STONEHOUSE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

161st Show

SATURDAY 19th MAY 2018

SHOWFIELD, UNION STREET, STONEHOUSE. ML9 3LF

Schedule of Classes

Cattle, Sheep, Clydesdales, Dog Show & Ladies Industrial Section All Classes are OPEN unless stated otherwise

Sheep Classes – Judging commences at 10am
Cattle and Clydesdale Classes – Judging commences at 10.30am
Ladies Industrial Section – Judging commences at 10am
Industrial Section Entries Close 16th May – No Entries on Show Day

Dog Show – Judging to commence at 11.30am Entries for Dog Show taken between 10am – 11am at Dog Ring

Closing Date for Postal Entries (Livestock) Friday 11th May Entries taken on the field until 9 am (Sheep) and 9.30 am (Cattle & Clydesdales)

> Show Secretary, Laura Fleming, 11 Smugglers Brig Road, Crossford, Carluke. ML8 5SE Telephone 07871 729 099

For Light Horse & Pony Schedules Contact
Light Horse Secretary, Janis Morrison,
77 Langmuirhead Road, Auchinloch. G66 5DJ
Telephone 07923 300 363 email janis-scotch@hotmail.co.uk
Schedules & entry forms can also be downloaded from the Website

www.stonehouseshowfb.wix.com/mysite

AYRSHIRE CATTLE

Judge: William Baillie, Hillhead Farm, Thankerton, Biggar.

Prizes Classes 1- 3 & 8 First £8; Second £5: Third £3 Classes 4 to 7 First £10: Second £6: Third £4 Entry Fee £2 per class

- 1 BACK CALVING HEIFER, not to calve before 1st July
- 2 HEIFER STIRK FREE OF CALF
- 3 BACK CALVING COW, not to calve before 1st July
- 4 COW IN CALF, to calve before 1st July
- 5 HEIFER IN MILK OR IN CALF
 - Silver Rose Bowl presented by the late James Gourley
- 6 COW IN MILK
- 7 ANY PAIR FROM ABOVE CLASSES (First Prize winners debarred)
- 7a BEST PAIR OF DAIRY FEMALES (AYRSHIRE OR HOLSTEIN FRESIAN)
 8c BRED BY EXHIBITOR, to be judged as one class. Passports to be presented.
 19a The Millennium Cup presented by Robert Baillie. To be judged in the Holstein Section.
 20 DAIRY CALF, ANY BREED born after 1st October, to be led by a boy or girl not over 15 years of age. Suckled calves prohibited.
 THIS CLASS WILL BE JUDGED AFTER CLASS 19a & 7a IN THE HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN SECTION Prizes £5 to every child forward, plus Rosettes & Sweets
 - 8 GROUP OF THREE FEMALES
 - 9 BEST ANIMAL OF AYRSHIRE BREED, Bred by exhibitor
 - 10 BEST FEMALE ANIMAL OF AYRSHIRE BREED

Confined to Stonehouse & Dalserf Parish. (No Entry Fee)

The Udston Cup presented by the late G. Hamilton, Udston Farm, Stonehouse SPECIAL ROSETTE TO WINNER.

11 OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP, BEST ANIMAL OF AYRSHIRE BREED
The Archibald MacFie Memorial Cup presented by Andrew Shearer, Neuk Farm,

The Archibaia MacFie Memorial Cup presented by Andrew Shedrer, Neuk Farm Stonehouse

NEW CUP: Presented by the late H. Rice, Esq., Lanark, to winner of most points in Ayrshire Section.

HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN CATTLE

Judge: William Baillie, Hillhead Farm, Thankerton, Biggar.

Prizes Classes 12 -15, 19 & 21 First £8: Second £5: Third £3 Prizes Classes 16 - 18a First £10: Second £6: Third £4

Entry fee £2 per class

- 12 HEIFER IN CALF
- 13 HEIFER STIRK FREE OF CALF
- 14 BULL ANY AGE
- **15 BACK CALVING COW,** not to calve before 1st July, to be milked out
- 16 COW IN CALF, to calve before 1st July
- 17 HEIFER IN MILK
- 18 COW IN MILK, having had two calves
- 18a SENIOR COW IN MILK, having had three calves and over
- 19 ANY PAIR FROM ABOVE CLASSES. (First Prize Winners debarred) First £8: Second £5: Third £3
- 19a BEST PAIR OF DAIRY FEMALES (AYRSHIRE OR HOLSTEIN FRESIAN)
 & BRED BY EXHIBITOR, to be judged as one class. Passports to be presented.
 - 7a The Millennium Cup presented by Robert Baillie SPECIAL ROSETTE TO WINNER
 - 20 DAIRY CALF, ANY BREED born after 1st October, to be led by a boy or girl not over 15 years of age. Suckled calves prohibited.
 Prizes £5 to every child forward for judging, plus Rosettes & Sweets

- 21 GROUP OF THREE ANIMALS
- 22 BEST ANIMAL OF HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN BREED, Bred by exhibitor
- 23 HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN CHAMPIONSHIP, CONFINED to Stonehouse & Dalserf Parish. SPECIAL ROSETTE & The Lockhart Memorial Cup presented by late Dowager Lady Flora Sinclair in memory of her husband the late Sir Robert Lockhart, Bart.
- 24 CHAMPION HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN, OPEN (No Entry Fee)

 DAVIDSON'S ANIMAL FEEDS, SHOTTS have kindly donated a Voucher to the value of
 £20 to the Champion Holstein Friesian, Open

 MOST POINT A Perpetual Cup presented by William Russell, Esq., of Hamilton will be
 presented to the winner with most points in Holstein Friesian Section.

LIMOUSIN CATTLE

Judge: David Baillie, Calla, Carnwath.

Prize Money: First £10: Second £6: Third £4 Entry Fee £2

Entries in this Section are not eligible for Beef Section

- 25 BULL
- 26 COW, 3 years old and over
- 27 HEIFER
- 28 CALF, born after 1st October
- 29 CHAMPION Stonehouse Agricultural Society Trophy

SCOTMIN NUTRITION have kindly donated a £25 Voucher to Champion Limousin Bull In these classes Scottish Limousin Club members will gain points for each animal placed at the show as part of the Exhibitor of the Year Competition run by the club. This competition is sponsored by United Auctions Ltd. Stirling.

BEEF CATTLE

Judge: David Baillie, Calla, Carnwath.

Prize Money Classes 31 - 35 & 37: First £10: Second £6: Third £4 Entry Fee £2

- 30 BEST BEEF CALF, under 6 months, led by boy or girl, not over 15 years of age. Prizes - £5 to every child forward for judging, plus sweets and Rosettes
- 31 BULLOCK, Continental Breeds only
- 32 HEIFER, Continental Breeds only
- 33 BULLOCK, Native Breed
- 34 HEIFER, Native Breed
- 35 BULL, Continental or Native (Limousin Bulls Class 25 excluded)
- **36 BEST PAIR FROM ABOVE CLASSES** (First Prize winners debarred)
- 37 BEST BULLOCK OR HEIFER, CONFINED to Stonehouse & Dalserf Parish The Tanhill Cup presented by Gavin McPherson, Tanhill Farm, Stonehouse. SPECIAL ROSETTE TO WINNER
- 38 COMMERCIAL COW WITH BEEF CALF AT FOOT, calf to be 6 months of age and under on show day. The class will be judged in pens and animals are not eligible for any other class Cup Presented by Stonehouse Agricultural Society
- 39 BEEF CHAMPIONSHIP, OPEN Hendry John 'Bud' Clark Memorial Trophy DAVIDSONS ANIMAL FEEDS, SHOTTS have kindly donated a Voucher to the value of £50 to the winner of the Beef Championship.
- 40 BEST CALF FROM WINNERS OF CLASSES 20, 28 and 30 Champion: Cup & Rosette Reserve: Rosette
- 41 YOUNG HANDLERS CLASS open to children 15 yrs & under showing any calf breed Prizes £5 to every child forward for judging plus Rosettes & Sweets
- 42 GROUP OF FOUR ANIMALS FROM ANY SECTION, to be property of one owner The Galloway & MacLeod Cup CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - The Galloway & Macleod Trophy (1935) represented to the Society for the winner of the Overall Championship from Cattle, Sheep & Clydesdale Sections.

SHEEP SECTION

Judge: Blackface, Suffolk & Commercial - Tom Hutchinson, Chapel Farm, Moffat..

Judge: Texels, Beltex , Continentals, Rare Breeds, Pet Lambs-Robert Laird, Cambwell, Skirling.

Prize Money: £5, £3 and £2 Entry Fee £1

All Classes open to MV Accredited and Non MV Accredited Sheep - Judging 10 am

BLACKFACE SHEEP

Classes kindly Sponsored by Kenny & Fiona Telfer, South Halls Farm, Drumclog.

- CLASS 43 AGED RAM
- CLASS 44 SHEARLING RAM
- CLASS 45 EWE, having nursed a lamb this season
- CLASS 46 EWE HOGG
- CLASS 47 BEST PAIR from one owner

CHAMPION BLACKFACE - The Thomas & Susan Hillhouse Trophy

SUFFOLK SHEEP

- CLASS 48 RAM, one year old and over
- CLASS 49 RAM LAMB
- CLASS 50 EWE, 2 years old and up, having nursed a lamb this season
- CLASS 51 EWE HOGG
- CLASS 52 EWE LAMB
- CLASS 53 BEST PAIR from one owner

CHAMPION SUFFOLK - The Westtown Trophy presented by the Watson Family

COMMERCIAL SHEEP

- **CLASS 54 EWE,** with single cross lamb
- CLASS 55 EWE, with twin cross lambs, lambs to be considered
- CLASS 56 CONTINENTAL RAM, any age (Entries Classes 58, 59, 60, 65, 66, 67, 72 excluded)
- CLASS 57 BEST PAIR from one owner

CHAMPION COMMERCIAL - The Lonsdale Perpetual Trophy presented by W. & A. Gardiner

TEXEL SHEEP

- CLASS 58 AGED RAM
- CLASS 59 SHEARLING RAM
- CLASS 60 RAM LAMB
- CLASS 61 EWE, having nursed a lamb this season
- CLASS 62 GIMMER
- CLASS 63 EWE LAMB
- CLASS 64 BEST PAIR from one owner

CHAMPION TEXEL - The Walkerdyke Cup presented by Mr.& Mrs. David Cunningham, Jnr.

DAVIDSONS ANIMAL FEEDS SHOTTS have kindly donated a £30 voucher for the Champion Texel

BELTEX / ANY OTHER CONTINENTAL SHEEP (Entries Classes 56, 58 to 64, 72 & 73 excluded)

- CLASS 65 AGED RAM
- CLASS 66 SHEARLING RAM
- CLASS 67 RAM LAMB
- CLASS 68 EWE, having nursed a lamb this season
- CLASS 69 GIMMER
- CLASS 70 EWE LAMB
- CLASS 71 BEST PAIR from one owner

CHAMPION BELTEX - Cup Presented by Stonehouse Agricultural Society

SCOTMIN NUTRITION have kindly donated a £25 Voucher for the Beltex Champion

ZWARTBLES SHEEP

CLASS 72 MALE CLASS 73 FEMAI

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Depending on numbers forward, classes 72 and 73 may be split

CHAMPIONSHIP - Champion & Reserve Rosettes

RARE BREEDS (Any Rare Breed)

CLASS 74 RAM LAMB CLASS 75 EWE LAMB

CLASS 76 EWE, 1 year old and over

CLASS 77 RAM, 1 year old and over

CHAMPIONSHIP - Champion & Reserve Rosettes

PET LAMBS - ANY BREED

CLASS 78 MALE

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CLASS 79 FEMALE

CLASS 80 YOUNG HANDLERS CLASS open to children 15 yrs & under showing any breed of sheep. Prizes £5 to every child forward for judging plus Rosettes & Sweets Harbro have kindly donated a £10 Voucher to the winner of this class

CLASS 81 OVERALL SHEEP CHAMPIONSHIP – Bank of Scotland Cup

JACK SURGEON has kindly donated a £25 Voucher to the Overall Sheep Champion

CLYDESDALE HORSES

Affilliated to the Clydesdale Horse Society

Judge: Robbie Morton, Stobilee Farm, Cleghorn, Lanark.

Prize Money – First £10: Second £6: Third £4 ENTRY FEE £2 per Class

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82.	Gelding, any age	87.	Filly Foal
83.	Colt, 2 years old	88.	Colt Foal
84.	Colt 1 year old	89.	Filly 2 years old
85.	Yeld Mare, 3 years or over	90.	Filly 1 year old
86.	Brood Mare having had a foal	91.	Young Handlers (12 – 16 years old)
	this year or due to foal		Clydesdale Horse Society Rosettes

- 92. Best 1 or 2 year old from foregoing classes. CHS Rosette. Entry required on entry form. If a shield is won prior to the show please withdraw your entry. No Entry Fee required.
- 93. Single Heavy Horse in Single Axle Farm Vehicle. This class will be judged in the main ring after the Cattle Classes have been judged.

CHAMPION Stonehouse Agricultural Society Cup
RESERVE The Tom Steel Memorial Trophy

<u>The Clydesdale Horse Society Shield</u> - A Shield (which will be supplied and engraved by the Clydesdale Horse Society) will be awarded to the best yearling or two-year-old colt or filly, registered or eligible for registration with the Society, not having won a Shield before in its lifetime. The exhibitor must be a current member of the Clydesdale Horse Society

 $\frac{Young\ Handlers\ Class}{An\ engraved\ medal\ is\ presented\ by\ the\ Clydesdale\ Horse\ Society\ to\ the\ best\ young\ handler\ aged\ 12-16\ on\ the\ day\ of\ the\ show\ who\ has\ not\ already\ qualified\ this\ year.\ The\ capabilities\ of\ the\ handler\ are\ to\ be\ assessed,\ not\ the\ animal\ being\ led.\ The\ qualifier\ will\ be\ eligible\ to\ complete\ in\ the\ final\ at\ The\ Royal\ Highland\ Show\ next\ year.\ The\ Young\ Handler\ Scheme\ and\ the\ Young\ Handler\ Final\ are\ generously\ sponsored\ by\ the\ James\ Bennett\ Fund.$

DOG SHOW

Judge - Beverley Harvey, Larkhall

Entry forms available on the day. Entries will be taken at the Dog Show Ring from 10.00am – 11.00am only. Children showing in Classes 94 - 98 will be admitted to show field free.

Children's Classes at 11.30 a.m. - Child Aged 12 years and under Prize Money - First £1.50: Second £1.00: Third 50p ENTRY FEE 50p

Class

- 94. BEST FANCY DRESSED Dog or Bitch
- 95. ANY VARIETY DOG OR BITCH, 12 inches and under
- 96. ANY VARIETY Dog or Bitch, 12 inches and over
- 97. ANY VARIETY Dog or Bitch, with the waggiest tail
- 98. ANY VARIETY Dog or Bitch, with the happiest expression

Open Classes - Immediately after Children's Classes Prize Money - First £5.00: Second £3.00: Third £2.00 ENTRY FEE £1.50

- 99. ANY VARIETY PUP, Dog or Bitch Rivendale Horses Shield Donated by Ronnie Walker
- 100. ANY VARIETY, NON SPORTING Stonehouse Quaich
- 101. ANY VARIETY, SPORTING Black Bull Shield
- 102. WORKING COLLIE, Dog or Bitch, Braehead Farm Quaich in Memory of Bill of Lupus
- 103. ANY VARIETY, OPEN

BEST IN SHOW - £10 and Rosette Westmains Boarding Kennels Cup presented by Mrs. Linda Allan 15kg Dog Food Kindly Sponsored by Galloway & Macleod, Ltd., Stonehouse **RESERVE BEST IN SHOW -** Rosette and Voucher to the value of £30 towards a full dog groom at Bow WOW! Doggy Day Care, The Bothy, Udston Farm, Stonehouse kindly donated by Edith Rose

LOOKING AHEAD - NEW FOR 2019... ON FARM BEEF COMPETITION

- *CLASSES WILL BE JUDGED ON FARM THE WEEK BEFORE SHOW DAY
- *RESULTS ANNOUNCED ON SHOW DAY
- *CATTLE CAN BE IN A PEN OR FIELD
- *ENTRIES TO BE WITH SECTRETARY BY CLOSING DATE
- *TIMES OF ARRIVAL ON FARM WILL BE SENT IN ADVANCE
- *FARM MUST BE WITHIN 20 MILE RADIUS OF SHOWFIELD
- *PRIZES TO BE WON

MORE INFORMATION OF CLASSES TO FOLLOW SOON!

IF INTERESTED IN ENTERING PLEASE CONTACT SHOW SECRETARY LAURA – 07871729099 OR stonehouseshow-sec@hotmail.com

Stonehouse Agricultural Society CPH Number 83/542/80002 – Union Street, Stonehouse. Cattle, Sheep & Clydesdale Horses Entry Form

Postal Entries to be received by Friday 11th May - Entries on field until 9am (Sheep) 9.30am (Cattle & Clydedales)

Class	Fee	Holding Number	Ear Tag Number	Animal Name
	£	Fees Subtotal £	Plus Membership & First Aid £3.00	Total = £

Exhibitor certifies that all animals entered above comply with BVD virus regulations, as follows:

- 1. Any animal coming from a Scottish holding must have a 'negative' herd status for BVD or be individually tested negative for the BVD virus
- 2. Any animal from a 'not negative' herd cannot move to a show unless it has been individually tested negative for the BVD virus
- 3. Any animal coming from outside Scotland should either be from a BVD CHeCS accredited herd or be individually tested negative for the BVD virus

I hereby enter the above animals subject to the Regulations of the Society

Exhibitor (Block Capitals)	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Date</u>
Capitals)		
Address		

PLEASE STATE VEHICLE REG NUMBER OR HAULIER'S NAME & ADDRESS ALSO STOCK HANDLERS NAMES & ADDRESSES ON THE BACK OF THIS ENTRY FORM.

Send form & remittance to Secretary, Laura Fleming, 11 Smugglers Brig Road, Crossford, Carluke. ML8 5SE Cheques payable to "Stonehouse Agricultural Society". You may also enter on the field at the above times

Vehicle Registration Number
Stock Handlers Name
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Stock Handlers Name
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REGULATIONS THE SHOW CPH NUMBER IS 83/542/8002

PRIZE MONEY WILL BE PAID ON SHOW DAY AND CAN BE COLLECTED FROM THE SECRETARY'S TENT AT APPROX. 3 pm

- 1. All classes Open except where stated.
- All animals gaining a prize ticket must parade round the ring after completion of judging, in order or merit.
- 3. No animals to be removed from Showground till after the Parade. All prizewinners failing to parade forfeit Prize Money.
- No doctoring of Cattle allowed. The Committee reserve the right to examine Stock exhibited within eight days after the show.
- All animals must be <u>bona fide</u> property of exhibitor and be kept in his possession three months before or after the Show.
- 6. The age of animals exhibited shall be calculated from 1st January, of the year in which they were born.
- 7. Entry money as stated in the schedule. Membership £1 and £2 First Aid Cover to be paid with entry except for Ladies Industrial Section and Dog Show exhibitors.
- 8. In the Light Horse and Pony Classes, proper footwear, headwear and dress must be worn at all times when riding.
- 9. No Free Entry to the Show for Adult Dog Show Exhibitors.
- 10. Dogs must be kept under control at all times.
- 11. Prize money for the Dog Show will be paid when class is judged.
- 12. The Show will be conducted under Regulations of the Society and all persons admitted to Showfield shall be subject to rules and orders of the Committee.
- 13. Any party lodging an objection or reporting an irregularity or breach of rules must do so in writing, within 7 days from the date of show, and deposit £10 which will be forfeited if the objection is not sustained.
- Stonehouse Agricultural Society will not be held responsible for any accident, damage or loss at the Show.
- 15. All trophies remain the property of Stonehouse Agricultural Society and are for annual competition only. They must be returned in time for the following year's show. Any trophies won must be signed for before leaving the show ground. Winners of trophies to have them insured whilst in their possession.
- 16. All Horses and ponies must carry their passports with them.
- 17. All sheep attending the show must be individually identified in accordance with current Scottish Government Guidance. A separate movement document to record each movement to and from the showground must be completed recording the flockmark and the animals individual identification. It is the owners responsibility to report this movement to the Scottish Animal Movement Unit (email samu@scotland.gsi.gov.uk) or by post to SAMU, Government Buildings, 161 Brooms Road, Dumfries. DG1 3ES. It is not the responsibility of the show secretary. MV Accreditation must be produced fully completed and given to the steward before unloading. The expiry date must be later than the date of the show.
- 18. Any animal coming from a Scottish holding must have a 'negative' herd status for BVD or be individually tested negative for the BVD virus. Any animal from a 'not negative' herd cannot move to a show unless it has been individually tested negative for the BVD virus. Any animal coming from outside Scotland should either be from a BVD CHeCS accredited herd or be individually tested negative for the BVD virus
- 19. **All Cattle moving to and from the show** must have their movements notified to BCMS by both the keeper and show organiser within 3 days of the show.

LADIES INDUSTRIAL SECTION

Judging 10 am

THE FLEMING PERPETUAL TROPHY to be presented to the exhibitor gaining most points in Baking and Handcraft Sections.

THE BETTY McINALLY PLATE to the competitor with most points in the Baking Section. SPECIAL PRIZE to the competitor with most points in the Baking Section.

THE BETTY McINALLY PLATE to the competitor with most points in the Handcrafts Section.

SPECIAL PRIZE to the competitor with most points in the Handcraft Section. THE TWEEDIEHALL TROPHY to be presented to the Best Junior Exhibit.

BAKING SECTION

- 1. 3 Pancakes
- 2. 3 Potato Scones
- 3. Banana Loaf
- 4. Rhubarb Tart
- 5. Sultana Cake
- 6. Victoria Sponge (filled)
- 7. 3 Squares of Favourite Tray Bake
- 8. Sponge Fruit Flan (filled)
- 9. 3 Empire Biscuits
- 10. Clootie Dumpling
- 11. 3 Brides Slice
- 12. 3 Spice Biscuits (see Recipe given)
- 13. 3 Vol-Au-Vents Coronation Chicken
- 14. Individual Fruit Crumble
- 15. 6 Squares of Vanilla Tablet

HANDICRAFT SECTION

- 16. A Handmade Gift for Newborn
- 17. A Handmade Wedding Invitation
- 18. A Favourite Royal Souvenir
- 19. Any Article of Craft
- 20. Something New out of Something Old
- 21. Flowering Pot Plant
- 22. Fresh Flower Corsage
- 23. Favourite Pair of Socks
- 24. Single Tier Wedding Cake (Decoration Only To Be Judged)
- 25. Snapshot "Wedding" Theme

CHILDREN'S SECTION - state age in each class

26.	Finger Painting of a Prince/Princess	Age 5 years and under
27.	Decorated Crown	Age $6-10$ years
28.	3 Decorated Cup Cakes	Age $6-10$ years
29.	A Handmade Dream Catcher	Age 11 – 16 years
30.	Individual Cheesecake	Age 11 – 16 years

LADIES INDUSTRIAL ENTRY FORM

Entries accepted until Wednesday 16th May 2018 Strictly no entries accepted on Show Day

Entry forms to be completed and returned to: Mrs. Sheila Lindsay, 42 Muirhead, Stonehouse. ML9 3HQ

Entry Money: 20p per entry Prize Money - 1st - £3.00: 2nd - £2.00: 3rd - £1.50
All entries must be in and ready for judging by 10am & must be exhibitor's own work. Entries must **NOT** have been shown at this show before. Only **ONE** entry per person per class.

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Name:							
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Oven:	Recipe - Spice Biscuits						
Preheat 180°C/350F	<u>DOUGH</u>		<u>ICING</u>				
Gas Mark 4	200G/8oz 150g/6oz 2 400g/14oz	Caster Large	ed Butter r Sugar Free Range Egg Y Flour + extra for flou		App. 2	Tsp Lemon Juice z IcingSugar Tsp Cold Water bloured Food Colouring	

1. Lightly grease two baking trays lined with baking parchment

Tbsp Milk

Level Tsp Mixed Spice Level Tsp Cinnamon

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- Measure the butter & sugar into a bowl & beat together until light & fluffy. Beat in the egg yolk. Sieve in the flour and spices & add enough milk to give a fairly soft dough. Bring together using your hands, to make a soft dough.
- 3. Roll out to thickness of about 5mm/¼". Cut into rounds using circular cutter. Place on the prepared baking trays.
- Bake in the preheated oven for 10-15 mins, or until golden-brown. Keep an eye on them, it doesn't matter if you open the oven to check them. Lift onto a wire rack to cool.
- 5. To make the icing, pass 1 teasp of lemon juice through a fine sieve to remove any pips or bits. Mix the icing sugar with the lemon juice and then add about 2 tablespoons water, adding it little by little until you have a fairly stiff but smooth icing. Add a splash more sieved lemon juice if necessary.
- 6. Divide the icing into separate bowls & mix in the food colouring of your choice until you achieve the desired shade.
- 7. Spoon a little icing into a piping bag and pipe your decoration onto the biscuits. For a smooth finish, you can pipe the outline of your design in the firmer icing, then slacken it down a bit by mixing a little more water, giving the icing more of a runny consistency, and use this to fill in the designs.

