

“Countrystyle”

The South of England Agricultural Show theme for this year is ‘Sheep’

CLASSES 1-8 ARE JUDGED IN ADVANCE

Class 1 “KIDS CORNER ”

A **fabric wall hanging** for a child’s room. Any size; not knitting or crochet. Embellishments may be used. Ready to hang using a piece of dowel that extends beyond the edge by 5cm each side. See p62 ‘Fabric Picture’ OWTS 2015.

Class 2 “A FARMYARD TALE”

A **story for children** in no more than 100 words with colourful presentation. To be presented in **large** print on one side of a laminated A4 sheet of card minimum 160g/m². Some marks for presentation will be included.

Class 3 “COUNTING SHEEP”

Nightwear for adult or child. See p69 OWTS 2015.

Class 4 “WHERE SHEEP MAY SAFELY GRAZE”

A **watercolour painting of a landscape**. To be mounted and framed with 2 rings (with hole at least 5mm diameter) at the side for hanging. Max overall size 50cm x 50cm. Need not be square. Please pack in a padded envelope with WI number and class number written on the outside.

One Entry Only Per WI In Each Class



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SOUTH OF ENGLAND SHOW
AT ARDINGLY

COUNTRYSTYLE

9th, 10th & 11th
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- Class 5** **“SUMMER OUTING”**
A **crochet bag**, any shape and may be fabric lined.
Minimum size 20cm x 25cm excluding handles.
See p65 OWTS 2015
- Class 6** **“COUNTRYSTYLE”**
A **single item of home furnishing** in patchwork.
No knitting or crochet. See p86 OWTS 2015
- Class 7** **“BRIGHT AND BREEZY”**
A **colourful hand-knitted jumper** any size.
Surface embroidery and crochet edges may be used.
See p78 OWTS 2015
- Class 8** **“ALL BUTTONED UP!”**
Create an **accessory/ pair of accessories** incorporating
at least 20 buttons.
- Class 9** **“LITTLE BO-PEEP”**
A **stuffed toy sheep or lamb** suitable for a child over 3yrs.
Height 30 - 60cm. See p97-99 OWTS 2015

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- Class 10** **“FARMHOUSE TEA”**
A **light fruit cake** baked in a round tin 17-22cm diameter
presented on a cake board. Please include **full** recipe on an **A5**
laminated card to be displayed. See p107 OWTS 2015
- Class 11** **“JACK AND JILL”**
An **exhibit of fresh plant material in a bucket.**
No accessories or board.
Space allowed width 46cm, depth 46 cm, height optional.
NB Entry will be moved after judging.
See p 154 OWTS 2015
- Class 12** **“FLORAL FANTASY”**
(Co-operative)
A **selection of knitted and/or crochet flowers staged in a**
container. Overall display to be judged for staging and 3 items
labelled a, b, and c to be selected for individual judging.
Embellishments may be used.
No accessories or board.
Items to be judged need to be easily removed for judging and
need to have tag clearly visible.
Please enclose a diagram or photo of your entry as items will be
moved during judging.
Minimum of 3 members to take part.
See p 65/78 OWTS 2015

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**“ALFRESCO AFTERNOON”
(Co-operative)**

Flowers in a glass jar;

A handmade sunglasses case;

A craft item of your choice to fit with the title;

3 pieces of tray bake to look as good on Saturday as they did on Tuesday. See p104 - 117 OWTS 2015

For judges information only please include a full list of ingredients for the tray bake.

All to be staged on a board, see p51 OWTS 2015.
Space allowed 46cm x 46cm, height unrestricted.
Marks available for accessories and staging aids.

Co-operative exhibits require teamwork between members with many differing skills. This can be fun as well as hard work!

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THEME - ‘COUNTRYSTYLE’

RULES

1. **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT ALL PARTICIPATING MEMBERS ARE GIVEN A COPY OF THE SCHEDULE AND RULES.**
2. The Schedule must be strictly adhered to, or marks will be deducted. **THE JUDGES’ DECISION IS FINAL.**
3. Please refer to the NFWI “**On With the Show**” **2015 Handbook** for the definitions of the various classes. This is available on the Moodle.
4. All exhibitors must be WI Members.
5. Closing date for entries **Tuesday 30th March 2016.**
6. **ALL WIs WHO ENTER MUST ENCLOSE TWO C5 23cm x 16cm (9" x 6½") STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPES.** WIs will be allocated a number by the end of April and this number must be fastened to all items. Pre-Show Entry passes to the Showground for Judging Day will be forwarded as soon as they are available.
7. For **EACH CLASS** all WIs will be supplied with a tag with their allocated number. As every item in each class must be labelled please use your own additional labels/tags as appropriate, which must be sewn, stuck or fixed (no pins) securely to each item. **Any items used as accessories must also be marked with their WI number and labelled as an accessory. A sketch on A5 paper or photo of the exhibit and labelled with WI number must be included for co-operative entries as items will be moved.**
8. In the event that a WI has to cancel any of their entries they **MUST NOTIFY THE SHOW CHAIRMAN.** It is regretted that Entry Fees cannot be refunded.
9. **Exhibits:** Classes 1 - 8 are to be judged in advance and these classes must be delivered to either of the County Offices or by arrangement to a committee member by **Thursday 19th May 2016.** All entries should be **INDIVIDUALLY packaged and WI number and Class number written on the outside. Packaging will not be returned.**

10. Classes 9 - 13 must be brought to the Showground on **Tuesday 7th June 2016 between 8am and 9.30am.** Allotted set-up time is 30 minutes. The Marquee will be closed at 10am. Entry will be by the Blue Gate. Members may park **briefly** outside the WI Marquee.
11. **ONLY TWO MEMBERS PER WI** will be allowed into the Marquee to avoid congestion.
12. All craft items must be the property and unaided work of the Exhibitors. They must have been made within the last 12 months and should be fit for purpose.
13. No miniatures in craft or cookery.
14. No kits or packs to be used.
15. The WI will not accept any responsibility for the loss or damage to property at any time. **PLEASE DO NOT USE VALUABLE ITEMS.**
16. **REMOVAL** - No exhibit or mark cards may be removed before 6.15pm on Saturday 11th June 2016. Some packaging may be available.
17. The Committee will not accept responsibility for any items not collected by 8.00pm.
18. **No cars are admitted on to the Showground until after 7pm.**
19. **If suitable packaging and the correct postage is supplied, exhibits can be returned by post after the Show.** Please arrange with Sue Walker before the show, if you wish to do this.
20. Any queries regarding the Show Schedule must be addressed to the Show Chairman or Show Designer for 2016.

HINTS AND TIPS FOR ENTERING THIS SHOW

How to prepare

1. Read and discuss the schedule as soon as you can.(Note: Schedule is available on Federation web-sites)
2. Make a list of members willing and interested in taking part.
3. You need one member to be the co-ordinator, especially if you are entering a co-operative class.
4. Your WI should allocate a budget for the Show.
5. It is important to discuss with members concerned the cost of materials. They may wish to keep the item afterwards, but whatever is decided it is important to discuss it.
6. Set dates to see how items are progressing. Do not leave it until the day before the Show and then find the item does not fit in with the Schedule.
7. Decide who takes entries to the Show **and who collects them.** Try to make arrangements with neighbouring WIs.
8. Read the Show Schedule carefully. The wording is crucial and governs the judging on the day. A judge will use a dictionary, so use one yourself. It is unfortunate when a great deal of time and effort has gone into the making of an item, only for it to lose marks.
9. "On With the Show" 2015 should be referred to. It is used by the Judges and Show Committee, and it is available on NFWI Moodle. Any queries please contact one of the Show committee members.
10. Try out new recipes, and practice your entries for the show well in advance.

Take careful note of:-

- the rules of the show
- the days, dates and times of the show
- when your entry form must be returned
- what time you will need to stage/deliver your entries
- how long you will be allowed for staging
- any specific instructions that apply to the classes you are entering, e.g. size, number of items
- how you should present your exhibit
- when you should collect your exhibit
- Please ensure your entry form is completed correctly. One entry form is required for each WI, together with two C5 stamped addressed envelopes. All current entry fees are listed on the entry form. Make sure that your cheque is made out to the correct Federation. Upon receipt of your labels, please check immediately that these are correct.

Advanced Judged Items

These must be delivered to either of the County Offices or by arrangement to a committee member **by Thursday 19th May 2016**. Every entry must be **INDIVIDUALLY packaged with WI number and Class number written on outside of package and every item must be labelled with WI number and class. Packaging may not be returned.**

Show Week

Pack all items suitably, so they arrive safely

- textiles should be rolled rather than folded
- food items could be transported in a container using the lid as a base
- slide a folded length of greaseproof paper under food items to facilitate removal from the container.

Judging Day

Exhibits must be brought to the showground on Tuesday 7th June 2016 between 8am and 9.30am. Please book in at the table on arrival and members of the committee will show you where to place your entries.

Allotted set-up time is 30 minutes. Please leave the marquee as soon as your exhibit is complete. Failure to do so may hinder other exhibitors. The marquee will be closed at 10am for judging.

All packaging must be removed.

Do remember that your entries will be moved after judging when the marquee is staged on the Wednesday.

After the Show

If you have any queries contact the Chairman or Vice-Chairman.

Schedule Notes

Co-operative Classes

Each exhibit is marked for staging and interpretation on its own merit and not in competition with other entries, and before any item is removed for judging.

The judge will check that all measurements are correct, the exact number and categories of items are entered and labelled correctly.

The theme should be visually obvious, giving immediate impact and a good focal point. Items should be in proportion with each other and the total display space. Any accessories used should complement the items to be judged. Try to ensure that the display enhances all the items to advantage without being overwhelming, that there is balance between shapes and space and there is use of a variety of heights and levels.

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The mechanics should be well made and unobtrusive.

When planning your staging layout (and it is important to involve the staging member early on in your preparations) remember that each exhibit has a right to its own space, and must not be used as a prop for another. All items must be removable for judging.

Co-operative food items will be judged using the standard mark cards. Their external appearance will also be included in staging and interpretation marks. Therefore presentation of such items should be appropriate for the theme.

Craft Classes

These are judged on their merit – not against any other entry in the class. However, most judges will go round beforehand and look at the exhibits as a whole and will note if the items fit within the theme. Choose colours with care.

Give special attention to finishes, especially seams. Try to give yourself enough time to complete work as this is very often the source of lost marks.

Pressing work should be done with care, especially with various yarns and materials now used. In fact, some should not be pressed at all. Read the yarn sleeve.

Food classes

All cookery and preserves must be edible so that they may be tasted by the judge.

Final Thoughts!

Use “On with the Show” (2015) at all times and when in doubt or unable to find the answer to your query don’t hesitate to e-mail or telephone a member of the Show Sub-committee. OWTS 2015 is available on the ‘Moodle’.

Have fun working together planning and executing the co-operative entries and making the individual ones. We look forward to receiving them all.

Good luck!

If you are unable to deliver your advance-judged entries to either of the County Offices, we suggest you contact a member of the Sub-committee, whose names, telephone numbers and e-mails are listed below, as she may be able to make alternative suggestions.

All advance-judged items must be received by the Federation Offices or a committee member by Thursday 19th May 2016. A reminder will be given in both East and West Sussex WI News at the appropriate time.

SALE OF CRAFT ITEMS

Any WI wishing to sell a craft entry should contact Sue Walker to discuss the necessary arrangement. 12½% commission will be deducted from the selling price.