

# 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 24<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 £8 will be sent a free entry pass. This is limited to one per person.
4. Entries on show day are priced at £1 per exhibit. Please see the steward in the tent to make your payment.
5. Cheques are to be made payable to Machen Agricultural Show.
6. Utmost care will be taken of the exhibits, but the committee will not be held responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
7. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to collect their items at the end of the day.
8. Any trophies can be kept for one year and must be returned by show day the following year.

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

Entries received by Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June – 50p per class/exhibit  
Entries received on Show Day – £1 per class/exhibit

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

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# HEMCRAFT SECTION

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

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

## Home Produce

1. 6 Welsh Cakes
2. Coffee Cake
3. 5 Macarons
4. Bara Brith
5. Carrot Cake
6. Victoria Sponge
7. Banana Bread
8. A Traybake of your choice
9. A Handmade Loaf of Bread (any variety)
10. 4 Fingers of Flapjack
11. A Picnic Basket for Two
12. A decorated cake celebrating the 80<sup>th</sup> Machen Show
13. A Vegetarian Sausage Roll
14. A Jar of Lemon 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.

## Handicraft

19. A Crocheted Article
20. A Hand Knitted Article
21. An Article using Free Motion Embroidery
22. An Article in Cross Stitch (max. size 20"x20")
23. An Item of Woodwork
24. An Item with Pyrography
25. A Macrame Article
26. An Item Celebrating the Coronation
27. An Item of Jewellery

# ART SECTION

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

Maximum Size for this section – 30” x 20”

- 28. Best Picture in Water Colours
- 29. Best Picture in Acrylics
- 30. Best Picture in Pencil
- 31. Best Handmade Print
- 32. Best 3D piece
- 33. Best Photograph of Machen Show of the Past
- 34. Best Digitally Manipulated Photograph
  
- 35. Junior Class – Under 15s (No Entry Fee)  
    Best Picture – Any Medium
  
- 36. Artwork created for GCSE (No Entry Fee)
- 37. 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.

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

- 38.4 Decorated Cornflake Cakes
- 39.A Duplo Creation
- 40.A Butterfly Painting
- 41. Anything you like – you've made it, let's see it!

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

- 42.4 Decorated Gingerbread Men
- 43. Your Best Handwriting – 'Every Thing On It' by Shel Silverstein
- 44. An Animal Made of Vegetables
- 45. Anything you like – you've made it, let's see it!

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

- 46.6 Chocolate Brownies
- 47.A Painted Pebble with a Nature Theme
- 48. Create an Item to Show What You'd Like to be when you Grow Up
- 49. Anything you like – you've made it, let's see it!

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

- 50. A Victoria Sponge
- 51. A Digital Invitation to the 80<sup>th</sup> Machen Show
- 52. A Handmade Piece of Jewellery
- 53. Anything you like –you've made it, let's see it!

## **Children's Horticulture Classes**

- 54.3 Potatoes
- 55.3 Carrots
- 56. Collection of 4 Types of Vegetable

## **Competition for Local Primary Schools**

Make a picture with the following theme

- 57. Infants – Magic and Mystery - (max size 4ft x 1.5ft)
- 58. Juniors – In Our Area – (max size 4ft x 1.5ft)

## **Competition for Local Groups**

Make a picture with the following theme

- 59. Rainbows or Beavers – Food (max size 4ft x 1.5ft)
- 60. Brownies, Cubs or Badgers – Movies (max size 4ft x 1.5ft)

# HORTICULTURE SECTION

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

A trophy will be awarded to the competitor with the most points in classes 63-89.

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

### Novice Classes

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

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

### Open Classes

- 63.6 Shallots
- 64.6 Broad Beans
- 65.5 Potatoes – 1 variety
- 66.3 Carrots – any variety
- 67.3 Onions grown from sets
- 68.6 Pods of peas
- 69.2 Lettuce – any variety
- 70.5 Radish
- 71.3 Round Beetroot – 1 variety
- 72.2 Bulbs of garlic
- 73.4 Varieties of Garden Herbs
- 74.3 Sticks of Rhubarb – leaves to be trimmed
- 75.12 Gooseberries displayed on a dish – 1 variety
- 76.12 Currants displayed on a dish – 1 variety
- 77.12 of any other soft fruit displayed on a dish–1 variety, calyx to remain in place
- 78. A collection of vegetables consisting of 4 distinct varieties of vegetables. Space allowed – 24”x24” only. Parsley allowed for dressing.

### Plants and Flowers

- 79.1 Specimen Rose
- 80.A Vase of 5 Roses
- 81.A Vase of Cut Garden Flowers
- 82.6 Spikes of Sweet Peas
- 83.A Cacti or Succulent
- 84.Foliage Pot Plant – Maximum 7” diameter Pot
- 85.Flowering Plant – Maximum 7” diameter Pot
- 86.A Hanging Basket

## **Flowers Arranged for Effect**

87. A Wreath Arrangement for Summer

88. An Arrangement with the theme 'Coronation'

89. An Arrangement to celebrate '80<sup>th</sup> Edition of Machen Agricultural Show'

## **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 *Specimen bloom.* Fresh, no blemishes, full size for cultivar. Petals regularly arranged within circular outline, well-formed centre. Colour bright and brilliant.  
*Other than specimen bloom.* 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

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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

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



**MACHEN AGRICULTURAL SHOW  
HOMECRAFT AND HORTICULTURE SECTION  
ENTRY FOR**

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

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