

# OSMA Congratulates Ontario's Outstanding Young Farmers 2002

Ontario's Outstanding Young Farmers for 2002 were chosen at the 23rd annual awards banquet in Mississauga on Saturday, April 6, 2002.

John and Eadie Steele and their children, Chelsey and Ian, were awarded the honor by Mark Murphy of Alliston, chair of the Ontario region for the Outstanding Young Farmer program.

Mr. and Mrs. Steele farm 300 acres near Norwood in the southern area of Peterborough County. They started their sheep flock with 64 breeding ewes and have expanded to 800 breeding ewes.

Using the accelerated lambing system, they achieve three lambings in a two-year period, and also employ embryo transfers to speed up genetic improvements in their flock.

They will represent Ontario in the national competition to be held during the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto in November.

Other finalists in the Ontario competition Saturday were Laurent and Catherine Van Arkel of Dresden, and Fons and Heather Vandebroek of Aylmer, both pork producers. The Van Arkels work with a 400 hog farrow-to-finish operation, and the Vandebroeks have 550 sows in their farrow-to-finish production unit.

Bruce Thompson, speaking on behalf of the panel of three judges, termed it "a very close competition." He said all three entrants have to be considered finalists because of the high quality of their farming operations and the presentations they made before the judges.

The awards banquet included a presentation by last year's Ontario winners, Glen and Sheila Burgess of Mildmay that outlined their dairy farming operation that has purebred Jerseys and Holsteins cows. 🐄



Ontario's Outstanding Young Farmer family was honored at a presentation in Mississauga on Saturday, April 6. Winners of the honor for 2002 were John and Eadie Steele, centre, of Norwood in Peterborough County, and their children, Ian, left, and Chelsey. Mark Murphy, right, of Alliston, chair of the Ontario region for the Outstanding Young Farmer program, announced the winners and presented them with the banner and trophy symbolic of their victory.

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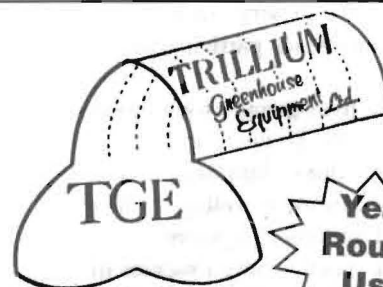
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