

Larry Spratt

General Leader | Beatty Beef 4-H Club | District #27

I live near Melfort, SK with my wife and our four children. I farm with my extended family where we raise purebred Maine-Anjou cattle and grow wheat, oats, barley, canola and faba beans. I was a 4-H member for 10 years in the Beatty Beef 4-H Club, I am currently in my 14th year as a project leader and in my 5th year as the District 27 president.

Before I began my farming career, I obtained a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture from the University of Saskatchewan. My previous board experience has been serving as a director with the Saskatchewan Young Ag Entrepreneurs, Grain Growers of Canada, The Canadian Young Farmers Forum [CYFF], Canadian Foundation for Food and Agricultural Education and most recently, the Affinity Credit Union. Through my role with CYFF, I was able to serve as a delegate on behalf of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada at American Farm Bureau Federation events throughout the United States. I have worked with youth in other capacities besides being a 4-H leader. Within my community I have served as a youth soccer and basketball coach as well as a Youth Ministry Coordinator at our local church.

My children are the 3rd generation in my family to be members in our local 4-H club. I know first hand, the positive impact 4-H has on everyone involved. The members learn that hard work and responsibility can actually be fun and as well as very worthwhile. The past members grow into proficient public speakers and supportive, confident leaders, which shows the rewarding, lasting effects 4-H has in a community.

Through my past experiences, I understand and appreciate the hard work and commitment it takes to serve as a director and to lead our youth. Communication is important and needs to simultaneously exist between directors, staff and its members. As a director with 4-H Saskatchewan I will strive to contribute to the legacy of strong leadership and provide insight and direction during my term.