

## Top Managed Herds of 2019 Announced

Guelph, ON and Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue, QC (January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020). Lactanet Canada is proud to recognize excellence in dairy herd management by releasing the Canadian Top 25 Herds, based on the 2019 Herd Management Score results. The evaluation was completed at a national level amongst a total of more than 6,500 herds.

The Herd Performance Index allocates points for performance in different management areas, including milk production, udder health, reproduction, heifer rearing and longevity. It is an excellent indicator of overall herd performance, a great tool to monitor herd progress from year-to-year, and is valuable for benchmarking within various production systems (free stall, tie stall, robotic, organic).

Congratulations to the following producers for outstanding herd performance:

Rank	Farm Name	Owner	Prov	Breed
1	Ferme Estermann Inc	Martin Estermann	QC	HO
2	Heidi Farms Inc	Paul Oeggerli & Family	ON	HO
3	Smilebrook Farms Inc	Thomas & Ingrid Tschudi	ON	HO
4	Ferme Drahoka Inc	Francis & Sylvain Drapeau	QC	HO
5	Ferme Riter 2010 Inc	Richard Therrien	QC	HO
6	Hendriks Dairies Ltd	Tyler Hendriks	ON	JE
7	Rosenhill Farm Inc	Andre Hildbrand	ON	HO
8	Ferme Collette & Fils Inc	Nicole Boulet & Daniel Collette	QC	HO
9	Jewell Dale Farm Inc	Logan Jewell	PE	HO
10	Alexerin Dairy Inc	Ron & Todd Nixon	ON	HO
11	Summitholm Holsteins	Joe Loewith & Sons	ON	HO
12	Sunny Point Farms Ltd	Phillip Vroegh	NS	HO
13	Ferme Beljacar Inc	Carmen & Jacques Vincent	QC	HO
14	Ferme Duchesne Holstein Inc	Éric Savard & Nancy Duchesne	QC	HO
15	Ferme Verdelait Inc	Marc-André Ruel	QC	HO
16	Ferme B. Lehoux & Fils Inc	Germain Lehoux	QC	HO
17	Gorweir Holsteins	Chris, Jessie & Brandon Weir	ON	HO
18	Danastar Holstein	Danny Lessard	QC	HO
19	Ferme Trois Chemins Inc	Enrico Lefebvre	QC	HO
20	Ferme Barjo Inc	Amélie Tremblay & Dominique	QC	HO
21	Ferme Desleduc Gms Senc	Steve Leduc	QC	HO
22	Van Engelen Dairy Farms Ltd	Mike & Ed Van Engelen	ON	HO
23	Vriesdale	Henry & Robert Velthuis	ON	HO
24	Haag Farms Inc	Roger & Karen Haag	ON	HO
25	Werkholm Holsteins Ltd	Frank & Kevin Werkema	ON	HO

## RANKED BY CATEGORY

### **CANADA: TIE STALL**

Farm Name	Owner	City	Prov
Ferme Drahoka Enr	Francis & Sylvain Drapeau	Kamouraska	QC
Ferme Riter 2010 Inc	Richard Therrien	Saint-Sylvestre	QC
Ferme Collette & Fils Inc	Nicole Boulet & Daniel Collette	Saint-Antoine-sur-le-Richelieu	QC

### **CANADA: FREE STALL**

Farm Name	Owner	City	Prov
Ferme Estermann Inc	Martin Estermann	Sainte-Agnès-de-Dundee	QC
Heidi Farms Inc	Paul Oeggerli & Family	Bainsville	ON
Hendriks Dairies Ltd	Tyler Hendriks	Brucefield	ON

### **CANADA: ROBOT**

Farm Name	Owner	City	Prov
Smilebrook Farms Inc	Thomas & Ingrid Tschudi	Mitchell	ON
Rosenhill Farm Inc	Andre Hildbrand	St-Albert	ON
Ferme Beljacar Inc	Carmen & Jacques Vincent	Acton-Vale	QC

### **CANADA: ORGANIC**

Farm Name	Owner	City	Prov
Ferme Des Prés Verts Senc	Luc & Philippe Piché	Ferme-Neuve	QC
Ferme Lérigier Enr	Lucien Bouchard	Hemmingford	QC
Ferme Denijos Inc	Bryan Denis	Saint-Cyprien-de-Rivière-du-Loup	QC

## TOP THREE BY PROVINCE

### **NOVA SCOTIA**

Farm Name	Owner	City
Sunny Point Farms Ltd	Phillip Vroegh	East Noel
Macgregor Dairy Farm Ltd	John Macgregor	Churchville
Black Avon Farms Ltd	Tony & Erica Versteeg	Heatherton

### **PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

Farm Name	Owner	City
Jewell Dale Farm Inc	Logan Jewell	Meadowbank
Tiny Acres Holsteins	Logan Bryanton	Miscouche
Carruthers Farms Ltd	Mike Carruthers	Kensington

### **NEW BRUNSWICK**

Farm Name	Owner	City
Clarke Farms	Matthew Clarke	New Canaan
Willie A. Leblanc & Sons Ltd	Guy & Richard Leblanc	Memramcook
Lawrence's Dairy Farm Ltd	Philemon Lawrence	Burt's Corner

## NEWFOUNDLAND

Farm Name	Owner	City
Sunrise Dairy Ltd	Jeff & Olive Greening	Musgravetown
Larch Grove Farms	Ian Richardson	Cormack
N & N Farm Ltd	Lee Noel	Cormack

## QUÉBEC

Farm Name	Owner	City
Ferme Estermann Inc	Martin Estermann	Sainte-Agnès-de-Dundee
Ferme Drahoka Enr	Francis & Sylvain Drapeau	Kamouraska
Ferme Riter 2010 Inc	Richard Therrien	Saint-Sylvestre

## ONTARIO

Farm Name	Owner	City
Heidi Farms Inc	Paul Oeggerli & Family	Bainsville
Smilebrook Farms Inc	Thomas & Ingrid Tschudi	Mitchell
Hendriks Dairies Ltd	Tyler Hendriks	Brucefield

## MANITOBA

Farm Name	Owner	City
Readore Farms	Rheal Simon	Notre Dame
Isaac Dairy Ltd	Brent & Victoria Isaac	Kleefeld
Rocky Ridge Dairy	Hotze & Pietje Woudstra	Grunthal

## SASKATCHEWAN

Farm Name	Owner	City
Rayner Dairy - U of Sask	University of Saskatchewan	Saskatoon
Sierra Colony Farms Ltd	Sierra Colony	Shaunavon
Bench Farming Co Ltd	Bench Colony	Shaunavon

## ALBERTA

Farm Name	Owner	City
Milford Colony Farming Co Ltd	Mike Wipf	Raymond
GDL Farms Ltd	Gerrit, Konrad & William Deleeuw	Picture Butte
Mars Dairy	Gert & Sonja Schrijver	Stettler

## BRITISH COLUMBIA

Farm Name	Owner	City
Milky Way Dairy	Frank & Debbie Les	Chilliwack
PJV Farms Ltd	Peter Vink	Chilliwack
West River Farm Ltd	Grant & Gene Sache	Rosedale

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