

CARSPHAIRN SHOW.

The thirty-seventh annual show of the Carsphairn Pastoral and Horticultural Society was held in the Pavilion and adjoining field on Friday last. The weather was fine, and there was a good attendance, the drawings being somewhat similar to last year's return.

As is usual at Carsphairn, there was a splendid show of sheep, the competition being keen in all classes, with Marbrack and Barlae exhibits taking the principal honours.

In the aged tup class, Mr. W.A. McTurk, Barlae, led with a Crossflatt-bred tup, four years old, which has been twice twice champion at New Galloway, and was first at Thornhill last year. This sheep handled very well, and walked with a good head. Second prize went to Mr. W.D. Kennedy, Marbrack, for an animal which carries a good head but is just too long in the body. It is also possessed of good bones, but does not handle so well as the winner. In the hogg class, the first and second prizes went to Barlae for good for good animals got by the first prize tup. The leader was an exceptionally good one with an extra fine head and bones. The skin was not quite up to the mark, however, but he looked like breeding a massive stock which would make good rent payers. The class for two ewes with lambs was an exceptionally good one, and first prize went to Mr. Kennedy for a couple which would be very difficult to beat anywhere, one of them especially being a perfect type of hill sheep – strong in head, wide in her back, with grand bones, and a wearing -like fleece. Ewe hogs were also a very good class, and here Mr. Kennedy again led with a pair of good handlers, having the best heads, though the runner-up, which came from Barlae, would be quite as good for wool, but were hardly in as fine bloom. Messrs Campbell, Brockloch, took the third prize and highly commended with well-bred hogs. Mr. McTurk secured the special for the best male and the best pen, and all the other specials went to Mr. Kennedy, Marbrack, who had a very successful day.

There was a large entry in the butter section. The judge said there was a great improvement since he last visited Carsphairn, the flavour in the majority of cases being very fine. The class for fresh butter was exceptionally good, but in the powdered class, several of the exhibits had been overworked, thus rendering the samples soft and sticky. Colour was fairly uniform and good, but the make-up in some cases was defective. More attention should be paid to this side of the business, and exhibitors should try to make their exhibits more attractive in appearance. Mrs. Campbell, Carminnow, was the most successful exhibitor, gaining the special in both cases.

There were fewer exhibits in the flower section than usual, but those on view were very good.

The industrial section increases in popularity every year, and there was again an interesting display in the various classes.

This section is managed by a ladies' committee, and much credit is due to them for the success which attended their efforts.

There was a good display cakes, scones, &c. which reflected great credit on the exhibitors. The entries for poultry were rather above average, and the competition being keen, the prizes were well distributed.

In the collie dog section, Mr. A. Fergusson, Portmark, won in both classes.

In the afternoon sports were carried through in an adjoining field, and the annual ball in the pavilion in the evening concluded the days' programme. Messrs A. Hyslop and A. Borthwick made the arrangements for the sports and the ball.

The judges were :-- Sheep and cattle – Mr. Sloan, Maneight, New Cumnock ; dogs – Mr. McTurk, Barlae, and Mr. Sloan ; poultry – Mr. John Pettigrew, Dalmellington ; flowers – Mr. R. W. Leadill, Garroch ; cakes, scones, &c – Mrs. McTurk, Barlae ; butter – Mr.

Limond, N.D.A., N.D.D., lecturer on agriculture for Ayrshire.

The whole managements were carried through by the show committee, Mr. Charles F. Stewart again discharging the secretarial duties in an efficient manner.

The following is the the prize -list: –

Black-faced sheep.

Tup, 2 years old and upwards – W. A. McTurk, Barlae ; 2, W.D. Kennedy, Marbrack ; 3, Messrs Campbell, Brockloch.

Tup hogg, rough – 1 and 2, W.A. McTurk ; 3, Messrs Campbell ;

Two ewes with their lambs – 1, W.D. Kennedy ; 2, Messrs Campbell ; 3, and c. W.A. McTurk.

Two ewe hoggs – 1, W.D. Kennedy ; 2, W.A. McTurk ; 3, and hc. Messrs Campbell.

Sheep carrying fleece best adapted for manufacturing purposes – 1, W.A. McTurk ; 2, and 3, W.D. Kennedy.

Special Prizes.-- Best woolled black faced sheep suitable for a high district – W.D. Kennedy.

Best male sheep in show (Highland & Agricultural Society's medal) – W.A. McTurk.

Best female sheep in show – W.D. Kennedy.

Best group, consisting of tup, ewe and ewe hogg – W.D. Kennedy.

Best male and female in show – W.D. Kennedy.

Best pen, bred by exhibitor – W.A. McTurk.

Cattle.

Ayrshire quey stirk, calved after 1st January, 1911 – J. Lambie, Woodhead.

Stirk, any kind, except class 6, calved after 1st. January 1911 – 1, W. Wilson, Lagwine ; 2, J.S. Martin, village ; 3, J. McIlwraith, Craigengillan.

Dogs.

Shepherd's collie, any sort (confined to the parish) – 1, A. Fergusson, Port Mark ; 2, A. Bell, Braidonough ; 3, R. McFadzean, Knockgray ; 4, W. Hutchinson, Strahanna.

Collie, male or female, must belong to a farmer or shepherd having charge of not less than 200 sheep – 1, A. Fergusson ; 2, J. Fergusson, Larg ; 3, R. Armstrong, Ardarroch.

Poultry.

Plymouth rock or Scotch grey cock – 1, Muir ; 2, Stewart, Dalry.

Hen – 1, and special, W. Ramsay, Crosshouse ; 2, J. McAdam, Dalry.

Wyandotte cock – 1, James Thomson ; 2, and 3, J. McCrone, Fintlock.

Hen – 1, Campbell Bros., Pinwherry ; 2, J. McCrone.

Any variety not classified, cock – 1, W. Ramsay ; 2, J. Cooper, Ayr ; 3, J. McAdam.

Hen – 1, J.A. Mather, Moniaive ; 2 and 3 Campbell Bros.,

Any variety bantam cock – 1 and 3, J. Cooper ; 2, J. McKnight, Dalmellington.

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Selling class, cock or hen (value 15s.) – 1, J. McKnight ; 2, J. Cooper ; 3, Campbell Bros.

Cross-bred hen, suitable for laying purposes – 1, Campbell Bros. ; 2, J. Wright,

Dalmellington ; 3, John Waugh, Knockgray.

Variety class (confined to the parish) – 1 and 2 and special, J. Waugh ; 3, Mrs. Campbell, Carminnow.

Special Prizes – Best pen in classes 10 to 15 inclusive – W. Ramsay.

Best pen in classes 16 to 20 inclusive – J. Cooper.

Exhibitor with most entries J. Cooper.

Best pen in show (confined to parish and in possession of exhibitor three months before the show) – J. Waugh.

Butter.

Fresh butter – 1, Mrs. Campbell, Carminnow ; 2, Miss A. T. McMillan, village; 3, Mrs. Campbell, Carminnow ; 4, Miss J.B. McMillan, village ; 5, Mrs. Campbell Holm.

Powdered butter – 1, Mrs. Campbell, Carminnow ; 2, Miss A. T. McMillan ; 3, Miss Murray, Dalcairney.

Best butter exhibited by a shepherd or cottar – 1, Miss Annie McMillan; 2, Miss Jean McMillan ; 3, Mrs. Hutchison.

Best fresh butter in the show Mrs. Campbell, Carminnow.

Best powdered butter (silver medal from the Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland) – Mrs. Campbell, Carminnow.

Oatcakes and Soda Scones.

Oatcakes, 4 to be exhibited – 1, and 2, Miss McMath, Mines; 3, and c. Mrs. Grierson, Corlae.

Plain soda scones (to be baked with buttermilk – 1 and 2, Mrs. Lambie, Woodhead ; 3 and hc. Mrs. Laidlaw ; c. Miss A. T. McMillan.

Pancakes, 6 to be exhibited – 1, Mrs. Lambie,; 2, Mrs. Wilson, Schoolhouse ; 3, Mrs. Lambie.

Plain home-baked loaf – 1, Miss A. C. McMillan ; Miss A.T. McMillan ; 3, Mrs. Lambie.

Cream scones (confined to parish) – 1, Mrs. Lambie ; 2, Mrs. McIlwraith ; 3, Mrs. C.E. Stewart.

Special Prizes – Most successful exhibitor in baking classes – Mrs. Lambie.

Brown and Polson's home baking competition (madeira cake) 1 and hc. Miss J.B. McMillan ; 2, Miss H. Fraser ; 3, Miss M. McMillan ; c. Mrs. Belford, Leven.

Flowers.

Pot plants – Geranium (pelargonium) – Miss Annie McMillan.

Geranium (any other variety) – 1, J. Hunter, village ; 2, and 3, Mrs. Martin, village.

Rose (any variety) – 1, Miss Brown ,village ; 2, Miss McCulloch, village.

Cineraria – Mrs. Laidlaw, Marscalloch.

British fern – 1 and 2, Mrs. Wilson, Schoolhouse ; 3, Miss McCulloch.

Pot of Musk – John Hunter.

Foliage plants – 1 and 2, Mrs. Mitchell, Carnavel ; 3, Miss McMillan.

Hydrangea – 1, Annie McMillan ; 2, John Hunter ; 3, Mrs. Hunter.

Geranium (confined to parish) 1, Miss McMillan ; 2, Mrs. Laidlaw ; 3, Miss McMillan.

Flower, any sort, excepting three previous classes (confined to parish) – 1, and 2, Mrs. Hunter, Knowehead ; 3, Annie McMillan.

Flower, any variety (confined to parish) and must be grown by exhibitor – 1, Mrs. Hunter , Knowehead; 2, Mrs. Galloway ; 3, Mrs. Hunter.

Special Prizes – Best exhibit in Pot Plants (open classes) – Mrs. Mitchell.

Most successful exhibitor in Pot Plants (open classes) – Mrs. Mitchell.

Best exhibit in Pot Plants (confined) – Miss Annie McMillan.

Most successful exhibitor in Pot Plants (confined) Mrs. Hunter, Knowehead.

Cut Flowers – Hand bouquet of wild flowers, selected by school children (confined to parish) – 1, James Martin ; 2, John Hunter ; 3, George Hunter ; ***** Martin ; 5, Ethel Waugh ; 6, James Smith.

Rhubarb – Heaviest, 6 stalks to be shown – 1, Mrs. Mather, Moniaive ; 2, and 3, John Galloway.

Finest quality, 6 stalks to be shown *****

Woollen Shawl – 1, Mrs. James Stewart ; 2, Miss Hooper ; 3, Mrs. R. Milroy.

Men's drawers (Alloa yarn) – Mrs. R. Milroy ; 2, Mrs. James Stewart.
 Cloth Hearth rug – 1, Mrs.A. Hunter ; 2, John Hunter,jr., village ; 3, Mrs. W. McLellan.
 Unravalled wool hearth rug – Mrs. J. Hunter, jr.; 2 and 3 , Mrs. McClymont.
 Blouse (hand or machine made) --1, Miss Helen Fraser; 2, Miss McMath ;3, Miss Hooper.
 Dressed collar and cuffs –1, Mrs. McLellan ;2, Miss A. McMillan; 3, Miss M. McMillan.
 Child's short frock, (hand or machine made) – 1and 2, Mrs. B. Milroy.
 Hand – made white camisole (embroidered or with crochet trimming) – 1 and 2, Mrs. R. Milroy; 3, Miss Forbes.
 Socks, Alloa yarn (knitted by men) – 1, J. Wilson ; 2, R. Wilson ; 3, John Stewart.
 Hand-made walking stick (to be made and finished by exhibitor) -Horn heads –1and 2, Samuel Wilson ; 3, W. Sykes.
 Wood heads – 1, G. Dick; 2, W. Sykes ; 3, A. Hunter.
 Best collection of workin above classes – Mrs. R. Milroy.
 Juveniles – Embroidered Holland cushion cover (open to girls under 16 years only) – 1 and 2, Jean Milroy.
 Best knitted article (open to girls under10 years only) – 1, Mary Hyslop ; 2, Barbara Hunter ; 3, Mary Howatson.
 Hemmed handkerchief (open to girls under 8 years only) – 1, Maggie Stewart ; 2, Lizzie Stewart.
 Best knitted article (open to boys under 14 years only) – James Martin.

Sports.

Obstacle cycle race – 1, L. Duncan ; 2, J. McCutcheon ; 3, D. McCutcheon.
 Rescue cycle race – 1,A. Borthwick ; 2, W. Sykes ; 3, J. Hastings.
 Cycle race (to drink bottle of lemonade, thread needle and light cigarette at certain stages on course) – 1,J. Rankin ; 2, A. Borthwick ; 3, J. Hastings.
 Girls' race (tots) – 1, K. Hunter ; 2, B. Howatson ; 3, M. Hutchinson.
 Boys' race (tots) – 1, H. Martin ; 2, J. Stewart ; 3, W. Hutchison.
 Girls' race (under 7) – 1, S. Hunter ; J. Howatson ; 3, J. Smith.
 Boys' race (under 7) – 1,A. Armstrong ; 2, T. Armstrong ; 3, J. Hyslop.
 Girls' race (under 10) – 1, B. Hunter ;2, M. Howatson ; 3, L. Stewart.
 Boys' race (under 10) – 1, S. Milroy ; 2, J. Wilson ; 3, R. Wilson.
 Girls' race (under 14) – 1,B. Simpson ; 2, * Martin ; 3, B. Hutchison.
 Boys' race (under 14) – 1,G. Hunter ; 2, L. Duncan ; 3,D. Hunter.
 Half mile race – 1, D. Gibson, Dalmellington ; 2, J. Annand, Dalmellington ; 3,Martin.
 Quarter- mile race – 1, J. Martin ; 2, D. Gibson ; 3, J. Annand.
 Hop, step and leap – 1, Gibson ; 2, J. McTavish ; 3, R. Wilson .
 220 yards race – 1, J. Brown, Moniaive ; 2, J. Annand ; 3, D. Gibson.
 Flat leap – 1, G. Gibson ; 2, R. Wilson ; 3, A. McTavish..
 Shepherd's race –1, W. Barbour, Todstone ; 2, W Sykes ; 3,D. McKechnie.
 High leap – 1, J. Waugh ; 2, R. Wilson ; 3, J. McTavish.
 Mile race – 1,(silver cup presented by Mr. A. K. Clark Kennedy, London) 1, J. Annand; 2, J. Martin ; 3,D. Gibson.
 Putting the ball (16 lbs.) – 1, G. McAdam ; 2, W. Sykes ; 3, A. Cunningham.
 Tug-of war (4 aside) – 1, Cairnsmoor ; 2, Carsphairn ; 3, Loch Doon.
 Flogging the turkey – 1, W. Mclellan ; 2, J.W. Gemmel ; 3, D. McCutcheon.