

The special "Youth Passion" fund allows to collect 9700 \$

As part of the activities related to the 60th anniversary, CIAQ and the Conseil provincial des CAB joined forces to contribute to a special fund aimed at supporting youth activities.

A link was thus made between the young people in agriculture and the young sire testing program (PEP) through which CIAQ sampled more than 200 young sires in 2007 and that allows for the organization to ensure its next generations of sires for the years to come.

During the month of May, each time a semen dose from a young sire sampled on the PEP program was used or sold to a Québec breeder, CIAQ and the CP CAB paid 60 ¢ into a "Youth Passion" fund. Since a little over 16 000 young sire semen doses were used in May, CIAQ and CP CAB contributed a grand total of **9700 \$**.

This amount was shared between the AJRQ and Québec 4-H according to the number of members in each of the organizations. Therefore, a cheque of **2500 \$** was presented to the Québec 4-H at the banquet of their Provincial Rallye held on 19 July. As for the presentation of the cheque of **7200 \$** to the AJRQ, it was held on 18 August at the time of the Rural Youth Classic at Expo-Québec.



Gary Bowers, CIAQ Board member, and Yanick Lapointe, CP CAB Board member, present the cheque to Québec 4-H representatives. From left to right : Gillian MacDougal, Angela Neal, Jenna Soesbergen, president (front); Gary Bowers; Yanick Lapointe; Christopher Studer, progeny analyst at CIAQ



Agathe Drolet, director of Communications and Genetics at CIAQ, and Rémi Pelletier, CP CAB Board member, present the cheque to the AJRQ Board members. From left to right : Claire Bisson, Hélène Drolet and Agathe Drolet from CIAQ; Jean-Philippe Angers; Geneviève Drolet, president of AJRQ; Sébastien Côté; Rémi Pelletier; Annie Chabot, general manager of AJRQ. In the foreground : Raphaëlle Lemay and Roxanne Montplaisir