

**GOAT DAY
TOPIC DESCRIPTIONS**

Woody Lane, *Forages That Work: Filling the Feed Holes:*

What are the basic fundamental species and varieties for creating good pastures? Also, we'll cover new and alternative forages for periods when the forage does not grow well.

Kendra Keels, *Ontario Goat:Moving Forward:*

Industry Development Manager with Ontario Goat will review the latest projects with Ontario Goat like the GoGen project and the Ontario Cheese Marketing Campaign.

Dr. Sherry Smith, *Ontario Goat:Moving Forward:*

Will discuss proper techniques for dehorning and hoof trimming.

Woody Lane, *The Big Decisions - Strategies for Managing Production Costs:*

Which decisions drive the costs of production -- dates of kidding, making hay versus grazing versus buying feed, use of equipment, etc. How these decisions affect costs and other decisions, and weighing the pros and cons of each option. Especially in relation to nutritional needs and costs.

Elliott Currie, *The Changing Demands and Opportunities in the Goat Market:*

Canada and Particularly Ontario is facing ever increasing numbers of New Canadians that have grown up in cultures where Goat Meat and Milk are common place. The changing demographics of Canada are driving a significant change in the demand for the products of the goat herds of Ontario opening many new opportunities. We will explore a number of the opportunities that are driven by the demographic changes in Ontario and Canada as they impact the producers and managers of the goat industry in Ontario.