



# **Arva Agricultural Show Society**

Schedule

**Arva Agricultural Show 2026**

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# HOME INDUSTRIES

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## QUALIFIER CLASSES

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*Entry Fee:* €3 unless otherwise stated.

## Class 1000: The All-Ireland Home Preserves Championship - FINAL

The Irish Shows Association and Arva Show present the All Ireland Home Preserve Championship Final

Sponsored by: Breffni Landscapes PRIZE FUND €600

### RULES AND CONDITIONS:

(1) Display 3 pots of preserves from each section below. Pots used to be no bigger than 454g or 1lb - all the same size

- Soft Fruits
- Stoned Fruits
- Marmalade

Max. space allowed 22cm x 22cm

(2) Points will be awarded for taste, appearance, sealing, setting and presentation.

(3) Lids only to be used

(4) all three pots to be labelled

(5) No biscuits or scones to be displayed with exhibit

(6) Simple presentation only required

(7) This competition is confined to amateurs

(8) **Two exhibits** will qualify from each show.

(9) The exhibits must be home produced by the exhibitor.

(10) In the event of an objection and following an investigation, and if the exhibitor is deemed to be making a living from their profession, they may be disqualified.

(11) A special class will be held at each qualifying show

(12) All preserves will be sampled.

(13) The judge's decision at all stages of the competition is final

(14) Exhibits are displayed at owner's risk

(15) For the final, fresh pots of preserves must be entered

(16) An exhibitor can only qualify **one exhibit** for the All-Ireland Final

These rules to be read in conjunction with the ISA Rules

ENTRY FREE To Qualifying Show €3 To Final €6

Final: Arva Show 26th July 2026

### Qualifying Shows

Adamstown	Dungarvan	Lurgan
Athenry	Enniscrone	Midleton
Ballyfoyle	Ennistymon	Mullingar
Ballymoney	Flavours of Fingal	Oldcastle
Castlewellan	Gorey	Omagh
Corrundulla	Limavady	Saintfield

Entry Fee: €6

## Class 1001: The All-Ireland Junior Craft Championship - FINAL

The Irish Shows Association & Arva Show present The All-Ireland Junior Craft Championship.

Sponsored by Breffni Landscapes PRIZE FUND €415

### RULES AND CONDITIONS:

1. Using Lego **non-kit** create an agricultural feature, eg. Tractor & Bailer, Rural Country Scene, Farmyard Structure
2. Size 450 x 450mm max. cubed
3. Competition is open to children aged 5-13 years
4. Exhibit to be displayed on a Lego Board
5. The exhibit must be the sole work of the child
6. Special qualifying class will be held at selected shows
7. Judges decision will be final at all stages of the competition
8. **Two exhibits** will qualify at the selected shows
9. Exhibit are displayed at owner's risk.
10. An exhibitor can only qualify **one exhibit** for the All-Ireland Final

These rules are to be read in conjunction with ISA rules.

Entry fee: €3 to qualifying show. €6 to final

Prizes: 1st:€100, 2nd:€75, 3rd:€50, 4th:€30, 5th-12th:€20 each

### Qualifying Shows

Adamstown	Corrundulla	Limavady
Athenry	Dungarvan	Mullingar
Ballyfoyle	Ennistymon	Nobber
Ballymoney	Flavours of Fingal	Omagh
Carnew	Gorey	Riverstown
Castlewellan	Inishowen	

Entry Fee: €6

## **Class 200: The All Ireland Bread Baking Championship**

THE IRISH SHOWS ASSOCIATION & CASTLEBLAYNEY SHOW SOCIETY PRESENT  
ALL IRELAND BREAD BAKING CHAMPIONSHIP

Each exhibitor will bake 3 items:

- a) Brown Sesame Loaf (2lb loaf tin)
- b) Tea Brack (7" Round)
- c) 4 Plain Scones

### **RULES & CONDITIONS**

1. The Items to be displayed as one exhibit on a base of 2ft x 2ft approx.
  2. Points will be awarded for texture taste, and presentation.
  3. Competition is open to amateurs, and one tray to qualify per exhibitor.
  4. All items to be home made by the exhibitor.
  5. In the event of a signed and written objection and following an investigation, and if the exhibitor is deemed to be making their living from their profession, they may be disqualified.
  6. A SuperValu Flour wrapper to be displayed with the exhibit.
  7. A special qualifying class will be held at selected shows.
  8. Two trays may qualify for the final, if judges agree that the standard is high enough.
  9. Judge's decision will be final at all stages of the competition.
  10. Exhibits are displayed at owners risk.
  11. An exhibitor can only qualify one exhibit for the All-Ireland final
- These rules should be read in conjunction with the ISA Rules

Entry Fee: to qualifying show: €3 / To final: €6

## **Class 201: The Bord Bia 7-a-Day Best in Season Kitchen/Garden All Ireland.**

The ISA & Tullamore Show Present The Bord Bia 7 a Day Best in Season Kitchen/Garden All Ireland.

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### **RULES AND CONDITIONS:**

1. This competition is to encourage growers to exhibit produce from their own kitchen garden.
2. In this competition, the produce should be the property of and be grown by the exhibitor.
3. Each exhibit must consist of a display of fruit and vegetables excluding potatoes.
4. Not fewer than 7 kinds.
5. Not more than 10. Foliage and root growth may be trimmed for display purposes and herbs may be included.
6. The veg and fruit should be displayed within an area not larger than 610mm x 610mm (24"x24") and not exceeding 90cm (3ft).
7. However, foliage and roots may extend beyond that boundary but not rest on the show bench.
8. At the final, Marquee open from 7.30am on show morning and will be closed for judging at 10 am sharp. Marquee will open to the public at 12 noon.
9. Exhibits cannot be removed before 5.00 pm.
10. An exhibitor can only qualify **one exhibit** for the All Ireland final

### **THE COMPETITION WILL BE JUDGED AS FOLLOWS:**

Variety: 25 points, Condition and quality: 50 points, Overall presentation and attractiveness: 25 points.

ENTRY FEE: to Qualifying Show €3. To Final €6.

## **Class 202: The Quality Onion All Ireland Championship.**

The ISA & Virginia Show Society present The Quality Onion All Ireland Championship.

### **RULES & CONDITIONS:**

1. In this competition, the produce must be the property of and grown by the exhibitor.
2. Each exhibit is to consist of the following: **A dish of 5 onions of any variety.**
3. The onions may be grown from either seed or sets.
4. The onions may be Autumn or Spring sown. The variety to be correctly named.
5. Each onion must be tied and weigh not more than 450grams.
6. The onions to be harvested and have clear unbroken skins.
7. A special qualifying class will be held at selected shows. Two exhibits may qualify for the Final, if the Judges agree that the standard is high enough.
8. Judges decision will be final at all stages of the competition. Exhibits are displayed at owner's risk.
9. These rules should be read in conjunction with the rules of the I. S. A Rules.
10. The Competition will be judged as follows:  
Condition/Quality: 25 points, Uniformity and Shape: 25 points Size/Weight: 10 points, Colour: 10 points Overall presentation/attractiveness: 10 points.

ENTRY FEE: To Qualifying Show: €3. To Final €6.

## **Class 203: The Bord Bia All-Ireland Quality Potato Championship.**

The ISA & Tullamore Show Society present The Quality Potato All Ireland Championship.  
RULES & CONDITIONS:

1. In this competition, the produce must be the property of and grown by the exhibitor.
2. Each exhibit is to consist of the following: **A dish of 6 potatoes of any variety.** The variety to be correctly named. Each tuber should be free from skin blemishes, be true to type and weigh approximately 6oz (170g)
3. Two exhibits may qualify at each show.
4. This being a quality championship, the adjudicators will favour floury, high dry matter varieties, which are popular with the Irish customer.
5. These rules should be read in conjunction with the rules of the Irish Shows Association. Rules.
6. At the final, Marquee open from 7.30am on show morning and will be closed for judging at 10 am sharp. Marquee will open to the public at 12 noon.
7. Exhibits cannot be removed before 5.00 pm.
8. An exhibitor can only qualify **one exhibit** for the All Ireland final

ENTRY FEE: To Qualifying Show: €3. To Final €6.

## **Class 204: The Fleetwood Paints All Ireland Amateur Painting Competition.**

The ISA & Virginia Show present The Fleetwood Paints All Ireland Amateur Painting Competition.

RULES & CONDITIONS

1. Paintings must be the sole work of the exhibitor who must have amateur status.
2. Paintings to depict an Agricultural or Rural setting.
3. Paintings must measure no more than 24"X 20" including the frame.
4. All Paintings must be ready to hang, that is framed and with a hanging cord attached.
5. The Judges decision will be final.
6. All entries to be exhibited at owners risk.
7. All entries to have amateur status as defined by the following: (a) Not to have had a commercial solo exhibition (b) Not to have exhibited in a commercial gallery (c) Not to be teaching or have taught art in any form.
8. In the event of an objection and following an investigation, and if the exhibitor is deemed to be making their living from their profession, they may be disqualified
9. **Maximum of two exhibits** only from any one exhibitor can qualify
10. Qualifying exhibit(s) to be photographed by relevant qualifying show.
11. Secretaries to forward same to the National Secretary in advance of the Final
12. The same painting that qualifies at the qualifying show must be exhibited at the final
13. An exhibitor can only qualify one exhibit for the All Ireland Final
14. These rules should be read in conjunction with the I.S.A Rules

ENTRY FEE: To qualifying Show €3. To Final €6

## **Class 205: The All Ireland Traditional Handmade Craft Final**

The ISA & Ballyshannon Show present The All Ireland Traditional Handmade Craft Final  
RULES & CONDITIONS

1. All items must be the sole work of the exhibitor
2. Each exhibit must consist of 1 article from point A plus 1 other article from points B, C or D. Making a **total of 2 articles**
  - A) Any article using tweed eg Picture (min size 12"x12" - max size 18"x18" excluding the frame and mount), Cushion (min size 16"x16" - max size 18"x18") or skirt (adult size only)
  - B) Any article in coloured or self-embroidery made in the current year
  - C) Hand knit cardigan, lumber jacket or jumper (adult size only)
  - D) Any article in cotton crochet using no thicker than a no.20 cotton thread
3. **All of the above to be made in the current year**
4. The items to be displayed as one exhibit
5. **Any item the judge believes is produced by any other method other than that shall be disqualified**
6. A special class will be held at each qualifying show
7. One entry may qualify from from each qualifying show for the final, if judges agree than the standard is high enough a second entry may be qualified.
8. Each of the successful qualifiers will receive a rosette on appearance at the final
9. The Judges decision will be final at all stages of the competition
10. Exhibits are displayed at owners risk
11. These rules should be read in conjunction with the I.S.A Rules
12. Exhibits must be in place for judging by 10:30am on Sunday 17th August 2025
13. Exhibits cannot be removed from final before 4:30pm
14. An exhibitor can only qualify **one exhibit** for the All Ireland final

ENTRY FEE: To qualifying Show €3. To Final €6

## **Class 303: The All Ireland Photography Championship.**

The ISA & Tydavnet Show Society present the All Ireland Photography Championship.  
Sponsored by: Breffni Landscapes PRIZE FUND €500  
RULES AND CONDITIONS

1. Theme: "**Natural Landscapes of Ireland**" (scenery)
2. The competition is confined to all amateurs.
3. Photographs maybe of any format, ie. Digital or film, black and white or color.
4. Photographs must not be framed, or mounted
5. Photographs must not be digitally enhanced.but must have borders
6. Size of photograph to be an A5 including border.
7. A qualifying class will be held at each show.
8. **Two exhibits** may qualify from each show if the standard is high enough.
9. All photographs must have the class no and exhibit no on the back of the photograph.
10. Exhibits are displayed at the owners risk.
11. The Judges discission is final.
12. An exhibitor can only qualify **one exhibit** for the All Ireland final

These rules to be read in conjunction with ISA Rules

Entry fee: To qualifying Show: €3 To final: €6

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## ARVA SHOW CLASSES

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### EGGS

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*Entry Fee:* €3 unless otherwise stated.

**Class 206: Best 6 New Laid Hen Eggs (brown)**

**Class 207: Best 6 New Laid Hen Eggs (white)**

**Class 208: Best 4 New Laid Duck Eggs**

### HOME BAKING

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*Entry Fee:* €3 unless otherwise stated.

**Class 209: Best Porter Cake**

**Class 210: Best Wheaten Cake**

**Class 211: Best White Soda Cake**

**Class 212: Best Sourdough Loaf**

**Class 213: Best Harvest Loaf**

**Class 214: Best Light Fruit Cake**

**Class 215: Best Tea Brack**

**Class 216: Best Boiled Cake**

**Class 217: Best 6 Afternoon Tea Scones (plain)**

**Class 218: Best Carrot Cake**

**Class 219: Best Ginger Cake**

**Class 220: Best Lemon Drizzle Cake**

**Class 221: Best Apple Tart**

**Class 222: Best Rhubarb Tart**

**Class 223: Best Banana Bread, baked in Loaf Tin**

**Class 224: Best Victoria Sponge**

**Class 225: Best 6 Queen Cakes (plain)**

**Class 226: Best 4 Chocolate Chip Muffins**

**Class 227: Best 4 Cupcakes, Decorated**

**Class 228: Best Chocolate Biscuit Cake**

**Class 229: Best 6 Chocolate Brownies**

**Class 230: Best Decorated Novelty Cake**

**Class 231: Best Quiche**

**Class 232: Best Boxy Loaf**

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## **SALADS**

*Entry Fee:* €3 unless otherwise stated.

**Class 233: Best Bowl of Coleslaw**

**Class 234: Best Bowl of Potato Salad**

**Class 235: Best Three Boiled Potatoes (in their jackets)**

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## **PRESERVES**

*Entry Fee:* €3 unless otherwise stated.

**Class 236: Blackcurrant Jam**

**Class 237: Gooseberry Jam**

**Class 238: Rhubarb Jam**

**Class 239: Marmalade Jam**

**Class 240: Strawberry Jam**

**Class 241: Raspberry Jam**

**Class 242: Lemon Curd**

**Class 243: Chutney, any kind**

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## **HEMOCRAFTS**

*Entry Fee:* €3 unless otherwise stated.

**Class 244: Best Childs Handknit Article (Fine Wool)**

**Class 245: Best Handknit Ladies or Gents Garment (Double Knit)**

**Class 246: Best Painting in Oil or Watercolours**

**Class 247: Best Safe Soft Toy for a Child (homemade)**

**Class 248: Best Dressed Doll**

**Class 249: Something New from Something Old (Small)**

**Class 250: Something New from Something Old (Large)**

**Class 251: Best Embroidery in Coloured Cotton (Any Size)**

**Class 252: Best item Crocheted in Wool**

**Class 253: Best item Crocheted in Cotton**

**Class 254: Best Cot Quilt in any medium**

**Class 255: Best Fabric Framed Picture**

**Class 256: Most Attractive Cushion Cover**

**Class 257: Best Decoupage Picture**

**Class 258: Best Item made from LEGO**

Maximum size 400 x 400mm. (Must be your own creation and not from a box set)

**Class 259: Best Homemade article in Wood.**

Maximum size 2ft x 2ft

## **FARM & GARDEN**

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*Entry Fee:* €3 unless otherwise stated.

**Class 260: Best Sample of this year's Hay**

**Class 261: Best 6 Sods of Turf**

**Class 262: Best Dish of Strawberries**

**Class 263: Best 3 Stalks of Rhubarb (with 3 inches of leaf)**

**Class 264: Best 3 Table Tomatoes**

**Class 265: Best 3 Tubers (Kerrs Pinks)**

**Class 266: Best 3 Tubers (any other variety)**

**Class 267: Best Table Cabbage (1 Head)**

**Class 268: Best 4 Stems of Parsley in a Jar**

**Class 269: Best 4 Shallots**

**Class 270: Best 4 Scallions / Spring Onions**

**Class 271: Best 3 Onions (medium)**

**Class 272: Best 3 Long Red Carrots**

**Class 273: Best 3 Carrots (stump rooted)**

**Class 274: Best 3 Parsnips**

**Class 275: Best 3 Roots of Vegetable Beet**

**Class 276: Best 2 Cucumber**

**Class 277: Best Single Head of Lettuce**

**Class 278: Best Arrangement of 3 Vegetables (2 of each vegetable)**

## **FLOWERS**

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*Entry Fee:* €3 unless otherwise stated.

**Class 279: Best Pot Plant in Bloom**

**Class 280: Most Unusual Cactus**

**Class 281: Best 4 Dahlias (Pom Pom)**

**Class 282: Best 4 Dahlias (Cactus)**

**Class 283: Best 4 Roses (Hybrid Tea)**

**Class 284: Best 4 Roses (Floribunda)**

**Class 285: Best Sweetpea (Mixed in Vase)**

**Class 286: Best Pansies (Mixed in Vase)**

**Class 287: Best 4 Gladioli (shown in Vase)**

**Class 288: Best Arrangement of Wild Flowers (excluding Ragwort)**

**Class 289: Best 7-Up Arrangement (Using 7 Flowers)**

**Class 290: Best Vase of Cut Flowers (Mixed Variety)**

**Class 291: Best Miniature Arrangement (6" x 6")**

**Class 292: Best Single Spray of a Flowering Shrub**

**Class 293: Best Arrangement for Buttonhole**

**Class 294: Best Display in a Hanging Basket**

## **PHOTOGRAPHY**

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*Entry Fee:* €2 unless otherwise stated.

**Class 295: Best Landscape Photograph**

**Class 296: Best Photograph featuring Water**

**Class 297: Best Photograph of a Farming / Agricultural scene**

**Class 298: Best Photograph Depicting Summer**

**Class 299: Funniest Pet Portrait**

**Class 300: Best Photograph in Black & White (any subject)**

**Class 301: Best Photograph taken at Arva Show**

**Class 302: Best Photograph of a Sporting Moment**

## **JUVENILE CLASSES**

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*Entry Fee:* €1 unless otherwise stated.

**Class 310: Best 'Back to School' Healthy Lunch, presented in lunch box**

**Class 311: Best 6 Decorated Buns**

**Class 312: Best 4 Cupcakes**

**Class 313: Best Decorated Potato**

**Class 314: Best Dressed Vegetable**

**Class 315: Best Decorated Wooden Spoon**

**Class 316: Best useful item made from something old**

**Class 317: Best Old Sock Puppet**

**Class 318: Best Decorated Card - Any Theme - Age 4 to 9**

**Class 319: Best Decorated Card - Any Theme - Age 10 to 14**

**Class 320: Best LEGO creation made from a box set, 7 years & under.**

Maximum size 400 x 400mm. (please bring the box or picture from box set)

**Class 321: Best LEGO creation made from a box set, 7 to 14 years.**

Maximum size 400 x 400mm. (please bring the box or picture from box set)