



# Veal Farmers of Ontario 2019 Annual General Meeting & Producer Education Day



*Your calf care partners*

**Wednesday, March 6, 2019**

**Arden Park Hotel, Stratford, Ontario**

## **DRAFT AGENDA**

- 9:30 a.m.            **Registration, industry trade show and morning refreshments**
- 10:00 a.m.           **Welcome and opening remarks**
- 10:15 a.m.           **Navigating the veal market at Ontario livestock auctions**  
Larry Witzel, General Manager, *Ontario Livestock Exchange*  
This presentation will provide insights into marketing opportunities at Ontario sales barns and an overview of how buying and selling has changed over the years.
- 10:45 a.m.           **Veal Farmers of Ontario Annual General Meeting**
- 12:00 p.m.           **LUNCHEON BUFFET AND INDUSTRY TRADE SHOW**  
*Greetings from Minister Hardeman and Perth-Wellington MPP Randy Pettapiece (Invited)*
- 1:45 p.m.            **Creating connections: veal producer panel discussion**  
Ontario veal producers will offer their perspectives and take-home tips as they share how they handled a number of veal cattle-raising challenges in 2018, providing key insights on issues ranging from cattle health to barn retrofits.
- 3:00 p.m.            **Understanding carcass condemnations and evaluating herd management**  
Megan Van Schaik, Beef Cattle Specialist, *Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs*  
This talk will focus on common reasons for veal carcass condemnations at abattoirs and how this information can help inform on-farm herd management practices.
- 3:30 p.m.            **Closing remarks and adjournment**