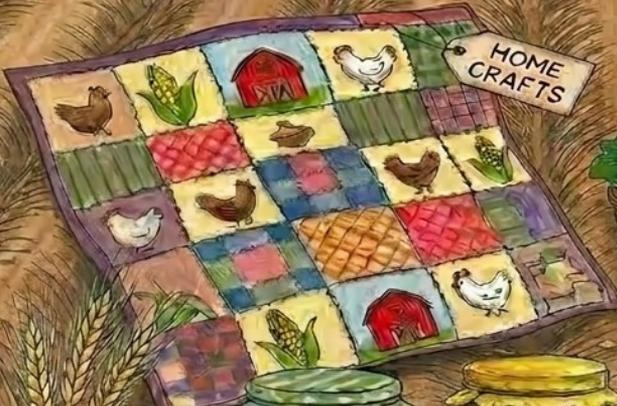


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September 11-12-13 2026

Homecraft Prizebook

Herd It Through The Grapevine





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Vision Statement:

“Bringing the town into the country, uniting our community.”

Mission Statement:

“The West Niagara Agricultural Society is a registered charity whose overall purpose is to contribute, serve, and support the community and to grow agriculture into the future.”

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WEST NIAGARA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY HISTORY

The West Niagara Agricultural Society (WNAS) was formed in 2012 through the amalgamation of the former Lincoln Agricultural Society (LAS) and Smithville Agricultural Society (SAS). These non-profit organizations had each operated for over 150 years in the Lincoln and West Lincoln communities. After the sale of land owned by LAS in downtown Beamsville, it was decided that joining the two societies at a new central, rural location in Grassie (West Lincoln) with a new facility, would create a stronger organization. On a 95 acre parcel of land at the corner of Mud Street and Grimsby Mountain Road, the new West Niagara Agricultural Centre and Fairgrounds opened its doors in 2015 and has been going strong ever since.

WNAS is composed of members, and governed by a Board of Directors, all of who are VOLUNTEERS and who live in the surrounding communities coming from all walks of life.

IN MEMORIUM

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WEST NIAGARA AGRICULTURAL CENTRE

The West Niagara Agricultural Centre sits on 95 acres and offers a spectacular venue for year round events – for the community to gather, celebrate and be entertained! Some examples are weddings, banquets, horse shows, dog shows, festivals, and markets. We have plenty of space and parking is never a problem. Our location is central to West Niagara and easily accessible from major roadways.



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(First Executive of WNAS)

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HOMECRAFT PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the West Niagara Fair!

Our 2026 season has already started. Our Homecraft Committee has made some interesting changes to our West Niagara Fair Homecraft Prizebook. This year's theme is HERD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE, which combines the farmers who raise livestock and those who grow fruit. They are both very busy industries in the Niagara area. Our WNAS Community Hall will present many opportunities for exhibitors to show off their talents by entering the different classes from our book. Painting, sewing, needlecrafts, flowers & arrangements, vegetables, baking, photography, seed samples to sheaves, sunflowers and corn, and try to grow the largest pumpkin. So many classes from the wee ones to the seasoned crafters. Don't forget about our Baby show! Enter your little one and win a prize with your future farmers and gardeners.

See you at the fair to learn all about agriculture! The livestock shows, and antique tractor pulls, live entertainment, along with the usual and exciting Demolition Derby. The fair foods, rides, and competitions. Join in the competitions, or be a spectator. We can't control the weather, but we pray for a great weekend. Enjoy your weekend at the West Niagara Fair.

See you at the Fair!

Annette VanMarrum
Homecraft President, West Niagara Agricultural Society

Many thanks to our past Homecraft Presidents!

2023 to Present: Annette VanMarrum

2020 to 2022: Meagan Lowden

2013 to 2019: Leslie Pattermore

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

I have always been a huge fan of the West Niagara Agricultural Fair and as such, I most definitely look forward to it each year! On behalf of the Council of West Lincoln, it is my pleasure to congratulate the West Niagara Agricultural Society Board of Directors for working so very diligently over the year to put together another exceptional programme for 2026. I love how each year the programme showcases so extremely well the Agricultural nature of West Lincoln and demonstrates its importance, not only to our past and present, but also to our future!

I have volunteered for various fair-related tasks over the years and as such I realize the importance of the volunteers who come out to help with particular events on each of the days of the actual Fair, but I also realize that the overall task of pulling together a Fair such as this requires a dedicated group who work from one fair year to the next, to ensure that the upcoming fair will be enjoyed by those who come from near and far , simply to enjoy their time at the Fair!

Thank you to all involved in any way, from those of you who have taken on important major organizational tasks right down to those who offer to do the small, yet still important tasks on what we, in West Lincoln, fondly call "Fair Weekend". As I said last year - a successful fair need all of you!

I would also like to acknowledge and thank the many residents and local businesses who sponsor the various prizes and awards in each of the categories outlined in this year's Fair Book. So - to those of you with hobbies of any type, to those who raise animals, to those who grow flowers and vegetables, please browse through this book and find the categories that suit what you or your family members love to do and start planning for your 2026 Fair entries! You too, play an important role in the success of the West Niagara Fair!!!

See you at the Fair!



Cheryl Ganaan
Mayor, Township of West Lincoln

ENTRY INFORMATION

Read through this prize book and decide what you would like to enter – there are so many choices! Be sure to read all the rules, both the general rules and the special rules for the category you have chosen.

To enter your finished creations, you must register online via our website: www.westniagarafair.ca or in-person at our office.

Entry tags will be available for pick-up at the Fair office beginning Monday, August 17th, 2026. Entries must be **registered prior to pick-up**. Please allow 24 hours minimum for processing and printing of tags.

DEADLINE for entry registration is NOON on Tuesday, September 8th, 2026. Entry tags registered on September 7th and 8th, 2026 will be ready for pick-up from 4 to 7pm on Tuesday, September 8th, 2026.

Please contact the office well ahead of time if you need help with online registration of entries. Call 905-309-9939 or e-mail homecraft@westniagaraagsociety.ca and we will be happy to help!

All entries must be brought to the West Niagara Fairgrounds on Wednesday, September 9th, 2026 between 12 and 8pm. Late submissions will not be accepted under any circumstances. Entry tags should be affixed to the entries ahead of time.

GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

Additional rules and or exceptions to rules may precede each section. Please read them carefully to avoid disqualification.

Exhibitor's Fees for 2026

- \$10 exhibitor fee for entry to adult classes
- \$5 exhibitor fee for entry to junior classes

All exhibitors (including livestock exhibitors) must pay the yearly exhibitor fee (excluding WNAS Members) in order to enter classes.

Exhibitors receive one free entry pass to the Fair as part of their fee. Exhibitors may enter as many classes as they like, with a maximum of one entry per class (unless otherwise noted).

Registering and Dropping Off Entries

Entries must be registered either online or in-person in accordance with instructions given. See previous page for detailed instructions. Entries may not be modified or removed following judging.

Picking Up Entries

All entries must be picked up on the Sunday of the Fair between 5 and 7pm. (Gate admission is waived beginning at 5pm.) Please present your Claim Card at pick up. Unclaimed entries will be discarded on Friday, September 18th, 2026.

Entry Fees

In lieu of entry fees, 10% will be deducted from all prize winnings (unless stated otherwise).

Prize Money

All exhibitors (except for Junior Fair) winning a total of \$15.00 or more in prize money will have the following year's exhibitor fee retained from this year's winnings.

Prize money (except for Junior Fair) exceeding \$25.00 (net of fees) will be paid by cheque and mailed out within 60 days. Prize money totaling less than \$25.00 can be picked up at the office during the month of October 2026.

Junior Fair prize money will be paid out in cash on the Sunday of the Fair between 5 and 7pm, during entry pick up.

In the case of bad weather or unfavourable circumstances resulting in poor attendance or cancellation of events, WNAS reserves the right to pay out only a portion of stated prize money.

Judging

NO EXHIBITOR OR COMMITTEE MEMBER SHALL INTERFERE WITH THE JUDGES OR JUDGING PROCESS IN ANY WAY.

Only section chairs and committee members will be permitted in Community Hall during judging. Disrespect of any kind will not be tolerated. The decision of the judge shall be final in all cases.

Judges have the authority to remove all soiled, defaced or old work and award prizes to new or up-to-date work. Disqualified or unjudged entries will have reasonings recorded on the entry tag.

Judges are requested not to award prizes to animals or articles that they consider unworthy. Should there be only one entry in a class, the judge may use their discretion as to award an appropriate placing.

Points

All point totals are calculated as 1st = 3 pts, 2nd = 2 pts, 3rd = 1 pt.

OAAS Competitions

The Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies offers several special competitions (seen through the book). WNF winners of these classes move on to compete at the District 6 annual meeting, and winners there move on to the Provincial level at the annual OAAS Convention. OAAS are included and must be followed to qualify.

Violation of Rules

WNAS reserves the right to retain the exhibitor fees and prize money of any exhibitor who violates any of the rules contained in this prize book, and may move to bar such exhibitor from future entry at WNF.

Liability

WNAS is not responsible for damage, injury, loss or theft of any exhibit, regardless of the case of such damage, injury, loss or theft. By exhibiting at WNF, the exhibitor shall indemnify and hold harmless WNAS, their members, agents and employees from and against all claims, demands, losses, costs, damages, actions, suits or proceedings by any third parties that may arise out of, or may attribute to, all operations performed or carried out by the exhibitor, their agents, or anyone for whose acts they may be held liable.

Errors

WNAS will not be held responsible for any errors in the prize book.

Privacy Policy

Any information collected by WNAS regarding members, exhibitors, sponsors, directors or any other persons related to WNAS and WNF business will be used solely for the purposes of promotions of the WNAS and WNF, and for maintenance of files and database. By their participation, any member, exhibitor, sponsor, or director or other person agrees to have their names published for these reasons only. None of this information will be sold or transferred to any outside party for any other reason.

Media Consent

By attending and exhibiting at WNF you consent to the use of images and photos in whole or in part for advertising and promotional purposes, and waive your right to privacy and financial compensation for any and all images used.

Please consider supporting the West Niagara Fair through a monetary or in-kind sponsorship. We offer five distinct sponsorship packages, each designed to elevate your business or organization.



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THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!

It is only through the support of our generous sponsors and community partners that we are able to offer such a wonderful selection of classes and “Specials”. Your support is appreciated!

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SECTION 1 – GRAINS & HAY

Contact: Bruce Comfort

Additional Rules:

1. Plastic bags will be provided by the West Niagara Fair for small grains, soybeans, grass seed, silage. Mason jars may be used to exhibit grains.
2. Exhibits to be products of the current year, unless otherwise specified. Exhibits must meet qualifications or be disqualified.
3. Upon arrival, exhibits must be taken to Commodities Building.

Prizes for 100 to 122: 1st \$10 2nd \$8 3rd \$6 4th \$4

SMALL GRAINS – Must be current year crop

- 100 Winter wheat white, named, 4 litres
- 101 Soft red wheat, named, 4 litres
- 102 Two row barley, named, 4 litres
- 103 Six row barley, named, 4 litres
- 104 Oats, named, 4 litres

GRASS SEED – Can be previous year

- 105 Alfalfa seed, named, 1 litre
- 106 Red Clover seed, named, 1 litre
- 107 Trefoil seed, named, 1 litre
- 108 Timothy seed, named, 1 litre

CORN

- 109 Shelled corn, named, 4 litres – Previous year crop
- 110 Ear corn, named, 6 ears – Current year crop
- 111 3 Ears Sweet Corn (husks pulled back and tied together)

- 112 Grain corn, named, 6 stalks, roots removed, cob exposed - Current year crop
- 113 Silage corn, named, 6 stalks, roots removed, cob exposed - Current year crop

SOYBEANS

- 114 Soybeans, 6 plants - roots attached, named, judged on height and maturity
- 115 Soybeans, 4 litres - previous year crop

BALED HAY - One flake with 2 twine ties, 10-12 cm thick
- All current year

- 116 First cut of alfalfa hay
- 117 Second cut of alfalfa hay
- 118 First cut mixed hay, at least 50% legume
- 119 Second cut mixed hay, at least 50% legume
- 120 First cut red clover hay
- 121 Second cut red clover hay
- 122 Commercial horse hay - judged on colour, free from dust, and moisture content

SHOW SHEAVES OF GRAIN - 6"

All sheaves must be at least 6" at the band and mounted on a self-supporting stand. Upon arrival, sheaves are to be delivered directly to the Community Hall.

Prizes for 123 to 125: 1st \$75 2nd \$65 3rd \$55 4th \$45

- 123 Sheaf of oats, named
- 124 Sheaf of wheat, named
- 125 Sheaf of barley, named

SHOW SHEAVES OF GRAIN - 3 to 4"

All sheaves must be 3-4" at the band and 24-26" high including base. Upon arrival, sheaves are to be delivered directly to the Community Hall .

Prizes for 126 to 128: 1st \$12 2nd \$10 3rd \$8 4th \$6

- 126 Sheaf of oats, named
- 127 Sheaf of barley, named
- 128 Sheaf of wheat, named

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

For Adults and Junior Fair Exhibitors – Educational display containing information explaining the crop from seed to end use. Area provided: 2 ½ feet deep by 4 feet wide.

Prizes for 129: 1st \$20 2nd \$15 3rd \$10 4th \$5

- 129 Ontario Field Crop Educational Display- Open Class

MOST POINTS

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 1.

Prize: Voucher for 1 unit of PRIDE SEEDS G8 Corn Hybrid (Valued at \$380) Kindly supported by Vitucci Farms

SECTION 2 – FLOWERS & PLANTS

Contacts: Jean Acton 905-957-7816, Loretta Shields 905-978-1915

Additional Rules:

1. All horticultural entries must be grown by the home gardener EXCEPT for the arrangement classes, where plant material (i.e. foliage as well as flowers) may come from any source.
2. Conditioning technique: Using a sharp knife, cut flower stems on a diagonal to encourage upward flow of water. Deadhead spent blooms and remove any dead leaves from your entry. Ideally, cut flowers in early morning and stand them immediately in a bucket of tepid water for a few hours or overnight in a cool place. If floral foam (oasis) is used, drop it in a large container of lukewarm water and it will be fully soaked in a few minutes.

3. Judging will be according to Ontario Judging Standards 2019.

Prizes for 200 to 229: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

Kindly supported by Smithville Garden Club

CUT BLOOMS & FOLIAGE

Buds showing colour are considered a bloom for a single specimen. No additional foliage is allowed in this cut blooms class. All flowers must be presented in a container (ie. vase) with water.

Helpful tips:

A bloom is an individual flower, one to a stem.

A spray is a portion of a plant with several flowers on one stem.

A spike is an upright stem carrying several flowers.

- 200 Aster, 1 bloom
- 201 Purple Coneflower, 1 bloom
- 202 Cosmos, 3 sprays
- 203 Hydrangea, 1 bloom any variety and colour
- 204 Dahlia, 1 bloom 4" and over
- 205 Dahlia, 1 bloom less than 4"
- 206 Snapdragons, 3 spikes
- 207 Black Eyed Susan, 3 blooms
- 208 Ornamental Grasses, 3 stems of the same variety (cultivar)
- 209 Hosta Leaves, 3, uniform in size, of **one** variety
- 210 Marigolds, 3 stems each with a bloom 3" and over
- 211 Marigolds, 3 stems each with a bloom less than 3"
- 212 Petunias, 3 sprays
- 213 Roses, hybrid tea, 1 bloom
- 214 Roses, any other variety, 1 spray
- 215 Salvia, 3 stems
- 216 Sedum, 1 stem

- 217 Sunflower, 1 bloom
- 218 Zinnia, 3 blooms
- 219 Any other Perennial or Annual, 1 bloom, named

POTTED PLANTS

- 220 African violet, single crown
- 221 Trailing foliage plant, 1 variety other than spider plant, pot diameter not to exceed 11"
- 222 A dish garden - 5 or more succulents and/or cacti
- 223 Spider plant, pot diameter not to exceed 11"
- 224 Herb plant, pot diameter not to exceed 11"
- 225 Orchid, in bloom
- 226 Parent & child, in separate pots
- 227 Begonia, pot diameter not to exceed 11"
- 228 Fern, pot diameter not to exceed 11"
- 229 Plant in bloom - other than any of the above, pot diameter not to exceed 11"

SPECIAL - ARRANGEMENTS - Accessories permitted

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by Smithville Garden Club

- 230 **Roadside Treasures** - A design not to exceed 24" in height (61cm), phragmites (common reed), an invasive grass is not allowed
- 231 **Spirit of Canada** - A teapot arrangement featuring red and white flowers, not to exceed 14 inches in height and width

SPECIAL - ARRANGEMENTS - Accessories permitted

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by Ann Marie Chechalk

- 232 **Grapevine Wreath** - A fall door decoration incorporating a grapevine wreath with dried flowers, seedheads and/or grasses, not to exceed 18 inches in diameter

SPECIAL - ARRANGEMENTS - Accessories permitted

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by Lincoln Garden Club

- 233 **Harvest Table** - A buffet arrangement featuring one empty wine bottle and incorporating fruit and vegetables, to be displayed on a tray or other base no greater than 12 inches by 20 inches
- 234 **Celebrate Autumn** - A design in a vase, not to exceed 24 inches in height

SPECIAL - ARRANGEMENTS - Accessories permitted

Prizes: 1st \$50 2nd \$30 3rd \$20

Kindly supported by Smithville Garden Club

- 235 **Welcome Fall Planter for front door** - A container featuring grapevines, and annuals and/or perennials (ie. Chrysanthemums, grasses, etc.)

THE GREENEST THUMB

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 2.

Prize: \$50 Gift Certificate for The Watering Can

SECTION 3 – FARM PRODUCE

Contact: Annette VanMarrum & Elizabeth Boyd

Additional Rules:

1. Plates will be provided.
2. All fruits and vegetables must be grown by the exhibitor. Must be free of blemishes, damage, and unspoiled.
3. Roots and vegetables are judged on quality and uniformity. Must be free of garden soil, but not overwashed.
4. Judging based on: 50% Quality, 50% Presentation.

Prizes for 300 to 360: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

BEETS, PLATE DISPLAY – 3 units, with 4 cm of green top
300 Long or pickling

BEANS, PLATE DISPLAY – 10 units
301 Green
302 Yellow

CARROTS, PLATE DISPLAY – 3 units, with 4 cm of green top
303 Long type
304 Short type

CABBAGE, PLATE DISPLAY – 1 head, lightly trimmed
305 Red
306 Green

CUCUMBER, PLATE DISPLAY – 3 units

- 307 Slicing type
- 308 English seedless

BRUSSEL SPROUTS

- 309 PLATE DISPLAY – 10 units

ONIONS, PLATE DISPLAY (DO NOT PEEL) – 3 units

- 310 White
- 311 Cooking
- 312 Red

SQUASH, (DO NOT WAX) – 1 unit, not on plate

- 313 Butternut
- 314 Acorn or Pepper
- 315 Spaghetti

PUMPKINS, Stem must be attached on all entries in all classes

- 316 Pie, round, stem attached
- 317 Mini, not over 3½" in diameter, stem attached
- 318 Field pumpkin, under 50 lbs, stem attached

PEPPERS, PLATE DISPLAY OF 3

- 319 Sweet green, bell
- 320 Sweet green, pointed
- 321 Sweet red, bell
- 322 Sweet red, pointed
- 323 Jalapeno
- 324 Banana
- 325 Pepper collection, 4 varieties, named, one of each

TOMATOES, Calyx must be attached in all classes

- 326 Roma, plate of 3
- 327 Large variety, named, plate of 3
- 328 Cherry or grape, named, plate of 10
- 329 Small tomatoes, not cherry or grape, plate of 10

POTATOES

- 330 Yellow fleshed, 3 litre basket, provide your own
- 331 White, 3 litre basket, provide your own
- 332 Red, 3 litre basket, provide your own
- 333 Mini yellow fleshed, 12 on a plate
- 334 Mini white, 12 on a plate
- 335 Mini red or purple, 12 on a plate

OTHER VEGETABLES

- 336 Parsley, 3 units, shown in water
- 337 Chives, 10 planted
- 338 Herbs, not parsley or chives, 3 units of the same variety, shown in water, named
- 339 Garlic, 3 units, tops trimmed to 1"
- 340 Freak vegetable
- 341 Vegetable, any variety not listed above or zucchini, named

COLLECTIONS

- 342 Onion Collection, small, 4 varieties, 1 of each, named
- 343 Gourd Collection, 4 varieties, 1 of each
- 344 Vegetable Collection, small, 3 varieties, 3 of each, named

SPECIAL - VEGETABLE COLLECTION, large

Prizes: 1st \$15 2nd \$10 3rd \$8 4th \$5

Kindly supported by Dan & Alison Both

- 345 Vegetable Collection, large, minimum 6 varieties, named, 30"x30"x30" frame provided

NOVELTY ROOTS & VEGETABLES

- 346 Largest beet, by weight
- 347 Largest carrot, by weight
- 348 Largest onion, by weight
- 349 Largest pepper, by weight
- 350 Largest potato, by weight
- 351 Largest tomato, by weight
- 352 Largest zucchini, by length

SPECIAL - PUMPKIN OR SQUASH, must be 50 lbs or over

Prizes: 1st \$100 2nd \$75 3rd \$50 4th \$25 5th \$15 6th \$10

Kindly supported by Annette & Harry VanMarrum

- 353 Heaviest squash or pumpkin (entries with signs of deterioration will not be accepted)

SPECIAL - BASKET OF GOURDS

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by Andrew Chechalk

- 354 Collection of 10 gourds in a decorated basket

FRUIT

- 355 Grapes, any variety, 2 stems on a plate, named
- 356 Apples, same variety, 5 on a plate, named
- 357 Pears, same variety, 5 on a plate, named

EGGS, Produced by exhibitor’s birds and displayed in a carton with top removed

358 Brown eggs, large, 1 dozen

359 White eggs, large, 1 dozen

360 Multi-coloured eggs, any size, 1 dozen

MASTER OF THE GARDEN

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 3.

Prize: \$30 Kindly supported by Smithville Pharmacy

SECTION 4 – CANNED GOODS & PRESERVES

Contact: Deanna McGee

Additional Rules:

1. All entries must be in the jar size specified. Incorrectly sized jars will be disqualified.
2. Jars must be clean and sealed with two-piece snap lids. No paraffin wax.
3. Entries must be labelled with name and date of preparation (within two years prior to judging day).
4. Entry tags must be filled out completely and attached with a rubber band to the neck of the jar prior to exhibit time.
5. Do not decorate jars unless specified.
6. All entries are judged on taste, texture and clarity.

Prizes for 400 to 418: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

CANNED FRUIT, 500 ml jars only

400 Applesauce

- 401 Pears
- 402 Peaches
- 403 Fruit salsa

JAMS & JELLIES, 125 ml or 250 ml jars

- 404 Strawberry jam
- 405 Peach jam
- 406 Raspberry jam
- 407 Red pepper jelly
- 408 Any other jam or jelly, not in list, named

PICKLED & PICKLES, 500 ml jars

- 409 Bread & butter pickles
- 410 Dill pickles
- 411 Pickled beets
- 412 Any other variety of pickles, named

RELISH, 250 ml or 500 ml jars

- 413 Hot dog relish
- 414 Any other variety of relish, named

TOMATOES, 500 ml jars

- 415 Tomato sauce (NO MEAT or mushrooms)
- 416 Salsa
- 417 Tomato chili sauce
- 418 Canned tomatoes, no additives, tomatoes only

SPECIAL – OAAS MAPLE SYRUP COMPETITION

Prizes: 1st \$30 2nd \$20 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by All Canadian Entertainment

419 OAAS Maple Syrup Competition, as per following rules

1. Must follow OAAS rules. (See Appendix at the end of this book or website.)

SPECIAL – OAAS HONEY COMPETITION

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by Chris Hamilton

420 OAAS Honey Competition, as per following rules

1. Must follow OAAS rules. (See Appendix at the end of this book or website.)

BEST IN SHOW

One Winner from Classes 400 to 418 to be chosen by the Judge

Prizes: 1st \$30 2nd \$20

Kindly supported by The McGee Family

JAR WRANGLER

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 4.

Prize: \$50

Kindly supported by Marlene Vooy's

SECTION 5 – BAKING

Contact: Heather Chechalk

Additional Rules:

Please read carefully and follow the rules for each Class. Labelling and packaging standards must be adhered to in order to maintain fairness and equity. The Judges reserve the right to disqualify any entry that fails to follow the rules of competition.

1. All entries MUST be exhibited on disposable dishes of the appropriate size (not supplied) and placed in a CLEAR PLASTIC RESEALABLE BAG, unless otherwise stated.
2. Entry tags must be completed in full and be pinned or stapled (no tape) to every entry.
3. No commercial mixes of any kind are to be used unless otherwise stated. No other ingredient is to be added, unless stated, eg., if asked for nuts, use only the nuts specified; if asked for chocolate chips, use only chocolate chips. No extras.
4. Please read all rules carefully to avoid being disqualified.

Prizes for 500 to 516: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

BREADS & ROLLS

- 500 White bread – half of a regular loaf
- 501 White dinner rolls - 3
- 502 Bread - half of a regular loaf, machine made, any type
- 503 Sourdough bread – scored, named
- 504 Cinnamon rolls - 3 iced

MUFFINS & LOAVES (remove all wrappers before entering)

- 505 Apple pumpkin muffins - 3
- 506 Banana chocolate chip muffins - 3
- 507 Zucchini bread - half loaf

CAKES & CUPCAKES - All homemade, no commercial fillings or mixes

- 508 Farm animal cake pops - 3
- 509 White cake - 3" square , top iced
- 510 Chocolate cupcakes - 3 iced, no wrappers

COOKIES, SQUARES & MORE - All homemade, no commercial fillings or mixes

- 511 Chocolate Chip Cookies - 4
- 512 Peanut Butter Cookies - 4
- 513 Your favourite cookie - 4, named
- 514 Nanaimo bars - 4
- 515 Brownies - 4
- 516 Homemade granola - in clean sandwich size resealable bag with recipe attached

SPECIAL - BAKE ME A CAKE

Prizes: 1st \$50 2nd \$25 3rd \$15

Kindly supported by All Canadian Entertainment

- 517 Coffee Cake - bunt style, named

SPECIAL - MADE BY MEN

Prize: \$50 Home Depot Gift Card

Kindly supported by Dan & Alison Both

- 518 Fruit Tart Trio - Judged on filling and crust

SPECIAL - MADE BY WOMEN

Prize: Surprise Prize

Kindly supported by Ann Marie Chechalk

- 519 Decorated Cake - 2-tier, 6" bottom, 4" top, theme "Herd it through the Grapevine"

SPECIAL – FRUIT PIE

Prizes: 1st \$50 2nd \$25 3rd \$15

Kindly supported by Cheryl & John Ganaan

520 Baked fruit pie, as per following rules

Bake a pie with your favourite fruit filling. Crust must be made from scratch. Filling must be named with ingredients used included. NO commercial pie fillings allowed! Full, 8" or 9" pies accepted, in a disposable pie dish. One slice will be removed for judging, one slice put on display. The remaining pie will be sliced up for volunteers to enjoy over the weekend. Recipe must be attached.

Judging will be based on the following criteria:

- 50 pts Flavour (smell, taste)
- 25 pts Inside characteristics (texture & lightness)
- 25 pts Overall appearance (surface, size, colour)

SPECIAL – COLD PIE

Prizes: 1st \$50 2nd \$25 3rd \$15

Kindly supported by Cheryl & John Ganaan

521 Cream or meringue pie, as per following rules

Bake a pie with your favourite cream or meringue filling. Crust must be made from scratch. Filling must be named with ingredients used included. NO commercial pie fillings allowed! Full, 8" or 9" pies accepted, in a disposable pie dish. One slice will be removed for judging, one slice put on display. The remaining pie will be sliced up for volunteers to enjoy over the weekend. Recipe must be attached.

Judging will be based on the following criteria:

- 50 pts Flavour (smell, taste)
- 25 pts Inside characteristics (texture & lightness)
- 25 pts Overall appearance (surface, size, colour)

SPECIAL – PEACH COBBLER

Prizes: 1st \$30 2nd \$20 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by Torrie Warner

522 Peach cobbler, as per following rules

NO commercial pie fillings allowed! Full, 8" or 9" square cobblers accepted, in a disposable dish. One scoop will be removed for judging, one scoop put on display. The remaining cobbler will be dished up for volunteers to enjoy over the weekend. Recipe must be attached.

Judging will be based on the following criteria:

50 pts Flavour (smell, taste)

25 pts Inside characteristics (texture & lightness)

25 pts Overall appearance (surface, size, colour)

SPECIAL – IN MEMORY OF MALEKA

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by Heather Chechalk & Zoë Gunn

523 Bake your best date squares - 6

Maleka Dittrick's date squares were requested and enjoyed by generations of volunteers at Lincoln Agricultural Society and West Niagara Agricultural Society for decades. Three squares will be displayed and three savoured by volunteers in Maleka's memory.

SPECIAL - TRADITIONAL BUTTER TARTS

Prizes: 1st \$150 2nd \$100 3rd \$50

Kindly supported by Elizabeth Currie

In memory of Eva Durham who won many prizes at the Smithville Fair

524 Traditional butter tarts, with raisins or nuts, as per following rules

1. Six butter tarts – nuts and raisins can be used.
2. Full-sized tarts, no mini tarts.
3. Tarts to be displayed on a sturdy plate, inside of a clear sealable plastic bag. Three tarts will be used for judging and display. The remaining tarts will be enjoyed by volunteers.
4. Judging will be based on the following criteria:
 - 40 pts Crust
 - 40 pts Filling
 - 20 pts Appearance

SPECIAL - OAAS BUTTER TART COMPETITION

Prizes: 1st \$30 2nd \$20 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by Joanne Battersby

525 OAAS Butter Tart Competition, as per following rules, 6 tarts to be entered

1. Must follow OAAS rules. (See Appendix at the end of this book or website.)
2. Three tarts will be used for judging and display. The remaining tarts will be enjoyed by volunteers.

SPECIAL – ANGEL FOOD CAKE

Prizes: 1st \$150 2nd \$100 3rd \$50

Kindly supported by Niagara Egg Producers

526 Angel Food Cake, as per following rules

1. Only one entry per Exhibitor.
2. Entry must be an angel food cake **made from scratch, not iced (powdered sugar is acceptable), no filling.**
3. Must follow provided recipe. (See Appendix at the end of this book or website.)
4. Must be made with Ontario produced and packed eggs.
5. All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will not be returned. Place the cake on a paper plate covered with plastic wrap.
6. 1st to 3rd place cakes will be retained for display. All others will be enjoyed by volunteers less the slice used for judging.
7. Judging will be based on the following criteria:
 - 50 pts Flavour (smell, taste)
 - 25 pts Inside characteristics (texture & lightness)
 - 25 pts Overall appearance (surface, size, colour)

SPECIAL – 12 YOLK POUND CAKE

Prizes: 1st \$150 2nd \$100 3rd \$50

Kindly supported by Niagara Egg Producers

527 12 Yolk Pound Cake, as per following rules

1. Only one entry per Exhibitor.
2. Entry must be a pound cake **made from scratch with egg yolks only.**
3. Must follow provided recipe. (See Appendix at the end of this book or website.)
4. Must be made with Ontario produced and packed eggs.
5. All pans, plates and dishes are considered to be disposable and will not be returned. Place the cake on a paper plate covered with plastic wrap.
6. 1st to 3rd place cakes will be retained for display. All others will be enjoyed by volunteers less the slice used for judging.
7. Judging will be based on the following criteria:
 - 50 pts Flavour (smell, taste)
 - 25 pts Inside characteristics (texture & lightness)
 - 25 pts Overall appearance (surface, size, colour)

THE BATTER UP CHAMP

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 5.

Prize: \$50 Kindly supported by Joann Chechalk

SECTION 6 – PHOTOGRAPHY

Contact: Marlene Vooy

Additional Rules:

1. All exhibitors must be of an amateur status.
2. All photos must be 4"x6".
3. All prints to be mounted on a 6"x8" white or black bristol board showing a ~1" border on all sides. No frames!
4. Entry tags to be attached to top right corner of border.
5. Photographs must be new and not previously exhibited.

Prizes for 600 to 613: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

BLACK & WHITE, one print

600 Grouping of antique bottles

601 Scarecrow in a field

COLOUR, one print

602 Herd scene

603 Vineyard scene

604 Grouping of purple and orange flowers

605 Fall Harvest

606 Rustic table setting

- 607 Fall water scene
- 608 Colourful fall sunset
- 609 Grapevine wreath
- 610 Kids in pumpkin patch
- 611 Playing in the leaves
- 612 Apple picking or walk through an orchard
- 613 Colours of the fall

TOP SNAPPER

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 6.

Prize: \$20 Kindly supported by Linda Grant

SECTION 7 – ART

Contact: Annette VanMarrum

Additional Rules:

1. All work must be done by exhibitor.
2. All exhibitors must be of an amateur status.
3. All work must be ready to hang, with wire or rope, no glass.
4. Sizes (before framing) must be minimum of 6"x8" and maximum of 24"x36".
5. No "paint by numbers" will be accepted.
6. No duct tape may be used to secure the picture.

Prizes for 700 to 708: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

- 700 Themed painting any medium – "Herd It Through the Grapevine"

- 701 Textured art, drawing/painting to include the use of sea glass
- 702 Painting any medium, any subject
- 703 Barn quilt on art board or wood, 12" X 12"
- 704 Painting from a photo, any subject, include photo
- 705 Finish the picture, any subject – find a picture, cut in half, glue to art board, draw/colour/paint to complete finish the other half
- 706 Water scape (waterfalls, pond, lake, river), any medium
- 707 Pastels or pencil crayons, any subject
- 708 Pet portrait, any medium

WEST NIAGARA’S MICHELANGELO

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 7.

Prize: \$20 Kindly supported by Brenda Dunlop

SECTION 8 – CRAFTS & HOBBIES

Contact: Cathy Rowaan & Karen Parker

Prizes for 800 to 808: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

- 800 **Button Art,** A button display of no fewer than 25 buttons, using no fewer than 5 different buttons, no larger than 12 by 12 inches, displaying a vineyard theme or herd of animals theme. If other media are included, the buttons must be the dominant medium.

- 801 **Greeting Card for a Herd**, The front cover of a handcrafted (no computer generated images or photographs), greeting card no larger than 5 by 7 inches. The theme of the card will be an invitation to an animal themed party.
- 802 **Greeting Card for a Wine Tasting**, The front cover of a handcrafted (no computer generated images or photographs), greeting card no larger than 5 by 7 inches. The theme of the card will be an invitation to a wine tasting event.
- 803 **Handcrafted Article**, A decorative handcrafted article crafted by the entrant no larger than 12 by 12 inches which depicts the theme "Herd It Through the Grapevine".
- 804 **Mobile**, A mobile created with any medium which includes at least three animals from a herd, or which has a grapevine theme. Bonus points if it incorporates both themes.
- 805 **Painted Rocks**, A set of three rocks no larger than a sphere with a diameter of 6 inches painted to resemble a herd of animals. Or, one rock no larger than a sphere with a diameter of 6 inches which is painted to include a herd of at least three animals.
- 806 **Pine Cone Creations**, A set of three pine cones each of which depicts a member of a herd. Each pine cone may be no larger than 8 inches long.
- 807 **Pinterest Project**, A completed project which has been featured on Pinterest. A printout of the original Pinterest project must be included with the entry. Bonus points if the project depicts the theme of "Herd It Through the Grapevine".
- 808 **Wreath**, A wreath no larger than 15 inches wide made of grapevine.

SPECIAL – WOOD CRAFTED ARTICLE

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by Dave & Tina VanderWier

809 Wood crafted article or sign (new), 12"x12" max

SECTION 9 – SEASONED CRAFTERS

Contact: Ingrid Sikkens

Additional Rules:

1. Open to exhibitors 65 years of age or older.
2. Exhibitor fees will be waived for group entries.

Prizes for 900 to 913: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

- 900 Beer cap craft, 25 minimum
- 901 A kite to fly with a child
- 902 Fabric purse or wine bag
- 903 Stuffed herd animal
- 904 Garden decoration
- 905 Wine cork craft, 15 minimum
- 906 Poem, hand-written, theme related
- 907 A card for a friend
- 908 Leather craft item
- 909 Sea glass craft, minimum 25 pieces
- 910 Hat or toque, knit or crochet
- 911 Home decor item, max 15" x 15"
- 912 A toy for a child, max 12" x 12"
- 913 Bazaar item for Christmas, not an ornament

MASTER CRAFTER

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 9.

Prize: \$20

Kindly supported by Brenda Walker

SECTION 10 – ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

Contact: Agnes Keunen

Additional Rules:

1. All items must be at least 50 years old.
2. No reproductions allows.
3. Smaller items will be placed in a locked cabinet.
4. Please provide a note with a description for unusual items.

Prizes for 1000 to 1017: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

- 1000 Hat pin
- 1001 Buttons on original card
- 1002 Vintage dinky toy
- 1003 Oldest Smithville Fair Prizebook
- 1004 Avon perfume/cologne figurine
- 1005 Children’s wooden picture puzzle
- 1006 Beaded purse
- 1007 Hair ornament, beaded & mounted
- 1008 Wash board
- 1009 Cartoon character figure (pre-1976)
- 1010 Unusually-shaped cup & saucer

- 1011 Vintage brass & wood bell
- 1012 Antique candlesticks
- 1013 Hand tool
- 1014 Egg measuring tool
- 1015 Maple syrup can
- 1016 Maple syrup spile
- 1017 Newspaper article

SECTION 11 – NEEDLECRAFTS

Contact: Ingrid Sikkens

Additional Rules:

1. Please adhere to specific sizes in all classes.
2. Samples of yarn must accompany each article.

Prizes for 1100 to 1115: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

CROCHETING OR HAND KNITTING

- 1100 Stuffed herd animal or doll
- 1101 Afghan
- 1102 Shawl
- 1103 An item made with Baby Bernat yarn
- 1104 Decorative table runner
- 1105 Hat or headband or earmuffs
- 1106 Grapevine, 15" minimum
- 1107 Slippers

NEEDLEWORK & EMBROIDERY

1. Wall hangings and pictures must be ready to hang (no plastic canvas, except where specified).
2. Samples of threads must accompany each article.

- 1108 Hanging banner, "Herd It Through the Grapevine", 24" maximum
- 1109 Beaded item
- 1110 Counted cross stitch item
- 1111 Plastic canvas item
- 1112 Rug hooking or latch hooking
- 1113 Machine embroidery item
- 1114 Article of crewel work or embroidery
- 1115 Needlecraft article not otherwise listed above (e.g. felting or needle punch)

THE GOLDEN THREADER

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 11.

Prize: \$25

Kindly supported by Nancy Johnston

SECTION 12 – SEWING

Contact: Ingrid Sikkens

Additional Rules:

1. All clothing must be on hangers.
2. Samples of fabric must accompany each article.

Prizes for 1200 to 1205: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

- 1200 Potholders (2), heat proof oven mitts or soup bowl cozies (2)
- 1201 Doll outfit, displayed on a doll
- 1202 Man’s holiday shirt
- 1203 Decorative pillow
- 1204 Child’s dress up clothes
- 1205 Stuffed toy, herd animal

THE STITCH MASTER

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 12.

Prize: \$20

Kindly supported by Kathy Whybourne

SECTION 13 – QUILTING

Contact: Annette Noonan

Additional Rules:

1. Quilts may be shown a maximum of two successive years.
2. Quilts must have been made in the past 5 years, except for the Heritage Quilt.
3. Judges will disqualify soiled, defaced or old work.
4. Exhibitors must not take in quilting work for hire (ie. long arming) in a brick and mortar or home-based business.
5. Piercing, appliqueing and quilting must be solely the work of the exhibitor, unless otherwise specified.
6. If not machine-stitched by the exhibitor, include the name of the long-arm quilter.
7. Any identifying marks (name/initials) must be covered with masking tape.

Prizes for 1300 to 1302, 1304 to 1306: 1st \$30 2nd \$25 3rd \$20

HAND QUILTING

Hand quilts must be a minimum of 280 inches measured on the perimeter. The quilt can be square, rectangular, etc. All 4 sides must be measured to determine the perimeter measurement. The quilting must be through all 3 layers (top, batting and back) and not be mounted on a frame. The quilt may have a sleeve attached to the back for the purpose of hanging the quilt.

1300 Quilt, pieced, new material

1301 Quilt, appliqued

1302 Quilt, Exhibitor’s choice, pattern name

SPECIAL – OAAS HAND-QUILT COMPETITION

Prizes: 1st \$30 2nd \$25 3rd \$20

Kindly supported by West Niagara Animal Hospital

1303 OAAS Hand-Quilt Competition, as per following rules

1. Must follow OAAS rules. (See Appendix at the end of this book or website.)

MACHINE QUILTING

Machine quilts must be a minimum of 280 inches measured on the perimeter (unless otherwise specified). The quilt can be square, rectangular, etc. All 4 sides must be measured to determine the perimeter measurement. The quilting must be through all 3 layers (top, batting and back) and not be mounted on a frame. The quilt may have a sleeve attached to the back for the purpose of hanging the quilt. **Quilts in these classes must be machine quilted by the exhibitor.** Domestic, mid arm and/or long arm equipment is permitted.

- 1304 Quilt, pieced, new material
- 1305 Quilt, appliqued
- 1306 Quilt, Exhibitor’s choice, pattern name

SPECIAL - OAAS MACHINE-QUILT COMPETITION

Prizes: 1st \$30 2nd \$25 3rd \$20

Kindly supported by West Niagara Animal Hospital

1307 OAAS Machine-Quilt Competition, as per following rules

- 1. Must follow OAAS rules. (See Appendix at the end of this book or website.)

QUILTING

The following classes are to be hand or domestic, mid arm and/or long arm machine quilted. **If not long arm stitched by the exhibitor, please include the name of the long arm quilter.**

SPECIALS - WEST NIAGARA ANIMAL HOSPITAL CLASSES

Prizes: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

- 1308 Quilt, Exhibitor’s choice - minimum 225” perimeter
- 1309 Quilt, appliqued - minimum 225” perimeter
- 1310 Modern quilt, using bold coloured prints, high contrast minimalist design, expansive negative space, machine quilted
- 1311 Scrappy quilt, machine quilted, minimum 195”
- 1312 Exhibitor’s choice, must be 250” to 324” perimeter

SPECIALS - GRIMSBY QUILTERS GUILD CLASSES

Prizes: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

- 1313 Crib quilt, pre-printed panel
- 1314 Crib quilt, pieced or appliqued - minimum 162"
- 1315 Single block, pieced, not quilted, 12.5" square
- 1316 Machine or hand quilted bag or purse
- 1317 Any other machine quilted item

SPECIALS - SMITHVILLE QUILTERS GUILD CLASSES

Prizes: \$25 to 1st

- 1318 Unfinished quilted item, note reason on tag
- 1319 Wall hanging, Exhibitor's choice, machine quilted
- 1320 Miniature quilt, maximum 90" perimeter
- 1321 Any other small hand or machine quilted item (Eg. table runner, set of 2 placemats, set of 2 hot pads)
- 1322 Group quilt (2 or more persons)
- 1323 Any machine embroidered quilted item
- 1324 Quilt, any size made with recycled material
- 1325 Article of quilted clothing

SPECIAL - ANTIQUE/HERITAGE QUILT

Prizes: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

Kindly supported by Annette Noonan

- 1326 Antique or heritage quilt, minimum 50 years old - include small story explaining the history

TOP QUILTER

One Winner to be determined by best aggregate score based on 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd for classes in Section 13.

Prize: \$75 Gift Certificate

Kindly supported by Nancy's Fibre Art Shop

SECTION 14 – INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Contact: Annette VanMarrum

Additional Rules:

1. Classes are limited to individuals who are visually or developmentally challenged.
2. Exhibitor fees will be waived for these classes.
3. One entry may be entered per class per exhibitor.

Prizes for 1400 to 1406: 1st \$8 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

- 1400 Paint or marker by number
- 1401 Something you are proud of
- 1402 Adult colouring page
- 1403 Create a cow or sheep using a tissue box
- 1404 Paint a rock
- 1405 Clay or playdough cow
- 1406 Wooden spoon person

JUNIOR FAIR

Additional Rules for the Junior Fair Sections that follow:

1. Junior Fair is open to boys & girls in Grade 12 or younger as of September 1, 2026.
2. Each exhibitor must pay the Junior Exhibitor fee of \$5.00 which includes a free pass to the Fair.
3. Only one entry per class allowed.
4. Additional rules may precede each section.
5. Prizes will be paid out in cash at the Fair on Sunday starting at 5pm.

SECTION 15 – WEE ONES

Contact: Ingrid Sikkens & Renee Jacobi

Additional Rules:

1. Wee Ones classes are open to boys & girls in Senior Kindergarten or younger.

Prizes for 1500 to 1507: 1st \$3 2nd \$2 3rd \$1

- 1500 Painting done with a potato
- 1501 Six treasures found on a walk, on supplied plate
- 1502 Decorated cupcake, on a small plate, judged on looks only
- 1503 Cereal or pasta necklace
- 1504 Cluster of grapes made with fingerprints
- 1505 Blow into a straw to create a painting
- 1506 Anything you have made that you are proud of
- 1507 Using a real potato make a Mr Potato Head

SECTION 16 – PRIMARY STUDENTS

Contact: Ingrid Sikkens & Renee Jacobi

Additional Rules:

1. Primary classes are open to boys & girls in Grade 3 and under.

Prizes for 1600 to 1618: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

ART, pictures must be ready to hang, no duct tape to secure the picture

1600 Painting on canvas, 8"x10" max

1601 Bird(s) drawing, 8"x10" max

1602 Stained glass picture made with tissue paper, 8"x10" max

SPECIAL – HARVESTING MEMORIES

Prizes: 1st \$8 (& ice cream cone coupon) 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

Kindly supported by Creekside Country Market

- 1603 Design a cover for next year's prizebook, theme "Harvesting Memories", include fair dates September 10-12, 2027, portrait orientation, name on back (entries become property of WNAS)

HOBBIES & CRAFTS

1604 Fridge magnet

1605 Friendship bracelet

1606 Lego animal, no kits, max 8"

1607 Painted rock, max 4"

1608 Decorated egg displayed on an egg cup or cardboard roll

1609 Christmas tree ornament

- 1610 Birthday card
- 1611 Vegetable monster, veggie may be store bought
- 1612 Cluster of grapes made with pompoms

BAKING, paper plates will be provided

- 1613 Rice krispie square, decorated
- 1614 No bake cookie
- 1615 Cupcake decorated to look like a flower, judged by looks only
- 1616 Brownies, no icing, 3 units, 3" square

FLOWERS & PLANTS, blooms must be in water

- 1617 3 blooms of pink flowers, same variety
- 1618 3 blooms of white flowers, same variety
- 1619 3 blooms of yellow flowers, same variety
- 1620 Arrangement in a vase of flowers/plants found on a walk in the park or along the road, max 12" high

GRAINS, SEEDS & HAY, grains in mason jar

Prizes: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2
Kindly supported by Niagara Soil & Crop

- 1621 Oats
- 1622 Wheat
- 1623 Barley
- 1624 Baled hay, grass - one flake secured with twine
- 1625 Baled hay, alfalfa - one flake secured with twine
- 1626 Baled hay, mixed - one flake secured with twine
- 1627 Soybeans, 3 plants, named
- 1628 Field corn, 5 ears, named

SPECIAL - BUCKNALL FARMS

Prizes: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

- 1629 Longest ear of field corn
- 1630 Tallest stalk of field corn
- 1631 Largest sunflower head
- 1632 Tallest sunflower

SPECIAL - OLD FASHIONED SCARECROW

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10, all others \$5

Kindly supported by Minor Brothers Country Living

- 1633 Old fashioned scarecrow, holding a sign saying "Minor Brothers Country Living"

SPECIAL - LARGEST ZUCCHINI

Prizes: 1st \$15 2nd \$10 3rd \$5

Kindly supported by Joann Chechalk

- 1634 Largest zucchini, by length

SPECIAL - FARM SCENE DIORAMA

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by John & Ingrid Sikkens

- 1635 Create a farming scene diorama, may include tractors, equipment, buildings, crops and/or animals - display on a wooden board, 24"x24", homemade creations will score higher

SECTION 17 – INTERMEDIATE STUDENTS

Contact: Ingrid Sikkens & Renee Jacobi

Additional Rules:

1. Intermediate classes are open to boys & girls in Grade 6 and under.

Prizes for 1700 to 1724: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

ART

- 1700 Painting of your choice, any medium, ready to hang, 12"x16" max
- 1701 Pencil crayon drawing, any subject, ready to hang, 8"x10" max
- 1702 Art on canvas, 4-colour limit, 8"x12" max

SPECIAL - HARVESTING MEMORIES

Prizes: 1st \$8 (& ice cream cone) 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

Kindly supported by Creekside Country Market

- 1703 Design a cover for next year's prizebook, theme "Harvesting Memories", include fair dates September 10-12, 2027, portrait orientation, name on back (entries become property of WNAS)

PHOTOGRAPHY, 4"x6" prints only, no frames, to be mounted on a 6"x8" white or black bristol board showing a 1" border on all sides, attach entry tags to top right hand corner of border

- 1704 My Best Buds and Me
- 1705 A Walk Through the Woods
- 1706 Canada Day
- 1707 Farm Life
- 1708 Child and Animal

1709 "Herd It Through the Grapevine"

HOBBIES & CRAFTS

- 1710 Vegetable monster, veggie can be store bought
- 1711 Lego vehicle, no kits, max 8"
- 1712 Small item made from wood, no kits
- 1713 A sewn item, not clothing
- 1714 Homemade doll clothes displayed on a doll
- 1715 Christmas decoration
- 1716 Cluster of grapes made using buttons
- 1717 Clay jewellery
- 1718 Decorated egg displayed on an egg cup or cardboard roll

BAKING, paper plates will be provided

- 1719 Brownies, no icing, 3 units, 3" square
- 1720 Cupcake decorated to look like a volcano, judged on looks only
- 1721 Haystack cookies - 3
- 1722 Shortbread cookies - 3

FLOWERS & PLANTS, blooms must be in water

- 1723 3 blooms of orange flowers, same variety
- 1724 3 blooms of red flowers, same variety
- 1725 3 blooms of purple/blue flowers, same variety
- 1726 Something you have grown from a seed, transplanted into a pot if needed

SPECIAL - GRAINS, SEEDS & HAY, grains in mason jar

Prizes: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

Kindly supported by Niagara Soil & Crop

- 1727 Oats
- 1728 Wheat
- 1729 Barley
- 1730 Baled hay, grass - one flake secured with twine
- 1731 Baled hay, alfalfa - one flake secured with twine
- 1732 Baled hay, mixed - one flake secured with twine
- 1733 Soybeans, 3 plants, named
- 1734 Field corn, 5 ears, named

SPECIAL - BUCKNALL FARMS

Prizes: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

- 1735 Longest ear of field corn
- 1736 Tallest stalk of field corn
- 1737 Largest sunflower head
- 1738 Tallest sunflower

SPECIAL - OLD FASHIONED SCARECROW

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10, all others \$5

Kindly supported by Minor Brothers Country Living

- 1739 Old fashioned scarecrow, holding a sign saying "Minor Brothers Country Living"

SPECIAL - LARGEST ZUCCHINI

Prizes: 1st \$15 2nd \$10 3rd \$5
Kindly supported by Joann Chechalk

1740 Largest zucchini, by length

SPECIAL - FARM SCENE DIORAMA

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10
Kindly supported by John & Ingrid Sikkens

1741 Create a farming scene diorama, may include tractors, equipment, buildings, crops and/or animals - display on a wooden board, 24"x24", homemade creations will score higher

SECTION 18 – SENIOR STUDENTS

Contact: Ingrid Sikkens & Renee Jacobi

Additional Rules:

1. Senior classes are open to boys & girls in Grade 12 and under.

Prizes for 1800 to 1835: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

ART, pictures must be ready to hang

- 1800 Acrylics or oil painting with a wire or loop on the back, 16"x20" max
- 1801 Pencil or ink
- 1802 Computer generated poster
- 1803 Adult colouring page
- 1804 Paint by number

SPECIAL - HARVESTING MEMORIES

Prizes: 1st \$8 (& ice cream cone) 2nd \$6 3rd \$4

Kindly supported by Creekside Country Market

1805 Design a cover for next year's prizebook, theme "Harvesting Memories", include fair dates September 10-12, 2027, portrait orientation, name on back (entries become property of WNAS)

PHOTOGRAPHY, 4"x6" prints only, no frames, to be mounted on a 6"x8" white or black bristol board showing a 1" border on all sides, attach entry tags to top right hand corner of border

- 1806 Farm equipment in action
- 1807 A Walk Through the Woods
- 1808 My Friends and Me
- 1809 Canada Day
- 1810 Child and Animal
- 1811 "Herd It Through the Grapevine"

HOBBIES & CRAFTS

- 1812 Jewelry, not earrings
- 1813 Pinterest project displayed with picture
- 1814 Decorate a cell phone case
- 1815 Small item made from wood, no kits
- 1816 Homemade card and envelope
- 1817 Lego vehicle, no kits, 8" max
- 1818 A duct tape wallet or bag
- 1819 A crocheted or knitted dish cloth
- 1820 Any sewn item
- 1821 Hand work, something embroidered, cross-stitched, crotcheted or knitted
- 1822 Christmas tree ornament

- 1823 Clay or playdough herd animal
- 1824 Clay jewellery
- 1825 Decorated egg displayed on an egg cup or cardboard roll

BAKING, paper plates will be provided

- 1826 Ugly cupcake, to be judged on looks only
- 1827 Muffins, 3 different varieties
- 1828 Oatmeal cookies, 3
- 1829 Lemon squares, 3
- 1830 Brownies, no icing, 3 units, 3" square

PLANTS & FLOWERS, blooms must be in water

- 1831 An arrangement in an old tin/box
- 1832 Marigolds, 3
- 1833 Annuals mix, in a vase
- 1834 Perennials mix, in a vase
- 1835 Potted plant, 8" pot max, house or garden plant, named

SPECIAL - GRAINS, SEEDS & HAY, grains in mason jar

Prizes: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

Kindly supported by Niagara Soil & Crop

- 1836 Oats
- 1837 Wheat
- 1838 Barley
- 1839 Baled hay, grass - one flake secured with twine
- 1840 Baled hay, alfalfa - one flake secured with twine
- 1841 Baled hay, mixed - one flake secured with twine
- 1842 Soybeans, 3 plants, named
- 1843 Field corn, 5 ears, named

SPECIAL - LARGEST ZUCCHINI

Prizes: 1st \$15 2nd \$10 3rd \$5

Kindly supported by Joann Chechalk

1849 Largest zucchini, by length

SPECIAL - FARM SCENE DIORAMA

Prizes: 1st \$25 2nd \$15 3rd \$10

Kindly supported by John & Ingrid Sikkens

1850 Create a farming scene diorama, must be to 1/64 scale, theme is Livestock Farming - display on a wooden board, 30"x30", homemade creations will score higher

SPECIAL - BUCKNALL FARMS

Prizes: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

1844 Longest ear of field corn

1845 Tallest stalk of field corn

1846 Largest sunflower head

1847 Tallest sunflower

SPECIAL - SCARECROW

Prizes: 1st \$10, all others \$5

Kindly supported by Janelle VanHalst

1848 Old fashioned scarecrow

SECTION 19 – JUNIOR FAIR SPECIALS

Contact: Ingrid Sikkens & Renee Jacobi

SPECIAL – FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Prizes: 1st \$4 2nd \$3 3rd \$2

Choose regular shaped specimens, all nearly the same shape and size as possible, free from blemishes, homegrown, polish to shine, plates will be provided. **Open to youth ages 6 to 16 years, as of December 31, 2026.**

- 1900 Sweet corn, 3 ears with husks pulled back and tied together
- 1901 Tomatoes, 3, stems on
- 1902 Largest pumpkin
- 1903 Make a creature using fruits/vegetables
- 1904 Vegetable collection - max 6 varieties in a fruit basket

SPECIAL – GNOME CREATION

There will be 25 wooden gnomes available for pickup on a first come, first serve basis beginning June 15th. There will be several items included with your gnome which are to be used. You can also use whatever you like to decorate your gnome for the fair. This competition is open to all Junior Fair Exhibitors. **Open to youth ages 6 to 16 years, as of December 31, 2026.**

Prizes: 1st \$10 2nd \$8 3rd \$5
Kindly supported by Mike Chechalk

- 1905 Gnome kit creation

SPECIAL – MILK POSTER CONTEST

Using an 8.5”X14” piece of Bristol Board create a colourful poster showing you enjoying your favourite item made from milk. It must be in colour, have a title and be well done! The prize is a milkshake from the 4H Booth. You can drop off your poster and pick up your ticket for a free milkshake from the office. Please remember to include your age on the entry tag. These posters will be displayed throughout the fairgrounds during the fair.
Open to youth ages 6 to 16 years, as of December 31, 2026.

Prizes: 4-H Food Booth Milkshake for all participants

1906 “What can be made from milk?” poster

SPECIAL – OAAS CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE COMPETITION

Prizes: 1st \$15 2nd \$10 3rd \$5

Kindly supported by All Canadian Entertainment

1907 OAAS Plain Chocolate Chip Cookie Competition,
as per following rules, 6 cookies to be entered

1. Must follow OAAS rules. (See Appendix at the end of this book or website.)
2. **Open to youth up to age 15 years, as of December 31, 2026.**

SECTION 20 – 4-H EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

Contact: Ann Marie Chechalk

1. Open to 4-H Clubs in the Region of Niagara who participated in the programs since September 1, 2025.
2. Each club may place only one exhibit at any Fair in any one year.
3. No Exhibitor or Entry Fees apply.
4. The Club Name shall be used in the display.
5. Display will be set up by a Fair Volunteer.
6. Exhibits will be evaluated and given a ribbon. Each club will receive \$15.00 for entering. The best overall exhibit will receive an additional \$50.00.
7. All exhibits are to be set up in the designated area on Wednesday, September 9th 2026 between 12 and 8pm. Available table space for each display is limited.

SPECIAL – 4-H EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

Prizes: 1st \$50 Others \$15
Kindly supported by Brenda Dunlop

2000 4-H Educational display

SPECIAL – MOST CREATIVE 4-H CRAFT CLUB MEMBER

Prizes: 1st \$50
Kindly supported by Sharon McMillan

2001 Open to Niagara 4-H Craft Club members only

APPENDIX

CLASS 526 - ANGEL FOOD CAKE - RECIPE

Ingredients:

1 cup cake flour

1-1/2 cups sugar, divided in half

12 large egg whites only, room temperature

1-1/2 tsp cream of tartar

1/4 tsp table salt

1-1/2 tsp vanilla extract

1-1/2 tsp almond extract, must have

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 375F. Sift cake flour and 3/4 cup sugar into a bowl and set aside.

Using stand mixer or electric hand mixer on medium-high speed, beat egg whites, cream of tartar, and salt until it forms soft peaks. Add the other 3/4 cup sugar slowly, and then beat on high until stiff peaks form.

Beating on LOW or by hand, add in flour mixture and both extracts slowly, stopping as soon as batter is incorporated. Do not over-mix. Using rubber spatula, fold in the sides and bottoms of bowl, to fully incorporate.

Spoon batter into UN-greased angel food cake pan. Do NOT grease the 2-piece angel food cake pan. Gently shake to even out batter.

Bake 30-35 min, or until the top springs back with a gentle touch, and top is golden.

Invert pan upside down, to cool completely. Run a thin knife around pan sides, and remove bottom from the sides. Gently cut bottom away from pan.

CLASS 527 - 12 YOLK POUND CAKE - RECIPE

Ingredients:

- 12 egg yolks
- 3 cups flour (preferably all purpose)
- 2-1/2 tsp baking powder
- a pinch of salt
- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 tsp lemon extract
- 1 cup cold water

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 350F. Sift flour, baking powder and salt together.

Using a stand mixer or electric hand mixer on high, beat egg yolks until very fluffy and thick. Slowly add sugar and beat for 2 minutes at highest speed.

Reduce the speed and add vanilla, lemon and water.

Add flour and combine with whisk.

Pour into greased 12-cup bundt or tube pan.

Bake for 50-60 minutes, until a toothpick comes out clean.

Allow to cool for at least 15 minutes on a wire rack before removing it from the pan.

OAAS Competition Rules

GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

(Note: there are no photography district competitions)

Rules

1. Competition is open to all exhibitors of member societies of the OAAS.
2. All work on the entry must be completed by the exhibitor entering the competition.
3. By entering an OAAS competition, the exhibitor agrees to allow their name and exhibit to be part of any promotional activities related to the competition.
4. Post the District/Provincial Competition Rules in your fair prize book or provide the OAAS competition website location.



District Competition

5. Each local fair is entitled to send one entry into each category of the District Competition. In the case where the fair is unable to send the 1st place winner to the district meeting, then the 2nd place winner will be eligible to enter.
6. Judging at the District Competitions is the responsibility of each OAAS District. Prize money to be paid by the district.
7. All district entries must be registered on the relevant OAAS Championship Entry Form, and returned to the OAAS Convention Administrator, by December 1st.

Provincial Competition

1. Each district is entitled to send one entry into each category of the Provincial Competition. In the case where the district is unable to send the 1st place winner to the convention, then the 2nd place winner is eligible to enter.
2. Judges who officiate the Competition at the Annual Convention will be appointed by the OAAS.
3. All entries must be received for judging by the Competition Committee in the designated area by 5pm on the Thursday afternoon of the Annual Convention of the OAAS. Please retain the ticket issued, to claim the entry when the viewing rooms close.
4. A number is assigned to each entry. Entries are only identified by this number during the judging process.
5. Please remove all tags, ribbons, or any other fair/exhibition identification from the entries.
6. No persons other than the judges and designated officials will be permitted to enter the designated judging room until after the judging and winners have been announced.
7. Any exhibitor or any person acting on behalf of the exhibitor who violates any of the Rules and Regulations or who interferes with the judges or the judging process, shall be disqualified and the entry will be removed from the competition.
8. No entry may be removed from the display area until the official closing of the viewing room and designated time of pick up.
9. The OAAS shall not be held liable for any loss occasioned by fire, theft, accident or the negligence of other exhibitors, officials or otherwise.
10. Any protests must be made to the Competition Committee of the OAAS in writing within 5 working days after the last day of the convention.
11. All entries will be judged using the OAAS Judging Standards. Copies of the OAAS Judging Standards can be purchased from the OAAS store at <https://oaasfairs.org/agricultural-society-info/store>.

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MAPLE SYRUP COMPETITION

Pure Maple Syrup, Canada Grade A – Amber.



Rules:

Please review the General Competition Rules document.

Entry must be made solely by the person or family entering the competition. The entries at the fair level, district level and provincial level must be from the same batch.

District Competition

Maple syrup exhibits shall consist of one (1) curved Kent style glass bottle (D&G #505188 Syrup Bottle with Handle), of Maple Syrup, Canada Grade A - Amber, having a capacity of 250 ml.

Each agricultural society is entitled to send their best of show to the district competition. If the exhibitor has won at more than one fair, the one closest to the exhibitor's home address is the agricultural society from which the entry will be sent to the district competition. The other agricultural societies may send their second place winner into the district competition. An exhibitor may only enter into one district competition. The OAAS will award a ribbon to exhibitors of winning entries at each district competition.

Provincial Competition

Maple syrup exhibits shall consist of two (2) curved Kent style glass bottles (D&G #505188 Syrup Bottle with Handle), of Maple Syrup, Canada Grade A - Amber, each having a capacity of 250 ml.

Entries must be labelled on the BOTTOM of the containers only with a supplied entry number or identifier. No other labels will be permitted.

All maple syrup should have a flavour characteristic of its respective colour class and be free from any objectionable odour or taste. It is best to sample from the same lot before submitting your entries to the OAAS.

Any maple syrup entry containing any form of foreign material will be disqualified from the competition.

Maple syrup will be judged using the standards published by the OAAS in *Agriculture & Horticulture Judging Standards for Ontario Fairs*. An approved maple syrup colorimeter will be used to assess the colour.

1st and 2nd place entries will be placed up for auction at the convention. Other entries will be returned.

Judging Standards

40 points - Flavour 30 points - Density 20 points - Colour 10 points - Clarity

Provincial Prize Money – 1st - \$50.00, 2nd - \$30.00, 3rd - \$20.00

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LIQUID HONEY COMPETITION

Pure, Ontario #1, White



Rules:

Please review the General Competition Rules document.

Exhibitors of honey must be registered beekeepers and the exhibits shown by them must be pure honey from floral sources in their apiaries.

Entry must be made solely by the person or family entering the competition. The entries at the fair level, district level and provincial level must be from the same batch.

District Competition

1. Liquid Honey exhibits shall consist of one (1) clear glass container, having a capacity of 500 grams (375 ml).
2. Each agricultural society is entitled to send their best of show to the district competition.
3. If the exhibitor has won at more than one fair, the one closest to the exhibitor's home address is the agricultural society from which the entry will be sent to the district competition. The other agricultural societies may send their second place winner into the district competition. An exhibitor may only enter into one district competition.
4. The OAAS will award a ribbon to exhibitors of winning entries at each district competition.

Provincial Competition

1. Liquid Honey exhibits shall consist of two clear glass containers, each having a capacity of 500 grams (375 ml).
2. Entries must be labelled on the BOTTOM of the containers only with a supplied entry number or identifier. No other labels will be permitted.
3. Any honey entry containing any form of foreign material will be disqualified from the competition.
4. Honey will be judged using the standards printed in the OAAS *Agriculture & Horticulture Judging Standards for Ontario Fairs*. An approved colorimeter will be used to assess the colour.
5. 1st and 2nd place entries will be placed up for auction at the convention.

Judging Standards

Appearance – 45 points		Clarity 45 points	Containers 10 points
15	Density (moisture content)	15 Free from crystals	5 Pleasant appearance, of equal size and shape
10	Brightness	15 Free from pollen, wax, etc.	
10	Flavour and aroma	15 Free from air bubbles, either in suspension or as froth	5 Uniform level of fill
5	Uniformity of honey		
5	Colour		

Provincial Prize Money – 1st - \$50.00, 2nd - \$30.00, 3rd - \$20.00

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BUTTER TART COMPETITION
(no fruit, no nuts)



Rules

1. Please review the General Competition Rules document.
2. Entry must be made solely by the person entering the competition. (including the pastry)
3. Number of butter tarts to be shown at local fair/exhibition to be determined by each individual fair/exhibition.

District Competition

1. A total of 6 tarts will be required to be shown. Tarts must be on a clean, sturdy plate (no paper plates) inside of a clear plastic bag with the exhibitor’s name, mailing address and fair represented.
2. The size of the tarts must be full size tarts. (no mini or bite size tarts) and must not contain fruit or nuts (ie. no raisins, no pecans)
3. If the exhibitor has won at more than one fair, the one closest to the exhibitor’s home address is the agricultural society from which the entry will be sent to the district competition. The other agricultural societies may send their second place winner into the district competition. An exhibitor may only enter into one district competition.

Provincial Competition

1. A total of 6 tarts will be required to be shown. Tarts must be on a clean, sturdy plate (no paper plates) inside of a clear plastic bag with the exhibitor’s name, mailing address and district represented.
2. The size of the tarts must be full size tarts. (no mini or bite size tarts) and must not contain fruit or nuts (ie. no raisins, no pecans).
3. 1st and 2nd place entries will not be returned to exhibitor but will be placed up for auction at the convention.

Provincial Prize Money – 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$30.00 3rd - \$20.00

Prizes donated by Gay Lea Foods Co-operative

Judging Standard

- 20 General Appearance
- 40 Crust
- 40 Filling

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HAND QUILTED QUILT COMPETITION

Rules:

1. Please review the General Competition Rules document.
2. The quilt must be solely made, and hand quilted by the exhibitor and exhibited and judged at a local Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies (OAAS) fair to be eligible for this competition.
3. Quilts to be measured on the perimeter. Total perimeter measurement to be a minimum of 280 inches. Note the quilt can be square, rectangular etc. All 4 sides must be measured to determine the perimeter measurement.
4. The quilting must be through all 3 layers (top, batting and back) and not be mounted on a frame. The quilt may have a sleeve attached to the back for the purpose of hanging the quilt.
5. The winning OAAS Hand Quilt will not be eligible to compete in any future OAAS fair, district and/or provincial competitions.
6. It is the exhibitor’s responsibility to give credit to the original designer of the quilt pattern based on copyright rules.

District Competition

7. Each local fair is entitled to send their best of show of all eligible hand quilts to the district competition.
8. If the fair’s best of show hand quilt has won at more than one fair, the exhibitor must consider their own agricultural society as the one from which the quilt will be sent to the district meeting, otherwise it should be sent from the agricultural society nearest his/her home address. The other fairs at which this quilt was entered and won, may enter their second best of show hand quilt into the district competition.
9. An exhibitor who wins more than one best of show title with different hand quilts at different fairs is entitled to enter each winning quilt in the district competition.
10. If an exhibitor is exhibiting in more than one district, they are entitled to enter different winning quilts at different district competitions but cannot enter the same quilt at more than one district competition.
11. The OAAS will award a ribbon to exhibitors of winning hand quilts at each district competition.
12. A photo of the top three placed hand quilts at the district competition must accompany the “OAAS Championship Quilt Entry Form”

Provincial Competition

13. A \$500.00 GRAND PRIZE and rosette will be awarded. The exhibitor will retain ownership of the quilt.
14. A \$100 RESERVE GRAND PRIZE will be awarded. The exhibitor will retain ownership of the quilt.

Judging Standards

- 25 General Appearance & Design
- 20 Colour & Materials
- 55 Workmanship
 - 30 Quilting
 - 10 Borders
 - 15 Binding and Picots

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MACHINE QUILTED COMPETITION



Rules:

1. Please review the General Competition Rules document.
2. The quilt must be solely made, and machine quilted by the exhibitor and exhibited and judged at a local Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies (OAAS) fair to be eligible for this competition.
3. Quilts to be measured on the perimeter. Total perimeter measurement to be a minimum of 280 inches. Note the quilt can be square, rectangular etc. All 4 sides must be measured to determine the perimeter measurement.
4. The quilting must be through all 3 layers (top, batting and back) and not be mounted on a frame. The quilt may have a sleeve attached to the back for the purpose of hanging the quilt.
5. The winning OAAS Machine Quilt will not be eligible to compete in any future OAAS fair, district and/or provincial competitions.
6. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to give credit to the original designer of the quilt pattern based on copyright rules.
7. The use of domestic, mid arm and/or long arm equipment is permitted on hand or computer guided machine quilt entries.

District Competition

1. Each local fair is entitled to send their best of show of all eligible machine quilts to the district competition.
2. If the fair's best of show machine quilt classes has won at more than one fair, the exhibitor must consider their own agricultural society as the one from which the quilt will be sent to the district meeting, otherwise it should be sent from the agricultural society nearest his/her home address. The other fairs at which this quilt was entered and won, may enter their second best of show machine quilt in the district competition.
3. An exhibitor who wins more than one best of show title with different machine quilts at different fairs is entitled to enter each winning quilt in the district competition.
4. If an exhibitor is exhibiting in more than one district, they are entitled to enter different winning quilts at different district competitions but cannot enter the same quilt at more than one district competition.
5. The OAAS will award a ribbon to exhibitors of winning machine quilts at each district competition.
6. A photo of the top three placed machine quilts at the district competition must accompany the "OAAS Championship Quilt Entry Form"

Provincial Competition

7. All quilts entered in the competition must be machine quilted.
8. A \$500.00 GRAND PRIZE and rosette will be awarded. The exhibitor will retain ownership of the quilt.
9. A \$100 RESERVE GRAND PRIZE will be awarded. The exhibitor will retain ownership of the quilt.

Judging Standards

- 25 General Appearance & Design
- 20 Colour & Materials
- 55 Workmanship
 - 30 Quilting
 - 10 Borders
 - 15 Binding and Picots

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PLAIN CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE COMPETITION
(no nuts)



Rules

1. Please review the General Competition Rules document.
2. Competition is open to youth up to age 15 years (as of December 31 of current year) of member societies of the OAAS.
3. Number of cookies to be shown at local fair/exhibition to be determined by each individual fair/exhibition.

District Competition

1. District entry must consist of 6 cookies displayed on a clean, sturdy plate (no paper plates) inside of a clear plastic bag with the exhibitor's name, mailing address and fair represented.
2. Plain chocolate chip cookies, with no nuts, must be no larger than 2.5" (6.5 cm) and no smaller than 2" (5 cm).
3. If the exhibitor has won at more than one fair, the one closest to the exhibitor's home address is the agricultural society from which the entry will be sent to the district competition. The other agricultural societies may send their second place winner into the district competition. An exhibitor may only enter into one district competition.

Provincial Competition

4. The entry for the district must consist of 6 cookies displayed on a clean, sturdy plate (no paper plates) inside of a clear plastic bag with the exhibitor's name, mailing address and district represented.
5. Plain chocolate chip cookies, with no nuts are to be no larger than 2.5" (6.5 cm) and no smaller than 2" (5 cm).

Provincial Prize Money: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Judging Standard

- 25 General Appearance
- 25 Internal Appearance and Texture
- 50 Flavour

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