

2021 Exhibit Handbook
Farris Building
“Freedom To Have Fun”

The New River Valley Fair is back and ready for fun, fun, fun!

This annual six day event is July 26-31,2021. Come and be a part of the “Biggest Little Fair Anywhere” by showcasing your talents!

Entering is as easy as 1-2-3. Just select the competition area you would like to enter, fill out the entry form, and bring your exhibit to the fair on one of the check in days.

If you have any questions, please contact the fair office at (540) 674-1548.

Regardless if you’re an old pro or a first timer, please be sure to read all the rules and regulations thoroughly as some information has been updated and new competition areas have been added this year.

Exhibit check in times--all check ins at the Farris Building

Friday, July 23, 2021, 5-7 pm

Saturday, July 24, 11am-3 pm

Sunday, July 25, 10am-2 pm

Exhibit Pick-up time at the Farris Building

Sunday, August 1, 2021, 1-3 pm

The Farris Building will be open on Monday, July 26, 1-3 pm for exhibitors only who wish to view the results of their entered items. The Farris Building will close at 3 pm and reopen to the public at 5 pm when the fair opens to the public.

Exhibit judging will start promptly at 3 pm Sunday, July 25, 2021. No exhibitors allowed in the Farris Building once judging begins. Volunteers are to be dismissed. Department heads should be available to the Superintendent of the Farris Building and remain until the department’s closing. Only judges and superintendent are allowed in the departments during the designated judging time period.

Measures will be taken to maintain the safety of all exhibits while on display at the fair. The Farris Building will be locked at night after fair hours. The Farris Building will be monitored during fair hours. However, the New River Valley Fair and coordinators will not be responsible for lost or damaged exhibits.

The principal objectives of the New River Valley Fair are

1. To encourage improvement in the production, processing, and marketing of agricultural products that are produced in Southwest Virginia
2. To promote the importance of agriculture to Virginia's economy
3. Support the programs of 4-H, FFA and other youth educational groups.

Exhibit General Rules and Regulations

Submitting Entries

1. Entry forms must be filled out completely by the person submitting their entries. Tags will be issued to the exhibitor or a minor accompanied by an adult, stating the class and entry number displayed on the exhibit at entry time. The tag stub must be shown when an item is picked up before ribbons and/or premiums will be released.
2. Each exhibitor may enter one entry per class.
3. It must be distinctly understood that the New River Valley Recreation, Inc. assumes no responsibility whatsoever in the event of loss or damage to exhibits while on the grounds and all entries are received on this condition.
4. Fair management reserves the right to extend an invitation to exhibit and the right to refuse an exhibitor giving no reason for such action.
5. Entries will be placed on display by department coordinators. Entries which are considered unacceptable for judging will not be accepted.
6. Articles present and accepted for exhibition shall remain on display for the duration of the fair. No exhibits shall be removed from the grounds before 1:00 pm, Sunday, August 1, 2021. All awards, premiums and ribbons shall be forfeited upon early removal. Premium money will also be forfeited if articles are not picked up at specified time. Articles not picked up will be held in the fair office for one week and after which time they will be discarded at the fair's discretion. All entries must be picked up on Sunday, August 1, 2021, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.
7. Competition is a means for promoting excellence. In this regard only first, second and third place ribbons and premiums will be awarded. In youth divisions, the judges will award ribbons and premiums based on the Danish system as deemed by the judges.
8. The judges' decisions are final. Time will not permit explanations as to why articles submitted received the award or did not receive an award. Exhibitors are encouraged to discuss their exhibits with the department coordinators. Comments and suggestions would be helpful but should be made in writing to the New River Valley Fair at the conclusion of the fair. Your involvement in the fair is appreciated.
9. All protests must be in writing with the stated complaint and be accompanied by a fee of \$25.00. It shall be forfeited to the fair in case the protest is not sustained. The protest must be delivered to the fair board of director president Mr. Malcolm Boothe within twelve hours after the cause of protest.

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1. See general rules and regulations.
2. All entries must meet requirements for size, hanging, and appropriate for class. If it is lacking in one of the areas then it will not be accepted.
3. No entry smaller than 8 by 10 inch framed or larger than 16 by 20 inch framed.
4. All entries must be ready to hang with wire. Frames with only hooks on the back will not be accepted.
5. The Fair is not responsible for any damage to exhibited pieces during the fair week.
6. No new categories will be created to fit an entry.
7. Only one entry, per person, color and only one entry per person for black and white for each of the classes. For example, you may enter one color photo of an animal and one black and white photo of the animal.
8. All judges decisions are final
9. All youth entries should be mounted on foam board with wire, ready to hang with no hooks.
10. Youth size form has minimum outer dimensions of 8 by 10 inches with a maximum outer dimensions of 11 by 14 inches.

Judging

There will be three judges, a fourth judge will be on standby in the event of a tie should occur. Judges will rank each entry on a scale of 1-5 in the following areas:

1. Technical-focus, sharpness, detail, color, contrast, use of light, overall quality
2. Creativity-subject matter, content, uniqueness, appropriate to class
3. Composition-brings all visual elements together, purpose, focal point, does it tell a story
4. Style/presentation-creativity in use of elements, lighting, subject matter, appropriately matted and framed
5. Personal opinion-wow factor, is it appealing, would you want it in your home

Divisions and Prize Distributions for Photography

1. Professional Division-Master's degree, art teaching experience or equivalent career experience or income derived from the sales of work totaling at least \$1,000 per year.
 - Best in show \$50.00- 1 award
 - First place \$10.00-Blue ribbon
 - Second place \$8.00-Red ribbon
 - Third place \$6.00-White ribbon
2. Adult Division
 - Best in show \$50.00- 1 award
 - First place \$10.00-Blue ribbon
 - Second place \$8.00-Red ribbon
 - Third place \$6.00-White ribbon
3. College Division
 - Best in show \$35.00- 1 award
 - First place \$8.00-Blue ribbon
 - Second place \$6.00-Red ribbon
 - Third place \$4.00-White ribbon
4. High School Division
 - Best in show \$35.00- 1 award
 - First place \$8.00-Blue ribbon
 - Second place \$6.00-Red ribbon
 - Third place \$4.00-White ribbon
5. Middle School Division
 - Best in show \$20.00- 1 award
 - First place \$6.00-Blue ribbon
 - Second place \$4.00-Red ribbon
 - Third place \$2.00-White ribbon
6. Elementary Division
 - Best in show \$20.00- 1 award
 - First place \$6.00-Blue ribbon
 - Second place \$4.00-Red ribbon
 - Third place \$2.00-White ribbon

Exhibition-Pre-Kindergarten Division-ribbons to all entries

Classes:

1. Color
 - a. Animals (pet/farm/zoo animals)
 - b. Picture taken by cell phone
 - c. Human portraits
 - d. Landscape
 - e. Special effects
 - f. Action
 - g. Wildlife (birds, wild animals, all insects and all other living creatures)
 - h. Nature (flowers, leaves, rocks, mushrooms, trees and non-living creatures)

2. Black and White
 - a. Animals (pet/farm/zoo animals)
 - b. Picture taken by cell phone
 - c. Human portraits
 - d. Landscape
 - e. Special effects
 - f. Action
 - g. Wildlife (birds, wild animals, all insects and all other living creatures)
 - h. Nature (flowers, leaves, rocks, mushrooms, trees and non-living creatures)

ART

Rules:

1. See general rules and regulations
2. All art must be suitable for hanging on a peg board. Materials used for hanging can include canvas art work, foam boards, framing, and/or matting as well as an appropriate material based on the quality and value of the art work.
3. The art coordinator will not be responsible for exhibited pieces including those that fall due to unsecured backing by the exhibitor or be responsible for work that is not collected at the end of the fair.
4. Entries are limited to one exhibit in each class.
5. Entries may be exhibited one year only and should have been completed within the last two years.
6. The show is for hangable art pieces only. Other art may be entered in crafts. Three-dimensional pieces should be entered in crafts.
7. Any of the listed art mediums may be used in the depiction of the fair theme, "Freedom To Have Fun", class 13. However, all rules listed above shall apply.

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Classes:

1. Oil Painting
 - a. Landscaping
 - b. Still life
 - c. Portrait
2. Watercolor and Tempera
 - a. Landscaping
 - b. Still life
 - c. Portrait
3. Acrylic
 - a. Landscaping
 - b. Still life
 - c. Portrait
4. Pastels, oil pastel
5. Charcoal
6. Ink drawings, includes pen and markers
7. Pencil drawings
8. Crayon
9. Original cartoons, no copyrighted characters
10. Color pencil
11. Mixed media
12. Other art, not listed

ART Classes: continued

13. Special depiction of the New River Valley fair theme “Freedom To Have Fun”, using any art medium or combination listed above

PRESERVED FOODS-Adults and Youth

Rules:

1. Please see general rules and regulations
2. All entries must have been preserved between July 2020 and July 2021.
3. USDA Guidelines regarding home canning and preserving of foods will be followed for determining acceptable and unacceptable entries: please see <http://nchfp.uga.edu> for current acceptable canning practices.
4. Containers and General Characteristics for preserved foods
 - **Canned foods**--all canned products, preserves, or pickles must be in a clear glass, regulation canning jars, properly labeled and dated. No mayonnaise jars, et. will be accepted. Vegetables, fruits and juices must be in pint or quart clear glass regulation canning jars. Jellies, jams, chutneys, and fruit butters may be in half pint or 4 ounce jars.
 - Standard 2-piece self-seal lid and ring closures must be used on all jars. All canned food should be properly sealed. Only new lids should be used. No rusty lids or rings should ever be used.
 - An appropriate amount of headspace for the canned product should be allowed: ¼ inch headspace for jams, jellies, pickles and relishes (except sauerkraut.) ½ inch headspace for fruits, tomatoes, and sauerkraut. 1 inch headspace for vegetables except tomatoes.
 - Product pieces should be uniform in size and packed snugly but allow for circulation of liquids. Liquids should cover the product and be clear and free from cloudiness and small particles. Air bubbles should be kept to a minimum.
 - Products should be free from defects or blemishes, strings, stems, seeds, pits and peels. If the recipe requires stems, pits, and/or peels, this is acceptable.
 - The product should retain its natural characteristic color or nearly that of standard cooked products.
 - **Flavored Vinegars**--Container is properly labeled. If canning jar used: clean, clear standard canning jar with no cracks, chips, or rust. Recommended lid with good vacuum seal. Band free of rust and dents or other damage; clean and easily removed. If decorative bottles are used: clean, clear, no cracks, chips, haze or rust. Caps or corks appear clean and new. Caps are of non-corrodible metal or plastic.
 - Appearance is attractive, neat, space well used, and a good proportion of liquid and flavoring ingredients are. Use fruits or herb sprigs of similar size and shape.

- Liquid covers all ingredients with appropriate headspace (¼ inch) left empty. No floating of ingredients. Natural coloring, attractive for serving, uniform throughout, free from cloudiness or excess sediment.
- Any bag or jar may be opened at the discretion of the judges.
- Any foods considered hazardous to consume will be disposed of by the judges or fair attendants. This includes the jar or packaging containing the food.

Premiums: Best in Show \$8.00

1st-\$6.00 2nd-\$4.00 3rd-\$2.00

Section-Vegetables

Standards: Appearance-natural vegetable color; syrup or liquid clear. Well ripened but not overripe; graded and sorted by size.

Texture: Tender. Flavor: Characteristic.

1. Beans
 - a. Green, cut
 - b. Green, whole
 - c. Miscellaneous Beans
2. Carrots
3. Miscellaneous Greens (i.e. Kale, Turnips, etc.)
4. Sauerkraut
5. Tomatoes
 - a. Whole
 - b. Sauce
6. Vegetables, not listed
7. Meats, canned.

Section-Fruits

Whole and Sliced Fruit

8. Apples
9. Peaches
10. Blackberries
11. Cherries
12. Fruit, not listed
13. Fruit, combination

Section-Fruit Sauces

14. Applesauce
15. Fruit sauce, not listed

Section-Juices

16. Grape Juice
17. Apple Juice
18. Juice, not listed

JELLIES, JAMS, PRESERVES (i.e. Chutney, Butters)

Standards: Appearance-pronounced and natural color, clear, no sign of crystallization, natural fruit flavor, tender, holds shape, and should not be syrupy.

19. Apple
 - a. Butter
 - b. Jelly
20. Blackberry
 - a. Jam
 - b. Jelly
21. Blueberry
 - a. Jam
 - b. Jelly
22. Combination Jelly-mixed fruit, 2 or more
23. Combination Jam-mixed fruit, 2 or more
24. Bramble Berries, wild berries, i.e. Dew, Wine, etc.
 - a. Jam
 - b. Jelly
25. Grape
 - a. Jam
 - b. Jelly
26. Honey
 - a. Comb
 - b. liquid
27. Peach
 - a. Jelly
 - b. Preserves
28. Plum
 - a. Jam
 - b. Jelly
 - c. Preserves
29. Raspberry
 - a. Jam, Black
 - b. Jelly, Black
 - c. Jam, Red
 - d. Jelly, Red
30. Strawberry
 - a. Jam
 - b. Preserves
31. Most Unusual Jam, Jelly, or Preserves
32. Jam, Jelly, or Preserves, not listed.

PICKLES, RELISH

Standards-Uniform size and shape. Natural flavor, not over-spiced; firm, not tough or soft.

- 33. Beet Pickles
- 34. Bread and Butter Pickles
- 35. Cucumber Pickles
 - a. Sliced
 - b. Whole
- 36. Dill Pickles
 - a. Sliced
 - b. Whole
- 37. 14-Day pickles
- 38. Most Unusual Pickles
- 39. Pickled Beans
- 40. Relish
- 41. Pickles, not listed
- 42. Salsa
 - a. Tomato based

DEHYDRATED FOODS

Standards: Characteristics color of product and uniform throughout the container. No excessive discoloration. Light colored fruits and vegetables will brown when exposed to air. Pretreatments can minimize this browning but are not required.

Pieces in exhibit are uniform in size and shape. No ragged edges. Pieces are uniformly dry through.

Container contains no foreign matter, no visible mixture.

Properly labeled.

Appropriate size for the amount of food being exhibited (too much empty space represents poor storage practice for moisture control.) If in a jar, no cracks, chips, or rust on the jar. Band or lid free of rust and dents or other damage and clean and easily removed.

Standards-Individual fruits-leathery and pliable. If the piece of fruit is folded over itself, it springs back. Chewy, not sticky or brittle. Free from cores and objectionable seeds or peel.

Standards-Fruit leathers-leathery, yet pliable. Not sticky, crisp, or brittle. Rolls without tearing or breaking. Free from cores and objectionable seeds or peels.

Dehydrated Foods Classes:**Fruits**

- 43. Individual Fruits
 - a. Apple
 - b. Pear
 - c. Tomato
 - d. Fruit, not listed
- 44. Fruit leathers
 - a. Apple
 - b. Pear
 - c. Berry
 - d. Fruit, not listed
 - e. Fruit, combination

Vegetables--Standards--brittle and crisp; tough or cracking hard. Dry enough to rattle

- 45. Green Beans
- 46. Carrots
- 47. Corn, cut
- 48. Peppers
 - a. Sweet
 - b. Hot
- 49. Sweet Potatoes
- 50. Tomatoes
- 51. Vegetable, not listed

Herbs

Standards--pulverize or crumble when rubbed, fragrant.

- 52. Individual herbs
- 53. Herb Blends
 - a. Fines, herbs
 - b. Poultry blend
 - c. Blend, not listed

Jerky

Standards--Game meat should be frozen to destroy parasites before making Jerky. Jerky should be leathery, drier than fruit but not brittle. Piece cracks but does not break when bent. Not overly salty, smokey or spiced. No fat droplets visible, does not feel greasy. Free from rancid flavor. No mold.

Dehydrated Foods**Jerky Classes:**

- 54. Beef
 - a. Strips
- 55. Venison
 - a. Strips
- 56. Poultry
 - a. Strips
- 57. Game Bird
 - a. Strips

Flavored Vinegars**Classes:**

- 58. Red Wine Vinegar
 - a. Single herb
 - b. Single fruit
 - c. Vinegar, not listed
- 59. White Wine Vinegar
 - a. Single herb
 - b. Single fruit
 - c. Vinegar, not listed
- 60. Apple Cider Vinegar
 - a. Single herb
 - b. Single fruit
 - c. Vinegar, not listed

HOME BREWS (BEER)

1. See General Rules and Regulations.
 2. Entries must be produced by the exhibitor who is 21 years of age or older.
 3. Exhibitors must not be involved in any way with commercial beer making or use the facilities of a commercial brewery.
 4. Beer must be in 12 ounce, 22 ounce, or 750 ml glass bottles, all labels must be removed. NRV fair entry tags should be attached and will serve as identification. Booser or beer bottles will not be removed after edging.
 5. Exhibitors must submit two botter for each brew entry.
- Premium: Gift cards selected by fair committee.

Beer Style**Classes:**

- a. Light Lager
- b. Pilsner
- c. Dark Lager
- d. Bock
- e. Light Hybrid beer
- f. Scottish and Irish ale
- g. American Ale
- h. English Brown Ale
- i. Porter
- j. Beer, not listed

Mead Style**Classes:**

- a. Traditional mead
- b. Melomel (fruit mead)
- c. Mead, not listed

Cider Style**Class:**

- A. other, cider

AMATEUR WINEMAKING

1. See general rules and regulations
2. Entries must be produced by the exhibitor who is 21 years of age or older.
3. Exhibitors must not be involved in any way with commercial wine making or use the facilities of commercial wineries.
4. Wine shall be exhibited in unlabeled, standard 375 ml. Wine bottles.
5. No artificial coloring or flavoring allowed in entries (only natural ingredients.)
6. An exhibitor may enter more than one wine in a class but the wines must be from different fruits or vintage years.
7. The judges may move any incorrectly classed wine into their proper class.
8. No names or labels are permitted on the bottles. NRV Fair entry tags should be attached and will serve as identification. The type of fruit used should be indicated on the entry tag.

Amatuer Winemaking

Classes:

- A. White, dry
- B. Red, dry
- C. Rose, blush, dry
- D. Fruit (apple, pear, peach, pineapple, plum, orange, etc.)
- E. Wine, not listed

HOMEMAKING-Adult and Youth

1. See general rules and regulations
2. All exhibits must have been made and prepared by the exhibitor.
3. Only one entry can be made by an individual in each class.
4. Baked goods and candy must be displayed on disposable plates and covered with clear wrapping. A cardboard form may be used in place of a cake in the decorated cake class.
5. All exhibits listed in the catalog will be accepted.
6. All adult classes will be judged on the merit system of one first, one second, and one third place award.
7. Any youth ages 5 to 18 years of age as of January 1, 2021, may enter exhibits. Age divisions will be: a. cloverbud ages 5-8 b. Junior ages 9-13 c. seniors ages 14-18. Youth awards will be judged on the Danish system with exhibi receiving either a blue, red or white award and the applicable premium awarded.
8. Best of show ribbons may be awarded at the discretion of the judges.
9. Premium Award: Best in Show \$8.00
 - Blue Ribbon \$6.00
 - Red Ribbon \$4.00
 - White Ribbon \$2.00

BAKED GOOD AND CANDY-Adult and Youth

Breads

Standards: appearance: looks tender and good; even golden brown color; good shape.

Texture: fine even grain, small thin cell walls, light for size, crisp crust.

Crumble: creamy white color, slightly moist, light and elastic, tender.

Flavor: good well blended flavor, pleasing.

Breads**Classes:**

1. Biscuits (3)
2. Bread
 - a. Bread machine, ½ loaf
 - b. Quick, ½ load
 - c. Other, ½ load
3. Muffin, other (3)
4. Muffin, corn meal (3)
5. Yeast rolls (3)
6. Yeast, other item
7. Other breads

Cakes

Standards: level or slightly rounded and uniform in thickness, light, tender, fine uniform grain, slightly moist.

Icing: smooth texture, good flavor, appropriate to type of cake.

Classes:

8. ¼ pound cake, no frosting
9. ¼ pound cake, with frosting
10. ¼ cake, not listed

Decorated Cakes

Special rules: all cakes become property of the New River Valley Fair. All cake cakes must be on a cardboard base not to exceed 13 inches square and 12 inches high with entry tags securely attached to the base. Judged on decoration only. Artificial forms may be used.

Classes:

11. Decorated Cakes
 - a. Wedding cakes
 - b. Special occasion-shower, graduation anniversary
 - c. Any other cake not listed above

Cookies

Standards: shape, uniform size, not over 2 inches in diameter.

Color: delicately brown.

Flavor; not too intense.

Texture and Grains: thin rolled should be crisp, others should have a fine even grain and be somewhat moist.

Cookies**Classes:**

- 12. Bar cookies, baked (3)
- 13. Drop cookies (3)
- 14. Rolled cookies (3)
- 15. Cookies, not listed above (3)

Pies

Standards for pie shell: appearance: golden brown color, uniform, attractive edge free from cracks or breaks.

Tenderness: cuts easily and holds shape without crumbling.

Texture: flaky, layered crust, crisp not doughy.

Standards for pie filling: characteristic of its kind.

Classes:

- 16. $\frac{1}{4}$ cream pie
- 17. $\frac{1}{4}$ other pie

Candy

Standards: smooth consistency, free from crystals, characteristic flavor of candy kind.

Classes:

- 18. Chocolate fudge (3)
- 19. Coconut (3)
- 20. Cut-out squares (3)
- 21. Peanut butter candy (3)
- 22. Candy, not listed (3)

For Men only

Special rules: all entries become property of the New River Valley Fair. Entry must be made by the exhibitor.

Classes:

- 23. Any baked goods and/or candy

Special Contest

Special rules: containers for this contest should hold about one pound of food. For the candy dish call, boxes or other containers may be used if food is arranged in an attractive manner and visible from the top. The cookie jars must be made of clear glass.

Premiums:	Best in Show	\$10.00
	Blue Ribbon	\$8.00
	Red Ribbon	\$6.00
	White Ribbon	\$4.00

Special Contest**Classes:**

- 24 a. One variety, candy dish
- 24 b. Mixture, candy dish
- 25 a. One variety, cookie jar
- 25 b. Mixture, cookie jar

Decorative Theme Contest

Special rules: any baked good or candy can be entered but must be decorated or formed whereas the theme is recognizable. All decorative items used directly on the entry must be edible. This does not apply to the dish, container or any other items used to present or plate the entry. Exhibitors may use any baked items to represent the theme in the previous quantities listed. One big cookie may be used in the place of 3 cookies. All entries become the property of the New River Valley Fair.

Premium: Blue Ribbon \$8.00

Red Ribbon \$6.00

White Ribbon \$4.00

Class:

26. Special depiction of the New River Valley Fair Theme "Freedom To Have Fun", any baked good or candy

NEEDLEWORK, CLOTHING AND CRAFTS-Adults and Youth

Needlework: Standards: General Appearance-design suitable to materials, pleasing, interesting.

Color combination.

Texture combinations.

Workmanship: neatness, suitable, practical method of construction, durability, practical.

Originality: show expression, flair.

Classes:

1. Afghan
 - a. Baby
 - b. Crochet
 - c. Knitted
 - d. Other
2. Applique
 - a. Other
3. Baby garment
 - a. Crochet
 - b. Knitted

Needlework Classes Continued:

4. Crochet
 - a. Hat
 - b. Scarf
 - c. Sweater
 - d. Blanket
 - e. Miscellaneous
5. Cross-stitch
 - a. Child clothing
 - b. Picture
 - c. Other
6. Embroidery
 - a. Child clothing
 - b. Other
7. Household accessory
8. Knitting
 - a. Hat
 - b. Other
9. Needlepoint
 - a. Miscellaneous
10. Needlework
 - a. Pillow
 - b. Purse
 - c. Other, not listed
11. Quilt
 - a. Applique
 - b. As you go
 - c. Kit (made from a kit)
 - d. novelty
 - e. Pieced
 - f. Tacked
 - g. Machine quilted
 - h. Wall hanging
12. Shawls
13. Smocking
 - a. Child clothing
 - b. Other, not listed
14. Stuffed toy
15. Article made by person over age 75
16. Article made by person with a disability
17. Special depiction of the New River Valley Fair Theme "Freedom to Ride"
18. Any needlecraft not listed above

CLOTHING

Standards: General appearance-design suitable for fabrics use, pleasing, interesting.

Color combinations: originality , texture combination, cleanliness.

Pressing Workmanship: cut on the correct grain of fabric, choice and neatness of seams, hems and finished, perfection of stitches.

Classes:

1. Apron
2. Better Dress
3. Cape
4. Coat
 - a. Adult
 - b. Child
5. Dress
6. Jumer
7. Lined Jacket or Blazer
8. Shorts
9. Slacks
10. Suit
11. Vest
12. Any article not listed above
13. Special depiction of the 2021 there "Freedom to Ride"

CRAFTS

Standards: General appearance-design suitable to materials, pleasing, interesting.

Color combinations: texture combinations.

Workmanship: neatness, suitable, practical method of construction, durability, practical.

Originality: shows expression, flair.

Classes:

1. Bead art
2. Camp craft
3. Candles
4. Ceramics
 - a. Stained
 - b. Glazed
5. Christmas Decorations
 - a. Tree ornament
 - b. Door
 - c. Tree shirt
6. Decoupage
7. Door decoration
8. Flower, handmade

Craft Classes Continued:

9. Jewelry, handmade, any kind
10. Lamp shade
11. Macrame'
 - a. Purse
 - b. Other
12. Models
13. Recycle art
14. Sewing craft/non-clothing item
15. Scrapbooking
16. String art
17. Tole painting/folk art
18. Wall hanging
19. Wood working
 - a. Decorative item
 - b. Wood burning
 - c. Floor furniture-small 24"
 - d. Floor furniture-medium 24-48"
 - e. Floor furniture-greater than 48"
 - f. Planter
 - g. Yard art
 - h. Sign
 - i. Hand carve
 - j. Wood turning
 - k. Other not listed
20. Black smith
 - a. Artist
 - b. Utility
 - c. Decorative
 - d. Hammer
 - e. Other not listed
21. Paper mache'
22. Any craft not listed above
23. Special depiction of the New River Valley Theme "Freedom to Ride"

HORTICULTURE-Adult and Youth

Rules:

1. See general rules and regulations.
2. All horticulture exhibits must be grown by the adult or youth exhibitor and labeled by the correct botanical name when possible.
3. One entry per exhibitor per class.
4. Not responsible for loss or breakage of containers or accessories.
5. No artificial flowers or foliage permitted and no painting, tinting or otherwise artificially altering the color of plant material.
6. Potted plants must be in exhibitor's possession three months or more prior to the show and preferably exhibited in clean clay pots.
7. All potted plants not to exceed a 14 inch pot and please have a saucer.
8. Cut flowers exhibited in one container with no more than 5 blooms.

Premiums: Best in show \$12.00

Classes 1-5, 8, 9	First	\$6.00
	Second	\$4.00
	Third	\$2.00
Classes 6 and 7	First	\$10.00
	Second	\$6.00
	Third	\$4.00
Classes 10-14	First	\$6.00
	Second	\$4.00
	Third	\$2.00
Classes 15-17	First	\$8.00
	Second	\$6.00
	Third	\$4.00

Potted plants

Classes:

1. Blooming
2. Fern
3. Foliage
4. Herbs
5. Cacti
6. Hanging basket, not to exceed 10 pounds
7. Dish garden, 3 or more plant varieties required
8. Most unusual, must be accompanied by identification and description of plant
9. Succulents

Cut Flowers**Classes:**

10. Gladioli
11. Marigolds
12. Roses
13. Zinnias
14. Miscellaneous
15. Vase display, 3 or more flower varieties per vase, unlimited blooms
16. Decorative floral arrangements, 3 or more flower varieties per arrangement, unlimited blooms
17. Dried flower arrangement

FARM CROPS, PRODUCE, VEGETABLES--Adult and Youth

1. General rules and regulations apply to this division.
2. All exhibits must have been grown by the exhibitor. Youth exhibits must have been grown by the youth exhibitor. Youth must be present to enter youth exhibits.
3. Only one exhibit per exhibitor in each class permitted.
4. Only quality crops/vegetables and produce suitable for judging will be accepted or judged.
5. The farm crop coordinator will not be responsible for exhibits or be responsible for items not collected at the end of the fair.
6. Note--herbs entered in "Vegetables and Produce, Class 15" must be one bunch in a container of water such as a bud vase, plastic cup, or soda bottle to prevent wilting at time of judging. All other entries, unless specified, are displayed on disposable plates furnished by the fair.
7. Each department will be judged and displayed separately. Premiums subject to change.
8. Display instructions: Bundles of hay shown should be dry
 - Baled hay is one bat or flake.
 - Silage is ½ gallon in a plastic ziploc bag.
 - Vegetables/produce are wiped clean with newspaper, not washed

Premiums: Best in Show \$8.00 Blue \$6.00 Red \$4.00 White \$2.00

FARM CROPS**Classes:**

1. Alfalfa, 5 inch bundle
2. Alfalfa, silage
3. Alfalfa, baled
4. Barley, ½ gallon
5. Clover, red, 5 inch bundle
6. Clover, red, baled
7. Corn
 - A. Yellow, ½ gallon
 - B. Yellow, Hybrid, 10 ears
 - C. Yellow, Hybrid, 3 stalks
 - D. White, Hybrid, 10 ears
 - E. White, Hybrid, 3 stalks
8. Lespedeza, Korean, baled
9. Lespedeza, Korean, 5 inch bundle
10. Lespedeza, Sericea, 5 inch bundle
11. Oats
 - A. Spring, ½ gallon
 - B. Spring, 5 inch bundle
 - C. Winter, ½ gallon
 - D. Winter, 5 inch bundle
12. Orchard Grass, 5 inch bundle
13. Orchard Grass, baled
14. Rye, ½ gallon
15. Rye, 5 inch bundle
16. Soybeans, 5 inch bundle
17. Timothy, 5 inch bundle
18. Timothy, baled
19. Wheat
 - a. Wheat ½ gallon
 - b. Beard, 5 inch bundle
 - c. Hooded, 5 inch bundle
 - d. Smooth, 5 inch bundle
 - e. Wong, 5 inch bundle
20. Wool fleece, white
21. Wool fleece, color

VEGETABLES AND PRODUCE**Classes:**

1. Apples, 4
2. Beans
 - a. Green beans, snap, 8
 - b. Wax beans, 8
 - c. Shelling beans, one pint
 - d. Miscellaneous beans, 8
3. Beets with tops, 6 to a bunch
4. Berries, bramble type, one pint
5. Cabbage, one head
6. Carrots with tops, 6 to a bunch
7. Chard, swiss, 6 leaves to a bunch
8. Corn
 - a. Sweet, untrimmed ends, 3 ears
 - b. Miscellaneous, 3 ears
9. Cucumbers
 - a. Slicers, 3
 - b. Pickling, 3
10. Eggs
 - a. Brown, 6
 - b. White, 6
 - c. Other, 6
11. Herbs, one bunch in water
 - a. Dill
 - b. Mint
 - c. Parsley
 - d. Sage
 - e. Tarragon
 - f. Basi
 - g. Miscellaneous
12. Kale, one quart
13. Lettuce
 - a. Leaf type, one plant/bunch
 - b. Miscellaneous, one
14. Melons, miscellaneous, 1
15. Onions
 - a. Red, 4
 - b. Yellow, 4
 - c. White, 4
16. Peaches, 4
17. Pears, 3

Vegetables and Produce Classes Continued:

18. Peppers
 - a. Banana, 4
 - b. Bell type, 4
 - c. Jalapeno, 4
 - d. Cayenne, 4
 - e. Cherry, 4
 - f. Pimento, 4
 - g. Miscellaneous, 4
19. potatoes
 - a. Kennebec, 4
 - b. Red, 4
 - c. Yukon gold, 4
 - d. Largest, 1
 - e. Most unusual shape, 1
20. Pumpkin
 - a. Largest
 - b. Jack o'lantern
 - c. Other
21. Rhubarb, 4
22. Squash
 - a. Acorn, 1
 - b. Butternut, 1
 - c. Patty pan, 1
 - d. Yellow crookneck, 2
 - e. Yellow straight neck, 2
 - f. Zucchini, 2
23. Tomatoes
 - a. Red slicing, 3
 - b. Roma, 3
 - c. Small novelty, 6
 - d. Yellow, 3
 - e. Miscellaneous, 3
 - f. Largest, 1
 - g. Most unusual shape, 1
24. Miscellaneous
 - a. Vegetable
 - b. Produce
25. Most unusual vegetable

Home Garden Special

Collection of 10 or more vegetables home grown and placed in one container. There must be at least 3 leafy vegetables and 3 root vegetables,

Premium: First-\$25.00 Second \$15.00 Third \$10.00

26. Home Garden Special

Funny Stuff

Premium: First \$6.00 Second \$4.00 Third \$2.00

Not responsible for props used in classes.

Exhibits must not exceed a 10 by 10 inch base.

Vegetables or fruit must be recognizable.

Classes:

1. Best decorated apple, 1 apple only
 - a. 10 years of age and under
 - b. 11-18 years of age
 - c. Adults 19 years of age plus
2. Best decorated potato, 1 potato only
 - a. 10 years of age and under
 - b. 11-18 years of age
 - c. Adults 19 years of age plus
3. Best decorated vegetable, not apple or potato
4. Best decorated vegetable showing 2021 theme "Freedom To Have Fun"
5. Vegetable face-minimum of 5 vegetables home grown, maximum of 10 home grown vegetables
 - a. 10 years of age and under
 - b. 11-18 years of age
 - c. Adults 19 years of age plus

2021 SPECIAL COMPETITIONS-Adult and Youth

- Farm Scene
- Birdhouse
- Table Setting

Best in Show Award--one per competition area for adult and youth divisions. Award to be determined by the building superintendent.

Premium Award:

Blue Ribbon \$10.00

Red Ribbon \$8.00

White Ribbon \$6.00

1. *Farm scene*

Gather up your favorite tractors and farm animals and bring them to the New River Valley Fair--that is your toy tractors on a 1/32 scale or smaller that everyone loves to see. Use your imagination to create a working farm, an implement dealership or maybe a bucolic day at the pond. Please present your display on a flat surface that can be set on a table no more than 3 feet by 3 feet. Adult and youth divisions will be judged separately.

Classes:

- a. Working farm
- b. 2021 theme "Freedom To Have Fun"
- c. Country living
- d. General agriculture

2. *Bird House*

Maximum size of birdhouse must not exceed 15 inches in length and width and no taller than 18 inches. Adult and youth divisions judged separately.

Classes:

- a. Handmade and painted
- b. Natural- handmade and unpainted
- c. Purchased but hand painted
- d. Decorative theme for 2021 "Freedom To Have Fun"

3. **Table Setting**

Entries are open to one or more exhibitors completing the table. Tables (card tables need to be furnished by the exhibitors) are to be set for two people. The menu must be furnished for display on the table. Glasses/beverage containers should be set for all courses. Dinnerware and flatware should be set for all courses represented on the menu. No fresh flowers or plants please. Decorative food items that will spoil or melt may not be used. Exhibitors must provide tablecloth.

Follow the correct placement of all components in the setting as well as size and placement of linens. Correct procedures can be found in meal management textbooks and especially books on table setting. For informal dining, napkins can be arranged in a fun way but cannot deter from the overall effect of the table.

Adult and youth divisions judged separately.

Scorecard for Table Settings

Overall execution		
Proper placement of materials		10%
General Effect		10%
Appointments (equipment and use of materials)		
Appropriateness of Materials (China, glass, flatware, linen, centerpiece)		30%
Ease of use of materials		10%
Originality and artistic arrangement		
Novelty and imagination		10%
Continuity of theme		10%
Artistic perfection		10%
Proper harmony and color contrast		10%
	Total	100%

Classes:

1. Table setting-exhibitor choice--please note color scheme and theme on place card
2. Table setting-depicting 2021 theme "Freedom To Have Fun"

YOUTH EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT-GROUP

Rules:

1. See general rules and regulations.
2. Exhibits may be entered by any recognized youth organization in the New River Valley. Please contact Christopher Lichty, 4-H extension agent, clichty@vt.edu, if you have questions.
3. Booths will be provided for eight exhibits only on a first-call basis. Other exhibits must provide their own table and back-drop. Booths are approximately 3 by 4 feet floor space and 3 by 4 feet back-drop.
4. Display should be educational and based on one of three themes:
 - a. New River Valley Youth in action---tell about your organization or one of its projects
 - b. Conserving the New River Valley's resources-any topic related to the environment or conservation, etc.
 - c. A Safe New River Valley for everyone-any topic related to a safety issue.
5. Prize money will be 1st-\$30.00, 2nd-\$25.00, 3rd-\$20.00, 4th-\$15.00, 5th-10th place-\$10.00

YOUTH CLUB PROJECT EXHIBIT-INDIVIDUAL

Rules:

1. See general rules and regulations.
2. Projects will be judged on the following items:
 - a. 50%--Educational value-benefit to the individual or to others, accuracy and completeness of information, accomplishment of goals
 - b. 25%--neatness and attractiveness
 - c. 25%--record book or essay-through, neat, explains what was accomplished. Essay should be one book used by the member's organization for that particular project.
 - d. For questions about this department, contact Pulaski County Extension Office at (540) 980-7761.

Categories

1. Agriculture-projects related to farming, domestic animals, and horticulture
2. Natural science-projects on wildlife, entomology, forestry, conservation, archery, hunting, etc.
3. Mechanical science-projects on woodworking, electricity, energy, engines, automotive, bicycles, et.
4. Family life-projects on child care, food perspiration, clothing, room decorating, money and home management, consumer skill, etc.
5. Health and safety-projects on health and wellness, nutrition, safety, first aid, sports and fitness.
6. Miscellaneous-projects that do not fit into one of the above categories.

Youth Club Project Exhibit-Individual

Awards: All entries will receive a ribbon and for top three placements:

First-blue ribbon \$8.00

Second-red ribbon \$6.00

Third-white ribbon \$4.00

The 4-H Fair Challenge Trophy

Special Fair Award for Pulaski County 4-H Members Only:

Sponsored by Pulaski County 4-H

Rules:

1. Bona-fide 4-H members in Pulaski County only are eligible to receive this award.
2. Contact Chris Lichty, 4-H extension agent, at the Pulaski Extension office for a copy of trophy score sheet at 540-980-7761 or email clichty@vt.edu.
3. The trophy will be given based on the number of exhibits entered by an individual 4-H member and the quality of the ribbon award received on each exhibit. Exhibit points will be assigned as follows:
 - Blue ribbon-7 points
 - Red ribbon-5 points
 - White ribbon-4 points
 - Other ribbon (livestock, horse show, etc)-3 points
 - Exhibit not receiving ribbon-1 point
 - Grand or reserve champion or special judges award-10 points
4. Points may be earned in the youth division of all fair departments.
5. Members of 4-H must keep track of and record all exhibit points for himself/herself on a score sheet obtained from 4-H agent Chris Lichty and submit the score sheet to the Pulaski County Extension office by September 1, following the fair.
6. Score sheets will be verified by the checking of official fair records at the extension office.
7. The trophy will be presented to the total highest point earner at the annual 4-H awards banquet in the fall.
8. This is a challenge trophy. The winner must win the trophy three years in a row in order to obtain permanent possession of the trophy. Otherwise, the trophy must be turned over to the new winner the following year. A plaque in the pulaski County Extension Office will list the name of each year's winner as a permanent honor.
Fair departments include: 1) farm crops, 2) vegetables and produce, 3) baked goods and candy, 4) preserved foods, 5) needlework, clothing and crafts, 6) horticulture, 7) youth educational exhibit-group, 8) youth club project exhibit-individual, and 9) youth livestock contests and shows.