

Welcome to our CSA!

With the excitement of Spring on the farm and the promise of many good things we realize that there is so much to be thankful for and so much to share.

The shrubs and flowering trees are bursting with blooms and the seeds planted in long straight rows are beginning to emerge.

The entire yard smells of lilac and apple blossoms and even the yellow dandelions seem exceptionally brilliant.

Spring provides a time of re-birth, a time of exciting change and a time where anything is possible.

We are both encouraged and enthusiastic about the upcoming CSA food production season and eagerly anticipate sharing the

bounty that Mother Nature provides.

We plan to use a regular newsletter as a vehicle to inform, entertain, teach and tell the story of life on the farm.

The newsletter will provide updates on what crops are ripe and will be showing up in your weekly veggie share.

We will share farm-tested favorite recipes and the trials and tribulations that come with gardening in our arid Southern Alberta climate.

My husband Mark and I have been extra busy with Spring seeding this year as we have assumed farming operations of my late father-in-law's farm. The Roy Neubauer farm is located north of Irvine, AB. The

original homestead remains fully intact and we are proud to say that it has only ever been owned by a Neubauer. We celebrated this farm's centennial in 2009.

This Spring we seeded crops of wheat, durum and canola and now are looking to the skies for some much needed precipitation.

The CSA production plot is located on the farm that Mark and I own just outside of Medicine Hat. We have a Quarter Section of irrigated farmland and our water supply is sourced from the St. Mary's River Irrigation District. This is the water that will be used to grow your veggies.

We anticipate that CSA shares will be available starting at the end of June.

What's "growing" on?

NEUBAUER FARMS

What can we do at the farm?

The primary focus of your CSA membership is of course to provide you with fresh, delicious, local produce, but your membership will also afford you the opportunity to spend time at the farm enjoying nature, interacting with the farm

animals and visiting with other members. We have several new additions in the farm animal line-up this spring. If you have kids, they may be excited to spend time with Gus and Junior the bottle calves, Sarah, Chocolate and

Wilber the goats, Charlotte and Pumba the pot-bellied pigs, Rosa and Rosco the sheep or maybe even Louie or Misty the farm kittens. Moments spent connecting with animals and nature can be treasured for a lifetime.



Ariel view of our farm. Your veggies will grow between the house and the dugout

...what's growing?

Many seeds have been planted and the following veggies have emerged from the soil: Arugula, Bok Choy, Sesame Leaf (Perilla), Romaine Lettuce, Radishes, Spinach, Beets, Onions, Red Leaf Lettuce, Sugar Peas, and one lonely potato. In the small greenhouse we have lots of tomatoes (including a beautiful heirloom variety), peppers, eggplant, and various melons