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(Elmvale Fall Fair) did host a few online activities last fall in place of our regular fair. We ran the Elmvale Virtual Thanksgiving Celebration where we had over 400 people submit photos to pre-selected categories. Each submission equaled an entry into multiple draws for each category where we had items donated from throughout the community. We also involved our local municipality who helped fund the initiative. It worked very well last year and was well received. This replaced the traditional in person items that would normally have been judged at the fair.

Matt is also planning a virtual District 5 Ambassador Program this summer online. Please contact Matt at mattgarwood17@hotmail.com

From Lindsay Ag Society

1. Agricultural Society name: [Lindsay Agricultural Society \(Lindsay Exhibition\)](#)
2. Participation in the Webinar and/ or in speaking directly with other Agricultural Societies. [Either](#)
3. Contact name(s) and Contact information (email and /or phone number): [Myself or Shanice \(she knows the nitty gritty better than I, especially the technical aspects of using AssistExpo for virtual\) - we can both be reached at 705-324-5551](#)
4. Description of Judging competition you held: Virtual, showcase, modified: [Virtual and modified.](#)

Thanks.

Harry Stoddart
General Manager
Lindsay Agricultural Society

From Hymers Ag Society

Hymers Ag Society did a bunch of what we called "challenges", once a week from Mother's Day to Labour Day. I guess the best you could call it would be a "Showcase" -- no judging, no prizes, just fun. A list of challenges were posted on facebook. To take the challenge, you did the craft, took a picture of it, and we posted them on facebook, instagram, and later on our website, hymersfair.com

This year we are planning holding a "hybrid" fair, and if we are lucky enough to do so, we will pick sections of the prize book and invent others so that people can 1) take pictures of some of their entries (photographs, flower arrangements, baking, decorated cookies, etc.) , 2) drop articles off -- knitting, jewellery, vegetables, (nothing that needs tasted), etc. and 3) movies of their animal entries. Will give out ribbons, probably not prize money, just bragging rights -- Vegetables are donated to the food bank. We usually have a class that the entries are donated to charity -- premie hats & blankets, cancer headwear, knitted hats & mitts to the shelter, etc.

If anyone is interested in that type of "fair", you can pass along our info -- I don't think we could contribute much to a webinar, but would attend one.

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