

**SHEEP DEPARTMENT 03, SECTION 2
WOOL ROOM PRODUCTS**

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DEPARTMENT RULES:

1. Use a separate Entry Form for Classes 20 - 41.
2. All entries must be the work of exhibitor and completed in the past year.
3. A maximum of three entries per class/division may be entered per exhibitor.
4. **Registration** form with entry fee of \$1.50 per item must be postmarked by July 15 and mailed to the Ulster County Agricultural Society, Inc., P.O. Box 71, New Paltz, NY 12561. Late entries will be accepted at the Wool Room on Saturday, July 30, 2016, from 9am to 11am. The fee for these late entries will be \$3.00 per item.
5. **Item check-in** will be on Saturday, July 30, 2016, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at the Wool Room.
6. **Mail-in entries:** Send items to Whitney hall, 133 Country Lane, Hurley, NY 12443. Include return postage and self addressed label.
7. Items must be picked up promptly at 5 PM on the last day of the fair or contact Superintendent.
8. **Fleece entries:** Attach two cards to the entry. On the front of the card print class #, title, breed of sheep, and leave space for judges comments. On the back of the card print your name, address and phone number.
9. **Skein of Yarn and Handmade Article entries:** attach one 3x5 white card to entry. On the front of the card print class #, title, fiber (including breed of sheep, if known) challenge of project, fiber preparation (hand or drum carded, combed, commercial roving or yarn), and intended use of yarns (for skeins). On the back of the card print your name, address and phone number.

| FLEECE | | | | | | |
|--|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Fleeces must have been shorn in current year from sheep owned by exhibitor. Fleeces should be reasonably clean, well skirted and tied with paper twine and in a clear plastic bag. | | | | | | |
| Class No. | | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th | 5 th |
| 20 | Fine to Medium (ex. Merino, Corriedale, Targhee, etc.) | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 21 | Long (ex. Romney, Cotswold, Leicester, etc.) | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 22 | Natural Colored (Fine to Medium) | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 23 | Natural Colored (Long Wool) | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| Grand Champion Fleece | | Rosette | | | | |
| Reserve Champion Fleece | | | | | | |

| SKEIN OF YARN | | | | | | |
|---|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Must be handspun by exhibitor within past year. Minimum of 2 oz. and 40 yards (unless otherwise stated), neatly wound with a circumference of 1 ½ to 2 yards, tied in at least 4 places with matching yarn and washed to set the twist. Minimum of 1 oz and 40 yards for fine yarn (20 wpi) in any category. | | | | | | |
| Class No. | | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th | 5 th |
| 24 | NOVICE AND YOUTH SKEIN - (Spinning 1 year or less) and Youth (14 and under, please state age and experience) - At least 40% Sheep's Wool, any technique. | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 25 | ALL WOOL SKEIN - 100% sheep's wool, natural white or colored, or dyed, evenly spun yarn. | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |

WOOL ROOM PRODUCTS (Continued)

| Class No. | WOOL PRODUCTS SKEIN OF YARN (continued) | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th | 5 th |
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| 26 | BLENDED SKEIN - At least 40% Sheep's Wool. Designed to show the versatility of wool when combined with other fibers. | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 27 | NOVELTY SKEIN – Any fiber or combination of fibers. Exhibits will be judged on the effectiveness of color, texture, plying and other techniques skillfully used to achieve a textured type yarn. | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 28 | EXOTIC FIBER SKEINS - Natural Fibers other than sheep's wool (ex. mohair, alpaca, angora, llama, silk, cotton, etc.) Designed to show the beauty of exotic fibers in a smooth. Minimum 1oz and 40 yds. | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 29 | SPINNERS SPECIAL BASKET - 3 skeins of handspun, each tagged as in individual skeins , displayed in a basket of your choice, to show the versatility of the spinner as well as the versatility of the wool. SKEIN #1 - Main skein - 100% Wool evenly spun singles or plied. SKEIN #2 & SKEIN #3 - Two different companion skeins which show the versatility of the original wool from Skein #1. This may be combined with other fibers to show special blending, color and/or spinning techniques. (i.e. blended or novelty skeins). Skeins will be judged on their skillful execution as well as the overall display. | \$25 | \$20 | \$15 | \$10 | \$6 |
| 30 | LOCAL ULSTER COUNTY SKEIN - to enter this category the skein must be spun from animal fiber that was grown in Ulster County or dyed with local plants | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |

HANDMADE ARTICLES

Entries 31 – 40 must be at least 40% sheep's wool.

Classes 34-35 and 36-37 will be combined into two classes if there are less than five items in each class. Hand woven items with a commercial warp may be considered handspun if the weft is handspun. All other classes must be 100% handspun to be eligible for Handspun Division. Handspun refers only to yarn produced by the exhibitor. All others are considered commercial.

DIVISION: I - HANDS-SPUN II - COMMERCIAL

| Class No. | | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th | 5 th |
|-----------|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 31 | NOVICE HANDMADE & YOUTH (14 and under) | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 32 | HANDWOVEN – HANDSPUN | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 33 | HANDWOVEN – COMMERCIAL | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 34 | KNITTED: HAND OR MACHINE - Handspun large item - ie: sweater, shawl | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 35 | KNITTED: HAND OR MACHINE - Handspun small item - ie: scarf, hat, socks | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 36 | KNITTED: HAND OR MACHINE - Commercial, Large item | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 37 | KNITTED: HAND OR MACHINE – Commercial, Small Item. | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |

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| 38 | FELTED – A primarily felted item (can have other techniques included). | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 39 | FELTED/KNITTED – An item primarily knitted, crocheted or woven, then felted or fulled. | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 40 | OTHER – Any technique not mentioned above (crochet, rug hooking, etc). | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |
| 41 | OTHER NATURAL FIBER - Any item Handmade with any natural fiber, blended or not. May contain up to 40% sheep's wool, mohair, angora, llama, alpaca, quiviut, etc. | \$15 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |

ADDITIONAL SPECIAL PRIZES AWARDED BY:

Pinewoods Farm & Wool Shop: BEST IN SHOW (items 31-40) **\$30.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE**
Anchorage Farm CHAMPION FLEECE **\$15.00** RESERVE CHAMPION FLEECE **\$10.00**
Elmendorph Handspinners SPECIAL THEME AWARD: "COZY" **\$25.00**
 (a cover for an inanimate object. Ex: beer cozy, tea cozy, phone cozy, etc.)
Ulster County Handspinners BEST HANDSPUN SKEIN IN SHOW **\$25.00**
Ulster County Handspinners Guild BEST 100% WOOL HANDSPUN ITEM IN SHOW **\$25.00**
Full Moon Farm Best Use of Color in an item by a Novice or Youth **\$10.00**
Full Moon Farm Most Imaginative Entry by a Novice or Youth **\$10.00**

Fleece to Shawl Competition - Class #42

Saturday, August 6th 2016 - 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Rules:

Registration and entry fee of \$20.00 per team. Entry deadline is July 25, 2015.

Each team will consist of one weaver, three spinners and one announcer. The announcer will be the team's spokesperson to speak to the public about their team history, what the teams are doing and answer questions - when not answering questions they may help their fellow team members

Each team will supply all its own equipment. (i.e. spinning wheels or spindles, hand cards or flickers or wool combs, shuttles, bobbin winder and pre-warped loom).

No drum carders, pickers or electric equipment.

Warp yarn and spinning fiber may be your choice of any animal fiber, but finished shawl should contain at least 40% Sheep's wool.

Pre-warp loom (may be handspun or commercial; dyed or natural) at no fewer than eight ends per inch.

Each team will start with raw fiber which may be washed but should still be in obvious lock formation.

All equipment must arrive and be set up by 10:30 a.m. Nothing can be added once the contest begins at 12:00 and there will be no substitution of equipment or team members. Any repairs must be done by team members with tools and materials brought with them.

The competition will begin at 11:00 am and end at 3:00 pm. Any shawl not completed by 3:00 pm will not be eligible for ribbons or prize money. At the judges discretion, a short break may be called to allow participants to get refreshments. The length of the break will be added on to the end of the competition.

The handspun weft will not exceed three times the diameter of the warp.

The completed shawl must be a minimum of 18" wide and 72" long, excluding optional fringe. (It may be larger, but will lose points for being smaller).

Team members may not leave the work area during the competition, unless given permission by the judge.

Team members are required to remain with their equipment until judging is completed and placings announced.

Shawls will be judged on the following basis: Team ID/display - 10 pts; Team work & camaraderie - 15 pts; fleece choice and preparation - 10 pts; warp - 10 pts; spinning - 15 pts; weaving - 20 pts; shawl design - 10 pts; speed - 5 pts; finishing and size - 10 pts; bonus points for handspun warp -10 pts.

PRIZE MONEY:

First Place - \$250.00
Third Place - \$100.00

Second Place - \$150.00
Fourth Place - \$75.00

Batts to Hats Competition - Class #43

Friday, August 5th 2016 - 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Rules:

Registration and entry fee of \$5.00 per team. Register at the Wool Room by 6:30pm Friday, Aug 5th.

Each team will consist of two people. You must spin and craft (knit or crochet) a hat in under 2 hours.

Each team will supply all its own equipment..

Each team will start with a batt of fiber that they have made up ahead of time. No roving, pencil roving, top or any other preparation will be allowed.

All equipment and people shall be set up by 6:30pm. Competition will start promptly at 7:00pm.

There will be no breaks

The completed hat must cover the ears of a designated model, and be able to contain a bag of marbles.

Hats will be judged on the following criteria:

First to finish—Wins 1/2 of registration money.

Contestant Favorite (decided by a vote) wins other half.