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2022 FLEECE WOOL COMPETITION



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The RAWF gratefully acknowledges The Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers Ltd.
for their contribution to the Fleece Wool Competition.



COMPETITION INFORMATION

Entry Closing: Friday October 14th, 2022
Time of Arrival: Monday October 24th – Friday
October 28th, 2022 from
9 am – 4 pm,
or **Saturday October 29th and
Sunday October 30th, 2022**
from 10 am – 3 pm
Entry Fee: \$8.00 per entry

CLASSIFICATION INFORMATION

Date: Tuesday November 1st, 2022
Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Rotunda
Classifier: John Cuthbert, Cookstown, ON

JUDGING INFORMATION

Date: Tuesday November 1st, 2022
Time: 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Location: Rotunda
Judge: Harriet Boon, Desboro, ON

WOOL AUCTION INFORMATION

Date: Sunday November 13, 2022
Time: 3:00 pm
Location: Lower East Annex Show Ring
Please Note: All prize-winning fleece will be sold
in the auction. Fleeces that do not
place may be claimed by the exhibitor
immediately following judging.

Sub-Committee: John Cuthbert and Lene Band

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. NO EXHIBITOR MAY MAKE MORE THAN TWO ENTRIES IN ANY CLASS. Exhibitors to use the entry form for Fleece, Poultry and Rabbits.
2. When entering, exhibitors must indicate the breed or cross of the sheep from which the fleeces were shorn. Please indicate name of shearer.
3. Exhibits shipped by express should be addressed to Agriculture Show Office
The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair
Door #33, Manitoba Drive
Exhibition Place, Toronto, ON M6K 3C3
(416) 263-3418
marked "Wool Exhibit". All charges must be prepaid.
4. Only fleeces, in the grease, are eligible for competition. Manufacturers and dealers are not eligible to compete. All fleeces must be tied with paper twine.
5. Fleeces must have been shorn from sheep owned by exhibitor during the current year.
6. Fleece length must be a minimum of 2 inches.
7. All fleeces will be classified into their proper classes before the judging commences.
8. Fleeces may be opened at the time of judging at the judge's discretion.
9. All prize winning fleeces will be sold by public auction Sunday November 13th, 2022 at 3:00 pm.
10. Exhibitors are encouraged to remind all potential buyers of the time at which the sale will be held.
11. All fleeces not placed will be released from the exhibit commencing Tuesday November 1st, 2022.
12. All fleeces not picked up by exhibitors on Sunday November 13th, 2022, 6:00 pm, will be bagged and shipped to the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers.
13. No advertising literature, whether personal or from a Breed Association, will be allowed in the display.
14. The champions from the white wool section (class 6) and from the naturally coloured wool (class 7) will be eligible for the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion titles

FLEECE SCORE CARD

Uniformity
Strength, staple length, crimp overall of fleece 35 points

Staple Length
Appropriate to breed (Min. 2½" – approx. 1 year of growth) 20 points

Lustre
Lightness, colour, handle 20 points

Presentation
Skirting, 2nd cuts, tying, branding paint, stains 25 points

Disqualification Factors:

Kemp, cotts, black fibres, wetness, mold, moths, excessive vegetable matter and burrs.

PRIZE MONEY

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th
\$15	\$10	\$10	\$5	\$5	\$5	\$5



A special thanks to Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers Ltd. for their contribution to the prize money

SECTION 511 - WHITE WOOL

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| Class 1 Fine (18-24 microns, 64's-80's)
e.g. Merino, Rambouillet, Targhee | Class 4 Strong Longwool (38-42 microns, 36's-46's)
e.g. Lincoln, Cotswold |
| Class 2 Medium Fine (25-30 microns, 56's-60's)
e.g. Corriedale, Columbia, Finn | Class 5 Down Type (26-33 microns)
e.g. Dorset, Suffolk, N.C. Cheviot |
| Class 3 3 Medium Longwool (30-36 microns, 48's-54's)
e.g. Leicester, Romney, Borderdale | Class 6 Champion and Reserve White Wool |

SECTION 512 - NATURALLY COLOURED WOOL

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| Class 1 Fine (18-24 microns, 64's-80's)
e.g. Merino, Rambouillet, Targhee | Class 5 Down Type (26-33 microns)
e.g. Dorset, Suffolk, N.C. Cheviot, Texel |
| Class 2 Medium Fine (25-30 microns, 56's-60's)
e.g. Corriedale, Columbia, Finn | Class 6 Specialty
Dual coloured or double coated breeds such as Jacob, Icelandic, Shetland etc. |
| Class 3 Medium Longwool (30-36 microns, 48's-54's)
e.g. Leicester, Romney, Borderdale | Class 7 Champion and Reserve Naturally Coloured Wool |
| Class 4 Strong Longwool (38-42 microns, 36's-46's)
e.g. Lincoln, Cotswold | |

GRAND CHAMPION FLEECE & RESERVE

The first prize winners in the White Wool, Naturally Coloured Wool are eligible for this class.
Rosettes will be awarded.

SPECIAL

Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers Limited Trophy (Perpetual) Presented to the Grand Champion Fleece by The Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers Limited. A suitable memento will be presented to the winner.

2022 DROP SPINDLE COMPETITION

Contestants in this competition will employ the ancient but still popular spinning device — the Drop Spindle

COMPETITION INFORMATION

Entry Closing: Wednesday October 26th, 2022

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per entry
*Entries made day of competition
will incur an entry fee of \$15*

Competition Date: Sunday November 13th, 2022

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Location: Lower East Annex Show Ring

JUDGING INFORMATION

Date: Sunday November 13th, 2022

Time: 12:00 pm

Location: Lower East Annex Show Ring

Judge: Merry Little, Glen Williams, ON

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Each contestant will construct a skein of plied wool yarn weighing no less than 15 grams.
2. The yarn will be constructed using a Drop Spindle and the skein will be wound using a one (1) yard niddy noddy. The rovings will be provided to each contestant at the start of the competition.
3. The skein must be spun within the 2 hours allotted, prior to the beginning of the judging.
4. Judging criteria:
 - a) Uniformity and quality of the twist 30%
 - b) Weight and length of skein 25%
 - c) Time for completion: limit of 2 hours 20%
 - d) Presentation of the skein 25%
5. A one-day pass will be mailed to the contestant upon receipt of entry.

PRIZE MONEY				
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5

Ribbons will be awarded to the winners

2022 SHEEP TO SHAWL COMPETITION

COMPETITION INFORMATION

Entry Closing: Wednesday October 26th, 2022

Entry Fee: \$28.00 per entry
*Entries made day of competition
will incur an entry fee of \$15*

Competition Date: Sunday November 13th, 2022

Time: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Location: Lower East Annex Show Ring

JUDGING INFORMATION

Date: Sunday November 13th, 2022

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Lower East Annex Show Ring

Judge: Merry Little, Glen Williams, ON

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Each team will be composed of six (6) persons.
2. The committee will supply Canadian fleece to each team.
The fleece wool may be blended with up to 50% other natural fibres such as silk, alpaca, cotton etc., from which the shawl is to be constructed. A sample of the prepared roving will be provided to the judge. Note: A draw will take place to distribute fleeces amongst the teams.
3. The finished shawl must have an area no less than 1,200 square inches, with a length no less than 60 inches.
4. Teams are to submit a copy of the weaving pattern and a sample of the spun plied and unplied yarn, minimum one yard in length.
5. Each team will provide its own warped loom, hand-spun or commercial wool or wool blended up to 50% with other natural fibres, set at 8-12 epi. Teams may hand-dye their warp or use natural coloured wool. Details of dyeing method will be helpful to the judge. No commercially dyed warps are to be used.
6. Six one-day passes will be sent to each team leader upon receipt of entry.
7. Exhibitors will be allowed to deliver equipment to the Lower East Annex, Enercare Centre, Exhibition Place, Door 33, along Manitoba Drive, and then move their vehicle to a RAWF parking lot.

8. The shawls will be judged and scored on the following basis:

Team Identification and Display

Display may include posters, photos, equipment and other informational materials to explain the crafts of spinning and weaving.

10 points

Spinning

Consistency in twist of both single and plied yarn

30 points

Weaving

Evenness of selvages, evenness of beat, even width at all points, end, errors.

40 points

Patterns/Design

Sett 8-12 epi. Complexity of design/pattern, appropriateness of design to warp and weft, design and colour of finished shawl

20 points

Overall Quality

Finished size must be at least 60" long and total 1200 square inches overall. Finishings including fringe, drape, hand of fabric etc.

20 points

Completion in Allotted time

Time limit is 4 hours. 1 point deducted for each minute late.

10 points

BONUS

- 2 points (maximum 10) for every 10% of hand spun in the warp
- 2 points (maximum 10) for every 10% of naturally dyed threads
- 5 extra points will be awarded if the display reflects the history of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair.

TOTAL BASE POINTS

130 points

SPECIAL

Champion Shawl presented by Wellington Fibres

PRIZE MONEY

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
\$100	\$80	\$60	\$40	\$2

Ribbons will be awarded to 5th place.
All team members to receive a rosette.



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