

Houlton Agricultural Fair

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Volunteer of the Year Award

In 1993, the Houlton Fair Association established the annual Volunteer of the Year Award to honor an individual's hard work, dedication, and commitment to the Fair.

Recipients of the Volunteer of the Year Award

2021 HFA Board of Directors	2022 - Scott Market/Laura Beals	
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Barry Clark	Lona Putnam	Bob Crocker
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EXHIBIT HALL ENTRIES:

The Exhibit Hall will be held in the Civic Center this year. Please use Elm St entrance. No parking available at the Exhibit Hall during fair hours...DROP OFF ONLY.

Entries must be made by the original artist. Entries must be made by the person under whose name they are exhibited. Entries must be finished within the past 12 calendar months.

NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE DROP OF AND PICK UP TIMES UNLESS PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED AND APPROVED BY EXHIBIT HALL SUPERINTENDENTS. PLEASE EMAIL or CALL THE INFORMATION AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE!

All Exhibit Hall entries may be brought to the Exhibit Hall on:

Monday, June 26th 1:00-4:00pm

Tuesday, June 27th 3:00-7:00pm

Wednesday, June 28th 3:00-7:00pm.

ONLY FLORICULTURE ENTRIES MAY BE DROPPED OFF ON Thursday, June 29th 3:00-7:00.

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Entries must be picked up at the following times: Wednesday, July 5th 1:00-7:00pm. Items not picked up by July 5th from the Exhibit Hall will result in forfeiture of premium and you will be disqualified from entering the following year. Any discrepancies in premiums must be addressed by July 9th.

GENERAL INFORMATION

If for any unavoidable reason, such as bad weather, failure to receive state stipend funds, or any other cause beyond the Fair's control, there are not sufficient funds, the exhibitor must accept a discount in their prizes pro-rata with any such losses.

In making your entry, you accept this as part of your contract.

Rules established by Superintendents of Departments must be fully complied with. Their decisions and their respective committee members will be final.

No exhibitor shall compete against himself, either directly or indirectly, and any person entering borrowed articles, food, or other items, or making fraudulent representation in reference to any exhibit, will forfeit all premiums which may have been awarded. The Association also reserves the right to accept or reject any entry made for any premium offered, and no premium will be paid unless all requirements have been fulfilled.

There will be reasonable security, day and night, but the Association assumes no responsibility in case of loss, or damage to stock, or other exhibits from any cause, and on this condition only, are exhibits accepted.

No premiums are to be awarded unless the article in question, in the opinion of the Judges, is meritorious. Collections and displays must be made up of specimens other than those entered in single classes. Premiums in all departments will be paid as soon as possible after the closing of the fair.

Premium checks from Exhibit Hall and Livestock will be forfeited if not cashed within 30 (thirty) days from the date written.

Judging on the exhibits (other than livestock and cooking contests) will be made by Friday, June 30, 2023

Houlton Fair is not responsible for typographical or printing errors. Decisions of all Judges, in all departments, are final.

Exhibit Hall Questions: Please contact Shelly Crandall at 532-8976 or email exhibithall.houltonfair@gmail.com.

COOKING CONTEST RULES & REGULATIONS

Any entry into the cooking contests must be submitted in a non-returnable, disposable plates/dishes, unless otherwise stated in the contest.

All entries and recipes become the property of the Houlton Fair upon submission.

All entries must conform to the recipe (if provided) and any other restrictions.

Any entry not subscribing to the rules and regulations will be disqualified.

Amateur bakers only.

Entries must be made by the person under whose name they are exhibited.

ALL COOKING CONTEST ENTRIES MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE EXHIBIT HALL (WHICH IS HELD IN THE CIVIC CENTER THIS YEAR) ON THE DAY OF JUDGING. ENTER THROUGH THE ELM STREET EXTENSION FOR DROP OFF ONLY..NO FAIR PARKING see schedule below for drop off times

COOKING CONTEST JUDGING SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 1st

Drop off entries between 10am - 12pm at the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center)

DEP 17: Parent-Child Baking Contest - 2023 Contest - Any Flavor Whoopie Pie

DEP 18: Baked Beans Cooking Contest

DEP 19: Potato Salad Cooking Contest

DEP 20: Dinner Rolls Cooking Contest

Sunday, July 2nd

Drop off entries between 10am - 12pm at the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center)

1:00 pm DEP 21: Chili Contest

2:00 pm DEP 22: Houlton Farms Baking Contest (recipe specific - see section)

3:00 pm DEP 23: Blueberry Cooking Contest - 2023 Contest - Blueberry Muffins

4:00 pm DEP 24: Apple Pie Cooking Contest

Tuesday, July 4th

Drop off entries between 9:00am-11:00am at the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center)

2:00 pm DEP 26: Red, White & Blue Dessert Recipe Contest

3:00 pm DEP 27: Fudge Contest

4:00 pm DEP 28: Maple Syrup Creation Contest

DEPARTMENT 1: ART

Division 1 - Photography Entrants must be the original photographer or artist. All photos must be entered at a minimum 5X7 format and a maximum of 8X10 format. All photos must be framed. Photos submitted without a frame WILL NOT be accepted, and will be automatically disqualified. Entrants must limit their entries to 1 photo per class. Under NO circumstances will more entries be accepted.

Section 1 - Amateur Photography *Place: 1st - \$4.00 2nd - \$3.00 3rd - \$2.00*

No premiums will be paid to anyone considered a "professional" photographer (someone who receives "PAY" in return for taking photos). Definition of Amateur: engaging or engaged in hobby/sport. Without payment; nonprofessional.

Class

1. Best Animal - Color
2. Best Animal - B&W
3. Best Portrait - Color
4. Best Portrait - B&W
5. Best Scenic - Color
6. Best Scenic - B&W
7. Best Historical - Color
8. Best Historical - B&W

Section 2 - Professional Photography *Place: 1st - \$40.00 2nd - \$30.00 3rd - \$20.00*

Class

1. Best Collection (4-6 photos) - Color
2. Best Collection (4-6 photos) - B&W

Section 3 - Youth (14 years old and under) *Place: 1st - \$3.00 2nd - \$2.00 3rd - \$1.00*

Class

1. Best Animal - Color
2. Best Animal - B&W
3. Best Portrait - Color
4. Best Portrait - B&W
5. Best Scenic - Color
6. Best Scenic - B&W
7. Best Historical - Color
8. Best Historical - B&W

Division 2 - Oils, Acrylics, Watercolors, Pastels/Charcoal/Pencil, Ink, Crayon

Entrants must be the original artist. Paintings and drawings must be submitted on canvas or paper. Paper submissions, if possible, should be in a frame.

Section 1 - Adult *Place: 1st - \$5.00 2nd - \$4.00 3rd - \$3.00*

Section 2 - Youth Age 14 & under *Place: 1st - \$5.00 2nd - \$4.00 3rd - \$3.00*

Class

- 1: Oils/Acrylics**
 - A. Landscapes
 - B. Portraits
 - C. Still life
 - D. Animals
 - E. Abstract
 - F. others

2: Water colors

- A. Landscapes
- B. Portraits
- C. Still life
- D. Animals
- E. Abstract
- F. others

3: Pastels/Charcoal/Pencil /Pen & Ink

- A. Landscapes
- B. Portraits
- C. Still life
- D. Animals
- E. Abstract
- F. Others

Section 3 - Youth Age 10 & under *Place: 1st - \$3.00 2nd - \$2.00 3rd - \$1.00*

Class

1. Crayon

- A. Landscapes
- B. Portraits
- C. Still life
- D. Animals
- E. Abstract
- F. Others

Division 3 - Jewelry

Section 1 - Adults *Place: 1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00*

Section 2 - Youth Age 14 & under *Place: 1st - \$4.00 2nd - \$3.00 3rd \$2.00*

Class

- 1. Earrings
- 2. Necklaces
- 3. Necklace & Earring set
- 4. Other

Division 4 - Baskets

Section 1 - Adults *Place: 1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$13.00 3rd - \$11.00*

Section 2 - Youth Age 14 & under *Place: 1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00*

Class

- 1. Flat Reed
- 2. Round Reed
- 3. Other

DEPARTMENT 2: FLORICULTURE

All flowers are to be raised by the exhibitor except flowers in flower arrangement classes. Flowers must be alive, unless otherwise specified. Entries must be made by the original artist.

Division 1 - Plants

Section 1 - Seasonal Potted or Hanging Flowers and Foliage -

all ages Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Any annual or perennial flowering or foliage plant used in an outdoor setting for the summer

Class

1. Seasonal Potted or hanging basket

Section 2 - Garden Flowers - All Ages Place: 1st - \$3.00 2nd - \$2.00 3rd - \$1.00

All displays should have 3-5 blooms from one or more plants of the same variety unless otherwise indicated with ++.

Class

1. Begonia ++
2. Columbine
3. Dahlia ++
4. Dianthus
5. Daisy
6. Delphinium ++
7. Gladioli ++
8. Hydrangea
9. Lily ++
10. Lupine ++
11. Marigold (large)
12. Marigold (medium)
13. Marigold (small)
14. Pansy
15. Peony
16. Phlox
17. Rose ++
18. Snapdragon
19. Sweet Pea
20. Viola
21. Zinnia (small)
22. Zinnia (large)
23. Foxglove
24. Iris
25. Lavender
26. Lemon balm

Section 3 - Herbs - All Ages Place: 1st - \$3.00 2nd - \$2.00 3rd - \$1.00

Bring in 5-6 pieces of each with the exception of horseradish, which requires 2 roots.

Class

1. Catnip
2. Chive
3. Dill
4. Horseradish
5. Mint

6. Parsley
7. Garlic
8. Basil
9. Oregano
10. Feverfew
11. Rosemary
12. Sage
13. Thyme
14. Lavender
15. Lemon Balm
16. Calendula
17. Cilantro
18. Borage
19. Fennel
20. Savory

Section 4 Flower Arrangements - All ages *Place: 1st - \$4.00 2nd - \$3.00 3rd - \$2.00*

Class

1. Arrangement of garden flowers
2. Arrangement of wildflowers
3. Miniature arrangement (6" or less)
4. White arrangement
5. 4th of July arrangement
6. Artificial Arrangements

Division 2 - Fairy/Gnome Garden

Must be potted and include live plants.

Section 1 - Adults *Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$18.00 3rd - \$16.00*

Section 2 - Youth 14 & under *Place: 1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$13.00 3rd - \$11.00*

DEPARTMENT 3: NEEDLEWORK

Division 1 - Quilt Square

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$30.00 2nd - \$25.00 3rd - \$20.00*

Classes will be determined by judges depending on number of entries and/or style of quilt square

Division 2 - Afghans

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: \$30.00 2nd - \$25.00 3rd - \$20.00*

Class

1. Knitted
 - A.Afghan
 - B.Baby Afghan
2. Crocheted
 - A.Afghan
 - B.Baby Afghan

Division 3 - Knit and Crochet Scarves, Socks, Caps, Mittens, Slippers **(wool or acrylic)**

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00*

Class

1. Knitted
 - A. Scarf
 - B. Plain Socks
 - C. Fancy Socks
 - D. Plain Mittens
 - E. Fancy Mittens
 - F. Hats
 - G. Double Knit Mittens
 - H. Hat & Mitten Set
 - I. Slippers

2. Crocheted
 - A. Scarf
 - B. Plain Socks
 - C. Fancy Socks
 - D. Doilies
 - E. Hats
 - F. Slippers
 - G. Hat & Mitten Set

Division 4 - Sewing

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00*

Class

1. Wearable Items
2. Household items (non-wearable)
3. Other

Sewn infant wear, quilts, and Christmas items may not be entered in this Division.

Other Sewing classes may be determined by judges depending on participation and entries. Items will be judged on choice and suitability of fabric, pattern, quality of fabric, thread, trims, etc. Please list all items giving a brief description of each.

Division 5 - Needle Felted Items

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$8.00 2nd - \$6.00 3rd - \$4.00*

Class

1. Animals
2. Vegetables
3. Other

Other Needle Felted classes may be determined by judges depending on participation. Please list all items giving a brief description of each

DEPARTMENT 4: WOOD WORKING

Amateur crafters/builders only.

Division 1 - WoodWorking - Furniture

Section 1 - All ages *Place: 1st - \$75.00 2nd - \$60.00 3rd - \$45.00*

Class

1. Indoor Furniture
2. Outdoor Furniture

Division 2 - Wood Working - Other

Section 1 - All ages *Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00*

Class

1. Wood Burning
2. Figures, lawn ornaments

Other classes may be determined by judges depending on participation. Premiums paid will be at the discretion of the judges.

Division 3 - Wood Working - YOUTH

Section 1 - School age students (under 19) *Place: 1st - \$200.00 2nd - \$150.00 3rd - \$100.00*

The Houlton Fair Association would like to invite all students of area schools and homeschool students to participate in a competition where the student will create a woodworking project of a figure, scene, or anything to do with agriculture and/or farming. The entries will be judged and voted on by the public during the fair.

DEPARTMENT 5: RETHUNK JUNK

The purpose of rethink junk is to take an item and recycle it into something that has no relationship to the original intended use of the item. Examples: tire made into a chair, toilet made into a planter, metal garden tools made into lawn art, etc.

Division 1 - Recycling

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$75.00 2nd - \$60.00 3rd - \$45.00*

DEPARTMENT 6: CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Division 1 - Christmas Stockings

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00*

Classes will be determined by judges depending on participation. Premiums paid will be at the discretion of the judges. Examples of Christmas Stockings entries: knit, crocheted, felted, sewn, ect.

Division 2 - Tree Ornaments

Section 1 - Adults *Place: 1st - \$8.00 2nd - \$6.00 3rd - \$4.00*

Section 2 - Youth *Place: 1st - \$5.00 2nd - \$3.00 3rd - \$2.00*

Age 14 & under

Classes will be determined by judges depending on participation and number of entries. Premiums paid will be at the discretion of the judges. Examples of ornaments: knit, crochet, felted, wood, sewn, quilted, jeweled, etc

Division 3 - Household Linen Christmas Items

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00*

Classes will be determined by judges depending on participation and number of entries.. Premiums paid will be at the discretion of the judges. Examples of household linens: tablecloth, table runner, placemat, Coasters, napkins, knit top towel, crochet top towel, etc. These entries can be made in any manner such as, but not limited to: knit, crochet, sewn, quilted, etc.

Division 4 - Christmas Floral Arrangements/Centerpieces

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00*

Classes will be determined by judges depending on participation and entries. Premiums paid will be at the discretion of the judges. Examples of arrangements: red & white, gold, silver, live greens, etc.

Division 5 - Christmas Wreaths

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$18.00 3rd - \$16.00*

Classes will be determined by judges depending on participation and entries. Premiums paid will be at the discretion of the judges. Examples of wreaths, but not limited to: live green, sewn, plastic canvas, quilted, pine cones, needlepoint, pine cones, etc.

Division 6 - Christmas Blankets

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - 40.00 2nd - \$30.00 3rd - \$20.00*

Classes will be determined by judges depending on participation and entries. Premiums paid will be at the discretion of the judges. Examples of blankets, but not limited to: quilted, crochet, knit, sewn

Division 7 - Christmas Pillows

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$5.00 2nd - \$4.00 3rd - \$3.00*

Classes will be determined by judges depending on participation and entries. Premiums paid will be at the discretion of the judges. Examples of pillow: quilted, crochet, knit, sewn

DEPARTMENT 7: DECORATE A POTATO

Division 1 - Individual Potato You may utilize and attach up to 3 potatoes to build your creation.

Section 1 - Adults Place: 1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00

Section 2 - Youth Age 14 & Under Place: 1st - \$8.00 2nd - \$6.00 3rd - \$4.00

Division 2 - Potato Box Scene Decorate a scene in a box no larger than 18" x 18" to display your potato creation. Use as many potatoes as you'd like to create your scene and characters.

Section 1 - Adults Place: 1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$13.00 3rd - \$11.00

Section 2 - Youth Age 14 & Under Place: 1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$13.00 3rd - \$11.00

DEPARTMENT 8: SCARECROW CONTEST

2023 THEME: MAINE THEMED SCARECROW

Entries must be made by the original artist. Decorate a Maine themed scarecrow to be a maximum of 7 feet in height and cover no more than 3 feet of floor space. Scarecrows must have the ability to stand / sit on their own.

Division 1 - Scarecrow

Section 1 - Adults Place: 1st - \$30.00 2nd - \$25.00 3rd - \$20.00

Section 2 - Youth 14 & under Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

DEPARTMENT 9: POSTER CONTEST: MASON BEE

Poster can be no larger than 4' x 4'. Poster must represent information about Mason Bees life cycle, habitat, characteristics, houses & care, development, pollination, etc. Will be judged on most creativity and accurate information.

Division 1 - Mason Bee

Section 1 - Youth Ages 12 - 17 Place: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$45.00 3rd - \$40.00

Section 2 - Youth 11 & under Place: 1st - \$40.00 2nd - \$35.00 3rd - \$30.00

DEPARTMENT 10: MASON BEE HOUSE

Entries for the Mason Bee house must be homemade. May be designed and decorated in any manner suitable for a Mason Bee house.

Division 1 - Mason Bee House

Section 1 - Adults Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Section 2 - Youth 14 & under Place: 1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$13.00 3rd - \$11.00

DEPARTMENT 11: HANDMADE GNOME

Entries for the Gnomes must be homemade. Gnomes may be designed and decorated in any manner or theme.

Division 1 - Handmade Gnome

Section 1 - Adults Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Section 2 - Youth 14 & under Place: 1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$13.00 3rd - \$11.00

DEPARTMENT 12: Tie - Dyed T-shirt

Division 1 - Tie-Dyed T- Shirt

Section 1 - Youth Adults Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Section 2 - Youth Ages 12 - 17 Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Section 3 - Youth 11 & under Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - 10.00

Class

1. Tie Dye Kit
2. Natural Dyes - homemade - include list of the items used to make each color dye

DEPARTMENT 13: CANNED and GARDEN GOODS

Jars are to be of uniform size. Only items canned in the last 12 months may be entered. No snap top canning jars allowed. The use of bail wire jars and paraffin wax are no longer recommended by the USDA and will not be accepted. Please provide two jars of each canned good. Each exhibitor MUST have their name on the BOTTOM of each jar. Please enter two (2) jars of each item.

Division 1 - Canned Goods (Single Item)

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$6.00 2nd - \$5.00 3rd - \$4.00*

Class

1. Jam
2. Jelly
3. Fruit
4. Vegetables
5. Greens
6. Minced Meats
7. Pickles
8. Butters (such as apple or peach butter)
9. Catsup, Sauces, and Syrups
10. Other

Sub - Classes may be determined by judges depending on participation and number of entries. Premiums paid will be at the discretion of the judges. Example : Jam class may be broken down into strawberry jam and raspberry jam. Classes will be awarded 1st through 3rd place ribbons and premiums paid for each providing there are enough participants. Sub-classes will be determined by the Judges. Judges' decisions are final.

Examples of entries: Rhubarb, strawberries, bread & butter pickles, chili sauce, maple syrup, beets, swiss chard, salsa, pickled zucchini, etc.

Division 2 - Honey, Dairy, Poultry

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00*

Class

1. Honey
2. Butter, 1 lb
3. Eggs, 1 dozen
4. Maple Syrup
5. Other

Must be from the individual's farm/garden or made by the entrant.

Division 3 - Fresh produce

Section 1 - All Ages *Place: 1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$6.00*

Class

1. Strawberries, 1 pint
2. Asparagus, 1 bunch
3. Other

DEPARTMENT 14: YOUTH WELDING COMPETITION

The Houlton Fair Association would like to invite all welding students of Region II and other school's welding programs to participate in a competition where the student will create and weld a figure, scene, or anything to do with Agriculture and farming. All entries will be displayed in the Exhibit Hall during the fair dates of July 1-4, 2023. The entries will be judged and voted on by the public during the fair. Entries to be dropped off at the John Millar Civic Center in the Houlton Park on Monday, June 26, 2023 between the hours of 1:00pm-4:00pm or drop off at the other times indicated or email treasurer.houltonfair@gmail.com

Division 1 - Welding

Section 1 - School age youth (under 19) Place: 1st - \$200.00 2nd - \$150.00 3rd - \$100.00

DEPARTMENT 15: AGRICULTURE & GARDEN COMPONENTS

Division 1 - Wild Foraging - make a booklet, recipe book/guide, poster, samples of some of the following: saps/teas/coffee/food dish/salves/balms/etc.

Section 1 - All ages Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Division 2 - Recycling/repurposing/composting - reuse something to make a gardening container, windchimes, etc for gardening purposes or demonstrate how to compost.

Section 1 - All ages Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Division 3 - Garden Layout Plan - make a poster or use pictures from your personal files or make a model to show a garden layout plan to include companion planting.

Section 1 - All ages Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Division 4 - Wind/solar energy - make a poster or a model to demonstrate how wind or solar energy works. One example is a solar oven.

Section 1 - All ages Place: 1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

DEPARTMENT 16: SPECIAL DISPLAYS - 2023 “Maine on my Plate” or focus on local agriculture

Businesses, non-profits, youth organizations, etc (see list below) Each group will have an equal amount of space to do a display. All articles in each exhibit shall have been made by the members under the program sponsored. Topic may be of your choosing, but should be agricultural related.

Division 1 - Special displays

Section 1 - All groups and ages *Place: 1st - \$100.00 2nd - \$90.00 3rd - \$80.00*

Classes will be based on amount of entries based on the following suggestions:

- Senior Centers
- Assisted Living/Nursing home
- Libraries
- Youth Organizations
- Daycares & Preschools
- School Groups
- Other (please specify)

*Judged on Tie in of the theme, Originality, Title Sign, Public Appeal, Neatness
All clubs making a suitable exhibit will be awarded \$45*

Other Agricultural and Educational Departments and Classes will be determined by Fair Officials and Exhibit Hall Superintendents based on the number of exhibitors and entries. We encourage groups, troops, clubs, non-profit organizations, farm stands, schools, businesses, etc. to contact us for more information. The exhibits will be judged on: theme, title, appearance & educational value. Premiums will be determined by Fair Officials.

DEPARTMENT 17: PARENT-CHILD BAKING CONTEST

2023 Contest - Any Flavor Whoopie Pie Saturday, July 1st

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension (if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Saturday, July 1st from 10:00am- 12pm.

No late entries will be accepted.

All parents must be 18 years of age. The child must be between 5-14 years old. Parent is defined as mother, father, grandparent, legal guardian, or stepparent. Parents are limited to two entries per year and children to one. For example, a parent may enter different recipes with different children, but not two different recipes with the same child.

Amateur bakers only.

Creations submitted for judging must be from scratch.

Submit 12 individually wrapped Whoopie Pies. Must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe. Creations and Recipes become property of the Houlton Fair.

Entries must be submitted in a disposable container. Entries must be thoroughly cooled.

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final.

Entries will be judged on the following:

Originality	10
Texture	5
Flavor of Filling	5
Flavor of Cookie	<u>5</u>
Total	25 points

Place: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$45.00 3rd - \$40.00

DEPARTMENT 18: BAKED BEANS

Saturday, July 1st

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Saturday, July 1st from 10:00 am-12pm.

No late entries will be accepted.

Any age may enter. One entry per person.

Amateur bakers only.

All entries must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe.

Must submit at least 12 servings.

Baked Beans and recipes become the property of Houlton Fair. Baked Beans may be submitted in a crock pot or returnable container. Containers must be picked up by Monday, July 3rd at 7pm .

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final.

Entries will be judged on the following:

Overall appearance	10
Originality	10
Taste	<u>10</u>
Total	30 points

Place: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$45.00 3rd - \$40.00

DEPARTMENT 19: POTATO SALAD COOKING CONTEST

Saturday, July 1st

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension (if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Saturday from 10:00 am- 12pm.

No late entries will be accepted.

Any age may enter. One entry per person.

All entries must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe.

Amateur bakers only.

Salad must be a minimum of 12 servings.

Salad and recipe becomes the property of Houlton Fair. Salad must be submitted in a disposable container. Containers will not be returned.

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final

Entries will be judged on the following:

Overall appearance	10
Originality	10
Taste	10
Texture	<u>10</u>
Total	40 points

Place: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$45.00 3rd - \$40.00

DEPARTMENT 20: DINNER ROLLS

Saturday, July 1st

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension (if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Saturday, July 1st from 10:00 am-12pm.

No late entries will be accepted.

Any age may enter. One entry per person.

All entries must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe.

Amateur bakers only.

Dinner Rolls must be a minimum of 12 servings.

Dinner Rolls and recipes become the property of Houlton Fair. Dinner Rolls Must be submitted in a disposable container. Containers will not be returned.

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final

Entries will be judged on the following:

Overall appearance	10
Originality	10
Taste	10
Texture	<u>10</u>
Total	40 points

Place: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$45.00 3rd - \$40.00

DEPARTMENT 21: CHILI

Sunday, July 2nd

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension (if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Sunday July 2nd from 10:00 am-12pm.

No late entries will be accepted.

Any age may enter. One entry per person.

Amateur bakers only.

All entries must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe.

Entries must be a minimum of 12 servings.

Chili and recipe become the property of Houlton Fair. Chili may be submitted in a crock pot or returnable container. Containers must be picked up by Monday, July 3rd at 7pm .

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final.

Entries will be judged on the following:

Overall appearance	10
Originality	10
Taste	10
Texture	<u>10</u>
Total	40 points

Place: 1st - \$100.00, 2nd - \$80.00, 3rd - \$60.00

DEPARTMENT 22: HOULTON FARMS BAKING CONTEST

Sunday, July 2nd

Entries may be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Saturday, July 2nd from 10:00 am- Noon.

No late entries will be accepted. Decision of the judges will be final.
Any age may enter. One entry per person
Amateur bakers only

RECIPE MUST BE FOLLOWED. Must be submitted on or in a disposable container. Containers will not be returned.

Score sheets will remain confidential. Judge decisions are final.

Entries will be judged on the following:

Overall appearance	10
Texture	10
Taste	<u>10</u>
Total	30 points

THE BEST CHOCOLATE SHEET CAKE

INGREDIENTS FOR THE CAKE:

2 CUPS FLOUR
1 CUP BOILING WATER
½ CUP HOULTON FARMS DAIRY BUTTERMILK
2 CUPS SUGAR
2 WHOLE BEATEN EGGS
¼ TSP SALT
1 TSP BAKING SODA
4 TABLESPOONS(HEAPING) COCOA
1 TSP VANILLA
2 STICKS HOULTON FARMS DAIRY BUTTER

INGREDIENTS FOR FROSTING:

½ CUPS FINELY CHOPPED PECANS
6 TABLESPOONS HOULTON FARMS DAIRY MILK
1 TSP VANILLA
1 ¼ STICK HOULTON FARMS DAIRY BUTTER
1 POUND (MINUS ½ CUP) POWDERED SUGAR
1 TABLESPOONS (HEAPING) COCOA

INSTRUCTIONS:

In a Mixing Bowl Combine Flour, Sugar, and Salt

In a Saucepan Melt Butter, Add Cocoa and Stir Together

Add Boiling Water, Allow Mixture to Boil for 30 Seconds. Then Turn off Heat Pour Over Flour Mixture and Stir Lightly to Cool

In a Measuring Cup, Pour the Buttermilk/Chocolate Mixture

Pour Into Sheet Cake Pan and Bake at 350 Degrees for 20 Minutes While Cake is

Baking, Make The Icing,

Chop Pecans Finely,

Melt Butter in a Saucepan, Add Cocoa, Stir to Combine, Then Turn off the Heat , Add The Milk, Vanilla, and Powdered Sugar. Stir Together.

Add The Pecans, Stir Together, and Pour Over Warm Cake

Cut Into Squares

Place: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$45.00 3rd - \$40.00

DEPARTMENT 23: 2023 BLUEBERRY MUFFINS
Sunday, July 2nd

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension (if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Sunday July 2nd from 10:00 am-12pm.

No late entries will be accepted.

Any age may enter. One entry per person.

Amateur bakers only.

All entries must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe.

Entries must be a minimum of 12 servings.

Muffins and recipes become the property of Houlton Fair. Muffins must be submitted on or in a disposable container. Containers will not be returned.

Please use frozen or fresh wild Maine Blueberries.

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final.

Entries will be judged on the following:

Overall appearance	10
Originality	10
Taste	10
Texture	<u>10</u>
Total	40 points

Place: 1st - \$50.00, 2nd - \$45.00, 3rd - \$40.00

DEPARTMENT 24: APPLE PIE COOKING CONTEST

Sunday, July 2nd

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Sunday, July 2nd from 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

No late entries will be accepted.

Any age may enter. One entry per person.

Amateur bakers only.

All entries must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe.

Recipe must be made as a traditional apple pie, therefore, there can be no other fruit in this recipe. Recipes submitted must be cooked as indicated with the ingredients listed.

All pies must be completely cooled.

The pie and recipes become the property of Houlton Fair. All pies must be submitted in a disposable container. Containers will not be returned.

No late entries will be accepted.

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final

Entries will be judged on the following:

Ease of preparation	4
Texture	4
Crust	4
Overall appearance	4
Flavor of filling	<u>4</u>
Total	20 points

Place: 1st - \$75.00 2nd - \$65.00 3rd - \$55.00

DEPARTMENT 25: RED, WHITE & BLUE DESSERT CONTEST

Red, White & Blue Dessert of your choice Tuesday, July 4th

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension (if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Tuesday, July 4th from 9:00 am - 11:00 am

No late entries will be accepted.

Any age may enter. One entry per person.

Amateur bakers only.

All entries must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe.

Entries must be a minimum of 12 portions.

Entries and recipes become the property of Houlton Fair. Entries must be submitted on or in a disposable container. Containers will not be returned.

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final.

Entries will be judged on the following:

Overall appearance	10
Originality	10
Taste	<u>5</u>
Total	25 points

Place: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$45.00 3rd - \$40.00

DEPARTMENT 26: FUDGE CONTEST

TUESDAY, July 4th

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension (if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Tuesday, July 4th from 9:00 am - 11:00 am

No late entries will be accepted.

Any age may enter. One entry per person.

Amateur bakers only.

All entries must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe.

Submit a minimum of 12 2X2 pieces of fudge. Each piece must be individually wrapped.

Entries become the property of Houlton Fair. Entries must be submitted on or in a disposable container. Containers will not be returned.

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final.

Entries will be judged on the following:

Overall appearance	10
Originality	10
Taste	<u>10</u>
Total	30 points

Place: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$45.00 3rd - \$40.00

DEPARTMENT 27: MAPLE SYRUP CREATION CONTEST

Tuesday, July 4th

Entries must be brought to the Exhibit Hall (Civic Center) You may enter through Elm St. Extension (if only dropping off, no fair parking) on Tuesday, July 4th from 9:00 am - 11:00 am

No late entries will be accepted.

Any age may enter. One entry per person.

Amateur bakers only.

All entries must be accompanied by the recipe neatly printed. No names are to appear on the recipe.

Submit 12 servings of your creation.

Entries become the property of Houlton Fair. Entries must be submitted on or in a disposable container. Containers will not be returned.

Score sheets will remain confidential.

Decisions of the Judges will be final.

Entries will be judged on the following:

Overall appearance	10
Originality	10
Taste	<u>5</u>
Total	25 points

Place: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$45.00 3rd - \$40.00

Houlton Agricultural Fair Livestock Exhibits

Livestock Superintendents – Ian Crane 538-7493

General Rules and Regulations

1. All animals must be at the fair no later than midnight on Friday, June 30th.
 2. All animals must be healthy and clean. Any animal may be asked to leave if deemed unhealthy by the Livestock Superintendent or Fair Veterinarian. All animals entering the grounds must meet the health requirements of the Maine State Department of Agriculture as established for State Fairs. Details of these requirements can be obtained from the Livestock Superintendent or from the Maine State Dept. of Agriculture, Augusta, ME.
 3. Animals are to stay on the fair grounds until released by the Livestock Superintendent.
 4. Premiums will be given out in a Herdsmanship Competition. For Beef and Dairy you must bring a minimum of 6 Animals to compete. For Sheep and Goats you must bring a minimum of 5 animals to compete. There will also be an educational display contest.
 5. All Entries are subject to approval or rejection by the Fair Veterinarian at any time during the course of the Fair.
 6. Cooking and smoking are strictly prohibited in any tent, stable, or exhibit areas.
 7. The Houlton Fair will, under no circumstances, be liable or responsible for any injury, losses, or damages sustained by the owner, agent, servant, employees, or animals entered in any class or exhibition while on the fairgrounds. All risks of loss, injury, damage or destruction to property or livestock are assumed in full by the owners, agents, servants, and employees; whether caused by active or passive negligence, condition of the premises or any other cause whatsoever. All owners hereby unreservedly and without exception agree to hold the Houlton Fair harmless for any loss, costs, or damages caused by them or arising from any occurrence in which they or their property or animals may be involved while on the premises of the Houlton Fair.
 8. These rules and regulations, as well as the rules and regulations of each individual department, are subject to interpretation by, and only by, the Superintendent of Livestock for the Houlton Fair.
 9. All livestock exhibitors will show their proof of exhibitor's insurance at arrival.
 10. Farm premiums will be paid after exhibitors have cleaned their stalls and pens.
- Large Herdsmanship Determination Will be judged on Five Different Categories.
Each Category will be worth a percentage:
- A. Cleanliness – 20 %
 - B. Cooperation With Fair Officials, Fair Goers, and Other Exhibitors-20%
 - C. Overall Look of Display – 20%
 - D. Demonstrations to the Public – 20 %
 - E. Interaction with Fair Goers – 20 %
- For more information check out our Facebook Page

Department 28: Dairy Department

Dairy Premiums:

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

\$500 \$400 \$300 \$200 \$100

Department 29: Beef Department

Beef Premiums:

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

\$500 \$400 \$300 \$200 \$100

Department 30: Sheep Department

Sheep Premiums:

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

\$300 \$200 \$100 \$75 \$50

Department 31: Goat Department

Goat Premiums:

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

\$300 \$200 \$100 \$75 \$50

Department 32: Alpaca Department

Alpaca Premiums:

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

\$300 \$200 \$100 \$75 \$50

Department 33: DRAFT AND WORKING HORSE

When: Saturday July 1st, 2023

Teamsters meeting at 9:30 AM

Show time: 10:00 AM

Horses must have current Coggins in order to enter fairgrounds, (proof of test must be available upon request). Must also have proof of liability insurance. Canadian horses will need coggins and an endorsed health certificate to cross the border on a 72 hour pass.

ANYONE WHO SHOWS A HORSE MUST REGISTER UNDER HIS NAME

Horses may stay on the grounds overnight for 1 night only.

For public health reasons you will be asked to clean up after your horse during your stay on the fairgrounds. A convenient disposal site will be provided. In the event of an extra large turn-out we may be forced to limit the number of horses that one person may enter into the single horse event. (This will allow for the event to proceed at a reasonable pace.)

Halter Classes

Pony Halter: (1st - \$45) (2nd - \$35) (3rd - \$30) (4th - \$20)

Horse Halter: (1st - \$50) (2nd - \$40) (3rd - \$30) (4th - \$20)

Mare Over 3: (1st - \$50) (2nd - \$40) (3rd - \$30) (4th - \$20)

Mare Under 3: (1st - \$45) (2nd - \$35) (3rd - \$30) (4th - \$20)

Youth Halter: (1st - \$35) (2nd - \$30) (3rd - \$25) (4th - \$20)

Gelding: (1st - \$50) (2nd - \$40) (3rd - \$35) (4th - \$20)

Hitch

Single Pony Cart: (1st - \$45) (2nd - \$35) (3rd - \$30) (4th - \$20)

Single Horse Cart: (1st - \$50) (2nd - \$40) (3rd - \$35) (4th - \$30)

Single Horse Cart (Ladies): (1st - \$50) (2nd - \$40) (3rd - \$35) (4th - \$30)

Pony Tandem Wagon: (1st - \$45) (2nd - \$35) (3rd - \$30) (4th - \$20)

Horse Tandem Wagon: (1st - \$50) (2nd - \$40) (3rd - \$30) (4th - \$20)

Junior Pair Wagon: (1st - \$50) (2nd - \$45) (3rd - \$30) (4th - \$20)

4 Pony Hitch: (1st - \$60) (2nd - \$50) (3rd - \$40) (4th - \$30)

4 Horse Hitch: (1st - \$100) (2nd - \$90) (3rd - \$80) (4th - \$70)

Mail Route (Wagon Obstacle Course): (1st - \$60) (2nd - \$50) (3rd - \$40) (4th - \$30)

Draft

Draft Riding: (1st - \$50) (2nd - \$40) (3rd - \$30) (4th - \$20)

Twitch

Single Draft Horse Log Twitch: (1st - \$100) (2nd - \$90) (3rd - \$80) (4th - \$50)

Department 34: YOUTH MARKET HOG

Rules:

1. Members 9 years and older may show on (1) Auction Market Hog.
2. Commercial animals are shown separately from Market Hogs and are not eligible for Grand Champion classes.
3. All animals should be between 180 and 280 lbs.
4. Animals must be kept under control.
5. Stall areas must be kept continuously clean.
6. Required dress: White shirt, tan pants and hard shoes or boots.

Premiums

Houlton Grand Champion - \$20.00

1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$7.00 4th - \$6.00 5th and 6th - Ribbons only

Market Hog Classes

001 Senior Showmanship and Fitting

002 Junior Showmanship and Fitting

003 Grand Champion

004 Worthy Exhibitor

Commercial Hog Class

01 Senior Showmanship and Fitting

02 Junior Showmanship and Fitting

Department 35: OTHER LIVESTOCK AND EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

LARGE HERD EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

The Display Must consist of a display informing and educating the public about any agricultural topic of your choice. The display may include pictures, games and handouts. Display should be neat and well made. Being available to answer

Questions are always a good thing. You must be in the Large Herdsman Competition to compete.

Premiums for Educational Display For All Species of Animals

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

\$300 \$250 \$200 \$100 \$50

SMALL HERDSMAN AWARD COMPETITION

Any Exhibitor with Less Than 6 animals in Beef or Dairy and less than 5 animals in Sheep and Goats may compete in the Small Herdsman Competition. Will Be Judged as the open. Premiums For One Animal

1st: \$ 60.00

2nd: \$ 50.00

3rd: \$ 40.00

4th: \$ 30.00

5th: \$ 20.00

Each additional animal you bring will be an additional \$20.00

SMALL HERD EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

You need to be in a Herdsmanship competition to compete. All exhibitors will compete together in the Educational Display Contest

Premiums Are as Follows:

1st: \$ 60.00

2nd: \$ 50.00

3rd: \$ 40.00

4th: \$ 30.00

5th: \$ 20.00

YOUTH SHOWS

Classes will be determined by fair officials based on number of exhibitors, species of animals and time availability of the facilities.