

Evert Veldhuizen Jr. - Oxford County 2010 Forage Master Winner

Evert graduated from Ridgetown College with a livestock program in 1996 and came home to work on the family farm.

Veldale Farms consists of 1500 acres of cropland, 120 dairy cows, service approximately 14000-ac custom work and Dekalb Seed dealership on approximately 15000 acres.

Evert is the general manager of Veldale Farms, responsible for customer relations, custom work planning, seed sales, dairy performance, employee relations and financial management.

Currently Veldale farms have five full time employees, five part-time/seasonal, a controller and three owners, Evert Sr., brother Jan and himself. In 2009, Veldale farms was awarded the Family Farm of the Year Award by the Township of Norich Chamber of Commerce.

Evert and Veldale Farms hosted the 2010 Annual Forage Expo put on by the Ontario Forage Council and has completed the Environmental Farm Plan.

Evert is married to Marije (Mariah) and they have 3 children Romee, Ruben, and Femke.

As the winner of the 2010 Forage Masters Competition, Evert now qualifies to compete in the 2011 American Forage and Grassland Council's Forage Spokesperson Contest.