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Welcome to the 70th Annual Bridgewater Country Fair!

Last year's fair attendance was record-breaking! We welcomed nearly 32,000 visitors throughout the weekend. Smiling children lined the sides of the street for our Fireman's Parade and were in awe of all the animals and rides! Many new folks experienced our Bridgewater Fair traditions of food, entertainment, and country fun. The energy of the crowd invigorated our fair volunteers! We're back and ready to make the 70th anniversary of the 2023 Bridgewater Fair the best ever!

This fair is such a success due to the dedication of our volunteers. Countless hours are spent in preparation to make this community event so memorable for families. On behalf of the Fair Committee, we thank our local Bridgewater volunteers, neighboring towns, and mutual aid departments for their assistance. Our Bridgewater Volunteer Fire Department, Ambulance, Women's Auxiliary, and their families provide year-round support. Their ongoing sacrifice is deeply appreciated.

We are the last self-sustained fire department in Connecticut. We own the land, buildings, apparatus, and equipment necessary to keep our local town citizens and surrounding communities safe. **The fair is the main fundraiser for our department!** This event helps raise money to pay utility bills, purchase safety gear for our first responders, maintain our trucks, and countless other needs. The Bridgewater Volunteer Fire Department does not receive town tax dollars to support our department. We are thankful for your continued support and are ready to welcome you to the 2023 fair!

2023 Fair Chairman, Eric Gsell



2023 Fair Chairman, Eric Gsell & Asst. Fair Chairman Scott Shail

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Livestock Manager..... Jamie Sullivan

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Chicken Tent Josh Murphy
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Ice Cream Kim Lang
Main Food Billy Benson, Eric Vikstrom
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Watering Hole Glenn Wilson

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Midway..... Cindy Bennett

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Publicity	Cathi Sullivan
Raffle	Ron Rotter
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Garden Tractor Pull	Shawn Uscilla.....	(203) 410-2118
Goats	Sarah Foreman	(203) 648-0630
Hobbies - Jr & Sr	Ashley Marsh	(203) 240-8420
Home Arts	Katie Golembeski	(203) 297-2636
Needlework	Erin Byrne.....	(203) 885-0792
Photo	Carol Wilbur.....	(203) 648-3415
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Rabbit & Cavy	Sierra Fitzgerald	(203) 558-2148
Sheep	Jon & Ginni Dodd	(203) 263-4725
Women's Auxiliary	Ann Frattalone.....	(860) 350-3042
Working & Draft Cattle	Robert Fisher.....	(203) 775-6994
	Lew Clark.....	(860) 567-8522

The Bridgewater Fire Department and the Fair Committee wish to express their sincere thanks to all who contributed their time and support to help make our Fair a success.

General Admission

Admission - \$10.00 Children 12 and under **FREE**
3 Day Pass - \$25.00

Senior Citizens (age 60+) - \$8.00 **ALL WEEKEND**

Veteran's Discount (with valid I.D.) - \$8.00 **ALL WEEKEND**

Hours of Operation:

Friday 4:00 pm until 11:00 pm
Saturday 8:00 am until 11:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am until 6:00 pm

The Back Gate(s)

will be open for a limited time each day

Friday Open until 7:00 pm
Re-open from 10:00 -11:30 pm

Saturday Open from 6:00 - 9:00 am
Re-open from 10:00 -11:30 pm

Sunday Open from 6:00 - 9:00 am
Re-open at 6:00 pm

Directions to Fair

Best route to Fairgrounds from I-84 Eastbound -
Use Exit 9 - Drive North to Route 133.

From I-84 Westbound -
Use Exit 15 in Southbury - Follow Route 67 North to Route 133

Follow signs to Fair Parking

Fair Information: (860) 354-4730

Website: *www.bridgewaterfair.com*

GENERAL RULES

1. Admission - \$10.00; Children 12 and under **FREE**.
2. Senior Citizens (age 60+) - \$8.00 Friday, Saturday & Sunday.
3. Veteran's Discount (with valid I.D.) - \$8.00 Friday, Saturday & Sunday.
4. Three Day Pass - \$25.00; may be purchased up to the Friday of the fair.
5. All entry blanks must be sent to committee heads.
6. Exhibits are open to all.
7. No Industrial Exhibitor may remove exhibits before 9:00 pm, Sunday of the fair.
8. Cattle, Sheep & Poultry must be on the grounds before 6:00 pm on Friday of the fair.
9. Grounds will be policed from Thursday night before the Fair thru the Monday after the fair.
10. **NO DOGS ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS** with the exceptions of service dogs and pet parade dogs.
11. All invoices must be submitted to the Fair on or before September 15, 2023 to P.O. Box 314, Bridgewater, CT 06752.
12. *No unauthorized motorized vehicles allowed on the Fair Grounds.*

CONNECTICUT RABIES ADVISORY DO NOT TOUCH OR FEED ANIMALS



FAIR REGULATIONS

1. All exhibitors must have their stock ready for inspection Saturday at 10:00 am or the committee will not be responsible for neglect in judging them.
2. No premiums will be paid on the dates of the Fair, except where otherwise stated. Premium list must be given directly to the Treasurer.
3. All premiums awarded will be paid after October 1, 2023 by the Treasurer without solicitation, but if any exhibitor fails to receive his premium by November 1, 2023, they should notify the Treasurer, giving their mailing address.
4. The officers will use all precautions for the safety of goods on exhibitions, but in no case will be responsible for any loss or damage which may occur. Goods will be housed in tents, which will be patrolled nightly.
5. No animal or article shall receive first money unless shown against competition. Where there is no competition, blue ribbon and second place premium will be paid.
6. If the receipts should not be sufficient to pay the premiums in full, a proportionate reduction will be made in all classes.
7. The Bridgewater Fire Department will not be responsible for any damage done to persons, teams, automobiles, etc.
8. **No vehicles** are permitted on the grounds prior to 6:00 pm, Sunday of the fair.
9. All livestock must remain on exhibit until 6:00 pm, Sunday of the fair.
10. All concessionaires must pay full amount of privilege before setting up stand and doing business.
11. All vehicles carrying animals must enter the **North Gate**. **NO EXCEPTIONS ARE TO BE MADE TO THIS RULE.** No camping allowed on Fair Grounds.
12. It is important that the number of animals be specified on the entry. This is necessary so that the Livestock Committee can reserve the proper number of ties for each entry.
13. Entries for articles not listed in the Premium Book will not be accepted.
14. Exhibitors of Flowers, Vegetables, Fruits, Baked Goods, Needlework, and Hobbies **DO NOT** receive a free pass to enter the Fair.
15. Interested in becoming a vendor in 2024? check our website at www.bridgewaterfair.com/vendorinfo

All animals in competition must have current Rabies vaccinations.

**NO PETS ALLOWED
ON FAIR GROUNDS OR PARKING LOTS**



THE BRIDGEWATER FIREMEN'S FAIR

Originally printed in the Our Town, August 1984

Written by: Thomas Peardon



Memorial Day Parade - Circa 1950's

Bridgewater is widely known as a small town with a big Fair. There are people, living in the mid-west who plan their vacations around the Bridgewater Fair so they may be in attendance. The attendance has grown yearly and has exceeded 40,000 people!

It was a very small Fair when it started 32 years ago. The first program was a modest, mimeographed brochure made by folding an 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 11 sheet in two. There were only three tents for the exhibits and three classes of entries - dairy, sheep and a miscellaneous class of vegetables and fruits, flowers and plants, and baked goods.

Today there are sixteen tents with a wide variety of attractions. All departments have been expanded and new ones added. New additions include: the State sheep show, 4-H exhibits, draft cattle, poultry displays, a collection of old machinery, and a photo contest. Also, the baking contest is always of interest.

Sadly, some old-fashioned activities like the horseshoe pitching contest have disappeared, but lumberjacks compete in showing their skill with the axe. The Sunday ox drawing always draws many onlookers. The Saturday night chicken barbecue is usually sold out.

All this is preceded Friday evening by a Firemen's parade that grows longer every year. The crowds of onlookers gather hours before the parade steps off.

For over thirty-two years many people have been involved in the success of Bridgewater's biggest event. But two long timers must be mentioned. The late Chet Boyd, the Fair's first chairman, presided over its destinies during the years of greatest expansion. The Chet Boyd Memorial Trophy has been established in his memory. Helen Stuart was Secretary of the Fair for about twenty-five years. Everybody became familiar with her voice booming out over the loudspeaker calling wandering officials back to the office or making important announcements.

The Fair is the Volunteer Firemen's chief money raiser. More than anything else, it pays for the shiny new equipment we admire so much in the parade and are so happy to see roll into our yards in times of trouble.

Let us not forget that the Firemen do not merely fight fires and drive the ambulance. They are on call in every emergency, whether it be flooded cellars that need pumping out or serious accidents. More and more, too, they are getting training for their jobs. What would we do without them?

CHET BOYD MEMORIAL TROPHY



Awarded annually in memory of our first Fair Chairman, Chet Boyd

Sponsoring families shall be limited to residents of Bridgewater.
Families for this award shall consist of direct family lines;
parents, children, grandchildren, etc.

The trophy will be based on total score received for various entries by the same family. The following points will be given:

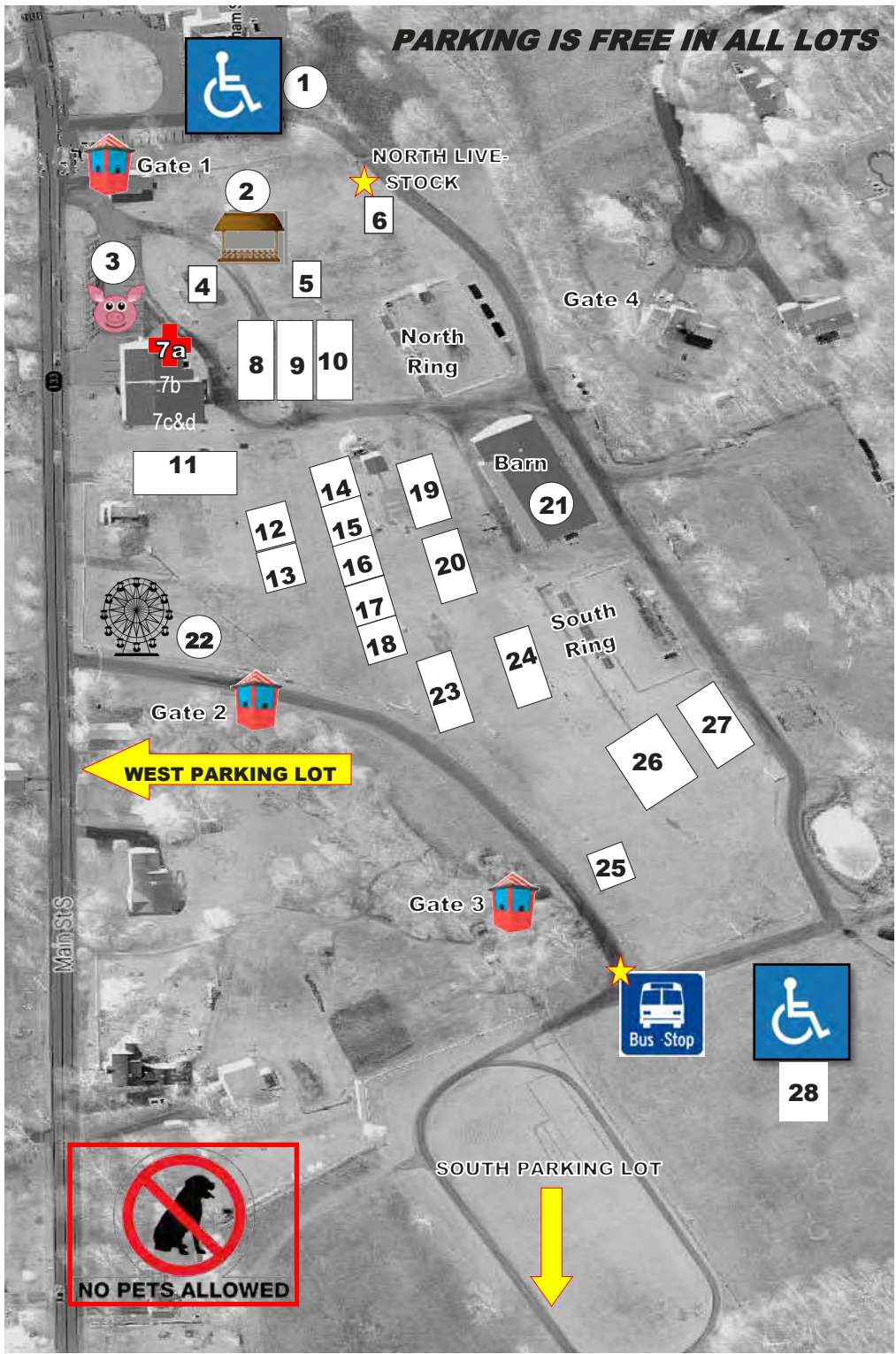
Grand Champion Best of Show, etc.	15
1st Place	10
2nd Place	5
Third Place	2

In the case of a tie, 4th Place will receive one point.

Superintendents are required to submit their winners to the Home Arts Superintendent by 1:00 pm Sunday. ***Exhibitors must inform the superintendent or department heads if they do not wish to compete for this trophy.***

NOTE: As of the 1982 Fair, only a total of 60 points per category will be considered.





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70th Annual Bridgewater Fire Department Raffle

A total of two (2) prizes are to be awarded.

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2nd Prize - \$10,000



Tickets are \$20.00 each

Drawing to be held on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 6:00 pm
at the Bridgewater Fire House,
100 Main Street, Bridgewater, CT 06752.

*****Winner need not be present to win.*****

Prizes are not redeemable for cash.

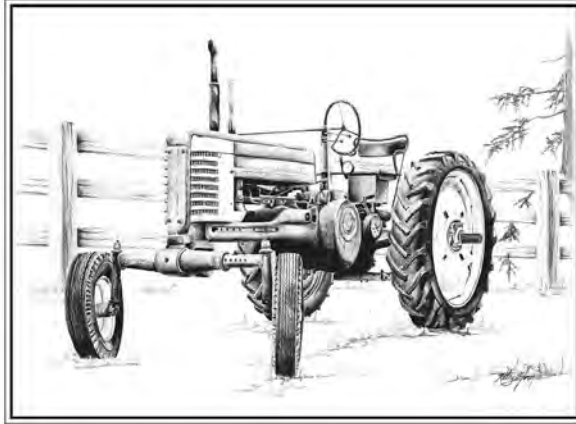
Raffle Chairman - Ron Rotter

Tickets available from Bridgewater Firefighters & EMTs at
The Bridgewater Mobil, Bridgewater Town Hall, Village Store,
Burnham Library, and the Bridgewater Senior Center.

Also available at the Bridgewater Firehouse -
Thursdays at 7:00 pm & Sundays at 9:00 am

ANTIQUE TRACTOR PULL
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GARDEN TRACTOR PULL (Open - Anyone can pull)

Garden Tractor Information:

Information: Shawn Uscilla (203) 410-2118

Email: Fire23su@aol.com

Super Stock Information: Steve Palinkas (860) 921-3918

1st time pullers will pull - must meet regulations at next pull.

- CLASS 1 - Stock. Kids 6-10 yrs old, up to 12 hp with 23/10.5/12 or smaller tires
- CLASS 2 - Stock. Kids 11-14 yrs old, up to 12 hp with 23/10.5/12 or smaller tires
- CLASS 3 - Stock. Kids 6-14 yrs old, up to 14-20 hp with 26/12/12 or smaller tires
- CLASS 3G - GRAVELY. Kids 6-14 yrs old, with 26/10.5/12 or smaller tires
- CLASS 4 - Stock. Adult, 15+ yrs old, up to 11 hp with 23/10.5/12 or smaller tires
- CLASS 5 - Stock. Adult, 15+ yrs old, 12-16 hp with 23/10.5/12 or smaller tires
- CLASS 6 - Stock. Adult, 15+ yrs old, 17-20 hp with 26/12/12 or smaller tires
- CLASS 6G - GRAVELY. Adult, 15+ yrs old, with 26/12/12 or smaller tires
- CLASS 7 - Stock Big Wheels. Kids 6-14 yrs old, up to 20 hp with 16-24" tires, no larger than 8.3 x 24 or 9.5
- CLASS 8 - Stock Big Wheels. Adult 15+ yrs old, up to 20 hp with 16-24" tires, no larger than 8.3 x 24 or 9.5
- CLASS 9 - Super Stock. Adult 15+ yrs old. Kids under the age of 15 years old may pull with approval of officials

**IMPORTANT: The age of the puller on May 1st will determine the class he/she will pull to the entire season.*

*NOTE: Tractors with factory stock 15" rims will be classed on an individual basis.
FYI: A 23/10.5/12 tire is 23" tall, 10.5" wide, and on a 12" rim. A 26/12/12 tire is 26" tall, 12" wide, and on a 12" rim.*

GENERAL RULES - ALL CLASSES

Children under the age of fourteen (14) will not be allowed in the pit except when pulling - If two or more are pulling with the same tractor, children waiting must wait outside the pit.

1. NEW REQUIEMENT: All tractors from Class 1 to Super Stock MUST have wheelie bars.
2. A full pull is 8 feet. If you pull under 2 feet, you have the option to try again first round only.
3. Boundary lines will be 10 feet apart. If tractor or stone boat hits the boundary lines, the driver and the tractor will be disqualified.
4. **NO JERKING THE STONE BOAT.** You must tighten the chain before pulling.
5. Drivers must remain seated IN THE SEAT. Drivers must keep one hand on the steering wheel at all times while pulling. No leaning back further than the back edge of the seat.
6. ADULTS - - Only one person, per tractor, per class. Two children from the immediate family, per tractor, may pull in the same class only if one tractor is used.

GARDEN TRACTOR PULL
GENERAL RULES
continued

7. Kids 6-14 yrs old must be able to safely operate tractor to the satisfaction of our officials. Kids must also have an adult coach at ALL TIMES. Coaches must remain outside of the boundary lines at the time of the pull.
8. Officials will "class" and check all the tractors. Their judgments are final.
9. No horseplay or alcoholic beverages allowed. No passengers on the tractor.
10. **NO CHEATING!** CHEAT ONCE: WARNING. CHEAT TWICE: MISS TWO PULLS. CHEAT 3 TIMES: KIDS OUT FOR THE SEASON / ADULTS OUT PERMANENTLY.
11. All tractors must have clevis or hole in draw bar large enough to accept hook from stone boat. Hole must be at least 2" in diameter. Hitch shall be located 1" below center line of rear axle.
12. Class winners will be allowed to move up to the next class pull - they will **COMPETE FOR FUN ONLY, NOT FOR RIBBONS.**
13. Pulling committee and officials reserve the right to add any additional rules and correct any problems that happen at a pull.
14. After pulling, take your tractor directly to the truck or trailer it will be loaded on; no driving around the fair grounds. No speeding through the fair grounds or parking areas.
15. Only GAS pump fuel permitted no aviation, racing fuel!!
16. Only one driver per tractor per class (kids class may pull same tractor if family only has one).

STOCK GARDEN TRACTORS:

1. Stock Garden tractors up to 20hp, 1 or 2 cylinders, gas. Engine cannot run over 3,600 rpm.
2. All tractors shall maintain original engine hp and number of cylinders. Any tractor not meeting engine requirements shall pull in SUPER STOCK.
3. ALL tractors must have a rigid draw bar height for BIG WHEELS, Classes 7 and 8 will be 12 inches from the ground - Economy tractors will have a stock hitch that was original equipment or one rebuilt to original specs. **NO BOLT ON DRAW BARS BEHIND THE REAR AXLE.**
4. **NO LOCKED REAR ENDS PERMITTED—THOSE EQUIPPED CAN NOT USE THEM. WE WILL BE WATCHING!!**
5. Wheel Weights - Classes 1–8
 - 8" thru 12" (can be homemade) not to exceed 75 lbs per wheel
 - Big Wheels - Manufactured only; not to exceed 140 lbs per wheel. NOTE: Weights may be weighed any time at the discretion of an official; they must be removable.
6. Under mounted mowers are allowed. No chains over 10" long to hold mower deck of tractor. **NO OTHER ATTACHMENTS.**
7. No cut tires; no tire chains; no dual wheels; 4x4s; Crawlers; Steel Wheels; Pit Bulls; C-Peks or professional pulling tires.
8. **WHEELIE BARS** - Must be strong enough to support tractor. Bars must be made of 2" sq. tubing, 1/8" thick, or flat stock, 1/4 x 2 1/4 max. brace 1 1/4 x 1 1/4 x 1/8 angle. Cross brace must not interfere with hitch or chain. Bars must not extend more than 4" behind the exterior of the tire, no more than 6 inches from the ground. They must have wheels or pads.

STOCK GARDEN TRACTORS

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9. Cub Cadets: MUST have a shield to deflect any flying parts to the ground in event of a mishap. Shield must be made of 16 gauge steel or 1/8" aluminum and surround the clutch housing on top and both sides.
10. Gravely tractors shall have a flywheel shield of extruded /expanded steel or 1/8 thick plate no larger than 12' x 12'. It will be install to block the rear flywheel from hands
11. Stock seats only. NO CAR OR TRUCK SEATS, BUCKET SEATS OR OTHERWISE.

CLASS 9

1. Garden tractors up to 20 hp, one or two cylinder, 4 cycle, gasoline engines. Engines must come from a Garden tractor.
2. Tractor shall run Gas pump fuel only. No racing, Alcohol or aviation fuel permitted.
3. Engines shall be stock not modified.
4. Tractors must maintain the look/Sheet metal of a stock garden tractor
5. Frame cannot be lengthened more than 4". Hood cannot be raised more than 3". Tractors must have wheelie bars that are strong enough to support the tractor. Wheelie bars must not extend 4" behind the exterior of the tire and will be no more than 6" from the ground. See Stock Tractor rules for requirements.
6. All tractors must have a rigid draw bar. Maximum draw bar height will be 14". Draw bars may not extend rearward more than 15" from the center of the axle. Rear engine tractors being the exception, with rigid draw bars being as close as possible to the engine.
7. Maximum engine RPM must not exceed 4000 RPM's and may be checked at any time. All tractors must have sufficient shielding of belts, chains, clutches, etc., to deflect any flying parts to the ground.
8. Any type of tire may be used. Tires can be modified. Maximum tire size will be 31/15.5/15. No dual wheels, tire chains or studs.
9. Super Stock tractors cannot pull in any other class. Tractor may not weight more than 1700 lbs. with 31/15.5/15 tires, and 1800 lbs. with 26/12.5x12 tires. Weight may be added to achieve these weights.
10. All tractor weights be secured to the chassis so they can not fall off. Any weights that fall off pull will be disqualified.
11. ANY TRACTOR NOT FULLY PASSING SAFETY INSPECTION SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PULL.
12. Pullers are asked to provide pictures of tractor on scale with ticket.

NOTICE: Super Stock tractors will be weighted. There will be a one time fee for the scale to be paid by the puller. Tractors may be rechecked at any time at a later pull at no fee, and at the discretion of the officials.

Classes will not be pulled in number order in all fairness, so no class pulls first or last all season. Pulling order will be decided on day of event.

CHILDREN'S PEDAL TRACTOR PULL

Saturday & Sunday 11:00 am - in front of the Band Stand

Committee:

Bob, Kevin, Nancy Stuart, & Paul Hurd

1. Event is open to boys & girls 5 to 10 years of age
2. To participate, sign up at the Fair Office
3. Saturday & Sunday from 8:00 to 11:00 am
4. Three Classes: 5 & 6 year olds
 7 & 8 year olds
 9 & 10 year olds
5. The winner of each class is the contestant that pulls the heaviest load the farthest distance. A *Full Pull* is 6 feet (72 inches).
6. Ribbons for the first six places will be awarded in each class.
7. All participants will receive a participation ribbon.

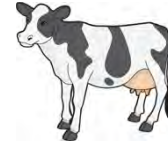




Gone Country



DAIRY
Superintendent - Jamie Sullivan
43 Curtis Road (860) 354-6791
Brian Sullivan



All animals must be owned or leased by 5/1/2023. Juniors must be 7 years old by 1/1/2023 to exhibit dairy cattle. **Registration and lease papers are required.**

HEALTH RULES FOR CATTLE

1. All animals over 3 months must have a rabies vaccination certificate.
2. Exhibitors must have health certificates, test charts, and vaccination certificates to show their livestock at Connecticut Fairs and Shows.
3. Should animals originate from out-of-state, they must be from Brucellosis-Negative herds blood tested within 12 months. Official vaccinates over 18 months of age and non-vaccinates over 8 months old must be negative to the blood test within 30 days prior to shipment, and must be Tuberculosis-Negative, tested within 12 months of fair.
4. All animals should be in show condition for competition.
5. **ANIMALS MUST BE ON THE FAIR GROUNDS BY 6:00 PM ON FRIDAY.**
6. All livestock must remain on the grounds until 6:00 pm Sunday.
7. Bedding - sawdust only, will be supplied by the Fair.
8. Where there is no competition, the judge will award ribbon and prize money as he/she sees fit.
9. Trophies will be awarded to the **BEST OF SHOW** winner in junior.
10. Herdsmanship contest sponsored by the Fair. The junior exhibitor doing the best job of taking care of their exhibit space will be awarded a trophy.
11. **SHOW WHITES ARE REQUIRED.**
12. The dairy committee reserves the right to reject any entry in question, and to remove any animal from the grounds for health reasons.
13. \$2.00 Entry fee per animal.
14. **ANY EXHIBITOR CONSUMING OR DISPENSING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN THE DAIRY BARN OR ON THE FAIR GROUNDS WILL FORFEIT THEIR PREMIUM MONEY.**
15. SHOWMANSHIP: Saturday at 9:00 am **MANDATORY.**
16. The Junior Show will take place Saturday after Showmanship.
17. All entries including showmanship and toddler showman must be received by 8/12/2023.
18. All entry blanks must be filled out completely: Name, Address, Phone and Date of Birth.

DAIRY - Junior Show

Saturday

AYSHIRES ~ JERSEYS ~ GUERNSEYS ~ HOLSTEINS

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CLASS 1:	Spring Heifer Calves	Born on or after 3/1/23
CLASS 2:	Winter Heifer Calves	Born 12/1/22 - 2/28/23
CLASS 3:	Fall Heifer Calves	Born 9/1/22 - 11/30/22
CLASS 4:	Summer Yearling Heifer	Born 6/1/22 - 8/31/22
CLASS 5:	Spring Yearling Heifer	Born 3/1/22 - 5/31/22
CLASS 6:	Winter Yearling Heifer	Born 12/1/21 - 2/28/22
CLASS 7:	Fall Yearling Heifer	Born 9/1/21- 11/30/21

**JUNIOR CHAMPION Judging – 1st and 2nd place winners from class's 1 thru 7
CHAMPION / RESERVE Junior Champion**

CLASS 8:	Two Year Old Cows	Born 9/1/20 - 8/31/21
CLASS 9:	Three Year Old Cows	Born 9/1/19 - 8/31/20
CLASS 10:	Aged Cows	Born before Sept. 1, 2019
CLASS 11:	Dry Cows	Must have calved at least once

**SENIOR CHAMPION Judging - 1st and 2nd place winners from class's 8 thru 11
CHAMPION / RESERVE Senior Champion –**

BEST of BREED Judging - champion winners from JR and SR classes 1 thru 11

OVERALL BEST of SHOW

CLASS 12:	Best Two Females - Owned or leased by one exhibitor
CLASS 13:	Dam and one daughter
CLASS 14:	Best animal bred and owned by Jr. Exhibitor
CLASS 15:	Club Herd - 4 animals owned by 3 club members

PRIZE MONEY

1st - \$50.00	2nd - \$35.00	3rd - \$30.00
4th - \$25.00	5th - \$20.00	6th - \$15.00

\$30.00 Awarded for Best of Breed Champions - must be at least 6 animals of breed shown

SHOWMANSHIP

Showmanship will be held on Saturday at 9:00 am

**All Showmanship ages are as of Jan. 1, 2023*

50% for animal fitting / 50% for showmanship

CLASS A	Senior Showmanship	Ages 16 - 19
CLASS B	Intermediate Showmanship	Ages 13 - 15
CLASS C	Junior Showmanship	Ages 7 - 12
CLASS D	Novice Showmanship (1st yr showman)	Ages 7 - 19
CLASS E	Peewee Showmanship	Ages 6 & under

All Jr Dairy Show entries, including showmanship class, must be received by 8/12/2023

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YOUTH BEEF CATTLE SHOW

Superintendent - Matt Conway
17 Apple Lane, Roxbury, CT 06783
(203) 300-4610

(Send entries and entry fees to the Superintendent)

All animals shown by Junior Exhibitors must be owned or leased by exhibitors.
Registration and lease papers are required.

HEALTH RULES FOR CATTLE

1. All animals over 3 months must have a rabies vaccination certificate.
2. Exhibitors must have health certificates in order to show their livestock at Connecticut Fairs and Shows.
3. All entries must originate in a Tuberculosis-Negative herd, and from Brucellosis-Negative herds under state supervision.
4. Should animals originate from out-of-state, they must be from Brucellosis-Negative herds blood tested within 12 months. Official vaccinates over 18 months of age and non-vaccinates over 8 months old must be negative to the blood test within 30 days prior to shipment, and must be Tuberculosis-Negative, tested within 12 months of fair.
5. All animals should be in show condition for competition.
6. **ANIMALS MUST BE ON THE FAIR GROUNDS BY 6:00 PM ON FRIDAY.**
7. All livestock must remain on the grounds until 6:00 pm Sunday.
8. Bedding - sawdust only, will be supplied by the Fair.
9. Where there is no competition, the judge will award ribbon and prize money as he/she sees fit.
10. Herdsmanship contest sponsored by the Fair. The junior exhibitor doing the best job of taking care of their exhibit space will be awarded a trophy.
11. The Beef Committee reserves the right to reject any entry in question, and to remove any animal from the grounds for health reasons.
12. \$2.00 Entry fee per animal.
13. **ANY EXHIBITOR CONSUMING OR DISPENSING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN THE DAIRY BARN OR ON THE FAIR GROUNDS WILL FORFEIT THEIR PREMIUM MONEY.**
14. SHOWMANSHIP: Saturday - **MANDATORY FOR BEEF SHOWMANSHIP AT 11:00 AM.**
15. All entry blanks for both events including showmanship and toddler showman must be received by August 4, 2023.
16. All entry blanks must be filled out completely: Name, Address, Phone and Date of Birth for each exhibitor.
17. All entries received will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis until the barn is full.
18. Each animal may only be shown in one Breed Class.
19. No professional fitters.
20. All Classes limited to 2 animals per exhibitor per class. The order of the Beef Show: Fitting & Showmanship, Heifer Beef Show & Steer Show.

BEEF - JUNIOR SHOW

Saturday

**Registered Purebred Angus ~ Registered Hereford
~ All Other Breeds (or AOB)**
***including all Crossbred Cattle and other registered breeds**

HEIFER SHOW

CLASS B1: Spring Heifer Calf Newborn - 6 months old
CLASS B2: Junior Heifer Calf 6 months - 1 year old
CLASS B3: Winter Heifer 1 year old - 18 months
CLASS B4: Senior Heifer 18 months - 2 years old

Champion / Reserve Champion Judging – 1st and 2nd place winners from class's
B1 thru B4

CLASS B5: Cow / Calf Class Cows over 2 with Calf at side
CLASS B6: Bull Calf Class 6 months and under

STEER SHOW: *All Classes will be divided evenly according to weights*

CLASS B7: Light Weight
CLASS B8: Medium Weight
CLASS B9: Heavy Weight

Grand Champion Steer Judging – 1st and 2nd place winners from class's
B7 thru B9

**All Steers to be weighed in on Friday Evening (Time to be announced)*

YOUTH BEEF FITTING & SHOWMANSHIP *(age as of Jan 1, 2023)*

CLASS B10: Senior 14 - 19 years old
CLASS B11: Junior 7 -13 years old
CLASS B12: Novice Never shown before, First year (7 - 19 years old)
CLASS B13: Peewee Showmanship (Children 6 & under with an adult at their side)

BEEF BREED & SHOWMANSHIP **PRIZE MONEY - JUNIOR SHOW**

1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$40.00 3rd - \$30.00 4th - \$20.00 5th - \$10.00

*All Beef Show entries including showmanship and toddler showman must be
received by August 4, 2023.*

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GOATS

Sarah Foreman, Superintendent

297 Southbury Rd., Roxbury, CT 06783, (203) 648-0630

All animals shown by Junior Exhibitors must be owned or leased by exhibitors by July 1st. No animals under 1 month of age may show. Registration and Lease papers are required. Junior Exhibitors must be between the ages of 7-19, as of January 1, 2023.

Health Rules for Goats

A copy of health papers and registration papers must accompany animals onto fairgrounds.

No Horned Animals will be allowed onto the grounds.

All goats shall originate from herds that meet the testing and health requirements of the State of Connecticut. State livestock inspectors will request proof of compliance with state requirements.

CT Goats: All goats must have a health certificate issued within 30 days of their first show date by an accredited veterinarian stating that the animals are in good health and free of obvious signs of infectious disease and not from a scrapie exposed herd.

Out-Of-State-Goats: All goats must be accompanied by a health certificate issued within 30 days of their first show date by an accredited veterinarian stating that they are free of infectious and contagious disease and are not from a scrapie exposed herd. All goats must originate from brucellosis and TB-Free herd. Goats over 3 months old must test negative to TB and Brucellosis within 12 months of their first show date. Kids under 3 months of age may go on dam's test chart if the dam was tested within the past 12 months and a copy of the results is provided. Weathers are exempt from brucellosis testing.

Health checks will be done as animals are unloaded.

Rabies vaccine is strongly recommended!

All animals should be in show condition for competition.

Animals must be on the fairgrounds by 5:00 pm on Friday and are not released until 6:00 pm Sunday.

Bedding - Sawdust only will be provided by the fair.

Show Whites/Khakis are required when showing!

If necessary, the Superintendent may limit the number of entries due to space limitations. All entries will be taken on a first come first serve basis.

The Superintendent reserves the right to reject any entry in question, and to remove any animal from the grounds for health reasons.

GOATS

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Showmanship is Mandatory

All Entries must be received by August 4, 2023

All Entry Blanks must be filled in completely; Name, Address, Phone number, Date of Birth, and t-shirt size.

No Pre-show milk-out. Milkers will be shown first.

Does older than 2 years of age that are not in milk must be shown in pet class.

Any exhibitor consuming or dispensing alcoholic beverages in the barn or on the grounds will forfeit their premium money.

GOATS - JUNIOR SHOW

Please send entries to:

Sarah Foreman, 297 Southbury Rd., Roxbury, CT 06783 (203) 648-0630

Entries Deadline: August 4, 2023

Show is Saturday at 10:00 AM

Showmanship Classes

Novice (9-19 years old, First year showmen only),
Junior (7-13 years old) **Senior** (14-19 years old)

Future 4-H'er: under 7 years of age, goats may be borrowed from another exhibitor for this class, no premiums paid.

Alpine~ LaMancha~ Nigerian Dwarf~ Nubian~ Oberhaslie~
Recorded Grade~ Saanan~ Toggenburg

Ages of animals will be figured as of date of show.

Senior Doe Classes:

Milking Does under 2 years
Milking Does 2 years to under 3 years
Milking Does 3 years to under 5 years
Milking Does 5 years and older

**Senior Champion and Reserve Champion
Best Senior Doe in Show**

Junior Doe Classes:

1 month to under 3 months
3 months to under 6 months
6 months to under 12 months
12 months to under 2 years. Never
Fresh

**Junior Champion and Reserve Champion
Best Junior Doe in Show**



GOATS

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Pet Classes: (Unregistered)

- Does 1 month to under 1 year
- Does 1 year and older
- Weathers 1 month to under 1 year
- Weathers 1 year and older



Group Classes:

- Dam and Daughter
- Best 3 Females: By the same owner, Only 1 entry per exhibitor
- Best Bred and Owned, Only 1 entry per exhibitor
- Get of Sire: 3 females by the same buck
- Produce of Dam: 2 females by the same doe

Fun Classes:

- No Premiums will be awarded for fun classes
- Costume Class
- Obstacle Course (goats may be borrowed from another exhibitor for this class)

PREMIUMS

First Place \$35.00	Fourth Place \$24.00
Second Place \$30.00	Fifth Place \$20.00
Third place \$27.00	Sixth Place \$15.00
Best in Show \$25.00	

Dairy, Beef, & Goats entry blank located on page 31



DAIRY, BEEF & GOATS ENTRY BLANK

Please print neatly

Entries must be completely filled out including showmanship class
and returned by August 4, 2023.

Include entry fee of \$2.00 per animal when submitting entry form.

Dairy & Beef Entries to:

Jamie Sullivan, 43 Curtis Road Bridgewater, CT 06752, (860) 354-6791

Goat Entries to:

Sarah Foreman, 297 Southbury Rd., Roxbury, CT 06783, (203) 648-0630

Exhibitor's Name _____

Address _____

City, ST, Zip _____

Telephone _____

Number of Animals _____ Exhibitor T-shirt Size: _____

Showmanship Class _____

Age as of Jan 1, 2023 _____ Junior's Birthdate _____

Breed	Class No.	Date of Birth	Official I.D.	Rabies Test	TB Test



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Lew Clark (860) 567-8522

Secretary - Dawn Armbruster (860) 584-9778

All animals must be on the Fair Grounds no later than 9:00 am, Sunday. Each yolk of oxen will receive \$15.00 premium. Show starts at 10:00 am. Pulling starts at 11:00 am.

CLASS I - Over 2000 & under 2400 lbs.

1st - \$175.00	2nd - \$145.00	3rd - \$120.00
4th - \$100.00	5th - \$90.00	6th - \$80.00
	7th - \$70.00	

CLASS II - Over 2400 & under 2800 lbs.

1st - \$195.00	2nd - \$170.00	3rd - \$145.00
4th - \$120.00	5th - \$100.00	6th - \$85.00
	7th - \$75.00	

CLASS III - Over 2800 & under 3200 lbs.

1st - \$195.00	2nd - \$170.00	3rd - \$145.00
4th - \$120.00	5th - \$100.00	6th - \$85.00
	7th - \$75.00	

CLASS IV - Over 3200 lbs.

1st - \$195.00	2nd - \$170.00	3rd - \$145.00
4th - \$120.00	5th - \$100.00	6th - \$85.00
	7th - \$75.00	

RULES

Rules Governing Ox Drawing Contests Are Revised By Connecticut Ox Owners & Drivers Association - 2005 as revised and rule #34

34. *Any situations that may arise and are not covered by these rules, the decision will be left to the discretion of the judges.*

OXEN SHOW

Show starts at 10:00 am; Trained Steer Class starts at 10:45 am.

Junior Calves	\$15.00	\$12.00	\$10.00
Senior Calves	\$15.00	\$12.00	\$10.00
One Year Old	\$15.00	\$12.00	\$10.00
Two Year Old	\$15.00	\$12.00	\$10.00
Three Year Old	\$15.00	\$12.00	\$10.00

Trained Steer Class Six Ribbons - All Monies - \$10.00

2023 CONNECTICUT STATE SHEEP SHOW

Founded 1970 - Bridgewater Connecticut Firemen's Fair Assoc.

Jon & Ginni Dodd, Superintendents

15 Painter Hill Road, Woodbury, CT 06798 (203) 263-4725

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS - RABIES CERTIFICATE REQUIRED, NOT LESS THAN 30 DAYS OR MORE THAN 1 YEAR. OFFICIAL ID PREMISE NUMBER OR SCRAPIE CERTIFICATION TAG NUMBER MUST BE IN ANIMAL'S EAR AND THOROUGHLY DEFINED ON HEALTH PAPERS NO EXCEPTIONS!

*Sheep exhibitors will be required to display health certificates to officials as required by the Connecticut Department of Agriculture stating that sheep are free from **CONTAGIOUS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES** and not from **SCRAPIE-EXPOSED FLOCKS. SORE MOUTH, FOOT ROT, TICKS, PINK EYE, AND/OR ANY DISEASE CONDITION WILL BE CAUSE FOR REJECTION.**

EXHIBITS:

1. Exhibits will include sheep from various farms throughout Connecticut, New York, Rhode Island and North Carolina.
2. All sheep must be on the grounds by 6:00 pm Friday. Sheep will be on exhibit every day for the duration of the Fair. Kindly ask the owners about their sheep. They would love to talk to you. There will be exhibits by the shepherds.
3. On Saturday and Sunday there will be a shearing demonstration. Also a spinning demonstration. The times for both of these will be available at the Fair Office.
4. The Kuykendall Border Collie Sheep dog demonstration from North Carolina will be on Saturday & Sunday. Times to be announced by the Fair Office.

Release time is 6:00 pm on Sunday. Initial shavings for bedding will be provided. Additional shavings will be offered for sale in the trailer near the cattle barn.



POULTRY DEPARTMENT
Sally Bernardo, Superintendent
137 Crestwood Rd., Bethany, CT 06524 (203) 592-8845

Committee:

Tanya Herring, Brenda Mead, John L. Mead, Rollie Issa,
John, Patti & Liz Gradowich, Rob & Peter Bernardo,
Riley and Kaley Herring

Judge:

DON NELSON

*Due to the limited cage capacity, entries will be accepted on a first come basis,
until cages are filled.*

RULES:

1. Send all entries to the Superintendent at the address listed above.
2. All entries must be owned by the exhibitor.
3. No telephone entries will be accepted.
4. All entries must be on a recognized breed and variety.
5. When entering state: breed, variety, cock, hen, cockerel, or pullet, name, address & phone number. Be sure to state whether Bantam, large fowl or waterfowl.
6. Waterfowl will also be entered as cock, hen, cockerel, or pullet depending on age.
7. Only adult birds may be shown (5 months or older).
8. Entries will not be accepted after August 4, 2023.
9. No pens or trios.
10. All entries must be on the Fair Grounds by 5:00 pm Friday, and must stay on the Fair Grounds until 6:00 pm Sunday. Birds may be cooped-in on Thursday between 6:00 & 9:00 pm.
11. Entry fee of \$0.50 with each bird, to be mailed with entry form.
12. Feed will be supplied by the Fair.
13. The Fair will not be responsible for any accidents, mistakes, loss or damage from any cause.
14. **POULTRY-IN STATE:** Poultry originating within the state must from healthy flocks with no evidence of infectious, contagious and/or communicable diseases. All birds must be inspected, identified and accompanied by written proof (Connecticut Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory Report) that verifies that the breeding flock or the individual birds listed on the report were blood-test negative for **Salmonella Pullorum** within 365 days of the show date. Concurrent Avian Influenza testing of the flock and/or individual birds is strongly recommended. Poultry vaccinated within 30 days with any live virus vaccine will be prohibited from showing. All cages, crates or vehicles used for housing or transporting poultry must be cleaned and disinfected before and after each show. **DOVES, PIGEONS, AND WATERFOWL ARE EXEMPT FROM TESTING REQUIREMENTS, BUT MUST BE IDENTIFIED BY LEG BANDS OR WING TAGS.**

POULTRY DEPARTMENT

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15. **POULTRY-OUT OF STATE:** All poultry must test negative for **Salmonella Pullorum** within 12 months of the show date and be accompanied by this certificate. All poultry must comply with the Department of Agriculture Avian Influenza requirements by originating from AI-Free flocks or be tested for AI within 30 days of the entry and have a certificate. No poultry from any areas of any state having Avian Influenza may enter Connecticut. Poultry vaccinated within crates and vehicles used for housing and transporting poultry must be cleaned and disinfected before and after each show. ***DOVES, PIGEONS, AND WATERFOWL ARE EXEMPT FROM TESTING REQUIREMENTS, BUT MUST BE IDENTIFIED BY LEG BANDS OR WING TAGS.***
16. Judging will start at 10:30 am on Saturday.
17. Judging on first three only unless by request by the exhibitors in large classes.
18. The Judge will be instructed to withhold a prize or prizes when, in his opinion, the specimens are not of sufficient merit.
19. **The decision of the Judge IS FINAL.**
20. No advertising will be permitted on coops until the judging has been completed.
21. "For Sale" birds in the show will **NOT** be allowed to leave until Sunday.

PREMIUMS

	Bantams		
	1ST	2ND	3RD
Cock	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
Hen	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
Cockerel	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
Pullet	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00

	Large Fowl		
	1ST	2ND	3RD
Cock	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
Hen	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
Cockerel	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
Pullet	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00

	Waterfowl		
	1ST	2ND	3RD
Cock	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
Hen	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
Cockerel	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
Pullet	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00

POULTRY DEPARTMENT

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Best in Breed

Any breed with fifteen or more. Large Fowl and Bantams competing. This will include Ducks and Geese also. \$7.00 & Rosette.

Champion Large Fowl - Trophy & \$10.00

Champion Bantam - Trophy & \$10.00

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POULTRY ENTRY BLANK

Please print neatly

Name _____

Address _____

Dept.	Class	Name or Article or	Date of

RABBIT & CAVY SHOW

Sierra Fitzgerald, Superintendent

34 Millard Street, Torrington, CT 06790
(203) 558-2148

Committee:

Kate Fitzgerald, Parker Fitzgerald, Coe Gavette, Ann Kratzer,
Briana Kratzer, Emily Kratzer, Sopiha Kratzer, Susan Kine,
Matt Kline, Colby Pitcher



WHO MAY ENTER:

Holders of adult exhibitor tickets or junior (under 12 years of age). Senior Exhibitor Show enclose \$10.00 entry fee; up to 3 Animals; \$0.50 for each additional animal. Juniors will pay \$0.50 per animal. Connecticut exhibitors will have priority. List each entry individually AGE- SR, JR, INT Entries close August 11, 2023. ~ **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

EXHIBITOR TAGS: Attached to coops by committee.

DELIVER EXHIBIT: To Rabbit Tent on Thursday from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. Enter Fair Grounds through livestock gate.

ENTRY FEES:

SENIORS - Exhibitor Show enclose \$10.00 entry fee; up to 3 Animals; \$0.50 for each additional animal.

JUNIORS - Under 12 years of age no entry fee, but all animals are \$0.50 each.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. This is an A.R.B.A. Sanctioned Show, but Pet Stock will be accepted. Entries will be accepted until cages are full. Connecticut residents will have priority.
2. All animals entered in the A.R.B.A. show must have a permanent Tattoo or Tag in left ear. The number must be listed on the entry blank or entry will be placed in the Pet Category.
3. Feed will be supplied by the Fair. Only committee members are to feed the animals.
4. Rabbits will be accepted **Thursday from 5:00 to 9:00 pm - NO EXCEPTIONS**
5. Judging will start at 5:00 pm on Friday or **at the convenience** of the judge. Cavies and rabbits may not be removed before 6:00 pm on Sunday.
6. Sick or diseased animals will not be admitted and will be removed from coops if noticed after admission or disqualified if found to be diseased by judge.

RABBIT & CAVY SHOW

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7. No Exhibitor or others interested in rabbits being judged will be allowed in back of judging tables. Interference from any exhibitor or audience will not be allowed.
8. No breeding will be permitted at the show.
9. No advertising will be permitted until after judging. Rules to be set by committee.
10. Rabbits or Cavies that are entered and sold must remain until Sunday at 6:00 pm. ~ **NO EXCEPTIONS**
11. Connecticut exhibitors will have priority.
12. Enter Fair Grounds through Livestock Gate.
13. Exhibitor passes will be handed out for all entries received by 9:00 pm Thursday.
14. The Bridgewater Fair and Show Committee will take all due precautions against loss, but will not be responsible for any accident, mistake, loss or damage from any cause whatsoever.
15. **Exhibitors must supply 2 appropriately sized and weighted bowls per animal - NO SOFT PLASTIC - NO EXCEPTIONS!** Bowls may be rented from the committee for a small fee.
16. Pet stock is limited top youth 18 years old and younger.
17. The **100th A.R.B.A. Convention & Show** will be held October 7-11, 2023 in Louisville, Kentucky.
8. Check out time may change due to inclement weather.
9. Tattoo & tagging may be done by committee for a small fee.

PREMIUMS

	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
1. Senior Buck	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
2. Senior Doe	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
3. 6 - 8 Bucks	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
4. 6 - 8 Does	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
5. Junior Buck	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
6. Junior Doe	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00

The same awards will be made for Rabbits, Cavies and Pet Stock.



- Best in Show - Trophy
- Best Reserve - Trophy
- Best of Pet Stock - Trophy
- Reserve Pet - Trophy
- Best of Breed and Opposite Sex Rosettes

BRIDGEWATER FAIR RABBIT SHOW ENTRY BLANK

PLEASE PRINT NEATLY

Mail to: Sierra Fitzgerald, 34 Millard St., Torrington, CT 06790

(203) 558-2148

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

- > If Junior Exhibitor (under 12) Show Age _____; \$0.50 per animal
- > Senior Exhibitor enclose **\$10.00** entry fee for a maximum of 3 animals;
\$0.50 for each additional animal
- > List each entry individually AGE- SR, JR, INT
- > **Entries close on August 11, 2023**

Ear No.	Breed	Variety	Age	Sex	Fee

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	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
CLASS: Draft Pair 46" and 50"	\$160	\$145	\$130	\$90



5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th
\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50

A premium of \$20.00 will be paid to each team, not winning prize money.

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
CLASS: Miniature 34" and 38"	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70
	5 th	6 th		
	\$60	\$50		

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David Hendy - Superintendent
dhendy3697@aol.com

All participants must send Entry Blank to:
David Hendy
dhendy3697@aol.com

Entries must be received prior to the fair.

Pets must be owned by the child.

CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF PARTICIPANTS

ALL PETS MUST LIVE WITHIN PARK GROUNDS IMMEDIATELY AFTER JUDGING.
All categories are open. Pets must live and breathe. A prize will be awarded to the Best of the Pet Parade.



CHILDREN'S PET PARADE

Entry Blank for August 2023

PROOF OF RABIES VACCINATION MUST ACCOMPANY EACH ENTRY

Type of Pet: _____

Pet's Name: _____

Owner's Name: _____

Owner's Age: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Association of Connecticut Fairs

2023 State Quilt Contests - Adult and Junior

WHO MAY ENTER: This contest is open to all residents of Connecticut; men, women and juniors.

HOW TO ENTER: Enter a quilt at any participating fair that is a member of the Association of Connecticut Fairs in any of the categories mentioned below. The participating fair will award one winner in each category with a rosette from the Association of Connecticut Fairs along with any awards the local fair provides. Each fair will submit that winning entry to the state contest. A quilt can be entered in as many fairs as a contestant wishes until it becomes eligible to go to the state contest. Please note an Exhibitor can only represent one Quilt or wall hanging per Category at the State Quilt Contest in November.

JUDGING: The Association of Connecticut Fairs will furnish judges' score sheets to each fair. The contestants will receive these sheets at the end of the contest. Judging will be based on overall appearance, workmanship and originality. Decisions of the judges are final.

LOCAL CONTEST: The winner of the quilt contest will receive a blue ribbon from The Association of Connecticut Fairs and will become eligible to submit their entry to the state contest. In the event a fair receives only one entry in the contest and that entry is worthy of first prize, the Association rosette must be awarded to that entry.

STATE CONTEST: Once a quilt has won the State Quilt ribbon at a participating fair, it is eligible to be entered into the State Quilt Contest. The state contest will be held at The Association of Connecticut Fairs Fall Meeting - November 4, 2023 at the Best Western Plus, North Haven Hotel - (203) 239-6700. Each fair must contact the winner of their local contest and provide information about reservations and other contest info. The Association of Connecticut Fairs does not contact the contestants.

People's Choice Award: \$50

- Each attendee of the Banquet will be able to cast one vote for their favorite quilt regardless of category.



Association of Connecticut Fairs 2023 State Quilt Contest

ADULT QUILT CONTEST

Categories:

1. Hand Applique - Sponsored by the ***Building Blocks Together Quilt Guild***
2. Pieced Machine Quilted - Sponsored by ***Farmington Valley Quilters***
3. Pieced Hand Quilted - Sponsored by ***Hearthside Quilt Guild***

Other Supports of the Contest include:

The Durham Fair
Ellington Country Quilters
Greater Middletown Quilt Guild

Quilted Contest Rules:

1. All work must be completed by an individual quilt maker.
2. Work can be pieced by hand or by machine but applique must be done by hand.
3. Quilts must be either hand or machine quilted, no hand tied quilts.
4. Quilts may not be made from pre-cut quilt kits.
5. A quilt can only compete in the Association of Connecticut Fairs Quilt Contest once.
6. Applique quilts must consist of at least 50% applique.
7. Quilt perimeter must measure a minimum of 216 inches.
8. No wall hanging quilts.
9. An exhibitor can only represent 1 quilt per category at the State Quilt Contest.

The following prizes will be awarded in Senior category:

1st Place: \$50.00 2nd Place: \$35.00 3rd Place: \$15.00

JUNIOR QUILT CONTEST

Category:

1. Wall Hanging - Sponsored by the ***Building Blocks Together Quilt Guild***

Junior Quilt Contest Rules:

1. All work must be completed by an individual quilt maker.
2. Work can be pieced by hand or by machine but applique must be done by hand.
3. Quilts must be either hand or machine quilted, no hand tied quilts.
4. Quilts may not be made from pre-cut quilt kits.
5. A quilt can only compete in the Association of Connecticut Fairs Quilt Contest once.
6. Participant must be between 7 and 17 years of age at the time of judging.
7. Wall hanging Quilt perimeter must measure a minimum of 64 inches.
8. Wall hanging Quilt must include a sleeve for hanging.
9. Wall hanging can be applique, or pieced. It can be hand or machine quilted, but not tied.
10. An exhibitor can only represent 1 Wall hanging at the State Quilt Contest.

Prizes:

The following prizes will be awarded in Junior category:

1st place: \$25.00 2nd place: \$15.00 3rd place: \$10.00

Quilt of Valor Recipient

Retired U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel &
Bridgewater Fire Department member

Joseph “Joe” Buchheit



A Quilt of Valor® (QOV) is a quality, handmade quilt that is machine or hand quilted. It is awarded (it is not a gift) to a Service Member or Veteran who has been touched by war. The Quilt says unequivocally, “Thank you for your service and sacrifice in serving our nation.”

Quilts of Valor Foundation began in 2003 with a dream, literally a dream. Founder Catherine Roberts’ son Nat was deployed in Iraq. According to Catherine: The dream was as vivid as real life. I saw a young man sitting on the side of his bed in the middle of the night, hunched over. The permeating feeling was one of utter despair. I could see his war demons clustered around, dragging him down into an emotional gutter. Then, as if viewing a movie, I saw him in the next scene wrapped in a quilt. His whole demeanor changed from one of despair to one of hope and well-being. The quilt had made this dramatic change.

The message of my dream was: Quilts = Healing.

For more information visit: www.qovf.org

ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS **PHOTO CONTEST** *Sponsored by Woodstock Fair*

The theme for the annual photo contest is "Connecticut Fairs". The photos submitted should show general scenes around our member fairs. Photos must have been taken after September 30, 2022. The photos entered do not have to be exhibited at any member fairs to be eligible.

CONTEST COMMITTEE

Richard & Rita Lataille 83 Gates Road Lebanon, CT 06249 (860) 423-1733	Janice Steinmetz P.O. Box 363 Somers, CT 06071 (860) 490-8547	Devon Austin 84 Camp Street Plainville, CT 06062 (860) 597-2899
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RULES

1. Official entry from will be on the Association of Connecticut Fairs web page. CTAgFairs.org
2. This contest is open to anybody regardless of age. Professional photographers are not eligible. The person entering the contest must take the photo submitted.
3. There will be no entry fee to enter this contest. The Association of Connecticut Fairs will not be responsible for any lost or damaged photos submitted to the contest.
4. The photographer's name, date, photo title, location of where each photo was taken must appear on the reverse side of each photo.
5. Each exhibitor may enter a maximum of two (2) photos in each lot.
6. A photo taken can not be entered into more than one lot.
7. Salon print exhibitors cannot enter the Snapshot contest.
8. You need to enter as an Adult or Junior (Juniors can't enter as an Adult).
9. All entries must be submitted no later than 6:00 PM Sunday, October 9, 2023 to any of the committee members.
10. All entries become property of the Association of Connecticut Fairs.
11. Contest winners will be announced at the Annual Fall Meeting and Banquet. Please visit CTAgFairs.org for the date, time and location of the meeting.
12. In the event that less than ten (10) prints or snapshots are entered in either the black & white or color lots, the two lots will be combined and only one set of awards will be made. Awards will be given at the judge's discretion if the number of entries does not justify the five (5) awards.
13. The Association of Connecticut Fairs reserves the rights to reproduce any and all entries with the photographers byline. One photo may be chosen to appear on the cover of the "Association of Connecticut Fairs" booklet from the previously judged contest winners.
14. The overall contest winner will receive one REDUCED RATE TICKET for the upcoming season.
15. A photo contest will be held at the Annual fair Meeting and banquet in which all registered meeting attendees will vote to determine the winner.

ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS SALON PRINTS

- > All prints must be matted.
- > No prints smaller than 5 x 7 inches matted. 8 x 10 inches prints, the mat may not be more than 2½ inches.

Lot 1: Black and White Salon

Lot 2: Color Salon

First Place.....	\$20.00
Second Place	\$15.00
Third place.....	\$13.00
Fourth Place	\$11.00
Fifth Place.....	\$9.00
Honorable Mention.....	Ribbon

ADULT SNAPSHOT CONTEST

Only commercially printed snapshots will be accepted. Snapshots should be no larger than 4x6 inches. Snapshots submitted to this contest **should not** be matted.

Lot 3: Black & White Snapshot

Lot 4: Color Snapshot

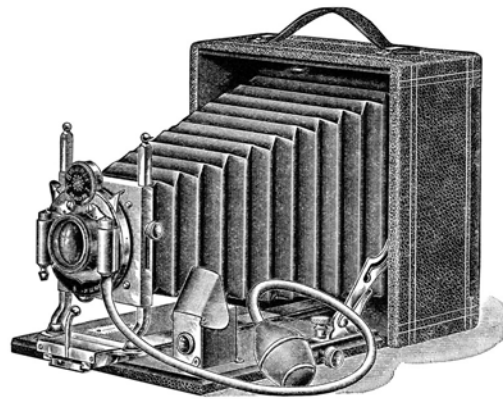
First Prize	\$10.00
Second Prize	\$8.00
Third Prize	\$7.00
Fourth Prize	\$6.00
Fifth Prize	\$5.00
Honorable Mention	Ribbon

JUNIOR SNAPSHOT CONTEST

Same rules apply to the Adult Contest apply to the Junior Contest. All entrants in Lot 5 must be under 19 years of age or under as of July 1, 2023.

Lot 5: Color Snapshot

First Prize	\$10.00
Second Prize	\$8.00
Third Prize	\$7.00
Fourth Prize	\$6.00
Fifth Prize	\$5.00
Honorable Mention	Ribbon



THE ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS

Sponsored by Woodstock Fair

2023 Photo Contest

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Contest Theme "Connecticut Fairs"

Note: All entries must be mailed or delivered by **October 8, 2023**
at 6:00 p.m. to one of the contest committee members.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Date of Birth (Youth Only) _____ Phone # _____

Circle Lot Number		Title	Where Taken	Date Taken
Black & White Lots 1, 3	1.			
	2.			
Color Lots 2, 4	1.			
	2.			
Junior Snap- shot Lot 5	1.			
	2.			

I have read, understand and agree to abide by all rules of this contest set forth herein:

Signature: _____

2023 BRIDGEWATER FAIR PHOTOGRAPHIC CONTEST AND EXHIBITION



Open to all Amateur Photographers
Carol Wilbur - Superintendent
Fair_artandphoto@aol.com

<u>Child</u>	<u>Junior</u>	<u>Senior</u>
1st Prize - \$50.00	1st Prize - \$75.00	1st Prize - \$250.00
2nd Prize - \$25.00	2nd Prize - \$50.00	2nd Prize - \$100.00
3rd Prize - \$15.00	3rd Prize - \$35.00	3rd Prize - \$75.00

RULES

1. Contest is open to all amateur photographers. Child Division contestants must be 12 years of age or younger. Junior Division contestants must be between 13- 17 years of age. Senior Division contestants must be 18 years of age or older.
2. Entry fee is \$10.00 per person and up to three entries, \$20.00 per person and up to 6 entries. A signed entry blank (see below) must accompany each entry.
3. All photographs must be FRAMED AND READY TO HANG
****NO EXCEPTIONS**** i.e. Screw eyes and wire preferred.
3. Photographer's name, address, and phone number must appear **on the back** of the photograph with Child, Junior or Adult Division clearly marked on every photo/frame.
4. Each entrant, accompanied by an Entry Blank, must be delivered Thursday between 4:00 and 7:00 pm to the Bridgewater Fire House.
5. All entries must be picked up at the Bridgewater Fire House between 5:00 and 7:00 PM on Sunday.
6. Every effort will be made to handle all prints with care, however, contest workers and sponsors cannot be held responsible for loss or damages.
7. This is separate from the Assoc. of Connecticut Fairs Photo Contest. See page 50 for State entry blank

ENTRY BLANK

I understand the contest rules and agree to comply with them

Check one: Senior Division Junior Division Child Division

Total Number of Entries: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature: _____

P/U Signature: _____

ART EXHIBIT
Carol Wilbur - Superintendent
fair_artandphoto@aol.com

To all painters, illustrators and artists- sculptors, ceramicists, luthiers and other, this year at the Bridgewater Fair Art Exhibit we will be awarding cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place entries. Cash prizes for:

<u>ADULTS</u> <u>Ages 18 and over</u>	<u>JUNIORS</u> <u>Ages 13 to 17</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u> <u>Ages 12 and under</u>
\$250	\$75	\$50
\$100	\$50	\$25
\$75	\$35	\$15

1. Entry fee is \$10 for up to three pieces and \$20 for up to six pieces.
2. All sculpture proposals including a picture, size and weight must be sent to fair_artandphoto@aol.com no later than August 4, 2023.
3. If your sculpture has been accepted, you will be notified via email. Sculpture that hasn't been approved via email will not be accepted. There is limited space for sculpture, so be sure to get your proposals in as soon as possible.
4. All work to be exhibited must be brought to the Bridgewater Firehouse Thursday between 4:00 and 7:00 pm.
5. We respectfully ask that you be tasteful in your choices of subject matter. **We cannot exhibit nudes** and will consider only original pieces. **Giclee will not be accepted.**
6. Work to be exhibited must have contact information including name, address, e-mail address and phone number clearly labeled on the back, **FRAMED AND READY TO HANG **NO EXCEPTIONS**** with either eye hooks and wire, or a saw tooth hangar.
7. Matting is optional, but judging will consider the overall presentation, so we strongly recommend matting.
8. All work must remain in the show until 5:00 pm Sunday and must be picked up between 5:00 and 7:00 pm on Sunday. BVFD will not be responsible for any work not picked up by 7:00 pm.
9. The Art Exhibit always has a proctor present, and the Fair Grounds are patrolled at night. Every effort will be made to handle artwork with care, however, contest workers and sponsors cannot be held responsible for loss or damages.

ART EXHIBIT ENTRY BLANK

I understand the contest rules and agree to comply with them

Check one: Senior Division Junior Division Child Division

Total Number of Entries: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature: _____

P/U Signature: _____

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Helen Stuart
1st Fair Secretary



HOME ARTS TENT

Katie Golembeski - Superintendent

1 Grandview Lane, New Milford, CT 06776
(203) 297-2636 or Katiehomeartsmanager@gmail.com

General Rules

1. **ONLY ONE ENTRY PER CLASS, PER EXHIBITOR WILL BE ACCEPTED IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.**
2. The Fair will not be responsible for theft, or damage of any kind to items entered within any department of the Home Arts Tent.
3. **NO** entries will be accepted after times indicated within each department.
4. Areas being judged will be roped off from public until judging has been completed.
5. Exhibits **MUST** be picked up between 6:00pm and 6:30 pm on Sunday.
6. **No exhibits will be released before 6:00 pm on Sunday.**
7. Special Awards :
 - I. **Superintendent 's Choice Trophy** will be awarded within Jr. Hobbies.
 - II. **Best of the Best of Show Trophy** will be awarded to a Bridgewater resident in honor of Helen Stuart first Fair Secretary.



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BRIDGEWATER FAIR HOBBY CONTEST

Junior Class (up to age 15) Senior Class (16 & older)

Ashley Marsh - Superintendent

CLASSES:

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Nature | 6. Collections - Same |
| 2. Models & Kits | 7. Dioramas & Dollhouses |
| 3. Handmade | 8. Legos |
| 4. Hand Carved Items | 9. Handmade - Red, White & Blue Theme |
| 5. Collections – Assorted | |

ONLY PRE-REGISTERED ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED

Entry **MUST** be set in place Thurs. night, between the hours of 4:00 and 6:30 PM. Judging will start promptly at 8:00 am Friday.

Space assignments and ID tags will be given out before you can set-up. Hobbies **MUST** be labeled and dated under or on the back of display. Only 1 entry per exhibitor, per class.

HOBBY ENTRY FORM

(Use entry to also Pre-register for Litchfield County Contest)

Mail to:

*Ashley Marsh 36 Henry Sanford Road
Bridgewater, CT 06752*

Must be received by August 4, 2023

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Junior Entry (up to age 15) Senior Entry (16 & older)

Class# _____ (Separate entry form needed for each class)

Description of Hobby _____

NEEDLEWORK

Erin Byrne, Superintendent

Cotton Candy Fabrics 450 Federal Road, Brookfield, CT 06804

(203) 885-0792 or mobile (917) 907-2406

erin@cottoncandyfabrics.com

All items Must be pre-registered by August 4, 2023

General Rules

1. All entries must be delivered to the Home Arts tent the Thursday night before the Fair, between the hours of 3:00 and 6:30 p.m. **No entries will be accepted after that time.**
2. Entries must not have been previously entered in the Bridgewater Fair.
3. All articles must have been created within the last year.
4. Only listed articles will be accepted.
5. Exhibitors may enter **ONLY** one exhibit in any class number.
6. Articles not cleaned and pressed will be not be judged.
7. Knitting and crochet items should be blocked and trimmed.
8. Entries will be given every possible care, but the management assumes no responsibility for loss or damage to articles.
9. **The Superintendent reserves the right to combine, split, or add classes based on the number of entries, if necessary.**
10. Judging will be based on overall appearance, workmanship and originality.
11. Decisions of the judges are final.
12. A Best of Show Rosette and Trophy will be awarded to one overall item within the entire Jr. and Sr. Division.
13. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th places in all classes.
14. No article will be released without a claim check nor returned by mail.
15. Exhibits **MUST** remain on the fairgrounds until 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, and all articles must be claimed by 6:30 p.m. Any article remaining after this time will be disposed of by the committee.



Prize Premiums: Best of Show & 1st place - \$5.00

~Entry blank located on page 59 ~

NEEDLEWORK *continued*

SEWING

- Class 1. Dress
- Class 2. Costume
- Class 3. Any other clothing
- Class 4. Purse, Bag or Tote

NEEDLEWORK - any item - judging based on workmanship

- Class 5. Crewel
- Class 6. Embroidery
- Class 7. Cross Stitch
- Class 8. Counted Cross Stitch
- Class 9. Needle point

NEEDLE FELTING

- Class 10. Any needle felting Crochet
- Class 11. Afghan, any size
- Class 12. Wearable/Apparel
- Class 13. Purse, Bag, or Tote
- Class 14. Holiday Item
- Class 15. Stuffed Item
- Class 16. Home Goods Item

KNITTING

- Class 17. Afghan, any size
- Class 18. Wearable/Apparel
- Class 19. Purse, Bag, or Tote
- Class 20. Home Goods
- Class 21. Stuffed Item
- Class 22. Holiday Item

HAND-SPUN YARN

- Class 23. Any hand-spun yarn

QUILTING

- Class 24. Bed Quilt Twin or Lap Size, Pieced, Hand Quilted
- Class 25. Bed Quilt Twin or Lap Size, Pieced, Machine Quilted
- Class 26. Bed Quilt Twin or Lap Size, Applique, Hand Quilted
- Class 27. Bed Quilt Twin or Lap Size, Applique, Machine Quilted
- Class 28. Bed Quilt Full/Queen, Pieced, Hand Quilted
- Class 29. Bed Quilt Full/Queen, Pieced, Machine Quilted

- Class 30. Bed Quilt Full/Queen, Applique, Hand Quilted

- Class 31. Bed Quilt Full/Queen, Applique, Machine Quilted

- Class 32. Crib Quilt, Pieced, Hand Quilted

- Class 33. Crib Quilt, Pieced, Machine Quilted

- Class 34. Crib Quilt, Applique, Hand Quilted

- Class 35. Crib Quilt, Applique, Machine Quilted

- Class 36. Wall Hanging

- Class 37. Pillow

- Class 38. Home Goods Item

WEAVING

- Class 39. Home Goods Item

Junior classes – same as Adult classes





NEEDLEWORK ENTRY BLANK

Please print neatly



Mail or Drop Off Entries to:
Erin Byrne, Superintendent
Cotton Candy Fabrics, 450 Federal Rd
Brookfield, CT 06804
or erin@cottoncandyfabrics.com with the
Subject Line: Bridgewater Fair
(203) 885-0792 or mobile (917) 907-2406

Entries must be filled out and returned by August 4, 2023.

NOTE: *Entries must be dropped off at the fairgrounds -
Home Arts Tent, Thursday between 3:00 - 6:30 pm.*

Exhibitor's Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Class #	Description of Article

_____ Junior (15 & under) _____ Senior

FLOWER EXHIBIT

*Roxbury-Bridgewater Garden Club, Superintendent
Wendy Jones, Secretary (860) 354-2070*

Exhibiting Rules

1. All entries must be placed between 8:30 am and 12:00 noon on Friday.
No entries will be accepted after that time. The exhibit will close at noon for preparation and judging.
2. **Exhibitors are allowed only one entry in each class.**
3. Exhibitors should furnish their own appropriately sized recycled glass containers for all the cut flower specimens.
4. Cut flower specimens should be entered with foliage and be free from disease and insect injury.
5. **Purchased flowers and foliage are permitted in only classes 42,43,44**
6. All entries must be picked up between 6:00 and 6:30 pm on Sunday.
Anything remaining after 6:30 will be recycled.
7. Not all awards will be given in a class if standards are not met.

ANNUALS CLASS 2-3 stems

1. Aster
2. Calendula
3. Celosia
4. Coleus
5. Cosmos
6. Marigold
7. Petunia
8. Snapdragon
9. Sunflower
10. Zinnia (under 2")
11. Zinnia (2" and over)
12. Any other Annual not listed
(Name variety on entry tag)

PERENNIALS AND OTHER FLOWERS CLASS

13. Aster, 2-3 stems
14. Canna, 1 stem
15. Coneflower, 2-3 stems
16. Dahlia, over 3.5", 1 bloom

17. Dahlia, 1.5-3.5", 1 bloom
18. Dahlia, collection of 5 blooms
19. Gladiolus, 1 spike (at least 1 open bloom)
20. Hibiscus, 1 stem
21. Hydrangea-Mophead, Blue only, 1 stem
22. Hydrangea-Mophead, other colors, 1 stem
23. Hydrangea- Lacecap, any colors and varieites-, 1 stem
24. Phlox, 1 stem
25. Rose, miniature, 1 spray
26. Rose, standard, 1 stem
27. Rudbeckia, 2-3 stems
28. Sedum, Autumn Joy, 1-3 stems
29. Tuberous Begonia, 1 stem
30. Any other perennial specimen
(Name variety on entry tag)

FLOWER EXHIBIT *continued*

POTTED PLANTS CLASS
(acquired at least 90 days prior to Fair)

- 31. African Violet
- 32. Begonia grown for foliage
- 33. Cactus
- 34. Dish Garden, 3 or more plants
- 35. Fern
- 36. Succulent
- 37. Other Flowering Plant *(Name variety on entry tag)*
- 38. Other Non-Flowering Plant *(Name variety on entry tag)*

CUT FLOWER BASKET OR CONTAINER CLASS
(must be grown by exhibitor)

- 39. Bouquet, mixed flowers
- 40. Basket with handle, 3 or more varieties
- 41. Miniature arrangement, 3-6" in any direction

FLORIST GROWN FLOWERS AND FOLIAGE PERMITTED IN THE FOLLOWING ARTISTIC ARRANGEMENTS CLASS

- 42. By the Sea
- 43. Furry Friends
- 44. All A Twitter

JUNIOR DIVISION CLASS CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS OLD

- 45. Any Annual, 2-3 stems
- 46. Any Perennial, 2-3 stems
- 47. Bouquet of wildflowers



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CANNING AND FRESH EGGS EXHIBIT

Ellen M. & Elliott W. Woolwich, Superintendents

144 Main Street North, Bridgewater, CT 06752

(860) 355-1516



Rosemary Woolwich

1/24/1940 - 9/9/2021

Rosemary proudly served as superintendent of the Canning and Fresh Egg exhibit with her husband Elliott for over 30 years.



Competition is open to all adults (Senior Division), children and youth up to 16 years of age (Junior Division) in both canning and eggs.

- ◇ **The Rosemary R. Woolwich Award** for the Most Unique Canning and Egg Award.
- ◇ **The Vincent Talarico Memorial Canning Award** is presented to the Best of Competition related to the category of Canned Hot Peppers.
- ◇ **The Gabby Adler Memorial Canning Award** is presented to the Best of the Competition related to the category of Canned Jams and Jellies.
- ◇ **The Amelia Mathiss Award** is presented to the Best of Canning of Fresh Fruit.
- ◇ **The Rosemary Paul Award** for Excellence in Canning.



RULES

1. All entries must be placed between the hours of 8:30 am and 12:00 Noon, Friday or Saturday. Judging will start promptly at 1:00 pm Saturday.
2. All entries are to be delivered to the Home Arts Tent located next to the Fire House.
3. Entries must have been made within 12 months immediately preceding the Fair, and never exhibited at this Fair before.
4. Exhibits will not be released until Sunday 6:00 pm and must be picked up by 7:00 pm. Any unclaimed entries will be disposed of by the management.
5. First, Second and Third Place Ribbons will be awarded to deserving entries.
6. A trophy will be awarded for the Best of Show in Canning and Eggs for both Junior and Senior Divisions.
7. A Rosette will be awarded for Judges Choice in Canning and Eggs for both Junior and Senior Divisions.
8. Items will not be sold at the Fair.
9. Judging will begin promptly on Saturday at 1:00 pm.

EGGS

1. Any entry will be one dozen (12) eggs of any size or color, and / or a creative display of eggs. Eggs may be displayed in a carton, basket, or an arrangement determined by the participant.
2. All eggs should be clean and crack free. If eggs are decorated with colors, they should be of a non-toxic nature.

CANNING

1. Any vegetable, fruit, pickle product, relish, chili sauce, honey, jam, jelly, preserve, conserve, apple product or maple syrup may be entered, any size.
2. Labels are required for each individual entry. Participant's name should NOT be on the label.
3. According to the U.S.D.A. recommendations, no entries will be accepted with paraffin.
4. All canned goods must be exhibited in regular canning jars. Jars, rings, and lids must be clean and must be free of all residues, otherwise they will be disqualified.
5. Canning jar rings must remain on all canned products entered into the canning competition.
6. Entries will be judged on appearance, pack product, jars, labeling; each factor being given equal weight also in some instances judges reserve the right to open jars to check consistency, quality and taste.

SPECIAL ENTRY: An assortment of canning must be at least 5 jars or a small 15 x 15 inch entry related to canning.



A CASEY ENERGY COMPANY

PHONE: 860-355-4877

91 KENT RD NEW MILFORD CT 06776



VEGETABLE AND FRUIT EXHIBIT

Senior & Junior Divisions

David Golembeski, Superintendent
(203) 788-8913

Vegetable Exhibit Rules:

1. All Senior and Junior Division entries must be placed between 8:30 am and 12:00 noon on Friday. No entries will be accepted after that time. The exhibit will be closed at 12:00 noon for preparation and judging. No Pre-Registration is Required!
2. The **Junior Division** is strictly for exhibitors age 15 and under who personally bring in their own vegetables for entry. They must be able to verbalize the correct class, the variety, and answer questions about their garden. The entries must have been raised in their own garden, tended, and cared for during the growing season entirely by the Junior Exhibitor. No parents, grandparents, etc. are allowed to enter this division in the name of a Junior Exhibitor. No children of commercial growers, i.e. Farmstand or Farm Market sellers, are allowed to enter the Junior Division. They are welcome to enter in the Senior Division.
3. The exhibitor is responsible to provide the exact class, variety, and proper number of specimens as designated for judging for each entry. No exhibitor may have more than one entry in each class.
4. Each entry will be judged on uniformity in shape, size, color, and condition. Each entry should be of market size and eating quality, and be free of soil, disease, insect and mechanical injury.
5. Specimens should be trimmed. Roots should be left on beets, turnips, carrots, leeks, celery, and onions. Cabbage and cauliflower trimmed close so that only 3 or 4 leaves curl away from the head. Corn should be shucked. Leaves/ tops must be removed from carrots, rhubarb, and beets. Leeks should be trimmed. Grape tomatoes must be a cluster of specimens on a single stem.
6. "Best of Show" will be chosen from any class except Class 110 – Any Vegetable Not Listed. The variety name must be listed for all specimens entered in any "Other" Class or for the Heirloom Tomato Class.
7. Ribbons and premium checks must be picked up on Sunday between the hours of 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. None will be mailed. Unclaimed prize money will be donated to the Bridgewater Fire Department. Note: Commercial growers receive ribbons but no premium payment.
8. All entries, with the exception of the potted specimen plants, become the property of the Fair Committee. **None will be returned or sold.** All entries (including all of the vegetable arrangement containers and bouquet vases) must remain on display until they are released at 6:00 pm on Sunday.

NOTE: *The classes listed are the same for the Junior and Senior Divisions.*

VEGETABLE AND FRUIT EXHIBIT *continued*

Class 1. FRUIT ARRANGEMENT

Best collection of 5 different varieties of fruits. Cannot contain baked goods, prepared food products or vegetables in the display. Fruit must be of market quality, in natural state and without decoration.

Class 2. VEGETABLE ARRANGEMENT

Best display of ten (10) or more different vegetables in a flat container or basket. Judged equally on: artistic appeal, specimen quality, number of species and types. Cannot contain baked goods, prepared food products or fruit in the display. Vegetables must be in their natural state and without decoration.

Class 3. SPECIMEN PLANTS

Any vegetable or fruit plant that is potted, settled, growing, and without wilt. Judged on appearance, maturity, labeling, apparent care, and forethought.

FRUITS:

- Class 4. Apples (5 specimens)
- Class 5. Blackberries (1 pint)
- Class 6. Blueberries (1 pint)
- Class 7. Melon, any variety (1 specimen)
- Class 8. Peaches (5 specimens)
- Class 9. Pears (5 specimens)
- Class 10. Any other fruit not listed

Corn (5 ears)

- Class 27. Sweet, any variety
- Class 28. Ornamental Corn

Cucumber (3 specimens)

- Class 29. China Long
- Class 30. Green Slicing
- Class 31. Pickling

VEGETABLES:

Beans (10 pods)

- Class 11. Green Flat
- Class 12. Green Round
- Class 13. Red Pole Beans
- Class 14. Yellow Flat
- Class 15. Yellow Round
- Class 16. Purple
- Class 17. Any Other Bean Variety

Eggplant (1 specimen)

- Class 32. Bi-Color
- Class 33. Purple
- Class 34. White
- Class 35. Any Other Eggplant Variety

Class 18. Beets (3 specimens)

Class 19. Broccoli (1 head)

Cabbage (1 head)

- Class 20. Green
- Class 21. Savoy
- Class 22. Red

Class 23. Carrots (5 specimens)

Class 24. Cauliflower (1 head)

Class 25. Celery (1 plant)

Class 26. Chard (1 plant)



VEGETABLE AND FRUIT EXHIBIT

continued

Gourds

- Class 36. Arrangement (6 specimens)
- Class 37. Large over 6 in. diameter (1 specimen)

Herbs (1 container / vase)

- Class 38. Same Variety Bouquet
- Class 39. Mixed Variety Bouquet
- Class 40. Potted Plant

Class 41. Kale (1 plant)

Class 42. Kohlrabi (1 plant)

Lettuce (1 head/plant)

- Class 43. Lettuce, Head (1 Head)
- Class 44. Lettuce, Loose Leaf (1 Plant)

Onions (3 specimens or as noted)

- Class 45. Garlic (3 Specimens)
- Class 46. Shallots (3 Specimens)
- Class 47. Leeks (3 Specimens)
- Class 48. Onions, Scallions/ Bunching (5 Specimens)
- Class 49. Onions, Red (3 Specimens)
- Class 50. Onions, White (3 Specimens)
- Class 51. Onions, Yellow Globe (3 Specimens)
- Class 52. Onions, Any Other Variety (3 Specimens)

Peppers (3 specimens)

- Class 53. Peppers, Cayenne (3 Specimens)
- Class 54. Peppers, Cherry (3 Specimens)
- Class 55. Peppers, Green Hot (3 Specimens)
- Class 56. Peppers, Green Sweet Bell (3 Specimens)
- Class 57. Peppers, Red/ Yellow Sweet Bell (3 Specimens)
- Class 58. Peppers, Habanero (3 Specimens)
- Class 59. Peppers, Italian Frying (3 Specimens)
- Class 60. Peppers, Jalapeno (3 Specimens)

- Class 61. Peppers, Red Hot (3 Specimens)
- Class 62. Peppers, Shishito (3 Specimens)
- Class 63. Peppers, Yellow Hot (3 Specimens)
- Class 64. Peppers, Yellow Sweet (3 Specimens)
- Class 65. Peppers, Any Other Variety

Potatoes (3 specimens)

- Class 66. Potatoes, Blue / Purple (3 Specimens)
- Class 67. Potatoes, Fingerling (3 Specimens)
- Class 68. Potatoes, Green Mountain (3 Specimens)
- Class 69. Potatoes, Katahdin (3 Specimens)
- Class 70. Potatoes, Kennebec (3 Specimens)
- Class 71. Potatoes, Red (3 Specimens)
- Class 72. Potatoes, Russet (3 Specimens)
- Class 73. Potatoes, Yukon Gold (3 Specimens)
- Class 74. Potatoes, Any Other Variety (3 Specimens)

Pumpkins (1 specimen - or as noted)

- Class 75. Pumpkin, Field or Large (1 Specimen)
- Class 76. Pumpkin, Sugar (1 Specimen)
- Class 77. Pumpkin, Miniature (3 Specimens)

Class 78. Rhubarb (5 stems)

Squash (1 specimen)

- Class 79. Squash, Acorn (1 Specimen)
- Class 80. Squash, Butternut (1 Specimen)
- Class 81. Squash, Crook Neck (1 Specimen)
- Class 82. Squash, Long / Narrow - Over 1 ft. (1 Specimen)
- Class 83. Squash, Scalloped / Patti Pan (1 Specimen)
- Class 84. Squash, Spaghetti (1 Specimen)

VEGETABLE AND FRUIT EXHIBIT

continued

Squash *continued*

- Class 85. Squash, Straight Neck
(1 Specimen)
- Class 86. Squash, Green Zucchini
(1 Specimen)
- Class 87. Squash, Golden Zucchini
(1 Specimen)
- Class 88. Squash, Any Other Variety
(1 Specimen)

Class 89. Spinach (1 Plant)

Tomatoes (3 specimens – or as noted)

- Class 90. Tomatoes, Beefsteak
(3 Specimens)
- Class 91. Tomatoes, Better Boy
(3 Specimens)
- Class 92. Tomatoes, Celebrity
(3 Specimens)
- Class 93. Tomatoes, Early Girl
(3 Specimens)
- Class 94. Tomatoes, Grape Cluster
(7 Specimens)
- Class 95. Tomatoes, Sm. Red Round/
Pear, Less than or equal to 1
Inch (7 Specimens)
- Class 96. Tomatoes, Sm. Yellow /
Orange Round/ Pear, Less
than or equal to 1 Inch
(7 Specimens)
- Class 97. Tomatoes, Red Round/ Pear,
Over 1 Inch (7 Specimens)
- Class 98. Tomatoes, Yellow / Orange
Round/ Pear, Over 1 Inch
(7 Specimens)
- Class 99. Tomatoes, Black Cherry
(7 Specimens)
- Class 100. Tomatoes, Larger Italian
Plum/ Roma (3 Specimens)
- Class 101. Tomatoes, Small Plum/ Juliet
(3 Specimens)
- Class 102. Tomatoes, Heirloom
(3 Specimens)
- Class 103. Tomatoes, Jet Star
(3 Specimens)
- Class 104. Tomatoes, Orange
(3 Specimens)
- Class 105. Tomatoes, Pink
(3 Specimens)

- Class 106. Tomatoes, Rutgers
(3 Specimens)
- Class 107. Tomatoes, Yellow
(3 Specimens)
- Class 108. Tomatoes, Tomatillo
(3 Specimens)
- Class 109. Tomatoes, Any Other Variety
(3 Specimens)
- Class 110. Any Vegetable Not Listed
- Class 111. Biggest Pumpkin
- Class 112. Biggest Squash
- Class 113. Largest Zucchini
- Class 114. Tallest Cornstalk
- Class 115. Tallest Sunflower
- Class 116. Vegetable Novelty - Natural
State
- Class 117. Vegetable Novelty –
Embellished

Class 118. Largest Tomato Contest

Senior Division: Tomato must weigh at least 2 lbs. Tomato must have a stem, be ripe, and be market quality.

Prize money donated by the Golembeski Family

in memory of Anna Golembeski

1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$10.00 3rd - \$5.00

Junior Division: Tomato must weigh at least 1 lb. Tomato must have a stem, be ripe, and be market quality.

Prize money donated by the Golembeski Family

in memory of Stash Golembeski

1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$10.00 3rd - \$5.00



VEGETABLE AND FRUIT EXHIBIT *continued*

PRIZE PREMIUMS:

Class:	1st	2nd	3rd
1 and 2	\$ 10.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 5.00
3 – 117	\$ 3.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.00

Note: 1st prize, with no competition pays 2nd prize money

PLEASE NOTE: All entries, with the exception of the potted specimen plants, become the property of the Fair Committee.
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ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS 2023 Baking Contests Rules

Each year The Association of Connecticut Fairs sponsors baking contests open to the public at participating member fairs. There are separate contests for Junior and Adult divisions, each with a specific recipe. A Two-Crusted Apple Pie Baking contest is also held.

WHO MAY ENTER: The contests at each participating member fair is open to all men, women and juniors. Commercial, industrial or professional bakers are not eligible. Divisions: Juniors (ages 7 to 15 as of July 1st) and Adult.

HOW TO ENTER: All men, women or juniors entering a contest at any participating member fair is automatically entered and competing in the local contest. Contestants may enter the contest at as many fairs as they wish until they win first prize. They will then represent that fair at the state baking contest. Please submit entries to both the local and state contest on disposable plates. The Association of Connecticut Fairs and the member fairs are not responsible for the return of plates, trays or containers.

JUDGING: Judging will be based on appearance, flavor and texture. The Association of Connecticut Fairs will furnish judges' score sheets to each fair and the contestant will receive these sheets at the end of the contest. Additions, deletions or substitutions in the recipe are not permitted and will result in disqualification. All decisions of the judges are final.

LOCAL CONTEST: The winner of the local contest will receive a blue ribbon from the Association of Connecticut Fairs and will then become eligible to submit their entry at the state contest. In the event that only one entry is received at the local contest and that entry is worthy of first prize, that entry must be awarded the first place ribbon.

STATE CONTEST: The state contest is held as part of the Fall Meeting and Convention of the Association of Connecticut Fairs. Entries for the state contest are accepted from **8:00 am to 10:00 a.m.** on the day of the judging (contact your local fair or visit www.ctagfairs.org for the date and location). Judging will begin at 10:00 am. Contest winners are announced at the Fall Meeting. Each fair is responsible for contacting their contest winner and providing them with information. The Association of Connecticut Fairs does not contact individual fairs or contest winners in regards to contest and banquet reservations nor does the Association of Connecticut Fairs cover the costs of attending the awards banquet. **NO BANQUET RESERVATIONS FOR CONTEST WINNERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR.**

**All entries to the state contest become property of
The Association of Connecticut Fairs.**



ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS

TWO CRUSTED APPLE PIE CONTEST Open to ages 15 and over

JUNIOR BAKING CONTEST Open to ages 7 to 15 as of July 1st

SENIOR BAKING CONTEST Open to ages 16 and over

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ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS TWO CRUSTED APPLE PIE CONTEST

Contest Rules

1. Each pie must be a 9" (measured at the top inside edge of the dish) Two-Crust Pie, lattice-top is excluded.
2. Submit a 3" x 5" card with your recipe, your name and address.
3. No pre-made or pie mixes will be allowed.
4. The main ingredient must be apples. However, pies may include other fruits or ingredients.
5. Failure to adhere to these rules will **disqualify** the entered pie from the competition.
6. All pies become the property of The Association of Connecticut Fairs (baking dishes will not be returned).

JUDGING CRITERIA

Overall Appearance 40 points

Crust 10 points

Flavor 40 points

Texture 10 points

TOTAL 100 points

The following prizes plus a Rosette will be awarded at the annual state contest held in November.

1st Place	\$40.00	2nd Place	\$35.00	3rd Place	\$30.00
4th Place	\$25.00	5th Place	\$15.00	6th Place	\$12.50
7th Place	\$10.00	8th Place	\$7.50	9th & 10th Place	- \$5.00

Honorable Mention Ribbons will be awarded

Bishops Orchards is sponsoring by awarding bags off apples at the Annual State Contest held in November.

King Arthur Flour is sponsoring ribbons and prizes at the Annual State Contest in November.



**ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS
2023 JUNIOR BAKING CONTEST
Blueberry Buckle**

Ingredients:

For the cake:

- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup white sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter
- 1 egg
- 2 teaspoons lemon zest
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups plus 1 tablespoon King Arthur Baking All-Purpose flour, divided
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt

- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups fresh blueberries

For the topping:

- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup plus 1 tablespoon butter
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup brown sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup white sugar
- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup King Arthur Baking All-Purpose flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon ground cinnamon

Instructions:

1. Preheat the oven to 350° F.
2. Grease an 8x8-inch pan.
3. In a large bowl, cream $\frac{3}{4}$ cup white sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter, 1 egg, and the lemon zest together until fluffy.
4. In a separate bowl, combine $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups flour with the baking powder and salt.
5. Add the dry ingredient mixture and the milk into the sugar mixture, alternating between the two as you add and mixing until just combined.
6. Toss the blueberries with 1 tablespoon of flour.
7. Fold the blueberries into the batter.
8. Spread the batter evenly in the prepared pan.
9. For the topping, combine the butter, brown sugar, white sugar, flour, and cinnamon together in a small bowl until a crumbly mixture forms.
10. Sprinkle the topping mixture over the batter in the pan.
11. Bake until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean, about 40-45 minutes.
12. Once cooled, cut into 9 equal pieces.

Submit five pieces on a white paper plate.



**ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS
2023 JUNIOR BAKING CONTEST
Blueberry Buckle *continued***



Judging Criteria

Overall appearance	25 points
Following Directions.....	10 points
Texture.....	15 points
Aroma	10 points
Flavor.....	40 points
TOTAL.....	100 points



The following prizes and a rosette will be awarded at the annual state contest held in November 2023. Honorable Mention Ribbons will be awarded.

1st Place: \$20.00	6th Place: \$5.00
2nd Place: \$15.00	7th Place: \$5.00
3rd Place: \$10.00	8th Place: \$5.00
4th Place: \$7.50	9th Place: \$2.50
5th Place: \$5.00	10th Place: \$2.50

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ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT FAIRS
2023 Adult Baking Contest
Pane Bianco



Ingredients:

Dough

- 3 cups King Arthur Baking Company All-Purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons instant yeast
- 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoons salt
- 1 large egg
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk, lukewarm
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup water, lukewarm
- 3 tablespoons olive oil

Filling

- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup shredded Fontina cheese
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup shredded Parmesan cheese
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup oil-packed sun-dried tomatoes
- 3 garlic cloves, peeled and minced
- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoons dried basil

Instructions:

1. **To make the dough:** Measure the flour and gently spoon it into a cup, then sweep off any excess. Combine all of the dough ingredients in a bowl, then mix and knead to make a smooth, very soft dough.
2. Place the dough in a lightly greased bowl, cover, and let it rise until it's doubled in size, about 45 to 60 minutes.
3. Meanwhile, thoroughly drain the tomatoes, patting them dry. Use kitchen shears or a sharp knife to cut them into smaller bits.
4. Place the dough on a lightly floured surface and pat or roll into a 22" x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle, deflating it slightly. Spread with the cheese, tomatoes, garlic, and basil.
5. Starting with one long edge, roll the dough into a log the long way. Pinch the edges to seal. Place the log seam-side down on a lightly greased or parchment-lined baking sheet.

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6. Using kitchen shears, start $\frac{1}{2}$ " from one end and cut the log lengthwise down the center about 1" deep, to within $\frac{1}{2}$ " of the other end.
7. Keeping the cut side up, form an "S" shape. Tuck both ends under the center of the "S" to form a "figure 8;" pinch the ends together to seal. When shaping the loaf, tuck any larger pieces of tomato or basil down into the dough (to avoid char).
8. Cover and let rise in a warm place until double, 45 to 60 minutes.
9. While the loaf is rising, preheat the oven to 350°F.
10. Uncover the bread, and bake it for 35 to 40 minutes, tenting it with foil after 20 to 25 minutes to prevent over-browning.
11. Remove the bread from the oven and transfer it to a rack to cool.

Submit on foil-covered cardboard no wider than one inch from the bread.

Judging Criteria

Overall Appearance.....	25 points
Following Directions.....	10 points
Texture.....	15 points
Aroma	10 points
Flavor	40 points
TOTAL	100 points

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All baked goods must remain on display until 6:00 pm Sunday. No baked goods will be sold. Entrants may claim their entries at 6:00 pm on Sunday. Entries not claimed will be donated to the volunteers in the Home Arts Tent.

Juniors: Ages 15 and under

Seniors: Ages 16 and over

The categories are the same for both Juniors and Seniors.

CLASS I - CAKES

Layer	Cupcake	Sponge
Loaf		Chiffon Spice
Sheet	Jelly Roll	GLUTEN FREE
Angel	Fruit	Misc.

CLASS II - COOKIES (6 per entered plate)

Donut Bars	Bar Cookies	GLUTEN FREE
Brownies	Granola Bars	Misc.
Donuts	Health Food	

CLASS III - BREADS AND MUFFINS

Muffins	Quick Bread	Coffee Cake
Dinner Rolls	Yeast Breads	GLUTEN FREE
Coffee Ring	Sweet Rolls	Misc.

CLASS IV - PIES

Any kind of pie or tart
No cream pies or cheesecakes - Due to the weather

CLASS V - CANDY

Fudge	Candy	Any other home made candy
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BRIDGEWATER BAKING CONTEST

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JUNIOR BAKING CONTEST	Open to ages 15 and under
SENIOR BAKING CONTEST	Open to ages 16 and over
KING ARTHUR FLOUR CONTEST	Open to all ages
MEN ONLY BAKING CONTEST	Open to men ages 16 and over
PRE-DECORATED COOKIE CONTEST	Open to all ages

Premiums for 1st, 2nd, 3rd in each class

1st - \$7.00 2nd - \$6.00 3rd - \$5.00

Best of Show - In Memory of Mary Colburn

Junior and Senior Division entries must be placed between 8:00 am and 12:00 noon on Saturday. **No entries will be accepted after 12:00 noon.** The exhibit will be closed at 12:00 noon for preparation and judging. Baked goods will remain on display until 6:00 pm, Sunday.

BRIDGEWATER BAKING CONTEST 2023 JUNIOR BAKING RECIPE PUMPKIN ZUCCHINI BREAD

- $\frac{2}{3}$ cups shortening
 - $2\frac{2}{3}$ cup sugar
 - 4 eggs
 - 1 can (16 ounces) pumpkin
 - 3 cups shredded zucchini
about 2 to 3 medium zucchini
 - $3\frac{1}{3}$ cups all-purpose flour
 - 2 teaspoons baking soda
 - $1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons salt
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon baking powder
 - 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
 - 1 teaspoon cloves
 - $\frac{2}{3}$ cups chopped walnuts
 - $\frac{2}{3}$ cup raisins
1. Pre heat oven to 350°. Grease bottoms of 2 - 9 inch loaf pans or 3 - 8 inch loaf pans.
 2. Shred zucchini.
 3. Mix shortening and sugar in large bowl.
 4. Add eggs, pumpkin, zucchini, and water.
 5. Blend in flour, baking soda, salt, baking powder, cinnamon, and cloves.
 6. Stir in walnuts and raisins.
 7. Pour into pans.
 8. Bake between 60 to 70 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean.
 9. Cool slightly. Loosen sides of loaves from pans, remove from pans.
 10. Place the loaf you will be entering on a disposable plate and wrap in plastic wrap.

**BRIDGEWATER BAKING CONTEST
2023 SENIOR BAKING RECIPE
ONION HERB BREAD**



- 1 package (1/4 ounce) active dry yeast
 - 1/2 cup warm water (110° to 115°)
 - 1/2 cup warm milk (110° to 115°)
 - 1 tablespoon butter unsalted
 - 1 tablespoon sugar
 - 1 teaspoon dried rosemary, crushed.
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon dill weed
 - 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
 - 1/4 cup finely chopped onion
 - 2 1/4 cup all-purpose flour, divided.
1. In a mixing bowl, dissolve yeast in water.
 2. Add milk, butter, sugar, rosemary, salt, dill, garlic powder, onion and 1 cup flour.
 3. Beat until smooth about 1 minute.
 4. Place in a bowl coated with nonstick cooking spray.
 5. Cover let rise in a warm place until doubled, about 30 minutes. Stir down raised batter using 25 strokes.
 6. Spread into an 8" or 9" loaf pan coated with nonstick cooking spray.
 7. Cover and let rise in a warm place until almost doubled about 15 minutes.
 8. Bake at 375° for 40 to 45 minutes. Remove from pan and let cool.
 9. Submit whole loaf on a disposable plate wrapped with plastic wrap.

BRIDGEWATER BAKING CONTEST

2023 Men Only Baking Contest

BREAKFAST BUNS

- 2 cups flour
 - $\frac{3}{4}$ cup sugar, divided
 - 1 tablespoon baking powder
 - 3 tablespoons butter
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk
 - 1 cup raisins
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon cinnamon
1. Preheat oven to 325° Coat a cookie sheet with nonstick cooking spray.
 2. In a mixing bowl, stir together flour, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar, and baking powder: cut in butter.
 3. Combine eggs, vanilla, and milk: add to dry ingredients and stir until moistened. Add raisins.
 4. Drop by tablespoonfuls onto a baking sheet coated with nonstick cooking spray. Combine the cinnamon and remaining sugar, sprinkle over buns.
 5. Bake 20-25 minutes or until light golden brown.
 6. Submit 6 on a disposable plate wrapped in plastic wrap.

BRIDGEWATER BAKING CONTEST

Pre-decorated Cookie Contest

Open to all ages

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. At home, bake a BIG COOKIE of any kind. Or you may buy a BIG COOKIE.
2. Now decorated the cookie any way you wish.
3. Bring the cookie to the Home Arts Tent where all big cookies will be judged.



BRIDGEWATER BAKING ENTRY BLANK

Please print neatly

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(860) 946-3684

CONTESTANT NUMBER_____

SENIORS_____

JUNIORS_____ DATE OF BIRTH_____

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TAG NUMBER	CLASS	DESCRIPTION	PLACE

KING ARTHUR FLOUR BAKING CONTEST

Jill Linder, Superintendent

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CONTEST RULES

EXHIBITOR MUST BRING AN OPEN EMPTY BAG OR SUBMIT A UPC LABEL FROM THE FLOUR BAG WHEN THEY BRING ENTRY TO THE FAIR.

Entry must follow the designated recipe.

All entries must be submitted on a covered, disposable plate; 6 baked items per disposable plate.

Judging is based on the following criteria:

a. Taste	50 Points
b. Creativity	25 Points (where applicable)
c. Texture	25 Points
Total	100 Points



Failure to follow rules may result in disqualification.

Adult Contest

- **First Place:** \$75 gift card to King Arthur Baker's Store or online at <https://www.kingarthurbaking.com/>
- **Second Place:** \$50 gift card to King Arthur Baker's Store or online at <https://www.kingarthurbaking.com/>
- **Third Place:** \$25 gift card to King Arthur Baker's Store or online at <https://www.kingarthurbaking.com/>

Junior Contest

- **First Place:** \$40 gift card to King Arthur Baker's Store or online at <https://www.kingarthurbaking.com/>
- **Second Place:** \$25 gift card to King Arthur Baker's Store or online at <https://www.kingarthurbaking.com/>
- **Third Place:** King Arthur Tote Bag

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KING ARTHUR FLOUR JUNIOR RECIPE CHOCOLATE BREAKFAST MUFFINS



- $\frac{2}{3}$ cups cocoa
- 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ cups King Arthur flour
- 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups light brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- $\frac{3}{4}$ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup chocolate chips
- 2 large eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 teaspoons vinegar
- 8 tablespoons butter, melted

1. Preheat the oven to 425°. Lightly grease 12 cup muffin pan.
2. In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the cocoa, flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda, salt, and chocolate chips. Set aside.
3. In a medium-sized mixing bowl whisk together the eggs, milk, vanilla, and vinegar.
4. Add the wet ingredients, along with melted butter, to the dry ingredients, stirring to blend.
5. Scoop the batter into 12 lightly greased muffin cups.
6. Bake muffins for 15 to 20 minutes or until toothpick or cake tester comes out clean.
7. Watch them closely, as they'll burn around edges if they bake to long.
8. Remove muffins from the oven and cool.
9. Submit 6 on a disposable plate wrapped in plastic wrap.

KING ARTHUR FLOUR SENIOR RECIPE APPLE CAKE WITH CARAMEL FROSTING

- 1 cup King Arthur whole wheat flour
 - 1 1/3 cups King Arthur flour
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
 - 2 teaspoons baking soda
 - 3/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon cinnamon
 - 1/2 teaspoon all spice
 - 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
 - 8 tablespoons soft butter
 - 4 cups cored, chopped, unpeeled apples
 - 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
 - 1/2 cup raisins
 - 2 large eggs
1. Preheat oven to 325°. Grease and flour a 9"x13" pan or line with parchment paper and grease and flour parchment paper for easy removal of cake from pan.
 2. In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the flours, sugars, baking soda, salt, and spices.
 3. Cut in softened butter into chunks and add it along with the apples, nuts, raisins, and eggs.
 4. Beat at medium speed until well blended.
 5. Turn the batter into a greased and floured 9"x13" pan. Smooth the top.
 6. Bake for 45 minutes, or until it springs back when lightly touched in the center.
 7. Cool about 10 minutes and take out of pan and cool completely.

CARAMEL FROSTING

- 8 tablespoons butter
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1 cup packed brown sugar
 - 1/4 cup milk
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 - 4 cups confectioners' sugar
1. Melt the butter in a heavy 2 quart sauce pan.
 2. Stir in the salt and brown sugar and heat the mixture to boiling, stirring constantly.
 3. Cook over low heat for 2 minutes, until the sugar is totally dissolved.
 4. Stir in the milk and return to a boil.
 5. Remove pan from the heat and cool to lukewarm.
 6. Stir in the vanilla, then gradually stir in the powdered sugar.
 7. Adjust consistency with a little more milk, if necessary.
 8. Frost the top of the cake.

2023 LITCHFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL OF FAIRS CONTEST - FAIR FLAGS

**Entries must be placed by 12 Noon on
Saturday, August 19, 2023 in the Home Arts Tent**

WHO MAY ENTER : Contest is open to all residents of Connecticut. Prizes will be awarded in two divisions at each fair: Youth (up to age 15) and Adult (age 16 and over).

LOCAL CONTEST : Exhibits may be entered at any fair which is a member of the Litchfield County Council of Fairs. Contestants may enter their exhibit in as many fairs as they wish until they win first prize. At that time they will be representing the Fair at the Litchfield County Council of Fairs Contest in the fall. If it is found that the contestant has entered and won first prize in more than one Litchfield County Council Fair, they will be disqualified from participating in the Litchfield County Council of Fairs contest in the fall of 2023.

If for any reason the first place contestant cannot participated in the fall contest, the second place winner of that fair will be the representative.

First prize winners at each fair in both the Youth and Adult divisions will be awarded the blue rosettes by the Litchfield County Council of Fairs. Please contact the fair you are representing for information about the dinner, time and place of the fall meeting.

COUNTY CONTEST: Representative first place winners from each fair for both junior and senior divisions will be eligible to enter their exhibit in the County Contest held at the Fall meeting of the Litchfield County Council of Fairs on the last Wednesday in October. Entries must be in place by 6:30 PM to be judged.

COUNTY PRIZES:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th- 8th
	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	Rosette

CONTEST RULES: The theme of the Flag is "The Fair". Flag not to be larger than 2x3' with scene on one side only. It may be painted, appliquéd, sewn, glued, or quilted. It is to resemble seasonal decorative flags that are displayed on homes. The Fair scene can be general or a favorite scene from your fair. Please include an index card with the title of your flag and the Fair from which you choose as a theme.

JUDGING:

Attractiveness.....	20%
Originality	30%
Workmanship	30%
Suitability of Materials	20%

CONTACT INFORMATION: The Bridgewater Fair is responsible for this year's contest.
**For further information contact Kate Golembeski at
Katiehomeartsmanager@gmail.com or (203) 297-2636.**

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PROGRAM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023

4:00 PM	Racing Pigs.....	North End
4:30 PM	Cypress, Rock Band	Bandstand
	Axe Women Loggers of Maine.....	South End
	J. Rouge - Aerialist.....	North End
5:00 PM	Rides Open.....	Midway
	Majestik Spectacular, Motorcycle Thrill Show	South End
5:30 PM	Tractor Mac.....	TBA
	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving.....	South End
	Lumos - Al Burgasser & Susana Marker	Watering Hole
6:00 PM	Dock Diving Dogs	North End
6:30 PM	Opening Ceremonies	Main Street
	The Jems - Jim Moker & Friends	Watering Hole
6:45 PM	Firemen's Parade	Main Street
7:00 pm	Axe Women Loggers of Maine.....	South End
7:30 PM	Racing Pigs.....	North End
	Tuned in - Dennis MacDonald.....	Watering Hole
8:00 PM	Majestik Spectacular, Motorcycle Thrill Show	South End
	J. Rouge - Aerialist.....	North End
8:30 PM	Flashback, Classic Rock Band.....	Bandstand
	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving.....	South End
8:45 PM	Skillet Toss	North Ring
9:00 pm	Axe Women Loggers of Maine.....	South End
9:30 PM	Racing Pigs.....	South End
	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving.....	South End
10:00 PM	Awarding of Parade Trophies.....	Bandstand
	J. Rouge - Aerialist.....	North End

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023

8:30 AM	Sheep Judging.....	Sheep Tent
9:00 AM	Junior Dairy & Beef Shows	South Ring
	Poultry Junior.....	Poultry Tent
10:00 AM	Racing Pigs.....	North End
	Junior Goat Show	North Ring
	Awarding of trophy for Best Animal Show	North Ring
10:30 AM	Poultry Judging	Poultry Tent
	Border Collie Demonstration	Sheep Tent
	J. Rouge - Aerialist	North End
11:00 AM	Majestik Spectacular, Motorcycle Thrill Show	South End
	Pedal Tractor Pull - Ages 10 & under.....	Bandstand
	The Jems - Jim Moker & Friends	Watering Hole
11:30 AM	Axe Women Loggers of Maine.....	South End
12:00 PM	Dock Diving Dogs	North End
	Tractor Mac	TBA
	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving.....	South End
	Wandering Women.....	Watering Hole

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023

Continued

12:15 PM	Skillet Toss	North Ring
1:00 PM	Antique Tractor Pull	South Ring
	Racing Pigs	North End
	Flynn Ayers	Watering Hole
1:15 PM	Hay Bale Throwing	North Ring
1:30 PM	Axe Women Loggers of Maine	South End
	Mad Hatter Chorus, Rock Band	Bandstand
	J. Rouge - Aerialist	North End
2:00 PM	Majestik Spectacular, Motorcycle Thrill Show	South End
2:15 PM	Skillet Toss	North Ring
2:30 PM	Dock Diving Dogs	North End
	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving	South End
	North County Band	Watering Hole
3:00 PM	Pony Pull	North Ring
	Pie Eating Contest - Kids followed by adults	Dining Tent In front of the barn
3:30 PM	Tractor Mac Show	TBA
	Border Collie Demonstration	Sheep Tent
4:00 PM	Blue Martini's	Bandstand
5:00 PM	Majestik Spectacular, Motorcycle Thrill Show	South End
	Dock Diving Dogs	North End
5:30 PM	Racing Pigs	North End
	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving	South End
	Matt Latini	Watering Hole
6:00 PM	J. Rouge - Aerialist	North End
6:30 PM	The Rakes	Bandstand
	Border Collie Demonstration	Sheep Tent
7:00 PM	Axe Women Loggers of Maine	South End
7:30 PM	Dock Diving Dogs	North End
8:00 PM	Majestik Spectacular, Motorcycle Thrill Show	South End
	Nick Arne	Watering Hole
8:30 PM	Future Tense	Bandstand
	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving	South End

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

10:00 AM	Garden Tractor Pull	South Ring
	Ox Judging	North Ring
	Racing Pigs	North End
	Tractor Mac	TBA
10:30 AM	Axe Women Loggers of Maine	South End
	J. Rouge - Aerialist	North End
11:00 AM	Ox Drawing	North Ring
	Pedal Tractor Pull - Ages 10 & under	Bandstand
	Majestik Spectacular, Motorcycle Thrill Show	South End
	Nancy Walsh	Watering Hole
11:30 AM	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving	South End

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

Continued

12:00 PM.....	The Regulators	Bandstand
	Border Collie Demonstration	Sheep Tent
12:15 PM.....	Hay Bale Throwing.....	TBA
1:00 PM.....	Dock Diving Dogs	South End
	Racing Pigs.....	North End
1:30 PM.....	Axe Women Loggers of Maine	South End
	J. Rouge - Aerialist.....	North End
	Cover to Cover.....	Watering Hole
2:00 PM.....	Majestik Spectacular, Motorcycle Thrill Show	South End
2:30 PM.....	Border Collie Demonstration	Sheep Tent
	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving.....	South End
3:00 PM.....	Dan's Garage, Classic Rock from 60' & 70's	Bandstand
	Pie Eating Contest - Kids followed by adults	Dining Tent In front of the barn
3:30 PM.....	Axe Women Loggers of Maine	South End
4:00 PM.....	Majestik Spectacular, Motorcycle Thrill Show	South End
	Several Guest Performers.....	Watering Hole
4:30 PM.....	Dock Diving Dogs	South End
	Ben Faraci - Wood Carving.....	South End
5:00 PM.....	Racing Pigs.....	North End
5:30 PM.....	J. Rouge - Aerialist.....	North End
	6:00 PM Fair Closes for 2023 ~ We'll see ya'll next year!	

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