

# FLORADALE FEED MILL

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**2023**  
*39th Annual*  
**Drayton FARM SHOW**

RURAL ONTARIO'S  
AGRIBUSINESS  
SHOWCASE

OVER 100 EXHIBITORS

**Admission**  
Adults: \$5, Children: \$2  
8 & under: Free  
50% of your entry fee is donated  
to Cystic Fibrosis Research

**Wednesday 11AM - 10PM**  
**APRIL 12**  
and  
**Thursday 11AM - 9PM**  
**APRIL 13**  
PMD ARENA, DRAYTON

**2023 FARM SHOW COLLECTIBLE**  
Case International 4894  
7-4WD 8 wheel  
Quad Steer  
Livable  
Coolest  
**PICK UP YOURS**  
AT THE DRAYTON KINSMEN  
FARM SHOW BOOTH

Presented by the  
**Drayton Kinsmen**  
Serving the Community's Greatest Needs

Mark Your  
Calendar  
IN-PERSON EVENTS ARE BACK!

**CANADIAN  
DAIRY EXPO**  
**APRIL 5 & 6**  
STRATFORD, ON

## ESCAPE TO WISCONSIN

You heard right! The bus trip is back. We are headed to the World Dairy Expo this fall and we want to take you with us! Keep an eye on your statements in April, May & June for your chance to win.

**GIVEAWAY**

## Tip of the Month

### Spring is coming! Have you checked your feed bins?

Before warmer weather sets in, we recommend taking some time to inspect your feed bins & clean them out if necessary. When feed sits in your bin for an extended period of time, it could absorb off odors and develop mold. Molds produce mycotoxins, which can have adverse effects on livestock. In general, clearing bins out every six-months can help avoid molds or overly stale feed.



# FIRST QUARTER TREND WATCH FROM THE PURCHASING DESK



**Connor Smith, Purchaser**  
MARKET HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE FIRST QUARTER

## CURRENT COMMODITY MARKETS

Current commodity markets are being heavily impacted by supply and demand factors such as weather patterns, geopolitical tensions, government policies, and global economic conditions. Additionally, the prices of these commodities are often interlinked, with changes in one market influencing the other.

In addition, financial markets remain volatile with USA banking troubles and rising interest rates. When interest rates rise, it becomes more expensive for investors to borrow money. This may reduce the amount of capital available for investment in commodities like corn and wheat. Investors may choose to invest in other assets like bonds, which may offer a higher rate of return, reducing demand for commodity speculation and thus leading to lower prices.

## OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

Producer risk management is key to success in volatile market conditions. **Floradale Feed Mill has unique access to the Agri-Marché trade network which allows for additional options and security in terms of marketing your grain. The large volumes traded each year give us significant purchasing power, resulting in competitive prices in the grain purchasing market.** Well established in the field for more than 100 years, Agri-Marché is an industry leader that offers security and peace of mind by honouring the contracts of its many customers.

Want more information?  
Contact Connor Smith today.

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## We're hiring! Join our team today.

More information on current job opportunities can be found at [ffmltd.com/careers](http://ffmltd.com/careers).

# FACES OF FLORADALE

What's happening in our community.



Pictured is Matt Schotsman, FFM Nutrition Manager & Floradale customer, Paul Mitchell.

Proud to have sponsored so many fantastic operations in this year's regional car tours.

Have an event coming up? We'd love to get involved. Reach out to us at [ffmsales@ffmltd.com](mailto:ffmsales@ffmltd.com).