

FRUIT EXHIBIT

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Clerk: Kate O'Brien (topsfieldfairfruit@gmail.com)

OPEN TO ANY GROWER

All fruit must be grown, selected and arranged by exhibitor.

RULES & INFORMATION

- EXHIBITS MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE FRUIT BUILDING, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, BETWEEN 7:00 P.M. AND 9:00 P.M.
- No exhibit will be entitled to a prize or other award unless it possesses points of superiority; and no award will be made to unworthy objects, though they may be the only ones of their kind on exhibition.
- No exhibitor shall be permitted to make more than one entry in any class except Classes AA1, BB1, A21, A22, A27, C1, E1, E2, G3 and G5.
- All fruits are to be raised by the exhibitor.
- Meritorious exhibits not listed for premium will receive due recognition.
- All fruits must be correctly named to receive prizes.
- Special cases will be arranged for any recognized fruit of merit if there are three entries, or at discretion of the Fruit Committee.
- All exhibits remain in place until Tuesday, October 11, 2011.

SCORE CARD

- Whether the fruit is actually scored or not, the following score card shall be the basis on which all plates shall be judged.
- In classes involving more than one variety, the score of fruit shall be considered two-thirds, and the value of the varieties one-third, in awarding Premiums.
- Points awarded as follows:

1. Form	10
2. Size	15
3. Color	20
4. Uniformity	20
5. Condition and freedom from blemishes	35
TOTAL	100

EXPLANATION

- Form of Fruit: Should be smooth, regular and typical of the variety.
- Size of Fruit: Not too large, typical of the variety.
- Color of Fruit: All specimens be as well colored as the season permits.
- Uniformity of Fruit: All specimens must be of the same size, color, ripeness and form.
- Condition shall include: Freedom from: (a) mechanical injuries, (b) insect injury of all kinds, (c) fungus injuries and excessive spray residue. Hail injury will not disqualify. Apple Maggot will disqualify.

APPLE DISPLAYS

Awards: FIRST \$14.00 SECOND \$12.00 THIRD \$10.00
FOURTH \$6.00 FIFTH \$6.00 SIXTH \$6.00 SEVENTH \$6.00
EIGHTH \$6.00

- Best single layer pack of apples (package provided by the Essex County Fruit Growers Association).
- Gravenstein (inc. all Red Sports)
- Early McIntosh
- McIntosh
- Cortland
- Baldwin

- Macoun
- Delicious (inc. all Red Sports)
- Any other variety

APPLES - SPECIAL PLATE PRIZES

- Plate Championship. To exhibitor receiving the largest number of first prize awards on plate exhibits. RIBBON
- Sweepstake Plate Prize. For the best plate of Apples, any variety in the show. No special entry necessary. Commercial value of variety to be considered. RIBBON
- Sweepstake Plate Prize. For the best plate of Apples, any variety in the show. No special entry necessary. Home growers value of variety to be considered. RIBBON

Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$6.00 THIRD \$4.00

- Best collection of 5 plates of correctly named varieties with 5 specimens of each variety (grower must name each plate when exhibited.)

FORTY NINE CLASS/PEARS

Awards: FIRST \$18.00 SECOND \$15.00 THIRD \$12.00

- Best 49 Pears of any variety

FORTY NINE CLASS/APPLES

Awards: FIRST \$20.00 SECOND \$18.00 THIRD \$15.00
FOURTH \$10.00 FIFTH \$10.00 SIXTH \$10.00
SEVENTH \$10.00 EIGHTH \$10.00

- Best 49 Apples - Any red strain
- Best 49 Apples - All others

APPLES - PLATE EXHIBITS

Commercial: 5 specimens

Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$9.00 THIRD \$8.00

- Baldwin
- McIntosh (standard)
- McIntosh (Marshall)
- Delicious
- Golden Delicious
- Northern Spy (all strains)
- Idared Reds
- Cortland (standard)
- Red Cortland
- Any other Red Sport
- Roxbury Russett
- Braeburn
- Macoun
- Empire
- Cameo

FRUIT DEPT. / APPLES / PLATE EXHIBITS cont'd

- A
16. Rome Beauty, including all strains
 17. Gala/All Strains
 19. Red Fuji
 20. Jonamac
 21. Any Golden
 22. Mutsu
 23. Jonagold
 24. Granny Smith
 25. Honey Crisp
 26. Any other properly named red variety
 27. Any other properly named variety
 28. Any other properly named old variety
 29. Any new variety, properly named
 30. Any disease resistant variety

CRABAPPLES - PLATE EXHIBITS

Commercial: 10 specimens each

Awards: FIRST \$8.00 SECOND \$7.00 THIRD \$6.00

- HD
1. Hyslop
 2. Dolgo
 3. Any other named variety

APPLES - PLATE EXHIBITS

Home growers: 3 specimens

Awards: FIRST \$8.00 SECOND \$7.00 THIRD \$6.00

- HG
1. Baldwin
 2. McIntosh
 3. Delicious
 4. Rhode Island Greening
 5. Gravenstein
 6. Northern Spy (all strains)
 7. Idared
 8. Cortland
 9. Any other Red Sport
 10. Roxbury Russett
 11. Spartan
 12. Macoun
 13. Empire
 14. Spencer
 15. Golden Delicious
 16. Rome Beauty, including all strains
 17. Gala
 18. Red Fuji
 19. Jonamac
 20. Any Golden
 21. Mutsu
 22. Jersey mac
 23. Granny Smith
 24. Honey Crisp
 25. Any other properly named red variety
 26. Any other properly named variety
 27. Any other properly named old variety
 28. Any new variety, properly named
 29. Any disease resistant variety

CRABAPPLES - PLATE EXHIBITS

Home growers: 10 specimens each

Awards: FIRST \$5.00 SECOND \$4.00 THIRD \$3.00

- HC
1. Hyslop
 2. Dolgo
 3. Any other named variety

PEARS - PLATE EXHIBITS

Plate must contain 5 specimens each

Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$5.00

- B
1. Best collection of 3 plates of correctly named varieties with 5 specimens of each variety. (Grower must name each plate when exhibited)

Awards: FIRST \$8.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$3.00

- B
2. Bartlett
 3. Bosc
 4. Seckel
 5. Delicious
 6. Anjou
 7. Any other named varieties
 8. Any properly named Asian varieties

PEACHES - PLATE EXHIBITS

Plate must contain 5 specimens each

Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$5.00

- C
1. Best collection of 3 plates of correctly named varieties with 5 specimens of each variety. (Grower must name each plate when exhibited)

Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$5.00

- C
2. Elberta
 3. Sunhigh
 4. Belle of Georgia
 5. Madison
 6. Jersey Lane
 7. Jefferson
 8. Hale Haven
 9. J.H. Hale
 10. Rio So Gem
 11. Triogen
 12. Any other white fleshed named varieties
 13. Any other yellow fleshed named varieties
- C
- Nectarines
 14. Any white fleshed named varieties
 15. Any yellow fleshed named varieties

PLUMS - PLATE EXHIBITS

Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$5.00

- D
1. Best collection of 2 plates of correctly named varieties with 10 specimens of each variety. (Grower must name each plate when exhibited)

Awards: FIRST \$8.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$3.00

- D
2. Best plate of any variety (10 specimens) correctly named
 3. Other classes at discretion of Fruit Committee

**GRAPES
PLATE EXHIBITS**

Plates must contain 3 bunches

Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$5.00

- E
1. Best collection of 3 plates of correctly named varieties with 3 bunches of each variety. (Grower must name each plate when exhibited)

Awards: FIRST \$8.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$3.00

- E
2. Concord
 3. Worden
 4. Moore's Early
 5. Freedomia
 6. Any other named variety
 7. Any seeded white table variety properly named

8. Any seedless white table variety properly named
9. Any seeded red table variety properly named
10. Any seedless red table variety properly named

BERRIES

Awards: FIRST \$8.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$3.00

- G
1. Cranberries, one pint
 2. Strawberries (named) one pint
 3. Blueberries, any properly named varieties, one pint
 4. Raspberries, (named) one pint
 5. Elderberries, three bunches
 6. Currents (pint)
 7. Any other properly named variety (pint)

Awards: FIRST \$12.00 SECOND \$10.00 THIRD \$9.00

- G
8. Best exhibit of Strawberries - Nursery Stock, using fruit and foliage.

QUINCES PLATE EXHIBITS

Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$6.00

- F
1. Best plate of Quinces, named variety (leave in natural condition)

MISCELLANEOUS FRUIT

Awards: FIRST \$8.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$3.00

- J
1. Tropical Fruits
 2. Any other worthy variety (must be home grown)

FARM STAND DISPLAY

SPECIAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Only one (1) farm stand exhibit per exhibitor.
2. Entry must be made with the Chairman one week in advance of opening day of Fair.
3. The stand will be 12 feet long, 4 feet high and 3 feet deep. If space is limited Chairman may change display size.
4. The score card, based on a commercial type of display, will be used.
5. General appearance is important.
6. All fruit must be polished.
7. Dummying allowed, but not to be seen.
8. Fruit must be grown by exhibitors.
9. Commercial advertisement is to be encouraged.
10. All signs may be according to the exhibitor's own design.
11. No plastic fruit
12. Please be aware of the use of flammable items within display.

Awards: FIRST \$150.00 SECOND \$125.00 THIRD \$100.00

- H
1. Best Farm Stand Display - (Display only)
 2. Best Farm Stand Display - (Fruit only) Not over 80 square feet

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

Awards: FIRST \$80.00 SECOND \$70.00 THIRD \$60.00

- H
3. Exhibit - at least 8 square feet/as space allows

ASSOCIATION DISPLAY

Awards: FIRST \$150.00 SECOND \$125.00 THIRD \$100.00

- H
4. Varieties of Fruits and Packages. Not less than 80 sq.ft.



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FRUITGROWERS ASSOCIATION**

See you at the Fair!

Visit us at our booth in the Fruit & Vegetable Building



Everyone is invited to Come See Us on Opening Day- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH. All exhibits will need to be in place on Thursday, September 29th, EXCEPT POULTRY. Please refer all questions regarding this change to the Department Chairperson or the Fair's Administration Office.

GENERAL RULES & INFORMATION

**** Topsfield Fair and Essex Agricultural Society are not responsible for changes to or omissions from any contest rules, regulations, and/or guidelines.**

Exhibitors must adhere to all rules as they apply to individual departments as well as the following regulations:

1. The Essex Agricultural Society is a member of the Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Association. The rules and regulations of this organization will apply where applicable.
2. Drinking of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on fairgrounds.
3. No smoking allowed in buildings.
4. No exhibit shall be removed before the close of the fair, without the express consent of the department head and fair management. Please refer to individual department for specific pickup times.
5. Departments designated 4-H and youth are restricted to boys and girls 9 through 19 years of age as of January 1, 2011, unless otherwise stated in department rules.
6. All reasonable precautions will be taken by the Society for the safe keeping of animals and articles entrusted to its care, but all exhibits are received upon express condition that THE SOCIETY SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE that may occur to animals or articles on exhibit for any reason. Exhibitors, contestants, and/or participants agree to be solely responsible for any loss, injury to, damage done, occasioned by or arising from any exhibit, equipment, animal or person and to defend and indemnify the Society and the management thereof against all claims and liability in regard thereto. In view of this understanding, exhibitors, contestants, and/or participants may deem it advisable to obtain appropriate liability insurance.
7. No person will be awarded premium checks with providing the Fair office with his/her social security number.

GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES & INFORMATION

1. All animals must be checked by the State Veterinarian and/or the department head or his designee, upon arrival at the fairgrounds.
2. Please review and comply with all health regulations as they pertain to individual departments. Massachusetts Department of Agriculture rules regarding animal health must be adhered to.
3. All out-of-state livestock must be accompanied by a current Certificate of Health.
4. EXHIBITOR PARKING WILL BE EXTREMELY LIMITED. PLEASE CHECK WITH DEPARTMENT HEAD IF PARKING PROBLEMS ARISE.