



DERI FARM NEWS

FIRST ANNUAL PLOW DAY

New Deri Farm fields plowed for 1st time in 60 years

I am very happy to announce an exciting event on April 11. For the first time in over 60 years, the fields here at Skyline Farm will be plowed to open the ground for the vegetable fields of Deri Farm. In the spirit of the equine history of Skyline Farm, six teams of horses and their teamsters will be having a friendly competition to plow all of the fields that are to be used for this season. Free wagon rides from the parking area to the fields are available. The event starts at 9:00 AM on Saturday, April 11 (rain date of April 18) and will be free. Refreshments will be available for purchase. I hope to see you there. You can read more about Plow Day at <http://derifarm.com/plow/>.



Luther Grey, photo courtest of Pam Ames, Skylinefarm.org

MAPLE SYRUP SUNDAY

This coming Sunday, March 22, is Maine Maple Syrup Sunday. There are many great maple farms/producers around the state who are hosting events. You can read more at: http://www.getrealmaine.com/visit/maine_maple_sunday.html. Jeremy and Tracy Ames of Maple Ridge Farm in Limington are hosting a family oriented tasting of their very own 2009 batch of pure Maine Maple Syrup on free ice cream, free coffee or in a delicious maple breakfast dessert delight. Maple Ridge Farm is located at 1205 Cape Road (RT. 117) in Limington...an easy find...follow the signs, but please call ahead if you would like better directions: 637-2830. They will be open from 8 AM - 4PM. I hope to leave Deri Farm around 10:30 to head over to buy a supply of syrup and enjoy what looks to be a beautiful spring day.

GREENS ARE GROWING

On this first day of spring, the new greenhouse at Deri Farm now has a gas line connected and is a fully operational greenhouse. The homemade germination chamber helps the seeds get a warm bed to start in. Recent sunny days have helped those seedlings that have germinated to really put on some size. Currently, the alliums (i.e. onions, leeks and shallots) the ones really showing their form as their nifty little hook-like starts poke through the soil. Soon the empty tables will be full of green seedlings and it will be time to plant them out in the fields.

IMPORTANT DATES

Just a reminder that a deposit of \$100 is due by March 27. The full balance for shares are due by June 1. Please send a check to:

Deri Farm

95 The Lane

North Yarmouth, ME 04097

I will send out an email reminder as the due dates approach.

Watch for an email at the end of March with information on payments you have made.

The first vegetable pickup is scheduled for the week of June 15. I will keep everyone up to date on instructions as the season progresses. So, keep an eye out for emails from me. If you change your email address, please let me know at csa@derifarm.com.



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NEW LOCATION!

Deri Farm has moved to 95 The Lane North Yarmouth

Many of you already know that last fall, Deri Farm moved to a new location at Skyline Farm (<http://skylinefarm.org>) in North Yarmouth. Skyline Farm is a community effort to preserve a collection of carriages and sleighs, the farm that houses them and the beautiful 54 acres of open space around it. In addition to the on-site museum, there are wonderful trails in the woods that are open year round, and several events throughout the year including a recent sleigh rally. Deri Farm and Skyline Farm are planning to work together to sponsor even more events for CSA members and the greater community. I will be announcing upcoming events in this newsletter and they will also be published at: <http://derifarm.com/events/>.

