

Ontario Processing Vegetable Growers

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2004 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Rick De Brabandere, Jim Whitson and Dave Epp form the Executive Committee for 2004.

We regret to advise that Al Rastapkevicius, Provincial Director from District 3 has submitted his resignation to the board for personal reasons. Al made a significant contribution to the board since elected in 1997. He represented Ontario processing vegetable growers in a number of crop negotiations and in research as well as being the director designate on AgCare, Ontario Agri-Food Technologies, Food Safety and the Processing Vegetable Industry Conference. He will be missed.

As a result of a recommendation of the District 3 Committee we are pleased to announce that Marshall Schuyler had been appointed to serve on the board the remainder of 2004. We look forward to working with Marshall over the coming months.

2004 OFPA EXECUTIVE

The Ontario Food Processors Association have announced their Executive for 2004.

PRESIDENT:	Rob Anderson, Strathroy Foods Ltd.
FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:	Scott Makey, H.J.Heinz Company of Canada Ltd.
SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:	Roger Sterling, Omstead Foods Ltd.
TREASURER:	Don Epp, Campbell Company of Canada
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT:	Bill Thomas, Thomas Canning (Maidstone) Ltd.

COLE CROPS/SWEDE MIDGE WORKSHOP AND INFORMATION SESSIONS

Two upcoming swede midge related meetings. The first taking place on February 19th at the Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Convention and Trade Show at the Walker Complex, Brock University, St. Catharines. For more information please visit <http://fruitveggie.hortport.com> and search using the key words swede midge.

The second takes place on February 20th from 10-2 p.m. at Rittenhouse Hall, Vineland Resource Centre. For more information call (905) 562-4147 or the board office.

ONTARIO PROCESSING VEGETABLE INDUSTRY CONFERENCE

The 10th joint annual conference of the Ontario Processing Vegetable Growers and the Ontario Food Processors Association was held January 27th - 29th at the Hilton Hotel and London Convention Centre in London. We welcome this opportunity to give special recognition to the following *Gold Sponsors who each contributed \$3,500 towards the conference:*



Bayer CropScience

and to the following *Bronze Sponsors who contributed \$1,500 each.*



We would also extend our appreciation to the following additional sponsors who helped make our conference a successful event.

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