



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Juniors Show Their Plowing Skills at the IPM**

North Dumfries residents took the top two spots in the Junior Match competition during the International Plowing Match and Rural Expo (IPM), held Sept. 18 to 22 in Chatham-Kent.

This year's top-three Junior Match competitors are:

First – Ben Henderson, 20, of Roseville (North Dumfries)

Second – Austin Brodhaecher, 12, of Ayr (North Dumfries)

Third – Matthew Sterling, 15, of Pain Court (Chatham-Kent)

During the IPM, Henderson – who lives and works on his family's dairy farm in Roseville, just outside of Cambridge, in Waterloo Region – also won the Sidney Sisler Memorial Junior Special (Junior Champion Tractor Plowperson) and was the Class 2 Group 2 champion. Class 2 is for a two-furrow plow. Competitors are then split into groups based on their age.

"It's gone pretty well. I can't complain," commented Henderson of his performance at the IPM. "I've always been an equipment guy."

Henderson, who recently won the Junior Championships at the Canadian Plowing Championships and will participate in next year's World Ploughing Competition, graduated last year with a Diploma in Agriculture from the University of Guelph's Ridgetown Campus. He has been taking part in plowing competitions since 2012.

The performance of plowing competitors is judged based on the quality of the furrow – straightness, cut and uniformity, distinctness, neatness, etc.

The Junior Match was held on the final day of the IPM – Saturday, September 22. A full list of the Junior Match results is attached.

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