

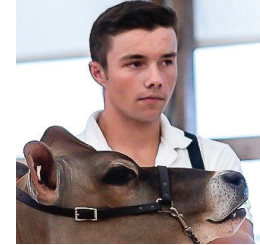


2019 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



ROBERT MATSON
CALEDON

Robert graduated from the University of Ottawa in 2018 and began his Master's degree in Animal Bioscience with a focus on dairy cattle at the University of Guelph last year. His thesis focuses on robotic milking systems, including optimal housing, management, reproduction and nutrition. In 2017, Robert's family dairy farm dispersed and today he helps with the farm's cash crop operation. He has completed 54 4-H projects in Peel county to date and has been a Youth Leader for a club he helped design that gives 4-H members the opportunity to complete a camping expedition and earn the Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award. Robert serves as a Director on the Albion Bolton Agricultural Society Board, which allows him the opportunity to promote communication between rural and urban communities. After graduating, Robert hopes to continue on to complete a PhD with his supervisor. Ultimately, he would like to pursue a Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) designation and dreams of one day working as a product developer in the ruminant nutrition field.



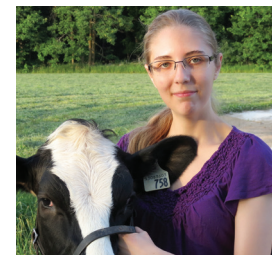
BENJAMIN SARGENT
ENNISKILLEN

Benjamin is entering his second year at Dalhousie University in Truro, NS in the Business Management program specializing in Dairy Farming. He is responsible for cow care at his family's Jersey farm in Enniskillen, including milking and feeding cows and calves, bedding, cleaning pens and breeding. He also assists with cropping and general maintenance on the farm. While away at school, Benjamin works at Cobequid Holsteins. He has completed 40 4-H clubs and has held the positions of President, Vice-President, and Secretary. He has won Top Member for Plowing club, Top Member for Dairy club and Dairy Coloured Breeds Award. Benjamin's future goals include expanding the farm, starting an on-farm store and milk processing facility, becoming a Master Breeder in the Jersey breed, and one day running the family farm with his siblings.



CASSANDRA ALLEN
ALFRED

Cassie is currently enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in Agriculture program at the University of Guelph, majoring in Animal Science. At her home farm in Alfred, On., Cassie holds responsibilities for milking, feeding, assisting with calving, training and clipping show cows and helping with crops. She has completed over 30 4-H clubs, acting as President, Vice-President and Secretary. She has won Top County Senior 4-H Judge, Top Junior Plowing Award for Prescott County, Ontario Federation of Agriculture Award and Holstein Canada's Young Leader Education Award. At Guelph, she is a member of Judging Club and Dairy Science Club and was the Ontario Agriculture College Class of 2021 Events Director. Though Cassie isn't set on what the future will hold, she knows she will always be actively involved in the agri-food industry and her family's farm!



NICOLE MOORE
EGANVILLE

Nicole is enrolled at the University of Guelph where she is entering her second year of the Landscape Architecture program. She has grown up on her family's dairy and beef farm in Eganville, On., where she helps with milking, sanitation and cow comfort and participates in herd management and cattle health sessions.

Nicole has completed 48 4-H clubs and has received numerous awards, including Renfrew County Plowman's Agriculture Scholarship, Renfrew Lions Club Scholarship, and Renfrew County Soil & Crop Scholarship. Nicole is actively involved in the community and has volunteered with Melville United Church and St. Luke's Church in Eganville, where she helped with Sunday School and various fundraisers. Since 2016, she has worked as a Tourist Ambassador in Eganville, aiding tourists and promoting local businesses. Using her landscape knowledge, Nicole plans to bring back efficient preservation landscape techniques to the agriculture industry in Renfrew County.



JORDAN ROBINSON
OSGOODE

Jordan is entering his second year of the University of Guelph's Agriculture program, majoring in Crop Science. On his family's farm in Osgoode, On., Jordan looks after calf and herd care, general maintenance, milking, feeding and field work. Off the farm, Jordan has worked for Eastern Crop Doctor, Embrun Cop and Travellin' Farmer. Jordan has participated in 4-H clubs such as Dairy, Crop, Fitness, Square Dancing, Senior, and Finance, holding various executive positions along the way. He is a member of the Guelph Triathlon Team and maintains a strict physical training regime to stay fit. In high school, he was an avid athlete and competed in 22 school sports. Jordan is looking forward to continuing his education to learn more about growing environmentally-sustainable crops and using this knowledge to make an impact on the environment, animal welfare, as well the community and economics of the agriculture industry.



BROOKE BENSCHOP
BOWMANVILLE

Brooke hails from Bowmanville, On. and attends university in Truro, NS at Dalhousie where she is enrolled in the Dairy Business Management program. At home on the family farm, Brooke is responsible for milking cows, feeding calves, cleaning, bedding, raising laying hens, as well as naming and registering new calves. Brooke has completed 16 clubs in 4-H including Dairy, Dairy Clipping and Fitting, Communications, Cooking and Dairy Judging. In the Clipping and Fitting club, Brooke has won Champion Clipper four years running and Top Junior Dairy member twice. She has competed at the TD Canadian 4-H Dairy Classic with the Durham East team and taken part in EastGen Challenge. In the future, Brooke hopes to take over the family farm with her brother and breed a winning heifer/cow at the Royal.



BENJAMIN CADDEY
DORCHESTER

Ben is completing his Master's degree in Veterinary Medical Sciences at the University of Calgary. For his Master's research project, he is focusing on digital dermatitis (DD), also known as 'strawberry foot'. Last year he completed his Bachelor's degree at the University of Western Ontario with an Honour's Specialization in Microbiology and Immunology. On his home farm, Ben is involved with decisions regarding management practices, nutrition, treatments, as well as field work and daily chores. He has participated in 4-H in Elgin County and has represented his county at the TD 4-H Canadian Dairy Classic eight times. He hopes to continue working on his family's farm with hopes to increase efficiency, upsize, and become more sustainable. Ben's future goal is to manage his own successful herd with all the knowledge and experience he has worked so hard to acquire.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS YEAR'S ONTARIO SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS! THESE EIGHT STUDENTS PURSUING POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION AT THE UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE LEVEL WILL EACH RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP WORTH \$1,000. AGAIN THIS YEAR, THE SCHOLARSHIPS HAVE BEEN FUNDED BY EDWARD Y. MORWICK. WE THANK TED FOR HIS GENEROUS SUPPORT.



ELAINE JEFFS
CAMPBELLFORD

Elaine hails from Jeffshaven Farms, a fifth generation dairy and cash crop farm in Campbellford, On., and is currently enrolled in her fourth and final year of the Bachelor of Science in Agriculture program at the University of Guelph. On her home farm, Elaine takes on many roles including scouting, planting and harvesting fields, operating the TMR mixer, feeding and bedding calves and getting animals ready for the show. Elaine has also recently taken on the role of helping with sire selection, which has helped Jeffshaven achieve several VG and EX cows. When not working at home, Elaine works at a 4,000 head swine finishing operation in Stratford, and during the summers, she is employed at Bayer Crop Science and Maizex Seeds. Elaine has completed 34 4-H projects across three different counties over the years, and in 2018, was part of Northumberland's Classic team and Top Senior Member in the Dairy Club. At the University of Guelph, she is active in Student Federation (SFOAC) where she is serving as President this year. Elaine has big dreams for the future, including becoming a dairy farmer with the help of the New Producer Program through Dairy Farmers of Canada! She plans to one day build a dairy barn with the highest animal welfare standards, as well as a state-of-the-art, farrow-to-finish hog operation. "Investing in education and infrastructure for people to learn about Canadian agriculture through their own eyes and experiences," Elaine says, "would be a great way to break down barriers and negative stigmas about modern agriculture."

LYLE MARTIN WINNER

The Lyle Martin High Achievement Scholarship Award is awarded to the post-secondary student that displays the most impressive application based on community, post-secondary and agricultural involvement along with success in the 4-H program. The award of \$750 per year is sponsored by CanWest DHI and EastGen. Congratulations to this year's winner, Elaine Jeffs.

The scholarship is established in the name of Lyle Martin, a well-respected dairy farmer from the Brussels area. He was a former board member for CanWest DHI and EastGen. He was always on a committee and often was the leader or chair. The award exemplifies many things Lyle found important in life, including further education in agriculture, community involvement, supporting youth and advancements in the dairy industry.



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