

**The Heart of the Breed**  
**2006 Dams of Merit & Distinction Awards**  
**The Canadian Gelbvieh Association is proud to honour these great matrons of**  
**the breed.**

**The Canadian Gelbvieh Association is pleased to introduce the**  
**341 Canadian Dam of Merit Award Winners**  
**and**  
**37 Canadian Dam of Distinction Winners**  
**for 2006**

Each year the Canadian Gelbvieh Association is pleased to recognize those Gelbvieh cows which excel in productivity, the heart of the breed. There are two levels of recognition which are honoured: Dam of Merit and Dam of Distinction.

Cows that calve as two-year-olds and have a healthy calf every year for ten to twelve years have a greater lifetime efficiency than cows that must be culled at a younger age because of infertility, bad udders or some other functional problem. *Longevity is essential.* Cows that get their job done, year after year with no problems, simply make more money.

A total of 378 cows qualified for Dam of Merit in 2006 and 37 cows were awarded with Dam of Distinction honours.

**The average EPD's on the 55 Percentage, 318 Purebred, and 5 Fullblood Dams of Merit/Distinction are:**

Calving Ease Direct EPD = 108.3

Birth Weight EPD = -4.8

Weaning Weight EPD = 38.6

Yearling Weight EPD = 67.2

Milk EPD = 14

Total Maternal EPD = 33.3

Gestation Length EPD = -1.5

Daughters Calving Ease = 100.8

**In order for a cow to be recognized as a Dam of Merit she must:**

- Have produced at least three calves, and all calves must have weaning information reported to the CGA.
- Have produced her last calf during the time period of January 1, 2005 to March 1, 2006.
- Possess a minimum average weaning ratio for all calves of 100.
- Have a calving interval not exceeding the maximum, calculated by the following formula: (Number of Calving Intervals X 365 days) + 30 days/Number of Calving Intervals = Maximum. In the formula, thirty (30) days are added to the total number of days possible to allow for situations where breeders purposely begin calving two-year-olds before the rest of the cow herd. As cows get older, the maximum calving interval decreases or the female may have had her third calf before her fourth birthday and maintained a 365 day calving interval thereafter.

- The female's age at first calving must not exceed 25 months.
- All data on females must have been submitted by July 1, 2006.

*\* Dams of Distinction must meet all of the above, plus, they must have produced eight or more calves.*

### 2006 Dams of Merit/Distinction\* Owners

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Number</b>
Winder, Con & Gail	Camrose, Alberta	31/1*
Circle T Ranch	Cabri, Saskatchewan	23/2*
Nelson, Darrell & Duane	Glenwood, Alberta	20/3*
Doyle, David & Jacquie	Souris, Manitoba	14/5*
Davidson Gelbvieh	Ponteix, Saskatchewan	12/3*
Twin Rock Farms Ltd.	Grunthal, Manitoba	15
Vale Country Ranch	Theodore, Saskatchewan	7/2*
Jeannie & Kim Ellison	Cookstown, Ontario	8
Hanna, Debra J.	Sylvan Lake, Alberta	8
McCoy Farms	Milestone, Saskatchewan	6/2*
<i>Anchor Ridge Ranch</i>	<i>Grimshaw, Alberta</i>	<i>2/2*</i>
<i>Andruchow, Art &amp; Marie</i>	<i>Andrew, Alberta</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Arndt, Wayne</i>	<i>Peace River, Alberta</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Bar X Ranch</i>	<i>Quesnel, British Columbia</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Bergen Gelbvieh Ranch - Fred &amp; Robert Gust</i>	<i>Cochrane, Alberta</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Berthot, Robert &amp; Sharon</i>	<i>Cochrane, Alberta</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Birch, Aaron</i>	<i>Lomond, Alberta</i>	<i>1/1*</i>
<i>Brittain, Kelly, Colleen &amp; Nicole</i>	<i>Falun, Alberta</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Bruggerman, Wilfried</i>	<i>Chatworth, Ontario</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>C &amp; D Wilson Livestock</i>	<i>Elnora, Alberta</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>CD Acres</i>	<i>Debden, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Carlson Gelbvieh (Albert, Lon &amp; Ace)</i>	<i>Cardston, Alberta</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Circle T Ranch</i>	<i>Cabri, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>24/2*</i>
<i>Cox, Romacordelia</i>	<i>Tatla Lake, British Columbia</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Davidson Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Ponteix, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>12/3*</i>
<i>Dayspring Cattle</i>	<i>Sylvan Lake, Alberta</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Dimler, Larry &amp; Ann</i>	<i>Grenfell, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Domm, Ralph J.</i>	<i>Grenfell, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Double Eagle Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Jarvie, Alberta</i>	<i>2/2*</i>
<i>Double U Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Medicine Hat, Alberta</i>	<i>4/1*</i>
<i>Douma, John</i>	<i>Portage la Prairie, Manitoba</i>	<i>2/2*</i>
<i>Doyle, David &amp; Jacquie</i>	<i>Souris, Manitoba</i>	<i>14/5*</i>
<i>Drader Farms</i>	<i>Brooks, Alberta</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Dunvegan Cattle Co. Ltd./John Milne</i>	<i>Fairview, Alberta</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Edwards, Janet</i>	<i>Cobden, Ontario</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Elliot Livestock</i>	<i>Borden, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>2/1*</i>
<i>Ellison, Jeannie &amp; Kim</i>	<i>Cookstown, Ontario</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Ferme Ludi</i>	<i>Chesterville, Quebec</i>	<i>5/1*</i>
<i>Fir River Livestock</i>	<i>Hudson Bay, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>1</i>

<i>Fiss, Jeff</i>	<i>Beechy, Saskatchewan</i>	2
<i>Fladeland Farms</i>	<i>Gladmar, Saskatchewan</i>	2
<i>Fladeland Livestock</i>	<i>Gladmar, Saskatchewan</i>	1
<i>Foursquare Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Carstairs, Alberta</i>	1
<i>Freres Reindl Inc.</i>	<i>Nedelec, Quebec</i>	2
<i>GSW Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Owen Sound, Ontario</i>	5/1*
<i>Garvin Ranch</i>	<i>Quesnel, British Columbia</i>	2
<i>Gavelin, David &amp; Kim</i>	<i>Meyronne, Saskatchewan</i>	1
<i>Gibson, Dean</i>	<i>Wroxeter, Ontario</i>	4
<i>Goodview, Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Punnichy, Saskatchewan</i>	1
<i>Grose, Patrick &amp; Terry Bruce</i>	<i>Inwood, Manitoba</i>	1
<i>Hanna, Debra J.</i>	<i>Sylvan Lake, Alberta</i>	8
<i>Hogberg Ranch (Ralf, Glenn &amp; Annette)</i>	<i>Progress, British Columbia</i>	1
<i>Hollman, Rodney</i>	<i>Innisfail, Alberta</i>	2
<i>Honeyman, Bill &amp; Pamela</i>	<i>Malakwa, British Columbia</i>	2
<i>Huff, Brian</i>	<i>Thornloe, Ontario</i>	3
<i>Jen-Ty Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Duchess, Alberta</i>	6/1*
<i>Jensen Family</i>	<i>Barnwell, Alberta</i>	2
<i>Jodi Crest Farms</i>	<i>Bailieboro, Ontario</i>	4
<i>Knudson Farms</i>	<i>Archerwill, Saskatchewan</i>	2
<i>Kristensen, Brian &amp; Geraldine</i>	<i>Dixonville, Alberta</i>	2
<i>Lang Stock Farm</i>	<i>Francis, Saskatchewan</i>	5
<i>Laraque, Mark</i>	<i>Duck Lake, Saskatchewan</i>	2
<i>Laroque, Mark 7 Darcy Hrebeniak</i>	<i>Duck Lake, Saskatchewan</i>	1
<i>Larson, Louise</i>	<i>Cherhill, Alberta</i>	1/1*
<i>Lost Valley Farm</i>	<i>Westlock, Alberta</i>	1
<i>Mader, Barry &amp; Robin</i>	<i>Pritchard, British Columbia</i>	6
<i>McClary, Charles &amp; Jan</i>	<i>Smithers, British Columbia</i>	4
<i>McCorkle, Becky</i>	<i>Berwyn, Alberta</i>	1
<i>McCoy Farms</i>	<i>Milestone, Saskatchewan</i>	6/2*
<i>Milne, Harold &amp; Bev</i>	<i>Fairview, Alberta</i>	5
<i>Milne, John</i>	<i>Fairview, Alberta</i>	4
<i>Murphy, Patrick</i>	<i>Lacombe, Alberta</i>	1
<i>Nelson, Darrell &amp; Duane</i>	<i>Glenwood, Alberta</i>	20/3*
<i>Northern Lights Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Pelly, Saskatchewan</i>	5
<i>Pancoast, Vern &amp; Vivienne - V &amp; V Farms</i>	<i>Redcliff, Alberta</i>	6
<i>Pandiana Farms</i>	<i>Bluffton, Alberta</i>	4/2*
<i>Peace Valley Ranch</i>	<i>Grimshaw, Alberta</i>	1
<i>Pinto Creek Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Kipling, Saskatchewan</i>	1
<i>Piqua Farms Ltd.</i>	<i>Imperial, Saskatchewan</i>	1
<i>Rauch, Otto &amp; Tony</i>	<i>Rocky Mountain House, Alberta</i>	1
<i>Schick, Lorne &amp; Diana</i>	<i>Martensville, Saskatchewan</i>	1
<i>Seidle, Cameron &amp; Cyndi</i>	<i>Medstead, Saskatchewan</i>	1
<i>Selin, Wayne R. &amp; Lois</i>	<i>Stockholm, Saskatchewan</i>	1
<i>Severtson Land &amp; Cattle</i>	<i>Innisfail, Alberta</i>	1
<i>Simpson, Garth &amp; Marlette</i>	<i>Shaunavon, Saskatchewan</i>	4
<i>Sommerfeld, Raymond &amp; Pauline</i>	<i>Medstead, Saskatchewan</i>	4
<i>Stone Gate Farms/Elliott Livestock/Kowerchuk</i>	<i>Mannville, Alberta</i>	1
<i>Stratuliak, Brian</i>	<i>Dawson Creek, British Columbia</i>	3
<i>Triple D Farm Enterprises</i>	<i>Thorndale, Ontario</i>	1

<i>Triple M Ranch</i>	<i>Saskatoon, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Twin Rock Farms Ltd.</i>	<i>Grunthal, Manitoba</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>Twin Star Gelbvieh (Walz &amp; Mannerfeldt)</i>	<i>Innisfail, Alberta</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Unger land &amp; Livestock</i>	<i>Olds, Alberta</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Unrau, Abe &amp; Betty</i>	<i>MacGregor, Manitoba</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>V+ Cattle Co.</i>	<i>Carberry, Manitoba</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Vale Country Ranch Ltd.</i>	<i>Theodore, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>7/2*</i>
<i>Valley Gelbvieh</i>	<i>Innisfail, Alberta</i>	<i>4/1*</i>
<i>Van Deau Gelbvieh - Van Geerenstein's</i>	<i>Wetaskiwin, Alberta</i>	<i>2/1*</i>
<i>Von Seydlitz, Walter &amp; Magdalene</i>	<i>Smithers, British Columbia</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Ward, David &amp; Velda</i>	<i>Roseneath, Ontario</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>West, Ray &amp; Jean</i>	<i>Bath, Ontario</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Winder, Con &amp; Gail</i>	<i>Camrose, Alberta</i>	<i>31/1*</i>
<i>XXX Farms Ltd. (Davidson Farms)</i>	<i>Kitscoty, Alberta</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Ypma, Jacob &amp; Pia</i>	<i>Enderby, British Columbia</i>	<i>1</i>

### 2006 Top Dam of Merit/Distinction\* Breeders

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Number</b>
Winder, Con & Gail	Camrose, Alberta	35
Circle T Ranch	Cabri, Saskatchewan	22/2*
Doyle, David & Jacquie	Souris, Manitoba	15/5*
Nelson, Darrell & Duane	Glenwood, Alberta	17/2*
Davidson Gelbvieh	Ponteix, Saskatchewan	14/2*
Carlson Gelbvieh, (Albert, Lon & Ace)	Cardston, Alberta	11/2*
Douma, John	Portage La Prairie, Manitoba	8
Remitall Cattle Co.	Olds, Alberta	5/7
Simpson, Garth & Marlette	Shaunavon, Saskatchewan	7

### Top Sires of the 2006 Canadian Dams of Merit/Distinction

CDGV# 11012	NGAC REMITALL POLED DEAN 179D	7/2*
CDGV# 10566	ARN SIR ARNOLD B921	7
CDGV# 30434	TLR COCOA 35C	7
CDGV# 38968	SLC FREEDOM 178F ET	7
CDGV# 48366	KHR GENES SUR'NUF 69G	6
CDGV# 44567	ATC GOLD STAR 33G	6
CDGV# 40828	GKT BOO BOO 155E	6
CDGV# 38715	SRE ENOS 84E	6
CDGV# 36195	GAA GARST LEACHMAN C3485	6
CDGV# 32167	SINK POLLED GUZZLER D82	5/1*
CDGV# 33829	KBJ SOUTHERN 18D	5
CDGV# 43367	DVE DAVIDSON RED WRAP 26G	5