

# BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission Newsletter

July 2016

## Current Hatchability

Industry Average:  
**81.99%**  
 Year-to-Date (USA eggs included)

## 2016 Audit Stats

Number of premises to be audited  
 59  
 Number of audits completed  
 24  
 Number of audits with outstanding  
 Corrective Actions  
 5

## Election Results

The BCBHEC would like to welcome Beata Kunze of VB Kunze Farms as the new Director on the commission board.

## Average Lay Cycle End

### Projected July 2016

58 Weeks 1 Day

## Breeder Pricing

Average industry prices:

**Female: \$8.78**  
**Male: \$11.45**

## AI in Ontario

Please see the attached notice regarding an AI detection in commercial ducks on Ontario. All producers are reminded to keep up biosecurity practices and to consult a veterinarian if any of the following occurs in your flock(s): decrease in water consumption, decrease in feed consumption, decreased production, and/or an increase in mortality.

## New Spent Broiler Breeder Flock Sheet

Please see the attached updated Spent Broiler Breeder Flock Sheet. All producers are required to use this updated version from now on. If you would like carbon copies of the record please contact Sarah at [sarah@bcbhec.com](mailto:sarah@bcbhec.com) or 604-302-2323 to arrange a drop off or pick up.

## Updated Recommended Code of Practice

Please see the attached new/updated Recommended Code of Practice. All producers are required to have a copy of the Code on-farm. Hard copies of the manual have been ordered and will be distributed shortly. Please note that your upcoming animal welfare program is based on the requirements in this version of the Recommended Code of Practice.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Sarah at [sarah@bcbhec.com](mailto:sarah@bcbhec.com) or 604-302-2323.



## Golf Tournament Pictures!

Please follow this link: <http://bcbhec.com/2016-first-charity-golf-tournament/> to view pictures from our Canuck Place Charity Golf Tournament. Thanks to our sponsors and to everyone who participated.

## Production Cycles

Period	Start Date	End Date
A-137	May 15, 2016	July 9, 2016
A-138	July 10, 2016	Sept. 3, 2016
A-139	Sept. 4, 2016	Oct. 29, 2016
A-140	Oct. 30, 2016	Dec. 24, 2016
A-141	Dec. 25, 2016	Feb. 18, 2017
A-142	Feb. 19, 2017	April 15, 2017
A-143	April 16, 2017	June 10, 2017

## Pricing Orders

Period	Live Chicken	Hatching Eggs	Saleable Chicks	Day-Old Broiler Chicks
A-133	162.97¢/kg	517.58¢/doz	53.91¢/chick	72.83¢/chick
A-134	162.66¢/kg	520.90¢/doz	54.26¢/chick	73.18¢/chick
A-135	159.81¢/kg	514.01¢/doz	53.54¢/chick	72.46¢/chick
A-136	161.28¢/kg	530.99¢/doz	55.31¢/chick	74.23¢/chick
A-137	159.12¢/kg	522.30¢/doz	54.41¢/chick	73.33¢/chick



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## DISEASE ALERT:

### ***Low Pathogenicity H5 Avian Influenza in commercial ducks (Ontario)***

A low pathogenicity strain of H5 Avian Influenza has been detected in a commercial duck flock in the St. Catherines area of southern Ontario. No clinical signs were present. All birds on this premises will be destroyed.

This farm and 3 other related premises have been quarantined and the local EOC has been engaged. Fortunately this farm exports and regularly tests for Avian Influenza so this detection hopefully represents a recent introduction that will be readily contained.

Trading partners have been contacted and zoning will be implemented to keep normal poultry export activities for the rest of Canada.

Full genome sequencing data, including N-type, should be available by the end of the week.

Another reminder that any unexplained clinical signs or mortality should always be investigated by your poultry veterinarian.

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