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Royal Visitor

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CALGARY, AB — His Royal Highness Prince Charles, the Prince of Wales took time during his recent visit to Canada to visit Angus breeders at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto.

The Prince was welcomed to the barn by Doug Fee, the Chief Executive Officer of the Canadian Angus Association and Tom McDonald, Ontario representative on the Canadian Angus Association Board of Directors. The visit to the Angus barn was specifically requested by the Prince who is the Royal Patron of the Aberdeen Angus Cattle Society and maintains his own herd of registered Angus animals at his estate in Scotland.

“The Prince was very interested in how well Angus cattle were doing in Canada,” said Doug Fee. “He was especially keen to see the number of young people involved.”

Tom McDonald says “He was very personable and even though we were concerned with all the protocol warnings he shook hands and visited with as many breeders as time allowed. He seemed to find it easy to talk and had some good questions about our breed in Canada.”

According to Fee, “The Prince responded warmly to several comments from mature breeders about the visit of his grandmother to the World Angus Forum in 1985. The crowd in the barn would certainly indicate that Angus breeders take significant pride in the Royal interest in the breed.”

The Royal visit to the Angus barn at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair was another exciting event for the breed which hosted the very successful World Angus Forum at Spruce Meadows in July.

The Canadian Angus Association (www.cdnangus.ca) is a not-for-profit association incorporated under the Animal Pedigree Act. The Association represents 3,000 members across Canada for the purposes of registering and recording the pedigrees of purebred Angus cattle and promoting the breed across Canada. Its member-approved mandate is to maintain breed registry, breed purity and provide services that enhance the growth and position of the Angus breed.

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Tom McDonald, HRH Prince Charles and Doug Fee tour the barns at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto