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## **The Prairie Oat Growers Elect First Co-Presidents**

The Board of Directors of the Prairie Oat Growers Association (POGA) is excited to announce that Ambrely Ralph and Greg Bott have been elected as Co-Presidents, marking the first time POGA has had Co-Presidents and the first POGA President from Saskatchewan.

Ambrely Ralph, past chair of SaskOats, lives and farms on a multi-generational family farm east of Arborfield, SK, with her husband, Garrett and two children. Growing up on a mixed grains/oilseeds and cattle farm south of Foam Lake, Ambrely brings a deep appreciation for diverse cropping practices to her new role on the POGA board.

Greg Bott farms with his parents on their family farm near Eckville, AB, and brings valuable expertise to the POGA board with his extensive education in commerce, economics, and human rights law. He recently completed a PhD in nonprofit leadership and governance.

"I am honored to be a Co-President alongside Greg, and am also very grateful for the opportunity to work alongside such a dedicated and knowledgeable team of directors and staff," Ralph stated. "I look forward to contributing to the growth of our oat farming community."

"I am pleased to accept the Co-President position for The Prairie Oat Growers Association along side Ambrely," Bott stated. "I want to sincerely thank our outgoing President, Brad Boettger, for his leadership and dedication to representing oat growers across Western Canada."

Boettger responded, "It has been a pleasure to lead the POGA Board. I would like to thank Greg and Ambrely for accepting the Co-President positions. I am certain that POGA is in good hands under their leadership, and I look forward to continuing to work with them and the entire POGA board."

POGA is a producer-led organization representing oat producers from the three Prairie Provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba. Canada is the largest exporter of oats in the world, and POGA represents about 90% of those growers. POGA funds research and market development for oats and serves as the Canadian voice for oats on national and international issues, as well as policies and programs that impact oat producers.

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