



2009 CONVENTION HONEY COMPETITION

Prepare now to enter the **HONEY COMPETITION** this year! First place winners will be presented with the trophy at the banquet on *Friday, November 20, 2009*. A **TROPHY or RIBBON and YOUR PICTURE in YOUR LOCAL NEWSPAPER** are excellent promotions that you cannot buy! If you have never entered the competition, why not do it this year!

GENERAL RULES

- 1) Exhibitors must be bona fide beekeepers who are residents of Ontario and a member of the Ontario Beekeepers' Association. Exhibits shown by them must be products of their apiary.
Special Note - This does not apply to the Arts and Crafts, Photography or Baking classes. The exhibitor of these classes need only have an interest in beekeeping.
- 2) Exhibits must be delivered to the *Lake Erie room at the Hilton Fallsview* by 9:30 a.m. Friday, November 20th.
- 3) Liquid and granulated (creamed) honey must be packed in three (3) 500 gram glass jars per class with no labels or personal identification.
- 4) Cut comb must be packed in three (3) trays and be approximately 3" x 4". They may have printed covers, but no name and address.
- 5) Round sections - three to be exhibited. May be labelled but no name and address.
- 6) Beeswax - Display of producer's own pure beeswax, minimum 3 pounds, maximum 6 pounds (1 block per exhibit).
- 7) Beeswax candles must be dipped tapers, last drip left on, two pairs, 12 in (30 cm) long.
- 8) ARTS AND CRAFTS CLASS - This is a special class for beekeepers or those interested in beekeeping. There is a limit of two entries per person.
 - i) Gift Arrangement
- 9) BAKING CLASS - This is a baking section for beekeepers or those interested in beekeeping.
- 10) PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS- This class for beekeepers or those interested in beekeeping. All entries must depict some aspect of the beekeeping industry or social interaction of beekeepers. It may be actual management, activities of the hive or the important interaction between honeybees and the agricultural industry. All entries must be mounted. Entering this contest construes the picture(s) can be published in the Ontario Beekeepers' Association publications. The Photography Class is divided into two sections as follows:
 - i) 4"x 5"
 - ii) 8"x 10"
- 11) Containers (jars) must not have labels. Entry tags will be attached by a committee member.
- 12) Jars/bottles must show by means of a sticker on the bottom of the jars/bottles for what class # the honey is intended. Honey entries entered in the wrong colour section will be docked five points (as per the scoring schedule) and the entry will be transferred to the proper class by the judges if the exhibitor does not have an entry in that class. Arts and Crafts must also have a sticker indicating in which class # they are intended.
- 13) The Arts and Crafts, Baking and Photography Classes will not be part of the calculation of the total aggregate score for honey and beeswax.

- 14) There will be an aggregate score in each of the following three classes: Arts and Crafts, Baking and Photography. The highest aggregate score will be presented the trophy and first place winners will receive a ribbon.

ENTRY FEE

THERE WILL BE AN ENTRY FEE OF \$2.00 PER CLASS. YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE ONTARIO BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION. Entry fee must accompany the entry form. If you find that you cannot exhibit, you may request a refund. Entries will be accepted up until 9:30 am on Friday.

JUDGING

The judges are empowered to declare any product of inferior quality ineligible for a prize. The judge's decision is final.

DISPOSITION OF HONEY

All honey or comb honey will be donated to a charitable organization. Baking may be served at the convention. Arts & crafts and beeswax will be returned to the exhibitor.

HONEY COMPETITION

LIQUID HONEY

CLASS 1 - WHITE

CLASS 2 - GOLDEN

CLASS 3 - AMBER

CLASS 4 - DARK

	<u>POINTS</u>
1. Appearance and uniformity of containers	5
2. Uniform level of fill.....	5
3. Freedom from crystals	15
4. Freedom from foreign material	15
5. Freedom from air bubbles either in suspension or as froth.....	15
6. Uniformity of honey	5
7. Brightness	10
8. Flavour and aroma.....	10
9. Density	15
10. Colour.....	5
TOTAL	100

CUT COMB HONEY

CLASS 5

1. Cleanliness and appearance of individual containers	5
2. Uniformity and neatness of cut edges of comb	20
3. Completeness of fill of comb.....	20
4. Completeness of cappings	10
5. Cleanliness and appearance of capping.....	20
6. Quality and flavour	10
7. Uniformity of combs.....	15
TOTAL	100

COMB HONEY

CLASS 6 - ROUND SECTIONS - See rule 5

1. Quality and uniformity of section rings or frames	5
2. Cleanliness of section rings or frames	20
3. Completeness of fill appropriate to section used	20
4. Completeness of capping	10
5. Cleanliness and appearance of cappings.....	20
6. Quality and flavour.....	10
7. Uniformity of comb sections including honey	15

TOTAL **100**

GRANULATED HONEY (CREAMED)

CLASS 7 – GRANULATED HONEY (CREAMED)

1. Appearance and uniformity of containers	5
2. Uniform level of fill.....	5
3. Colour	5
4. Firmness of set	15
5. Freedom from foreign material	15
6. Freedom from froth and frosting	15
7. Uniformity of honey entry including texture.....	10
8. Flavour and aroma	10
9. Texture of granulation (smooth and fine)	20

TOTAL **100**

BEESWAX - made of producers' own beeswax

CLASS 8 - BEESWAX (other than candles)

1. Colour	30
2. Cleanliness (free from honey and impurities)	35
3. Uniformity of appearance.....	20
4. Freedom from cracking and shrinkage	15

TOTAL **100**

CLASS 9 - BEESWAX CANDLES

1. Cleanliness, colour, quality of wax	25
2. Uniformity of appearance and shape	25
3. Uniformity of set.....	25
4. Finishing detail - last drip left on.....	25

TOTAL **100**

- Note** - **Flavour and aroma** must be characteristic of honey within class.
- Foreign flavours and aromas will be **scored down**.
- Entries will be marked down 1 point for each 1/10 of 1% moisture content in **excess of 17.8% percent**.

- **In the event of a tie** in any of the honey categories, preference will be given to the exhibit with the **lower moisture content**.
- For the aggregate score points will be awarded as follows: 1st 10 points, 2nd 5 points, 3rd 3 points, 4th 1 point
- The trophies and prizes will be awarded at the banquet on **Friday, November 20th, 2009**.
- Winners in each class will receive a Ribbon.

HIGH AGGREGATE SCORE POINT OVERALL PRIZES AWARDED (Total of Aggregate Class 1-9)

FIRST	Ribbon, Subscription to Bee Culture and a \$50.00 voucher from the OBA Promotional Store
SECOND	Ribbon and a \$30.00 voucher from the OBA Promotional Store
THIRD	Ribbon and a \$20.00 voucher from the OBA Promotional Store
FOURTH	Ribbon and an OBA-100% Ontario Honey Hat.



Please note that when there is only one (1) entry per class, the judges will decide if a prize (ribbon) will be given as there has not been a competition!

SPECIAL INTEREST CLASSES

ARTS & CRAFTS CLASS - see rule no. 8

CLASS 10 - GIFT ARRANGEMENT – List of articles included must be attached.

1.	General appearance.....	30
2.	Originality	30
3.	Quality of honey and products	25
4.	Variety of products.....	15

TOTAL **100**

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS

CLASS 11 - PHOTOGRAPHY - 4" x 5" print

CLASS 12 - PHOTOGRAPHY - 8"x 10" enlargement

1.	Quality of Image.....	25	
2.	Originality		25
3.	Creativity.....	25	
4.	Composition.....	25	

TOTAL **100**

BAKING CLASS – Recipes must be attached for submission in future copies of the Ontario Bee Journal.

CLASS 13 - COOKIES, 1 dozen

CLASS 14 - BARS OR BROWNIES, 1 dozen

CLASS 15 – BREAD, Quick Loaf

1. Outside appearance	30
a. shape and appropriate size	
b. colour	
c. uniformity of entry	
2. Inside texture	40
a. texture characteristic of type	
b. grain	
c. colour	
3. Eating quality.....	30
a. taste	

TOTAL

100

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PRIZES AWARDED PER SPECIAL INTEREST CLASS

FIRST	Ribbon
SECOND	Ribbon
THIRD	Ribbon
FOURTH	Ribbon

THIS YEAR “BEE” A WINNER! - IF YOU DON’T ENTER, YOU CAN’T WIN!!!