

CARIBBEAN POULTRY ASSOCIATION

LIVE PRODUCTION SCHOOL

24 – 27th March 2004, Belize City, Belize

Hosted by: BPA, BAHA, MAF, IICA & CPA

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AGENDA

A. Aim

To develop protocols and train the live broiler production managers/ producers in the Caribbean in the use of these protocols together with other tools to assess and improve their productivity, cost competitiveness and avian/public health standards in live broiler production, and to do so in keeping with the larger industry strategy being pursued by the CPA.

B. Objectives

1. To update managers on the competitiveness of the Caribbean broiler operations
2. To explore strategies to meet the live product requirements of Caribbean large processing plants and small Cottage processors.
3. To consider the key elements of poultry production costs and strategies for managing costs
4. To explore trends and opportunities to improve broiler housing and equipment
5. To explore strategies for managing farmers and technical staff
6. To explore trends and techniques for improving quality, food safety, avian health and welfare of live birds
7. To provide managers with the opportunity to learn from the successes and failures of colleagues
8. To develop action plans for improving the competitiveness of the regional live production operations

C. Deliverables

1. CPA Food Residue (Antibiotics, Agri Chemicals, Heavy Metals, Other) Surveillance For Poultry Meats & Eggs Program Developed
2. CPA Cottage Processors Program Developed
3. CPA On-Farm Food Safety Program for Broilers Adopted
4. CPA Disease Free Surveillance Program taught to Industry/ Government Officials
5. CPA Emergency Disease Preparedness Program taught to Industry / Government
6. CPA Dead Bird Disposal Program Agreed
7. An Antibiotic Reduction Programs For Caribbean Producers Developed
8. A Draft Animal Welfare Program for the Caribbean Developed
9. 70 industry/ government officials made more aware and trained in protocols

D. Working Group Meetings

24 March 2003: Working Group Meetings Session Chairperson – Robert Best, Director, CPA

- Food Safety Programs – Patrick de Groot, Guyana Poultry Producers Association, Guyana
 - a. Designing Feed and Feeding Programs to Ensure Consumer Food Safety Concerns (BSE, Dioxin, etc) Concerns - Dr Mario Zumbado, Nutritionist, University of Costa Rica, Costa Rica
 - b. Food Residue (Antibiotics, Agri Chemicals, Heavy Metals, Other) Surveillance For Poultry Meats & Eggs – Dr David Elcock, Veterinarian, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Barbados/ CPEC
 - c. On-Farm Food Safety Program for Broilers – Dr Gabriel Brown, UWI SVM & On Farm Food Safety Specialist, Chicken Farmers of Canada/ CPE
- Avian Health Programs – Dr. Keith Amiel, Chairman
 - a. Emerging Poultry Diseases of Trade & Economic Importance – Dr Richard Julian, Ontario Veterinary College Canada (45 min)
 - b. CARICOM Disease Free Surveillance – Dr Victor Gongora, Ministry of Agriculture & Cooperatives, Belize
 - c. CARICOM Emergency Disease Preparedness – Dr. Cedric Lazarus, Ministry of Agriculture, Jamaica
 - d. Diagnosing (Recognition, Isolation, Identification, Notification) & Managing AI, END and SARS in Broiler Field Operations: Lessons for Caribbean Producers – Dr. Jamie Ruiz, Elanco, USA (45 min)
 - e. Dead Bird Disposal Program – Dr. David Henzler, Pennsylvania State, USA (45 min)

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 - c. CPA Dead Bird Disposal Program – Dr. Martin Smeltzer, APHIS/USDA & IICA
- CPA Animal Welfare Program - James Paul, Chairman

- a. Jake Waddilove, Welfare Specialist courtesy Centre for the Development of Enterprise, Brussels, Belgium
- b. Avian Welfare Manger, Yum (Kentuky Fried Chicken) Brands International

E. Live Production School

25 March 2003 – Morning Session Chairperson – Karl Khan, Chairman, Livestock and Livestock Products Board, Trinidad and Tobago

- Emerging Poultry Diseases of Trade & Economic Importance – Dr Richard Julian, Ontario Veterinary College Canada (60 min)
- Infectious Larin gotracheitis Outbreak in Trinidad and Tobago: Lessons For Caribbean Producers – Dr Lisa Musai, Poultry Surveillance Unit, Ministry of Agriculture, Trinidad and Tobago (45 min)
- Belize Poultry Disease Free Surveillance Programs: , Lessons for CARICOM Producers –Dr.Victor Gongora, BAHA (45 min)

25 March 2003 – Afternoon Session Chairperson – Donald Edwards, Chairman, Antigua and Barbuda Poultry Association, Antigua

- Diagnosing (Recognition, Isolation, Identification, Notification) & Managing AI, END and SARS in Broiler Field Operations: Lessons for Caribbean Producers – Dr. Jamie Ruiz, Elanco, USA (45 min)
- Disease Surveillance Programs for List A Poultry Diseases - ABT
- Vaccination Programs - Dr Scott Gillingham, AVIAGEN (45 min)
- Working Group Sessions

25 March 2003 – Evening Opening Ceremony - Master of Ceremonies – Orlando Habet

- Improving Competitiveness through Belize Disease Surveillance Programs – Nerie Sanz, Managing Director, Belize Agricultural Health Authority (5 min)
- CAFTA and the Challenges and Opportunities for Central American and Caribbean Poultry Producers – Jorge Bucaro, Manager, Federation of Central American and Caribbean Poultry Producers (FEDAVICAC) (10 min)
- Belize Poultry Industry Initiatives to Improve Competitiveness – Bernhard Bergen, Chairman, CPA (10 min)
- Opportunities and Challenges of FTAA for Caribbean Poultry Industry – Servulo Baeza, Minister of Agriculture, Belize (20 min)
- Vote of Thanks – Orlando Habet

26 March 2003 - Morning Session Chairperson – Dr Ariston Lyte, Guyana Poultry Producers Association, Guyana

- US Experience in Emergency Disease Management Programmes – Dr. David Herzler, Pennsylvania State, USA (60 min)
- Caricom Emergency Poultry Disease Management Program – Dr Cedric Lazarus, Ministry of Agriculture, Jamaica (60 min)

26 March 2003 - Afternoon Session Chairperson - Dr Subhas Ganpat, Manager, Suriname Poultry Association, Suriname

- Food Borne Disease Surveillance and Management – Michael Deshield, BAHA (45 min)
- Caricom Food Borne Diseases and Residues Surveillance Program – Dr David Elcock, MOA Barbados (45 min)
- Feed Formulation for Consumer Health (BSE, Dioxin, etc) Concerns - Dr Sergio Madrigal, DSM Nutritional Products
- Caricom On-Farm Food Safety Program For Broilers – Dr Gabriel Brown, UWI-SVM (45 min)
- Discussion and Appraisal – Delegates (30 min)
- Conclusion – Robert Best

Optional Pre School Field Trip and Itinerary

March 22, 2003 – Ben Rempel, Blue Creek Community

- 7:00 Depart to Spanish Lookout Mennonite Community
- Mayan Breakfast on the bus – Can you arrange this?
- 08:45 Reimers Feed Mill & Corn Farm (Drive past a corn field and give them 2 – 3 pages of statistics on corn peroduction acres, farmers, MT, cost structure etc – Denver Plett?
- 10:05 Broiler Breeder - Abe Thiessen
- 11:15 Table Egg Farm - Menno Dyck
- 09:45 Country Foods - Egg Depot – Name of person leading tour
- 10:40 Broiler Farm - John Dueck
- Farm Store 20 minutes
- 09:10 Quality Poultry Processing Plant – Name of person leading tour
- 11:45 Lunch: Spanish Lookout Menonite Community

March 23, 2003 – David Thiessen, Spanish Lookout Community

- Depart for Orange Walk
- 15:00 Soyabean Processing Plant Project Site, Yo Creek – Name of person leading tour
- 16:40 Visit Broiler Farm
- 15:30 Name of Plant, Shipyard Mennonite Community – Name of person leading tour
- 17:15 Depart Shipyard for Belize City
- 19:00 Arrive at Hotel in Belize City at 8.00pm that’s OK
- Registration & Cocktails – CPA – Robert Best

Optional Tourist Visit & Delegates Departure

27 March 2003 – Belize Tour Operators

- 7.00 am Mayan Temple (00.00 USD)
- 1.00 pm Barrier Reef (00.00 USD)

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- CPA Members (Participants)
- Belize Poultry Association (Participants)
- Belize Agricultural Health Authority (Dr Victor Gongora, Dr Michael De Shield)
- CIDA/ CPEC /CPIIIP (Dr Gabriel Brown, Dr Richard Julian/ Dr Stephen St John/ Govt Vets)
- Centre for Development of Enterprise (Jake Waddilove)
- Inter American Ins. for Cooperation in Agric.(Dr Martin Smetlzer/USDA)
- WINCORP (Tunnel Speaker)
- INDIV (Jim Robinson)
- Elanco (Dr Jose Ruiz)
- DSM Nutrition Products (Sergio Madrigal)
- IDEXX (Dr Richard Julien)
- Hubbard (Patricio Libersona)
- AVIAGEN (Scott Gillingham)
- Cobb Vantress (Winfred Bakker)
- Yum (KFC) Restaurants Int (Avian Welfare Standards)