

# BC BROILER HATCHING EGG COMMISSION

# NOVEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

## INDUSTRY STATISTICS

### YTD Hatchability

81.9%

### Average Lay Cycle End

56 weeks

### Average Breeder Price

Female: \$9.52

Male: \$11.56

### 2018 Audit Stats

Total Premises to Audit: 71

Premises Completed: 62

Premises with Outstanding

Corrective Actions: 6

### Hatching Egg Tips

Growers make wise business decisions when choosing the correct lighting source for their barns. Read the following article on "Advancements in Lighting Technology" to learn more great info on options for barn lighting:

<http://www.cobb-vantress.com/academy/articles/article/academy/2015/04/04/advancements-in-lighting-technology>

## SAVE THE DATE

Please save the date for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual BC Poultry Conference, February 27 – March 1, 2019 at the Sheraton Wall Centre Hotel in Vancouver. The Annual General Meeting will be held at 2:00pm on March 1, 2019.

## CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Mark your calendars on December 5, 2018 at 7:00pm for the Annual Christmas Social held at the Quality Hotel in Abbotsford.

## QUOTA BILLBOARD

The Billboard for posting quota available for sale or lease is live. It can be accessed via our News page or directly here (<https://www.bcbhec.com/quota-billboard/>). An FAQ section is provided.

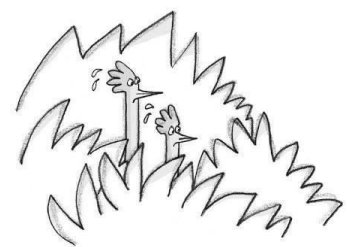
## AVIAN INFLUENZA INSURANCE UPDATE

Please see <https://www.avianinsurancereview.com/> for important updates.

## IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

Please see attached documents regarding flu shots and important signage shared with us from Ontario concerning good biosecurity practices.

On what day of the week do chickens hide?



Fry-day.

### Pricing Orders

Period	Live Chicken	Hatching Eggs	Saleable Chicks	Day-Old Broiler Chicks
A-148	155.50 ¢/kg	510.77 ¢/doz	53.21 ¢/chick	72.14 ¢/chick
A-149	157.78 ¢/kg	520.18 ¢/doz	54.19 ¢/chick	73.12 ¢/chick
A-150	163.30 ¢/kg	534.72 ¢/doz	55.70 ¢/chick	74.63 ¢/chick
A-151	169.30 ¢/kg	553.14 ¢/doz	57.62 ¢/chick	76.55 ¢/chick
A-152	165.93 ¢/kg	544.00 ¢/doz	56.67 ¢/chick	75.60 ¢/chick
A-153	164.50 ¢/kg	536.11 ¢/doz	55.84 ¢/chick	74.78 ¢/chick

### Production Cycles

Period	Start Date	End Date
A-148	Jan 21, 2018	Mar 17, 2018
A-149	Mar 18, 2018	May 12, 2018
A-150	May 13, 2018	July 7, 2018
A-151	July 8, 2018	Sept 1, 2018
A-152	Sept 2, 2018	Oct 27, 2018
A-153	Oct 28, 2018	Dec 22, 2018



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October 15, 2018

Dear fellow poultry producers;

The BCPA's Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) and the Rapid Response Committee have been working together with the BC Ministry of Agriculture and the CFIA to develop procedures and teams to deal more effectively with and to reduce the impact of any future AI outbreaks.

The rapid and coordinated approach to containing AI is dependent upon poultry producers, allied trade and association staff being able to participate in the process. We have been advised by several health experts that our involvement in future AI outbreaks may hinge upon individual producers having gotten their annual flu shot.

The BCPA urges all poultry producers to get their annual flu shot this fall when they become available. There are several reasons:

1. They are free to all poultry producers and their families
2. It takes two weeks for the flu shot immunity to develop. During an outbreak, the lack of flu shots may result in a two week delay before producers can help with the outbreak.
3. Anyone working on a rapid response team (humane destruction, biocontainment, surveillance, movement control) is under the jurisdiction of the CFIA and requires a flu shot.
4. There are concerns that in future outbreaks that public health agencies may prevent even owners and staff from going into their own barns.

I urge you and your family to take advantage of the annual flu shot this fall. Have the shot for your family health and so we can all be prepared to take a strong and rapid response in a future AI outbreak.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Heppell", is written over a light grey rectangular background.

Steve Heppell, Chair, BC Poultry Association



# Clean Your Hands

**Respiratory illnesses like the flu spread easily between people and animals.**

## Read Carefully

1. Do you have a **NEW** cough or one that has become **WORSE**?
2. Are you **SHORT** of **BREATH**?
3. Are you feeling **FEVERISH**?

If the answer to **ALL** of these questions is **YES**, please contact local facility management at \_\_\_\_\_ before proceeding further.

For more information, visit [ontario.ca/flu](http://ontario.ca/flu)