

165 years





Harness racing at Tillsonburg, Ont. circa 1945 (File Photo)

Promoting agriculture and the rural lifestyle

Our History

- 1854** - Tillsonburg Fair began with 70 members
- 1863** - George Tilson gave 4 acres of land (Ridout St. N of Ridout and W of Bidwell)
- 1864** - A two story building was built on Ridout St.
- 1875** - The fair was moved to its present 12 acre site, with the Crystal Palace
- 1944** - The park was named Tillsonburg Memorial Park formerly Lake Lisgar park
 - Tillsonburg Fairground Park, Dixie Tribe Memorial Park and Vannorman Park
- 1961** - Society name changed to Tri County Agriculture Society.
 - Fair received \$1000 grant from the government
- 1962** - The Cattle Barn was built
- 1965** - The Grand Stand was built (1967 the roof was built on the grandstand)
- 1969** - Wood bleachers and aluminium ones were built

1980 - Food Booth was built

1984 - Transfer of land from the Fair to the Town of Tillsonburg. The fair can use buildings but the town pays the insurance coverage for them. (parking lot, property that the poultry barn, grandstand, general office, cattle barn, palace, and food booth is on).

2004 - Money was received from the Trillium Foundation to do upgrades on buildings sometime in the late 2000's

- Crystal Place was rebuilt with washrooms by the Fair board

2014 - The Grandstand was tore down

2016 - New Bleachers were purchased

2018 - New outdoor ice rink and areas to the fair grounds

- Bandshell along with dog park

- Honored with commemorative plaque and certificate from the Ministry of

Our History (Cont.)





The primary mission of the Tillsonburg Tri-County Agricultural Society is to promote and educate the community in the science of agriculture, horticulture, household arts, and family living. We encourage youth by providing competitions and exhibits during the annual county fair and educate the non-farm community of the importance of agriculture in their daily lives. Providing an attractive and functional facility is instrumental in promoting tourism in Tillsonburg and the year round use of the fairgrounds by H-4, and the general public.

**The Tillsonburg Tri-County Agriculture Fair
Promoting Agriculture and community pride
for over 165 years!**

We are 100% nonprofit organization committed to promote the town of Tillsonburg by highlighting quality of life through a variety of agricultural events and fun filled experiences

We are a 3 day event highlighting the qualities of Tillsonburg to visitors and residents in order to promote the town as an excellent community for families and businesses. The fair will promote a variety of entertainment and activities for all ages by exploring local music, crafts, culture and natural surroundings of Tillsonburg in s educational and learning

We create and support local businesses and non profit organizations to support the community, thereby develop the growth and vitality of the town and surrounding areas.



Mission and Goals

The Tillsonburg Tri-County Agricultural Fair is a non-profit organization whose overall purpose is to serve and participate in the interests and need of the community and to promote agriculture. Our main showcase is our annual Fair, this event is provided for the community. Fair's are, and have been part of rural Canada for many years. This annual fair is provided for the community, invites people to visit each other and to rediscover their heritage and community of yesterday and today.

The goal of the Tillsonburg Tri-County Agricultural Fair is to present agricultural in a manner that is both educational and entertaining to all ages of fair goers with competitive element. This makes the fair meaningful to everyone. The county fair continues to improve the quality of life in Ontario, and is an aspect of our community as important as any other function.

Volunteers put in more than 6000 hours each year with events, meetings, and preparation

Board of Directors, Committee and Volunteers includes over 45 members

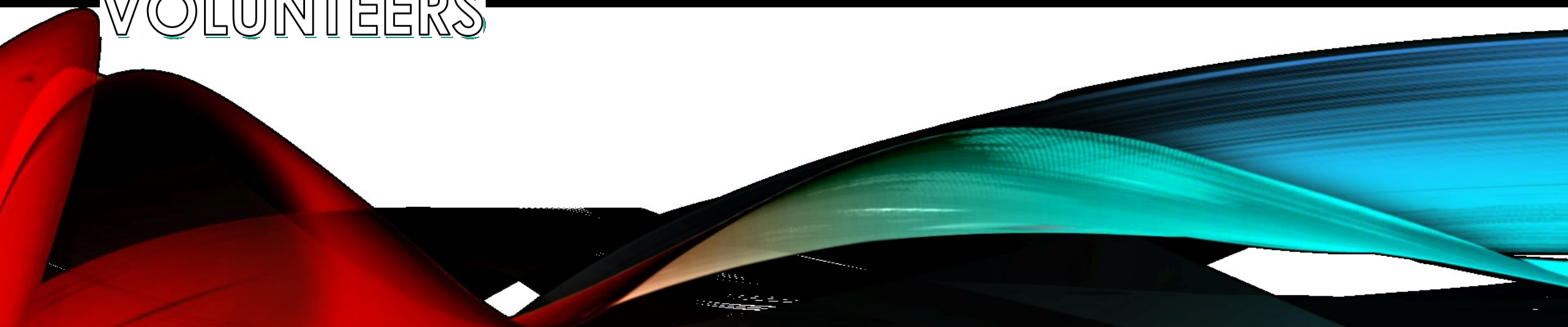
BOARD OF
DIRECTORS
COMMITTEES
VOLUNTEERS

Board Meetings:

First Monday of every month. 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Home Craft Division Meeting:

First Thursday of every month. 7:30pm – 9:30pm



2018-2019 Executive



President Rosemary Dean

1st Vice President Tracy Green

2nd Vice President Tiffany Swick

3rd Vice President Glen Dunn

Treasurer Bonnie Sitts

Secretary Wendy Lamb

Secretary Judith Becker

Past President Mike Dean

Home Craft President Beth Boughner

Tillsonburg Tri-County Agricultural Fair Honored

The Tillsonburg Tri-County Agricultural Fair has been promoting agriculture and the rural lifestyle for the past 165 years.

Tillsonburg Tri-County Agricultural Fair was recently honored with

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Ministry of
Food and Rural
celebrating more than
150 years of farming"



Fundraising



- * Christmas Craft Fair
- * Food Booths for Events
- * Raffle Draws
- * Costume Rentals
- * Samko
- * Calendar Sales
- * Advertising Signs



Tillsonburg Tri-County Fair Presents

CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR

Special Appearances By:
Paw Patrol
Bubble Bee Transformer
Anna & Elsa



AMISSON \$5.00 ADULT | KIDS FREE

**SATURDAY
NOV. 10th**
10:00AM to 4:00PM

Venue: Delhi Hungarian Hall

- ❖ Raffle
- ❖ Home Baking
- ❖ Stocking Fillers
- ❖ Homemade Crafts
- ❖ Festive Inspirations

These are some of what we continue to do to help sustain the fair and events that come.



Our Fair works around a committee structure which covers:

- * Advertising / Public Relation
- * Agriculture Education Awareness
 - * Agricultural Products
 - * Commercial Studies
 - * Donations/Advertising
- * Fair Schedule of Events/ Prize Book
 - * Food Booth
- * Fundraising Activities
 - * Gates
 - * Grounds (U. Kaan)
 - * Hospitality room

- * Midway
 - * Opening ceremonies
 - * Building maintenance
 - * Participants
 - Ambassadors Sir Jy,
mini king & king
 - * Vendors
 - * Baby show
 - * Pet show
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 - * Building rentals (winter storage)
 - * Demolition derby

Facility and Grounds Usage

- Winter storage of vehicles in buildings

- Pigeon Club meetings

- Rabbit Club meetings

- Mopar Car Show event

- Western Region OPP event

- Family Reunions

- Musical Entertainment events

- Celebration of Life events

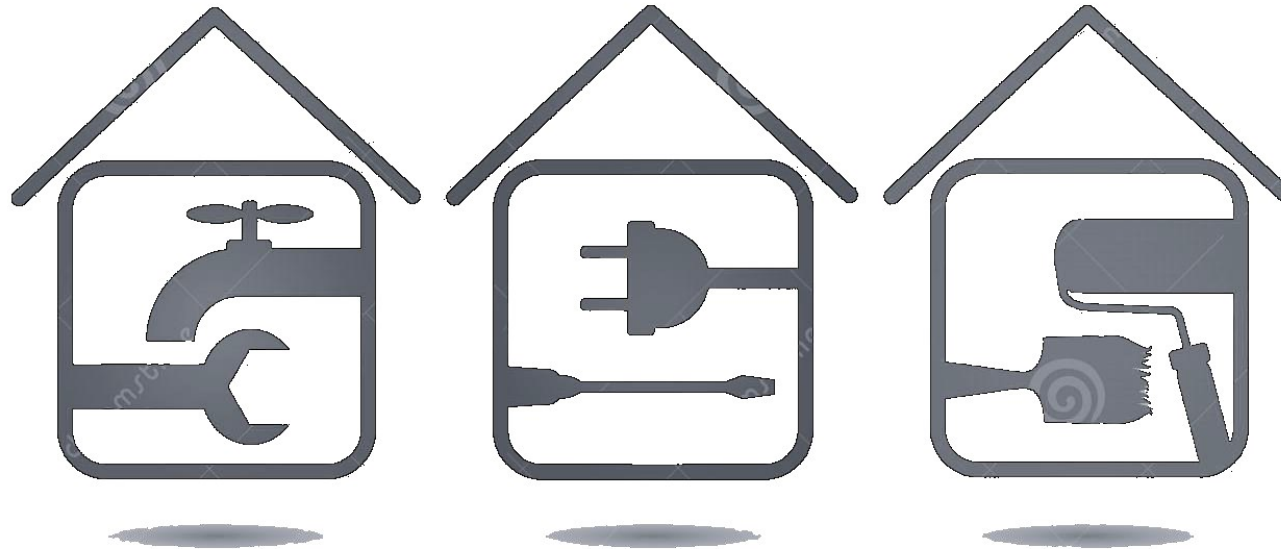
- Turtle Fest & Rib Fest

- Ball team storage of equipment

- Dance events for kids

2019 Itemized Projected Cost for Fair Event

Building Repairs and Reno's



Oct 31 - 2017 - Oct 31 - 1018

Tillsonburg Tri-County Agricultural Society

Balance Oct. 2017

Scotia Bank	\$13,075.36
First Ontario	\$1,614.47
Petty Cash	\$9.50

TOTAL \$14,699.33

Balance Oct. 2018

Scotia Bank	\$4,119.21
First Ontario	\$5,543.35
Petty Cash	\$9.50

TOTAL \$9,672.06

Expenses:

Bank Charges	\$149.35
Insurance	\$1,432.27
Insurance	\$1,555.20
Copier	\$139.37
Convention	\$475.03
Phone/Internet	\$2,662.69
Office	\$450.66
Gas, Heat, Rental	\$857.45
Judges	\$314.80
Ribbons/Trophies	\$2,641.45
Advertising	\$3,780.85
Advertising/Books	\$2,887.14
Entertainment/Comic	\$5,627.50
Entertainment	\$19,115.00
Fair/OAAS	\$306.00
Fair/Expense	\$7,713.05
Miscellaneous	\$1,610.85

TOTAL: \$51,718.66

Income:

Building Rental	\$5,440.00
Membership	\$115.00
Grants, Sponsors	\$8,217.90
Advent, in Comic Book	\$2,060.00
Raffles	\$4,512.00
Cash	\$3,247.70
Vendors	\$3,225.00
Gates	\$12,735.00
Food Booth	\$2,494.00

TOTAL \$42,046.60

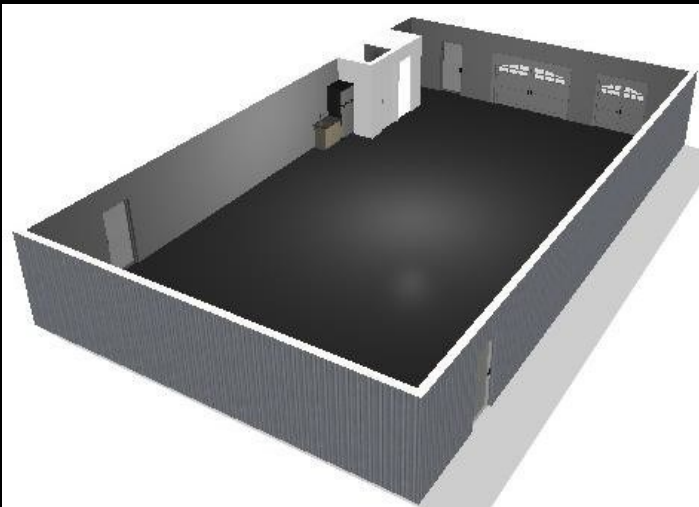
	2019
Advertising	\$4,500.00
Ribbons	\$500.00
Thrill Shows	\$5,500.00
BCTPA / Tractor Pullers	\$850.00
Necessities (fencing and portable toilets)	\$1,600.00
Comic Con	\$2,000.00
Insurance	\$3,000.00
Bank Charges	\$150.00
Office Supplies	\$2,000.00
Utilities	\$900.00
Convention	\$500.00
Entertainment / Petting Zoo	\$1,500.00
Gates	\$900.00
Baby Show	\$100.00
Pet Show	\$80.00
Fair / Prize List Activities	\$2,700.00
Junior Ambassador	\$300.00
Mini King & Queen	\$200.00
Midway	\$10,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$400.00
Power Wheels	\$250.00
First Aide	\$400.00
Dog Show	\$450.00
Tent for vendors	\$2,500.00
TOTAL Project Expenses	\$41,280.00

Project Expenses and Project Income

	2019
Gates	\$15,000.00
Grants	\$4,000.00
Comic Con	\$2,000.00
Sponsors / Donors	\$3,000.00
Vendors	\$2,000.00
Food Booth	\$2,000.00
Storage	\$5,000.00
Titan Trailers	\$1,500.00
Memberships	\$150.00
Building Rental	\$1,000.00
Entry Fees	\$100.00
Turtle Fest	\$800.00
Fundraising	
November Vendor Show	\$1,000.00
Home & Rec Show	\$900.00
Home & Rec Show Food Booth	\$800.00
Calendars	\$1,000.00
Raffles	\$2,000.00
Samko	\$250.00
Misc. Income	\$1,500.00
TOTAL Project Income	\$44,000.00

Future Project Idea

1. Crystal Palace



For Upgrades of Buildings

- Reno's to the grounds buildings
- Grassmere Contraction quote

Revised Budget Price Breakdown

1. Crystal Palace	\$67,500.00
2. Office	\$18,000.00
3. Food Booth	\$13,000.00
4. Cattle Barn	\$67,000.00
5. Rabbit House/Poultry Barn	<u>\$32,000.00</u>

For a Grand Total of.....\$197,500.00

All Prices are 13% HST Extra

. Fair Board Office



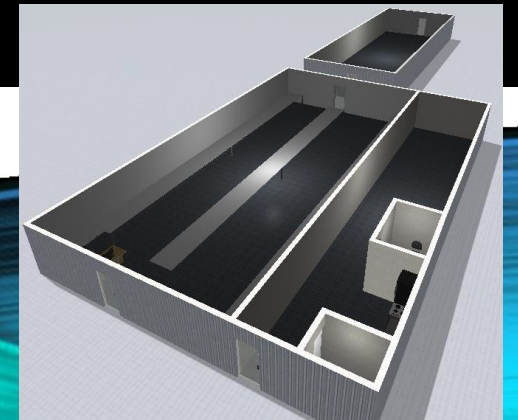
. Food Booth



5. Rabbit House



4. Cattle Barn





Challenges

- **Cost of Midway**
- **Cost of Derby**
- **Cost of Concerts**

We are looking for council and the community for support.

**Weather – cant guarantee Mother Nature and in 2018 we had 3 days of rain
which effect gate income**



ADMISSION

GENERAL: \$5:00

**CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER
ARE FREE**



Mini Queen - Rachel



Jr. Ambassador – Ashlynn



Jr. and Sr. Ambassador & Mini King and Queen

Home Craft Structure

- 4-H displays & showmanship
- Association for community living
- Clever kids(Jr)
- Country kitchen(baking, canning)
- Focus & flash (photography)
- Grow & show flowers
- Hobbies & crafts
- JR vegetables & gardens
- Quilts & afghans



- School
- Show & tell, s
- Treasurers of the past (antiques)

Events



Dog Show



Ice Cream Eating Contest



Friendly Camel



Rabbit Club



H4 Show



Pet Show



Educational Animal Display



Baby Show

Events



Midway



Entertainment



Kids Games



Henna Tattoo's



Demolition Derby and Power Wheel Derby





Moving Forward

Plans for 2019 Fair

- Midway
- Entertainment Venue for Saturday Night (working with Harmony Records)

• Increasing Vendors

• New

• Advertising

• Donations for

• Horse Events (Horse competitions)

- Educational Animal Displays
- Educational Agricultural Displays
- OPP, EMS, Fire Educational Displays
- Military Display and Recruiting Bus

• Derby and Queen

• Car Show

• Antique Car Show

• Derby and Power Wheel Competition

Where does our money go?

From the gates and sponsorship money it covers

- Up keep for all Fair buildings
- Insurance
- Gates (service groups)
- Hydro the week of the Fair
- Portable Fencing
- Portable Washrooms
- St. Johns Ambulance
- Sometime we have to hire to have electrical work done (vendors, entertainment)
- Printing of the Prize Books
- Advertising
- Prize Money
- Thrill Show Productions
- All musical entertainment
- Petting Zoo
- **Midway**

This is just to name some of the expenses that we have and where the money goes

We would like to THANK the volunteer group that runs our Fair food booth and 100% of the profits they make come back to the Fair

Tri-County Agricultural Society

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Any
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