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NORTH AMERICA'S OLDEST AGRICULTURAL FAIR

## \$1500.00 MARITIME FUELS HORSE PULL - SEPTEMBER 14, 2018

### Information

The first 10 teams entered will be accepted or if there are more than 10 teams entered there will be a draw.

1. The pull will be held commencing at 4:30 p.m. in Exhibition Arena on Friday, September 14, 2018. The pull will be part of the Hants County Exhibition "The Oldest Agricultural Fair in North America". The event will be billed as a major attraction at the 2018 Exhibition.
2. Teams are permitted to arrive on the grounds not earlier than 1:00 p.m. on Friday, September 14, 2018.
3. Entry Fee - \$20.00 per team (non-refundable)
4. Nominations must be sent to the Hants County Exhibition and be in the hands of the committee by August 27th, 2018. The nominations will be reviewed and the names of the teams announced. Any quota draws will be made at that time. Those not accepted will be notified by September 4<sup>th</sup>.
5. Prize Money. Total of \$1,500.00.
  - 1st - \$400.00
  - 2nd - \$300.00
  - 3rd - \$200.00
  - 4th - \$125.00
  - 5th - \$100.00
  - Remaining placed teams will receive \$75.00.
6. All out of Province participants must comply with any health or traffic regulations pertaining to the Canadian or Provincial Government.

### PULLING RULES

1. The team pulling the heaviest load will be the winner. Should more than one team pull the same load then the distance pulled on the next weight will be the determining factor for placing.
2. Teams to be over 3000 lbs.
3. Only one teamster per team and only two helpers per team. All helpers must stay behind drag after the team has been hooked.
4. Once team is hooked to drag the teamster has two tries to pull the drag a distance of 15'. The team must stay within the rails at all times except for breakage. (The judge will determine breakage). The teamster will have three minutes to make a 15' pull. Time will start when the announcer calls the team to the drag. If time limit exceeded the team will be eliminated from further competition. Distance the drag was moved will be determined as last successful pull. The team must stay between the rails at all times while hooked to the drag. If horse steps over the line when hooked to the drag the team will lose that try. (Visible hoof mark outside rail). Horses may unhook from the drag between starts but pull must be completed in 3 minutes. Distance the drag was moved will be determined as last successful pull. If less than 15' the distance will be recorded. The rails will be 15' apart.
5. Jumping or bunting in any type of pull is not permitted. On the first offence, teamster will lose start, second offence disqualification. All gear must be relatively tight at commencement of pull.

6. Weights added as follows:

Starting weight of load - 5000 pounds  
Following starts - 6050 pounds  
7100 pounds  
7700 pounds  
8300 pounds  
8900 pounds  
9500 pounds  
10000 pounds

7. Each swing will constitute a pull at the judge's discretion.

8. The pull will be held in an arena, seating capacity 2,200 people. The pulling area will be approximately 160 ft. in length. Once the drag crosses the end line the drag will be pulled back to start line and set at the discretion of the Judge.

\*\*\*SHOULD HOLES DEVELOP IN THE PULLING AREA, THE JUDGE, AT HIS DISCRETION, WILL MOVE THE PULLING AREA TO AN AREA PARALLEL WITH THE EXISTING PULLING AREA. THE MOVE WOULD TAKE PLACE WHEN THE FIRST TEAM LEFT IN THE PULLING ORDER IS CALLED TO PULL.

9. Five minutes will be provided for repair in case of breakage at discretion of the judge. The team may unhook. The team must re-hook and the drag will stay in the same position as before the breakage occurred.

10. Teamsters or helpers judged to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not be permitted to participate in the contest at the discretion of the Judge. No profane language to be used while in the arena.

11. Any or all horses may be tested for drugs. Any evidence of drugs will result of forfeiture of any prize. Teams will not be permitted to pull if the Judge and Committee determines a team to be blemished or in poor condition. The nomination fee will not be returned in this case. No whips allowed. No cruelty will be tolerated on grounds. SPCA official may be on grounds and will monitor pull. Teams disqualified in #10 & 11 will not receive any prize money.

12. Teamster and helpers must be neatly dressed.

13. A draw for pulling placing will be held prior to start of pull. All teamsters must make draw for their position. Draw to be at 2:30 p.m. in room # 9 in the arena.

14. All teams will be introduced prior to the pull.

15. Third-Party liability insurance is required. Exhibitors must include with entry a current letter from their insurance company stating that they have one million dollars (minimum) liability coverage while attending the Hants County Exhibition.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Nominations and fee must be in the hands of the committee by August 27, 2018. A faxed nomination will be accepted along with a VISA/MASTERCARD card number.

There will be parking space on grounds for all vehicles. Trailer space is available on grounds. Camping \$20.00 per night.

Motels nearby include:

Downeast Motel  
Exit 5 off Highway 101  
902-798-8374

Super 8 Motel  
Exit 5A off 101 Highway  
902-792-8888

Avon River Motel  
2116 Highway 1 Falmouth  
902-472-6995