



OPEN SHOP COMPETITION

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ENTRY DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JULY 12th, 2024

- Entry Fee:** \$25.00 allows entries throughout the Erie County Fair. A promo code redeemable for three (3) admission passes will be emailed to the exhibitor on Tuesday, August 6th.
- Entry Arrival:** Thursday, August 1st, between Noon and 6:00 PM, Please call the office to arrange something if you cannot make the time.
- Judging:** Thursday, August 1st, starting at 6:30 PM (if you are unable to attend please submit a video to ceoffice@ecfair.org)
- Entry Removal:** Monday, August 19th, between 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Open Shop Competition Rules

1. Please read and abide by all The Erie County Fair rules and regulations.
2. **All entries must be pre-registered by Friday, July 12th.** Entries not pre-registered will not be accepted. For more information see the Important Entry Information page at www.ecfair.org.
3. Projects may be constructed as a group or individually but should be entered under 1 person's name.
4. Projects can only be exhibited at the Erie County Fair **ONE** time.
5. **Exhibitors of this contest can participate regardless of their age or hometown.**
6. All projects must be painted or properly treated. Projects must be clean and in presentable condition even though they may have been used.
7. An original working plan or drawing, photographs showing stages of construction and an itemized bill of materials are encouraged with each project.
8. No tractors, trucks, or vehicles will be allowed in this contest.
9. Appropriate and safe display stands are to be provided for gates, panels, and other projects that need support. The completed project must be able to be free standing with no risk of falling.
10. Sharp edges and points are to be padded and/ or covered as a necessity to prevent injuries.
11. Every precaution will be taken to protect the projects entered; however, the Erie County Fair and its officials are not responsible for any loss or damage to the project
12. All projects will be on display indoors during the fair. They must be 9' L x 10' W in order to be on display. Any projects above this size must contact the office prior to entry.
13. Projects can have a maximum of a 3' x 4' non-obstructive banner/advertisement hanging with their project, however no for sale signs will be permitted in the project area.
14. **Special precaution for exhibiting projects equipped with engines and/or batteries:**
There is to be no more than two gallons of fuel in any tank; the fuel tank cap is to be placed and sealed with tape; and battery, if equipped with one, is to be disconnected. **This applies to all engines in the exhibit.**

Judge's Criteria

All Exhibitors must be present for judging

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| 1. Workmanship | 30 Points |
| 2. Design and Materials used | 20 Points |
| 3. Practicality | 20 Points |
| 4. Degree of Difficulty | 15 Points |
| 5. Finish | 10 Points |
| 6. Portfolio (Plans, Bill of Materials, Photos) | 5 Points |

Premiums for Divisions # 1 – 4: Blue- \$250 Red- \$100

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT – 1

Premiums for Classes # 1 – 5: Blue- \$50 Red- \$25

1. Hay handling equipment
2. Spraying equipment
3. Mounted and pull type tractor equipment
4. Hydraulic equipment
5. Shop equipment

LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT – 2

Premiums for Classes # 1 – 7: Blue- \$50 Red- \$25

1. Gates and livestock panels
2. Squeeze chutes and restraining equipment
3. Trim chutes, blocking stands, and livestock crates
4. Head Gates
5. Feeders
6. Self-feeders and creep
7. Other livestock equipment

TRAILER CLASSES – 3

Premiums for Classes # 1 – 4: Blue- \$50 Red- \$25

1. Small utility trailers – under 12'
2. Utility and implement trailers
3. Stock trailers
4. Gooseneck flatbed utility and implement trailers

HOME AND FAMILY CLASSES – 4

Premiums for Classes # 1 – 7: Blue- \$50 Red- \$25

1. Barbeque cookers or smokers
2. Furniture – indoor (metal)
3. Furniture - outdoor (metal)
4. Furniture – indoor (wood)
5. Furniture – outdoor (wood)
6. Miscellaneous yard items (metal) Bird houses, mailboxes, ornaments
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