

CAMPING REGULATIONS

The following regulations are to ensure the orderly placement of trailers, campers, tents and motor homes for the week of the Queens County Fair in Caledonia, Queens County. This effort and camper co-operation, is required to maintain maximum capacity within regulations for fire and public safety.

1. **Exhibitor Campers will be permitted to park starting Saturday, September 12th 10:00am . The Trailer Registration will be included with Entry Packages. Please review as there has been changes.**

2. No campers are to be left on the grounds or set up without an attendant designated by the Board of Directors present, except those belonging to Directors who are there to work and who have previously been assigned sites.

3. Campers will be parked by an attendant in order that you arrive. There will be no assigned spaces due to campground upgrades. No guarantee you will be parked in same spot as previous years.

4. **CAMPING FEES MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO PARKING. The attendant will not be accepting camping fees so you will be required to show a paid receipt before you are permitted to park . Anyone who chooses to prepay with your entry will be required to pick up your receipt at the CO-OP GATE before proceeding. All others will be required to stop and pay the camping fees before proceeding to the camping area.**

5.

Exhibitors Fees - \$75.00 per week

6.

Non-Exhibitors fees - \$20.00 per night

7. Canopies may not be able to be used, dependant on space available will be authorized at the discretion of the attendant.

8. Water connections to be secured to prevent leaking (prevent strain on the water conditioning system).

9. It is recommended by the Queens County Fair that all Recreational Vehicles and Campers be equipped with a working fire extinguisher.

10. **Campers are requested to keep their site free of litter and please place garbage in the receptacles provided in the camping area for early morning pick-up. You are requested to leave your site free of garbage as well as any other items when leaving the grounds at the end of the week. Also, you are requested not to place any items in the compost bins which should be placed in garbage cans.**

11. Only one vehicle will be allowed per camper and it will be registered to the campsite.

PLEASE CHECK WITH PARKING ATTENDANTS BEFORE PARKING – Due to the construction of new serviced camping area, camping will be moved. It will be first come first served and anyone wishing to park together must arrive together. No guarantee you will have the same spot as previous years. Exhibitors only will be accepted Saturday, September 12 beginning at 10:00 am

DOG REGULATIONS: DUE TO INCIDENTS WHICH HAVE LEFT SEVERAL PEOPLE SEVERELY INJURED AT OTHER VENUES YOU ARE REQUIRED TO KEEP YOUR DOGS AT YOUR CAMPSITE AS NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED IN PUBLIC AREAS. AN AREA THAT IS NOT BEING USED AT THE BACK OF THE GROUNDS CAN BE USED FOR EXERCISE. AS A MATTER OF RESPECT PLEASE CLEAN UP BEHIND YOUR DOG. THANK YOU

REGISTERED SERVICE DOGS ARE WELCOME ON THE GROUNDS

No Bicycles or scooters are to be used on the grounds

**QUEENS COUNTY FAIR 2026
CALEDONIA, NS
SEPTEMBER 15TH TO 19TH**

The exhibition grounds will be open Saturday, September 12th starting at 10:00 am to accept Exhibitor Campers (see rules on page 1) and livestock providing exhibitors are remaining on the grounds. Starting on Sunday, September 13, grounds are open daily from 8am-11pm. Livestock must be on grounds by Monday, September 14th 9:00 pm.

Note: Livestock entries can be received by mail, email, or delivered to the secretary by **August 24th**. To ensure there is available space. All entries must be completed in full with contact information, livestock information, classes to be entered listed, and payment in full for entry fees.

Attention: after Registration and completion of entries to be completed at Westfield Gate office Monday, September 14th from noon, as soon as possible livestock is stalled

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR FEES

Team of Draft Horses	\$30.00
Additional Team	\$10.00 each
Single Horse	\$15.00
Additional Single Horse	\$6.00

WEIGH IN FOR LIVESTOCK – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 7PM-9PM

PUBLIC ADMISSION PRICES

Adult Season Ticket (13 year and over)	\$25.00
Adult Day Pass (13 years and over)	\$7.00
Child Season Pass (5 – 12 years)	\$5.00
Child Day Pass (5 – 12 years)	\$2.00
Children under 5 years admitted free	
Car Pass	\$5.00

Tuesday, September 15th - Children's Day – School Children – Free

QUEENS COUNTY FAIR 2026 - September 15th - 19th

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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COMMITTEES

BEEF BREEDS	Ainsley Atkins
DRAFT HORSE & DRAFT SHOW HORSE	Matthew Hawkes, Riley Cook, Kevin Minnick, Tina Brown, Cody Atwood
LIGHT HORSE	Shelley Conrad, Larissa Croft
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WEIGHING COMMITTEE	Jonathan Roach, Larry Forrest, Matthew Hawkes
MOTOR SPORTS	Ainsley Atkins
PARADE COMMITTEE	Jonathan Roach, Doris Atkins
Maintenance & Planning	Peter van Dyk, Tom Kaulback, Larry Forrest
CAMPING	Tom Kaulback, Carolyn Tufts, Doreen Holdright
MAIN BUILDING	Macey Sutherland, Velda Forrest, Barb Cantlay, Wenda Watson

GENERAL LIVESTOCK REGULATIONS

1. Horses, cattle and other livestock will be received on Saturday, September 12, providing Teamsters are staying on site. Unavoidable delays will be dealt with at the discretion of the appropriate committee.
2. The Fairgrounds will be open to the public Tuesday through Saturday - 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.
3. No cattle of any breed under 3 months of age shall be allowed to compete for prizes.
4. Pedigrees of all purebred animals over one year of age shall be shown at the time of judging. For purebred animals under one year of age the name and number of sire and dame shall be submitted in writing at the time of judging. Grade animals are the progeny of a purebred sire.
5. **Animals low in flesh or otherwise inferior character, unworthy of a place in exhibition, will not be admitted under any circumstances.**
6. All livestock entries shall be received by the date as shown in the prize books, on forms which are supplied by the Fair and are required to be completed with contact information and registration for livestock and all class entries .
7. Safety of Exhibits: though the Association will take reasonable precaution to insure the safety of articles sent or brought to the exhibition, yet it must be definitely understood that the owner themselves must assume all risk. Should any article be accidentally injured, lost or stolen the association will give all the assistance in its power toward recovery
8. All livestock must be shown in the ring unless otherwise specified. In estimating the value of livestock the judges will take into consideration where animals of different ages are competing against each other.
9. No animal or article can compete in more than one class or in more than one section of the same class except as a herd.
10. No reward or money prize not offered in the list will be paid except it be highly recommended by the Committee and Judge.
11. It does not follow that because a prize is offered for any particular animal or article, that it must be awarded unless there is proper competition or unless the exhibit is of sufficient merit to warrant the award being made.
12. Exhibitors can ascertain from the Superintendent in charge of several departments, when the judge will examine their exhibits. No complaint based upon the statement that Judges overlook animals or articles will therefore be entertained by the executives.
13. Livestock for competition or exhibit shall not be removed from the grounds before 9 p.m. the closing day of the Exhibition.
14. Exhibitors must supply proper fastenings for safety securing the animals in stalls. The Committee will not be responsible for any injury or accident to any animal during the time of the Exhibition or on the Exhibition grounds.
15. Five members of the general committee shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.
16. Any Exhibitor infringing any of the regulations shall forfeit all or any of the prizes that may have been awarded to him.
17. Prize Colors: 1st - Red 2nd - Blue 3rd - White 4th - Green plus more placing to 8th place.
18. No person shall be allowed to interfere with the Judges while in the discharge of their duties. Exhibitors so interfering will forfeit their right to any premium to which they might otherwise be entitled. This rule is strictly enforced.

19. Prize money not paid out immediately following class will be paid in full during the 2 week period following the closing of the fair by cheque, through the mail. These cheques are to be cashed by the end of November.
20. All hauling contests will be judged on a percentage basis unless otherwise stated.
21. Try as we may, we cannot always avoid mistakes, but we can and will cheerfully correct them. Please call our attention to our mistakes.

CLASS 80
Draft Horse Line Classes

Prizes: 1st - \$40.00 2nd - \$30.00 3rd - \$20.00

Please note all 1st place winners in each class will compete for **GRAND CHAMPION HALTER HORSE**

SECTIONS:

1. Clydesdale
2. Percheron
3. Belgian
4. Other

Sponsored by: Hatt's Service

GRAND CHAMPION HALTER DRAFT HORSE
Trophy donated by Surgain Feeds N' Needs

Class 81

OPEN FARM TEAM – HARNESS/WAGON ALL BREEDS

Teams to be shown in harness, hooked to a wagon and complete an obstacle course. Each obstacle will be assigned points to determine placings in the class. Pattern to be posted in advance.

Prize money: 1st – 50.00 2nd- \$40.00 3rd- \$30.00 4th- \$20.00 5th \$10.00

Trophy 1st place donated by:

Class 82

OPEN SINGLE DRAFT HORSE – HARNESS AND WAGON ALL BREEDS

Horse to be shown in harness, hooked to a wagon and complete an obstacle course. Each obstacle will be assigned points to determine placings in the class. Pattern to be posted in advance

Prize money: 1st- \$25.00 2nd- \$20.00 3rd-\$15.00

Trophy Donated by:

Class 83

Best Dressed

Pairs & Single horse – Same horse may not be entered in both classes of best dressed

SECTIONS:

1. Best Dressed Pair in Chrome/Brass : 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$40.00 3rd-\$30.00 4th - \$20.00

Trophy 1st place donated by Phillip Ingram, Katie and James

2. Best Dressed single in Chrome/Brass: 1st - \$25.00 2nd - \$20.00 3rd-\$15.00 4th- \$10.00

Trophy 1st place donated by Charles Ingram Construction Ltd

CLASS 84

Draft Horse Log Yarding – Doubles

This Class is an obstacle and points will be assigned to each obstacle to determine the placing in this class

Prize Money: 1st - \$50.00

2nd - \$45.00

3rd - \$30.00

4th - \$20.00

5th - \$15.00

Trophy 1st place

CLASS 85

Draft Horse Log Yarding – Singles

This Class is an obstacle and points will be assigned to each obstacle to determine the placing in this class

Prize Money: 1st - \$25.00

2nd - \$20.00

3^r - \$15.00

4th - \$10.00

5th - \$ 5.00

Trophy 1st Place

CLASS 86

Cart Class – All Breeds

Men/Women

Class to be judged 75% performance 25% handler

Prize Money: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$40.00 3rd - \$30.00 4th - \$20.00

Trophy 1st place

CLASS 87

Best Matched Pair in Wagon

Class to be judged 60% Conformation & performance, 20% Harness, 10% wagon, 10% handler

Prize Money: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$40.00 3rd - \$30.00 4th - \$20.00

1. Belgian
2. Percherons
3. Clydesdales

Trophy – Best Matched Pair in each class – Donated by: Shurgain Feeds N’ Needs

CLASS 88

Scoot Barrel Race

Single or Double

This will be a timed class navigating a set course around obstacles.

Prize money: 1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$40.00 3rd - \$30.00 4th - \$20.00

Trophy 1st Place

RULES FOR 3-HORSE HITCH PULL
This will be a hook on, stay on pull

1. The pulling order will be computer generated.
2. First start will be a free start.
3. Rails will be 16 feet apart
4. Teams will have 3 attempts to hook the drag, failure to do so will result in elimination.
5. Team must remain hooked to the drag between starts. Teams must remain between rails; foot outside of rail while pulling will result in elimination.
6. Starting load determined by weight of team.
7. Team will have 15 minutes to complete their pull. When drag is set, the announcer will notify the teamster.
8. Load must be moved 4 ½ feet in any one of 3 starts.
9. Drag Loading: not less than 400 pounds and not more than 1600 pounds at any one start.
10. Suitable reins for 3-horse hitch must be used. Use of reins to beat animals, kicking and/or any other form of cruelty will not be tolerated and will result in disqualification.
11. Judge's decision is final in all classes.
12. Winning places will be decided on a percentage basis.
13. Any situation arising other than stated in these rules, will be dealt with accordingly.
14. Starting load for all classes will be 5300.

CLASS 89

THREE-HORSE HITCH PULL

Prize money: \$500.00 – Awarded according to number of entries
All placings receive prize money

Sponsored by: R & C Weare Loggin

HORSE PULL RULES FOR STAY-ON PULLING

1. All horses entered in contests are to be weighed without harness.
2. All pulling positions will be computer generated.
3. **Only one teamster to one team, who must be in control of horses at all times. After team is hooked, all hookers and helpers must remain behind the front of the drag at all times except in the case of accident or breakage. Only once during the pulling match the teamster or a helper can go to the head of the horse to adjust equipment. The Team will not start until the teamster and helpers are behind the eveners with the reins in the teamster's hands. If they do, the start is lost.**
4. Rails in pulling ring to be 12 feet apart. (Inside Measurement).
5. Pulling distance to be 3 feet in one continuous motion.
6. Once hooked to the drag your first start is a free start and it does not matter if you step out regardless of distance providing you have room to continue. After this free start, you must stay between the rails at all times. Full hoof print, either front or back, outside rail constitutes disqualification.
7. Time limit of 15 minutes will be allowed for repairs to be done at the drag. A three-minute remaining warning will be given.
8. Each movement of the drag will constitute a start, at the Judge's discretion.
9. Starting loads will be Judges discretion. Light teams will weigh no less than 2400 lbs. No Single horse in any team to weigh less than 1100 lbs. If the committee wishes, they may request that a horse be weighed separately to ensure that it is over 1100 lbs. Horses below that weight will not pull, as they are considered to be a pony. Light Class - 2400 to 2900 lbs., Medium Class - 2901 to 3300 lbs., Heavy Class - 3301 lbs. and above.
10. All placings in pulling contests to be on a percentage basis. Exception to system of pulling may be made for a special pull.
11. To be eligible for Special Awards at the Fair, Teamster must have been present and involved in activities during the week.
12. Any animal that is blemished or in poor condition will be disqualified from pulling. Decision of Judge and Committee is final.
13. Each individual horse may only be entered in one class per day at a pulling contest. There is absolutely no switching of horses from one partner horse to another partner horse to enter a second class. Anyone caught switching individual horses from one team to another after weigh-in will be eliminated from that pull and dealt with at the discretion of the Judge and/or committee.
14. All teams to pull in the same direction and pull to a finish.
15. Drag Loading: Not less than 400 lbs. and no more than 1200 lbs. at any one start until is completed.
16. Any teamster deemed to be intoxicated by alcohol or drugs will not be allowed to pull in that contest, at the discretion of the judge and/or committee. If any teamster is deemed to be in violation of this rule, a review board will be convened, and appropriate disciplinary action taken against the teamster.
17. No whips allowed with horses. No cruelty to be tolerated on exhibition grounds to any animal. No profane language to be used during contest. Light use of reins, forward of hands

- is allowed. No butt ends or drag slapping.
18. Each Exhibition to set their own times and class order for contest.
 19. There will be no butting in any pull. First infraction, you will lose the start, second butt you will be eliminated from the contest.
 20. There will be only one finish line, cross pieces at end of rails. Drag is behind this finish line when it is time for another load, you will still have 3 starts left to complete that load.
 21. All horses in pulling contest are to be shod at the start of the competition.
 22. Do not leave horses unattended at the pull, or you will be eliminated.
 23. The Judge's decision is final. No teamsters will be allowed to abuse the judge at any time.
 24. **At all times, when horses are being moved in and out of the pulling ring, all gear must be carried. Any teamster allowing gear to drag and create a safety issue can be eliminated from the competition.**

Rules will be available at the time of weigh-in, upon request. Any questions will be answered prior to the start of pulling.

CLASS 90

EXHIBITOR SINGLE HORSE PULL

Depending on entries all classes may be pulled together

3-foot stay on percentage pull

Single Light Draft	1100lbs to 1349 lbs
Single Medium Draft	1350 lbs to 1600 lbs
Single Heavy Draft	1601 and over

Prize Money: \$200.00 – Awarded according to number of entries.

Sponsored by : Gow's Home Hardware

Trophies for 1st place in each class - Donated by: Tina Brown & Kevin Minnick

CLASS 91

LADIES SINGLE HORSE PULL – IN MEMORY OF GWEN MERRY

This Class is open to competitors 16 years of age and over with proof of insurance when registering. Exhibitors entering regular pulls can enter using someone else's horse.

3 foot stay on percentage pull

Prize money: \$100.00 – awarded according to number of entries

Sponsored by: Tiffany Daniels

Trophy – First Place

Award – Best Performance

Award – Highest percentage

Class 92

YOUTH SINGLE HORSE PULL

**This class is open to Youth 13 to 16 years of age with proof on insurance.
3 foot stay on percentage pull**

Prize Money: \$200.00 Awarded according to number of entries.

Sponsored by: Andrea Whalen- Royal Lepage Real Estate.

RULES FOR 6- FOOT PULL, HEAVY LOAD ROUND ROBIN PULL

1. You will have (3) three attempts to complete a full 6-foot pull, in one continuous motion.
2. You will have (3) three attempts to hook the drag.
3. Five (5) minutes is allowed to complete your pull, after the drag is set.
4. The team must unhook between starts
5. Once hooked to the drag, your first start on the starting load will be a free start, and it does not matter if you step out. After this free start you must stay between the rails at all times. Full hoof print outside rail constitutes a disqualification.
6. The drag will start being reset at the Judge's discretion.
7. The starting load will be determined by the Judge.
8. More than a 3-inch butt will be considered a start.
9. Judge's decision will be final.
10. Any situation arising other than stated in these rules, will be dealt with accordingly.
11. Rails in pulling ring to be 12 feet apart. (Inside Measurement).
12. If you get inches on first start and then go over the rail on 2nd and/or 3rd start, all inches are lost.
13. With the exception of items 1 through 12, general rules will follow those for stay on pulling or be determined by the Judge and/or pulling committee.
14. Drag will be reset at 7800 lbs. for each class.

CLASS 93

EXHIBITOR DOUBLE HORSE PULL

Round robin, 6 foot, heavy load pull

Teams to be divided into 3 classes as follows

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| Light - | 2400lbs – 2900 lbs - In Memory of Thomas Cushing:
sponsored by the Hawkes Family |
| Medium - | 2901lbs – 3300 lbs – Sponsored by Corkum's Funeral Service Ltd |
| Heavy - | 3301 lbs and over – Sponsored by |

Prize money: \$1800 awarded according to number of entries.

Trophy 1st place each class Donated By : Shurgain Feeds N' Needs
Trophy for best performance Light, Medium, and Heavy – Team and Teamster donated by Leigh merry

CLASS 94

LADIES DOUBLE HORSE PULL – IN MEMORY OF GWEN MERRY

3 foot stay on percentage pull

This class is open to competitors 16 years of age and over with proof on insurance when registering

Limited to one entry per competitor.

Prize Money: \$100.00 – Awarded according to number of entries.

Trophy 1st place

Sponsored by Leigh and Cathy Merry

Championship Single Horse Pull

3 Foot, stay on percentage pull

1st, 2nd, & 3rd places from each class of exhibition single horse pulls.

Prize money: \$350 – Awarded according to number of entries

Sponsored in part by: Joey & Janie Ryan, Candler's Funeral Service

Trophy 1st place – Crown Advertising

Trophy Best performance for week – Ronnie & Debbie Uhlman

CHAMPIONSHIP MEMORIAL DOUBLE HORSE PULL

3 Foot, Stay on percentage pull

1st, 2nd, & 3rd place teams from each of the exhibition double horse pulls.

Prize money: \$2,000 – Awarded according to number of entries

Awards – 1st, 2nd, 3rd place – Donated by Riley Cook.

Trophy – Best Performance

Sponsored by : Lowrie Group – Mary Lake Home Hardware

CONSULATION DOUBLE HORSE PULL

3 Foot, stay on percentage pull

Open to all teams not qualified for the Championship Memorial Pull.

Prize money: \$1000 – Awarded according to number of entries

Sponsored by: Belliveau and Veinot Law

Caledonia Clover Farm

Trophy 1st Place

SWEEPSTAKES HORSE PULL

Total Prize money paid out will be determined by a combination of Sponsors Funds and Total Entries Fees

Classes will be Light, Medium, and Heavy

Entry fees: Day entry \$20.00 per Team

Total Prize Money - \$1080 plus entry fees

Trophy 1st place

Sponsored by Charles Ingram Construction

van Dyk Excavation & Trucking

RULES FOR STAY-ON PULLING – SWEEPSTAKES PULL (Light and Medium Classes)

Refer to rules for Exhibitor Horse pull for Stay-on Pulling on Page 10.

RULES FOR 20-FOOT PULL - SWEEPSTAKES – HEAVY DOUBLE HORSE PULL

1. You will have (3) three starts to complete a 20-foot pull.
2. You will have (3) three attempts to hook the drag.
3. Five (5) minutes is allowed to complete your pull, after the drag is set.
4. The team may stay hooked or be unhooked between pulls
5. Once hooked to the drag, your first start on the starting load will be a free start, and it does not matter if you step out. After this free start you must stay between the rails at all times. Full Hoof print outside rail constitutes a disqualification.
6. The starting load will be determined by the Judge.
7. The Judge will determine when the drag will start to be reset.
8. More than a 3-inch butt will be considered a start.
9. Judge's decision will be final.
10. Any situation arising other than stated in these rules, will be dealt with accordingly.
11. Rails in pulling ring to be 14 feet apart. (Inside Measurement).
12. If you get inches on first start and then go over the rail on 2nd and/or 3rd start, all inches are lost.
13. With the exception of items 1 through 12 general rules will follow those for stay on pulling or be determined by the Judge and/or pulling committee.

SPECIAL PRIZES – DRAT HORSE

Award Highest Percentage in all Exhibitor Pulls – Donated By:

**Perpetual Trophy & Prize Money
Highest percentage in all single pulls**

**Donated by: The Charlton Family
In memory of Royden Charlton**

