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CLASS C – HOMECRAFTS

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PLEASE NOTE: ALL EXHIBITS **MUST REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL 5:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th**

ENTRIES: One wishing to enter work in this division must obtain an entry form. This form may be obtained by downloading off our website hantscountyex.com, or from the Exhibition Office or by phoning **902-798-0000** during regular office hours. (Forms can also be emailed to you).
One entry per section, per exhibitor please.

CRAFTS: Those wishing to enter in the Needle Craft Competition must bring their completed entry form with the articles they wish to enter to the Exhibition Crafts Department between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 16th. You will then be able to enter your article for competition. Local Exhibitors are urged to visit the Exhibition office and pick up tags to speed up the entering process. This may be done during regular office hours Monday through Friday. **Please make sure that your entry number (issued from the office) is on the top and the bottom of your exhibit tag.**

BAKED GOODS: Exhibitor entering baked goods must bring their completed entry forms with their goods to the Exhibition Crafts Department between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 17th.

PLEASE NOTE: NO ENTRIES WILL BE RECEIVED ON FRIDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 18th.

JUDGING TIMES: Needle Craft - Thurs., Sept. 17th - 10:00 am Food items - Friday, Sept. 18th - 9:00 am

The Committee reserves the right to limit number of articles for display based on space availability. Each Exhibitor is urged to pick up articles at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 27th. Please be sure you have the Exhibitor's portion of your tag for identification.

All articles must be the work of the Exhibitor in entirety. NO GROUP ITEMS EXCEPT QUILTS where noted.

FOOD

***ALL BAKED GOODS WILL BE DISPOSED OF BY THE COMMITTEE ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st FOR PUBLIC HEALTH REASONS.

*** **PLEASE NOTE:** In cases where icing on cakes is not specified this is optional. No prepared cake mixes permitted.

PRIZES: 1st - \$10.00, 2nd - \$7.00, 3rd - \$5.00 unless otherwise noted.

BAKING - All exhibitors must be 18 years of age or older unless otherwise stated. Double loaves of bread will not be judged. Entries not placing will not be displayed. They may be removed by Exhibitor after judging or disposal will be up to the committee.

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| 1. Bread, White, 1 single loaf | 2. Bread, Brown, 1 single loaf |
| 3. Bread, Sourdough, any shape. | 4. Rolls, Milk, 3 rolls |
| 5. Rolls, (yeast) 3 rolls | 6. Buns, any other, 3 Buns |
| 7. Bread, Nut or Fruit, 1/2 single loaf | 8. Pound Cake, 2" slice from the centre |
| 9. Plain Sugar Cookies, 3 Cookies | 10. Peanut Butter Cookies, 3 Cookies |
| 11. Chocolate Chip Cookies, 3 Cookies | 12. Any 3 Brownies |
| 13. Decorated Cupcakes – 3 Cupcakes – judged by appearance | 14. Fruit Pies - 9", Double Crust, Fresh filling, not canned |
| 15. Vegetable cake, 1/4 of a 8" x 8" cake, made of N.S. vegetables example carrot, zucchini, etc. with recipe. | 17. Marble Cake, 1/4 of a 8" X 8" cake, no icing |
| 16. Chocolate cake, no icing, 1/4 of a 8" x 8" cake. | 19. Iced or frosted, double layer chocolate cake 8" x 8" - 1/4 |
| 18. Single layer white cake, 1/4 of a 8" x 8" cake, no icing | 21. Loaf - (1/4 loaf) Banana, lemon, etc. |
| 20. Squares, baked any kind – 3 squares | 23. Fudge, 3 squares |
| 22. Tea Biscuits. 3 Biscuits. | |

JUNIOR BAKERS - Between the ages of 10 & 17 years as of September 1 of current year.

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| 24. Tea Biscuits, 3 Biscuits | 25. Muffins, 3 Muffins |
| 26. Drop Cookies, 3 Cookies | 27. Fudge, 3 squares |
| 28. Decorated Cupcakes – 3 cupcakes – judged by appearance | |

BEANSPROUT BAKERS - (ages 6 - 9 years as of September 1 of current year)

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| 29. No Bake Squares (3 squares) | 30. No Bake Cookies (3 cookies) |
| 31. Decorated Cupcakes (3 cupcakes) – judged by appearance | |

HCEx HARVEST PIE BAKING COMPETITION: Prize for each: 1st - \$40, 2nd - \$20, 3rd - \$15

32. Apple
33. Pumpkin

- Entries in this competition must be 18 years as of September 1 of current year or older.
- Entries in these competitions must meet the following criteria:
 - 9-inch pie crust - single for pumpkin; - use fresh, no canned product; - include recipe for both pastry and filling
- Entries will be disqualified if all criteria are not met. Exhibitors may have no more than one entry for apple, one entry for pumpkin.
- Judging will be based on: 20% - General appearance, 40% - Crust, 40% - Filling.
- Entries must be brought to the Craft Department on Thursday, Sept. 17th between the hours of 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

PRESERVED FRUIT, CANNED FRUIT AND CANNED PICKLES

PRIZES: 1st - \$20, 2nd - \$15, 3rd - \$10

PLEASE NOTE: ALL ENTRIES IN PRESERVED FRUIT, CANNED FRUIT AND CANNED PICKLE CLASSES MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:
1 pint jars (500ml - 750 ml) only will be judged. Bottled in current year and bottles must be properly sealed, labeled and dated.

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| 34. Canned Berries (any kind) | 35. Canned Fruit (any kind) |
| 36. Collection canned fruit or berries, 1 pint jar (500ml - 750ml), can be a combination of jars | |

CANNED PICKLES

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| 37. Relishes, 1 pint Jars (500 or 750 ml) | 38. Mustard Pickles, 1 pint Jars (500 or 750 ml) |
| 39. Chow-Chow, 1 pint Jars (500 or 750 ml) | 40. Dill Pickles, 1 Pint Jars (500 or 750 ml) |
| 41. Pickled Beets (500 or 750 ml) | 42. Bread and Butter Pickles (500 or 750 ml) |
| 43. Salsa (500 or 750 ml) | 44. Mustard Beans (500 or 750 ml) |

PICKLE/CHUTNEY/RELISH COLLECTIONS

45. Collection Pickles, 3 varieties mustard, chow-chow and bread & butter pickles.
46. Collection of 2 varieties of Chutneys or relishes (236 or 250 ml jars)

JAMS/JELLIES/MARMALADE COLLECTIONS

47. Collection of Jams, Jellies or Marmalade (can be any mix) in regular 236 or 250 ml jelly jars, 3 varieties

FANCYWORK / HANDIWORK

FANCY WORK / HANDIWORK - Not more than one entry in any section from any one exhibitor will be accepted by the Committee. All entries must be the work of the Exhibitor in its entirety. Any article exhibited last year will not be accepted. Articles exhibited in the following section must have been worked on or finished within the year and be the work of the exhibitor. Exhibits not meeting judge's standards will not be awarded prizes. No "For Sale" tags will be permitted on any article. All tags will be opened.

NOTE: Soiled articles will not be accepted.

NOTE: Back must be easily removed for judging. Non winning articles may not be displayed unless there is space available.

***ALL EXHIBITS MUST STAY IN PLACE UNTIL 5:00 P.M. SUNDAY, SEPT. 27th**

\$50 RED RIBBON AWARDS (Separate award for top quilt)

PRIZE MONEY: 1ST - \$10.00, 2ND - \$7.00, 3RD - \$5.00

EXCEPT: FULL SIZE (*hand quilted only*) QUILTS: 1st - \$25, 2nd - \$20, 3rd - \$16 AFGHANS: 1st - \$20, 2nd - \$16, 3rd - \$12

The Judge will award five red ribbon awards in the needle craft division. The winner will receive a rosette and \$50.00 for each award. The Awards will be made as follows:

* Best Article Sewn * Best Item in all other Classes * Best Article Knitted * Best Article Embroidery * Best Article Crochet

SEWING

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| 48. | Any item of clothing | 49. | Any article by Junior's age 8-17 |
| 50. | Any article sewn (not clothing) | 51. | Pillow - any kind |

CROSS STITCH

52. Any other article showing cross stitch

EMBROIDERY WITH FLOSS

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| 53. | Pillow slips with embroidery, any colour | 54. | Any other article showing embroidery other than a quilt |
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EMBROIDERY WITH PEARL COTTON

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| 55. | Pillow slips with embroidery, any colour | 56. | Any other article showing embroidery other than a quilt |
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CROCHETING

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| 57. | Any item of infant or children's clothing | 58. | Any item of adult clothing |
| 59. | Any other article of crochet, in yarn - not already in section | 60. | Any other article of crochet, in cotton - not already in section |
| 61. | Chair set, doily, centerpiece | 62. | Baby Afghan |
| 63. | Crocheted Lace | | |

KNITTING, HANDMADE

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| 64. | Infant's Set - Jacket, Booties and Bonnet - fine or medium yarn | 65. | Socks, pair, fine to medium |
| 66. | Men's work socks | 67. | Mittens, 1 pair, single |
| 68. | Mittens, 1 pair, double | 69. | Mittens - Newfoundland pattern or Honeycomb pattern |
| 70. | Child's item of clothing, any knit | 71. | Item of clothing for adult, any knit |
| 72. | Any other knitted article - not already mentioned in section | 73. | Knitted Lace, not less than 1 yard |
| 74. | Baby Afghan | 75. | Poncho or shawl |
| 76. | Hat, any knit | | |

RUG / WALL HANGING

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| 77. | Any item latch hooked | 78. | Any item braided |
| 79. | Any other fabric wall hanging | 80. | Any item hooked |

****New in 2024!** The Rug Hooking Guild of Nova Scotia (RHGNS) has supported rug hooking in the Maritimes since 1979. One way it does so is providing awards for hooked mats in two categories at Maritime Fairs and/or exhibitions. At each participating exhibition and/or fair the RHGNS provides prizes of \$25 awarded to winners of the following two categories:

81. **BEST TRADITIONAL MAT** – Suitable material would be woven wool, nylons, fleece – new or recycled materials as our ancestors would have done.
82. **BEST OTHER HOOKED ARTICLE** – This could be a wall hanging, 3D article, table mat etc.

Participants do not have to be members of the RHGNS to win the RHGNS Prizes. Once winning information, we ask the winner's preference of e transfer or cheque. ****Please encourage your winners to go on to the next level for judging at the RHGNS AGM in October for the "Best in Maritimes" Competition.**

AFGHANS - LARGE SIZE

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| 83. | Crocheted | 84. | Knitted |
| 85. | Swedish Embroidery | | |

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS

86. Christmas crafts (knitting, crocheted, etc.)

MISCELLANEOUS (Knit, crochet, or sewn)

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| 87. | Any purse or bag | 88. | Article of hand embroidery or needle point (not floss or pearl cotton) |
| 89. | Article machine embroidered | 91. | Quilted cushion |
| 90. | Slippers | 93. | Any article of lace |
| 92. | Quilted shopping bag | 95. | Any item of feltwork |
| 94. | Any article hair pin or broomstick lace | 97. | Any beaded article |
| 96. | Any Pillow / cushion | | |

- 98. Any small craft item
- 100. Any one table runner
- 102. Any stuffed toy
- 104. Any article on plastic canvas

- 99. Any one placemat
- 101. Any scarf
- 103. Any article showing hand applique other than quilts

WEAVING

- 105. Any small item, Swedish embroidery
- 107. Any other woven article
- 106. Any article in weave-it

ITEM MADE FROM RECYCLED or REPURPOSED MATERIALS Use your imagination!)

- 108. Item made from any material, with process requiring fancywork/handiwork

HANTS COUNTY EXHIBITION 'BEST IN SHOW' QUILT (must be hand quilted)

Open to any quilt entered in the 2026 Hants County Exhibition.

PRIZES: Champion: \$75 and rosette ribbon; Reserve Champion: \$50 and rosette

QUILTING - **Please note:** All quilts must be single, double or queen (except baby or crib) and all quilts must be hand quilted **NOT** machine quilted unless otherwise specified. (except where noted).

- 109. Baby or Crib quilt
- 111. Quilt patchwork, regular size
- 113. Quilt - complete quilt made by 4 or more people
- 115. Tied Quilt - Regular Size
- 117. Lap Quilt, Regular size
- 119. **CHARITY QUILT**- Tied or Hand Quilted or Machine Quilted by a group
- 110. Quilt applique, regular size
- 112. Quilt embroidery, regular size
- 114. Plain material quilted (whole cloth)
- 116. Rag Quilt - Regular Size
- 118. Any article quilted - other than a quilt

MACHINE QUILTING

- 120. Machine Quilting - Any small item - **Please note:** Made on regular machine (not on a long arm)
- 121. Free Motion Quilting - Any small item
- 122. Machine Quilt

****NEW ADDED DIVISION IN 2025**

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS/KINGS MEADOWS/NEW BOUNDARIES DIVISION

In an effort to include everyone in our Exhibition we welcome all entries from the above groups. Please note on the entry form and entry tag which group the participant belongs to. All entries will be judged accordingly and prize money will be the same as listed above in all categories.

Items may be made with or without assistance. Please indicate on the entry form if help was given.

Good luck to all exhibitors in 2026!!