

A special thank you to all of the volunteers who make this event possible.

Helpful Hints for Horticulture Exhibits

The judges will be guided in making their decisions by the printed prize list. Judges will give preference to cultivars correctly named. (Cultivar is a horticultural variety e.g. 'Sunny Vee' is a cultivar of corn). All exhibits must be clean and free of insects and diseases.

Flowers

With the exception of decorative arrangements the flowers are judged for quality. The artistic arrangement of exhibits in Cut Flower classes does not count. Containers such as salad dressing jars work well. Size in the individual blooms is desirable but the quality, form and cleanliness is just as important and should not be passed up in order to pick the largest bloom. Damage to petals will cause the loss of many points.

Gladiolus should have a straight spike and be cut to have the total stem approximately half the length of the flower head. Florets should be evenly spaced and in balance. Measurement refers to diameter of lowest floret.

Roses are considered at their peak just as the second set of petals start to unfurl. A good length of straight stem, carrying some foliage is desirable. The stem should reach the bottom of the container. Side buds must be removed in the Single Rose class.

Sweet Peas should have long stems that are straight and firm. Size, texture, freshness, and number of florets open are important.

Asters, Dahlias, Marigolds and Zinnias should have the centres full (except in the single varieties) and should be free of wilting outer petals.

Pansies should be a uniform size, not touching in the display.

Snapdragon spikes should include no side spikes.

Vegetables

Beans have pods of good length, uniform in size, fresh and free from stringiness; seed should not be fully developed.

Beets not over 7.6 cm in diameter; dark red inside and out, free from light coloured rings in centre; free of side roots; crown small and free of splits, scaling, sunburn. Tops removed 1.3 cm from crown.

Carrots smooth and straight, free from side roots, injury, and sunburn; small core; clean. Tops removed 1.3 cm from crown.

Cabbage heads of medium size, heavy and firm shape true to type; remove stem and outer damaged leaves, 1-2 wrapper leaves attached.

Cauliflower heads about 20 cm in diameter; curds should be white and compact, smooth and regular, with no leaves showing through the head; remove stock and large leaves, trim remaining leaves to 1 cm above curd.

Corn in fresh, edible condition; uniform size, evenly filled tip to base with straight rows of well-developed kernels. About 1/3 of the husk removed from the tip to base.

Cucumbers uniform in size, shape and colour; free from blemishes fresh, firm and seed not well developed; show little tapering at ends, 1 cm stem attached. Slicing cultivars at least 15 cm long.

Herb collections 3-4 sprigs per bunch; free from blemishes; display in water so not wilted; bunches not crowded.

Lettuce leaves washed, tender and sweet; roots and small or damaged outer leaves removed, shown in water.

Onions firm; uniform colour, size, shape and maturity; tops and roots trimmed to 1.3 cm from bulb; only jagged and dirty outer scales removed.

Pea pods large, fresh, uniform and well filled; peas large, whole, uniform, sweet and in good colour; stem and calyx attached.

Potato shape and colour uniform, typical of cultivar; tubers smooth with few and shallow eyes, firm and medium size; no sunburn or secondary tubers; can be cleaned with a soft brush.

Tomatoes smooth, uniform in size, shape and colour; stem attached. Green-ripe preferred in green class.

Zucchini uniform in colour; trim stems to 1 cm; maximum length of 20 cm.

Fruit

Fruit collections should have fruits at their peak; avoid overripe fruit; should be clean, free of blemishes, arranged attractively; stems attached. Fruits must be named, points awarded for cultivar names. Does not include rhubarb.

Rhubarb tops trimmed to fan shape about 2.5 cm long; stalks uniform, about 45-50 cm long; colour uniform over length; only trim rough edges at base, and tied as a bunch.

For more details on preparing bench show entries refer to:

Judging Standards for Horticultural Shows, available from Alberta Agriculture, Food & Rural Development, or on loan from the Darwell Public Library.

BENCH SHOW

In the Darwell Centennial Hall

Friday, August 16 (6:00 – 8:00 pm) Pre-buy entry tags & exhibit entry

Saturday August 17 (7:00 am– 9:15 am) Tags & exhibit entry

Judging for the Bench Show will commence on

SATURDAY at 9:30am SHARP

Entry Fees Adults: \$1.00 for first entry and 50¢ for additional entries

Junior & Intermediate: 25¢ per entry; School Work Free

HALL WILL BE OPEN FOR VIEWING AT 12:15 PM

Members of Darwell Women's Institute Tea 12:15 pm - 2:00 pm

EXHIBITS TO REMAIN IN THE HALL UNTIL 2:00 PM

Prize money for all bench show categories will be:

1st - \$4.00 2nd - \$3.00 3rd - \$2.00

Prize money will be paid out at the end of the show.

FLOWERS

YELLOW PLACE CARDS

Horticulture Only: Two entries per exhibitor per class; however, each entry MUST be of a different cultivar and MUST be named. Failure to name all multiple entries in the class will disqualify all those multiple entries. Comply exactly with rules regarding the numbers or your exhibit will be disqualified. All baskets & plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession at least 60 days prior to the show.

1. Arrangement of garden flowers in a kitchen container
2. Arrangement of fresh flowers suitable for coffee table, will be judged on arrangement and design as well as condition of blooms
3. Arrangement of one or more cultivar of Marigolds, any colour, any kind of foliage, no accessories (e.g. ribbon)
4. Arrangement of garden flowers suitable for dinner table
5. Arrangement of Sweet Peas, in a container with other foliage, no baby's breath
6. Bouquet of garden flowers, one kind, any foliage
7. Bouquet of garden flowers, mixed, any foliage
8. Dried flower arrangement, home grown or native materials, no noxious weeds (wild grasses, flowers, seeds, pods, berries, etc.)
9. Calendula, 3 blooms
10. Collection of 5 different herbaceous (perennial) one stem of each, in separate containers, on a base.
11. Dahlia, 1 bloom only
12. Gladioli, one spike, any color
13. Lily, single stem, single or multiple blooms
14. Marigolds, 3 blooms, one cultivar, any colour, under 3"
15. Pansies, one cultivar, mixed colours, 3 blooms, in shallow container
16. Petunias, 3 blooms, one cultivar
17. Roses, any, one spray, must include leaves and buds
18. Rose floating in bowl with own foliage
19. Sunflower, one stem (can have multiple blooms)

20. Any other annual not listed, labeled, 3 stems, one cultivar
21. Any perennial, labeled, 3 stems, one cultivar
22. Outdoor hanging planter
23. Blue & white only, flowers in a cup & saucer or shallow dish, arrangement to be no higher than 20 cm..

High Point Flower Trophy – Mary Brent Memorial

VEGETABLES & FRUITS

PINK PLACE CARDS

Horticulture Only: Two entries per exhibitor per class allowed; however, each entry MUST be of a different cultivar and MUST be named. Failure to name all multiple entries in the class will disqualify all those multiple entries.

24. Collection of 4 root vegetables, 1 of each
25. Collection of 4 vine vegetables, 1 of each
26. Collection of 4 best vegetables, 1 of each
27. Beans, green, plate of 3 pods
28. Beans, yellow, plate of 3 pods
29. Beets, round cultivar, plate of 3 roots
30. Beets, cylinder, plate of 3 roots
31. Cabbage, any colour, trimmed, 1 head only
32. Carrots, one cultivar, plate of 3 roots
33. Corn, sweet table cultivar, 1 ear
34. Cucumbers, one cultivar, pickling type, plate of 3 fruit
35. Lettuce-Leaf or Head, 1 plant
36. Onions, cooking, plate of 3 bulbs, under 8 cm
37. Peas, plate of 3 pods
38. Edible Pod- Peas, plate of 3 pods
39. Potatoes, white skin cultivar, plate of 3 tubers
40. Potatoes, russet or netted cultivar, plate of 3 tubers
41. Potatoes, red or pink skin cultivar, plate of 3 tubers
42. Tomatoes, one cultivar, ripe, plate of 3 fruit
43. Tomatoes-Cherry or Grape, ripe, plate of 3 fruit
44. Tomatoes, one cultivar, green, outdoor grown, plate of 3 fruit (not Cherry)
45. Unusual vegetable (not commonly grown)
46. Zucchini, plate of 2 fruits
47. Apple, one variety, wiped clean, 3 fruits
48. Crabapple, one variety, wiped clean, 3 fruits
49. Fruit collection of 4 or more kinds, tame fruit locally grown, one or more cultivars of each kind, must be labeled.
50. Raspberries, plate of 4, stems attached
51. Rhubarb, 3 stalks, tied, of any one cultivar
52. Any fruit not listed, one variety, named, suitable number
53. Any vegetable not listed, plate of 3, named.

High Point Vegetables & Fruits Trophy

A special thanks to the AHA for providing the qualified horticulture judge.

Horticulture Total High Point (ie. Veg, Flowers & Fruit)

HOME BAKING, CANNING & PICKLING

BLUE PLACE CARDS

One entry in each class by any exhibitor

All baking to be suitably displayed on heavy styrofoam or china plates or platters. All jars of fruits, vegetables, pickles, relishes, jams and jellies must have an adhesive label, specifying kind and date.

All must have been put up within the previous 12 months.

HOME CANNING

52. Vegetables, canned any kind, 1 jar only
53. Fruit, canned, any 2 kinds, 1 jar of each
54. Jam, any variety, 1 jar only
55. Jelly, any variety, 1 jar only
56. Dill pickles, 1 jar only
57. Beet pickles, 1 jar only
58. Pickled vegetables, any kind, 1 variety, 1 jar only
59. Relish, 1 jar only
60. Salsa, 1 jar only

BAKING

61. Pie, 2 crust, fruit filling – one piece, in small plate
62. Cookies, sugar type, rolled, plate of 3
63. Cookies, drop, any kind, plate of 3
64. Cookies, rolled, any kind, plate of 3
65. Cookies, shortbread, plate of 3
66. Single layer cake, frosting, (ie. carrot, zucchini, chocolate, etc), one piece
67. Brownies, plate of 3
68. Hand-made bread, white, 1 loaf only
69. Hand-made bread, brown, 1 loaf only
70. Machine-made bread, white, 1 loaf only
71. Milk rolls, must not touch in pan while baking, plate of 3
72. Cinnamon rolls, standard method, unspiced sweet dough spread with cinnamon mixture, rolled and cut, not iced, plate of 3
73. Butter tarts, plate of 3
74. Tea Biscuits, plate of 3
75. Muffins, any kind, plate of 3
76. Candy – homemade varieties, includes fudge, plate of 3

HANDIWORK & HANDICRAFTS

GREEN PLACE CARDS

Only one entry per person per class or entries will be disqualified

All exhibits must be work of the exhibitor and have been done during the past 12 months. .

77. Any crocheted item
78. Any Sewn item

QUILTS

79. Machine quilted, any size (judged on patchwork, not on quilting)
80. Quilted article – machine quilted (e.g. table runner, garments, wall hangings)
81. Quilted article – hand quilted (e.g. table runner, garments, wall hangings)

HOBBIES, ARTS & PHOTOGRAPHY

WHITE PLACE CARDS

82. Piece of art done in oils
83. Piece of art done in acrylic
84. Piece of art done in pastels
85. Piece of art, black and white, attractively mounted or framed
86. Piece of art in watercolors
87. Piece of art in colored pencil
88. Piece of art, mixed medium

PHOTOGRAPHS – Must be taken by exhibitor, 4x6” only and mounted on heavy white paper. *Each picture must only be entered once, not matter the level (ie. Adult, junior or intermediate). Snapshots must not have been shown previously at the Darwell Fair. All photos to be in colour unless otherwise stated.*

89. Baby snapshot, up to 1 year old, taken within the last 2 years
90. Toddler snapshot
91. Photograph of child
92. Photograph of children
93. Photograph of individual
94. Photograph of senior (s)
95. Photograph of group/family
96. Funny animal photo
97. Action shot
98. Agriculture related photograph
99. Scenic photograph, taken in North America
100. Animal photograph in colour
101. Wildlife garden visitors (eg. birds, animals, insects etc.)
102. Flower photograph, close up
103. Photograph – sunrise or sunset
104. Weather (exceptional or abnormal)
105. Black & White photo

JUNIOR SECTION

PURPLE PLACE CARDS

12 years of age and under. Please put your **AGE** on articles and put in the proper class or they will be disqualified. **Entry fee – 25¢ per entry**

Junior exhibitors may also enter all general bench show classes

BAKING / COOKING

- 120. Decorated cupcakes, birthday theme, plate of 3 (judged on decorating)
- 121. Muffins, any kind, plate of 3,
- 122. Drop cookies, any kind, baked, plate of 3
- 123. Brownies, plate of 3, not iced

HORTICULTURE

Note: Children's entries may be taken from the family garden.

- 124. Any vegetable, one kind, number as per adult classes (eg. beans, plate of 3)
- 125. Carrots, plate of 3 roots
- 126. Peas, plate of 3 pods
- 127. Collection of 5 different vegetables, one of each on a plate
- 128. Any fruit not listed 1 variety named

HANDICRAFTS

- 129. Hand crafted novelty item, any medium
- 130. Beading
- 131. Card making, any occasion
- 132. Playdoh Sculpture
- 133. Any piece of woodwork (eg. birdhouse, ornament)
- 134. Piece of art, black and white, using ink, pencil or charcoal, ages 11 & over
- 135. Painting, any medium, 10 & under
- 136. Painting any medium 10 & over
- 137. Sketching, 10 & over
- 138. Coloring Page done in crayon, 10 & under (pencil or wax)
- 139. Any building block construction – original design only (e.g. Lego, Meccano)

PHOTOGRAPHS – *Must be taken by exhibitor, 4x6" only and mounted on heavy white paper. Each picture must only be entered once, not matter the level (ie. Adult, junior or intermediate). Snapshots must not have been shown previously at the Darwell Fair. All photos to be in colour unless otherwise stated.*

- 140. Photograph of a pet
- 141. Flower photograph, close up
- 142. Photograph of individual
- 143. Photograph of child or children
- 144. Scenic photograph

Junior (12 & under) High Point Trophy Donation - DDAS

INTERMEDIATE SECTION

PURPLE PLACE CARDS

13 – 18 years old

Please put your **AGE** on tags and put them in the proper class or they will be disqualified.

Entry fee – 25¢ per entry

Intermediate exhibitors may also enter all general bench show classes

BAKING / COOKING

- 227. Drop cookies, any kind, plate of 3
- 228. Brownies, plate of 3
- 229. Decorated Cupcakes, plate of 3

HORTICULTURE

- 230. Any vegetable, one kind, number as per adult classes (eg. beans, plate of 3)
- 231. Carrots, plate of 3 roots
- 232. Peas, plate of 3 pods

HANDICRAFTS

- 233. Recycled article, any medium
- 234. Sketching, using ink or pencil
- 235. Sketching, using charcoal
- 236. Painting, any medium
- 237. Scrapbooking, 1 page, any theme
- 238. Scrapbooking, computer made, 1 page any theme

PHOTOGRAPHS** – *Must be taken by exhibitor and mounted on heavy white paper. Snapshots must not have been shown previously at the Darwell Fair. All photos to be in colour unless otherwise stated. **Must be 4 x 6 only

- 239. Wildlife photograph
- 240. Photograph of a pet
- 241. Action shot
- 242. Flower photograph, close up
- 243. Photograph of individual
- 244. Photograph of child or children
- 245. Photograph of group/family/class
- 246. Photograph related to agriculture
- 247. Funny animal photo
- 248. Weather (exceptional or abnormal)
- 249. Scenic photograph
- 250. Sepia Photo

Intermediate 13-18) High Point Trophy Donation-DDAS