

Adult Crops & Vegetables

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Deadline for Entry Forms: September 4

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2009 Official Schedule
CROPSCENTER - HORTICULTURE PAVILION

Deliver Crops: **Tues., Sept. 22, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.****
 Wed., Sept. 23, 8 a.m. - Noon

Judging: **Wed., Sept. 23, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

Pick up: **Mon., Oct. 5, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.**
 NO Sunday pick-up

***Please note that we are not responsible for crops & veggies that are delivered on Tuesday and have deteriorated past their prime by judging time on Wednesday. Judges will be instructed to rate entries based on their current condition and will not be told which items were delivered Tuesday & which were delivered on Wednesday.*

***Enter on-line at www.statefairva.org. Please note that on-line entries are charged \$0.20 per class. Mail-in entries must be accompanied by a surcharge of a \$5.00 check or money order per exhibitor made out to State Fair of Virginia. Faxed entries will not be accepted. Payment must be received before entry tags will be mailed.**

All State Fair General Rules apply to this department. By submitting an entry, you agree to read and abide by all State Fair General Rules and Crops Department rules.

1. Entry forms should be mailed to: Open Crops and Vegetables, State Fair of Virginia, P.O. Box 130, Doswell, VA 23047. No passes will be issued.
2. After the State Fair receives and processes your entry form and processing fee, identification tags will be mailed for you to attach to your entered items when delivered.
3. Each entry shall be composed of specimens of only one variety or strain except where indicated. All vegetable and fruit specimens should be mature. All fruit and vegetables should be in their natural state. No waxing, etc. Name plant variety on "description" part of entry form.
4. All produce must be grown by an individual competitor (no groups or teams) during the current calendar year, unless otherwise specified.
5. A competitor shall be permitted to make only one entry in each class, but may enter in as many individual classes as desired.
6. The Fair assumes no responsibility in case of loss or damage to exhibits.
7. No crops may be removed until release time and must be checked out with Superintendent. Tag stubs (claim checks) must be presented before crops are released.
8. Prize-winning exhibits removed by the competitor prior to the official release time will forfeit monetary awards.
9. It is the competitor's responsibility to pick up or dispose of his crops. After Monday, Oct.5 at 1:00 p.m., all remaining crops will be considered abandoned and the Fair will in no way be responsible for them.
10. Perishable products may be removed by the Superintendent from display after judging if the product reaches a state of decomposition.
11. Subject to space limitations, only first, second or third place winners may be displayed.

All Crops are subject to spraying with fire retardant, as required by the Fire Marshall.

\$50 Sweepstakes Award for the Winner of the Most Blue Ribbons
in the Adult Crops & Vegetables Department!

Awards	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Each Class	\$16	\$14	\$11	\$8	\$6	\$5

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Division 1: FIELD CORN

Class

- 1001. Best ten ears Corn (any variety)
- 1002. Shelled Corn (any variety) one gallon.
- 1003. Five Stalks of Silage Corn, tied below ears
- 1004. Tallest Stalk of Corn with Ear

Division 2: CEREALS

Entry: One Gallon

Class

- 2001. Wheat
- 2002. Oats
- 2003. Barley
- 2004. Rye

Division 3: PEANUTS

Class

- 3001. Six Vines, Virginia Runner Peanuts
- 3002. Six Vines, Bunch Peanuts

Sweepstakes:

First of classes competing.....\$15.00

Division 4: MATURE SHEAF GRAINS

(Sheaf to be 2" in diameter at centerband)

Class

- 4001. Oats in straw
- 4002. Barley in straw
- 4003. Rye in straw
- 4004. Wheat in straw

Division 5: HAY

To consist of a 12-inch sheaf from center of bale.

Class

- 5001. Alfalfa
- 5002. Other all Legume Hay
- 5003. Grass Hay
- 5004. Mixed (grass & legume)

Division 6: SOYBEANS

Class

- 6001. Utility and Certified (any oil variety)
Each entry to be One Gallon (2006 seed may be shown) Variety must be designated.
- 6002. Soybeans on Stalk, any variety (3 stalks per entry) beans.

Division 7: TOBACCO

No competitor can make more than one entry in a class. Each entry must consist of 4 bundles, or hands, tied with tape or string. Please give directions for disposal of your tobacco at the close of the Fair.

FLUE-CURED

Class

- 7001. Best Lemon Wrapper
- 7002. Best Orange Wrapper
- 7003. Best Lemon Cutters
- 7004. Best Orange Cutters
- 7005. Best Lemon Leaf
- 7006. Best Orange Leaf
- 7007. Best Lug

DARK-FIRED

Class

- 7008. Best Wrapper
- 7009. Best Leaf

SUN-CURED

Class

- 7010. Best Wrapper
- 7011. Best Leaf

BURLEY

Class

- 7012. Best Leaf

Division 8: COTTON

Class

- 8001. Three Stalks, Open Bolls with root structure
- 8002. Twenty-five Locks of Seed Cotton
- 8003. Colored Cotton, Open bolls

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Division 9: VEGETABLES & FRUITS

Note: Largest Pumpkin (largest of good quality) is the Great Pumpkin Contest on page 40.

Class

- 9001. Beets, (six), one inch stems
- 9002. Cabbage, 1 head
- 9003. Carrots, 6 roots, one inch tops
- 9004. Citron Melon, 2 specimens
- 9005. Corn, Sweet, (unhusked and trimmed), 6 ears
- 9006. Cucumber, Slicing, 4 specimens
- 9007. Cucumber, Small pickling, 8 specimens
- 9008. Eggplants, 2 specimens
- 9010. Grapes
- 9011. Heirloom vegetables, 3 specimens
- 9012. Kale, Curly, 3 plants (cut at crown)
- 9013. Lima Beans, (large, fresh, unshelled) one quart
- 9014. Lima Beans, (small, fresh, unshelled) one quart
- 9015. Okra, 1 quart
- 9016. Onions, (mature), 6 bulbs
- 9017. Onion sets, 1 quart
- 9018. Parsnips, tops removed, 6 roots
- 9019. Peppers, Hot, (mature) 12 specimens
- 9020. Peppers, Sweet, 5 specimens
- 9021. Pop Corn, six ears, husked
- 9022. Pumpkin, Connecticut Field Type
- 9023. Pumpkin, New England Pie (Sugar type) three specimens
- 9024. Pumpkin, Cushaw Type
- 9025. Pumpkin, Mammoth Type
- 9026. Radishes (six) one inch stems
- 9027. Salsify, bunched, tops removed, 6 roots
- 9028. Snap Beans (green), 1 quart
- 9029. Snap Beans (yellow wax), 1 quart
- 9030. Southern Peas, blackeye (dried, shelled) 1 quart

Division 11: POTATOES & SWEET POTATOES

Class

- 1101. Irish, Red, 5 specimens
- 1102. Irish, Kenebec, 5 specimens
- 1103. Irish, any other variety (name variety) 5 specimens
- 1104. Sweet Potatoes, any variety, 5 specimens

Class

- 9031. Southern Peas, (unshelled) 1 quart
- 9032. Spinach, 6 plants (cut at crown)
- 9033. Squash, Summer, 3 specimens
- 9034. Squash, Winter, 3 specimens
- 9035. Squash, largest of good quality, any variety, 1 specimen
- 9036. Sunflower, largest head
- 9037. Sunflower, one head, best quality
- 9038. Tomatoes, preserving type (small), 1 quart
- 9039. Tomatoes, red ripe, 5 specimens
- 9040. Tomatoes, yellow ripe, 5 specimens
- 9041. Tomatoes, cherry-type, 5 specimens
- 9042. Turnips, tops removed, 6 roots
- 9043. Turnip salad, 6 plants with roots
- 9044. Watermelon, 1 specimen
- 9045. Watermelon, largest (state weight if possible)
- 9046. Gourds, 3 specimens
- 9047. Display of ornamental gourds (not less than 5 specimens)
- 9048. Display of Indian Corn
- 9049. Display of decorated gourds (5 specimens)
- 9050. Mixed Vegetable Basket
- 9051. Other Vegetable not listed
- 9052. Alternative or "Trendy" Veggie not listed - **NEW!**
- 9053. Red Apples, 6 specimens (unwaxed)
- 9054. Yellow Apples, 6 specimens (unwaxed)
- 9055. Pears, 6 specimens(non-waxed)
- 9056. Mixed Fruit Basket
- 9057. Mini-vegetables

Division 12: HERBS

Class

- 1201. Rosemary - Container Grown
- 1202. Thyme - Container Grown
- 1203. Basil - Container Grown
- 1204. Chives - Container Grown
- 1205. Oregano - Container Grown
- 1206. Parsley - Container Grown
- 1207. Herb, display of dried
- 1208. Herb, display of fresh cut
- 1209. Herb, display of potted, 3 or more kinds

THE SEARCH FOR THE GREAT PUMPKIN

Great Big Pumpkins! Great Big Prizes!

1st*	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$300	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$50

Rosettes will be given for the Top Ten Winners

***Break the State Fair of Virginia Record -
Collect a \$100 Bonus!**

(Current record was set in 2007 by William Layton at 1138 lbs.!)

2008 Champion:

Mary Delpopola
Annandale , VA
1007 lbs.

Special Award: Prettiest of the Great (Big) Pumpkins!

2009 Schedule
HORTICULTURE AREA at The Meadow Event Park

Deliver Pumpkins: Saturday, Sept. 26, 9-10 a.m.
Official Judging: Saturday, Sept. 26, 12 noon
Release: Monday, Oct. 5, 8 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Division 13, Class 1301 Great Pumpkin Rules:

1. All State Fair General rules and Crops and Vegetables rules will apply.
2. Entries will be judged on weight. Weights will be recorded in half-pound increments.
3. Entries must be in good condition.
4. Entries are open to the world, youth age five to adult.
5. Delivery instructions, passes and maps will be sent once entry forms are received.
6. Contestants must be present to carry their pumpkin to the scales.
7. Ribbons will be presented after the judging is complete.

*** For safety reasons, vehicles will be allowed on the grounds for pick-up
on Monday, Oct. 5 only.**