

Ann Straatman
Lucan, ON



Nominated as ONTARIO BREEDER DIRECTOR

Ann Straatman is the Reproduction Manager at Seelster Farms in Lucan, Ontario. With more than 20 years in this position, Ann, her sister and her cousin are the third generation currently managing Seelster. Her areas of responsibility include stallion acquisition, syndication and management; mare reproductive management, mare contracts and client liaison.

Ann is also the current Sale Manager and President of Forest City Yearling Sales (FCYS). A Director of FCYS since 2002, Ann has been closely involved with the execution of the selected yearling sale as both an owner and a major consignor. Ann's responsibilities include everything from yearling inspections, consignor contracts, catalogue preparation to sale advertising and customer service.

Even though Ann has worked at Seelster Farms for her entire career, she did take time away to complete her post-secondary education. After four years at the University of Guelph, Ann earned a degree in Zoology and in Statistics.

Ann has just completed her first three year term as a Breeder Director of Standardbred Canada from 2011 to 2013 and was the Chair of the Breeders Committee. Ann is also an at-large member of the Horse Improvement Program's Review Committee, a member of the Standardbred Breeders of Ontario Association (SBOA) and a member of the Central Ontario Standardbred Association (COSA).