

OXEN AND STEERS

SEPTEMBER 18th - 20th, 2015

COMMITTEE: Freeman Swinamer, Francis Swinamer, Paul Taylor and Mike Oulton.

JUNIOR COMMITTEE: Eugene Swinamer and Steven Rafuse.

****ALL OXEN AND STEERS MUST BE TAGGED. CATTLE WILL BE CHECKED ON ARRIVAL****

RFID TAGGING REQUIREMENTS AS OF JULY 1, 2010

All cattle must be tagged with an approved RFID tag. Please leave existing bar-coded tags in animals. Leave the bar-coded tag in and apply an RFID tag to the same animal. Cross-reference the RFID tag with the bar-coded tag in the Canadian Livestock Tracking System (CLTS). Please note: Tampering with and/or cutting out an approved tag is prohibited by regulations. To cross-reference your tags or for more information, contact the CCIA office at 1-877-909-BEEF (2333) or www.canadaid.ca

THE SAME TEAMSTER MUST DRIVE CATTLE IN QUALIFYING PULL AND CHAMPIONSHIP PULL. IF TWO TEAMS (SAME OWNER) QUALIFY THE TEAMSTER WHO DROVE THE CATTLE IN THE QUALIFYING PULL MUST DRIVE BOTH TEAMS IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP PULL.

ENTRIES CLOSE: August 31st

SHOW JUDGING DATE: September 18th at 10:00 a.m. – Exercise Barn.

ENTRY FEE: Oxen \$30.00 per pair (includes bedding fee). Entry fee entitles exhibitor to two (2) free 3 day pass per team entered. No additional free 3 day passes for other teams entered. Additional 3 day Exhibitor passes can be purchased for \$20.00. Cattle must be in stalls before passes are issued.

- All oxen must be on the Exhibition Grounds not later 10:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 17th.
- All oxen in pulling competitions must be weighed on Exhibition scale. Teams must be weighed on Thursday evening. Scales will open at 3:00 p.m. They will be weighed by an official appointed by the Ox Pulling Committee.
- ALL EXHIBITORS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN A STALL RELEASE FORM.
- Animals showing evidence of ring worm or mange will not be accepted.

PRIZES: Prizes in section 1-6 increased to 14th place.
Sections 7 & 8 to 6th place only. \$20 \$17 \$15 \$13 \$10 - 6th to 14th \$5

SECTION

1. Matched Pair Oxen, 3200 lbs and up.
2. Matched Pair Oxen, 2800 lbs to 3100 lbs.
3. Matched Pair Oxen, 2400 lbs to 2799 lbs.
4. Matched Pair Oxen, 2000 lbs to 2399 lbs.
5. Pair of Steers, matched, broken to yoke, 1500 lbs to 1999 lbs. under 3 years of age.
6. Pair of Steers, 1400 lbs and under broken to yoke.
7. Steers - 2 years & under as of September 1st, 2014 - broke to head or bow yoke, shown by a Junior - Under 16 years of age as of September 1, 2014.
8. Jr. Championship for Steers
9. Senior Champion Show

Heaviest team of oxen on the ground will receive \$50

Junior Championship - 1st placing in section 4, 5 and 6 are to compete. Ribbons Only.
Senior Championship - 1st placing in sections 1, 2 and 3 are to compete. Ribbons Only.

PULLING CONTEST FOR OXEN

1. There will be three percentage pulling contests. Starting load will be the weight of the lightest pair of cattle in each class. This includes the Championship Pull.
2. Not more than 3 pair per exhibitor or farmstead either weekend.
3. Entries close August 31st.
4. Exhibitors must put **last** weight on entry for ease in stabling.
5. No **braid** shall be used in the whip. Any abuse of this rule will result in a teamster's disqualification.
6. The team with the highest percentage of load pulled will be the winner in each Class.
7. An official pull will be distance of 36". Three attempts will be given to pull the load 3 feet in one start. Teams when hooked to the drag must be kept within the pulling lines or they will be disqualified. Teams will have three attempts to hook on to the drag or they will be disqualified. **Any team breaking equipment during a pull will be permitted to make repairs. The pull will continue while repairs are being made. The teams will be permitted to join in the pull in regular pulling order when repairs are completed.**
8. Only one teamster. A teamster may drive more than one pair in a class if both pair are entered in driver's name. The driver must have a stand in to ensure no delays in getting oxen to the drag.
9. All round robin pulls start with the lightest team.
10. Teamsters must be neatly and properly clothed. The pulling committee is to have final authority in determining proper clothing.
11. A whip may be used as long as lash and butt end is kept in hand at all times.
12. Winners of 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in pulling contests must remain for championship pulls to qualify for any prize money.
13. A person will be appointed by the ox pull committee to hook all teams on to the drag. The Hants County Exhibition steel drag will be the official drag.
14. Each team must be fully equipped with boom pole or chain. **BOOM POLE MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF FOUR LINKS.**
15. All cattle must be properly fed and cleaned out by 9:00 a.m. or they will be done so by the Committee at the Exhibitor's expense.
16. Cattle must not be yoked and taken from the stalls unless to show, pull or unless permission is obtained from the Secretary/Manager.
17. Exhibitors having signed an official Hants County Exhibition entry form agree to abide by all the rules contained herein.

18. All Exhibits must remain intact until closing on **Sunday at 5:00 p.m. This included Yokes, Boxes, Signs, Ribbons, etc.** Prize money will be given out at 4:45 p.m.

19. The Exhibition will attempt to provide adequate sawdust for bedding during the show.

SECTION: Steer Pull - 1500 - 1899 – Friday, September 18th at 12:00 noon – Exercise Barn.
Oxen - 1900 and over. Oxen will be weighed and divided into classes. Lightweight pull will follow the steer pull in the exercise barn.

1. Pair of Oxen. Lightweight. Highest Percentage - 250th Art Print by Susan Sweet
1st - \$60, 2nd - \$45, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$20, 5th - \$20

2. Pair of Oxen - Middleweight. Highest Percentage - 250th Art Print by Susan Sweet

1st - \$60, 2nd - \$45, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$20, 5th - \$20

3. Pair of Oxen - Heavyweight. Highest Percentage - 250th Art Print by Susan Sweet

1st - \$60, 2nd - \$45, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$20, 5th - \$20

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First three placing in Section 1, 2 and 3.

PRIZE MONEY donated by Heritage Memorial Limited.

Highest percentage will receive - 250th Art Print by Susan Sweet.

Heaviest Load will receive - 250th Art Print by Susan Sweet.

CONSOLATION PULL– Time and location TBA

No Entry Fee – Must be entered in Regular Pulls – Details available in the Barn

RULES FOR RELAY RACE – see schedule for time and location

- 1900 lbs. & over
- Teams will pull in sets of three. Take the weight of all 3 teams add together and divide by 3. That is the weight to put on the drag.
- Each team must hook to the drag, in order, at least once.
- Any one of the three teams can hook back on the drag. Each set has only 5 minutes to complete their pull.
- Only the Judge, teams and teamsters in the ring.
- Man sits on the drag and measures the footage.
- Five minutes to pull the drag as far as they can.
- Each group should have a name for their team.
- There will be a draw for placings.
- No open lash.