

Rules and Regulations

for Homecraft Competitors

HOW TO ENTER

- A. All exhibitors must have a MEMBERSHIP NUMBER. These can be obtained from:
 Adult exhibitors: Sheila Blodgett at 613-659-2859 or Junior/Intermediate exhibitors: Monica Warren at 613-331-1709 or warrenmtw100@hotmail.com
- B. Exhibitors, 18 years of age and older, are required to pay a \$10 membership fee.
- C. Complete the ENTRY FORM. Entries must be made in numerical order and correspond to the wording in the prize list. **Only one item can be entered in each Class** (unless otherwise stated e.g. community service project).
- D. Every entry must have an ENTRY TAG attached to it; fully completed by the exhibitor. Each tag must be legible and signed. Be sure to include 'Section' by letter, 'Class' by number. Record the name of the article exactly as listed in the fair book. An improperly completed entry tag could disqualify your exhibit. Homecraft exhibitor entry forms and tags are available from individuals listed above (Section A) and from the office. Entry forms are available in the fair book and on the website.
- E. Entries must be given to a committee member in the appropriate exhibit area on Wednesday from 6:00 8:00 p.m. or Thursday morning from 8:00 9:00 a.m. for adult exhibitors and 7:30 8:45 a.m. for Jr. & Intermediate exhibitors.

PLEASE FOLLOW THESE RULES

- 1. Judging of most classes will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday. All exhibit areas will be closed until judging is complete (about 3:00 p.m.).
- 2. Gates to the upstairs exhibit hall will be closed on Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and Old McDonald's Barn will be closed at 3:00 p.m.
- 3. All entries (except Culinary Arts) must remain on display until pickup time on Sunday, between 5:30 6:30 p.m. or Monday between 9:00 10:00 a.m. Exhibitors must see a committee member in charge before removing any article or exhibit. (Perishable items not awarded a prize may be removed by a committee member after judging. See committee member to do so). NOTE: Any exhibit not picked up during these hours will become the property of the Agricultural Society.
- 4. Prize money of less than \$5 will not be paid.
- 5. Prize money will not be paid unless the article is listed on the Entry Form. Any changes or substitutions must be made through Homecraft.
- 6. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor whose name is on the entry form and entry tag. All articles

- must be new work not exhibited at the Lansdowne Fair before. Soiled crafts and clothing will not be judged.
- 7. In all sections of the Prize List only one award shall be made to an exhibitor in each class.
- 8. No exhibitor will be allowed to interfere with the judges in the performance of their duties. Exhibitors so interfering will forfeit their right to any premiums to which they might otherwise be entitled. Judges' decisions shall be final. No one shall be allowed in the Exhibit Hall while judging is taking place.
- 9. In the absence of competition in any section, or if the stock or articles exhibited are of inferior quality, the judge will exercise discretion as to whether they will award first, second, or third.
- 10. In case of insufficient funds due to weather or other conditions, the Society reserves the right to pay only a percentage of the prize money awarded for exhibits.
- 11. Prize money for adults may not be paid for at least one month to give the Directors time to settle any disputes which may arise and sanction payment for exhibits.
- 12. Entry Fees of 10% will be retained from all prize money. This includes the \$25 Premier Exhibitor Awards.
- 13. A \$10 Membership Fee will be withheld from all eligible adult exhibitors winning ten dollars (\$10) and over and shall be placed to the credit of the Society for the following year (unless otherwise requested).
- 14. Membership Fees allow members to vote at meetings if they are: 18 years of age and older
 - a member for at least a year
 - and a member in good standing.
- 15. Protests must be made in writing by noon Monday following the fair. Reasons for the protest must be clearly stated and accompanied by a deposit of \$25 which shall be forfeited if the protest is not substantiated.
- 16. Any exhibitor or attendant, who is guilty of creating a disturbance, whether openly criticizing the judge or using obscene language to any judge or officer, shall forfeit the right to any award and may be suspended from exhibiting.

THE DIRECTORS WILL:

- Take every precaution to ensure the safety of articles sent to the Exhibition, but the owners must take the risk of exhibiting. Should any article be accidentally damaged, lost or stolen, the Directors will give all assistance in their power toward the recovery of same, but will not make payment for the value thereof.
- Reserve the right to interpret the rules and regulations of the Society and also has the right to amend or change these rules in any way.
- Avail themselves of the powers vested in them by the Society Act re: gambling, huckstering, soliciting funds, etc.
- Insist that the foregoing rules be strictly adhered.