

# Open Crop Exhibits

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**Crops Judge: Kenneth Carr**  
**Vegetable Judge: Scotty Cooper**

**Total Premiums Offered - \$2,265.00**

## **SPECIAL RULES**

1. This department is open to everyone and entries will be accepted on **Friday, September 21st from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and on Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** in the Open Crops Building. You may enter through the BROADWAY GATE with your exhibit. Exhibits not delivered to the Superintendent by this time will be barred from competition. An entry card must be completely filled out by the exhibitor including an address.
2. **Each exhibitor is limited to one entry in each class and all entries must be grown in the South Plains area during the crop year.**
3. In cases where there is only one exhibitor and no competition, the judge or judges shall only award premiums in accordance with the merits of the exhibit which may be first, second, third, etc.
4. In classes of numerous entries, exhibits not placing in the top three may be disposed of at the discretion of the Superintendent for reasons of space.
5. The decision as to the proper class for a particular exhibit is the responsibility of the exhibitor. The arrangement of all exhibits will be done by the Superintendent.
6. All cotton bolls must be naturally opened in the field.
7. **No chemically treated seed will be accepted.**
8. Samples which do not meet class specifications as listed (such as size, quantity, number, etc.) will not be accepted.

## **DIVISION 1 - SOUTH PLAINS COTTON**

Premium money in **Division 1** will be: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$15.00; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$10.00; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$5.00

Cotton is the leading cash crop on the South Plains and the following classes are offered in recognition of and as a tribute to this outstanding plant. All entries must be of the type grown in the South Plains and the variety of cotton must be indicated on each entry card. **Leaves must be stripped from all stalks.**

Ribbons will be given through three places in all classes.

### **Class No.**

100 - Most Bolls per Plant, a stalk with the greatest number of bolls. Bolls must be 1" in diameter or larger.

101 - Best Commercially Adapted Stalk, a stalk with proper boll placement and adequate numbers that is judged as the best adapted for mechanical harvest.

102 - Best 20 Opened Bolls.

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### DIVISION 2 – GRAINS AND SEEDS

(Each sample is to be one gallon)

Premium money in Division 2 thru 9 will be as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> - \$6.00; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$5.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$4.00

Ribbons will be given through three places in all classes.

#### Class No.

|   |                             |                         |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 200-Wheat   | 210-Cowpeas, Blackeye       | 220-Millet, Foxtail     |
| 201-Oats  | 211-Sudangrass              | 221-Millet, Floral      |
| 202-Barley  | 212- Sorghum, Sweet         | 222-Triticale           |
| 203-Peanuts Spanish, in shell                               | 213-Grain Sorghum, Red      | 223-Corn, Yellow        |
| 204-Peanuts , Runners, In shell                             | 214-Grain Sorghum,<br>White | 224-Corn, White         |
| 205-Peanuts, Valencia, In shell                             | 215-Alfalfa                 | 225-Popcorn             |
| 206-Peanuts, Virginia, in the shell                         | 216-Soybeans                | 226-Cotton seed         |
| 207-Peanuts, any other variety , in the shell               | 217-Rye                     | 227-Other Seeds & Grain |
| 208-Fieldpeas (Austrian Winter & Alaskan<br>Fieldpea)       | 218-Sunflower, Oil          |                         |
| 209-Cowpeas, (New Era, Chinese Red, Braham,<br>Whipoorwill) | 219-Sunflower, Non-oil      |                         |

### DIVISION 3 – SHEAF GRAINS AND SEEDS

Sheaf samples are to be at least 3 inches and not over 5 inches in diameter at center band. **For seed and grain entries please remove leaves.** For hay and forage entries do not remove leaves.

#### Class No.

|                      |                                   |                               |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 300 – Wheat          | 307 – Clover, sweet               | 314 – Bermuda grass, bundle   |
| 301 – Oats           | 308 – Peanuts, Spanish (1 bunch)  | 315 – Other grass, bundle     |
| 302 – Barley         | 309 – Peanuts, Valencia (1 bunch) | 316 – Field peas, any variety |
| 303 – Millet, Pearl  | 310 – Peanuts, Runners (1 bunch)  | 317 – Triticale               |
| 304 – Rye            | 311 – Peanuts, Virginia (1 bunch) | 318 – Haygrazer               |
| 305 – Sorghum, sweet | 312 – Alfalfa                     | 319 – Guar                    |
| 306 – Sudangrass     | 313 – Soybeans                    |                               |

### DIVISION 4 – GRAIN AND SORGHUM HEADS

Each exhibit is to consist of 10 mature and dry heads displayed in a box.

#### Class No.

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| 400 – Grain Sorghum, white seed coats | 402 – Grain Sorghum, yellow seed coats |
| 401 – Grain Sorghum, red seed coats   |  |

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**DIVISION 5 – HAY (BALED)**

Baled hay must be shown in small bales, **8x10x16**, and must be in cured marketable condition.

**Class No.**

500 – Hay, Alfalfa

501 – Hay, Sorghum

502 – Hay, Cowpeas

503 – Hay, peanut, unthreshed

504 – Hay, peanut, threshed

505 – Hay, Soybean

506 – Hay, Sudangrass

507 – Hay, Bermuda grass

508 – Hay, grass, any other kind

### DIVISION 6 – CORN

Ten mature dry ears must be displayed in a box.

**Class No.**

600 – Corn, white

601 – Corn, yellow

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602 – Corn, any other variety or color

603 – Popcorn, any variety

### DIVISION 7 – VEGETABLES

**Class No.**

700 – Irish Potatoes, any variety (6)

701 – Sweet Potatoes (6)

702 – Onions, any variety (6)

703 – Turnips, any variety (6)

704 – Beets (6)

705 – Carrots (6)

706 – Radishes (6)

707 – Tomatoes, small fruited (1" or less in diameter)(6)

708 – Tomatoes, large fruited (over 1" in diameter)(6)

709 – Tomatoes – cherry or pear(6)

710 – Eggplant (3)

711 – Summer Squash (3)

712 – Winter Squash (1)

713 – Curshaw

714 – Pumpkin, field

715 – Pumpkin, pie

716 – Watermelon

717 – Cantaloupe (3)

718 – Peppers, Bell (6)

719 – Peppers, other variety (6)

720 – Peppers, chilies any variety (6" or longer)(6)

721 – Peppers, Jalapeno, red or green (6)

722 – Peppers, Pimento, red or green (6)

723 – Okra (12)

724 – Collards (3 bunches)

725 – Cucumbers, green, pickling (3)

726 – Cucumbers, green, slicing (3)

727 – Beans, green (12)

728 – Beans, any variety, dry gallon

729 – Peas, green, edible, (purple hull, blackeye, crowder, cream, etc.)(12)

730 – Any other vegetable not listed

### DIVISION 8 – FRUIT AND NUTS

**Class No.**

800 – Apples (6)

801 – Pears (6)

802 – Peaches (6)

803 – Grapes (bunch)

804 – Pecan Cluster

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### DIVISION 9 – MISCELLANEOUS CROPS

**Class No.**

900 – Sunflower, oil type (3 heads)

901 – Sunflower, confectionery (3 heads)

902 – Gourds, ornamental

903 – Pumpkin, ornamental

904 – Largest or most unusual crop or vegetable – may or may not be commercial crop – may be grown for

ornamental purposes

### **GIANT WATERMELON & PUMPKIN CONTEST**

Entries will be entered in and subject to the same special rules of the Open Crop exhibits.

If you think you have grown the largest Watermelon or Pumpkin in the Panhandle South Plains Area of Texas or Eastern New Mexico, bring it to the Fair and we will weigh it in.

**Weight minimum for the giant watermelon is 70 lbs.**

The following premiums will be paid by check for the heaviest Watermelon and Pumpkin.

**This will be a terminal show. All entries will become property of the South Plains Fair.**

#### **Watermelon**

1<sup>st</sup> – \$150

2<sup>nd</sup> – \$100

3<sup>rd</sup> – \$50

#### **Pumpkin**

1<sup>st</sup> – \$150

2<sup>nd</sup> – \$100

3<sup>rd</sup> – \$50