

MARKHAM FAIR



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2025 Prize Book

Markham & East York Agricultural Society

Closing Date for all Entry Forms is September 18, 2025 by 8:00 pm

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Markham and East York Agricultural Society

Vision

To be a vibrant community partner in the celebration and promotion of agriculture, rural living, and sustainability.

Mission Statement

To grow Markham Fair, to maintain and enhance our property, and to honour our traditions for decades to come.

Core Values

Integrity, Compassion, and Community Co-operation

President's Message

On behalf of the Markham and East York Agricultural Society, I am honored to welcome you to our 181st Markham Fair.

Markham Fair is a proud tradition that continues to teach our ever-changing audience about the importance agriculture plays in our lives. It's hard to believe that what began as a one-day fair 181 years ago, bringing the local agricultural community together to showcase their yearly achievements, has turned into Canada's largest 4-day Fair, featuring thousands of entries, educational displays, and tons of family fun. From enjoying live entertainment to browsing local vendors or watching the fireworks at the Demo Derby, there truly is something for everyone.

Markham Fair's success would not be possible without the support of the almost nine hundred volunteers that work day and night, not only during the Fair but year-round. These individuals work tirelessly to create new attractions and events to keep us vibrant within the community and entertain our guests. It is their passion and dedication that has allowed Markham Fair to succeed for 181 years. Of course, without exhibitors and attendees, the Fair wouldn't be what it is today. Our dedicated exhibitors take the time each year to bring their animals, crafts, produce, and family heirlooms to the Fair, bringing life into our buildings. The thousands of entries are what keeps us tied to our heritage and history. I cannot thank all of you enough.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I welcome you to the 2025 Markham Fair and invite you to come out and enjoy everything the Fair has to offer—creating lasting memories and a family tradition.

Sincerely,



Dylan Armstrong
Markham Fair President 2025



Directors and Officers

Past President: Scott Redshaw
President for 2025: Dylan Armstrong
1st Vice President: Devin King
2nd Vice President: Kristen Miller
Director at Large: Wendy Harris
Finance Chairperson: Leanne Tummon

3 Year Term

Gord Appleton, Kevin Hollands, Devin King, Kristen Miller, Blake Purcell, Shelby Reesor

2 Year Term

Dylan Armstrong, Deanna Cheriton, Liz English, Kaitlin Francis, Amanda King, Blair Seeley

1 Year Term

Anikka Bolender, Laura Empringham, Brandon Harrington, Wendy Harris, Rachel Moore, Leanne Tummon

Junior Directors

Caitlin Hollands, Chase Little, Emily Paisley, Brian Seeley, Laura Seeley, Morgan Seeley

Homecraft Officers

Past President: Ben Shaw
President for 2025: Alison Lyon
1st Vice President: Emily Boag
2nd Vice President: Erin Dougan
Secretary: Heather Dougan

General Manager: Bruce MacKenzie



Back Row – Brandon Harrington, Morgan Seeley, Kevin Hollands, Gord Appleton, Chase Little, Brian Seeley
Third Row – Blair Seeley, Amanda King, Deanna Cheriton, Laura Empringham, Rebecca Moore, Shelby Reesor
Second Row – Anikka Bolender, Laura Seeley, Caitlin Hollands, Kaitlin Francis, Emily Paisley
Front Row – Alison Lyon, Scott Redshaw, Kristen Miller, Dylan Armstrong, Wendy Harris, Bruce MacKenzie
Absent from photo: Liz English, Devin King, Blake Purcell, Leanne Tummon

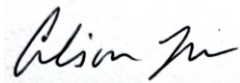
Homecraft President's Message

I am incredibly proud and honored to serve as the Homecraft President for this year's Markham Fair. Being entrusted with this role is a true privilege, and I couldn't be more excited to help lead and showcase the talent and creativity of our community. I've been attending Markham Fair since I was a little girl, and it was always such a fun family time and continues to be a much-looked-forward-to event in our wonderful community. It is a time to bring people together, highlight the importance of community, and create lasting memories for everyone involved.

As Homecraft President, I am committed to fostering a welcoming environment where participants can share their passion, learn from each other, and find inspiration. The dedication and enthusiasm from our volunteers, exhibitors, and attendees make this event something truly remarkable.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to everyone who contributes to making this Fair a success. Fair Board, our Homecraft Executive, and all our many, many volunteers, your hard work, creativity, and spirit are the driving forces behind this incredible event, and it is because of you that we can come together to celebrate all that makes our community so special. I am looking forward to seeing all the fantastic displays of talent and creativity, and I can't wait to share this journey with all of you at the 181st Markham Fair!

Sincerely,



Alison Lyon
2025 Homecraft President



2024 Ambassador's Message

Thank you so much to the Markham Fair community for allowing me to represent you as the 2024 Markham Fair Ambassador. I had an amazing time at this past year's fair! I had the chance to go up in the tower for the tractor pull, ride in the 4-horse hitch during the horse show, help judge the 4-H calf costume contest, and even watch the children's demo derby up close.

Every year, I try to learn something new about farming or how our food is produced. This year, I learned how to milk a cow, shear a sheep, and I discovered all the creative ways butter can be used during the butter sculpting competition! Education about agriculture is one of the most important parts of the Fair, especially as more people become disconnected from the origins of their food. I'm so grateful to everyone who works hard to educate our community about agriculture.

Thank you to the Ambassador Committee who helped me during the Fair as well as throughout this year. Another big thank you to the Board of Directors and the President, Scott Redshaw, for putting on such a great Fair! I look forward to enjoying the 2025 Fair passing on my title. The Markham Fair is such a big family, and I'm so glad that I have been a part of that family ever since I was a little girl. See you all at the fair!

Thank you,



Rylee Brown
2024 Markham Fair Ambassador



Markham Mayor's Message

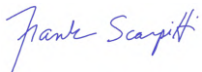
On behalf of Members of Council and the City of Markham, I am pleased to extend a warm and sincere welcome to everyone attending the annual Markham Fair held at the Markham Fairgrounds.

We extend our congratulations and appreciation to the Markham & East York Agricultural Society for once again hosting this annual Fair. Last year, you marked an incredible milestone—your 180th anniversary—an achievement that speaks to the dedication, hard work, and passion that has kept this cherished tradition alive for generations. Year after year, this Fair remains a highly anticipated event, and this year is no exception.

As one of the most celebrated fall fairs in the province, this event continues to draw visitors from across the GTA, showcasing the very best of our agricultural heritage, local talent, and community spirit. From entertainment to educational exhibits, family-friendly activities, and of course, outstanding local produce and livestock, Markham Fair has something for everyone. Its impact extends far beyond the fairgrounds, strengthening our community by supporting local farmers, businesses, and vendors while bringing people together in celebration.

A sincere thank you to the entire team, the countless volunteers, the dedicated vendors, and the hardworking farmers who make this event possible. Your efforts ensure that this beloved tradition not only continues but thrives, enriching our community in so many ways. We deeply appreciate your commitment and look forward to another fantastic year at Markham Fair!

Yours sincerely,



Frank Scarpitti
Mayor



Whitchurch-Stouffville Mayor's Message

On behalf of the Town of Stouffville, it is my genuine pleasure to extend a sincere welcome to all attendees and participants of the 181st Markham Fair. This prestigious event has been a cornerstone of our community, showcasing our vibrant agricultural heritage and fostering a spirit of camaraderie and celebration among the residents of Markham, Stouffville, and beyond.

I would like to express my deep gratitude to the organizing committees who have dedicated countless hours to ensuring the success of this Fair. Your meticulous planning and unwavering commitment have brought together an event that reflects the true essence of our community. To the volunteers, whose selfless efforts and enthusiasm have been the backbone of this Fair, your contributions are invaluable and greatly appreciated.

I would also like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the winners of the many contests held during the Fair. Your achievements are a testament to your skill, hard work, and dedication. Whether in livestock, horticulture, crafts, or culinary arts, your excellence serves as an inspiration to all.

Best wishes to all on the 181st Markham Fair! May this event continue to thrive and bring joy, pride, and unity to our community for many years to come.

Sincerely,



Iain Lovatt
Mayor



Committees

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Roots & Vegetables: Vickie Risebrough (905-252-1684), Phyllis Rich (416-994-8685), Don Howard, Murray Norton, Carley Rennie, Janice Rich, Matthew Risebrough, Doug Scott, Jim Tindall, Bev Tooley, Dan Tooley, Andrew Wannop

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Nicola Skinner, Elizabeth Smallwood, Gloria Smith, Sandy Sommer, Debbie Spray, Pam Tandy, Gertrude Taylor, Brian Tyrie, Michelle Tyrie, Rush Tyrie, Ken Waddington, Margaret Waddington, Deborah Warga, Hope Warga, Reginald Waterman, Michael Worrell

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Closing Date For Entry Forms

The closing date for entry forms is **Thursday, September 18th, 2025** by 8:00 pm except where otherwise noted for a specific Section. This date will be strictly enforced. Entry forms will be accepted from **Friday, August 1st, 2025 to Thursday, September 18th, 2025.**

Making Entries

All entries must be made through the Markham Fair **AssistExpo** website (<https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair>) or on official paper entry forms and in accordance with instructions on same, or in the Prize Book, giving all information requested. Each exhibitor must have his/her own entry form. We recommend you complete your entries through the online Markham Fair AssistExpo website. If you prefer to use paper forms, they may be downloaded from the Markham Fair website at www.markhamfair.ca or obtained from the Markham Fair Office. Each entry form must be signed by the exhibitor online or forwarded to the Markham Fair Office (unless otherwise stated) so as to be received **on or by September 18th, 2025, 8:00 pm (Entry tags should be ready for pick-up by the following Thursday). After September 18th, 2025, no additional entries or changes to entries can be accepted.**

Exhibitor Entry Fee

All exhibitors are required to pay a \$5.00 exhibitor fee. All exhibitors will pay 25 cents per entry (unless otherwise stated). This money must accompany your entry form. Please make cheques payable to Markham Fair. Visa, MasterCard accepted for \$10.00 or more.

NOTE: All entry fees are returned as prize money.

Payment Of Prize Money

Prize money will be paid by cheque and mailed within 60 days after the close of the Markham Fair. No payment of prize money will be made at Fair time.

Applying For Prize Money

Exhibitors who do not receive their prize money by December 1st, 2025 should apply in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer, Markham Fair Office, on or before December 10th, 2025.

Erroneous Entries

The Society reserves the right to refuse any entry fee paid without being liable for compensation. If an exhibit has been entered in an improper Class of a Section, the Committee Chairperson may transfer the exhibit to the proper Class previous to judging.

Protests

Any exhibitor lodging a protest must make it in writing. This



General Rules & Regulations

The following rules and regulations apply to all sections in this Prize Book. Additional rules and regulations applicable to a specific section or group of sections are noted as required elsewhere in this book.

Violation Of Rules

Any exhibitor who violates any of the following rules or any rules printed in any of the sections of the Prize Book shall be liable, upon the decision of the Executive Committee, to the forfeiture of any and all prizes, prize money, and awards which may have been awarded to the exhibitor as well as any entry fees that may have been paid, whether for any entry shown before or after such violation and such exhibitor may be barred from showing at the Markham Fair for such period as the Executive may determine.

Liability

All exhibits shall be under the control and direction of the Society but solely at the risk of the exhibitor. The Society will not be responsible for damage, injury, loss, or theft of any exhibit, regardless of the cause of such damage, injury or theft. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any article exhibited by him/her and shall indemnify the Society against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto.

Photographs

Markham Fair Committee Members will be photographing

protest must be received by the Markham Fair Office before 6:00 pm on the date in which the entry concerned was shown, or no later than the last day of the Fair. It must be accompanied by a deposit of \$5.00 which will be forfeited to the Society if the said protest is not sustained. (The deposit will be \$25.00 for all horse, cattle, sheep, and goat Sections.)

Arrival Of Exhibits

All exhibits must be in place, with all non-relevant material cleared away, at the times stated for that particular Section or group of Sections. These exhibits must remain in place until the time authorized for their removal. Any violation of this rule will cause forfeiture of all premiums earned by the exhibitor. Late arrivals will not be permitted to take part in the competition.

Offensive Or Dangerous Exhibits

Under no circumstances will an article, which is offensive by reason of odour or appearance or which is dangerous by reason of combustible or explosive character, be accepted or admitted.

Judging

Committee Chairpersons are responsible for making sure that their Judges are familiar with all Rules and Regulations pertaining to Markham Fair in general and to their Section in particular.

Unworthy Exhibits

Judges must not award prizes to unworthy exhibits. It is the intention of the Markham Fair to give no distinction or premium of any kind to an article that is not deserving of such awards.

Competition

In the absence of any competition in a Class for reason of number of exhibits or inferior quality, the Judge will exercise his/her discretion as to whether a 1st, 2nd or any premium will be awarded. **No ties will be allowed.**

Decision Of Judges/Committee

No exhibitor shall interfere with the judges, Committee Members, or judging process in any way, nor shall said exhibitor permit any agent or anyone working on his behalf to show disrespect to any Judge. The decision of the Judge shall be final in all cases, except where fraud, misrepresentation, or collusion is proven. In such cases, the Executive Committee shall make the final decision.

Exhibitor Passes

Two passes per exhibitor will only be available at the same time that exhibits are brought into the appropriate building location. A committee member will stamp the stub of the entry tag which the exhibitor will then take to the link between Buildings 1 and 2 in order to retrieve the passes.

Prize Ribbons

Prize ribbons shall be awarded accordingly: **1st** - red, **2nd** - blue, **3rd** - white, **4th** - yellow, **5th** - green, **6th** - pink.

Weather

In the event of bad weather, with a consequent loss in gate receipts, the Society reserves the right to pay a percentage of the prize money.

Pets

No pets are allowed on the Fair Grounds, except pets taking part in a Fair event, which must be leashed; and leashed working animals required to assist people with disabilities.

Errors

The Society will not be responsible for any errors, printing or otherwise, in this Prize Book.

Privacy

The Markham & East York Agricultural Society ("Markham Fair") is committed to maintaining the accuracy, security and privacy of personal information. Please visit our website for complete Privacy Policy details.

<https://www.markhamfair.ca/about/privacy>

Lead By Example

As Exhibitors and Volunteers, we are all in a position to set a good example for all visitors to our Fair Grounds. Please pass along this message when needed.



Homecraft Sections

Questions? Contact us by email at homecraft@markhamfair.ca

Additional Rules For Homecraft Sections 1 - 12

All general rules of Markham Fair apply as well as the following:

- A. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor.
- B. The judges are authorized to award prizes to new entries only. Soiled, defective or old entries will be eliminated from the competition by the Judge and/or Committee Chairperson.
- C. Only one entry per person per Class is permitted.
- D. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry or entries.
- E. Exhibits must be brought to either the Homecraft Building or the General Exhibits Building, Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 between the hours of 12:00 pm and 8:30 pm, except for Sections 2A, 9, 10 and 12. See individual Sections/Classes for entry dates and times.
- F. No exhibits are to be removed from the Homecraft Building or the General Exhibits Building before 6:30 pm Sunday, October 5th, 2025. The buildings will reopen from 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm only, by which time **all items must be picked up**.
- G. Exhibitors' stubs (bottom portion of entry tags) must be presented to collect exhibits.
- H. **Exhibits will NOT be kept after October 9th.** On October 10th all remaining exhibits will be respectively donated or recycled. (Those progressing to District 5 competition in their category will be contacted.)

Section 1: Antiques

Chairpersons: Betty Burkholder (647-225-4212), Judi Francis (416-801-8635)

Before entering this section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** and **Additional Rules for Homecraft** as well as the following:

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- * **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Additional Rules:

- A. Exhibits are judged on condition and age - only Antiques 80 years or older and collectibles circa 1945-1975 will be eligible for judging.
- B. No article will be entered for more than one year.
- C. Entry tag must be securely attached to item being exhibited.
- D. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.

Prizes: 1st: \$5, 2nd: \$4, 3rd: \$3, 4th: \$2

Classes #1-32 (Antique Articles 80 years or older)

1. Apple Peeler - less than 15 inches
2. Ash Tray with Cigarette Holder
3. Aviator's Hat
4. Baby Photo
5. Baseball Glove
6. Calendar
7. Celery Vase
8. China Cream and Sugar
9. Christmas Tree Ornament
10. Cocoa Pot
11. Dresser Set - Mirror, Brush, and Comb
12. Flour Sifter
13. Framed Quote - Stitchery
14. Glass Paper Weight
15. Granny Fork - meat
16. Handkerchief
17. Magnifying Glass
18. Meccano Set - metal
19. Medicine Bottle - under 8 inches
20. Old Magazine
21. Perfume Bottle - Coloured Glass
22. Prayer Book
23. Printing Block
24. Punch - Tool
25. Scrap Book
26. Snuff Bottle Brooch
27. Spectacles
28. Toby Mug
29. Transit Ticket
30. Valentine Card
31. Vaseline Glass
32. Wrist Watch

Classes #33-37 (Collectible Articles circa 1945-1975)

33. Beatles Memorabilia
34. Comic Book
35. Glass Cocktail Shaker
36. Hockey Puck - Souvenir
37. Mickey Mouse Memorabilia - under 8 inches

Special Awards Generously Sponsored By:

Clarkson Auctions, Stouffville:

- #18 Meccano Set - \$25
- #20 Old Magazine - \$15
- #33 Beatles Memorabilia - \$10

Betty Devenport Memorial Award

- #1 Apple Peeler - \$15
- #10 Cocoa Pot - \$20
- #23 Printing Block - \$15

Reesor Family in Canada:

- #13 Framed Quote - Stitchery - \$20

Section 2: Art

Chairpersons: Chantelle Kelly-Rae (416-770-1717), Alison Lyon (416-508-4261)

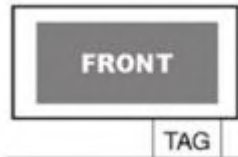
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Additional Rules for all Art Divisions:

Any artwork that does not comply with the rules will not be accepted.

A. Please secure entry tag to the back of the artwork, **bottom right**. If artwork is signed, cover the name with a removable cover.



- B. Wet artwork will not be accepted.
- C. Flat artwork only.
- D. Standing photo frames are not accepted.
- E. Exhibits entered in the wrong class will be hung but not judged.
- F. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.

Adult Art Division

Additional Rules to this Division:

- A. No former prize-winning works of art will be accepted.
- B. Artwork must be properly **framed or on stretch canvas**.
- C. Artwork must be wired from side to side for hanging; **sawtooth hangers not accepted**.
- D. Pictures including frames must be no longer than **36" (91 cm)** on the longest side however **glass or plexiglass** size shall not exceed **24" (61 cm)** on the longest side, not including frame, in any category.
- E. All artwork is to be **original - no copies** or paint by numbers. A copy is defined as a drawing or painting taken (or partially taken) from another artist's work.

CLASSES #1-12

Prizes: 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$6, 3rd: \$5, 4th: \$4

- 1. Land/Seascape, any medium
- 2. Mixed Media, more than one medium
- 3. Any subject, any medium

- 4. Floral, any medium
- 5. People, any medium
- 6. Buildings, one or more, any medium
- 7. Animals, including fish, fowl & reptiles, any medium
- 8. Transparent watercolour, any subject
- 9. Oil or acrylic, any subject
- 10. Charcoal, pencil, coloured pencil or conte, any subject
- 11. Abstract, any medium
- 12. Computer generated

Awards:

Markham Group of Artists

- **Best in Show Adult** Prize: \$25
- **Best Watercolour Adult** Prize: \$20
- **Best Oil or Acrylic Adult** Prize: \$25
- **Judge's Choice Adult** Prize: \$25

Varley Art Gallery

- **Best Floral Adult, any medium** Prize: Gift Package



Intermediate Art Division

Additional Rules to this Division:

- A. No former prize-winning works of art will be accepted.
- B. **Entrants must be 18 years or under as of December 31, 2025.**
- C. Artwork **must be sturdily matted, on stretch canvas or framed.**
- D. Artwork must be wired from side to side for hanging; **sawtooth hangers not accepted.**
- E. Pictures must be no longer than 24" (61 cm) on the longest side, including frame.
- F. There is only one class in which a copy may be entered. A copy is defined as a drawing or painting taken (or partially taken) from another artist's work.
- G. **Intermediate artists may enter the Adult Division but are subject to Adult Rules.**

CLASSES #13-21

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3

13. Transparent watercolour, any subject. No copies
14. Oil, Acrylic, Tempera, Gouache - any subject. No copies
15. Pastels, any subject. No copies
16. Any subject, any medium. No copies. Must be 14 years of age or under
17. Theme: "**A Family Tradition**". No copies. Must be 16 years of age or under
18. Pen and ink, any subject. No copies
19. Pencil, charcoal or conte, no colour, any subject. No copies
20. Computer generated
21. A copy of your favourite artist's drawing or painting, any medium

Awards: (Excluding Class #21)

Markham Group of Artists

- **Best in Show Intermediate** Prize: \$25

Varley Art Gallery

- **Judge's Choice Intermediate** Prize: Gift Package

Michael Bonnycastle Memorial Award

- **Judge's Choice Intermediate** Prize: \$25

Carolyn Sutton Memorial Award

- **Best Pen & Ink Intermediate** Prize: \$25

Junior Art Division

Additional Rules to this Division:

A. Entrants must be 13 years or under as of December 31, 2025.

B. Pictures must be:

- i. Mounted on Bristol Board or sturdy matting,
- ii. No longer than 18" (46 cm) on the longest side,
- iii. No thicker than 1" (due to display case depth restrictions),
- iv. No Frames.

C. There is only one class in which a copy may be entered. A copy is defined as a drawing or painting taken (or partially taken) from another artist's work.

D. **Junior Artists may enter the Intermediate Division but are subject to Intermediate Rules.**

CLASSES #22-31

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3

22. A copy of your favourite artist's drawing or painting, any medium
23. Oil, acrylic or watercolour, any subject. No copies
24. Cartoons, your own original caricature or cartoon situation, any medium
25. Felt pen or pen and ink, any subject. No copies
26. Theme: "**A Family Tradition**", any medium. No copies
27. Lead pencil or charcoal, any subject. No colour. No copies
28. More than one medium, any subject. No copies. (For example: watercolour, ink, crayon)

Please note age restrictions for #29, #30 & #31

(Children 9 years or under may also enter in any of the above classes.)

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3

29. Any subject, any medium. No copies. 9 years or under as of Dec. 31st, 2025
30. Any subject, any medium. No copies. 7 years or under as of Dec. 31st, 2025
31. Any subject, any medium. No copies. 5 years or under as of Dec. 31st, 2025

Awards: (Excluding Class #22)

Markham Group of Artists

- **Best in Show Junior** Prize: \$25

- **Judge's Choice Junior A** Prize: \$25

- **Judge's Choice Junior B** Prize: \$25

Varley Art Gallery

- **Best Cartoon Junior** Prize: Gift Package



Section 2A: International Arts and Crafts

Chairperson: Kim Galloway (647-390-4256)

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- * **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.

Please take special note:

- * **Drop-off:** International Arts exhibits are to be brought to the General Exhibits Building on Saturday, September 27th, 2025 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.
- * **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Additional Rules:

A. All items must be securely assembled for display purposes with entry tag affixed.

B. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.

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

Open Division

101. Chinese Lantern - handmade and ready for hanging - no computer cutting - not to exceed 14"
102. Origami Creation - animal - not to exceed 6"
103. Origami Creation - other than animal - not to exceed 6"
104. First Nations Inukshuk - build an Inukshuk - any medium - not to exceed 12"
105. Indian Diya - handmade - not to exceed 8"
106. Mandela - hand drawn - coloured - not to exceed 10"
107. Mandela - hand drawn - black & white - not to exceed 10"
108. African Painting - celebrating African culture or landscape - not to exceed 18" x 24"

Junior Division

(12 years or under as of December 31, 2025)

109. Chinese Lantern - handmade and ready for hanging - no computer cutting - not to exceed 14"
110. Origami Creation - not to exceed 6"
111. Painting of a Flag - precise or creative interpretation of a flag - country or culture to be named on tag - on 11" x 17" paper
112. Traditional Costume - draw/paint a person in traditional costume - name the country or culture
113. First Nations Inukshuk - build an Inukshuk - any medium - not to exceed 12"
114. Henna Design - drawing of a hand with a henna design on it - not to exceed 12"
115. Mandela - hand drawn - coloured - not to exceed 10"
116. Handcrafted Item (not named above) - celebrating a tradition or holiday from anywhere in the world - named - not to exceed 10"



Section 3: Christmas Collections

Chairpersons: Erin Dougan, Heather Dougan, Steven Cline, Sandra Wilson

Email questions to: christmascollections@markhamfair.ca

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* **Drop-off:** Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 - bring exhibits to the Homecraft Building from 12:00 - 8:30 pm.

* **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm (The stub of the exhibitor's entry tag is required.)

Additional Rules:

A. **Christmas themes only.**

B. All items must be securely assembled for display purposes with entry tag affixed.

C. No marshmallow icing or Fluff on edible items.

D. No poisonous embellishments, i.e., Holly, Privet, Dolls Eye, Berries, etc.

E. Work must not be older than 2 years. Soiled or defective items will not be accepted or judged.

F. No article may be entered for more than one year.

G. We are not responsible for damage done to any items due to humidity or dust in the buildings.

H. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3

ADULT - Classes #1-36

1. Christmas Gnome. Not to exceed 12" in height
2. Christmas Wreath, any medium. Not to exceed 24" in diameter
3. Christmas Hanging Door/Wall Decoration other than a wreath. Not to exceed 24" x 36"
4. Christmas Tree Ornament - needlepoint, cross stitch, counted cross stitch, embroidered
5. Christmas Tree Ornament - knitted, crocheted
6. Christmas Tree Ornament - ball shaped
7. Christmas Tree Ornament, any method not mentioned above
8. Christmas Stocking, suitable for filling. No kits or preprinted panels
9. Christmas Apron, any size
10. Christmas Theme Wine Bottle Cover including empty wine bottle
11. Christmas Table Topper, any medium. Not to exceed 36" x 36"
12. Christmas Quilted Table Runner
13. Christmas Table Placemat

14. Christmas Tree Skirt, no kits
15. Christmas Fabric Mug Rug or Coaster
16. Handmade Christmas Pillow. Form not to exceed 14"
17. Advent Calendar. Ready to hang and suitable for filling. Not to exceed 30" x 36"
18. Christmas Jewellery item
19. Christmas Centrepiece. Not to exceed 15" x 18"
20. Creatively Wrapped and Decorated Christmas Gift Box. Not to exceed 12" in diameter
21. Christmas Greeting Card - Computer Generated Only. No electronic cutting machine. Only two dimensional. No envelope. Not to exceed 6" x 9" **NEW**
22. Handmade Christmas Greeting Card - Using Scrapbooking Items. No electronic cutting machine. Only two dimensional. No envelope. Not to exceed 6" x 9" **NEW**
23. Christmas Greeting Card. Any method not mentioned above. No envelope. Not to exceed 6" x 9"
24. Hand Decorated Christmas Paper Gift Bag. Not to exceed 11"L x 6"W x 14"H including handle
25. Christmas Article Using All Recycled Material. Not to exceed 18"L x 18"W x 14"H
26. Christmas themed Scrapbook Page. Not to exceed 14" x 14"
27. Christmas Decorated Cupcake, 100% edible. Must be on a small paper plate
28. Christmas Gingerbread House, building & decorations 100% edible. Display area not to exceed 18"L x 18"W x 21"H
29. **"A Family Tradition"** Christmas item, not mentioned. Not to exceed 12" x 12" x 12" **NEW**
30. Christmas Theme Cookie Creatively Decorated - cookie & decorations 100% edible. Not to exceed 6"
31. Clothes Peg Christmas Decoration
32. Christmas Theme Painting or Drawing, any medium. Ready to hang. Not to exceed 12" x 16"
33. Christmas Decorated Canning Jar - e.g. Mason jar
34. Christmas Decorated Mug or Wineglass
35. Fresh Christmas Arrangement, embellishments allowed. Container inside measurement not to exceed 10" x 10". Maximum height 14"
36. Almost Done! One item from any above classes - 2/3 complete
50. Christmas Hanging Door/Wall Decoration other than a wreath. Not to exceed 12" x 24"
51. Biodegradable Christmas Garland. Length 1' to 3' **NEW**
52. Christmas Cupcake, judged on decoration only. Must be on a small paper plate (Ages 6-9)
53. Christmas Cupcake, judged on decoration only. Must be on a small paper plate (Ages 10-14)
54. Christmas Graham Cracker Cookie House, 100% edible including decorations. Display area not to exceed 10" in any direction (Ages 6-9)
55. Christmas Graham Cracker Cookie House, 100% edible including decorations. Display area not to exceed 10" in any direction (Ages 10-14)
56. Christmas themed Painting or Drawing, any medium. Ready to hang. Not to exceed 12" x 16" (Ages 6-9)
57. Christmas themed Painting or Drawing, any medium. Ready to hang. Not to exceed 12" x 16" (Ages 10-14)
58. Christmas article using all recycled material. Not to exceed 18"L x 18"W x 14"H (Ages 6-14) **NEW**
59. Christmas Greeting Card. No envelope. Not to exceed 6" x 9" (Ages 6-9)
60. Christmas Greeting Card. No envelope. Not to exceed 6" x 9" (Ages 10-14)

Special Awards:

All awards are gift certificates unless otherwise stated.

Robert Smith Financial - Best in Show - Committee's Choice - Adult Section \$50

Robert Smith Financial - Best in Show - Committee's Choice - Children Section \$50

MGS Print-Web-Design - Best Edible Creation - Adult Section \$25

Edward Jones Financial, Unionville - Best Christmas Ornament - Adult Section \$25

Sheridan Nurseries - Aurora - Best Christmas Centrepiece - All Sections \$25

Controtech Valves - Best Wall Hanging or Wall Decoration - Adult Section \$25

Quattro Renovations - Best Christmas Ornament - Children's Section \$25

Comtech Trading Company - Best Christmas Item - Children's Section \$25

Twist Dance Academy - Best Edible Creation - Children's Section \$25

Gen Stampin' 4 Fun - Best Christmas Greeting Card. No computer work, graphics and/or scrapbooking. Adult Section

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CORNER - Classes #37-60

37. Christmas Tree Ornament (Ages 5 & Under)
38. Christmas Tree Ornament (Ages 6-7)
39. Christmas Tree Ornament (Ages 8-9)
40. Christmas Tree Ornament (Ages 10-12)
41. Christmas Tree Ornament (Ages 13-14)
42. Christmas Wreath. Base not to exceed 14" (Ages 6-7)
43. Christmas Wreath. Base not to exceed 14" (Ages 8-9)
44. Christmas Wreath. Base not to exceed 14" (Ages 10-12)
45. Christmas Wreath. Base not to exceed 14" (Ages 13-14)
46. Christmas Bookmark (Ages 6-7) **NEW**
47. Christmas Snow Globe in a jar (Ages 6-8) **NEW**
48. Christmas Snow Globe in a jar (Ages 9-11) **NEW**
49. Christmas Snow Globe in a jar (Ages 12-14) **NEW**

Section 4: Crafts

Chairpersons: Darlene Marcellus (905-294-0319), Ann Bourgeois (905-640-8653)

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Additional Rules:

- A. **Adult entries only 19 years and over.**
- B. **No Christmas-themed items will be accepted.**
- C. No work shall be repeatedly entered from year to year.
- D. Work must not be older than 2 years and must be in good condition
- E. Pictures must be framed and ready for hanging. **No Sawtooth Hangers.**
- F. All work **must** be done by entrant.
- G. No article shall be made with anything edible.
- H. Entrants must be amateurs and **must not** earn an income from their craft.
- I. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.

Exhibits not meeting the requirements above or below will be turned away at take-in.

Should an exhibit not meeting the requirements make it past take-in, it will be displayed, **but not judged.**

Prizes: 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3

Woodworking

1. One article Wood in the style of Relief Carving (not to exceed 24" in any direction) **NEW!**
2. One or two Decorative Birds on a single base, hand-carved in wood
3. One hand carved wood Walking Stick (not to exceed 48" in length)
4. One handcrafted Wood Article (not to exceed 24"L x 24"W x 18"H)
5. One handcrafted wooden toy (not to exceed 24" in any direction)
6. One handcrafted item of Wood Burning/Pyrography - No Decorative Birds (not to exceed 24" in any direction)

Beading/Jewellery

7. One Beaded Necklace
8. One Beaded Bracelet
9. One article of Jewellery using the Chainmaille technique (No Beading)

10. A handcrafted Pair of Earrings - any medium (must use the 2025 Fair Colours - **Orange and Navy Blue** combined)

Hanging/Signage

All Entries Must be Ready for Hanging ***No Sawtooth Hangers***

11. One handcrafted Article of Macrame - No Plant Hangers (not to exceed 18" x 36")
12. One handcraft article in String Art (not to exceed 18" in any direction)
13. One Fall Themed Door Decoration (not to exceed 24" in any direction)
14. One Handcrafted Farmhouse Sign (not to exceed 24" x 36")

Paper

15. One handcrafted blank verse "Thinking of You" Greeting Card (not to exceed 6" x 8") No Computer Work, Interactive Elements, Watercolour, or Fun Folds
16. One handcrafted blank verse "Thinking of You" Greeting Card using Paper Cutters (not to exceed 6" x 8") No Computer Work, Interactive Elements, Watercolour, or Fun Folds
17. One handcrafted blank verse Fun Fold "Thinking of You" Greeting Card with a minimum of 2 folds (not to exceed 6" x 8") No Computer Work, Interactive Elements, or Watercolour
18. One handcrafted blank verse Watercolour "Thinking of You" Greeting Card (not to exceed 6" x 8") No Computer Work, Interactive Elements, or Fun Folds
19. One handcrafted Bookmark made from Handmade Paper (not to exceed 3" x 10") **NEW!**
20. One handcrafted Journaled Memory Book Page (page must not exceed 12" x 12")
21. Two handcrafted Journaled Memory Book Pages - must contain a minimum of 5 photos (each page must not exceed 12" x 12")
22. One handcrafted Paper Lantern (not to exceed a 6" base and 8" in height) **NEW!**
23. One handcrafted Paper Gift Card Holder (not to exceed 4" x 6")
24. One handcrafted Paper Banner - maximum 5 panels - panels can be any shape (each panel not to exceed 6" x 8")
25. One handcrafted Paper Gift Tag (not to exceed 4" x 6")

Soft Medium

(i.e. Needlework, Crochet, Cross-Stitch, etc.)

26. One article in counted Cross-Stitch, 11-18 count Aida cloth - Must be framed (not to exceed 24" x 36") **No Sawtooth Hangers**
27. One article in Counted Cross-Stitch, 11-18 count Aida cloth - Must be framed (not to exceed 8" x 10") **No Sawtooth Hangers**
28. One article in Counted Cross-Stitch or Needlepoint - Completed but not meant to be framed (not to exceed 12" x 24")

29. One article in Stitchery not mentioned above - No Knitting, Crocheting, Tatting or Sewing - Name the Technique (not to exceed 24" x 36") If needed, article must come ready for hanging - **No Sawtooth Hangers**
30. One handcrafted Hand Puppet or Finger Puppet - Soft Medium - No Sets/Kits
31. One handcrafted Animal - Soft Medium - No Sets/Kits and No Granny Squares (not to exceed 12" in any direction)
32. One handcrafted Stuffed Toy - Knitted or Crocheted - No Sets/Kits (not to exceed 18" in any direction)
33. One handcrafted Pumpkin - Soft Medium (not to exceed 12" in any direction)

Any Medium/Other

34. One handcrafted Fall Gnome - Any Medium (not to exceed 24" in any direction)
35. One decorated Mason Jar (not to exceed 7" in any direction)
36. One handcrafted Pumpkin - Any Medium - No Knitting, Crocheting, Tatting, Quilting, or Sewing (not to exceed 12" in any direction)
37. One decorated Clay Flowerpot (not to exceed 8" in any direction)
38. One article in a technique not mentioned above - No Needlework - Name the Technique (not to exceed 24" x 36") If needed, article must come ready for hanging - **No Sawtooth Hangers**
39. One handmade Fridge Magnet - Any Medium (not to exceed 4" in any direction)
40. One Bouquet of 3 handmade Flowers on Stems - Any Medium (not to exceed 10" in any direction)
41. One handmade Bookmark - Any Medium - No Paper (not to exceed 3" x 10")
42. One handcrafted Sock Toy (not to exceed 12" in any direction) **NEW!**
43. One handcrafted article made from Recycled Denim (not to exceed 18" in any direction)
44. One pair of handcrafted Coasters (not to exceed 4" in any direction)
45. One handcrafted article made from Recycled Men's Neckties (not to exceed 28" in any direction)
46. One article of Pottery in the style of hand building - no wheel technique (not to exceed 10" in any direction) **NEW!**
47. One handmade Coffee Cup Sleeve - any medium (not to exceed a medium Tims coffee size) **NEW!**
48. One Pin Cushion article - No Kits (not to exceed 4" in any direction) **NEW!**
49. One handcrafted Basket (not to exceed 8" x 10" in any direction - not including the handle) **NEW!**
50. Charity Toy! One handcrafted Charity Toy - Any Medium - Note: These toys will not be returned to the entrant, but will be **DONATED** to the Salvation Army of Markham.

Special Awards:

Best In Show - Markham Guild of Village Crafts - \$50

Classes #7 - #50

Babs Robinson Award - Committee's Choice

Markham Home Hardware - \$25 Gift Certificate - #1

Oda Pritzker Award - \$25 - #26

The Nailady & Aesthetics - Gift Certificate for One Manicure - #33

Markham Fair Award - \$10 each - #39, #41

Midas/Drml - \$25 - #45

Adam Ivkovich Wealth Management - \$25 each - #4, #10, #16, #22, #46, #47, #48, #49

Harry James Enterprises - \$25 each - #8, #12, #13, #19, #24, #32, #40, #42



Section 5: Culinary Arts

Chairpersons: Heather Kennedy, Christine Beer, Jill Shaw
Email questions to: culinaryarts@markhamfair.ca

Culinary Arts Sustainability Initiative: To promote sustainability and reduce food waste, some categories have reduced the submission size for certain entered items from previous years. Please take note of the jar, cake, pie and loaf size when entering items. Entries that are received in the wrong size may be disqualified at the discretion of the Judge(s).

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Additional Rules & Information

Please read each section carefully and ensure that your exhibit is submitted in the correct size jar, whole or half loaf, number of items on a plate, etc. Exhibits that are received in the wrong size may be disqualified at the discretion of the judges.

A. No ready mixes or commercial fillings will be allowed unless otherwise stated.

B. No sale of food from this Section will be allowed on the

Fairgrounds.

C. The committee will remove any baked product that is not suitable for display during the Fair.

D. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.

E. Entry tag(s) must be **securely** fastened to outside edge of an exhibit's base (i.e., on white paper plates, pie plates, foil-covered cardboard, etc.) and not on the covering wrap. Please be sure to have your entry tag on **before Tuesday's** entry night. Entrant's name should be on the bottom of all returnable containers.

F. The committee will not be responsible for any accidental damage or breakage of baking or display containers.

G. Section 5 is open to all ages and is intended for non-professionals/amateurs only. Entrants who derive more than 50% of their income from culinary arts are not eligible to compete. Personal advertising is prohibited.

H. Brackets next to each entry item indicate the number of pieces to be entered (i.e., Chocolate Chip Cookie (3) means 3 cookies are to be submitted).

I. "Named" next to certain entries require entrants to provide the ingredient of choice in writing on their entry tag (i.e., Fruit Jam - named = Fruit Jam - "Pineapple")

J. **Decision of Judges: No exhibitor/committee member shall interfere with the judges. The decision of the judges shall be final, and the judges can exercise their discretion as to whether a 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th or any premium be awarded in any given category and to any given item. No ties are allowed.**

K. Absolutely no cannabis or cannabis products are to be used in any entries.

Awards: Best Bread in Show; Best Decorated Cake in Show; Best Edible Cake in Show; Best Jam/Jelly in Show; Best Plain Butter Tart in Show; Best Pie in Show; Reesor Family in Canada; Fair President Special.

Specials: There will be a special prize awarded to all 1st and 2nd place winners in the "Specials" categories only. The Culinary Arts Committee thanks all our Sponsors for their generous donations including: Aroma Grill & Bar, Centerpiece Flowers, Dylan Armstrong - Fair President, Firehouse Subs - Markham and Stouffville, Joy's Fish and Chips, Kristin Slute - Pampered Chef Independent Consultant, Lindy's Floral Boutique, My Sister's Gift House, Reesor Family In Canada, Timber Creek Golf.

Cookies and Bars

Rules: Cookies and Bars must be entered on a dessert sized (approx. 6.75") white paper plate and covered with a zip lock bag or plastic wrap. Entry tag must be securely fastened to the outside edge of the plate.

Prizes: 1st: \$5, 2nd: \$4, 3rd: \$3, 4th: \$2

1. Chocolate Chip Cookies (3)
2. Confection Squares - aka Peanut Butter Confetti Squares (3)
3. Nanaimo Bars (3)

4. One Decorated "**Orange and Navy Blue**" Sugar Cookie - not to exceed 5" - (Judged by decoration only)
5. Shortbread Cookies - not whipped (3)
6. Gingerbread Cookies - decorated (3)
7. Plain Rice Krispie Squares (3)

Breads, Rolls and Muffins

Rules: Entries must be exhibited on foil-covered cardboard, cut to the approximate size of loaf. Entry tag must be fastened to outside edge of the foil-covered base. Muffins and tea biscuits must be exhibited on dessert-sized (approx. 6.75") white paper plates, with entry tag fastened to edge of plate. Do not use paper baking cups on muffins or biscuits. Entries should be covered with plastic wrap or zip lock bag. No bread maker machine products are to be entered unless otherwise specified.

Prizes: 1st: \$6.00, 2nd: \$5.25, 3rd: \$4.50, 4th: \$3.25

8. White Bread Loaf - made with bread maker - enter ½ of loaf
9. White Bread Loaf - handmade - enter ½ of loaf
10. Braided Egg Bread - enter whole loaf
11. Naan - named - maximum size 8"
12. Any Other Homemade Rolls - named (3)
13. Cinnamon Buns - iced (3)
14. Beer Bread - enter ½ of loaf
15. Plain Banana Bread, no nuts - enter ½ of loaf
16. Glazed Lemon Loaf - enter ½ of loaf
17. Chocolate Zucchini Loaf, no nuts - enter ½ of loaf
18. Tea Biscuits with Cheese (3)
19. Pumpkin Spice Muffins (3)
20. **Specials:** Sourdough Bread - enter ½ of loaf
21. **Specials:** Focaccia - named

Sweet and Savoury Snacks

Rules: Snacks must be entered on a dessert-sized (approx. 6.75") white paper plate and covered with plastic wrap or a zip lock bag, unless otherwise stated. Entry tag must be securely fastened to the outside edge of the plate, or attached to the neck of the glass container with an elastic band.

Prizes: 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$6, 3rd: \$5, 4th: \$4

22. Flavoured Popcorn - named - 250ml regular mouth sized mason jar
23. Fudge - named (3)
24. Chocolate Bark - named (3)
25. Nuts and Bolts Snacks - 250ml regular mouth sized mason jar
26. **Specials:** Granola Bar - named (3)
27. Pickled Eggs - 500ml regular mouth sized mason jar
28. Refrigerated Garnished 4" Cheeseball, not hot - named
29. Refrigerated Roasted Garlic Hummus, not hot - ½ cup portion in small glass container
30. Brownies - named (3)

Decorated Cakes

Rules: Cakes in Classes 31-36 will be judged on decoration only. Decoration must be 80% edible and buttercream icing is to be used unless otherwise stated. Use of styrofoam form is allowed. Cake bases must not exceed 12" x 12" and the total height must not exceed 8" high. These Classes are open to amateurs only - please see definition in **Additional Rules & Information - G**.

Prizes: 1st: \$15, 2nd: \$10, 3rd: \$8, 4th: \$6

31. Birthday Cake - buttercream
32. **Specials:** "A Family Tradition" Themed Cake - judged on decoration only
33. Halloween Gingerbread House - buttercream with candy decoration
34. Cartoon Themed Cake - buttercream with fondant pieces
35. Football Themed Cake - buttercream with fondant pieces
36. Turkey Themed Cake - buttercream

Edible Cakes

Rules: Cakes to have no icing unless otherwise stated. Entries must be exhibited on foil-covered cardboard, cut to the approximate size of the cake. Enter ½ of an 8" square or round, single-layered cake unless otherwise stated. Entry tag must be securely fastened to the outside edge of the foil-covered base. Please cover entries with plastic wrap or a zip lock bag.

Prizes: 1st: \$6.00, 2nd: \$5.25, 3rd: \$4.50, 4th: \$3.25

37. **Specials:** Vanilla Cake with icing - enter ½ of cake
38. Chocolate Cake with icing - enter ½ of cake
39. Apple Cake - enter ½ of cake
40. Confetti Cake - enter ½ of cake
41. Lemon Pound Cake with icing - enter ½ of cake
42. Carrot Cake, single layer with cream cheese icing - enter ½ of cake, no bundt
43. Coffee Cake - enter whole cake, bundt or tube
44. Gluten Free Vanilla Cake with icing - enter ½ of cake



Preserved Fruits and Vegetables

Rules: Preserves must be entered in a pint size (250 or 500ml mason jar, with 2-piece metal sealing lids) unless otherwise stated. Please attach the entry tag to the neck of the mason jar with an elastic band. Jars must be sealed; unsealed jars will automatically be disqualified. No fancy ribbons, material or labels allowed.

Prizes: 1st: \$5, 2nd: \$4, 3rd: \$3, 4th: \$2

45. Preserved Peaches
46. Any Other Preserved Fruit - named
47. Fruit Chutney - named
48. Applesauce
49. Cranberry Sauce
50. Salsa - mild
51. Chili Sauce - using ripe tomatoes
52. Spaghetti Sauce - no meat
53. Signature BBQ Sauce - not hot
54. Relish - not hot, named
55. Dill Pickles - Cucumber
56. Bread and Butter Pickles
57. Pickled Beets
58. Any Other Pickle - named, variety not mentioned above

Jams and Jellies

Rules: Jam must be entered in a 250ml jam jar, with 2-piece metal sealing lids. Please attach the entry tag to the neck of the jam jar with an elastic band. Jars must be sealed; unsealed jars will automatically be disqualified (except for Freezer Jams). No fancy ribbons, material or labels allowed.

Prizes: 1st: \$5, 2nd: \$4, 3rd: \$3, 4th: \$2

59. Strawberry Jam
60. Raspberry Jam
61. Red Pepper Jelly - not hot
62. Mixed Fruit Jam - named
63. Peach Jam
64. Rhubarb and Strawberry Jam
65. Any Other Jelly - named
66. Cherry Jelly
67. **Specials:** Peach Freezer Jam
68. Strawberry Freezer Jam
69. Diabetic Blueberry Freezer Jam
70. Any Other Freezer Jam - named, variety not mentioned above

Tarts, Pies and Refrigerated Cakes

Rules: Pies prepare in a pie plate of choice (any size); pastry pie crust, unless otherwise specified.

Prizes: 1st: \$6.00, 2nd: \$5.25, 3rd: \$4.50, 4th: \$3.25

71. Butter Tarts - plain (3) *1st place winner will go on to District 5 competition*
72. Pecan Tassies (3)
73. **Specials:** Apple Pie - double crust *Reesor Family in Canada Special*
74. Cherry Pie - topped with hand woven lattice

- 75. Pecan Pie
- 76. Strawberry Rhubarb Pie
- 77. Pumpkin Pie - no topping
- 78. **Specials:** Pineapple Upside-Down Cake
- 79. Any Other Pie - named
- 80. Icebox Cake - named
- 81. Baked Pie Shell
- 82. Mincemeat Tarts (3) - no meat
- 83. **Specials:** Apple Crumble *Fair President Special*

Section 6: Flowers and Plants

Chairpersons:

Marion Norton (905-621-1550) **Flowers/Plants Classes 1-62**

Lori Hulshof (905-852-3192) **Arrangements Classes 63-83**

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Additional Rules:

A. Flowers & Plants are judged in accordance with the "Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards for Horticulture and Floral Design" (Publication 34/2003) which is printed and distributed by the Ontario Horticulture Association and the Garden Clubs of Ontario. To obtain a copy please contact

<http://www.gardenontario.org/abo/judging.php>

B. Recognized growers are not permitted to enter in a class.

C. All cultural exhibits for competition must have been grown by the exhibitor. Self-foliage to be included unless specified. Classes 1-62.

D. Where a definite number or quantity of specimens is specified in the class, neither more nor less than that number shall be exhibited. A bud showing colour must be considered a bloom.

E. Potted plants and planters must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least 3 months prior to Markham Fair.

F. All house plants and planters to be grown in suitable containers. Not freshly potted.

G. Hanging plants must have their own hangers.

H. No plant shine is to be used on plants.

I. All exhibits must be in suitable containers to prevent tipping when handled by the judges and committee members.

J. Leaves should be removed below water level.

K. Classes 36, 37, 38, 53, 55, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61 & 62 **must be properly named or exhibit will be disqualified (printed on front of entry tag).**

L. Plant material for arrangements Classes 63-80 and Classes 82-83 need not be homegrown and can be obtained from any source.

M. No artificial plant material to be used in fresh flower

arrangement Classes 64-77, 81-83.

N. Accessories are permitted in arrangement classes.

O. Natural materials such as foliage, twigs, driftwood, moss, evergreens, rocks, grasses, etc. may be used in flower arrangements.

P. After judging day, specimens and arrangements can be replaced with fresh flowers.

Q. The committee has the right to disqualify any exhibit with insect infestation.

R. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.

Tips For Exhibitors:

- Specimens should stand erect.
- Do not use wide-mouthed containers.
- Flowers show best in a clear container.
- Flowers should be free of disease, insect damage, and insects.
- Flowers should have good colour, be fresh, not wilted, uniform in size with strong, straight stems.

Annual: A herbaceous plant which normally completes its cycle of seed in one year. To include tender perennials such as pansies & snapdragons, that are plants called "Annuals" grown as such in this region.

Biennial: A herbaceous plant which requires two growing seasons to complete its normal growth e.g. from seed to seed.

Perennial: A herbaceous plant that lives more than two years. The stem dies to the ground each fall. For example, phlox, delphiniums, peonies, etc.

Spike: An upright stem carrying several flowers, usually with short pedicels, such as gladiolus and snapdragon.

Stem Or Stalk: A plant structure carrying one or more flowers and buds. It may be branched e.g. sweet peas, primulas, and irises.

Spray: A branch of plant with a number of flowers, e.g. chrysanthemum, climbing and floribunda roses, petunias, etc. All exhibits should have a good stem length.

NAS: not according to schedule.

CUT SPECIMEN CLASSES

(self-foliage to be attached)

Prizes: 1st: \$5, 2nd: \$4, 3rd: \$3, 4th: \$2

1. Amaranthus - 3 stems Not to exceed 30" (76.2cm) - no foliage
2. Aster - 3 stems - Annual
3. Aster - Perennial (e.g. Michaelmas Daisy) - 3 stems
4. Begonia - 1 bloom floating in a clear bowl of water, no leaves
5. Calendula - 3 stems
6. Celosia - 3 stems
7. Chrysanthemums - Single - 3 sprays. Must Be Outdoor Garden Variety
8. Chrysanthemums - Semi-Double or Double - 3 sprays. Must Be Outdoor Garden Variety
9. Feverfew (Chrysanthemums) - 3 sprays. Must Be Outdoor Garden Variety

10. Cosmos - 5 stems
11. Dahlia - 1 bloom - over 6" (15.24cm)
12. Dahlia - ball type - 1 bloom - 4" to 6" (10.16cm to 15.24cm)
13. Dahlia - any other type - 1 bloom - 4" to 6" (10.16cm to 15.24cm)
14. Dahlia - ball type - 3 blooms - under 4" (10.16cm) (miniature)
15. Dahlia - any other type - 3 blooms - under 4" (10.16cm) (miniature)
16. Geranium - 1 stem with self-foliage attached ****See Specials**
17. Gladiolus - 1 spike - any colour
18. Hosta - 3 varieties - 1 leaf of each variety
19. Hydrangea - 3 blooms - stems NOT to exceed 24" (60.96cm)
20. Lavatera - 3 stems
21. Marigold - 5 blooms - over 2" (5.08cm)
22. Marigold - one colour - 5 blooms - 1"- 2" (2.54cm-5.08cm)
23. Marigold - bi-colour - 5 blooms - 1"- 2" (2.54cm-5.08cm)
24. Marigold - 3 sprays - under 1" (2.54cm) (miniature)
25. Nasturtium - Bouquet with self-foliage
26. Petunia - 3 sprays
27. Rudbeckia or Gloriosa - 3 stems
28. Salvia - 3 stems
29. Sedum - 3 stems
30. Snapdragon - 3 stems
31. Strawflower - 3 blooms - wired
32. Sunflower - 1 bloom not to exceed 8" (20.32cm), stem not to exceed 12" (30.48cm). **Must be in a vase**
33. Sweet Peas - Bouquet with self foliage
34. Zinnia - Large type - 3 stems - 2" (5.08cm) and over
35. Zinnia - Small type - 5 stems - under 2" (5.08cm)
36. Any Other Variety Annual - 3 stems or 3 sprays - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**
37. Any Other Variety Perennial or Biennial - 3 stems or 3 sprays - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**
38. Any Other Flowering Stem or Branch - 3 stems or 3 sprays - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**

Classes #39-41

Prizes: 1st: \$5.50, 2nd: \$4.50, 3rd: \$3.50, 4th: \$2.50

39. Vase of Mixed Annuals - minimum of 6 varieties
40. Basket of Dahlias
41. A Collection of Garden Flowers - all round arrangement

Roses

Note: Must be 1/2 to 3/4 open for judging.

Prizes: 1st: \$5, 2nd: \$4, 3rd: \$3, 4th: \$2

42. Rose - HT - 1 bloom - any colour - named if possible
43. Rose - Polyantha or Shrub (not Mini) - 1 spray - named if possible
44. Rose - Mini (not Polyantha or Shrub) - 1 spray - named if possible
45. Rose - Floribunda - 1 Stem - named if possible
46. Rose - Full Blown - 1 bloom floating in a clear bowl of water, no leaves - any colour - any variety - named if possible

POTTED PLANT CLASSES

Flowering Plants in Bloom

(Container not to exceed 12" (30.48cm) - inside measurement. No hanging plants)

Prizes: 1st: \$5.50, 2nd: \$4.50, 3rd: \$3.50, 4th: \$2.50

47. African Violet - standard - single bloom, single crown - *****See Specials**
48. African Violet - standard - semi-double or double bloom, single crown - *****See Specials**
49. Begonia(s) - Tuberous in bloom
50. Begonia(s) - Fibrous (e.g. Bizzy Lizzy, Reiger Type, etc.) in bloom
51. Impatiens - sunshine type
52. Geranium(s)
53. Any Other Flowering Plant in Bloom - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**

Plants Grown Principally for Foliage

(Container not to exceed 12" (30.48cm) - inside measurement. No hanging plants)

Prizes: 1st: \$5.50, 2nd: \$4.50, 3rd: \$3.50, 4th: \$2.50

54. Coleus - 1 cultivar
55. Any Other Foliage Plant Not in Bloom - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**

Planters

(Container not to exceed 16" (40.64cm) - inside measurement)

Prizes: 1st: \$5.50, 2nd: \$4.50, 3rd: \$3.50, 4th: \$2.50

56. Mixed Succulent and or Cactus Garden
57. Mixed Outdoor Planter - 3 or more different varieties - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**
58. Mixed Herb Planter - 3 or more different varieties - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**



Hanging Plants

(must be hanging - please provide your own hanger)

Prizes: 1st: \$5.50, 2nd: \$4.50, 3rd: \$3.50, 4th: \$2.50

59. Mixed Hanging Planter - minimum of 2 varieties - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**
60. Any Hanging Plant - 1 variety - Plant Grown Principally For Foliage - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**
61. Any Hanging Plant - 1 variety - Plant Grown Principally For Bloom - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag**

Window Boxes

62. Outdoor Window Box - **Must Be Properly Named On Front Of Entry Tag.** *** See **Specials**

ARRANGEMENTS

Classes #63-83 Helpful Hints:

Please refer to Rules L through O at beginning of Section 6.

- Fresh Flowers **MUST** have a container to hold water.
- Use proper type of oasis for the flowers you are working with (wet oasis for fresh flowers and dry oasis for silk and dried flowers).

Miniatures

Prizes: 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$6, 3rd: \$5, 4th: \$4

63. Corsage - any occasion - ready to wear - under 5" (12.7cm)
64. "In A Nutshell" - using fresh flowers - under 5" (12.7cm)
65. "Lemon and Lace" - using fresh flowers - under 5" (12.7cm)

Small Designs

66. "One Step At A Time" - an arrangement in a shoe. - using fresh flowers - 5 1/2" to 10" (13.97cm to 25.4cm)
- Prizes:** 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$6, 3rd: \$5, 4th: \$4

Fresh Flower Arrangements Classes #67-77

Please refer to Rule O at beginning of Section 6 (No artificial material or miniatures)

Prizes: 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$6, 3rd: \$5, 4th: \$4

67. "Candy Cane Lane" - suitable for a table - using evergreens.
68. "Trick or Treat" - using fall colours - in a pumpkin.
69. "Arrangement In A Child's Toy"
70. "Strawberry Sundae" - using shades of pink and/or purple.
71. "Champagne Toast" - using a glass with a stem.
72. "Fruits Of The Forest" - using a basket.
73. "Arrangement In A Cup And Saucer"
74. "Fabulous Foliage" - foliage only arrangement.
75. "Simply White" - an arrangement using different white flowers.
76. "Blue Velvet" - an arrangement using shades of orange and blue flowers.
77. "Welcome Baby"

Dried Flower Arrangements

(No artificial flowers or miniatures)

Prizes: 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$6, 3rd: \$5, 4th: \$4

78. "By The Sea" - an arrangement using driftwood.
79. "Harvest Time" - an arrangement using a preserving jar.

Combination Arrangement;

(Artificial plant material and accessories permitted.)

80. "Fairy Tale" - a fairy garden. Base not to exceed 8"x10" or 20cm x 25.5cm. **Prizes:** 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$6, 3rd: \$5, 4th: \$4

SPECIALS - Fresh Flower Arrangements

81. "Pollinator Party" - a bee and butterfly friendly arrangement - flowers to be home grown *** See **Specials**
82. "**A Family Tradition**" - (Markham Fair Theme) - using fresh flowers *** See **Specials**
83. Exhibitor's Choice - Using fresh flowers *** See **Specials**

***Specials:

Class #16 - Lloyd Seebeck Memorial - 1st Place Geranium - \$25

Class #47 & #48 Vera Clarkson Memorial - Best African Violet from Classes #47-48 - \$25

Class #62 - Otter Greenhouses Ltd., 315 Medd Rd, Port Perry - Gift Certificates: 1st \$30; 2nd \$20; 3rd \$10

Class #81 - Reesor Family in Canada - 1st - \$20

Class #82 - Centerpiece Flowers, 5892 Main St., Stouffville - Gift Certificates 1st \$20; 2nd \$15

Class #83 - Markham Fair Special - 1st - \$10; 2nd - \$5

Markham Fair Awards And Rosettes:

Judge's Choice – Best Potted Plant - \$10

Judge's Choice – Best Specimen - \$5

Judge's Choice – Best Entry in classes #39-41 - \$5

Judge's Choice – Best Arrangement - \$10

2025 Homecraft President, Alison Lyon - Favourite Entry - Rosette

Richters Herbs, 357 Highway 47, Goodwood

Top Point Winner Classes 1-61 - Gift Certificate - \$30

2nd Point Winner Classes 1-61 - Gift Certificate - \$20

Tree Valley Garden Centre Ltd., 4431 Stouffville Road, Stouffville

Top Point Winner Classes 63-80 - Gift Certificate - \$30

2nd Point Winner Classes 63-80 - Gift Certificate - \$25

Section 7: Needlecraft

Chairpersons: Sue Boyuk (416-876-8566), Marsha Lipsius (905-294-4461)

Before entering this section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** and **Additional Rules for Homecraft** as well as the following:

- * **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or in Fair Office).
- * **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.
- * **Drop-off:** Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 - bring exhibits to the Homecraft Building from 12:00 - 8:30 pm.
- * **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.



Additional Rules:

- A. Be sure you have read ALL the rules about the Needlecraft Section before you bring your exhibit to the Fair for competition.
- B. ***Sample fabrics, yarns or flosses must be visibly attached to every exhibit. Fabric samples must be approximately 1" x 1" (2.5 cm x 2.5 cm). Cutting of samples off seam allowances is not allowed.**
- C. Eighteen and under are eligible to enter any class.
- D. All quilting must be done by hand, except where noted to be a machine quilting class or in the sewing classes.
- E. Pin sets together so that they stay together.
- F. No machine knitting.
- G. Items must NOT be used or worn.
- H. No loose ends on any articles.
- I. No liquid embroidery to be used.
- J. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.
- K. Size of Afghans does not include fringe.
- L. The judges are authorized to award prizes to new exhibits only. Soiled, defective, with offensive odours or old exhibits will be eliminated from the competition by the Judge and/or Committee Chairperson.
- M. No work is to be entered more than **one year**.
- N. No professional may enter any classes of the Needlecraft Section except class 126, as this section is intended for amateurs only. Professionals are those who derive more than 55% of their income from their craft.

This year our Fair Theme is '**A Family Tradition**' and the colours are **Orange and Navy Blue**. Please be aware that the following classes reflect this theme: #28 & #119.

KNITTING CLASSES #1-32

Classes #1-26

Sample Yarns To Be Attached To Each Item Articles to be knit only. No ribbons or cords on any baby items, buttons, well-secured are acceptable. Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$8, 2nd: \$7, 3rd: \$6, 4th: \$5

1. Knit Baby Hat and Sweater - Baby Fingering Yarn
2. Knit Baby Afghan - maximum 210" perimeter excluding fringe
3. Knit Child's Cardigan
4. Knit Child's Pullover - size 2-6
5. Knit Child's Hat and Mitt Set
6. Knit Ribbed Hat - any size
7. Knit Mittens for Mitten Tree - any size - to be **DONATED** to charity
8. Knit Mittens with a Knitted Design
9. Knit Lady/Teen Shawl
10. Knit Pair of Fingerless Gloves/Mitts - any size
11. Knit Adult Pullover - no Fair Isle - with short or long sleeves only **NEW**
12. Knit Fair Isle Pullover Sweater
13. Knit Adult Cardigan
14. Knit Oversized Sweater
15. Knit Adult Vest - pullover - no sleeves **NEW**
16. Knit Felted Hat
17. Knit Adult Hat and Scarf Set
18. Knit Infinity Scarf - with or without a twist
19. Knit Cowl - only goes around neck once
20. Knit Adult Dress Socks - pinned together - not tied together
21. Knit Heavy Socks - pinned together - not tied together
22. Knit Pair of Slippers
23. Knit Chemo Cap - cotton yarn only - to be **DONATED** to Markham Stouffville Hospital
24. Knit Preemie Hat - to fit size of grapefruit (size 36) - to be **DONATED** Markham Stouffville Hospital
25. Knit Sweater Dress
26. Knit Shopping Bag - cotton yarn

Knit Afghan Class #27

Sample Yarns To Be Attached To Each Item

27. Knit Afghan - maximum 216" perimeter **Prizes:** 1st: \$12, 2nd: \$11, 3rd: \$10, 4th: \$9

Special FAIR THEME 2025 Class #28

Sample Yarns To Be Attached To Each Item

28. Knit or Crochet Item - using Fair Theme "**A Family Tradition**" - **Orange and Navy Blue Prizes:** 1st: \$12, 2nd: \$11, 3rd: \$10, 4th: \$9

Youth Classes #29-32 (18 & under ONLY)

Sample Yarns To Be Attached To Each Item

Prizes: 1st: \$8, 2nd: \$7, 3rd: \$6, 4th: \$5

29. Article of Arm Knitting
30. Knit Hat and Scarf - age 12 & under **NEW**
31. Knit Hat and Scarf - ages 13-18 **NEW**
32. Any other article of Knitting with added embellishments

CROCHET CLASSES #33-58

Classes #33-52

Sample Yarns To Be Attached To Each Item No ribbons or cords on any baby items, buttons, well-secured are acceptable. Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$8, 2nd: \$7, 3rd: \$6, 4th: \$5

33. Crochet Baby Sweater
34. Crochet Baby Afghan - maximum 210" perimeter
35. Crochet Child's Dress - size 1-4
36. Crochet Child's Hat
37. Crochet Baby Blanket Lovey
38. Crochet Sweater - soft yarn
39. Crochet Poncho
40. Crochet Pair of Slippers
41. Crochet Child's Purse with closure
42. Crochet Doily - 10" - 18" - not mounted
43. Crochet Vegetables, 3 different types, at least 6" - must be accompanied by can of veggies for Markham Food Bank
44. Crochet Pair of Pot Holders
45. Crochet Granny Square Bag - any type of yarn
46. Crochet Shawl
47. Crochet Infinity Scarf - with or without twist - 2 or more times around neck
48. Crochet Cowl - only goes around neck once
49. Crochet Hooded Cowl
50. Crochet Chemo Cap - soft cotton yarn only - to be **DONATED** to Markham Stouffville Hospital
51. Crochet Shopping Bag - use cotton yarn
52. Crochet any item made with Tunisian Crochet

Crochet Afghan Classes #53-54

Sample Yarns To Be Attached To Each Item Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$12, 2nd: \$11, 3rd: \$10, 4th: \$9

53. Crochet Lap Afghan - maximum 216" perimeter
54. Crochet Afghan - Any Other Design - minimum 216" perimeter

Youth Classes #55-58 (18 and under ONLY)

Sample Yarns To Be Attached To Each Item Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$8, 2nd: \$7, 3rd: \$6, 4th: \$5

55. Crochet Scarf - age 12 & under **NEW**
56. Crochet Hat and Scarf - ages 13-18 **NEW**

57. Crochet Cell Phone Cover
58. Crochet Shopping Bag - use cotton yarn

TATTING CLASS #59

Sample Yarns To Be Attached To Each Item Articles must be **new and unused**.

59. Article of Tatting **Prizes:** 1st: \$8, 2nd: \$7, 3rd: \$6, 4th: \$5

SEWING CLASSES #60-91

Classes #60-84

Sample Fabrics To Be Attached To Each Item Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$8, 2nd: \$7, 3rd: \$6, 4th: \$5

60. Article of Boy's Clothing - size 6 & under - no sets
61. Girl's Dress - size 12 & under - attach sample floss if it's a smocked dress
62. Jacket - any size
63. Pyjamas
64. Ladies/Teens Dress
65. Polar Fleece Hoodie
66. Halloween Costume - any size
67. Fancy Pin Cushion
68. Lady's Purse - must have a closure
69. Tote Bag - shopping, laptop, backpack, etc.
70. Pair of Pillow Cases
71. One pair Quilted Pot Holders - hand or machine quilted
72. Fabric Bowl
73. Set of 2 Place Mats
74. Tea Cozy with Tea Pot
75. Table Topper
76. Kitchen Apron - practical
77. Hostess Apron - fancy
78. Sewing Machine Apron
79. Patchwork Jacket
80. Quilted Table Runner - machine quilted - NO LONG ARM
81. Cushion - 48" - 72" perimeter before any ruffle - must have pillow form or stuffing
82. Item made of Selvages
83. Any item of Pet Apparel
84. One complete Doll Outfit - NO DOLL

Youth Classes #85-91 (18 & under ONLY)

Sample Fabrics To Be Attached To Each Item Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$8, 2nd: \$7, 3rd: \$6, 4th: \$5

85. Upcycle/Recycle an article of Denim
86. Pillowcase - 100% cotton only - to be **DONATED** to Centre for Children at Markham Stouffville Hospital
87. Pajama Pants
88. Stuffed Pillow
89. Any article of Sewing - age 12 & under
90. Any article of Sewing - ages 13-18

91. Flannelette Sheet - 64 cm x 77 cm - single layer of fabric - to be **DONATED** to Markham Stouffville Hospital for Isolettes in NICU

EMBROIDERY CLASSES #92-96

Embroidery Classes #92-94

Sample Floss/Ribbon To Be Attached To Each Item

Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$8, 2nd: \$7, 3rd: \$6, 4th: \$5

92. An Hand Embroidered article of Clothing - embellishments allowed with embroidery
93. Any article of Hand Embroidery - no clothing - no frames
94. Any article of Machine Embroidery - no frames

Youth Classes # 95-96 (18 & under ONLY)

Sample Floss To Be Attached To Each Item Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$8, 2nd: \$7, 3rd: \$6, 4th: \$5

95. Any article of Hand Embroidery - no framing - age 12 & under **NEW**
96. Any article of Hand Embroidery - no framing - ages 13-18 **NEW**

QUILTING CLASSES #97-132

Classes #97-99

Sample Fabrics - And Floss If Embroidery Is Used - To Be Attached To Each Item Write quilt pattern name and approximate number of hours to complete on the back of your entry tag. Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$9, 2nd: \$8, 3rd: \$7, 4th: \$6

97. Cushion - one traditional quilt block - 12"-18" before any ruffle
98. Quilt Top Only - twin bed or smaller size
99. Quilt Top Only - double bed or larger size

Classes #100-126

Sample Fabrics - And Floss If Embroidery Is Used - To Be Attached To Each Item Write quilt pattern name and approximate number of hours to complete on the back of your entry tag. Articles must be **new and unused**.

Prizes: 1st: \$25, 2nd: \$20, 3rd: \$15, 4th: \$13

100. Quilt - 26" x 34" - to be **DONATED** to Markham Stouffville Hospital NICU
101. Hand Quilted Crib Quilt - no preprinted panels - maximum 200" perimeter
102. Hand Quilted Crib Size - preprinted panel - no stamped quilting - maximum 200" perimeter
103. Hand Quilted Miniature - less than 64" perimeter represent a full quilt, each block not to exceed 3". A single block is not a miniature quilt

104. Hand Quilted Wall Hanging - greater than 80" perimeter, less than 160" perimeter - must have hanging sleeve
105. Hand Quilted Wall Hanging - greater than 160" perimeter, less than 288" perimeter - must have hanging sleeve
106. Hand Quilted Twin Bed Quilt - greater than 240" perimeter, less than 324" perimeter
107. Hand Quilted Quilt - made by 2 or more people - list group or names on back of tag
108. Machine Quilted Crib Quilt - no preprinted panels - NO LONG ARM - maximum 200" perimeter
109. Machine Quilted Crib Quilt - preprinted panel - NO LONG ARM - maximum 200" perimeter
110. Machine Quilted - My First Quilt - any size - NO LONG ARM
111. Machine Quilted Miniature - less than 64" perimeter, to represent a full quilt, each block not to exceed 3". A single block is not a miniature quilt. NO LONG ARM
112. Machine Quilted Wall Hanging - greater than 80" perimeter, less than 160" perimeter - NO LONG ARM - must have hanging sleeve
113. Machine Quilted Modern Quilt - greater than 80" perimeter, less than 160" perimeter - NO LONG ARM - must have hanging sleeve
114. Machine Quilted Wall Hanging - greater than 160" perimeter, less than 288" perimeter - NO LONG ARM - must have hanging sleeve
115. Machine Quilted Twin Bed Quilt - greater than 240" perimeter, less than 324" perimeter - NO LONG ARM
116. Rag Quilt - does not require middle layer
117. Wall Hanging - Mixed Technique - Art Quilt - can include different techniques such as hand quilting, machine quilting, piecing, applique, etc. - MUST include embroidery - greater than 80" perimeter, less than 288" perimeter - NO LONG ARM - must have hanging sleeve
118. Wall Hanging - representing 'Truth and Reconciliation Day' - maximum 160" perimeter
119. Wall Hanging celebrating Fair Theme '**A Family Tradition**'. Colours are **Orange and Navy Blue** - attach to back of wall hanging a story describing how your wall hanging represents to you.
120. Quilt - any bed size - quilt & quilting to be done by 1 person using long arm quilting machine
121. Machine Quilted Quilt - done by 3 or more people - list group name on back of tag - NO LONG ARM
122. Quilt - top & binding made by 1 person and machine quilted by another - hand guided long arm quilting only
123. Traditional Quilt - top & binding made by 1 person and quilted by another - using computerized long arm
124. Modern Quilt - top & binding made by 1 person and quilted by another - using computerized long arm
125. Special Class: Non-professional Computerized Long Arm Quilters only - only quilting will be judged - top can be made by another
126. Special Class: PROFESSIONAL Computerized Long Arm Quilters only - quilt top and quilting to be judged. Refer to Rule N for definition of professional

Rules For O.A.A.S. Quilt Competition Classes #127-132

Please visit the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies' (OAAS) website at www.ontariofairs.com for a full list of rules. A copy is also available in the Fair Office.

General Conditions for both Hand Quilted and Machine Quilted Quilt Competitions.

1. Each local fair is entitled to send the grand champion quilt judged best in show for both sections to the district competition in October 2025. If the same quilt wins at more than one fair the exhibitor must consider the agricultural society closest to his/her home address as the one from which the quilt will be sent to the district meeting. If any entry wins grand champion or best of all classes at more than one fair, the other fairs at which this quilt was entered and won should enter their reserve grand champion quilt. If an exhibitor wins with different quilts at different fairs, all quilts are eligible to be entered.
2. Judging will occur at local fairs and district levels. A provincial grand champion quilt will be selected at the annual OAAS Convention.
3. The winner's name and pattern is to be displayed at the fair on a sign provided by OAAS.
4. Upon making an entry into the OAAS quilt competition the exhibitor agrees to participate in any promotional activities related to the competition.
5. The winning OAAS Champion Quilt will not be eligible to compete in any future district and/or Convention OAAS Competition. The winner receives a cash prize and retains ownership of quilt.

Hand Quilting Classes #127-130

Sample Fabrics To Be Attached Articles must be **new and unused**.

Specific Rules for OAAS Hand Quilting Competition:

- A. Entries must be solely made and hand quilted by the exhibitor.
- B. Entry quilts must be a minimum of 324" measured on the perimeter. Smaller quilts will not be eligible to proceed to the next level of competition.

Prizes: 1st: \$35, 2nd: \$30, 3rd: \$25, 4th: \$20

127. Quilt - Traditional Design Only - Pieced
128. Quilt - Traditional Design Only - Appliqued
129. Quilt - Mixed Technique - must include at least 3 different techniques
130. Quilt - Whole Cloth Quilt - one fabric on each side of the quilt - design made only by the hand quilting done on the quilt - no preprinted panels

Machine Quilting - Class #131-132

Articles must be **new and unused**.

Specific Rules for OAAS Machine Quilting Competition:

- A. Entries must be solely made and machine quilted by the exhibitor.
- B. Entry quilts must be a minimum of 324" measured on the perimeter.
- C. Entry must have visible machine quilting.

Prizes: 1st: \$35, 2nd: \$30, 3rd: \$25, 4th: \$20

131. Quilt - Any Design - Any Technique - domestic machine or long arm quilting
132. Whole Cloth Quilt - domestic or long arm quilting - no preprinted panels

Awards:

Ann's Fabrics Awards, Stouffville – Gift Certificate \$20 each

Classes -#76, #80, #81, #95, #96, #97, #100

Barb's Custom Quilts Awards - 50% off of one quilt, done by Barb - each - Class #123 and Class #131

Committee's Choice Award – \$20

Coulson Award - \$30.00 – Class #105

Homespun Design Award, Stouffville – Gift Certificate \$25 - Class #108

Jean Beare Memorial Awards - \$25 each - Best in Classes #30-34 and Best in Classes #57-60

Ivy Miller Memorial Award - \$10 - Best of Classes #20, #21

Katherine Kwan Awards - \$15.00 Class #15 and \$25 each Class #110 and #115

Markham Towne Quilters' Awards - \$25 each - Class #117 & #122

Markham Guild of Village Crafts - \$50 - Best of Show - Classes #1-96

Reesor Family in Canada Award - \$25.00 – Best in Classes #129-132



Section 8: Seniors

N.B. Please Note That There Are Two Divisions For Seniors (Please Refer To Definition *)

Chairpersons: Phyllis Tyrie (416-994-1008), Debra Conrad-Knight (416-560-3851)

Before entering this section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** and **Additional Rules for Homecraft** as well as the following:

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Additional Rules:

- A. Minimal assistance by craft personnel is allowed.
- B. There are to be no more than three (3) articles in each Class from each residence.
- C. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.
- D. All prize money will be sent to the Residence but is to be the property of the winning resident.
- E. Residences must attach a list of exhibitors to their entry form so that the appropriate number of complimentary Fair passes can be provided when exhibits are brought in.

DIVISION 1

Residents In A 24-Hour Nursing Care Facility OR Seniors in an Adult Day Program

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

Christmas Collection Classes #1-6

1. A Christmas tree ornament
2. A Christmas table ornament
3. A Christmas card
4. A Christmas wreath 12" x 12" or less
5. Any Christmas Craft

Needlework Classes #6-12

6. Afghan - knit or crochet
7. Needlecraft any article
8. Knitted square 12" x 12" or less
9. Scarf - knit or crochet
10. Any craft article - knit or crochet
11. Tote Bag - any medium
12. Bassinet or carriage blanket - knit or crochet 25" x 25" or less

Crafts Classes #13-36

12" x 12" or Less

13. Refrigerator magnet
14. Greeting card - any occasion
15. Decorated gift bag
16. Decorated bird house
17. Craft using recycled materials 12" x 12" or less
18. Decorated candle holder
19. Decorated bookmark
20. Any craft article - i.e. Seasonal - 12" x 12" or less
21. Decorative wall hanging - not to exceed 12"
22. Any article made of podge
23. Decorated picture frame 12" x 12" or less
24. Decorated flower pot
25. Pumpkin - small/medium
26. Wrapped boxes - decorated 12" x 12" or less
27. Any article - group project 12" x 12" or less
28. Flower Arrangement
29. Any sketch - pencil
30. Key ring
31. Any article in woodworking no larger than 12"
32. Mandala adult colouring 12" x 12" or less
33. Abstract art 12" x 12" or less
34. Watercolour art 12" x 12" or less
35. Painting Acrylic, Oil 12" x 12" or less
36. Bottled Art

Photography Class #37

37. Single photo - "Something I Like" theme accompanied by a short description. Not to exceed 8" x 10"

Creative Writing Classes #38-43

38. Original poem on any theme
39. Favourite memory
40. Dictated story (can be hand-written or typed)
41. Favourite recipe
42. Calligraphy - any language

100 Years and Over Classes #43

43. Any craft article

Unique Craft Item #44

44. Unique Craft Item not listed in classes #1 - #43 - Not to exceed 12" x 12" or less

DIVISION 2

Seniors Must be 75 Years of Age or Older Living Independently OR Seniors in a Community-Based Program

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

Christmas Collection #45

45. Christmas tree ornament - any other medium

Needlework Classes #46-60

- 46. Knitted socks
- 47. Carriage bassinet - knit or crochet - 25" x 25" or less
- 48. Carriage blanket - knit or crochet.
- 49. Child's sweater - knit or crochet
- 50. Afghan - knit or crochet
- 51. Doily - crochet 6" to 12"
- 52. Slippers - knit or crochet
- 53. One article - hand embroidered
- 54. Pair of pot holders
- 55. Scarf - knit or crochet
- 56. Shawl - knit or crochet
- 57. Hat & mittens - knit or crochet
- 58. Bag - any medium
- 59. Vest - any medium
- 60. Dish cloth - knit or crochet

Crafts Classes #61-63

- 61. Any article in plastic canvas
- 62. Pin cushion
- 63. Decorative wall hanging - not to exceed 12"

Creative Writing Classes #64

- 64. Favourite recipe

Photography Class #65

- 65. Single photo - Framed or Mounted - not to exceed 8" x 10"

Art Classes #66-68

- 66. Mandala adult colouring
- 67. Abstract painting, 12" x 12" or less
- 68. Painting - oil, acrylic, 12" x 12" or less

Unique Craft Item #69

- 69. Unique Craft Item not listed in classes #45 - #68 - Not to exceed 12" x 12" or less

Awards!

Grecian Place Hair Salon - Gift Certificate - Division 2
Committee's Choice - \$25 - Division 1
Committee's Choice - \$25 - Division 2

Section 9: Photography

Chairpersons: Michelle Wannop (647-297-7167), Brad Derynck (416-274-1209)

Before entering this section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** and **Additional Rules for Homecraft** as well as the following:

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at

<https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or in Fair Office).

* **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.

Please take special note:

* **Drop-off: Photography exhibits are to be brought to the General Exhibits Building on Saturday, September 27th, 2025 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.** The judging will be done the next day. For this reason, **no entries will be accepted after 12:00 pm Saturday.** We regret that **no entries for other sections** can be accepted at this time.

* **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Markham Fair is not responsible for lost or damaged exhibits.

The Markham Fair Photography competition is **ALL PRINT!** You can still take your photos with a digital camera, however, the digital display categories have been removed. This competition is about your ability to capture that special image and present it in print form without obvious enhancements. This is a photography competition, not a Photoshop® Competition. *** Check out our website for more information.

Additional Rules:

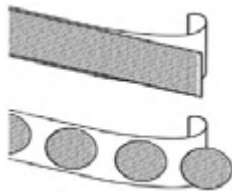
- A. An Exhibitor may enter only one exhibit per class.
- B. Framed photos will not be accepted. No wooden mounts. No glass.
- C. Minimum print size to be 5" x 7" unless otherwise stated.
- D. **Maximum mount size must not exceed 11" x 14" unless otherwise stated.**
- E. All photos must be applied to stiff cardboard or photographic mounting board. To hang properly, use the hook portion Velcro® adhesive dots or strips on the back of your entries. Four dots or small strips of Velcro® should be sufficient to support each exhibit.
- F. All exhibits must be marked on the back with the exhibitor's name and entry number for identification. No exhibitor names on the front. Entry tag to be attached as shown below.



- G. The photography class is open to anyone except those who derive more than 25% of their income from photography.
- H. No former Markham Fair prize-winning photograph will be accepted.
- I. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 Exhibitor Fee.

J. All Print exhibits may be produced from traditional film media (slides or negatives), or from a digital media source.

So...just which portion is the hook and which portion is the loop?



The hook portion of Velcro® brand fasteners looks like an upside-down letter “J”. Hook is often described in different terms - the “rough” or the “bristly” portion. The hook portion engages into the loop component of our panels. The Photography Section panels are covered in the “soft”, “fuzzy” or “carpet” portion of the Velcro®. Please use the “hook / rough / sticky” portion of Velcro® on the back of the mount. ****Note: Exhibitors please supply your own Velcro®.****

Junior Division

(12 years or under as of December 31, 2025)

Additional Rules to this Division:

- A. All prints are to be mounted on stiff cardboard or photographic mounting board and shall be ready to hang with the hook portion Velcro® adhesive dots or strips.
- B. Print size should be no smaller than 3½” x 5”.
- C. **Mount size should be no larger than 8” x 10” unless otherwise stated.**

Participant ribbons will be awarded to all Junior entrants.

Junior Colour Classes #1-10

Prizes: 1st: \$4.00, 2nd: \$3.50, 3rd: \$3.00, 4th: \$2.50, 5th: \$2.00

- 1. Landscape
- 2. Water Slides
- 3. Pet
- 4. Flower or Plant
- 5. Collection of not less than 3 (any size) on one subject mounted on one rigid board not more than 11" x 14". Pictures may overlap
- 6. Member of your Family
- 7. Something Funny
- 8. Animal other than Pet
- 9. Insects
- 10. Photographer's Choice

Junior & Intermediate Division

(18 years or under as of December 31, 2025)

Additional Rules to this Division:

- A. Print size should be no smaller than 3½” x 5”.
 - B. Mount size must not exceed 11" x 14".
- Participant ribbons will be awarded to all junior entrants.

Junior & Intermediate Black and White #11-12

Prizes: 1st: \$4.50, 2nd: \$4.00, 3rd: \$3.50, 4th: \$3.00, 5th: \$2.50

- 11. Your Community
- 12. Photographer's Choice

Intermediate Division

(13 to 18 years as of December 31, 2025)

Additional Rules to this Division:

- A. All prints are to be mounted on stiff cardboard or photographic mounting board and shall be ready to hang with the hook portion Velcro® adhesive dots or strips.
- B. Print size shall be no smaller than 3½” x 5”.
- C. Mount size must not exceed 11” x 14”.

Intermediate Colour Classes #13-23

Prizes: 1st: \$4.50, 2nd: \$4.00, 3rd: \$3.50, 4th: \$3.00, 5th: \$2.50

- 13. Stormy Weather
- 14. Water Fun
- 15. Landscape or Seascape
- 16. Hay Bales
- 17. Selfie
- 18. Nature - Animal
- 19. Special Friend
- 20. Flower
- 21. Celebrations
- 22. Collection of no less than 3 coloured prints (any size)
- 23. Photographer's Choice



Open Print Division (all ages)

Additional Rules to this Division:

- A. All prints are to be mounted on stiff cardboard or photographic mounting board and shall be ready to hang with the hook portion Velcro® adhesive dots or strips.
- B. Framed photos will not be accepted.
- C. Print size shall be no smaller than 5” x 7”.
- D. Mount size must not exceed 11” x 14”.
- E. At the judge's discretion, photos unsuitable for family viewing, photos in violation of third party rights (including, without limitation, copyrights), and photos in violation of

application law or regulation, will be immediately disqualified.
F. Anyone submitting entries to this contest warrants that they have sufficient rights to the material they are submitting, that it has been legally obtained and created, that they have all necessary model and property releases and can make them available upon request, and that publication of the material via various media will not infringe on any third party rights. Entering this contest will be construed as permission to publish winners' entry(ies) on the Markham Fair website.

G. No Photoshopping

Open Black and White #24-29

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3, 5th: \$2

24. "Lonely" Tree
25. Human Portrait (showing control of pose and lighting)
26. Shadow
27. Special Effect
28. "Relics of Yesteryear"
29. Photographer's Choice

Open Colour Classes #30-64

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3, 5th: \$2

30. Child/Children
31. Farm Scene
32. Wild Bird
33. Animal
34. Bell Towers
35. Summer
36. Photo of Markham Fair
37. Close-up
38. Wood
39. Rural Landscape
40. Food Plate
41. Stained Glass
42. Flower
43. Reflection
44. Something Funny
45. Boat(s)
46. Sunrise or Sunset
47. Collection of not less than 3 coloured prints (any size) on one subject mounted on one rigid board not more than 11" x 14" in size. Pictures may overlap
48. Panorama Minimum print size 4" x 10", mount not to exceed 11" x 14" in size. 1 print only
49. Winter
50. Mirror
51. Water
52. Misty Morning
53. Festivals
54. Human Portrait (showing control of pose and lighting)
55. Insects
56. Trees in Blossom
57. Doors
58. Technology
59. Old Days, New Ways
60. Relic of Yesteryear

61. Crops
62. Old Buildings
63. Photographer's Choice
64. Emotion



Senior Division 55 +

Additional Rules to this Division:

- A. All prints are to be mounted on stiff cardboard or photographic mounting board and shall be ready to hang with the hook portion Velcro® adhesive dots or strips.
- B. Print size shall be no smaller than 4" x 6" and mount size must not exceed 11" x 14".
- C. Framed photos will not be accepted.
- D. All participants must be 55 years of age or older.

Senior Colour Classes #65-72

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3, 5th: \$2

65. Child/Children
66. Animal
67. Flower
68. Life Celebrations
69. Foundations
70. Relic of Yesteryear
71. Collection of not less than 3 coloured prints (any size) on one subject mounted on stiff cardboard or photographic mounting board not more than 11" x 14" - pictures may overlap
72. Photographer's Choice

Special Awards:

Jack Addison Memorial Award: Awarded for the "Best in Junior Division"

Dave Morrison Memorial Award: Awarded for the "Best in Intermediate Division"

Gilda Hurley Award: Awarded for the "Best Black & White Print"

David S. Tsubouchi Award: Awarded for the "Best Colour Print in Open Class"

Marjorie Boorne Memorial Award: Awarded for the "Best in Senior Division"

Section 10: Special Needs

Chairpersons: Shanyyn Burnett, Heather Graham, Jodi Folkes, Sandra Wilson (905-294-2997)

Email questions to: specialneeds@markhamfair.ca

Before entering this section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** and **Additional Rules for Homecraft** as well as the following:

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or in Fair Office).

* **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.

Please take special note:

* **Drop-off:** Special Needs exhibits are to be brought to the General Exhibits Building on Friday, September 26th, 2025 from 3:30 - 5:30 pm or Saturday, September 27th, 2025 from 9:00 - 10:00 am.

* **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. (Exhibits cannot be held after this time.)

All participants in the "Special Needs" Section do NOT pay an exhibitor fee or entry fee. People with disabilities receive free entry to Markham Fair at all times with one support person/friend/or family member.

Additional Rules:

A. This Section is open to **all ages** for people with disabilities.

B. There is no age limit for this Section.

C. All exhibits must be made since last year's Fair and must be the work of the exhibitor, except where otherwise stated (Hand Over Hand method).

D. One entry form per exhibitor except in Group Projects. Group projects require one separate entry form under a group name. An exhibitor may enter only one exhibit per Class.

E. Make inquiries through Chairperson above.

F. Please securely attach entry tag to the back, bottom right-hand corner of your exhibit. Attach top 1¼" of tag behind entry.

G. All classes will receive ribbons to 6th place.



H. The 2025 Fair theme is "**A Family Tradition**". The colours are **Orange and Navy Blue**. Incorporate where possible.

Prizes: 1st: \$4.00, 2nd: \$3.50, 3rd: \$3.00, 4th: \$2.50

Arts & Crafts (Not Hand Over Hand) Classes #1-45

1. Wreath - decorated for any holiday. Not to exceed 10" diameter
2. Fridge Magnet - theme, see rule H
3. Pencil or Pen Holder
4. Picture Frame - may be an embellished purchased frame. Not to exceed 6" x 6". Must be able to stand
5. Decorated Flowerpot. Mini 2" - 4"
6. Bracelet made with pattern of colour. See rule H
7. Jewelry, handmade (no bracelets) - any medium
8. Tissue Paper Creation - not to exceed 6" square. Colour, see rule H
9. Egg Carton Animal
10. Basket, 3 quart max - (Decorated)
11. Christmas tree decoration with loop for hanging
12. Duct tape creation. Not to exceed 8.5" x 11"
13. Rock for your garden, decorated and/or painted. See rule H
14. Invitation to a Celebration - handmade
15. Invitation to a Celebration - computer made
16. Painting, freehand - water colour/tempera - unframed. Not to exceed 12" x 18". Colour, see rule H
17. Painting, freehand oil or acrylic - unframed. Not to exceed 12" x 18"
18. Create a musical instrument. Max 12" any size
19. Leaf pictures or rubbing, medium of your choice. Not to exceed 12" x 18"
20. Paper Bag Puppet
21. Drawing, free hand. Not to exceed 8.5" x 11"
22. Finger Painting. Not to exceed 12" x 18". Colour, see rule H
23. Make or Decorate a Party Hat
24. Make a sensory bottle. Max, 2L bottle
25. Design on paper a cell phone case
26. Design on paper an iPad or tablet case
27. Face Mask. Purchased and Decorated
28. Wind Chime, ready to hang. Not to exceed 12" x 18"
29. Woodworking article made by entrant. Not to exceed 12"
30. Woodworking article bought, then decorated by entrant. Not to exceed 12"
31. Ceramic pottery or clay article, purchased & decorated. Not to exceed 12"
32. Ceramic pottery, clay or any modelling medium; handmade. Not to exceed 12"
33. Metal Art, made by entrant. Not to exceed 12"
34. Spoon Person
35. String Art. Not to exceed 8.5" x 11" including Hanger
36. Craft or Article of choice. Not to exceed 12"
37. A collage of your favourite things displayed on paper or board, hand drawn or cut and paste. Not to exceed 12" x 18"
38. Decorate a pumpkin. Not to exceed 10"
39. Lego Creation on a board. Not to exceed 15" x 15"
40. Halloween theme made with candy. Not to exceed 8.5" x 11"
41. Decorate a mason jar candleholder
42. Melt beads creation

43. Create a centrepiece. Not to exceed 10". See rule H

44. Colouring book picture. Not to exceed 11" x 11"

45. Tie Dyed Pillowcase

Arts & Crafts (Hand Over Hand) - Classes #46-55

46. Collage not to exceed 12" x 18" - Canada theme

47. Painting, unframed. Not to exceed 12" x 18". Colour, see rule H

48. Sponge or vegetable print painting. Not to exceed 12" x 18"

49. Gift Bag, decorated (small)

50. Spoon person - Halloween theme

51. Craft or Article of choice. Not to exceed 12"

52. Tie Dyed Pillowcase

53. Decorated mason jar candleholder

54. Create a centrepiece. Not to exceed 10" on any side. See rule H

55. Colouring book picture. Not to exceed 10" on any side

Creative Writing - Classes #56-57

56. Written piece about "A Markham Fair Memory" - written by hand or on computer by entrant. One page, One sided

57. Dictated Story - entrant tells story that is scribed by hand or computer by another person - One page, One sided, about "A Markham Fair Memory"

Photography - Classes #58-59

(Must be taken by entrant) Judged on photo, not mounting

58. Photograph, mounted. Not to exceed 8.5" x 11"

59. Collection of at least 2 photographs "My Family" theme - mounted display. Not to exceed 8.5" x 11"

Needlework - Classes #60-62

60. Article of choice, made from fabric

61. A crochet, knit or corking article

62. Rug hooking article

Community Support Entries - Classes #63-66

Note: All entries in Classes #63-66 are to be donated to a food bank or appropriate charity. (Gift basket items suggested by food bank: any packaged food or hygiene product, e.g. toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, etc. and gift cards)

63. Pop Can Tab Collection by group, by weight, not strung (to be donated to wheelchair charity)

64. Pop Can Tab by an individual, on a string, heaviest collection (to be donated to wheelchair charity)

65. Gift Basket - See through wrapping. By individual

66. Gift Basket - See through wrapping. Hand over Hand. By individual

Group Projects - Classes #67-70

67. Decorative mural, using theme "Markham Fair". Not to exceed 2' x 4'

68. Felt or fabric wall hanging, using theme "Markham Fair". Not to exceed 2' x 4'

69. Scarecrow. Must be self supported

70. Design a poster for World Down Syndrome Day, Autism Awareness, or other similar cause. Each poster must be mounted on a black art card with a 2" border. Poster size max. 12" x 18"

Special Merit Awards:

Seeley-Warr Family - \$40

Laura and Andrew Fidler - \$40

Sunready Landscaping - \$40

Eden Designscapes - \$40

York Dance Academy - \$40

Section 11: Youth (18 and under)

Chairpersons: Mary Webster (905-294-6629), Judy Bell (905-479-4449)

Before entering this section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** and **Additional Rules for Homecraft** as well as the following:

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or in Fair Office).

* **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.

* **Drop-off:** Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 - bring exhibits to the General Exhibits Building from 12:00 - 8:30 pm.

* **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Additional Rules:

A. This Section is open to anyone who is 18 years and under as of December 31, 2025.

B. No work shall be entered for more than one year.

C. Work must not be older than one year.

D. All entries must be the work of the Exhibitor.

E. Only one Exhibitor per entry form - **Please state the Exhibitor's age on the entry form.**

F. An Exhibitor may enter only one exhibit per Class.

G. Exhibitor stubs (bottom portion of entry tag) **MUST** be presented to collect exhibits.

H. All baking is to be put on disposable plates and then enclosed in a zip lock bag.

I. No mixes or prepared fillings are to be used.

J. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.

MARKHAM FAIR'S PRESIDENT'S THEME IS "A Family Tradition" and the chosen colours are Orange and Navy Blue.

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3

Open Class #1

O.A.A.S. is extending an Open Class to children between the ages of 10 and 15 years as of December 31, 2025. THE WINNER WILL BE ENTERED INTO THE COMPETITION AT DISTRICT 5 IN NOVEMBER. More details will be given to the winner.

1. Chocolate Chip Cookies 8 on a small disposable plate in a zip lock bag. Cookies must be no larger than 3" (6.75cm) and no smaller than 2" (5cm)

Preschool Group (5 years and under) - Classes #2-18

Please make sure that the work is done by the child with parents supervising only.

2. Make a birthday card for a family member. Not to exceed paper size of 8.5" x 11"
3. Draw a picture of your family at the fair
4. Make a marshmallow pet
5. Make a picture using pasta. Not to exceed paper size of 8.5" x 11". Must be covered in plastic wrap
6. Make a noise maker, any medium. Not to exceed 30 cm x 30 cm
7. Decorate a gift bag
8. Decorate a picture frame, any medium
9. Create a sponge print painting. Not to exceed 28 cm x 36 cm
10. Create a barn, any medium. Not to exceed 30 cm x 30 cm
11. Make a bird feeder, any medium. Not to exceed 30 cm x 30 cm
12. Make a wooden spoon figure
13. Make a flower using pipe cleaners. Not to exceed 15 cm x 15 cm
14. Make a necklace for someone in your family, any medium
15. Decorate a rock. Not to exceed 15 cm x 15 cm
16. Make a place mat, any medium. Not to exceed 30 cm x 30 cm
17. Make a finger painting. Not to exceed paper size of 8.5" x 11"
18. Make a display of pressed leaves. Not to exceed a 36 cm x 56 cm piece of bristol board. Must be covered in plastic wrap

10 & Under Group - Classes #19-52

Please read directions carefully to avoid being disqualified.

19. Chocolate chip cookies. Must be 4 on a small disposable plate. Note: See Open - Class #1 if you would like to enter chocolate chip cookies to compete with other fairs at the District 5 Convention. You must win at Markham Fair to qualify
20. Rice Krispies squares, any shape. Must be 4 on a small disposable plate. Judged on taste only
21. Maple fudge. Must be 4 on a small disposable plate. Judged on taste only
22. ½ Chocolate cake, un-iced. Judged on taste only
23. Banana muffins. Must be 4 on a small disposable plate. Judged on taste only
24. One cookie decorated on a small disposable plate. Judged on decoration only
25. Decorate a cake to celebrate a family's tradition. Judged on decoration only. Styrofoam and other forms acceptable. Not to exceed 22.5 cm x 33 cm (9" x 13")
26. Decorate a rock to look like a bug. Not to exceed 15 cm
27. Make a simple wooden tool. Not to exceed 15 cm x 15 cm. Must be securely constructed
28. Make a weather vane, any medium. Not to exceed 30 cm x 30 cm
29. Make a wagon out of duct tape (must be 80% duct tape). Not to exceed 30 cm
30. Create a bee hive using paper mache. Not to exceed 30 cm
31. Make a wooden spoon figure dressed as your traditional family member
32. Make wind chimes, any medium. Not to exceed 30 cm
33. Decorate a mason jar, any medium
34. Braid a bracelet, any medium
35. Create an emoji, any medium. Not to exceed 15 cm x 15 cm
36. Make a wearable crown for a Prince or Princess, any medium
37. Create a clown using one pop bottle
38. Make a wearable baseball cap
39. Make a key chain using any medium
40. Weave a place mat, any medium. Not to exceed 30 cm x 30 cm
41. Draw a picture of your family enjoying a family tradition. Not to exceed a 46 cm x 56 cm piece of bristol board
42. Create a working mechanism. No kits
43. Create a swing set using 80% Popsicle sticks. Not to exceed 30 cm
44. Create a scene of your family visit to the zoo using Lego. No kits. Not to exceed 48 cm x 48 cm x 30 cm tall
45. Make a string art piece. Not to exceed 30 cm x 30 cm
46. Make a recipe card for a traditional family dish
47. Make an origami item
48. Make a sock puppet accessorized with any medium
49. Make a board game, any medium. Not to exceed 30 cm x 30 cm
50. Make a candle holder from plasticine or modelling clay. Must be mounted and secured. Not to exceed 15 cm
51. Create an original comic strip on an 8.5" x 11" page
52. Any other article



11 & Over Group - Classes #53-87

Please read directions carefully to avoid being disqualified.

53. Chocolate chip cookies. Must be 4 on a small disposable plate. Note: See Open - Class #1 if you would like to enter chocolate chip cookies to compete with other fairs at the District 5 Convention. You must win at Markham Fair to qualify.
54. Apple pie, mini size is acceptable (entries are eligible for the Reesor Family in Canada award)
55. Ginger cookies. Must be 4 on a small disposable plate. Judged on taste only
56. Peppermint bark. Must be 4 on a small disposable plate
57. ½ Chocolate cake, un-iced. Judged on taste only
58. Apple muffins, no mixes. Must be 4 on a small disposable plate
59. Make a log home (80% twigs), no kits. Not to exceed 30 cm
60. Make a recipe card for a traditional family dish
61. Make a tool, made with 80% duct tape. Not to exceed 30 cm
62. Make a diorama of your bedroom using a shoe box
63. Create a working mechanism, no kits
64. Make a soap carving. Not to exceed 15 cm
65. Make a charm for your backpack, any medium. Not to exceed 15 cm
66. Make a mobility aid for a senior. Not to exceed 30 cm
67. Make a Lego creation of a colony on Mars, no kits. Not to exceed 48 cm x 48 cm x 30 cm tall
68. Make a postcard celebrating your family's tradition, any medium. Not to exceed 11 cm x 16 cm
69. Design string art. Not to exceed 30 cm x 30 cm
70. Create a clock, any medium. Not to exceed 15 cm
71. Create a stipple art design on 8.5" x 11" paper
72. Create a homemade candle
73. Create a sea creature, any medium. Not to exceed 15 cm
74. Make an item using modelling clay, no kits. Must be self-supporting. Not to exceed 15 cm
75. Make a real terrarium in a sealable glass container
76. Design a quilt on half a sheet of bristol board
77. Create a robot, any medium, no kits. Not to exceed 30 cm
78. Make a rocking chair, any medium. Not to exceed 15 cm
79. Make an origami item, no kits. Not to exceed 30 cm
80. Create an original comic strip on an 8.5" x 11" page featuring your family tradition.
81. Knit or crochet a winter scarf
82. Create sand art in a bottle or jar
83. Paint a mandala rock. Not to exceed 15 cm
84. Make an old fashioned toy. Not to exceed 30 cm
85. Make a piece of wood burning art. Not to exceed 30 cm
86. Design a family crest, any medium. Not to exceed 8.5" x 11"
87. Any other article

Section 12: School Children

Chairpersons: Emily Boag, Tina Smith, Jennifer Davidson, Daniel Wyzynski Leonard

Email questions to: schoolchildrens@markhamfair.ca

Before entering this section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** and **Additional Rules for Homecraft** as well as the following:

*** Drop-off: All categories are to be brought to the General Exhibits Building on the Markham Fair Grounds (McCowan and Elgin Mills Road) on Friday, September 26, 2025, from 3:30 - 5:30 pm or on Saturday, September 27, 2025, from 9:00 - 9:45 am sharp.**

*** Pick-up: Schools must pick up exhibits on Sunday, October 5, 2025 from 6:45 to 7:30 pm. Alternately, exhibits may be picked up on Monday, October 6, 2025 from 3:30 - 5:00 pm.** Exhibits will not be kept after October 10, 2025.

Additional Rules:

Entries Must Be Done By Students!

- A. No entries or pre-registrations through the Fair Board Office. No entry fees are needed.
- B. All entries must be substantial enough to be moved. Please note the required size, material, and mounting or entry will be disqualified.
- C. Student or class name and school must be printed on the back of each entry. Please remember one entry per student per category.
- D. Students must be in the grade designated for each category when the work is completed. As of July 1, students are considered to be in their new grade. Students in special education classes may compete in the grade level in which they are working.
- E. No tracing or kits allowed.
- F. **Each exhibit must have an entry tag with the school name, and the student's first name and last name or initial. Attach tag to the upper right-hand corner.** Tags available for pick-up at the Fair office 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday to Friday. During the month of September, hours will be extended until 6:00 pm Contact the office at 905-642-FAIR or e-mail schoolchildrens@markhamfair.ca.
- G. Work must be done by one student excluding Classes #10-15 and #103 and #107.
- H. No more than six entries per class, per category.
- I. **All categories may be completed at school or at home.**

Prize Money Program - Categories #1-107

The **Top 12 Schools** determined by the points earned on winning entries will be awarded as follows: **1st** - \$400 - Note Awards, **2nd** - \$240, **3rd** - \$200, **4th** - \$175, **5th** - \$125, **6th** - \$100, **7th** - \$80, **8th** - \$70, **9th** - \$60, **10th** - \$50, **11th** - \$50, **12th** - \$50.

The **Top 6 Students** determined by the student's number of points earned on winning entries will be awarded as follows: **1st** - \$30, **2nd** - \$26, **3rd** - \$24, **4th** - \$22, **5th** - \$20, **6th** - \$18

Markham Fair is a great Field Trip; we encourage teachers to

bring their classes to the Fair on Thursday or Friday to view their work. Visit our Education Centre page when planning your class visit to the Fair available at www.markhamfair.ca

Writing Categories #1-9

E-mail schoolchildrens@markham.ca for a copy of the poems

1. Grade 1 Printing - "Question" in pencil
2. Grade 2 Printing - "The Black Bird" by Humbert Wolfe - first 2 verses only - in pencil
3. Grade 3 Printing - "The Caterpillar" by Christina Rossetti - in pencil
4. Grade 4 Cursive Writing - "Birch Trees" by John Richard Moreland - in pencil
5. Grade 5 Cursive Writing - "Who Has Seen the Wind" by Christina Rossetti - in pen or pencil
6. Grade 6 Cursive Writing - "Mice" by Rose Fyleman - in pen or pencil
7. Grade 7 Cursive Writing - "At Husking Time" by Pauline Johnson - in pen or pencil
8. Grade 8 Cursive Writing - "O Canada" - French Version First Verse - in pen or pencil
9. Preschool and Kindergarten Printing - "My ABC's" - in pencil

Mural Categories #10-15, #107

Not more than one entry per classroom. Not to exceed 3'x6'. Group effort done by specified grade level children only.

10. Preschool - "At the Farm"
11. Kindergarten - "The Big Outdoors"
12. Grades 1 and 2 - "In Our Community" **NEW!**
13. Grades 3 and 4 - "On the Map" **NEW!**
14. Grades 5 and 6 - "Up, Up, and Away"
15. Grades 7 and 8 - "Choose Your Own Adventure"

Art Categories #16-20

NO BORDER, on paper using any media.

16. Preschool & Kindergarten Picture - "Bugs! Bugs! Bugs!" - 18" x 24"
17. Grades 1 and 2 Picture - "Under the Sea" - 11" x 17" or 12" x 18"
18. Grades 3 and 4 Picture - "In the Jungle" - 11" x 17" or 12" x 18"
19. Grades 5 and 6 Picture - "Out of this World" - 11" x 17" or 12" x 18"
20. Grades 7 and 8 Picture - Create an original design for a Video Game Cover. 8½" x 11"

Projects Categories #21-25

Work to be mounted on one piece of coloured paper. Not to exceed 18"x24". No written story.

21. Preschool, Kindergarten - using two (2) hand drawn pictures, each 8½" x 11" - illustrate animals and/or birds

22. Grades 1 and 2 - using three (3) hand drawn pictures, each 8½" x 11" illustrate "A Life Cycle"
23. Grades 3 and 4 - using three (3) hand drawn pictures, each 8½" x 11" illustrate "Transportation"
24. Grades 5 and 6 - using three (3) hand drawn pictures, each 8½" x 11" illustrate "3 Original Cartoon Characters"
25. Grades 7 and 8 - using three (3) hand drawn pictures, each 8½" x 11" draw/design "Musical Instruments Come Alive"

Poster Categories #26-31

On paper 11"x17" or 12"x18" using any media.

26. Preschool and Kindergarten - "Healthy Snacks"
27. Grades 1 and 2 - "Safety Message"
28. Grades 3 and 4 - "Eco Message"
29. Grades 5 and 6 - "Showing Kindness"
30. Grades 7 and 8 - "Family Traditions" **NEW!**
31. Grades 4 to 8 - An advertisement "promoting Canadian Harvest or Agriculture" to be judged on impact, originality and work **See Awards**

Figure Drawing #32-36

Drawn lengthwise on paper 11"x17" or 12"x18". Must be complete, head to foot, **real life** human figure with face showing. No backgrounds. No borders please. Any media.

32. Preschool and Kindergarten - A figure drawing
33. Grades 1 and 2 - A figure drawing
34. Grades 3 and 4 - A figure drawing
35. Grades 5 and 6 - A figure drawing
36. Grades 7 and 8 - A figure drawing

A Canadian Artist Inspired Art Project - Categories #37-39

For Example: Illustrator, Painter, or Sculptor. No direct copies. Any medium. Identify artist on entry tag.

37. Kindergarten to Grade 2 **See Awards**
38. Grades 3-5 **See Awards**
39. Grades 6-8 **See Awards**

Painting Categories #40-46

No borders. On paper not to exceed 12" x 18".

40. Preschool and Kindergarten - A finger painting - approximately 12" x 18"
41. Kindergarten and Grade 1 - A fruit or vegetable print picture/design
42. Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2 - A painting using tempera paint
43. Grades 3 and 4 - A painting using tempera paint
44. Grades 5 and 6 - A watercolour painting
45. Grades 7 and 8 - A watercolour painting
46. Grades 6-8 - An acrylic painting



Arts and Crafts Categories #63-86

63. Preschool and Kindergarten - A mask - using a disposable plate. Eyes must be usable.
64. Grades 1 and 2 - A paper bag puppet
65. Grades 3 and 4 - A handmade mask - using any media. Mask eyes must be usable.
66. Grades 5 and 6 - A handmade mask - using any media. Mask eyes must be usable.
67. Grades 7 and 8 - A handmade mask - using any media. Mask eyes must be usable.
68. Grades 4 to 6 - An oil pastel picture - on 11" x 17" or 12" x 18"
69. Preschool, Kindergarten, Grade 1 - Make and decorate a wearable party hat using any media
70. Grades 3 and 4 - Make a Superhero Bookmark
71. Kindergarten to Grade 3 - Create a self supporting person, animal or bird made of recycled materials - not to exceed 15" (38cm) overall
72. Grades 5 to 8 - A sculpture using wire only - Self Supporting - not to exceed 15" (38 cm) overall
73. Preschool, Kindergarten, and Grade 1 - A picture using fabric and/or yarn - not to exceed 12"x18"
74. Grades 2 to 4 - A picture using fabric and/or yarn - not to exceed 12" x 18". **NEW!**
75. Grades 4-8 String Art - not to exceed 12" (30 cm)
76. Grades 5 to 6 - Design a cell phone case On Paper 3" x 5"
77. Grade 7 to 8 - Design a cell phone case ON PAPER 3" x 5"
78. Grades 2, 3 and 4 - A cut (or torn) and paste picture Using Paper Only - not to exceed 12" x 18"
79. Grades 5 to 8 - An Original comic strip, 3 or more frames - not to exceed 8½" x 11"
80. Kindergarten to Grade 4 - Symmetry Art - not to exceed 12" x 18"
81. Grades 5 to 8 - Landscape - not to exceed 12" x 18"
82. Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 4 - Create a picture using found natural materials - not to exceed 8½" x 11"
83. Preschool, Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 4 - A refrigerator magnet
84. Grades 5 to 8 - A refrigerator magnet
85. Grade 4-8 - Original digital art. 8½" x 11" printed
86. Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2 - A collage of food pictures on a disposable plate using flyer or magazine pictures.

Open Projects #87-102 - Open to all Grades

Work to be done by one student. **See Awards**

87. Miniature Scarecrow - self supporting - not to exceed 18" (45.5cm) in any direction. **See Awards**
88. Create a diorama of a natural habitat in a shoebox. Open on one side. Handmade or natural contents only.
89. One animal made from an evergreen cone or cones using limited decoration.
90. Make a pencil holder - not to exceed 12" (30 cm)
91. A small sculpture using any medium, excluding plasticine. Limited to 5" (12.7 cm). Mounted on a firm base.

Plasticine Categories #47-52

Not to exceed 12" (30 cm)

47. Grades 1 and 2 - A 3D scene, using plasticine only, mounted on a firm base
48. Grades 3 and 4 - A 2D picture on a disposable plate using Plasticine only
49. Grades 5 and 6 - A 2D picture on a disposable plate using Plasticine only
50. Grades 7 and 8 - A 2D picture on a disposable plate using Plasticine only
51. Preschool, Kindergarten - Grade 3 - A 3-D Plasticine farm animal family (one species) on a firm base **See Awards**
52. Grades 4-8 - A 3-D Plasticine farm animal family (one species) on a firm base **See Awards**

Drawing Categories #53-62

Not to be mounted

53. Grades 1 and 2 - A Community Helper(s) postcard - 5" x 7" or 5½" x 8½"
54. Grades 3 and 4 - Design a Family Celebration postcard. 5" x 7" or 5½" x 8½" **NEW!**
55. Grades 5 and 6 - An Around the World postcard. 5" x 7" or 5½" x 8½"
56. Grades 7 and 8 - Design a Markham Fair postcard - 5" x 7" or 5½" x 8½"
57. Kindergarten to Grade 4 - A drawing - not to exceed 8½" x 11"
58. Grades 5 and 6 - A black and white drawing of one or more animals or birds - not to exceed 12" x 18"
59. Grades 7 and 8 - A black and white drawing of one or more animals or birds - not to exceed 12" x 18"
60. Grades 5 and 6 - A black and white drawing of only one building - not to exceed 12" x 18"
61. Grades 7 and 8 - A black and white drawing of only one building - not to exceed 12" x 18"
62. Grades 5-8 - A black and white drawing - not to exceed 12" x 18"

Crops and Vegetables Sections

Sections 13,14 & 15

Before entering any of the Crops and Vegetables Sections, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the following:

- A. All exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor.
- B. Only one exhibit per person per Class is permitted.
- C. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any exhibit or exhibits.
- D. Closing date for entry forms is Thursday, September 18th, 2025 by 8:00 pm.
- E. Exhibits must be brought to the General Exhibits Building, on Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 from 12:00 - 8:30 pm.
- F. No exhibits are to be removed before 6:30 pm on Sunday, October 5th, 2025.
- G. Bottom portion of entry tag must be presented to claim exhibit.
- H. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for each entry plus a \$5.00 exhibitor fee.
- I. O.A.A.S. Agriculture & Horticulture Judging Standards for Ontario Fairs Book.

Section 13: Grain / Small Seeds / Corn / Hay

Chairperson: Paul Hulshof (905-505-6093)

Before entering this Section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** and **Additional Rules for Crops and Vegetables**.

- * **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or in Fair Office).
- * **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.
- * **Drop-off:** Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 - bring exhibits to the General Exhibits Building from 12:00 - 8:30 pm.
- * **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Additional Rules:

- A. All exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor.
- B. Grain is to be brought in 10 kg (22 lbs) samples.
- C. All sheaves are to be 13 cm to 18 cm (5 in to 7 in) in diameter.
- D. Grain to be from 2025 crop. Beans, shelled corn and small seeds may be from 2024 crop. All exhibits must be under 14% moisture.
- E. Grain must not be treated.
- F. Small seeds to be 7 kg (15 lbs) samples.
- G. Hay samples to be an 18 cm (7 in) slice from a bale. Containers will be supplied by Fair Committee.

- 92. One decorated functional flower pot (empty) - not to exceed 8" (20.5 cm) overall
- 93. A pebble picture. Mounted on a firm base. Exhibit not to exceed 12" (30 cm) **NEW!**
- 94. Create a mosaic - not to exceed 12" x 18"
- 95. A popsicle stick creation - not to exceed 12"(30 cm) overall
- 96. A toothpick creation - not to exceed 8" (20.5 cm) overall
- 97. Make a musical instrument
- 98. Create a 3D Family using any medium **NEW!**
- 99. Make a model of a farm machine. Not to exceed 12" (30 cm)
- 100. Three to five handmade flowers displayed in a small container (no kits). Not to exceed 12" (30 cm). No glass containers.
- 101. Paint a face on a gourd. No pumpkins.
- 102. Decorate a small pumpkin with paint. No carving please.

Open Scarecrow Category #103

Must be self supported. Work of Student(s) Only.

- 103. Scarecrow - one only **See Awards**

Open Art Category #104-106

- 104. Kindergarten to Grade 2 - Open Art
- 105. Grades 3 to 5 - Open Art
- 106. Grades 6 to 8 - Open Art

Open Mural Category #107

- 107. Together In the Kitchen: Culinary Arts

Awards:

HOWARD COSBURN MEMORIAL - Trophy: Top School. Most points earned. (Additional cash award)

FIRST STUDENT CANADA - Trophy: Top Student. Most points overall.

Sponsor TBA - Trophy: Best in Show for Preschool, Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 4

UNIONVILLE SHOPPERS DRUG MART - Trophy: Best in Show for Grades 5 to 8

HELEN & MAURICE HAMILL MEMORIAL - Trophy: Category #31 - Promoting Canadian Harvest or Agriculture - (Additional \$25)

VARLEY ART GALLERY PRIZE - Categories #37 - 39

BARBARA PATRICK MEMORIAL - Trophy: Category #51 - Farm animal family

LIONEL'S FARM - Trophy: Category #52 - Farm animal family

MURRAY BROWN CONSTRUCTION - Trophy: Best Miniature Scarecrow #87 (Additional \$25)

BOAG FAMILY AWARD - Trophy: Best in Show of Categories #88-102 (Additional \$25)

GIRL GUIDES OF CANADA - Trophy: Best Scarecrow Category #103

Prize Money Classes #1-9:

Prizes: 1st: \$15, 2nd: \$12, 3rd: \$10, 4th: \$8, 5th: \$6

1. Winter Wheat

Grand Champion Winter Wheat Reesor Seed & Grain Special

Prize: \$20

2. Hard Spring Wheat

Grand Champion Spring Wheat Reesor Seed & Grain Special

Prize: \$20

3. Oats - any variety

4. Barley 6 row

5. Barley 2 row

6. Soybeans

Grand Champion Soybeans Reesor Seed & Grain Special

Prize: \$20

7. Canola

8. Red Clover

9. White Beans

Grand Champion Grain Classes 1-9 **Prize:** Rosette

Prize Money Classes #10-12:

Prizes: 1st: \$15, 2nd: \$12, 3rd: \$10, 4th: \$8, 5th: \$6

10. Wheat sheaf

11. Oat sheaf

12. Barley sheaf



Prize Money Classes #13-29:

Prizes: 1st: \$10, 2nd: \$9, 3rd: \$8, 4th: \$7, 5th: \$6

13. 1st cut hay 75% or more alfalfa

14. 1st cut hay 75% or more any other legume

15. 1st cut hay 75% or more any grass

16. 1st cut hay 50% legume 50% any grass

17. 2nd cut hay 75% or more legume

18. 2nd cut hay 75% or more any grass

Grand Champion Hay Classes 13-18 **Prize:** Rosette

19. Shelled corn

20. Grain corn 10 ears

21. Ensilage corn 10 stalks

Corn Special: St. Lawrence Grains High Points Classes #19-21. (Exhibitor must exhibit in each of Classes #19, #20, and #21 to win). Points awarded as follows: 1st place: 5 points, 2nd place: 4 points, 3rd place: 3 points, 4th place: 2 points, 5th place: 1 point. **Prize:** \$75 Voucher & Rosette

22. Haylage 1 bushel

23. Corn silage 1 bushel, cured at least 1 week

24. Baleage 1 bushel 1st cut

25. Baleage 1 bushel 2nd cut

4-H Classes #26-29:

Must be a member of a 4-H Club

Prizes: 1st: \$10, 2nd: \$9, 3rd: \$8, 4th: \$7, 5th: \$6

26. 4-H Grain Corn - 10 cobs

27. 4-H Barley

28. 4-H Oats

29. 4-H 1st cut Hay

30. 4-H 2nd cut Hay

Section 14: Potatoes

Chairperson: Rachel Hendy-Carnakie (905-442-5825)

Before entering this Section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** and **Additional Rules for Crops and Vegetables**.

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at

<https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or in Fair Office).

* **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.

* **Drop-off:** Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 - bring exhibits to the General Exhibits Building from 12:00 - 8:30 pm.

* **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Additional Rules:

A. Exhibits in Classes #1-6 must consist of 18 tubers and in Classes #7-12 must have 5 potatoes.

B. Trays will be provided for the potatoes.

C. Potatoes should weigh between 7-8 oz each.

D. There will be no weight or size restrictions for Fingerling potato exhibits.

E. All potato varieties must be properly named.

F. Classes #7-12: Potatoes shown in these classes must have been grown in a home garden. Families showing in Classes #1-6 are not eligible to show in Classes #7-12. This award is in recognition of the home gardener and is meant to inspire self-sufficiency. All exhibits must come from home gardens, meant for personal consumption only and not for sale or profit. Out of fairness and the spirit of this award, the \$50.00 championship prize may only be awarded to the same family once every 3 calendar years.

Note: Factors such as quality, arrangement, attractiveness and consumer appeal are to be considered when making awards.

Classes #1-6:

All potato varieties must be properly named and consist of 18 tubers

Prizes: 1st: \$15, 2nd: \$12, 3rd: \$10, 4th: \$8, 5th: \$6

1. Potatoes, White variety - 18
2. Potatoes, Fingerling - 18
3. Potatoes, Rose or Red - 18
4. Potatoes, Netted Gem or other Netted variety - 18
5. Potatoes, Any Other Variety - 18
6. Potatoes, Yukon Gold or Any Other Yellow Variety - 18

Classes #7-12:

All potato varieties must be properly named and consist of 5 potatoes

Prizes: 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4, 4th: \$3, 5th: \$2, 6th: \$1

7. Potatoes, White - 5
8. Potatoes, Rose or Red - 5
9. Potatoes, Yellow - 5
10. Potatoes, Netted or Rough Skin - 5
11. Potatoes, Fingerling - 5 **NEW**
12. Potatoes, Any Other Variety - 5 **NEW**

Class #11:

Prizes: 1st: \$10, 2nd: \$6, 3rd: \$5, 4th: \$4, 5th: \$3, 6th: \$2

13. Heaviest potato

Awards:

Markham Fair Rosette

Supreme Lighting & Electrical Supply Ltd. - Champion Exhibit of 18 Potatoes - Prize: \$50

Laura Hendy Memorial - Back Yard Gardener 5 Potato Champion - Prize: \$50

Simpson Family Farms - Champion Heaviest Potato - Prize: \$25



Section 15: Roots and Vegetables

Chairpersons: Vickie Risebrough (905-252-1684) and Phyllis Rich (416-994-8685)

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- * **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.
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- * **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Classes #1-54:

Prizes: 1st: \$7, 2nd: \$6, 3rd: \$5, 4th: \$4

1. Beans - green - 1 quart **NEW**
2. Beets - turnip variety - 5 roots, ½" tops
3. Broccoli - 2 heads
4. Brussel Sprouts - 1 quart
5. Cabbage - white - 2 heads
6. Cabbage - red - 2 heads
7. Cabbage - savoy - 2 heads
8. Carrots - chantenay type - 5 roots, ½" tops on
9. Carrots - nantes type - 5 roots, ½" tops on
10. Cauliflower - 2 heads
11. Citron - 2
12. Corn - sweet, yellow - 5 ears, 1/3 husk removed
13. Corn - sweet, any other variety, named - 5 ears, 1/3 husk removed
14. Corn - Indian - 5 ears, shucks pulled back and tied
15. Cucumbers - ripe - 2
16. Cucumbers - table variety - 2
17. Garlic - 2 - groomed
18. Garlic Braid - minimum 7 bulbs **NEW**
19. Gourds - 8 pieces in a suitable container
20. Kohlrabi - 2 - leave tops on
21. Leeks - 5 roots, ¼" root
22. Muskmelons - 2
23. Onions - yellow cooking - 5 - tops trimmed to within 1" and not wrapped
24. Onions - Spanish - 5 - tops trimmed to within 1" and not wrapped
25. Onions - red - 5 - tops trimmed to within 1" and not wrapped
26. Onions - any other variety, named - 5 - tops trimmed to within 1" and not wrapped
27. Parsnips - 3 roots, ½" tops above the crown
28. Peppers - red - 3
29. Peppers - green - 3
30. Peppers - any other variety, named - 3
31. Popcorn - white or yellow - 5 ears, ripe, 2024 or 2025
32. Popcorn - any other colour - 5 ears, ripe, 2024 or 2025

33. Pumpkin - common field - large size
34. Pumpkin - carve a Jack-O-Lantern - No artificial materials.
Judged by the President during the Fair.
35. Pumpkin - pie - 2
36. Squash - Pepper - green - 2
37. Squash - Butternut - 2
38. Squash - Spaghetti - 2
39. Squash - Hubbard - green - 2
40. Squash - Hubbard - blue - 2
41. Squash - Hubbard - orange - 2
42. Squash - any other variety, named - 2
43. Squash or Pumpkin - largest by weight - clean, stem on
44. Sunflower - 2 heads - ripe - leave 6" stem on
45. Tomatoes - red - 7 - stems on
46. Tomatoes - yellow - 7 - stems on
47. Tomato - red - edible - largest by weight - stem on
48. Tomato - cherry - 1 quart - ripe, stems on
49. Any odd shaped vegetable - properly named - no potatoes
50. Watermelon - 2
51. Watermelon - largest by weight - with 6" stem on or vine attached
52. Zucchini - young, under 30 cm (12") long - 2
53. Zucchini - mature, over 30 cm (12") long - 2
54. Any other vegetable not listed above - properly named - 2 of the same - no potatoes

Classes #55-56:

Prizes: 1st: \$12, 2nd: \$9, 3rd: \$7, 4th: \$6

55. Collection of Pickling Vegetables - 4 different kinds - 3 of each to be displayed in a suitable container
56. 8 Varieties of Squash - 1 of each properly named in a suitable container

Class #57:

A 30" x 30" form will be provided to set up garden - must be full.

Prizes: 1st: \$20, 2nd: \$18, 3rd: \$15, 4th: \$12

57. Garden Vegetables - properly named - no artificial material - no potatoes

Awards:

Markham Fair Rosette

Best Carved Jack-O-Lantern #34

Largest Tomato #47

Largest Watermelon #51

Isabel Risebrough Memorial Award Heaviest Squash or Pumpkin #43 - Prize: \$50

Isabel Risebrough Memorial Award Best Garden Vegetables #57 - Prize: \$50

Veterinarians and Officials

Port Perry Veterinary Services (905-982-1243)

1589 King St., Prince Albert, ON L9L 1C2

On-call Veterinarian: Dr. Rachel Shanahan

Fair Contact: Brad Hulshof (905-505-6099), Chris Reesor (647-238-9579), Carrie Purcell (416-543-7388)

Poultry and Small Livestock Sections

Chairpersons: Meghan Kortis (905-960-9416), Shelby Gibbons (905-642-5913)

Veterinarian: Port Perry Veterinary Services - see page 41

16 Poultry - Standard

17 Poultry - Bantam

18 Waterfowl

20 Rabbit

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<https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or in Fair Office).

* **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.

No late entries will be accepted.

* **Drop-off:** Wednesday, October 1st, 2025 - bring exhibits to the Poultry and Small Livestock Building from 4:00 - 8:00 pm.

* **Pick-up:** Sunday, October 5th, 2025 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. No vehicles will be removed before 6:30 pm.

A. Any entry that is unworthy of showing due to condition, sickness or disease will be removed from the show area by the committee chairman. There will be no exceptions and will be strictly enforced!!!

B. Juniors entering these Sections must pay exhibitor fee.

C. Entry fee is 50 cents per bird or animal. This must accompany your entry form, along with a \$5.00 Exhibitor fee.

D. Only one animal or bird per line, on the entry form.

E. Limit of 80 entries per Exhibiting Family. Any entries exceeding this number will be returned to the exhibitor. This will be strictly enforced.

F. The capacity of our building is 425 exhibits only. Therefore, exhibitors who showed and supported our Poultry and Small Livestock Show the previous year will be given first priority, providing their entries are received on or before the closing date.

G. No signs larger than a business card (3½" x 2") may be displayed on any showcases for advertising or selling purposes until **after** judging has been **completed**, and must be **approved by the committee chairman - No Exceptions!!**

H. The Chairperson reserves the right to split overly full classes.

Important Notice to Poultry Exhibitors:

All poultry must be pollorum tested or come from pollorum free stock, to comply with government regulations in 2025. A poultry display will take place in the Poultry Building if there are restrictions due to A.I. (Subject to OMAFRA regulations).



Section 16: Poultry - Standard

Before entering this Section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the **Poultry and Small Livestock Additional Rules**.

Note: An exhibitor may enter two (2) exhibits in each of the following:

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4

	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Plymouth Rock Barred	101	102	103	104
Plymouth Rock A.O.C.	105	106	107	108
Rhode Island Red A.V.	109	110	111	112
Wyandotte - White	113	114	115	116
Wyandotte - Silver Laced	117	118	119	120
Wyandotte - A.O.C.	121	122	123	124
New Hampshire	125	126	127	128
American A.O.V.	129	130	131	132
Australorps	133	134	135	136
Cornish A.C.	137	138	139	140
Orpingtons A.C.	141	142	143	144
English A.O.V.	145	146	147	148
Brahmas A.C.	149	150	151	152
Cochin - White	153	154	155	156
Cochin - A.O.C.	157	158	159	160
Lefhorn - White	161	162	163	164
Leghorn - A.O.C.	165	166	167	168
Anconas	169	170	171	172
Blue Andalusians	173	174	175	176
Polish - A.C.	185	186	187	188
Hamburgs A.C.	189	190	191	192
Sumatras A.C.	193	194	195	196
O.E. Game - A.C.	197	198	199	200
Modern Game A.C.	201	202	203	204

AOV Standard Clean Leg	205	206	207	208
AOV Standard properly named Feather Leg	349	350	351	352

Section 17: Poultry - Bantam

Before entering this Section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the **Poultry and Small Livestock Additional Rules**.

Note: An exhibitor may enter two (2) exhibits in each of the following:

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4

	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Plymouth Rock - White	209	210	211	212
Plymouth Rock - Barred	213	214	215	216
Plymouth Rock A.O.C.	217	218	219	220
Rhode Island Red	221	222	223	224
Wyandotte - White	225	226	227	228
Wyandotte - Black	229	230	231	232
Wyandotte - Silver.Laced	233	234	235	236
Wyandotte A.O.C.	237	238	239	240
Newhampshire	241	242	243	244
Cornish A.C.	245	246	247	248
Brahmas Buff	249	250	251	252
Brahmas - Light	253	254	255	256
Brahmas A.O.C.	257	258	259	260
Cochin - Black	261	262	263	264
Cochin - White	265	266	267	268
Cochin A.O.C.	269	270	271	272
Polish White	273	274	275	276
Polish White Crested Black	277	278	279	280
Polish A.O.C.	281	282	283	284
Hamburg A.C.	285	286	287	288
Leghorn - White	289	290	291	292
Leghorn - A.O.C.	293	294	295	296
Game O.E. - Black Red	297	298	299	300
Game O.E. - Silver Duck-wing	301	302	303	304
Game O.E. - Black	305	306	307	308
Game O.E. A.O.C.	309	310	311	312
Game Modern A.C.	313	314	315	316
Japanese A.C.	317	318	319	320
Sebright - Gold or Silver	321	322	323	324
Rosecombe A.C.	325	326	327	328
Silkie A.C.	329	330	331	332
Mille Fleur A.V.	333	334	335	336
Ameraucana A.C.	337	338	339	340
AOV Bantam properly named Clean Leg	341	342	343	344
AOV Bantam properly named Feather Leg	345	346	347	348

Section 18: Waterfowl

Light Ducks Only

Before entering this Section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the **Poultry and Small Livestock Additional Rules**.

Note: An exhibitor may enter two (2) exhibits in each of the following:

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4

	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Grey Call	500	501	502	503
White Call	504	505	506	507
A.O.C. Call	508	509	510	511
Mandarin AC	512	513	514	515
Black East Indie	516	517	518	519
Indian Runner White	520	521	522	523
Indian Runner A.O.C.	524	525	526	527

Section 20: Rabbits

Before entering this Section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the **Poultry and Small Livestock Additional Rules**.

Note: An exhibitor may enter two (2) exhibits in each of the following:

Prizes: 1st: \$6, 2nd: \$5, 3rd: \$4

	Buck	Doe
Californian	500	501
New Zealand	518	519
Utility A.O.V.	530	531
Mini Rex A.C.	548	549
Holland Lops A.C.	564	565
Netherland Dwarf A.C.	568	569
Fancy A.O.V.	572	573

Awards:

Robert H. Thompson Award - Champion Standard Poultry - \$25

Murray Ross Award - Reserve Champion Standard Poultry - \$20

Phil Johnston Award - Champion Bantam Poultry - \$25

Len TeBokkel Award - Reserve Champion Bantam Poultry - \$20

James McPhail Award - Champion Waterfowl - \$25

Bill Shrum Award - Reserve Champion Waterfowl - \$20

Norm Rennie Award - Champion Rabbit - \$25

Jim Travis Award - Reserve Champion Rabbit - \$20

Pete Kortis Memorial Award - Champion Overall - \$30 and a bag of feed - To be awarded to the overall grand champion poultry or waterfowl.

Dairy Cattle

Chairperson: Chris Reesor (647-238-9579)

Veterinarian: Port Perry Veterinary Services - see page 41

Before entering any of the Dairy Cattle Sections, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the following:

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at

<https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or sent to Markham Fair Office on a Livestock Entry Form giving all the information that is required).

* **Entries Close: No Entries will be accepted after Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.**

A. All animals are to be in the Livestock Barn by 9:00 am. on the day that they are to be shown.

B. **Health Requirements:** All animals must be free from Mange, Ringworm and Pink Eye. A Veterinarian will be on hand to inspect every animal and will reject any that exhibit symptoms of an infectious disease.

C. Each exhibitor will pay a \$5.00 Exhibitor Fee, and the entry fee is \$5.00 per animal; a **cheque for the amount required MUST accompany your entry form. Late Entry Fee: \$10.00 Per Animal.** All Entry Fees Are Returned As Prize Monies.

D. Ring numbers will be provided for use with show harness. Exhibitors must supply their own harness.

E. CFIA TAGS: Please be aware that all livestock must arrive with CFIA tags, they are to be tagged before they leave the farm. Should they arrive without tags, and the inspectors discover this, you are putting yourself at risk of a \$1,300 fine, as well as a \$1300 fine for the trucker and another \$1,300 fine for the Markham Fair. Markham Fair will refuse any animals that are not tagged.



Section 23: Open Dairy

Show: Thursday, October 2nd, 2025, at 2:00 pm (after the 4-H showmanship)

Breed Representatives: Chris Reesor, Brad Hulshof

Judge: Ryan Crowley

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or sent to Markham Fair Office on a Livestock Entry Form).

* **Entries Close: No Entries will be accepted after Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.**

Open to all Counties.

Open to all dairy breeds

Classes - All Breeds Open Dairy Show

Prizes: 1st: \$100, 2nd: \$90, 3rd: \$80, 4th: \$70, 5th: \$60, 6th: \$50, 7th: \$40

1. Summer Calf June 1st, 2025 to August 31st, 2025
2. Junior Heifer March 1st, 2025 to May 31st, 2025
3. Intermediate Heifer December 1st, 2024 to February 28th, 2025
4. Senior Heifer September 1st, 2024 to November 30th, 2024
5. Summer Yearling June 1st, 2024 to August 31st, 2024
6. Junior Yearling March 1st, 2024 to May 31st, 2024
7. Intermediate Yearling December 1st, 2023 to February 29th, 2024
8. Senior Yearling September 1st, 2023 to November 30th, 2023

Grand Champion 4-H Calf / Reserve Prizes: 1st: Ribbon only

Overall Junior Champion / Reserve Prizes: 1st: Ribbon only

9. Junior Breeder's Herd Three junior animals carrying the same prefix. The exhibitor must solely own at least one animal in the group.
10. Junior Exhibitor's Herd Three junior animals owned in whole or in part by the exhibitor. The exhibitor must solely own at least one animal in the group.

Awards:

Holstein & Jersey Specials:

Dave Houck Plaque - Dave Houck Plaque - Champion calf in Holstein & Jersey Interclub show. Sponsored by the York 4-H Association in appreciation of Dave's dedication to the 4-H program and youth leadership. See Holstein Club Awards.

Holstein Awards:

To be given to the top Holstein in each class

Dandyland Holsteins Award - Winner of Junior Calf

Belridge Farms Award - Winner of Intermediate Calf

Don Miller & Family Award - Winner of Senior Calf

Everdale Farms Award - Winner of Summer Yearling

Coach Lane Farm Award - Winner of Junior Yearling

Bruce VanderBent Award - Winner of Intermediate Yearling

Onthehill Farms Award - Winner of Senior Yearling

Dreamcrest Holsteins Banner - Exhibitor of Junior Champion

Female

Hulsdale Award Memorial Award - Winner of Junior Breeders Herd

Dave Houck Memorial Award - Winner of Junior Exhibitors Herd

Lockmar Farms Award - Winner of the Best Bred and Owned animal selected by Judge

Markham Fair Awards:

Rosette: Junior Champion, Female

Rosette: Junior Reserve Champion, Female

Beef Cattle

Chairpersons: Richard Warr (416-434-0119), Teghan Warr (249-359-7543), Shelby Reesor (647-229-3127)

Veterinarian: Port Perry Veterinary Services - see page 41

Before entering any of the Beef Cattle Sections, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the following:

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or on a Markham Fair Livestock Entry Form and submitted to the Markham Fair Office giving all the information that is required).

* **Entries Close: No Entries will be accepted after Thursday, September 25th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.**

A. Beef cattle will be shown on Saturday, October 4th, 2025, and Sunday, October 5th, 2025, at the time stated for each breed.

B. All animals are to be in the Livestock Building by 9:00 am on the day that they are to be shown and no animal is to leave the barn or the Markham Fair Grounds before 4:00 pm of show day. There will be no prize money paid to any who remove cattle earlier.

C. Each Exhibitor will pay a \$5.00 Exhibitor fee, and entry fees for all breeds will be \$5.00 per animal; **a cheque for this amount must accompany your entry form.** All entry fee money is returned as prize money. Registration numbers of all animals must accompany the application; those pending will not be eligible to show at the fair.

D. CFIA TAGS: Please be aware that all livestock must arrive with CFIA tags, they are to be tagged before they leave the farm. Should they arrive without tags, and the inspectors discover this, you are putting yourself at risk of a \$1,300 fine, as well as a \$1,300 fine for the trucker and another \$1,300 fine for the Markham Fair. Markham Fair will refuse any animals that are not tagged.

E. Health Requirements: All animals must be free of Mange, Ringworm, and Pink Eye. A Veterinarian will inspect every animal and will refuse any animals that show symptoms of an infectious disease.

F. Each breeding unit may have a total of 10 entries. Each exhibitor may show (3) three animals per Class in a maximum of (3) three Classes, except in the Breeders Herd and Get-Of-Sire Classes.

G. All animals being shown in single Classes must be registered at time of closing date of entries, except calves (which must be properly tattooed) in the two-year-old and mature cow/calf

Classes. All animals must be legibly tattooed.

\$150 for a herd of 5 or more will be paid plus prize money.

\$100 for a herd of 4 will be paid plus prize money.

\$50 for a herd of 2 or 3 will be paid plus prize money.

Markham Fair will supply Grand Champion Rosettes and Reserve Champion Rosettes, both Bull and Female, for each Breed.

Section 25: Blonde d'Aquitaine

"Celebrating 50 Years"

The Ontario Blonde d'Aquitaine Show:

Show: Saturday, October 4th, 2025 at 12:00 pm

Open to any registered Blonde d'Aquitaine herd.

No late entries.

Judge: TBA

Blonde d'Aquitaine Classes:

Prizes: 1st: \$65, 2nd: \$60, 3rd: \$50, 4th: \$40, 5th: \$35, 6th: \$30, 7th: \$25, 8th: \$20

1. Bull Calf Born on or after January 1st, 2025 . Minimum of 3 months of age on day of judging.
2. Bull. Yearling Born April 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024
3. Bull. Yearling Born January 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024
4. Bull. Born January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023
5. Heifer Calf Born on or after January 1st, 2025 . Minimum of 3 months of age on day of judging.
6. Heifer Born April 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024
7. Heifer Born January 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024
8. Female Born January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023 with her own 2025 natural, purebred tattooed calf at foot. Female and calf shall be shown as a unit.
9. Female Born before January 1st, 2023 with her own 2025 natural, purebred tattooed calf at foot. Female and calf shall be shown as a unit
10. Progeny of Dam - a group of 2 animals, either sex, the progeny of one dam. One animal must be owned by the exhibitor. Must be exhibited in previous classes.
11. Get-of-Sire - a group of three (3) animals from the same sire, both sexes to be represented. At least one animal must be owned by the exhibitor. Must be e in previous classes. Limited to one entry per exhibitor.
12. Breeder's Herd - a group of 4 animals bred by the exhibitor. Both sexes represented. At least one animal must be owned by the exhibitor. Must be exhibited in previous classes. Limited to one exhibit per exhibitor.

Champion and Reserve Bull - Rosettes

Champion and Reserve Female - Rosettes

Junior Blonde d'Aquitaine Showmanship:

Classes #13-16 Ribbon Only: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd.

13. Peewee: Under 10 years

14. Junior: 10-12 years

15. Intermediate: 13-15 years

16. Seniors: 16-21 years

Champion and Reserve Showperson - Rosettes



Section 26: Shorthorn

The Shorthorn Show:

Show: Saturday, October 4th, 2025 at 12:00 pm

No late entries.

Judge: TBA

Additional Rules:

A. To be eligible to show all animals entered in the purebred classes must be recorded as purebred in accordance with the Canadian Shorthorn Association Rules of Eligibility for Registration in Canada. Purebred females must be 87.5% Shorthorn and males must be 93.8% Shorthorn.

* Heifer calf and yearling calf class age groups may be adjusted based on the number and ages of entries.

Purebred Shorthorn Classes:

Prizes: 1st: \$65, 2nd: \$60, 3rd: \$50, 4th: \$40, 5th: \$35, 6th: \$30, 7th: \$25, 8th: \$20

1. Bull Calf Born on or after January 1st, 2025 . Minimum of 3 months of age on day of judging.
2. Bull. Yearling Born April 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024
3. Bull. Yearling Born January 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024
4. Bull. Born January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023
5. Heifer Calf Born January 1st, 2025 to January 31st, 2025
6. Heifer Calf Born February 1st, 2025 to February 28th, 2025
7. Heifer Calf Born on or after March 1st, 2025 . Minimum of 3 months of age on day of judging.
8. Heifer Born March 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024
9. Heifer Born February 1st, 2024 to February 29th, 2024
10. Heifer Born January 1st, 2024 to January 31st, 2024

11. Female Born January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023 with her own 2025 natural, purebred tattooed calf at foot. Female and calf shall be shown as a unit.
12. Female Born before January 1st, 2023 with her own 2025 natural, purebred tattooed calf at foot. Female and calf shall be shown as a unit
13. Progeny of Dam - a group of 2 animals, either sex, the progeny of one dam. One animal must be owned by the exhibitor. Must be exhibited in previous classes.
14. Get-of-Sire - a group of three (3) animals from the same sire, both sexes to be represented. At least one animal must be owned by the exhibitor. All animals must be exhibited in previous classes. Limited to one entry per exhibitor.
15. Breeder's Herd - a group of 4 animals bred by the exhibitor. Both sexes represented. At least one animal must be owned by the exhibitor. Must be exhibited in previous classes. Limited to one exhibit per exhibitor.

Champion and Reserve Bull - Rosettes

Champion and Reserve Female - Rosettes

Ontario Junior Shorthorn Showmanship:

Any Junior can participate as long as they have a 2025 Ontario Junior Membership.

Membership will be available for purchase from the Ontario Shorthorn Association on the day of the show.

Classes #16-19 Ribbon Only: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd.

16. Peewee: under 10 years
17. Junior: 10 – 12 years
18. Intermediate: 13 – 15 years
19. Seniors 16 – 21 years

Champion and Reserve Showperson - Rosettes

Section 27: Limousin

The All Ontario Limousin Show:

Show: Sunday, October 5th, 2025 at 1:00 pm

Open to any registered Limousin herd.

No late entries.

Judge: TBA

All Ontario Limousin Classes:

Prizes: 1st: \$65, 2nd: \$60, 3rd: \$50, 4th: \$40, 5th: \$35, 6th: \$30, 7th: \$25, 8th: \$20

1. Junior Bull Calf Born on or after February 1st, 2025 . Minimum of 3 months of age on day of judging.
2. Senior Bull Calf Born January 1st, 2025 to January 31st, 2025
3. Junior Bull Yearling Born April 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024
4. Senior Bull Yearling Born January 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024
5. Bull. Born January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023

Grand Champion Bull / Reserve Prizes: 1st: Rosette, 2nd: Rosette

6. Junior Heifer Calf Born on or after March 1st, 2025 minimum of 3 months of age on day of judging.
7. Intermediate Heifer Calf Born February 1st, 2025 to February 28th, 2025
8. Senior Heifer Calf Born January 1st, 2025 to January 31st, 2025
9. Junior Heifer Yearling Born April 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024
10. Senior Heifer Yearling Born January 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024
11. Female Born January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023 with her own 2025 natural, purebred tattooed calf at foot. Female and calf shall be shown as a unit.
12. Female Born before January 1st, 2023 with her own 2025 natural, purebred tattooed calf at foot. Female and calf shall be shown as a unit
13. Pair of Bulls - Bred and owned by the exhibitor. Must be shown in previous classes.
14. Progeny of Dam - a group of 2 animals, either sex, the progeny of one dam. One animal must be owned by the exhibitor. Must be shown in previous classes.
15. Get-of-Sire - a group of three (3) animals from the same sire, both sexes to be represented. At least one animal must be owned by the exhibitor. Must be shown in a previous class. Limited to one entry per exhibitor.
16. Breeder's Herd - a group of 4 animals bred by the exhibitor. Both sexes represented. At least one animal must be owned by the exhibitor. Must be exhibited in previous classes. Limited to one exhibit per exhibitor.

Grand Champion and Reserve Bull - Rosettes

Grand Champion and Reserve Female - Rosettes

Special Prizes awarded by the Ontario Limousin Association:

Champion Bull Calf
 Champion Bull Yearling
 Champion Senior Bull
 Champion Heifer Calf
 Champion Junior Yearling Heifer
 Champion Senior Yearling Heifer
 Champion Senior Female

Junior Limousin Showmanship:

Show: Sunday, October 5th, 2025 at 12:00 pm

Any junior can participate as long as they have a 2025 Ontario Junior Membership.

Classes #16-19 Ribbon Only: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd.

16. Peewee: under 10 years
17. Junior: 10 – 12 years
18. Intermediate: 13 – 15 years
19. Seniors 16 – 21 years

Champion and Reserve Showperson - Rosettes

Section 28: All Other Breeds

The All Other Breeds Show:

Show: Sunday, October 5th, 2025 at 10:30 pm

Open to any registered beef breed.

No late entries.

Judge: TBA

All Other Breeds Classes:

Prizes: 1st: \$65, 2nd: \$60, 3rd: \$50, 4th: \$40, 5th: \$35, 6th: \$30, 7th: \$25, 8th: \$20

1. Bull Calf Born on or after January 1st, 2025 . Minimum of 3 months of age on day of judging.
2. Bull. Yearling Born April 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024
3. Bull. Yearling Born January 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024
4. Bull. Born January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023
5. Heifer Calf Born on or after January 1st, 2025 . Minimum of 3 months of age on day of judging.
6. Heifer Born April 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024
7. Heifer Born January 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024
8. Female Born January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023 with her own 2025 natural, purebred tattooed calf at foot. Female and calf shall be shown as a unit.
9. Female Born before January 1st, 2023 with her own 2025 natural, purebred tattooed calf at foot. Female and calf shall be shown as a unit
10. Get-of-Sire - a group of three (3) animals from the same sire, both sexes to be represented. At least one animal must be owned by the exhibitor. All animals must have been exhibited in previous classes. Limited to one entry per exhibitor.
11. Breeder's Herd - a group of 4 animals bred by the exhibitor. Both sexes represented. At least one animal must be owned by the exhibitor. Must be exhibited in previous classes. Limited to one exhibit per exhibitor.

Champion and Reserve Bull - Rosettes

Champion and Reserve Female - Rosettes



Sheep Show

Show: Thursday, October 2nd, 2025 at 1:00 pm

Chairpersons: Doug Savage (705-440-6072), Charlotte Frisby (sheep@markhamfair.ca)

Veterinarian: Port Perry Veterinary Services - see page 41

Additional Rules Apply to sections 31-37

Before entering any of the Sheep Sections, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the following:

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or on a Markham Fair Livestock Entry Form and submitted to the Markham Fair Office giving all the information that is required).

* **Entries Close: Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.**

- A. This is an area show for Districts 6 & 7 and by invitation from Chairperson of show.
- B. All exhibitors will pay a \$5.00 exhibitor fee, as well as an entry fee of \$3.00 per entry, must accompany your entry form. Late entries will be charged double.
- C. An exhibitor may enter and show two (2) breeds.
- D. An exhibitor may enter two (2) animals per Class in a maximum of two (2) Classes.
- E. If there are not 10 animals or 2 exhibitors showing in a breed, that breed may, at the discretion of the committee, be shown in Section 35 Short Wool, or Section 36 Long Wool.
- F. An exhibitor must be prepared to produce a Certificate of Health for every animal.
- G. Animals must be registered in the name of the exhibitor and properly identified by tattoo. Exhibitors must present pedigrees on request and may be randomly checked.
- H. CFIA TAGs: Please be aware that all Sheep must arrive with CFIA tags, they are to be tagged before they leave the farm. Should they arrive without tags, and the inspectors discover this, you are putting yourself at risk of a \$1,300 fine, as well as a \$1300 fine for the trucker and another \$1,300 fine for the Markham Fair. Markham Fair will refuse any animals that are not tagged.
- I. All sheep are to be brought to the Markham Fair by 10:00 am on Thursday, October 2nd, 2025, and will vacate the Fair Thursday night after 5:00 pm.
- J. Any Exhibitor with 5 or more sheep entered will get an extra \$50.00 per exhibitor.

Sheep Sections 31-37

31. North Country Cheviot

32. Dorset

33. Oxford

34. Suffolk

35. Hampshire

36. Short Wool

37. Long Wool

Show Judge: TBA

All breeds show in the following Classes.



Prizes: 1st: \$55, 2nd: \$45, 3rd: \$40, 4th: \$30, 5th: \$25, 6th: \$20, 7th: \$20, 8th: \$20, 9th: \$20, 10th: \$20

1. Ewe - "Yearling" (3rd pair of temporary incisors must be in place). Born and bred in Canada.
2. Ewe - (First pair of temporary incisors must be in place). Born the property of the exhibitor.
3. Ram - "Yearling" (3rd pair of temporary incisors must be in place). Born and bred in Canada.
4. Ram - (First pair of temporary incisors must be in place). Born the property of the exhibitor.
5. Get of Sire (Born the property of the exhibitor). A group of three animals, full mouth milk teeth, by the same sire. Both sexes may be represented. (Animals may or may not have been shown in previous classes).
6. Breeders Flock (Bred and owned by exhibitor). A group of 4 animals. Both sexes to be represented. Each animal in the group must have been exhibited in one of the preceding classes. All animals in a group to be of one breed.

Note: Both Get of Sire & Breeder's Flock must be shown in ring to be eligible for prize money.

Awards:

Jordan Bell Family Farm - Supreme Champion Ram
William Gardhouse Trophy - Supreme Champion Ewe

Section 38: Lamb Show

Note: There is no sale.

Chairpersons: Doug Savage (705-440-6072), Charlotte Frisby
sheep@markhamfair.ca

Before entering the Lamb Show Section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** at the front of this prize book as well as the following

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or on a Markham Fair Livestock Entry Form and submitted to the Markham Fair Office giving all the information that is required).

* **Entries Close: September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.**

Additional Rules:

- A. Lamb Show last class of the day.
- B. All exhibitors will pay a \$5.00 exhibitor fee, as well as an entry fee of \$3.00 per animal, must accompany your entry form. Late entries will be charged double.
- C. Lambs must weigh 115 lbs or under or will be disqualified.
- D. Lambs can be any breed of sheep.

Prizes: 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25, 3rd: \$20, 4th: \$18, 5th: \$18, 6th: \$18, 7th: \$18, 8th: \$18

1. Any breed of sheep

Section 40: Dairy Goat Show

Show: Saturday, October 4th, 2025, at 9:00 am

Chairperson: Sonja Iannuzzi (416-564-0914)

Judge: TBA

Veterinarian: Port Perry Veterinary Services - see page 41

Classes:

- 1 - 7 Alpine
- 8 - 14 LaMancha
- 15 - 21 Nigerian
- 22 - 28 Nubian
- 29 - 35 Oberhasli
- 36 - 42 Saanen
- 43 - 49 Toggenburg
- 50 - 56 Recorded Grade Does

CGS Sanctioned

Before entering any of the Dairy Goat Sections, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** at the front of this Prize Book as well as the following:

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or on a Markham Fair Livestock Entry Form and submitted to the Markham Fair Office, 10801 McCowan Rd., Markham, ON L3P 3J3) All information asked for must be recorded on the entry form.

*** Entries Close: Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.**

Additional Rules:

- A. This show is sanctioned by the Canadian Goat Society and CGS rules will govern.
- B. All animals over six months of age must have the actual CGS registration or recordation paper of the Show. No substitutes are acceptable. No papers - no show.
- C. There will be a pre-show veterinary inspection which all animals must pass. The inspection will be from 8:00 am to 9:00 am on Saturday, October 4th, 2025.
- D. All animals must be in the Livestock Building by 8:00 am on Saturday, October 4th, 2025, and no animal shall leave before 5:00 pm. Any violations will mean no prize money sent.
- E. There will be no pre-show milk out and judging will start at 9:00 am sharp on Saturday, October 4th, 2025.
- F. An Exhibitor fee of \$5.00, as well as an entry fee of \$4.00 per animal **must accompany your entry form.**
- G. An exhibitor may enter a maximum of 3 animals per Class and a maximum of 18 animals per Section.
- H. Ages are to be computed from the date of birth to October 4th.
- I. All animals must be owned by and Registered in the name of the exhibitor.
- J. All exhibitors showing in the Dairy Goat Show must be dressed in white shirts and white or black trousers while showing in the ring. Shirts shall not bear any letters, marks, or labels purporting to reveal the identity of the exhibitors. This rule will be strictly enforced. Exhibitors are asked to help take down penning at the conclusion of the show.

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Rosettes for each Breed and Best Doe in Show.

Prizes: 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25, 3rd: \$20, 4th: \$18, 5th: \$16, 6th: \$13, 7th: \$10, 8th: \$8

Alpine - Classes #1-7:

- 1. Doe Kid - Alpine Over 3 months and under 9 months
- 2. Doe Kid - Alpine Over 9 months and under 24 months, never freshened
- 3. Milking Yearling - Alpine Over 12 months and under 24 months, in milk
- 4. Doe - Alpine Over 24 months and under 36 months, in milk
- 5. Doe - Alpine Over 36 months and under 5 years, in milk
- 6. Doe - Alpine Over 5 years in milk
- 7. Breeder's Herd - Alpine - a group of 4 animals (bred and owned by the exhibitor) consisting of at least three (3) milking does

Best Udder Class - Alpine Judge shall designate the best two udders in each of the milking classes. These designated exhibits shall compete for the first and second best udder. Prize money paid on first and second placings. **Prizes:** 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25

Champion Alpine / Reserve

LaMancha - Classes #8-14:

- 8. Doe Kid - LaMancha Over 3 months and under 9 months
- 9. Doe Kid - LaMancha Over 9 months and under 24 months, never freshened
- 10. Milking Yearling - LaMancha Over 12 months and under 24 months, in milk
- 11. Doe - LaMancha Over 24 months and under 36 months, in milk
- 12. Doe - LaMancha Over 36 months and under 5 years, in milk
- 13. Doe - LaMancha Over 5 years in milk
- 14. Breeder's Herd - LaMancha - a group of 4 animals (bred and owned by the exhibitor) consisting of at least three (3) milking does

Best Udder Class - LaMancha Judge shall designate the best two udders in each of the milking classes. These designated exhibits shall compete for the first and second best udder. Prize money paid on first and second placings. **Prizes:** 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25

Champion LaMancha / Reserve

Nigerian Dwarf - Classes #15-21:

- 15. Doe Kid - Nigerian Dwarf Over 3 months and under 9 months
- 16. Doe Kid - Nigerian Dwarf Over 9 months and under 24 months, never freshened
- 17. Milking Yearling - Nigerian Dwarf Over 12 months and under 24 months, in milk
- 18. Doe - Nigerian Dwarf Over 24 months and under 36 months, in milk
- 19. Doe - Nigerian Dwarf Over 36 months and under 5 years, in milk
- 20. Doe - Nigerian Dwarf Over 5 years in milk
- 21. Breeder's Herd - Nigerian Dwarf - a group of 4 animals (bred and owned by the exhibitor) consisting of at least three (3) milking does

Best Udder Class - Nigerian Dwarf Judge shall designate the best two udders in each of the milking classes. These designated exhibits shall compete for the first and second best udder. Prize money paid on first and second placings.

Prizes: 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25

Champion Nigerian Dwarf / Reserve



Nubian - Classes #22-28:

22. Doe Kid - Nubian Over 3 months and under 9 months
23. Doe Kid - Nubian Over 9 months and under 24 months, never freshened
24. Milking Yearling - Nubian Over 12 months and under 24 months, in milk
25. Doe - Nubian Over 24 months and under 36 months, in milk
26. Doe - Nubian Over 36 months and under 5 years, in milk
27. Doe - Nubian Over 5 years in milk
28. Breeder's Herd - Nubian - a group of 4 animals (bred and owned by the exhibitor) consisting of at least three (3) milking does

Best Udder Class - Nubian Judge shall designate the best two udders in each of the milking classes. These designated exhibits shall compete for the first and second best udder. Prize money paid on first and second placings. **Prizes:** 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25

Champion Nubian / Reserve

Oberhasli - Classes #29-35:

29. Doe Kid - Oberhasli Over 3 months and under 9 months
30. Doe Kid - Oberhasli Over 9 months and under 24 months, never freshened
31. Milking Yearling - Oberhasli Over 12 months and under 24 months, in milk
32. Doe - Oberhasli Over 24 months and under 36 months, in milk
33. Doe - Oberhasli Over 36 months and under 5 years, in milk
34. Doe - Oberhasli Over 5 years in milk
35. Breeder's Herd - Oberhasli - a group of 4 animals (bred and owned by the exhibitor) consisting of at least three (3) milking does

Best Udder Class - Oberhasli Judge shall designate the best two udders in each of the milking classes. These designated exhibits shall compete for the first and second best udder. Prize money paid on first and second placings. **Prizes:** 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25

Champion Oberhasli / Reserve

Saanen - Classes #36-42:

36. Doe Kid - Saanen Over 3 months and under 9 months
37. Doe Kid - Saanen Over 9 months and under 24 months, never freshened
38. Milking Yearling - Saanen Over 12 months and under 24 months, in milk
39. Doe - Saanen Over 24 months and under 36 months, in milk
40. Doe - Saanen Over 36 months and under 5 years, in milk
41. Doe - Saanen Over 5 years in milk
42. Breeder's Herd - Saanen - a group of 4 animals (bred and owned by the exhibitor) consisting of at least three (3) milking does

Best Udder Class - Saanen Judge shall designate the best two udders in each of the milking classes. These designated exhibits shall compete for the first and second best udder. Prize money paid on first and second placings. **Prizes:** 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25

Champion Saanen / Reserve

Toggenburg - Classes #43-49:

43. Doe Kid - Toggenburg Over 3 months and under 9 months
44. Doe Kid - Toggenburg Over 9 months and under 24 months, never freshened
45. Milking Yearling - Toggenburg Over 12 months and under 24 months, in milk
46. Doe - Toggenburg Over 24 months and under 36 months, in milk
47. Doe - Toggenburg Over 36 months and under 5 years, in milk
48. Doe - Toggenburg Over 5 years in milk
49. Breeder's Herd - Toggenburg - a group of 4 animals (bred and owned by the exhibitor) consisting of at least three (3) milking does

Best Udder Class - Toggenburg Judge shall designate the best two udders in each of the milking classes. These designated exhibits shall compete for the first and second best udder. Prize money paid on first and second placings.

Prizes: 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25

Champion Toggenburg / Reserve

Recorded Grade Does - Classes #50-56:

50. Doe Kid - Recorded Grade Does Over 3 months and under 9 months
51. Doe Kid - Recorded Grade Does Over 9 months and under 24 months, never freshened
52. Milking Yearling - Recorded Grade Does Over 12 months and under 24 months, in milk
53. Doe - Recorded Grade Does Over 24 months and under 36 months, in milk
54. Doe - Recorded Grade Does Over 36 months and under 5 years, in milk
55. Doe - Recorded Grade Does Over 5 years in milk
56. Breeder's Herd - Recorded Grade Does - a group of 4 animals (bred and owned by the exhibitor) consisting of at least three (3) milking does

Best Udder Class - Recorded Grade Does Judge shall designate the best two udders in each of the milking classes. These designated exhibits shall compete for the first and second best udder. Prize money paid on first and second placings. **Prizes:** 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25

Champion Recorded Grade Does / Reserve

Best Doe in Show - Grand Champions from each dairy goat breed to compete

Section 42: Meat Goat Show

The Meat Goat Show has been removed from the Goat Show.

Section 43: Dairy Goat Junior Showmanship

Show: Saturday, October 4th, 2025, immediately following the Dairy Goat Show.

Chairperson: Sonja Iannuzzi (416-564-0914)

Judge: TBA

Before entering any of the Dairy Goat Sections, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** at the front of this Prize Book as well as the following:

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or on a Markham Fair Livestock Entry Form submitted to the Markham Fair Office). All information asked for must be recorded on the entry form.

* **Entries Close: Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.**

Additional Rules to this Division:

- A. Open to dairy goat showpersons
- B. No entry fee. All exhibitors receive a ribbon.
- C. For showmanship, goat entries must be a doe kid, purebred or commercial under 2 years of age that has never freshened. The goat must have passed the pre-show veterinary inspection.
- E. This show is Canadian Goat Society sanctioned.

Prizes: 1st: \$15, 2nd: \$10, others: \$5

Showmanship Classes: 1 - 4:

1. Junior - Youth 10 years and under as of June 1st
2. Intermediate 1 - Youth between 11 - 13 years as of June 1st
3. Intermediate 2 - Youth between 14 - 16 years as of June 1st
4. Senior - Between 17 - 20 years as of June 1st



Heavy Horse Section

Chairpersons: Blair Purcell (416-930-0090), Kathryn Purcell (647-986-1897)

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Veterinarian: Port Perry Veterinary Services - see page 41

* Online entries accepted at

<https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> until the day before the show.

* Hard copy entry forms will be accepted on the day of the show in the Entry Trailer Show Office beside the in-field show ring.

Additional Rules:

- A. Exhibitors may enter 2 entries per Class.
- B. The order of showing will be as listed in the book.
- C. On the decision of the judges, any animal or animals not worthy of a prize will be disqualified.
- D. An Exhibitor fee of \$5.00 will apply. Exhibitors will not be charged any percentage of prize money won; instead, there will be an entry fee charge per class. The entry fee will be returned through the prize money offered.
- E. Entry Fees: **All Halter, Hitch Classes** \$5.00 per entry. Jr. Exhibitor Classes, no entry fee.
- F. Proper attire must be worn in the show ring.
- G. The Heavy Horse Show will be shown in the new infield show ring, starting at 9:30 am on Saturday, October 4th, 2025. All heavy horse exhibitors please note the **9:30 am starting time**. We would ask for everyone's cooperation in helping us to get started on time and to keep the classes moving. For anyone wishing to come to the Markham Fairgrounds on Friday, October 3rd, 2025 the show committee will do their best to have facilities in the race barn available to you for the night.
- H. Brood mare showing evidence of being in foal or having raised a foal during the current year - exhibitor is required to show the mare with foal at foot or the registration certificate of the foal must be provided if the foal is not shown.
- I. Entry forms must be filled out completely - proper registered name, registration number (Canadian), sire and dam's name and number. Registration papers may be requested at ringside.
- J. In the filly and colt classes, if there are 3 entries or less the two classes will be combined.
- K. Exhibitors must show proof of liability insurance of \$2,000,000.00

Section 48: Draft Halter

Show: Saturday, October 4th, 2025 at 9:30 am
Show Judge: TBA

Prizes: 1st: \$65, 2nd: \$60, 3rd: \$55, 4th: \$50, 5th: \$45,
6th: \$40, 7th: \$35, 8th: \$30

Classes:

1. Filly foaled in 2025.
2. Colt foaled in 2025.
3. Yearling Filly or Colt.
4. 2-year old Mare
5. 2-year old Gelding or Stallion
6. 3-year old and over Yeld Mare
7. 3-year old and over Stallion
8. 3-year old and over Gelding
9. Brood Mare any age
10. Progeny of Dam

Grand & Reserve Champion - 1st & 2nd from class 1-9.
Rosettes only.

Special Belgian Class (No Entry Fee):

Prizes: 1st: \$100, 2nd: \$80, 3rd: \$60, 4th: \$40, 5th: \$20,
6th: \$20, 7th: \$20, 8th: \$20, 9th: \$20, 10th: \$20, others: \$0
11. Registered Belgian Yearling Filly, Ontario bred and owned.

Note of eligibility to Class #11:

\$300.00 is donated by the Ontario Belgian Horse Association and \$100.00 is donated by the Fair. The Filly must be from a mare owned by a resident of the Province of Ontario at the time of service and sired by a stallion owned and standing in the Province of Ontario at the time of service. The owner must be a member of the Ontario Belgian Horse Association for the current year. For 2025, the fillies must have been nominated with the Ontario Belgian Horse Association by March 1. The prize money for this class will be paid to each exhibitor by the Ontario Belgian Horse Association at the annual awards banquet.

Exhibitors in this class are no longer required to provide a certificate to be signed by the Judge.



Section 52: Draft Hitch



Show: Saturday, October 4th, 2025
All Breeds Show Together

Classes #12-13:

Prizes: 1st: \$100, 2nd: \$90, 3rd: \$80, 4th: \$70, 5th: \$65,
6th: \$60

12. Gelding or Grade Mare Team
13. Team of Registered Mares

Class #14:

Prizes: 1st: \$150, 2nd: \$125, 3rd: \$95, 4th: \$85, 5th: \$75,
others: \$70

14. Unicorn

Class #15:

Prizes: 1st: \$400, 2nd: \$350, 3rd: \$300, 4th: \$250, 5th: \$200,
6th: \$150, others: \$100

15. Ontario 4 Horse Hitch Series

Class #16:

Markham Fair is pleased to be a qualifying show for the North American Six Horse Hitch Classic Series.

This class will be co-sponsored by Markham Fair. Class to start at approx. 1:15 pm subject to change.

Prizes: 1st: \$1250, 2nd: \$1000, 3rd: \$750, 4th: \$500, 5th: \$400,
others: \$250

16. North American Six Horse Hitch Classic Series.

Class #17:

(Entries in this class not eligible for any other driving class).

Memorial award donated by Gord & Aileen Lunau.

Prize: \$10

- prize paid to all entrants

17. Cart driven by a Junior - accompanied by a capable driver
18 yrs. or older.

Class #18:

Prizes: 1st: \$40, 2nd: \$35, 3rd: \$30, 4th: \$25, others: \$10

18. Open Riding Draft (English or Western)

Class #19:

Prizes: 1st: \$60, 2nd: \$55, 3rd: \$50, 4th: \$45, 5th: \$40, 6th: \$35

19. Ladies Cart (18 years or older).

Class #20:

Prizes: 1st: \$400, 2nd: \$300, 3rd: \$200, 4th: \$150, others: \$100

20. Classic Cart

Showmanship:

Ribbons Only

21. Junior Showmanship (7-13 yrs. as of January 1st, 2025).

Prize: Award donated by J.O. Spang Memorial

22. Senior Showmanship (14-20 yrs. as of January 1st, 2025).

Prize: Award donated by Ashlane Farms.

Both Showmanship classes include showing a draft horse on the line, (stallions 1 year and over must not be used) with the following areas to be considered: walk, trot, turn, watching judge, backup presentation, suitability of showman to horse, handling, grooming, decorations, appointments, appearance, ability to handle & control horse and protective footwear.

Both juniors and seniors showing a Percheron horse in this class will receive points towards The Ontario Percheron Horse Association

Junior Showmanship Program. Both juniors and seniors showing a Belgian horse in this class will receive points towards The Ontario Belgian Horse Association Junior Showmanship Program.

Both the Ontario Belgian Horse Association and the Ontario Jr. Percheron Association have each supported this class with a contribution of \$25.00.

Section 85: Haflinger

Show: Saturday, October 4th, 2025 at 9:30 am

Show Judge: TBA

Halter Classes:

Prizes: 1st: \$50, 2nd: \$45, 3rd: \$40, 4th: \$35, 5th: \$25, 6th: \$20

23. Foal of 2025 Colt, Filly or Gelding

24. Yearling Colt, Filly, or Gelding

25. 2 Year Old Colt, Filly, or Gelding

26. 3 Year Old Colt, Filly, or Gelding

27. Haflinger Mare 4 years and older

28. Haflinger Stallion 4 years and older

29. Haflinger Gelding 4 years and older

Grand & Reserve Champion - 1st & 2nd from classes 23-29

No prize money.

30. Haflinger Adult Riding (19 years and older). English or Western. Walk Trot or Jog only.

31. Haflinger Youth Riding (18 years and under). English or Western Walk Trot or Jog only.

Class #32:

Prize: \$10

- prize paid to all entrants

32. Haflinger Junior Showmanship - Open to boys and girls 7-18 years. Stallions 1 year and older not permitted.

Hitch Classes:

Classes #33-35:

Prizes: 1st: \$65, 2nd: \$60, 3rd: \$55, 4th: \$50, 5th: \$45, 6th: \$30, 7th: \$30

33. Haflinger Draft Single

34. Haflinger Pleasure Single

35. Haflinger Ladies Cart

Class #36:

Prizes: 1st: \$75, 2nd: \$70, 3rd: \$60, 4th: \$55, 5th: \$50, 6th: \$45

36. Haflinger Team

Class #37:

Prizes: 1st: \$80, 2nd: \$70, 3rd: \$65, 4th: \$60, 5th: \$55, 6th: \$50

37. Haflinger Unicorn

Class #38:

Prizes: 1st: \$100, 2nd: \$90, 3rd: \$85, 4th: \$80, 5th: \$75, 6th: \$70

38. Haflinger Four

Class #39:

Prizes: 1st: \$120, 2nd: \$110, 3rd: \$100, 4th: \$90, 5th: \$80, 6th: \$70

39. Haflinger Six Horse Hitch

Class #40:

Prize: \$10

- prize paid to all entrants

40. Haflinger Junior Driver Cart Class

Heavy Horse Show - Order of Show

1. Draft Halter, **Filly foaled in 2025.**
2. Draft Halter, **Colt foaled in 2025.**
23. Haflinger, **Foal of 2025 Colt, Filly or Gelding**
3. Draft Halter, **Yearling Filly or Colt.**
11. Draft Halter, **Registered Belgian Yearling Filly, Ontario bred and owned.**
24. Haflinger, **Yearling Colt, Filly, or Gelding**
4. Draft Halter, **2-year old Mare**
25. Haflinger, **2 Year Old Colt, Filly, or Gelding**
5. Draft Halter, **2-year old Gelding or Stallion**
26. Haflinger, **3 Year Old Colt, Filly, or Gelding**
6. Draft Halter, **3-year old and over Yeld Mare**
27. Haflinger, **Haflinger Mare 4 years and older**
7. Draft Halter, **3-year old and over Stallion**
28. Haflinger, **Haflinger Stallion 4 years and older**
8. Draft Halter, **3-year old and over Gelding**
29. Haflinger, **Haflinger Gelding 4 years and older**
9. Draft Halter, **Brood Mare any age**
Haflinger, **Grand & Reserve Champion - 1st & 2nd from calsses 23-29**
10. Draft Halter, **Progeny of Dam**
32. Haflinger, **Haflinger Junior Showmanship - Open to boys and girls 7-18 years. Stallions 1 year and older not permitted.**
Draft Halter, **Grand & Reserve Champion - 1st & 2nd from class 1-9.**
21. Draft Hitch, **Junior Showmanship (7-13 yrs. as of January 1st, 2025).**
30. Haflinger, **Haflinger Adult Riding (19 years and older). English or Western.**
22. Draft Hitch, **Senior Showmanship (14-20 yrs. as of January 1st, 2025).**
31. Haflinger, **Haflinger Youth Riding (18 years and under). English or Western**
18. Draft Hitch, **Open Riding Draft (English or Western)**
16. Draft Hitch, **North American Six Horse Hitch Classic Series.**
39. Haflinger, **Haflinger Six Horse Hitch**
15. Draft Hitch, **Ontario 4 Horse Hitch Series**
38. Haflinger, **Haflinger Four**
14. Draft Hitch, **Unicorn**
37. Haflinger, **Haflinger Unicorn**
13. Draft Hitch, **Team of Registered Mares**
36. Haflinger, **Haflinger Team**

12. Draft Hitch, **Gelding or Grade Mare Team**

35. Haflinger, **Haflinger Ladies Cart**

20. Draft Hitch, **Classic Cart**

34. Haflinger, **Haflinger Pleasure Single**

19. Draft Hitch, **Ladies Cart (18 years or older).**

33. Haflinger, **Haflinger Draft Single**

17. Draft Hitch, **Cart driven by a Junior - accompanied by a capable driver 18 yrs. or older.**

40. Haflinger, **Haflinger Junior Driver Cart Class**

Section 53: Horse Pull

Pull Date: Saturday, October 4th, 2025 at 7:00 pm

Chairpersons: Karen & Allin Lewis (905-862-8286), Kaleigh Lewis Todd (905-449-6014)

Veterinarian: Port Perry Veterinary Services - see page 41

Teams that would like to preregister can contact the Chairperson at the phone number listed above or enter online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair>

Please note: Scales will close at 6:00 pm sharp. No one other than teamsters and helpers will be allowed in the Pull area.

Rules: Markham Fair is a member of the O.V.H.D.A. and their official rules will be applied to this Show. A copy of the Rules will be available at the Fair office and shown below.

Ottawa Valley Horse Drawing Association Rules for 2025

1. All teams are subject to a drug test. Detailed explanation in Rule#18 Section A-J
2. All teamsters / representatives must have proof of current liability insurance for "horse pulling" in the amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000)
3. All teamsters / representatives and owners must be a paid up participating member (\$50.00) of OVHDA and in good standing in order to draw in an OVHDA sanctioned pull.
4. There will be no alcoholic beverages used by the teamster / representative, helpers or officials while in the drawing area. If it is deemed that excessive drinking has taken place before or during the horse pull, appropriate action will be taken.
5. All teams must be weighed the day of the draw on association scales if available with halter and loose shank. Absolutely no lifting and teams weigh only twice. If a person argues about the weight of his team, he will have the choice to draw in the heavy class or withdraw his team from the contest. Scales will be open a minimum of 2½ hours prior to the scheduled pull time and weighing can begin as soon as the scales are set up. Lightweight teams weigh once per weekend (Thursday – Monday) on OVHDA, CCHPA, EODHA or Northern Draft Horse club scales and your team must enter and pull when weighed at the first pull with the exception if a pull is cancelled due inclement weather, weight slips will be honored. Lightweight class is 3400 lb. and under with a grace of 25 lb. and heavyweight class is over 3400 lb. A horse or team can only draw in one class and must complete 2 draws to collect hitch money where paid. Distance pullers can rent OVHDA scales and their weigh slips will be accepted by OVHDA if team

weighs 3400 lb. and under.

6. Each teamster must pull to the end with no quitting and will take 1 fair hitch on their last load. If a teamster / representative chooses to quit, it must be declared before they start loading the boat for the next round. If this is not done and he refuses to pull on the last load, he will forfeit and not receive any prize money.

7. A teamster / representative is allowed to enter and drive more than 1 team per class at OVHDA pulls and will draw for their pulling order prior to the beginning of the contest.

8. When a team enters the pulling area with or without blinders, they must stay that way for the duration of the contest.

Adjustments to blinders during the pull are not allowed.

9. A) Length of a draw is 15 feet and a total of 5 minutes is allowed to complete 2 draws. The stone boat is to be drawn one way only however, can be drawn both ways for several rounds if deemed safe by the judge and fair board committee. Side lines are to be 18 ft. apart. If the boat is within 36" from the side lines the next contestant can request to have the boat centered.

B) When it is a distance pull -- teams will be allowed 2 attempts to pull the boat 15 ft. in one try. Their second attempt can be taken where the boat is or back to the start line if the boat has already been spotted.

Anything over a 4" chuck in A or B above will be classified as one draw.

10. A teamster / representative is allowed 2 helpers and they must remain behind the leading edge of the whiffletrees while horses are drawing. After completing the first draw there will be no change of teamster / representative except in the case of injury.

11. If there is a break in harness the teamster / representative he has the option to keep that distance or start over. If he chooses to start over, the boat will be placed at the start of the course. Time to repair and break in harness will be determined by the Judge.

12. All teams are to remain stationary in the holding area until winners are determined. It is the responsibility of the teamster / representative to ensure their horses are attended to at all times.

13. A runaway or out of control team: 1st offence – horses will automatically be eliminated from the contest and given a 5 pull suspension followed by 5 pulls with the lines being tailed. 2nd offence – horse(s) will be banned from pulling at OVHDA sanctioned pulls. For both offence's horses will be tested at the expense of the teamster/representative and prize money will be forfeited to OVHDA.

14. No non-member competitor will not be allowed to pull his horses in another member's name.

15. A draw will be disqualified if:

A) horse steps on or over the line or markers while hooked to the boat and in motion

B) horses are beaten, lines are swung or foul language is used

C) helpers interfere in any way after horse are hitched

D) teamster / representative or helpers head the horses while drawing or hitching

E) teamster / representative or helpers slap, push or touch the horses with hands, lines or whiffletrees in the ring.

No check slaps will be allowed.

16. Any teamster / representative or helper will automatically be ejected from the contest and all winning forfeited if :

A) he argues with the Judge

B) any abuse such as slashing, kicking or beating of horses takes place while in the holding area. There will be no chasing of horses around the ring. Decisions to be made by the Judge or Committee.

17. All decisions made by the judge are final. All OVHDA judges will be sanctioned by the Board of Directors before judging at OVHDA horse pulls.

18. Detailed explanation of Rule #1 - Drug Testing

All teams are subject to a drug test at any time with NO DRUGS OR STEROIDS to be allowed. Urine or blood samples only to be taken. Testing to be done at random by a licensed veterinarian or technician. Horses being tested are to be taken to an isolated area when possible or are to be taken directly to the drug testing area and then unharnessed. Horses and teamster / representative to remain until the urine or blood sample has been collected. A waiting time of 1½ hours is compulsory and if a urine or blood sample has not been collected within this limit, horses will be free to go. Teamster / representative or other authorize person to remain with the team at the drug testing area at all times. No team is to be left unattended.

A) Teamster / representative will forfeit placing and prize money.

B) The prize money for the teams tested must be given by the fair board to OVHDA to hold until test results are received. If a team tests positive, the prize money will go to OVHDA to defray the cost of the test.

C) When a drug test is done, the fair board should not pay the prize money until the tests have been cleared.

D) If there is a run-away or any damages caused by a team, that team will be impounded and drug tested immediately with the owner paying all costs. They will be placed last and will forfeit their prize money and the team will also be suspended from further contests until their drug test results are received.

E) Teamster / representative name and horses name to be publicized in our monthly newsletter for a period of 1 year from the date of the test results.

F) A letter will be sent to all fair boards advising them of a positive test.

G) Any voting member if found guilty will lose voting privileges in the Association for a period of 1 year.

H) *The teamster / representative will pay a fine of \$1000 for 1st offence, \$2000 for 2nd offence and \$4000 for 3rd offence and there will be no suspension of horses or teamster / representative once the fine is paid. Any open offences prior to this change remain. All fines must be paid in cash.

I) A person under suspension is prohibited from driving, hitching and/or helping in the ring once the contest has commenced.

J) Ottawa Valley Horse Drawing Association Inc. and Central Canadian Horse Pulling Association will honor each other's drug testing penalties if there is a positive test.

19. A teamster / representative can request the help of another teamster to tail the lines at the judge's or any teamster's discretion.

Revised 28 Feb/2023 Removed from 2022 rules paragraph 2 Rule#19, Removed Rule#16 and reworded Rule#9

Prizes: 1st: \$800, 2nd: \$750, 3rd: \$700, 4th: \$650, 5th: \$600, others: \$200

Classes #1 & 2:

Prizes: 1st: \$800, 2nd: \$750, 3rd: \$700, 4th: \$650, 5th: \$600, others: \$200

1. Light Weight Pull - Team whose combined girth does not exceed 165" and weighs less than 3300 lbs.
2. Heavy Weight Pull - Team whose combined girth exceeds 165" and weighs more than 3300 lbs.



Awards:

Light Weight:

Additional Prize Money provided by:

- Schell Country Depot** - 1st - \$200
- Wood Brothers Drywall** - 2nd - \$200
- Roughley Insurance Brokers** - 3rd - \$100
- Roughley Insurance Brokers** - 4th - \$100
- Roughley Insurance Brokers** - 5th - \$50
- Mike Tavares** - Team Farthest From Home - \$50
- Lorne's Transport (Brian Morganson)** - Oldest Driver - \$100
- Teresa Bakker** - Youngest Driver - \$50
- Teresa Bakker** - Second Youngest Driver - \$50
- Lundy Lanes (Steve Lundy)** - Best Turnout - \$100

Heavy Weight:

Additional Prize Money provided by:

- John Doner Ltd.** - 1st - \$200
- Wood Brothers Drywall** - 2nd - \$200
- Roughley Insurance Brokers** - 3rd - \$100
- Roughley Insurance Brokers** - 4th - \$100
- Roughley Insurance Brokers** - 5th - \$50
- Lundy Lane (Steve Lundy)** - Best Handler - \$100
- Mike Tavares** - Team Farthest From Home - \$50
- Lorne's Transport (Brian Morganson)** - Oldest Driver - \$100
- Teresa Bakker** - Youngest Driver - \$50
- Teresa Bakker** - Second Youngest Driver - \$50
- Gord and Krista Appleton** - Best Turnout - \$100

4-H Activities

Chairpersons: Michelle Hulshof (905-505-6095), Ashley Beckett (416-526-1197), Kaitlin Francis (647-989-8771)

The primary purpose of the 4-H Program is the **Personal Development of Youth.**

4-H WANTS YOU!

If you are between the ages of 6-21, you can join 4-H, whether you live in town or in the country. As a member, you will belong to a club that focuses on a specific project and meets approximately six times a year. At 4-H, you "Learn To Do By Doing", developing hands-on skills, confidence, and leadership through fun and engaging experiences.

In York Region, we offer a variety of Livestock Clubs, including Dairy, Sheep, Goat, Rabbit, and Guinea Pig, where members gain valuable experience in animal care and responsibility. Our General Interest clubs provide exciting opportunities to explore different hobbies and skills. Members can learn about herbs and spices in Spice of Life, discover locally grown produce in Ontario Tasty Fruits and Vegetables, or develop outdoor skills in Outdoor Living. The A Greener Life: Cosmetics club teaches how to create eco-friendly beauty products, while Go For The Gold offers a fun and competitive learning experience. Those with a creative side can join Nature Journaling to capture the beauty of the outdoors through art and writing, or develop sewing skills in Quilting. For holiday enthusiasts, the Christmas club brings festive fun with crafts and baking, while the Ice Cream club is perfect for those who love making and tasting homemade frozen treats.

For younger members, Cloverbuds (ages 6-8) provides a chance to explore a variety of 4-H clubs, offering a fun introduction to the program. 4-H also provides opportunities to develop public speaking and leadership skills, helping members grow in confidence and ability.

For more information about 4-H in York Region, please contact Sheila Duchek at 4hyork@gmail.com. To learn more about 4-H Ontario, visit www.4-hontario.ca.

Before entering this Section, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the following:

*** Entries Open: Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or on a Markham Fair 4-H Entry Form and sent to the Markham Fair Office). (Section 56 entries to be made ringside on the day of show).**

*** Entries Close: Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.**

Additional Rules:

- A. All entrants must be a registered 4-H member!
- B. No entry fee is required for 4-H classes only, but there will be a \$2.00 late charge on all entries received after September 18th, 2025. Entries received on September 30th or later will be charged a \$10.00 late charge. **Include a copy of Animal Registration Papers for all Beef and Dairy Classes.**

Section 54: 4-H Exhibits

Exhibits are to be set up on Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 from 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm and removed on Sunday, October 5th, 2025, from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm.

Classes:

- 4-H CLUB DISPLAYS** - Open to all 4-H Clubs in York that participated in a 4-H project during the fall of 2024 or during the 2025 year. - Exhibits shall be based on an educational aspect of the 4-H project and prepared by club members or youth leaders.
 - Exhibits shall be displayed on a table and shall be no more than 3' wide.
 - All exhibits will be judged by scorecards on the following basis:

General Appearance.....	20
Power to attract attention.....	25
Message.....	25
Unity in presenting message.....	15
Quality of materials.....	15
Total:	100
- Prizes:** 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25, 3rd: \$20, 4th: \$15, others: \$10

Classes #2-5:

Prizes: 1st: \$20, 2nd: \$18, 3rd: \$16, 4th: \$14, 5th: \$12, 6th: \$10, others: \$5

- ART:** Create a Toilet Plunger Animal. Any material can be used. All pieces must be secured to the toilet plunger. **Judging to be based on creativity, detail, ability to showcase 4-H, and neatness.**
- JOURNAL:** Create a Nature Journal Page showcasing their creativity, observation skills, scientific knowledge and curiosity of the great outdoors. Journal page can include sketches, diagrams, plant and animal identifications, photographs, charts, materials found in nature, writing and captions of the images or items. Journals should not exceed 12x12 inches. **Judging to be based on creativity, neatness, use of various materials and styles, and learned knowledge.**
- PHOTOGRAPHY:** Submit a series of three 5x7 colour images of "4-H in Action." Captions must be underneath the photo to describe the picture. Photographs are to be 5" x 7" colour prints, mounted on a half piece of black bristol board. All photos must be taken in the 2025 year. The entry tag must be on the bottom right-hand corner.
- PICKLES:** Make Refrigerator Bread and Butter Pickles using the recipe below. Pickles will be placed in a small mason jar (250ml). No fancy labels or materials. Pickles should be made no earlier than September 18th.

- No animals are to leave the barn before 5:00 pm on show day.
 - Please refer to Section 23 - Holstein Cattle - for the Interclub Open Show.
 - Someone must be with the animals at all times.
 - No entry can be used from previous years.
- G. 4-H members must show their project animals in confirmation classes.**

HARVEY BROWN MEMORIAL 4-H Award:

The late Harvey Brown was well known for his interest in youth activities, especially those occurring at Markham Fair. In recognition of his support of 4-H activities over the years, the York Region 4-H Association will sponsor the Harvey Brown Memorial 4-H Award which started in 2005. The recipient of this annual award must be a registered 4-H member in York Region and will receive a small keeper plaque, with his/her name engraved on a larger perpetual plaque which will be on display at Markham Fair. The presentation of the award will be made at the November York Region 4-H Awards and recognition night. The recipient of this award will be determined based on participation in 4-H events that are published in the Markham Fair Prize List as official 4-H events. These include any of the 4-H livestock shows (club and interclub) as well as any entries in the 4-H General Exhibits. A point system will be determined based on # of entries in these official 4-H events as well as the individual's placing in each of the 4-H events entered.



Refrigerator Bread and Butter Pickles

A wonderful, simple recipe for homemade refrigerator Bread and Butter Pickles. No canning equipment required! Just prepare and pop in the fridge!

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Cook Time: 5 minutes

Resting: 2 hours 40 minutes

Total Time: 3 hours

Servings: 4 cups of pickles

Ingredients:

- 5½ cups pickling cucumbers, sliced ¼-inch thick about 1½ pounds
- 1½ tablespoons kosher salt
- 1 cup thinly sliced sweet onion
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 cup white vinegar
- ½ cup apple cider vinegar
- ¼ cup light brown sugar
- 1½ teaspoons mustard seeds
- ½ teaspoon celery seeds
- ? teaspoon ground turmeric

Directions:

1. Combine cucumbers and salt in a large, shallow bowl; cover and chill 1½ hours. Move cucumbers into a colander and rinse thoroughly under cold water. Drain well, and return cucumbers to bowl. Add onion to the bowl and toss with the cucumbers.
2. Combine the granulated sugar, white vinegar, apple cider vinegar, brown sugar, mustard seeds, celery seeds, and ground turmeric in a medium saucepan; bring to a simmer over medium heat, stirring until the sugar dissolves.
3. Pour the hot vinegar mixture over cucumber mixture; let stand at room temperature for 1 hour. Cover and refrigerate 24 hours. Store in an airtight container in refrigerator up to 1 month.

Notes:

- Cucumbers: Pickling cucumbers work best, but you can substitute small regular cucumbers if needed.
- Sugar: You can adjust the sugar quantities based on your preferences.
- Storage: These pickles will keep in your refrigerator for up to 1 month.
- Long-Term Storage: This pickle recipe is not meant for long-term storage, so you should not can it or store it at room temperature for any length of time.



Classes #6-8:

Prizes: 1st: \$20, 2nd: \$18, 3rd: \$16, 4th: \$14, 5th: \$12, 6th: \$10, others: \$5

6. **QUILTING #1:** Create a "Fields and Furrow Log Cabin" quilted coverlet. The quilt is to be made from cotton fabric with finished dimensions of no bigger than 62x90 inches. The pattern is to be any variation of the "Fields and Furrow log cabin" pattern, Quilt top must be machine sewn, with a fill layer of either cotton, polyester-cotton, or polyester only. Binding should be machine stitched on top, and hand stitched on the back, using the invisible stitching method. Binding should be machine sewn on the diagonal from a complimentary cotton fabric, not purchased. Binding width may be up to 3 inches, at the quilter's discretion. **Judging to be based on quality of machine and hand stitching, visual appeal and how "neat and clean" the quilt is presented.**
7. **QUILTING #2:** Create a quilt-top pillow sham with an envelope closing. The quilt is to be made from cotton fabric with finished dimensions no bigger than 20 x 26 inches. Pillow sham must be machine sewn, with a fill layer of either cotton, polyester-cotton, or polyester only. Binding should be machine stitched on top, and hand stitched on the back, using the invisible stitching method. Binding should be machine sewn on the diagonal from a complimentary cotton fabric, not purchased. Binding width may be up to 3 inches, at the quilter's discretion. **Judging will be based on quality of machine and hand stitching, visual appeal and how "neat and clean" the pillow sham is presented.**
8. **SKINCARE:** Make Sugar Scrub using the recipe below. Sugar scrub will be stored in a small mason jar (250ml). No fancy labels or materials. **Judging to be based on consistency, colour, scent, and texture.**

Sugar Scrub Recipe

Ingredients:

- ¾ cup sugar (more as needed)
- ½ cup coconut oil, scent of your choice (optional)
- Food dye (optional)

Supplies: Medium bowl, measuring cups and spoons,

tablespoon. (Extra bowl if doing more than one colour).

Directions:

1. First, begin by adding the sugar and coconut oil together. At first, it will be crumbly but as you mix it will look like baking batter but feel and form like cookie dough, you know you are done mixing when the mixture can hold its shape.
2. (Optional) If adding a scent, a couple drops of essential oils is enough. Then mix. If you want to add a different scent it is up to your discretion, if you add a lot of liquid you may have to add in more sugar. Tip: Adding in more sugar; slowly add sugar a little bit at a time until consistency holds its shape. You can do this at any point if your sugar scrub has excess liquid. Do this same step with coconut oil if consistency is hard.
3. (Optional) Adding food coloring. Add a couple of drops of food coloring at a time and mix 'till the colour is to your liking. This should not dye your hands unless not mixed fully. If doing multiple colours, scoop out a portion into a different bowl and repeat step 3.
4. When finished scoop into a 250ml jar, to make sure there are no unfilled parts of the jar, shimmy the jar on the counter until jar is filled out. Note: If left out for a while or left in a hot space the mixture can separate or melt; to fix this mix it well and store in cool area.

Class #9:

\$10 for all worthy entries

9. **4-H CLOVERBUDS:** Create a piece of art work using materials found in nature. Open to all pre-4-H members (6-8 years old). Size is to be no bigger than 12 x 12 scrapbook page. **Judging to be based on creativity, use of materials, and neatness.**

Prize: \$10

AWARDS:

John Pike Memorial - (Class #4)

Timber Creek Golf - (Class #2)



Section 55: Markham 4-H Dairy

Show: Thursday, October 2nd, 2025 at 11:00 am

Leaders: Brad Hulshof, Lieke Hulshof, Matthew Reesor

Judge: Ryan Crowley

Showmanship:

Classes #1-3: \$10 for all worthy entries

Prize: \$10

1. **Jr. Showmanship** - 4-H members 9-14 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025
2. **Intermediate Showmanship** - 4-H members 15-17 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025
3. **Sr. Showmanship** - 4-H members 18-21 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025

Grand Champion Showmanship / Reserve Award: Hulshof Family

Conformation:

Prize: Ribbon Only

5. **Spring Heifer** March 1st, 2025 or after
6. **Winter Heifer** December 1st, 2024 to February 28th, 2025
7. **Fall Heifer** September 1st, 2024 to November 30th, 2024
8. **Summer Yearling** June 1st, 2024 to August 31st, 2024
9. **Spring Yearling** March 1st, 2024 to May 31st, 2024

Grand Champion Calf / Reserve Award: On the Hill Farms

Section 56: Member and Calf Costume

Note: Showperson to register before 1:00 pm ringside, the day of the show only.

Show: Thursday, October 2nd, 2025 at 3:30 pm (or following the Open Dairy Show)

Prize: Ribbon Only

Classes:

1. **4-H Member and Calf Costume Contest** You're invited to dress up your 4-H calf and yourself and enter our Costume Contest. Can your calf wear pants, fairy wings, or a funny hat? Can she be a "super calf" with a cape, or can she be a bride dressed in a gown and veil? You dress to match or compliment.

Competition begins around 3:30 pm or after the completion of the Dairy Show. Judging to be based on creativity, number of details, effort, and ability to match or compliment each other. Let's be creative and have some fun too!

Section 57: York 4-H Goat Showmanship

Show: Saturday, October 4th, 2025 at 2:00 pm (or immediately following the Goat Show)

Leaders: Michelle Primeau, Carrie Purcell, Taucha Inrig

Prize: \$10

Showmanship:

Classes #1-3: \$10 for all worthy entries

1. **Jr. Showmanship** - 4-H members 9-11 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025
2. **Intermediate Showmanship** - 4-H members 12-15 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025
3. **Senior Showmanship** - 4-H members 16-21 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025

Grand Champion Showmanship / Reserve

Section 58: York 4-H Rabbit

Show: Sunday, October 5th, 2025 at 9:30 am - Livestock Arena

Leaders: Sarah Kellington, Sean Chubbuck, Taucha Inrig



Showmanship:

Classes #1-3: \$10 for all worthy entries

Prize: \$10

1. **Junior Showmanship** 4-H member 9-11 yrs old before January 1st, 2025
2. **Intermediate Showmanship** 4-H member 12-15 yrs old before January 1st, 2025
3. **Senior Showmanship** 4-H member 16-21 yrs old before January 1st, 2025

Grand Champion Showmanship / Reserve

Conformation:

Classes #4-5

Prize: Ribbon Only

4. **Rabbit Conformation - Market**
 5. **Rabbit Conformation - Fancy**
- Grand Champion Rabbit / Reserve**

Section 59: York 4-H Cavy

Show: Sunday, October 5th, 2025 at 1:00 pm - Poultry and Small Livestock Building

Leaders: Sean Chubbuck, Taucha Inrig

Prize: \$10

Showmanship:

Classes #1-3: \$10 for all worthy entries

1. **Junior Showmanship** 4-H member 9-11 yrs old before January 1st, 2025
2. **Intermediate Showmanship** 4-H member 12-15 yrs old before January 1st, 2025
3. **Senior Showmanship** 4-H member 16-21 yrs old before January 1st, 2025

Grand Champion Showmanship / Reserve

4-H Calf Interclub Shows

Before entering any of the 4-H Interclub Sections, please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the following:

* **Entries Open:** Friday, August 1st, 2025 online at

<https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or on a Markham Fair 4-H Entry Form and submitted to the Markham Fair Office giving all the information that is required).

* **Entries Close:** Thursday, September 18th, 2025 at 8:00 pm.

Please read the following instructions carefully:

A. No entry fee is required for 4-H classes only, but there will be a \$2.00 late charge on all entries received after September 18th, 2025. Entries received on September 30, 2025 or later will be charged a \$10.00 late charge.

B. Please provide a copy of the animal registration form as proof of animal.

C. No animals are to leave the barn before 5:00 pm on show day.

D. Please refer to Section 23 - Open Dairy Show for confirmation classes.

E. Someone must be with the animals at all times.

F. CFIA TAGs: Please be aware that all livestock must arrive with CFIA tags, they are to be tagged before they leave the farm. Should they arrive without tags, and the inspectors discover this, you are putting yourself at risk of a \$1,300 fine, as well as a \$1300 fine for the trucker and another \$1,300 fine for the Markham Fair. Markham Fair will refuse any animals that are not tagged.

Section 60: 4-H Dairy Interclub Show

Show: Thursday, October 2nd, 2025 at 1:00 pm
Judge: Ryan Crowley

Prizes: 1st: \$25, 2nd: \$20, 3rd: \$15, 4th: \$13, 5th: \$12,
others: \$10

4-H Showmanship Classes::

1. Novice
- 4-H members 9-11 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025
2. Junior
- 4-H members 12-14 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025
3. Intermediate
- 4-H members 15-17 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025
4. Senior
- 4-H members 18-21 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025

4-H Grand Champion Showmanship / Reserve Ribbon only

For 4-H Dairy Interclub Calf Classes, please enter Section 23 All Breeds Open Dairy Show.

Section 61: 4-H Beef Interclub Show

Show: Saturday, October 4th, 2025 at 10:00 am

Prizes: 1st: \$25, 2nd: \$20, 3rd: \$15, 4th: \$13, 5th: \$12,
others: \$10

Showmanship Classes::

1. Junior
- 4-H members 9-14 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025
2. Intermediate
- 4-H members 15-17 yrs. Old before January 1st, 2025
3. Senior
- 4-H members 18-21 yrs. old before January 1st, 2025

Grand Champion Showmanship / Reserve Ribbon only

Beef Heifer Classes:

4. Junior Heifer calf
January 1st, 2025 to March 31st, 2025
5. Junior Heifer Yearling
April 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024
6. Senior Heifer Yearling
January 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024

Champion Heifer / Reserve Prizes: 1st: Ribbon only

7. Market Animal – Market Condition by Achievement Day

Light Horse Show

Chairpersons: Blair Purcell (416-930-0090), Kathryn Purcell (647-986-1897)

Show Announcer: John Lester

Show Farrier: Blair Purcell (on-call only)

Veterinarian: Port Perry Veterinary Services - see page 41

Light Horse Show - Rules and Regulations

Note: Before entering any Class in the Light Horse Show please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** as well as the following:

1. Every entry at a recognized Show shall constitute an agreement with the person making it lessee, trainer, manager, agent coach, driver, rider, and the horse shall be subject to the constitution and the rules of the federation, the local rules of the show and that every horse, rider and/or driver is eligible as entered and that the owner and any of his representatives are bound by the constitution and The Show, accept as final the decision of The Hearing Committee on any question arising under said rules and agree to hold the show, their officials, directors, and employees harmless for any action taken.
2. **Closing date** for entries is **Wednesday, October 1st, 2025** unless otherwise stated under Class heading. Entries are to be made online at <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> (or on a Horse Show entry form sent to the Markham Fair Office). **All fees must be received with the entry form.**
3. The Entry Fee in Line Classes is \$5.00 per Horse or Pony per Class entered, in Performance Classes is \$5.00 per Horse or Pony per Class entered, in Stake Classes is \$10.00 per Horse or Pony per Class entered, **Unless Stated Otherwise Under Class Heading.**
4. No entry fee will be refunded without submission of a proper certified Veterinary Certificate, which must be received by The Show Manager for approval within 48 hours of completion of the show.
5. No entry fee will be refunded after entries are made and the Show is in progress.
6. Ribbons and/or Prize Money as designated will be awarded in each Class.
7. In the event of the Show not having sufficient funds or entries to pay prize money in full, the Show Manager reserves the right to deduct the necessary percentage.
8. The Show Committee reserves the right to combine or cancel Classes that do not fill.
9. The Judge has the power to rule out any entry that he considers does not belong to the Class in which it is entered.
10. All other Markham Fair General Rules & Regulations also apply and will be enforced by the Horse Show Committee.
11. No exhibitor shall be allowed to be present while the judges are discharging duties. Any person who shall attempt to interfere with the judges, directors, or officers of the Society, or who shall on the premises use any contemptuous or abusive language to any judge, director, or officers shall forfeit his right to any premiums to which he may be entitled, and shall be excluded from exhibiting for one year thereafter; judges or

officers are particularly requested to immediately report any breach of this rule. All disqualifications in this and the next following rules may be published with their awards.

12. Upon the discovery of any fraud, deception, or dishonest practice, either in the preparation of ownership or any fraudulent representation concerning any entry exhibited, the directors shall have the power to withhold the payment of any or all premiums awarded to the exhibitor proven to be guilty of such offense.

13. The Show is operated under the General Rules & Regulations of Markham Fair. All other Classes will be governed by the Breed Association rules and/or the rules of Markham Fair.

14. Classes will be called promptly. First call when second Class ahead enters the ring. Second call when preceding Class enters the ring. Third call while ribbons are being awarded in preceding Class. Two minutes will be allowed after the first horse in the Class enters the ring.

15. In the event due to an illness or failure of an official to attend this Show or perform his duties, the Show Committee reserves the right to substitute an official for the one who is officially designated in the prize list.

16. Exhibitors are warned that any act of discourtesy or disobedience to the officials on the part of the owner, groom, rider-driver, or handler, will disqualify the horse from adjudication. The management reserves to itself the right to remove the horses, owner or groom, rider, and/or handler from the Show without being liable for compensation or damages.

17. All horses doctored in any way, artificially, improperly or unfairly prepared, or tampered with before coming into the Show arena will be disqualified. If it is ascertained that any exhibitor has made or caused to be made a false statement regarding any animal or article exhibited or shall attempt to interfere with the judge in the performance of his/her duties, he/she shall be excluded from competing or exhibiting.

18. All horses must be serviceably sound. In the case of suspected unsoundness, the judges may, if they desire, have the animal examined by the Veterinarian provided by the committee; the Veterinarian's decision shall be final. No exhibitor may use another Veterinarian's statement to contradict the Judge's decision.

19. No person shall be permitted to enter the arena except participants in the Class, judges and their assistants, and the Show photographer. Attendants will not be permitted in the arena until summoned by the judge.

20. All events will start on schedule. Please have your horse "on deck" one Class ahead of the one in which you are showing. Any clothing or tack changes will have a five-minute time limit. Ringmaster and announcer must be notified at least one Class ahead.

21. Only vehicles and persons taking part in the Light Horse Show will be permitted entrance through the horse gate. If the Gate Attendant feels that this is abused he shall charge the admission fee.

22. All exhibitors must pay an exhibitor fee of \$5.00.

23. **Whips And Use Of Whips:** The Show management has set this rule for this horse show. No whip may be used on the

Markham Fairgrounds longer than 6' in length including the cracker portion. In the show ring, handlers in Line Classes will be permitted to carry a whip 42" in length including the cracker portion. In Classes which allow a tailer or second handler, a whip may be carried 6' in length including the cracker portion. Any misuse of these whips in any manner, to either an animal, exhibitor, spectator, gate attendant, judge, or any other person, will result in being excused from a Class or disqualification from the Show. The Judge, Show Steward, or Show Manager will give a warning first; if a second warning is required then disqualification will be handed out and all prize money withheld from the guilty party. There shall be no exceptions to this rule. Driving Classes will be permitted to use a driving whip or buggy whip only in their Classes. A judge may excuse an exhibitor at any time from a Class or Show if he/she feels this rule is abused in any manner, either in the show ring or out of the show ring.

24. Limited Light Horse Show stabling (box stalls) is available on a first come first serve basis only. Please telephone the Light Horse Show Chairman in advance to make inquiries.

Section 86: Welsh & Sport Pony

Date: Sunday, October 5th, 2025

Show Start Time: 9:00 am

Shown: In Infield Ring

Judge: T.B.D

Before entering this Section, Please refer to the **General Rules & Regulations** of Markham Fair, as well as the **Light Horse Show Rules** as well as the following:

* Electronic entry forms accepted on <https://www.assistexpo.ca/markham-fair> until Friday, October 3rd at 4:00 pm EDT.

Important Additional Information for Welsh and Sport Pony Classes:

2025 SPORT PONY STAR SEARCH CHAMPIONSHIPS - Qualifications

In order to qualify to compete at the 2025 Royal Sport Pony Star Search a pony must compete and qualify at an approved 2025 qualifier show.

- This division is open to any registered or unregistered pony meeting the sport pony criterial IE. hunter, jumper, driving, eventing, etc. The first place in each of the 8 classes will qualify to enter the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair Sport Pony division. If the first place pony has previously qualified this year then the second place pony will advance (It is the RESPONSIBILITY of the second place handler to obtain this information at the time of placing from the first place handler). Ponies will be measured at the Royal and must be 14.2 hands and under in order to compete. General EC rules for sport horses apply.

- Adults CAN ride a pony. Stallions may NOT be handled or ridden by children at the Royal Winter Fair, but maybe at the

qualifying shows discretion.

- To compete in the 2025 Sport pony Finals at the Royal an entry MUST be made prior to the closing date and accepted by the Royal entry department. See www.royalfair.org for entry forms, closing dates, rules & regulations.

- Ponies qualifying after the Royal closing dates MUST submit a completed Royal entry form before the Royal entry closing date. If these entries are not qualified at the late shows the entry will be returned and no entry money will be charged. Due to late entries being sent this rule will be STRICKLY ENFORCED BY THE ROYAL.

****ALL PONIES MUST BE ENTERED BY THE ROYAL SPORT PONY CLOSING DATE REGARDLESS OF QUALIFIED STATUS AT THAT TIME. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

The SPORT PONY STAR SEARCH CHAMPIONSHIP. The winner will be awarded the perpetual MORTON SPORT PONY CHALLENGE CUP. A silver keeper plate and our sponsors DENWORTH EQUINE MANAGEMENT. Sherri Whitworth-Denouden and Jeremy Denouden, award a total of \$1000 prize money to the top four and a cooler to the SUPREME CHAMPION.

For information please contact Sport Pony Committee chairman Darlene Morton info@mortonstables.com



Welsh Champion of Champions

Sponsored by: Prue Richardson of Northwind Farm

Only first place winners of their breed line classes are eligible to enter a qualifier class. All ponies and cobs must be registered. Foals of current year must be eligible for registration. Final judging will be held at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto, Ontario in November.

A) Two and Under Youngstock - A, B, C & D

B) Three and Over Mare - A, B, C & D

C) Three and Over Stallion or Gelding - A, B, C & D

The judge shall choose both a Champion and Reserve for each of the three qualifier classes. In the event that the Champion is unable to attend the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, the reserve may go instead.

Note: Once an animal has qualified for the finals of the Welsh Champion of Champions it is no longer eligible to compete for a berth in the final qualifying class. In the regular line classes, if the first placed pony has previously qualified for the Welsh Champion of Champions, the second place pony is eligible to move to the qualifying class at that show.

Show Fees

Exhibitor fee: \$5.00 per exhibitor

Entry fees:

Breeding Classes: \$5.00 per animal per class

Performance Classes: \$5.00 per animal per class

Junior Exhibitor Classes: No Entry Fee

Stake Classes: \$10 per animal per class

Prize Money :

Breeding Classes: 1st - \$15, 2nd - \$12, 3rd - \$9, 4th - \$5, 5th - \$4, 6th - \$3, 7th - Ribbon

Performance Classes: 1st - \$30, 2nd - \$25, 3rd - \$20, 4th - \$15, 5th - \$10, 6th - \$5, 7th - Ribbon

Jr. Exhibitor Classes: Ribbons Only

Stake Classes: 1st - \$40, 2nd - \$35, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$25, 5th - \$20, 6th - \$15, 7th - \$10

Welsh Pony:

Welsh Section A:

1. Sec. A: 2 year old and under - Colt, Filly or Gelding
2. Sec. A: 3 year old and over - Mare
3. Sec. A: 3 year old and over - Stallion or Gelding

Welsh Section A - Champion / Reserve

Welsh Section B:

4. Sec. B: 2 year old and Under - Colt, Filly or Gelding
5. Sec. B: 3 year old and over - Mare
6. Sec. B: 3 year old and over - Stallion or Gelding

Welsh Section B - Champion / Reserve

Welsh Sections C & D:

7. Sec. C & D: 2 year old and under - Colt, Filly or Gelding
8. Sec. C & D: 3 year old and over - Mare
9. Sec. C & D: 3 year old and over - Stallion or Gelding

Welsh Section C & D - Champion / Reserve

Grand & Reserve Champion Welsh - open to Champion and Reserve Champion from Section A, B, C & D. No prize money, ribbon only.

Welsh Champion of Champions:

(Eligible are 1st place entries from the corresponding class in Sections A, B, C or D. See rules above.)

Colt, Filly or Gelding - 2 year old and under - Sections A, B, C or D

Mare - 3 year old and over - Sections A, B, C or D

Stallion or Gelding - 3 year old and over - Sections A, B, C or D

Half Welsh:

- 10. Half Welsh - 2 year old and under - Colt, Filly or Gelding
- 11. Half Welsh - 3 year old and over - Mare, Stallion or Gelding

Half Welsh - Champion / Reserve

Sport Pony:

- 12. Sport Pony Foal of current year
 - 13. Sport Pony - Yearling, filly, colt or gelding
 - 14. Sport Pony - Two year old colt, filly or gelding
- Sport Pony Junior Champion / Reserve** (eligible are 1st & 2nd place of class 12, 13, and 14)

- 15. Sport Pony -- Three year old & over mare
- 16. Sport Pony - Three year old & over gelding
- 17. Sport Pony - Three year old & over stallion

Sport Pony Senior Champion / Reserve (eligible from classes 15, 16, and 17)

Sport Pony Grand Champion / Reserve (eligible are Junior & Reserve Champions and Senior & Reserve Champions)

- 18. Welsh Senior Showmanship 18 years and older

Junior Division - Ages as of January 1, 2025

- 19. Welsh Junior Showmanship 10 years and under
- 20. Welsh Junior Showmanship 11 to 17 years
- 21. Welsh Child's Leadline Pony Equitation - Walk only 7 years and under
- 22. Welsh Child's Leadline Pony Equitation - Walk Trot Only 12 and under
- 23. Welsh Child's Pony Equitation - Walk Trot 12 and under
- 24. Welsh Child's Pleasure Pony - Walk Trot 12 and under, performance and suitability to count

Performance Division - Under Saddle:

- 25. Welsh Equitation Under Saddle - Sections A,B,C,D & Half Welsh
- 26. Half Welsh Under Saddle
- 27. Sport Pony Hunter/Jumper suitability under saddle - Three years & over mare, stallion or gelding.
- 28. Welsh Pleasure Pony - Section A&B - Jr to Ride
- 29. Welsh Pleasure Pony - Section A&B - Adult to Ride
- 30. Welsh Pleasure Pony - Section C&D - Adult or Jr to Ride
- 31. Welsh Open Command - Sections A,B,C&D and Half Welsh
- 32. Welsh Pleasure Under Saddle Stake - Sections A,B,C&D and Half Welsh
- 33. Sport Pony Dressage suitability under saddle - Three years & over mare, stallion or gelding.

Performance Division - Driving:

- 34. Welsh Pleasure Driving - Sections A & B
- 35. Welsh Pleasure Driving - Sections C & D
- 36. Welsh Pleasure Driving - Sections A,B,C&D Jr to drive
- 37. Half Welsh Pleasure Driving

38. Welsh Pleasure Driving Stake - Section A,B,C&D and Half Welsh

Welsh & Sport Pony - Order of Show

Please note the classes listed above will be the order of show.

Grassroots Xtreme Cowboy

Show: Friday, October 3rd, 2025 at

Time: 8:30 am

Shown: Infield Ring

Grassroots Xtreme Cowboy (GREC)

EXCA Sanctioned Race

Extreme Cowboy is an event that challenges both horse and rider to maneuver through a series of trail and farm-based obstacles demonstrating both horsemanship and speed. This race will be open to anyone wanting to race.

For more information contact: Susan Caldwell (416-529-5425).

Classes:

1. In Hand
2. Lead-Line
3. Young Guns (Age 7-11)
4. Giddy Up Walk Trot (Age 12+)
5. Novice Adult
6. Green Horse
7. Youth (Age 12-17)
8. Intermediate Adult
9. Non-Pro (Age 12+)
10. Ride Smart (Age 55+)
11. Pro
12. Open/Jackpot (Age 12+)

Rules & Regulations:

1. Grassroots Cowboy Association rules will be followed. A full list of rules are available on the Grassroots Xtreme Cowboy website www.grassrootstremecowboy.com, as well as the EXCA website.
2. **Exhibitors must pre-register through GREC. No day-of-show entry accepted, must pre-register to enter.**
3. Neither the Markham and East York Agricultural Society nor the GREC are responsible for loss, injury, or damages to animals, equipment and persons, exhibitors, or spectators.
4. All exhibitors under the age of 18 are required to wear ASTM-approved helmets at all times while mounted.

Dylan Wesley Armstrong Markham Fair President 2025

By Myra Chepack



Born September 1991, at Markham Stouffville Hospital, Dylan began his Markham Fair journey by taking third place in the baby contest. At one year old, it can be said that his road to the presidency began at a very early age!

Dylan was blessed with several mentors in his life, both professionally and in a volunteer perspective. His dad, Michael James Armstrong, worked with Brian Lee, owner of Budget Towing in Markham. As a youngster, Dylan accompanied his Dad to the shop and in the trucks. He developed a love of mechanics and trucking and ultimately attended the four-year auto-mechanic program at Centennial College after graduating from Huron Heights Secondary School in Newmarket. While enrolled in this program, Dylan was encouraged by John Doner, owner of John Doner Limited, to pursue heavy equipment and trucks, moving him away from auto mechanics. Dylan embraced this direction and worked for Mr. Doner for eleven years on the Doner farm. Dylan is now employed by Griffith Property Services, utilizing his mechanical expertise as well as his agricultural knowledge.

Budget Towing and Brian Lee played an immense role in the Fair of 1977 when severe weather played havoc with the newly opened facility at McCowan and Elgin Mills. Brian served the Fair on many committees over 40 years, holding the position of President in 1994. Dylan accompanied his dad to the Fair and was heavily influenced by Brian and his wife Cathy to participate in the Fair. He also volunteered in Santa Claus Parades, amassing hundreds of volunteer hours (more than the required 40 for high school)! Dylan's Grandfather, James Carson Armstrong, and Dad, Michael James, were both staunch

supporters of the Fair and contributed on many committees. He began his bid to become a Junior Director at the age of 18 - two years later he was elected and has served in virtually every capacity since. He is currently co-chairman of the Cleanup, Grounds, and Demolition Derby committees. He and his family will enjoy a whirlwind year as he navigates the Presidency.

Alex Armstrong (MacDonald), Dylan's wife, works for a medical pharmaceutical company in HR. They reside in Keswick with their 2-1/2-year-old son, Cooper, who, of course, loves being at the Fair. Born July 2022, he attended his first Fair at about ten weeks of age. His Aunt Rachel, Dylan's sister, married to Phillip Chan (also a mechanic and trucker) are parents to a daughter of the same age and a son a year younger. Dylan pursues outdoor activities, snowmobiling, camping, and spending time at Birdsall Beach, a campground in Peterborough with both his and Alex's families.

The Armstrong family lived on the farm at Reesor Road and the area that is now Hwy. 407. After expropriation in 1972 the family relocated to 16th Avenue and Hwy. 48. Dylan's Dad, Michael, married his mom, Deborah Anne (Bickford), and eventually moved the family to Mount Albert when Dylan was 13. Dylan's Grandmother, Elizabeth Ann Swain, and her family farmed on the property that is now the Granite Club Golf Course on the York Durham Line of Bloomington. It is Dylan's sincere hope that he will, in time, acquire a farm property and pursue cash cropping.

Dylan is the 8th person in the Armstrong family to serve as President of Markham Fair. His 4th generation great-grandfather, Capt. Wm. Armstrong, gifted 5 acres of his land at Markham Road and Hwy. 7 to the Fair to provide it with a permanent home. Listed below are the Armstrongs noted as Presidents*:

- 1844 - Captain Wm. Armstrong
- 1893 - Robert Goodfellow, 8th child of Capt. Wm. Armstrong
- 1910 - Dr. James McCreight Armstrong - grandson of Captain Wm. Armstrong, son of Robert Goodfellow
- 1913-14 James Torrance - Son-in-law of Capt. Wm. Armstrong, married to his 7th child Anne.
- 1933-34-35 Robert Peter Armstrong, grandson of Capt. Wm. Armstrong, son of William.
- 1984 - Bryan Robert, great-great grandson of Capt. Wm. Armstrong, son of Frederick

* many others in the Armstrong family served the Fair in multiple other capacities.

Note: East Riding of York Agricultural Society partnered with Markham Agricultural Association to host some Spring and Fall fairs together. They each had a President at one time, ultimately, only the Markham Agricultural Society formed the Fair presidency. James Torrance was honoured with a street named for him on the property of the original fair.

Dylan is the 8th Armstrong to hold the office of President of Markham Fair - there being 181 years between he and Captain Wm. Armstrong. In his role as President, Dylan has challenged the Board members as well as committee chairs to be

innovative and creative in providing stimulating and enjoyable, educational experiences for the 2025 attendees. Although our local communities are experiencing more urbanization, agriculture and the rural roots of our Fair persist and will always be of prime importance.



Markham Fair 1925

By T. Rogers Gardham PP1977

Markham Fair in 1925 was held at its original site on the southeast corner at the intersection of highways #7 and #48. The Fair was held Friday and Saturday, Oct. 3rd and 4th. According to Economist and Sun (MEC) on Oct. 8th: Attendance and Exhibits Score New High Records, Exciting Racing and Trotting Program. At the time, the Fairgrounds sported a half-mile racetrack mainly for Sulky Standard Bred Horses, a grandstand on the track, and the new Agricultural Hall.

Again, to quote MEC: With the fine autumn weather on both days, Markham's annual fair scored a record attendance on Friday and Saturday. And there was a record entry list in nearly

all classes. Taken all round, the quantity and quality of the exhibits have never been surpassed. The racing program was fully up to last year's, which is saying a lot, and held the attention of a vast throng, which crowded the grandstand on Saturday and surrounded the track fence three and four deep. The trotting events brought out large fields of horses for the four races, two on Friday and two on Saturday.

There was the keenest competition in the harness horses, in which President Arthur Davison carried off two championships. Nothing better was shown at Cobourg or the Canadian National Exhibition.

There was an outstanding show in both beef and dairy cattle. Col. F.H. Deacon's fine lot of Shorthorns attracted a lot of attention, and P. Blackburn showed some fine specimens of Polled Angus. Jerseys, Holsteins and Ayrshires were represented by the leading breeders in this section.

The cream of the country was shown in imported Clydesdale stallions, the championship and first prizes all going to Mr. James Torrance, whose horses were placed by the same judges in the same position they occupied at the Canadian National.

The sheep and swine classes were all well-filled, so many exhibits that pens were all filled, and some had to be shown in temporary racks.

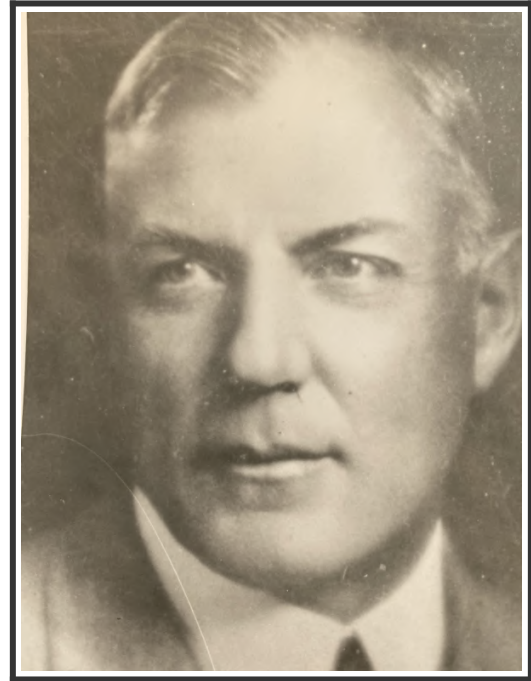
In the big Agricultural Building, which was another center of attraction, particularly for the ladies, was the largest and best display of apples and roots ever shown along with a magnificent show of ladies' needlework and handicraft. Also, a gorgeous show of cut flowers, of which gladioli predominated. The paintings, of which there were a generous number, were excellent. The ladies of the District had an appetizing layout of pastry, bread, buns, canned fruit, and pickles.

Also enjoying the warm summery weather and the attractive racing card was the Lieutenant-Governor Colonel Cockshutt to whom the directors tendered a luncheon at noon. President Davison presided and, in a happy vein, introduced the speakers, who were limited to five minutes each. After paying tribute to the fine farms in the district, he stressed that we must have national unity to prosper as a country, with all provinces working together as a unit.

Others of note attending were Geo. S. Henry, W.F. Maclean, Warden Jackson, and Alderman Bert Wemp of Toronto were among those who spoke. Other guests included: Past Pres. A.J.H. Eckardt, the Corsons and Markham Township Reeve W. Gohn.

Saturday: After heavy rain during the night and heavy clouds the early part of the forenoon were finally dispelled, and bright sunshine prevailed the crowds began to arrive by train and motor car. Until nearly 4 o'clock, the ticket windows were besieged by a long waiting line. The crowds on the grounds were estimated at 10,000 to 15,000. Certainly the largest attendance yet. There were fully a thousand autos parked on the grounds and both sides of the streets; the churchyards and open spaces in town were used as parking places.

George Arthur Monkman Davison Markham Fair President -1925



By Myra Chepack

The son of John Francis Davison and Eleanor Pringle, George A.M. was born on August 31st, 1873 and lived an outstanding but short life, passing at the age of 62 on February 8th, 1935. He married Nancy Matilda Canning, whose family were one of the first pioneer families to settle at Hagerman's Hill. Mrs. Davison survived her husband by almost 30 years, passing in 1959 at the age of 90. They had four daughters: Eleanor (Fraser - Mrs. C.R. Mackey), Marie (Rae), Margaret (Wyndham) and Dorothy (Young) of Montreal. Horace J.S. Davison, a brother shown living in London, England and sister Mrs. Isaac Sherrick living in Balcarres, Saskatchewan at time of George's death. The Davison homestead was located on Lot 14, Concession 5, which today is the east side of Kennedy Road north of Toogood Pond in Unionville.

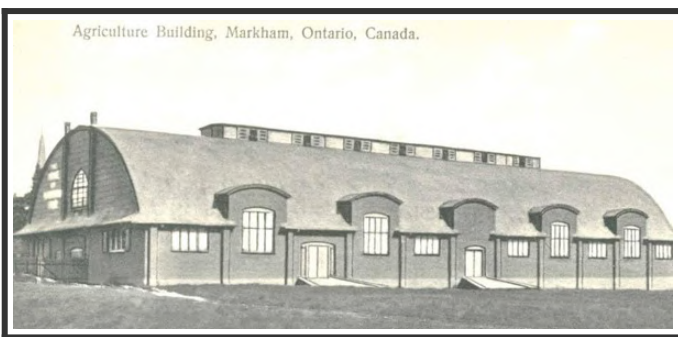
Mr. Davison attended Unionville Public School and Markham High School followed by Hamilton Business College. After college he joined his father in the operation of his general store located at what is now 188 Main Street, in Unionville. His father also served as postmaster from 1913 to 1935 after which Mother Nancy took up the position until 1949. George, at some point became involved in the wholesale grocery business with Mr. A.H. Canning, travelling from coast to coast selling sugar in carload lots. In 1907, at the age of 34, George and his family relocated to the town of Avant in Oklahoma, where he pursued a successful real estate business. The family returned in 1912 to Unionville, whereupon George opened a Ford dealership (177 Main Street) - he would go on to open a garage to service automobiles and added gas pumps as well. By 1917, George

The grandstand was jammed; people stood four and five deep all around the ring fence. The big hall was always crowded, and every part of the grounds was massed with people.

With the foregoing description of the crowds, it seems unnecessary to say that Saturday was horse racing day at the Fair. Here is what the MEC reporter had to say "the races were equal if not better than last year, and that is saying a lot."

*The Fair President Davison, who when first Vice President in 1924, took the Chair as President Couperthwaite was ailing. He commented: "the Fair last year had shown a surplus and he had every confidence that within six years the Society would be free of debt."

And, in so saying, captured the secret of success for Markham Fair over the years: RESILIENCE, which continues to remain so today.



Readers may recall back in 1917/1918 when the new Fair building/rink was constructed the contractor went bankrupt. In a court trial the judge ordered the Fair to pay what was owed for the building. As part of the Fair's financial restructuring, Past President A.J.H. Eckhardt donated shares of Dominion Manufacturing Co. stock to strengthen the Fair's borrowing position.

*Note to readers: In 1924 Markham Fair was located at the South-East corner of HWYS #7 & #48.

This annual report would not exist without the help of the Markham Museum and this reporter continues to support its many programs and value the knowledge of its competent people. As an example we would know today that the Markham Agricultural Society was formed by Provincial Act in 1844.

In 1998 at the request of Mrs. Alma Walker PP1978 this reporter was asked to continue her work in preparing this annual report. As I am now in my 90th year, it has become apparent to me that it is time to pass the reins to another driver. Since coming to Markham in 1968 and joining the Markham Fair community shortly after my arrival, and thereafter serving in most of its offices, I am most grateful. For a man originating in P.E.I., it has been an adventure in the farming community as well as a historical experience beyond my early dreams. Cheers Rogers.

became the top dealer in Canada of Ford products, in part due to the removal of duty from the purchase of Ford Tractors, under the War Measures Act. Henry Ford himself presented George with a recognition award at a ceremony held at the Granite Club of Toronto.

In 1918 he was appointed Clerk and Treasurer of the Township of Markham, a position his father had also held, as well as issuer of Motor Vehicle licenses. Together George and Nancy raised and showed Hackney ponies and Standard Bred horses. George was on the Boards of Management for the CNE and the Royal Winter Fair, acting as President of both organizations. He was a long standing member of the Hackney Pony and Standard Bred Horse Assoc., and was awarded the Presidency of that organization just prior to his death. He served two terms as President of Markham Fair. This "power couple" of the equestrian scene took copious numbers of honours. In 1930, showing 30 horses, they were awarded 170 prizes - 140 of which were for 1st or 2nd place at the Royal Winter Fair. Nancy was honoured at a dinner held by the Directors as one of two exhibitors to have shown horses since the inception in 1922 of the RWF - the other being The Toronto Police Force Commission.

George curled in 1899 with the Parkdale Lawn Bowling Assoc. and bowled with the Parkdale Lawn bowling Assoc., winning several important events in both pursuits. He was a Warden at St. Phillips Anglican Church and Master of the Markham Unionville Lodge when he participated in the laying of the cornerstone of that edifice in 1904. He was District Grand Master in 1913, a Brother in the Scottish Rite, and held many degrees in both.

When the Davison family returned to Unionville in 1912 from Oklahoma, they brought with them a Kentucky bred five-gained saddle horse standing over 16 hands, named Chatham. With the stipulation that only a Colonel Neil, a friend of the family, was to ride him. The Davisons reluctantly allowed Chatham to be conscripted by the Canadian Government for use in WW1. He performed for troops in France and survived six battles to return to Unionville, after the War.

Nancy Davison was an outstanding woman in her community. She was a life member of the Red Cross, first President of the Women's Institute, a member of the Eastern Star Lodge and the Horticultural Society. She was actively involved with her community in many ways and was postmistress from 1935 until 1949 and a Moros Licenses issuer for 15 years. Referred to as "The Pony Queen of Canada" she was acknowledged as an expert horsewoman and judge of horses in Canada and the United States. With more than 1000 trophy ribbons, silver cups and plaques. Mrs. Davison attributed their success to her womanly intuition!

George's funeral was referred to as the largest in York County, with several hundreds of his Masonic brethren in attendance. He was held in very high esteem by all who knew him.

JOHN COUPERTHWAITE MARKHAM FAIR PRESIDENT - 1924

Please note this article was originally intended for inclusion in the 2024 Prize Book but was inadvertently omitted. We're pleased to include it this year and recognize its valuable contribution.

By Myra Chepack

Born in Cumberland, England on January 22nd, 1860 to John Stewardson Couperthwaite (1826-1885) and Hannah Ella (Teasdale), born 1827. John married Sarah Ann Bell (1860-1926) in June of 1880. They were blessed with ten children. John and Sara emigrated to Canada in 1884 and settled in Milliken Mills, where John worked as a labourer for a Mary A. Corbet and Wm. Watson Hagerman. In 1912 he purchased the property at Conc. 7, Lot 6 where he farmed until 1920, at which time he retired. He is then listed as a gardener (likely market gardening) on a smaller acreage, for a number of years. He passed away March 6th, 1948 at the home of his daughter and is interred at Ebenezer Cemetery in Milliken.

Two of John's sons served in the military, Carleton born 1896, with the 127th Battalion which performed drills out of the Markham Town Hall. His name is one of the 16 on an honour role plaque of MDHS students who signed up. George, born in 1892, was killed in action on April 10th, 1917 at Vimy Ridge. His name is listed on the Cenotaph in front, of Crosby Memorial Arena, in Unionville. He served with the 75th Battalion out of Toronto and was transferred to the 3rd Canadian Battalion. A massive memorial service with standing room only was held at Ebenezer Methodist Church in Milliken and was attended by people near and far. George was considered to be the best ploughman in the Dominion of Canada and was deeply mourned.



A number of locations bear the name of Couperthwaite. The house shown in the attached photo is on the north side of 14th

Avenue, east of McCowan. This home is known as the McCauley-Couperthwaite house having been owned by George McAuley from 1891 to 1912, when it was sold to John Couperthwaite and has received designation as a heritage property. Development is to take place in the near future, however the house will be retained on site and hopefully showcased. John was responsible for the building of the large barn on that property, which has since been demolished. He also farmed the land owned by the Hagerman family at Hagerman Corners (Kennedy and 14th) after retiring in 1926 from operating the large farm on 14th Avenue.

John was highly regarded in the farming community as well as a breeder of Clydesdale horses. He was very involved with the East York Ploughmen's Association offering his services as a judge. He served for a number of years as a Director of Markham Fair before becoming President in 1924.

The fifth born of John's ten children, Leslie James, who married Ivy Catton, was the grandfather of a current Markham/Unionville resident, William Paul married to Christine Rataj, who has amassed much of the information contained in this article. William Paul's father was William Bruce, one of ten children, who grew up in Unionville, attending the school at Hagerman, which is now a restaurant and Markham High School. William Bruce was an electrician and a district Fire Chief for the volunteer fire department from 1970 to 1995. William and his siblings are remembered by Unionville residents who are now in their nineties. Grandsons of President Couperthwaite, William Bruce and George Catton Couperthwaite built the building that currently houses Il Postino Restaurant on Main Street Unionville, formerly the old post office. They also built a house on Maple Lane, for William Bruce and his bride Mona Marie (Sherman). George Couperthwaite Park is at 45 Kentview Crescent, between 14th Avenue and the Donald Cousens Parkway in Boxgrove, commemorating his sacrifice in the First WW. There is also a Couperthwaite Crescent east of Kennedy Road, north of Hwy 7.



The family is still serving Markham Fair, as Beverley Tooley, is the great granddaughter of John Couperthwaite and serves on the Decorating Committee and Roots and Vegetables

Committee. John Couperthwaite left a legacy and commitment still very much alive in our community today.

Past Presidents 1844 – 2024

- 1844 William Armstrong – Farmer, Hotel Proprietor*
- 1845 – 1855 – No Information
- 1856 Salem Eckhardt – Implement MFG & Auctioneer*
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- 1859 David Reesor – Senator, Cheese Factory Proprietor, Founder of Markham Newspaper*
- 1860 Thomas Milne – Farmer, Mill Operator*
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- 1862 Thomas Milne – Farmer, Mill Operator*
- 1863 William Eakin – Lumber Mill Proprietor*
- 1864 Henry Jennings – Farmer, Stock Raiser*
- 1865 Henry C. Marr – Grocer, Flour and Feed Merchant*
- 1866 Henry C. Marr – Grocer, Flour and Feed Merchant*
- 1867 James Tran – Farmer, Stock Producer*
- 1868 William Padget – Farmer*
- 1869 James Eckhardt – License Inspector and J.P.*
- 1870 James Eckhardt – License Inspector and J.P.*
- 1871 James Tran – Farmer*
- 1872 Robert Marsh – Farmer*
- 1873 Robert Marsh – Farmer*
- 1874 Edward Eckhardt – Farmer*
- 1875 Thomas Martin – Farmer*
- 1876 Robert Marsh – Farmer*
- 1877 Robert Marsh – Farmer*
- 1878 Henry T. Robson – Farmer, Gardener*
- 1879 Alex Pingle – Farmer*
- 1880 William C. Lundy – Cooper and Mill Owner*
- 1881 John Gormley – Farmer*
- 1882 Foster B. Hemingway – Farmer*
- 1883 William Milliken – Farmer, Postmaster, Cham'n Plowman*
- 1884 Arthur Quantz – Farmer*
- 1885 John Crawford – Farmer, Purebred Horses and Cattle*
- 1886 Henry R. Corson – Newspaper Publisher*
- 1887 James Gilmour – Commissioner of Affidavits*
- 1888 James Gilmour – Merchant*
- 1889 John Patterson – Farmer*
- 1890 Alex Russell – Farmer*
- 1891 Alex Pingle – Farmer*
- 1892 George Gormley – Farmer*
- 1893 James J. Grill – Farmer*
- 1894 Lem. Summerfelt – Farmer*
- 1895 Peter W. Boynton – Farmer*
- 1896 Wm. Grant – Farmer*
- 1897 John Miller – Pure Bred Cattle Importer*
- 1898 Garrett Vanzant – Merchant, Gov. of Toronto Jail*
- 1899 Dr. Russell C. Tefft – Veterinarian*
- 1900 John Lawrie – Farmer*
- 1901 John Isaac – Farmer, Cattle Importer*
- 1902 John W. Cowie – Farmer*

1903 James E. Eckardt – License Inspector and J.P.*
 1904 Tom Hood – Farmer*
 1905 Jonathan B. Gould – Farmer*
 1906 Jonathan B. Gould – Farmer*
 1907 William Harper – Blacksmith*
 1908 James Malcolm – Merchant and Insurance Agent*
 1909 Edward D. Kirk – Butcher*
 1910 Dr. N. James Armstrong – Veterinarian*
 1911 Robert Ormerod – Farmer*
 1912 Capt. Herbert S. Adam – Bank Manager*
 1913 James Torrance – Hotelkeeper, Horse Importer*
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 1915 Walter Milne – Farmer*
 1916 George Scott – Farmer*
 1917 Thomas Hargrave – Farmer*
 1918 Robert Cunningham – Farmer*
 1919 Peter H. Reesor – Farmer*
 1920 Fred E. N. Reesor – Locust Hill Creamery Proprietor*
 1921 George Tran – Farmer*
 1922 James Gleason – Farmer, Early Fire Chief*
 1923 D. Everton Jones – Mill Operator*
 1924 John Couperthwaite – Farmer*
 1925 G. Arthur M. Davison – Motor Car Agent, Post Office*
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 1927 John (Jack) H. Gowland – Farmer*
 1928 George Cowie – Farmer*
 1929 J. Wilmot Warriner – Farmer*
 1930 Edward (Ted) Mason – Farmer*
 1931 Robert C. Davidson – Farmer*
 1932 Wesley C. Gohn – Farmer, County Warden*
 1933 Robert P. Armstrong – Farmer*
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 1936 George L. Hambly – Farmer*
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 1938 Anson H. Crosby – Farmer, Orchard, Prize Poultryman*
 1939 William G. Maxwell – Road Superintendent, Farmer*
 1940 Lyman A. Kennedy – Farmer*
 1941 James Rennie – Farmer*
 1942 Orville B. Heisey – Milk Truck, Planing Mill Proprietor*
 1943 John Scott – Farmer*
 1944 Kenneth Deacon – Farmer*
 1945 William Clark – Farmer, Reeve*
 1946 George B. Little – Farmer, Army Officer*
 1947 John (Jack) Torrance – Clydesdale Horse Importer*
 1948 Fred Bagg – Farmer*
 1949 Charles Boynton – Farmer, Pure Bred Hogs*
 1950 Charles Boynton – Farmer, Pure Bred Hogs*
 1951 Earl Graham – Merchant, Postmaster*
 1952 Lloyd Turner – Farmer*
 1953 Joseph D. Lanthier – Farm Manager*
 1954 J. Gordon Lunau – Livestock Drover*
 1955 George W. Henry – Farmer*
 1956 Alex W. Davidson – Farmer*
 1957 Nick Schouten – Florist and Nursery Proprietor*
 1958 T. Harry Paisley – Livestock Drover*
 1959 David J. Tran – Farmer*
 1960 Raymond Brillinger – Mill Operator and Farmer*
 1961 Harry M. Warriner – Farmer*
 1962 Maurice Hamill – Farmer*
 1963 Dalton Rumney – Farmer*
 1964 Walter Gould – Farmer*
 1965 Howard Cosburn – Farmer*
 1966 Walter Reesor – Farmer*
 1967 William Sutherland – Farmer, Manager*
 1968 Joseph Tran – Farmer*
 1969 Charles E. Reeve – Clerk of the Court*
 1970 Bert Gardhouse – Farmer*
 1971 Bert Paisley – Livestock Drover*
 1972 Gerald Mann – Farmer Manager*
 1973 Ellis Britton – Farmer*
 1974 Robert H. Thompson – Railway Carman Inspector*
 1975 Ivan Norton – Farmer*
 1976 Harvey Brown – Farmer*
 1977 Rogers Gardham – Bank Manager*
 1978 (Mrs.) Alma Walker – Social Services Worker, Mayor*
 1979 Brian (Mac) Cosburn – Engineer*
 1980 Fred W. Crawford – Bank Manager*
 1981 Dennis Seeley – Police Sergeant*
 1982 William Walker – Auctioneer*
 1983 Barry Little – Dairy Farmer*
 1984 Bryan Armstrong – Farmer, Actor*
 1985 Harold R. Snowball – Fire Captain*
 1986 Mary (Cosburn) Beare – Homemaker*
 1987 Rick Wannop – Farmer*
 1988 David Morrison – Contractor*
 1989 Diane Ward – Homemaker*
 1990 Carol Ann White – Weaving Instructor*
 1991 Don Miller – Dairy Farmer*
 1992 Bob Little – Regional Waterworks Manager*
 1993 Trevor Hurley – Medical Salesman*
 1994 Brian Lee – Businessman*
 1995 Doug Savage – Dairy Farmer*
 1996 Jan King – Farmer and Businessman*
 1997 Carrie Purcell – Research Manager/Veterinary Technician*
 1998 David Owen – Electrician*
 1999 Terry Boag – School Teacher*
 2000 Chris King – School Principal*
 2001 Ray Brown – Auctioneer*
 2002 Gord Deacon – Contractor*
 2003 Kim Empringham – Veterinary Technician*
 2004 Paul Reesor – Dairy Farmer*
 2005 Lynne Harrington – Homemaker*
 2006 Paul Donahoe – Fire Captain*
 2007 Blair Purcell – Entrepreneur*
 2008 Blair Seeley – Entrepreneur*
 2009 Karen Murphy – Nurse*
 2010 Kevin Hollands – Entrepreneur*
 2011 Robert Miller – Hydro Supervisor*
 2012 Phillip Redshaw – Logistics & Inventory Control Manager*
 2013 Lesley English – CFO, VP of Operations*
 2014 Kelly Winnitoy – Customer Relations Consultant*
 2015 Bryant Hulshof – Farmer/Contractor*
 2016 Todd Little – Hydro Utilities/Commodities Farmer*

2017 Darren Little – Golf Course Grounds Manager
 2018 Doug van Wolde – Website Developer/Professional
 Photographer
 2019 Michelle Hulshof – School Teacher
 2020 Amanda King – School Teacher
 2021 Amanda King – School Teacher
 2022 Brad Hulshof – Dairy Farmer
 2023 Chris Reesor – Dairy Farmer
 2024 Scott Redshaw – Heavy Equipment Technician Supervisor

*Deceased

Homecraft Past Presidents

1957 Nance Gowland*
 1958 Aileen Lunau – Homemaker*
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 1962 Hilda Cambell – Seamstress*
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 1964 Hilda Cambell – Seamstress*
 1965 Olive Shadlock – Homemaker*
 1966 Olive Shadlock – Homemaker*
 1967 Joyce Miles – Organist
 1968 Joyce Miles – Organist
 1969 Cora Brodie – Fair Secretary
 1970 Mary (Cosburn) Beare – Homemaker*
 1971 Helen Hamill – School Teacher, Farmwife*
 1972 Helen Hamill – School Teacher, Farmwife*
 1973 Kay Thompson – Homemaker, Office Assistant*
 1974 Kay Thompson – Homemaker, Office Assistant*
 1975 Inger Grieve – Homemaker, Realtor*
 1976 Inger Grieve – Homemaker, Realtor*
 1977 Alma Walker – Social Services Worker, Mayor*
 1978 Gerri Seeley – X-ray Technician*
 1979 Gerri Seeley – X-ray Technician*
 1980 Marjorie Walters - Executive Secretary Television Ratings*
 1981 Marjorie Walters - Executive Secretary Television Ratings*
 1982 Jennie Mann – Cake Decorator, Business Owner*
 1983 Jennie Mann – Cake Decorator, Business Owner*
 1984 Carol Ann White – Weaving Instructor
 1985 Isobel Woods – Dog Breeder
 1986 Doris Thomas – Teacher, Homemaker
 1987 Mary Webster – Town Crier Hospitality
 1988 Pauline Davis – Drugstore Sales Associate
 1989 Marilyn Tufford – Sales Co-ordinator, Runway Model
 1990 Phyllis Owen – Housewife
 1991 Esther Lewis – Homemaker
 1992 Helen White – Teacher*
 1993 Gilda Hurley – Bookkeeper*
 1994 Bonnie MacAloney – Bookkeeper, Office Manager*
 1995 Ann Parker – Home Economist
 1996 Doreen Mount – Homemaker*
 1997 Carol DeGeer – Bookkeeper, Church Secretary
 1998 Marie Strath – Teacher
 1999 Sandra Wilson – Law Clerk
 2000 Marion Norton – Field Interviewer

2001 Nancy Letman – Community Program Co-ordinator
 2002 Sarah van Wolde – Credit Manager
 2003 Lorna Sheehy – Teacher
 2004 Karen Belanger – Homemaker
 2005 Marsha Lipsius – Registered Nurse
 2006 Barbara Patrick – Elementary School Teacher*
 2007 Elaine Rennie-Preston – Construction Office Administrator
 2008 Judy Laphorne – Secretary, Nurse School Staff Support
 2009 Jamie Vander Henne – Florist
 2010 Karen Lewis – Insurance Broker
 2011 Mary Webster – Town Crier Hospitality
 2012 Elaine Rennie – Construction Office Administrator
 2013 Cathy Edwards – Sales Executive
 2014 Cathy Holden – Volunteer Organizations
 2015 Judy Bell – Customer Service Manager
 2016 Tina Smith – Elementary School Teacher
 2017 Heather Kennedy – Picker/Packer
 2018 Judi Francis – Homemaker
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 2020 Hope Shier – Developmental Support Worker
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 2022 Hope Shier – Developmental Support Worker
 2023 Deanna Cheriton – Park and Land Manager
 2024 Ben Shaw – Librarian

*Deceased

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