

4-H RULES

- 1. The 4-H Competition is open to registered 4-H members in good standing aged 6 - 21 inclusively (as of January 1st, 2026).** Children aged 8 and under who are not registered with 4-H for the 2026 year, but who would like to participate, may be entered in the Peewee class, for non-members.
*Cloverbud showmanship Contestants (aged 6-8 on January 1st) may participate in the Cloverbud Showmanship class and in the 4-H conformation classes as long as they:

- A. are a paid registered member of 4-H.**
- B. have a calf to show which is not already being shown in 4-H.**
- C. register the calf in the appropriate conformation class.**
- D. show the calf independently.**

Please read Section 9 regarding Showmanship age groups for more information on non-members who would like to participate in showmanship.

2. Registration for the Calf Classes must be made prior to June 3rd, 2026. **A fee of \$30/head** will be charged on all animals registered after the closing date. The deadline for late registration is 7 p.m., Friday, June 12th at the Fair office. Absolutely no late registrations will be accepted on the morning of the show.

ONLY THOSE ENTRIES MADE BY THE DEADLINE OF JUNE 3rd WILL APPEAR IN THE 4-H PROGRAM.

3. A) All entries for the dairy conformation classes must be done through the **Assist Expo cattle** section include all the necessary information (including ATQ site number and identification number of animal). This means that all 4-H cattle are entered into the Open Cattle Show. All calves taking part in the 4-H competition must conform to the same health rules and regulations as in the Open Cattle Show Competition. All small animals taking part in the 4-H competition must conform to the same health rules and regulations as in the Small Animals Competition The animal entered for exhibition must be the animal exhibited. **All calves must be tagged, or they will not be permitted on the grounds. If an animal is found without their tags, the exhibitor will be held liable for any infractions.**

B) 4-H Showmanship must be registered on Assist Expo under each 4-H section (Showmanship, judging, fitting, small animals and home & garden)

4. On Friday, June 12th **EACH** participant must register at the 4-H table located at the 4-H barn. At this time, they will pick up judging cards and their hat for the competition on Saturday.
5. For the judging competition, any participant deemed to be conferring or talking at any time in the course of the Judging classes will have their number noted and will be penalized accordingly. The use of cell phones is strictly prohibited.
6. Dairy Classes will begin on Saturday, June 13th at 8:30 am, in conjunction with the open show.
7. Attire: For sections 3 – 13, each contestant should be dressed in black pants and a white top.
8. The Cattle and 4-H Committees, whose decision will be final, will resolve any dispute involving the rules.
9. Alcohol is absolutely prohibited in the 4-H barn.
10. Participants agree that by registering for the 4-H show, they grant permission to LBA, Expo Ormstown to use any photos taken at the show for publicity or other purposes deemed appropriate by the Expo Ormstown Committee.
11. **With the exception of the Peewee Showmanship class, only participants and authorized personnel will be admitted to the show ring.**
12. If you need any supplies of hay, straw or shavings during the fair please place your order with Assist Expo.
13. **Please note: After each class, some trophies will be presented to the class winner, and photos will be taken in the arena. Trophies will stay in the arena.**

SECTION 1 – 4-H Fitting Competition

Class 1 Fitting Competition Prizes: \$100, \$50, \$25

1. Only one team per club may be entered in this class.
2. The time allotted per team is 60 minutes. 5 minutes to look over the animal and 55 minutes to complete the task.
3. Teams will consist of a maximum of three participants, one from each group: junior, intermediate, senior.
4. 4-H clubs that are unable to enter the class according to the age specification may still enter a team, however the judge and the 4-H committee will adjust scores according to the advantage or disadvantage.
5. Clubs can enter multiple teams; prize money will only be given to the highest placing club team.
6. No outside help is allowed; only the three participants may confer.
7. Participants are allowed to use the contents of one show box. The box will be open for the judge to see; he/she may ask questions regarding the contents. The team should supply all equipment, including an extension cord.
8. Each team will have access to one electrical outlet.
9. If a breaker blows, there will be a timed delay, until power is restored.
10. Participants are not allowed to leave the fitting area after the competition has begun.
11. Fitting is not necessary for the head, or below the hock.

Specials

The William Bryson Memorial Trophy will be presented to the winning team in the fitting competition on Friday, immediately after the Fitting competition.

Bryhill Farm donates \$100, \$50, and \$25 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place to the team's 4-H club.

SECTION 2 – Judging Competition

Judging competition, Friday June 12th at **7:00 p.m.** Participants will be asked to judge the following:

Identification of crops from around the world, Identification of cows from around the world, and Yearling Heifer Conformation

Class, Age, & Prize

1. **Cloverbud** For participants 6, 7 and 8 years of age
\$20, \$19, \$18, \$17, \$16, \$15, \$14, \$13, \$12, \$11, and \$10 for all others
2. **Junior** For participants 9, 10, 11 and 12 years of age
\$20, \$19, \$18, \$17, \$16, \$15, \$14, \$13, \$12, \$11, and \$10 for all others
3. **Intermediate** For participants 13, 14, and 15 years of age
\$20, \$19, \$18, \$17, \$16, \$15, \$14, \$13, \$12, \$11, and \$10 for all others
4. **Senior** For participants 16 to 21 years inclusive
\$20, \$19, \$18, \$17, \$16, \$15, \$14, \$13, \$12, \$11, and \$10 for all others

Specials

Oscar Vaillancourt Memorial Trophy donated by the family. Trophy to be awarded annually to the junior participant with the highest points in judging.

Lorne Templeton Memorial Trophy donated by the Kiwanis Club of Montreal in memory of Lorne who lost his life through accident on Sept. 6th, 1965. Trophy to be awarded annually to the intermediate participant with the highest points in judging.

James D. Lang Memorial Trophy donated by the family. Trophy to be awarded annually to the senior participant with the highest points in judging.

SECTION 3, 4, 5 & 6 – Dairy Conformation Classes

* Exhibitors must register in the cattle open show to participate; each exhibitor will receive \$ 10.00 for participating.

32. Holstein 33. Ayrshire 34. Colored Breeds 35. Canadienne

SECTION 7 – Group Class

3 calves per group, maximum of 2 entries per club. Prize: \$25

Maximum of 2 entries per club.

Specials

Centre Financement d'Entreprises Desjardins donated trophies for Grand Champion Holstein, Ayrshire, and Color Breeds.

The Macdonald Trophy is donated by Macdonald College to the winner of the Interbreed class.

SECTION 8 – Showmanship

DAIRY

- Each contestant must use their own calf as shown in calf classes.
- The Cattle and 4-H Committees reserve the right to split any showmanship classes into heats if the number of registrations in any given class justifies this.
- Ages given are as of January 1st of the current year.
- **Prizes to be awarded for each class: \$25, \$24, \$23, \$22, \$21**
Balance of Group: Group A \$20 Group B \$20 Group C \$10

1D. Peewee Dairy – Beef Cross are accepted in this class

For non-members 8 years of age and under, they may be assisted or unassisted

2D. Cloverbud For members 6, 7, and 8 years of age

3D. Junior For members 9, 10, 11 and 12 years of age

4D. Intermediate For members 13, 14, and 15 years of age

5D. Senior For members 16 to 21 years of age

6D. Champion Show person

Open to 1st and 2nd place winners in classes 1, 2, 3 & 4 of this section

Champion: \$15, Reserve Champion: \$10, Honourable mention: \$5.

Rabbit

- Each contestant must use their own animal as shown in conformation classes.
- Ages given are as of January 1st of the current year.

Class, Age, & Prize

1R. Cloverbud

For members 6, 7 and 8 years of age

\$25, \$24, \$23, \$22, \$21

Balance of Group:

Group A: \$20, Group B: \$20, Group C: \$10

2R. Junior

For members 9, 10, 11 and 12 years of age

\$25, \$24, \$23, \$22, \$21

Balance of Group:

Group A: \$20, Group B: \$20, Group C: \$10

3R. Intermediate

For members 13, 14, and 15 years of age

\$25, \$24, \$23, \$22, \$21

Balance of Group:

Group A: \$20, Group B: \$20, Group C: \$10

4R. Senior

For members 16 to 21 years

\$25, \$24, \$23, \$22, \$21

Balance of Group:

Group A: \$20, Group B: \$20, Group C: \$10

5R. Champion Show person Rabbit Showmanship

Open to 1st and 2nd place winners in classes 1R, 2R, 3R, & 4R of this section

Champion: \$15, Reserve Champion: \$10, Honourable mention: \$5

Specials

The **Huntingdon-Ormstown-Beauharnois Holstein Club** donated a trophy for the winner in Junior Showmanship. This trophy is for annual competition.

The **Roland Glen Memorial Trophy**, donated by the Late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Glen in loving memory of their son Ronald who lost his life through accident, June 24, 1945. For the winner in Intermediate Showmanship. This trophy is to be competed for annually.

The **Alvin Ness Memorial Trophy** donated by A.J. Ness in memory of son, Pilot Officer Alvin Ness, who gave his life in the service of his country, Feb. 8, 1944. For the annual competition in the 4-H Division to be awarded to the winner in Senior Showmanship who is a member of a recognized club in any breed.

The **Allister McArthur Memorial Trophy** donated by friends and admirers. Trophy to be awarded annually at Ormstown Exhibition to Supreme Champion Show person in 4-H Competition

Ormstown Veterinary Hospital

donated a trophy for Peewee Showmanship.

Ormstown Veterinary Hospital

donates \$5 for each Peewee participant.

SECTION 9 – Small Animal Conformation Classes

Small Breed Rabbit

Prize \$10 for all participants

Large Breed Rabbit

Prize \$10 for all participants

Market Rabbit

Prize \$10 for all participants

*Minimum of 3 head is required for a class. If this is not the case, two or more classes may be combined.

SECTION 10 – Home and Garden Classes (4-H) \$8, \$6, \$4

4-H Home and Garden Aggregate Prizes:

To encourage 4-H members to participate in the Home and Garden division, 3 prizes will be given to 4-H'ers who have the best aggregate placings in a total of 3 Home and Garden classes, for each age group: Cloverbud, Junior, Intermediate and Senior. Members must register for the classes by the Home and Garden deadline. Entries must have been made by participants in the current year.

The 2026 classes are:

1200. CLOVERBUD 1201. JUNIOR 1202. INTERMEDIATE 1203. SENIOR

Bake: Braided Swiss Bread loaf, presented on a plate or platter; Recipe to be used: see below

1210. CLOVERBUD 1211. JUNIOR 1212. INTERMEDIATE 1213. SENIOR

Recycle: Decorative wreaths - made from recycled materials such as baler twine, ribbon rosettes, milk bags, etc.

1220. CLOVERBUD 1221. JUNIOR 1222. INTERMEDIATE 1223. SENIOR

Grow: Sunflower microgreen sprouts - grown in a 9"x9" container - The goal is to have your crop ready to eat at 10 - 14 days (Judging is on Friday morning)

1230. CLOVERBUD 1231. JUNIOR 1232. INTERMEDIATE 1233. SENIOR

Photo: Agricultural crop with sunset or sunrise, 5"x7" frame

1240. CLOVERBUD 1241. JUNIOR 1242. INTERMEDIATE 1243. SENIOR

Build: Any style of building (house /store /barn /fire station /school /vet clinic / post office, etc.) for a Norwegian themed Christmas village. Can be built from cardboard or any material. With the permission of the exhibitor, these will later be on display during the LBA Christmas Village, December 2026 in an indoor display.

Maximum size is 20" x 20" x 20".

Zopf (Swiss Bread)

Makes 4 loaves

Ingredients:

1 kg all-purpose flour

500 ml milk

200 g butter

100 g shortening

1 beaten egg

4 oz live yeast or 1 oz dry yeast

1 tsp honey + warm water

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 400°F.

2. Warm butter, shortening, and milk (not hot). Mix. Dissolve honey in warm water, add yeast, then add to bowl. Mix in egg, then flour.

3. Knead until smooth. Cover and let rise until doubled. Punch down. Rise again (~1 hour), punch down.

4. Divide into 4. Roll each into ropes (16"-2'). Fold to make 4 strands.

5. Braid: outer right strand under two, over one. Repeat alternating sides.

6. Brush with egg yolk + milk.

7. Bake 20 minutes.

AGGREGATE SPECIALS

Ormstown Board of Trade Trophy for highest aggregate score in senior judging and showmanship.

John McCaig Memorial Trophy - for the runner-up in the highest aggregate score senior judging and showmanship.

Promutuel Trophy for highest aggregate score in intermediate judging and showmanship.

Richard and Ewen McDougall Memorial Trophy for highest aggregate score in junior judging and showmanship.

CLUB SPECIALS

Highest Club Aggregate presented by LBA donates a trophy for the highest club aggregate score in 4-H Club activities. A club's aggregate score will be the total of the judging and showmanship scores of its top six members as well as its points in the group classes.

Expo Ormstown donates a \$50 1st prize and a \$25 2nd prize for the best club display, judged from 6:00 p.m. Friday until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Based on the best use of space to promote 4-H activities and agricultural awareness. Consideration for original use of the Expo Theme. Other elements: overall appearance, neatness and attitude of participants with respect to fair visitors. Following the Saturday show, the exhibit may or may not include show animals, but in the absence of the show animals, should display photos or other 4-H work done in the past.

SECTION 11 – Equine (4-H)

Cloverbud Ages 6, 7, & 8 born between 2017- 01-01 and 2019 -12- 31

Junior Ages 9, 10, 11 &12 born between 2013-01-01 and 2016-12-31

Intermediate Ages 13, 14 & 15 born between 2010-01-01 and 2012-12-31

Senior Ages 16 to 21 born between 2004-01-01 and 2009-12-31

If there are not enough participants per age group, the classes will be combined

1. Open Conformation Light horse class - 4-H division
2. Open Conformation Heavy horse class - 4-H division
3. Youth Showmanship 4-H division
4. Youth Pleasure Walk - Trot - 4-H division
5. Youth Pleasure Walk - Trot -Canter - 4-H division

