

Carsphairn Show

The 35th annual competition and show, under the auspices of Carsphairn Pastoral and Horticultural Society, was held on Friday. The weather was favourable, but interest in this once popular gathering seems to be on the decline, and the number of visitors was small. Sheep are always given the premier place in the schedule, and even here there was a smaller show than usual, as regarded numbers, although the quality of the exhibits was of a high standard. In the aged tup class Mr W A McTurk, Barlae, won with his three year old Rankinston-bred sheep which was third at New Galloway, while Messrs Campbell, Brockloch, came second with a Glenbuck-bred sheep. Mr D Kennedy secured all the prizes in the tup hogg class. There was a nice class of ewes with their lambs, and here Messrs Campbell were first and second with an excellent pair of ewes, which have been winning at Dalmellington, New Cumnock, and New Galloway, where they were first and champion. Ewe hogs were the special feature of the section, and here Messrs Campbell were again first and second with a very nice pair, but not in such high condition as they might have been. The Barlae tup was judged to be the best sheep in the show, while the group prize went to Mr D Kennedy. The two classes devoted to stirks were well filled, Mr McMorrin, Kerroch, Dalry, being the most successful exhibitor. The poultry department showed a falling off, although a number of good pens were noted. The special awards went to Mr John Meikle's Dark Dorking hen, which also won the prize for the best pen in the show, and Mr J Campbell's White Leghorn hen, which was shown in grand bloom. There was a very creditable display of butter, but, outside the prize lots too many were found defective in flavour. There was also room for improvement in the make-up of both fresh and powdered. There was a very attractive table of pot plants, although the competition was rather limited in the majority of classes, and there is no rule against importation. The industrial section showed a gratifying advance on former years, and a number of excellent specimens of needlecraft were on view. The judges were: - Sheep and Cattle, Mr Thomas MacMillan, Glencrosh; collies, Mr McTurk, Barlae; poultry, Mr Cooper, Fenwickland poultry Farm, Ayr; butter, Mr Alex F Smith, Dalry School, Kilmarnock; cakes and scones, and industrial work, Mrs Wallace, Fingland, and Mrs Milne Hume; flowers, Mr James Waugh, Friars' Carse. The duties of secretary were discharged by Mr Charles E Stewart, who had the assistance of a committee. The following is the prize list:-

BLACKFACED SHEEP

Aged tup – 1, W A McTurk, Barlae; 2, and hc, Messrs Campbell, Brockloch; 3, D Kennedy, Craigen Gillan.

Tup hogg, rough – 1 and 3, D Kennedy, Marbrack; 2, D Kennedy, Craigen Gillan.

Two ewes with their lambs – 1 and 2, Messrs Campbell; 3 and hc, D Kennedy.

Two ewe hogs – 1 and c, Messrs Campbell; 2 and 3, D Kennedy.

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

Special Prizes

Best woolled sheep, suitable for a high district – W A McTurk.

Best sheep in show – W A McTurk.

Best Group – D Kennedy.

Best male and female in show – W A McTurk.

Best pen, bred by exhibitor – Messrs Campbell.

Best sheep in show dipped with Pharo's Dip – Messrs Campbell.

CATTLE

Ayrshire quey stirk – 1, R McMorrin, Kerroch; 2, John Galloway, Carsphairn; 3, Mrs Wison, Shiel.

Stirk any other kind – 1, 2 and 3, R McMorrin, v h c, William Wilson, Lagwine.

DOGS

Shepherd's collie, any sort (confined to the parish) – 1, James McCutcheon, Meadowhead; 2, W Wilson, Lagwine; 3, John McCutcheon, Meadowhead; hc J Lambie.

Collie, male or female, must belong to a farmer or shepherd, having charge of not less than 200 sheep – 1, James McCutcheon; 2, W Wilson; 3, John Ferguson, Lorg; he, J Lambie

POULTRY

Plymouth rock or Scotch grey cock – 1, J McAdam, Dalry; 2, William Ramsey; 3, J Meikle, Girvan.

Plymouth rock or Scotch grey hen – 1, J McAdam; 2, W Ramsay; 3, James Campbell, Ayr.

Wyandotte cock – 1, J Stewart, Kirkbean; 2, James Bruce, Girvan.

Wyandotte hen – 1, J Stewart; 2, J Bruce.

Any variety not classified, cock – 1, J Pettigrew, Dalmellington; 2, John Meikle; 3, J Stewart.

Any variety not classified, hen – 1 and 2, J Miekle; 3, W Barbour.

Leghorn, any variety, cock – J Stewart.

Leghorn, any variety, hen – 1, J Campbell; 2, J Stewart.

Game bantam cock – 1 and 2, James Bruce.

Game bantam hen – 1 and 2, James Bruce.

Selling class, cock – 1, J Pettigrew; 2, J Stewart; 3, J Murdoch, Ayr.

Selling class, hen – 1, J Murdoch; 2, J Meikle; 3, J Stewart.

Crossbred hen suitable for laying purposes – 1, J Pettigrew; 2, Mrs Graham, Polquhanity; 3, J Murdoch.

Variety class (confined to the parish) –Mrs Wilson, Glenhead; 2 and 3, J Waugh.

Special prizes

Best pen in classes 11 to 16 inclusive – John Meikle.

Best pen in classes 17 to 26 inclusive – J Campbell

Exhibitor with most entries – J Waugh

Best pen in show, property of exhibitor three months before show (confined) – Mrs Wilson, Glenhead.

Best pen in show – John Meikle.

BUTTER

Fresh Butter – 1 and 3, Mrs Lambie, Woodhead; 2, Mrs Campbell, Brockloch; 4, Miss McMillan; 5, Mrs J Anderson, Liggate.

Powdered butter – Mrs Campbell; 2, Mrs Lambie; 3, Mrs Laidlaw, Marscalloch.

Best butter exhibited by a shepherd or cottar; 1, Mrs Lambie; 2, Miss A McMillan; 3, Miss Grierson, Auchenshinnoch.

Best butter in show – Mrs Lambie.

OATCAKES AND SODA SCONES

Oatcakes – 1 and 3, Miss McMath, Mines; 2, Mrs C E Stewart.

Plain soda scones (to be baked with buttermilk) – 1, Mrs Laidlaw; 2, Mrs McMillan, Beoch; 3, Miss A T McMillan.

Panckes – 1, Mrs C E Stewart; 2, Mrs McMillan, Beoch; 3, Mrs G Stewart.

Plain home-baked loaf – Miss Wilson, Shiel; 2, Miss A McMillan; 3, Miss Jane B McMillan; C, Mrs McMillan, Beoch.

Cream scones (baked with Golden Gem flour) – 1, Mrs Laidlaw; 2, Mrs J B McMillan; 3, Mrs Lambie.

Most successful exhibitor in baking classes – Mrs Lambie.

Home-baking competition – 1, Miss Agnes McMillan; 2, Miss Mary McMillan; 3, Mrs G

SPORTS

Tug of War – Four a side – 1, W Hasting's team; 2, Dalry Chickens.

Men's race – 1, D Gibson, Dalmellington; 2, A Wilson; 3, W Hunter, Dalshangan.

Boys race (under 14 years) – 1, G Hunter; 2, J Martin; 3, Q Duncan.

Boys race (under 10 years) – 1 Q Duncan; 2, A Lambie; 3, J Hunter.

Boys race (under 7 years) – Sam. Milroy; 2, G Hunter; 3, J Graham.

Girls race (under 7 years) – 1, M Hyslop; 2, A Martin; 3, J Stewart.

Pillow fight – 1, J Rice; 2, J Rankin; 3, A Borthwick.

Hop, Step and leap – 1, J Rice; 2, G McAdam; 3, A Maxwell.

Obstacle cycle race – 1, D McCutcheon; 2, J McCutcheon; 3, W Sykes.

Wrestling – Catch-as-catch can- 1 and 2 equal, J Rice and W Sykes; 3, A Borthwick.

Putting the ball – 1, J Rice, Dalmellington; 2, T Fergusson, Loch Doon; 3, J Bell, Smeaton.

Slow cycle race, on the field – 1, T Geddes; 2, J Gibson; 3, J McCutcheon.

High Leap – 1, J Rice; 2 and 3 divided W Murray, G McAdam and A Maxwell.

Girls race (under 14 years) – 1, M Fergusson; 2, M Hunter; 3, B Wilson.

Girls race (under 10 years) – Nana Milroy; 2, Ethel Waugh; 3, Esther Martin.