

# **Machen Agricultural Show**

## **Homecraft and Horticulture Schedule**

### **Rules and Regulations**

1. Exhibitors can begin staging their items from 8am. All exhibits must be staged by 10.30am, with judging commencing at 11am.
2. Prize money can be collected from 4.30pm and no entries should be removed from the tent before this time.
3. Entries received by Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June are priced at 50p per exhibit. This payment should be made with the entry form found in this schedule. Entries amounting to more than £5 will be sent a free entry pass. This is limited to one per person.
4. Entries on show day are priced at 75p per exhibit. Please see the steward in the tent to make your payment.
5. Cheques are to be made payable to Machen Show
6. Exhibitors are asked to bring a sealed envelope containing their name to place under each exhibit entered. Please state your class number on the envelope/s.
7. Upmost care will be taken of the exhibits, but the committee will not be held responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
8. It is the exhibitors responsibility to collect their items at the end of the day.
9. Any trophies can be kept for one year and must be returned by show day.

**Please note, there will be no parking directly outside the tent**

Entries received by Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June – 50p per class/exhibit

Entries received on Show Day – 75p per class/exhibit

### **All entries and enquiries to:**

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## **MECRAFT SECTION**

Prizes:            1<sup>st</sup> -£2.00                      2<sup>nd</sup> - £1.50                      3<sup>rd</sup> - £1.00

A trophy will be presented to the competitor with the most points from classes 1-18.

### **Home Produce**

*Kindly Sponsored by Glanmor's Bakery*

1. Fruit Tart
2. Red Velvet Cake
3. 6 Welsh Cakes
4. Bara Brith
5. Lemon Drizzle Cake
6. Victoria Sandwich
7. Carrot Cake
8. A Traybake of your choice
9. 6 Cheese Straws
10. 6 Fruit Scones
11. A Round of Shortbread
12. Swiss Roll
13. A Flask of Soup
14. A Jar of Fruit Curd
15. A Jar of Fruit Jam
16. A Jar of Marmalade
17. A Jar of Chutney
18. Bottle of Homemade Cordial

Preserves to be labelled with variety and date of making.

### **Men Only Class**

19. Coffee Cake

### **Handicraft**

20. A Crocheted Article
21. A Hand Knitted Article
22. A Quilted Article
23. An Article using Pom Poms
24. An Article in Cross Stitch (max. size 20"x20")
25. An Item of Woodwork
26. A Cushion
27. A Child's Item of Clothing
28. An Item of Jewellery
29. A Fabric Soft Toy

## **ART SECTION**

Prizes:            1<sup>st</sup> -£2.00                      2<sup>nd</sup> - £1.50                      3<sup>rd</sup> - £1.00

Maximum Size for this section – 30" x 20"

- 30. Best Picture in Water Colours
- 31. Best Picture in Acrylics
- 32. Best Picture in Pastels
- 33. Best Picture using Mixed Media
- 34. Best Colour Photograph
- 35. Best Black and White Photograph
  
- 36. Junior Class – Under 13s (No Entry Fee)  
    Best Picture – Any Medium
  
- 37. Artwork created for GCSE (No Entry Fee)
- 38. Artwork created for A level (No Entry Fee)

## **CHILDREN'S SECTION**

Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> - £1.50

2<sup>nd</sup> - £1.00

3<sup>rd</sup> – 50p

ALL CHILDRENS CLASSES ARE FREE TO ENTER

Children may enter in an older age group but not in a younger one.  
Please state name and age on all exhibits.

### **Class A – Children 5 years and under**

- 39. 4 Rice Krispie Cakes
- 40. A Paper Plate Gruffalo
- 41. A Rainbow Picture
- 42. Anything you like – you've made it, let's see it!

### **Class B –Children 8 years and under**

- 43. 4 Monster Themed Biscuits
- 44. Your Best Handwriting – 'Spaghetti' by Shel Silverstein
- 45. A Paper Aquarium from a Cereal Box
- 46. Anything you like – you've made it, let's see it!

### **Class C – Children 12 years and under**

- 47. 6 Circus Themed Cupcakes
- 48. A Dinosaur Made of Lego
- 49. Design a Ticket for the Rugby World Cup
- 50. Anything you like – you've made it, let's see it!

### **Class D – Children 16 years old and under**

- 51. 3 Decorated Cake Pops
- 52. Design a Poster for the Tour de France
- 53. A Photograph with the theme of Colour
- 54. Anything you like –you've made it, let's see it!

### **Competition for Local Primary Schools**

Make a picture with the following theme

- 55. Infants – Woodlands and Forests (max size 4ft x 1.5ft)
- 56. Juniors – Welsh Heroes – (max size 4ft x 1.5ft)

### **Competition for Local Groups**

Make a picture with the following theme

- 57. Rainbows or Beavers – Animals (max size 4ft x 1.5ft)
- 58. Brownies or Cubs – Emergency Services (max size 4ft x 1.5ft)

## **HORTICULTURE SECTION**

*Kindly Sponsored by Caerphilly Garden Centre*

Prizes:            1<sup>st</sup> -£2.00                      2<sup>nd</sup> - £1.50                      3<sup>rd</sup> - £1.00

A trophy will be awarded to the competitor with the most points in classes 64-90.

The Alun Thomas Trophy Sponsored By Ffwrwm Road Allotment Association shall be awarded to the exhibit the judge deems best in the horticulture section.

### **FRUIT AND VEGETABLES**

#### **Children's Classes**

- 59. 3 Potatoes
- 60. 3 Carrots
- 61. Collection of 4 Types of Vegetable

#### **Novice Classes**

(Open to those who have not won first prize in any fruit or vegetable class at any show)

- 62. Any type of vegetables
- 63. Any type of fruit

#### **Open Classes**

- 64. 6 Shallots
- 65. 6 Broad Beans
- 66. 5 Potatoes – 1 variety
- 67. 3 Carrots – any variety
- 68. 3 Onions grown from sets
- 69. 6 Pods of peas
- 70. 2 Lettuce – any variety
- 71. 5 Radish
- 72. 3 Round Beetroot – 1 variety
- 73. 2 Bulbs of garlic
- 74. 4 Varieties of Garden Herbs
- 75. 3 Sticks of Rhubarb – leaves to be trimmed
- 76. 12 Gooseberries displayed on a dish – 1 variety
- 77. 12 Currants displayed on a dish – 1 variety
- 78. 12 of any other soft fruit displayed on a dish–1 variety, calyx to remain in place
- 79. A collection of vegetables consisting of 4 distinct varieties of vegetables. Space allowed – 24"x24" only. Parsley allowed for dressing.

### **PLANTS AND FLOWERS**

- 80. 1 Specimen Rose
- 81. A Vase of 5 Roses
- 82. A Vase of Cut Garden Flowers

- 83. 9 Spikes of Sweet Peas
- 84. 6 Pansies
- 85. Foliage Pot Plant – Maximum 7” diameter Pot
- 86. Flowering Plant – Maximum 7” diameter Pot
- 87. A Hanging Basket

### **Flowers Arranged for Effect**

- 88. An Arrangement for a candlestick
- 89. An Arrangement with the theme ‘Moonlight’
- 90. An Arrangement with the theme ‘Teatime’

### **HELPFUL HINTS TO HORTICULTURE EXHIBITORS**

1. Allow time to stage exhibits and check that the number of specimens is correct. Exhibits should be staged as attractively as possible.
2. In a close competition, arrangement may be a deciding factor and a judge is usually favorably influenced by good presentation.
3. In assessing merits, the following features are usually considered:

#### **Vegetables**

These should be properly prepared; i.e. roots should be washed with a soft sponge and plenty of water to prevent skin damage.

Potatoes	Medium Size, shapely, clean clear-skinned tubers with few and shallow eyes. Arrange on a plate.
Onions	Fine, thin necked bulbs. Size according to cultivar and of good colour. Avoid soft, stained onions with poor quality necks.
Carrots	Tender, good shape, free from side roots, skins and colour clear and bright Size according to cultivar. Avoid pale colour and those green near the top. Leaves should be removed, with no more than 75mm (3”) of leaf stalk remaining.
Peas	Large, fresh pods, deep green with bloom intact – handle by stems. No disease or pest damage and well filled with tender seeds. Stage on plate in circular formation – tail ends of pods outwards.
Beetroot	Spherical with small tap roots, medium size, fangless with smooth, clear skins and flesh uniform in colour. Before selection, cut two roots to ensure colour uniform with no white zones. Remove leaves as for carrots.
Lettuce	Firm, tender, unbroken heads of good colour.

### Fruit

Cultivators in season, which are ripe, are usually preferred to others, which have been picked prematurely. Condition, size, colour, uniformity and quality are features of assessment.

### Flowers

Sweet Peas	Strong spikes with well-spaced blooms. Top blooms well expanded, bottom blooms still good. Long straight stems.
Roses	<i>Specimen bloom.</i> Fresh, no blemishes, full size for cultivar. Petals regularly arranged within circular outline, well-formed centre. Colour bright and brilliant. <i>Other than specimen bloom.</i> As for specimen but additionally well-formed foliage of good size and texture. Strong stems.
Pansies	Flower circular in outline, smooth thick velvety petals without serrations and Violas surface of flower slightly convex. No blotch or any rays on violas.
Pot Plants	Clean pots, neat staking. Preference given for decorative rather than botanical value. Shapely plant with healthy unblemished foliage and with flowers of good size and colour in the case of flowering pot plants.

### Preparation of Flowers for Exhibition

1. Cut in the evening or early morning with stems as long as possible.
2. Make slanting cut on stem, remove undeveloped side shoots. Plunge upright in containers of clean water away from light.
3. When transporting to the show, pack cotton wool or soft paper between specimens.
4. When staging, cut portion from base of flower stems to assist uptake of water. Check water level in containers.
5. Generally, condition and uniformity are important. An exhibit is in good condition when it is in the most perfect stage of its possible beauty, is fresh and free from damage due to weather, pests, diseases, faulty handling or other cause. Uniformity means that the items of which the flower consists are alike in age, size and form.

Further information may be obtained from "The Horticultural Show handbook" published by The Royal Horticultural Society.

## **STICK SECTION**

Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> £3.00      2<sup>nd</sup> £2.00      3<sup>rd</sup> £1.00

Entries received by Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup> – 50p per class/exhibit

Entries received on Show Day – 75p per class/exhibit

All exhibits **MUST** be staged by 10.30am, with judging commencing at 11am

The judge's decision is final.

Prize Money and Entries can be collected from 4.30pm.

Classes will be staged in the Homecraft and Horticulture Tent

An award will be presented to the competitor with the most points from this section

1. Plain Shepherd's Crook – Horn
2. Plain Shepherd's Crook – Wood
3. Plain Thumb Stick – Horn
4. Plain Thumb Stick – Wood
5. Plain Market Stick – Horn
6. Plain Market Stick – Wood
7. Plain Walking Stick – Horn
8. Plain Walking Stick – Wood
9. Decorated Stick – Horn
10. Decorated Stick – Wood
11. 1 Knob Stick
12. 1 Deer Horn Stick
13. All in One Stick
14. Novice Class – 1 stick wood or horn

### **Entries To:**

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Exhibitors who enter by 29<sup>th</sup> June and entry fees amount to £5.00 will be sent one admission pass. These are limited to one per person.

Any person not showing a pass will be charged the normal admission fee.



**MACHEN AGRICULTURAL SHOW  
 HOMECRAFT AND HORTICULTURE SECTION – ENTRY FORM**

Class Number	Name of Exhibitor	Entry Fee

Name.....

Address.....

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Telephone No. ....

**Entries to:** Miss Bethan Potts, 10 Alwyn Close, Rogerstone, Newport, NP10 9HW

Entries totaling £5 will be sent an exhibition pass. This is limited to one per person.  
 Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

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Please indicate whether we can contact you by any of the following options. This will only be regarding your entry or with future show schedules. Please do let us know if you'd like to change your preferences:

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☐Yes ☐No

Phone  
☐Yes ☐No

Post  
☐Yes ☐No