Home Industries

During the show, the Home Industries area will be packed with items of craft, arts, photography and home baked goods, writing and needlework. Entries to the Home Industries competitions are open to schools, womens institutes, care homes, young farmers clubs as well as the general public.

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES 3RD MAY 2024

Cup winners photographs will take place at 4pm

Due to the number of entries each year, items exhibited MUST be collected between 4.30 and 6pm on Saturday of the show - after this time, items will be discarded as we do not have any storage facilities.

County Antrim Agricultural Association reserves the right to amalgamate or split classes according to the number of entries.

enter and pay online at:-

https://showingscene.com/organisation/ballymena-show

or send paper entries and payment to Show Secretary, County Antrim Agricultural Association, Ballymena Showgrounds, Warden Street, Ballymena, BT43 7DR 15/06/2024 11:00

Home Baking Open Section

Kindly sponsored by Mortons Flour

This section is open to everyone(individuals own work - no groups.) All entries will be judged on presentation and taste.

Judging takes place on Friday 14th June. All exhibits to be brought to the Home Industries area at Ballymena Cattle Market on Thursday 13th June between 2pm and 6pm or Friday 14th June between 10am and 12noon.

The Early Riser award will be presented to the entrant in classes 1 - 20, who gains the highest number of points in these classes based on 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 1 points.

Mortons Flour offer a special bonus of £2 to each 1st prize winner in classes 1 - 20 who use Mortons Flour - each exhibit must be accompanied by the Blackbird Trademark cut from any size bag of Mortons Flour.

Entry Fee = £1

Prize Money - 1st = £10, 2nd = £6, 3rd = £4

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Judges

Ellie Henry (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
1	A Marble Cake	Baked in a 1 lb loaf tin
2	An Iced Half Sandwich Orange Cake	
3	A Lemon Drizzle Cake	Baked in a 1lb loaf tin
4	A Ginger Cake	Baked in a 1lb loaf tin
5	A Boiled Cake	Baked in a 1lb loaf tin
6	A Chocolate Sandwich	Filled in the centre only
7	A Victoria Sandwich	Filled in the centre only
8	Four Coconut and Jam Meringue Tarts	
9	A Madeira Cake	Baked in a 1lb loaf tin
10	An Apple Tart	Baked with shortcrust pastry
11	A Half Coffee Sandwich	Decorated
12	Four Gypsy Creams	
13	Four German Biscuits	Decorated
14	Four Plain Flakemeal Biscuits	
15	Six Malteser Squares	
16	A Wheaten Loaf	Baked in a 1lb loaf tin
17	Foccacia Bread	
18	A Date and Walnut Loaf	Baked in a 1lb loaf tin
19	Four Pancakes	
20	Four Decorated Muffins	

First Time Exhibitors Home Baking - Open Section

Entries may be taken to Home Industries area at Ballymena Cattle Market on Thursday 13th June between 2pm and 6pm or Friday 14th June between 10am and 12noon.

Entry fee = £1

Prize Money - 1st = £6, 2nd = £4, 3rd = £2

A cup will be awarded to the first time exhibitor who gains the most points in these classes based on 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points and 3rd = 1 point Ring: home industries area

Judges

Ellie Henry (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
21	Four No Bake Tray Bakes	
22	Four Butterfly Buns	
23	Four Plain Shortbread Biscuits	
24	Four Caramel Squares	

Needlework and Crafts - Open Section

Kindly sponsored by Black Agri Open to everyone

No age limits

Individuals own work - no groups

Exhibits to be brought to the home industries stand on Thursday 13th June between 2pm and 6pm

Entry fee - £1

Prize Money - 1st = £6, 2nd = £4, 3rd = £2

The R Vogan Sewing Machine Cup will be awarded to the entrant gaining most points in classes 25 - 39 based on 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 3 points.

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Judges

Angela Smallwood (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
25	Any Article Using The Slow Stitch Technique	
26	A Crocheted Cushion Cover	
27	A Wet Felted Land or Seascape Picture	
28	A Piece of Coloured Embroidery	
29	Any Item of Textile Art	
30	Any Exhibit Made Out Of Cane	
31	Any Piece of Handmade Quilting	
32	Any Item of Patchwork	
33	Any Upcycled Item	
34	Any Hand Knitted Baby Garment	
35	A Pair of Decorated Shoes or Trainers	
36	A Homemade Hair Accessory	
37	A Handmade Toilet Bag	
38	A Door Stopper	
39	Any Other Needlework Or Craft Item, Not Classified in Above Classes	

First Time Exhibitors Needlework and Crafts - Open Section

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Prize Money - 1st = £6, 2nd = £4, 3rd = £2

A cup will be awarded to the first time exhibitor with the most points in classes 40 - 45 based on 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 3 points **Ring: home industries area**

Judges

Angela Smallwood (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
40	Any Crocheted Item	
41	Any Item Made With Buttons	
42	A Hand Knitted Hat	
43	A Decorated Glass Jar	
44	A Handmade Stuffed Toy	
45	Any Other Needlework Or Craft Item, Not Classified in Above Classes	

Photography - Open Section

Open to everyone - no age limit

Individuals own work - no groups

Exhibits may be brought to the home industries area at Ballymena Cattle Market on Thursday 13th June from 2pm - 6pm

Must be the work of individuals not groups

Entry fee = £1

Prize money - 1st = £6, 2nd = £4, 3rd = £2

Limited to amateurs, not professionals

Judging will be on the art of photography only

Photographs must be mounted on card

The Darren Cumberland Photography & Get It Framed NI Award will be awarded for the best exhibit in this section

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Judges

Darren Cumberland (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
46	A Photograph Depicting "A Snowscene"	
47	A Photograph Depicting "A Sunset or A Sky"	
48	A Photograph Depicting "Animal Antics"	
49	Any Black and White Photograph	
50	A Photograph Depicting "Family Farming Life"	
51	A Photograph Depicting "Birds"	
52	A Photograph Depicting "Down Memory Lane"	
53	A Photograph Depicting " Nature In Bloom"	
54	A Photograph Depicting "Landmarks"	

NEW Adult Handwriting And Calligraphy- Open Section

All work must be mounted on card with name written on back.

This section is open to everyone.

Exhibits to be brought to the Home Industries area at Ballymena Cattle Market on Thursday 13th June from 2pm - 6pm

Entry Fee = £1

Prize Money - 1st = £6, 2nd = £4, 3rd = £2

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Judges

Elaine Taylor (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
55	Handwriting - Any Piece Of Prose - 6 Lines In Length	A4 Landscape
56	Calligraphy - Four Lines Of Own Choice	A4 Landscape
57	Calligraphy - Four Lines With Embellishment	A4 Landscape
58	Calligraphy - A Decorated Capital Letter	A4 Portrait

NEWAdult Painting - Open Section

Kindly sponsored by The Kernohan Family. A cup will be presented in memory of Nicola (donated by her parents) to the winner of class 61(Flowers)

Exhibits may be brought to the Home Industries area at Ballymena Cattle Market on Thursday 13th June from 2pm - 6pm

Entries can be in any painting medium, framed or unframed

The painting must be the own work of the artist submitting

Finished size - no larger than 16" X 20"

Entry Fee £1

Prize 1st = £6, 2nd = £4, 3rd = £2

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Judges

Jackie McNeill (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
59	A Painting Depicting "A Northern Irish Landscape"	
60	A Painting Depicting " Farming Life"	
61	A Painting Depicting "Flowers"	Flowers may be growing, single flowers or several in an arranged still life

Women's Institute Section

Classes confined to WI members only

Individuals own work, no group

Entries in this section are ineligible for any other class

Baking and floral entries may be brought to the Home Industries section at Ballymena Livestock Market on Thursday 13th June from 2pm to 6pm or baking may be brought on Friday 14th June from 10am - 12noon

Entry Fee = £1 per entry Prize Money - 1st = £6, 2nd = £4, 3rd = £2

The Jane Black Salver will be awarded to the person gaining the most points in WI section - 1st = 3 points, 2nd 2 points, 3rd = 1 point The Ballymena Borough Council Runcimann Bowl will be awarded to the Womens Institute gaining the greatest number of points in the WI classes(Ballymena District)

Identification of exhibitor must NOT be displayed on the front of any exhibit and names should only be written on the back.)

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Judges

Ellie Henry (Judge) Angela Smallwood (Judge) Elaine Taylor (Judge) Jackie McNeill (Judge) Darren Cumberland (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
62	Jam Swiss Roll	
63	A Key Fob In Any Medium	
64	A Fresh Flower Arrangement On A Bottle	Not exceeding 60cms
65	Painting - "Natures Symphony"	No Larger Than 24 x 21ins and must be ready for hanging
66	Photograph - "All In A Row"	Size 7 x 5 or 6 x 4 ins
67	Rhubarb And Ginger Jam - Any Size	

Young Farmers Club Section

Kindly sponsored by D McKay

Exhibits may be brought to the Home Industries area at Ballymena Cattle Market on Thursday 13th June from 2pm - 6pm or if preferred, baking may be brought on Friday 14th from 10am - 12noon

Open to young farmers club members only

Identification of exhibitor must not be displayed on the front of any exhibit and names should only be written on the back Individuals work only - no groups

Entry Fee = £1

Prize Money - 1st = £6, 2nd = £4, 3rd = £2

An trophy sponsored by Mid and West Antrim UFU group will be awarded to the club gaining the most points in this section based on 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points and 3rd = 1 point

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Judges

Elaine Taylor (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
125	Create A Door Wreath	
126	A Decorated Candle	Any Size
127	A Photo Entitled "Farming Life"	must be mounted
128	A Decorated Chocolate Cake	
129	A craft item - AGE 12 - 18 years	
130	A craft item - AGE 19 - 30 years	