximately 25 years with father Armand and his brothers, Dan and Cam. The operation was later named Corbiell Herefords and that's when Brad started using the "C" tattoo and prefix to identify his cattle and breeding. Brad married Tammy (Jorgensen) in 1978 and together they raised Jodi-Lea Aebly (Dustin) and Ty Corbiell (Melissa). Corbiell Herefords is now a third-generation operation with the addition of Ty and his wife Melissa. Brad and Tammy enjoy spending time with their 5 grandchildren - Hadley and Callie Aebly, Dane, Ryle and Barron Corbiell.

Community involvement has always been important to Brad, demonstrated by his membership

and service in many organizations. From 4-H, to serving as an executive for the Cluny Lions Club, Brad enjoys the many friendships he has created through his involvement. He has had a long-time association with local 4-H beef and horse clubs, serving as a judge for many shows over the years. Brad also enjoyed coaching midget hockey for four years prior to coaching Jodi-Lea and Ty. He enjoys getting involved locally with the Gleichen Agricultural Society and serving as a volunteer at the Gleichen rodeo where many generations come together to enjoy the annual event.

Before working full time on his own ranch, Brad worked for Bar Pipe Hereford Farm as their herdsman from 1981 to 1990 and served as a director for the Calgary District Hereford club during this time. Brad's promotion of the breed was evident in his work as a field man for the Canadian Hereford Digest from 1991 to 2000 and service on the Canadian Hereford Association board of directors. In 2001, Brad's hard work and dedication was recognized when Corbiell Herefords was presented with the Alberta Purebred Breeder of the year award. In addition to judging and showing at many local shows, Brad showed cattle at the National Western Stock Show in Denver, Colorado in 1998 and was the 2009 Record Stockman's Canadian Livestock Industry Leader of the year at the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo in Denver.

As a cattleman, Brad participated in a Corbiell and Fraser production sale, contributed to the Bull's Eye sales and hosted his own successful annual production sale from 2015 to 2018. The Corbiell family consigned bulls to the Calgary Bull Sale for 17 consecutive years, winning best set-of-3 bulls in 1998, Reserve Grand Grand Champion in 1999,

Reserve Junior Champion in 2006 and best group-of-5 bulls in 2009 and 2011. Corbiell Herefords has served as a pillar in the Hereford community and in our industry. They internationally recognized and have exported to China, Kazakhstan and the United States.

Corbiell Herefords held a dispersal sale in November of 2017 where the Corbiells were presented with their 50 year membership service pin from the Canadian Hereford Association. The family's final Corbiell Bull Sale was held in February of 2018. The Corbiell family will remain friends of the Hereford community, known for their commitment and passion for the Hereford breed.

