



SUNDAY 6th AUGUST 2023

Penrice Castle Park, Reynoldston Gower SA3 1LA

HONEY SECTION

Entries will be accepted up to 8pm Thursday 3rd August 2023.

No entries will be accepted after this date.

The DOROTHEA DANIEL-JENKINS CHALLENGE CUP will be awarded to the exhibitor with the highest aggregate points in the show on Sunday 6th August 2023 at 5pm and is to be held for one year only.

The Joe's Novice cup will be awarded to the best novice entry and is to be held for one year only.

The Honey Show is a Blue Ribbon Show (accredited by the National Honey Show and the BBKA)

Judge & Stewards

SHOW SECRETARY	:	Gill Lyons
JUDGES	:	Sue Carter and Bill Fisher
JUDGE'S STEWARDS	:	Bridget Knudsen and Kim Jones
CHIEF STEWARD	:	Dale Jenkins-Lyons
BEE TENT STEWARD	:	Martin Davies
SALES STEWARD	:	Matt Jenkins-Lyons
FINANCE STEWARD	:	Karen Squires

Points for classes awarded as follows:
1st - 4 points, 2nd - 3 points, 3rd - 2 points

OPEN CLASSES

Entry Fee: £1 for each entry

CLASS	PRIZES
1 One Observation Hive, labelled and stocked with bees and a queen.	£25 £15 £10
2 Composite Class. A display of 4 different classes from classes 4 to 20, except for class 10.	£12 £8 £4
3 Wax Table Decoration (Flower or Other), staged in an area 0.6m by 0.6m max.	£8 £4 £2
4 Two jars of Light Honey.	£5 £3 £2
5 Two jars of Medium Honey.	£5 £3 £2
6 Two jars of Dark Honey.	£5 £3 £2
7 Two jars of Naturally Granulated Honey.	£5 £3 £2
8 Two jars of Soft Set Honey.	£5 £3 £2
9 Novice Class. Two jars of honey, either Light, Medium, Dark or Granulated.	£5 £3 £2
10 Commercial Class. Six jars of Honey, any single variety, labelled with the exhibitor's own label for the retail trade, including tamper evident seals fixed to jars.	£12 £8 £4
11 One Shallow Comb of Honey suitable for extracting.	£5 £3 £2

12	Two Standard Containers of Cut Comb Honey, weighing approx. 227g each	£5	£3	£2
13	One Cake of Beeswax, plain mould not less than 335g.	£5	£3	£2
14	A Pair of Beeswax Candles to be displayed erect. One to be lit by the judge.	£5	£3	£2
15	Novice Class. Pair of Beeswax Candles to be displayed erect. One to be lit by judge.	£5	£3	£2
16	Six 28g moulded Beeswax Blocks.	£5	£3	£2
17	Novice Class. Five 28g moulded Beeswax Blocks.	£5	£3	£2
18	One bottle Dry Mead.	£5	£3	£2
19	One bottle Sweet Mead.	£5	£3	£2
20	One bottle Metheglin.	£5	£3	£2
21	One bottle Melomel.	£5	£3	£2
22	Lemon Honey Cake, made according to this recipe: 170g butter, 60g caster sugar, 140g honey, 3 large eggs, 225g self raising flour, grated rind of a lemon and juice of half a lemon. Cream together the butter, sugar and honey. Mix in lemon rind. Beat eggs lightly and add to the mixture. Stir in lemon juice and fold in sieved flour. Transfer to a greased and base lined 900g (2lb) loaf tin and bake for 1hr - 1hr 10mins at 160°C/325F/gas mark 3. (Timing is for conventional ovens and is a guide as appliances vary.)	£8	£4	£2
23	HONEY SULTANA AND CHERRY CAKE. Exhibits must be made to this recipe. 200g self raising flour, 175g honey, 110g butter, 2 medium eggs, 175g sultanas, 110g glace cherries. Wash the sultanas and cherries to remove any syrup and dry them. Halve the cherries, Cream the butter with honey until light and fluffy. In a separate bowl, beat the eggs together and gradually add the beaten eggs to the butter mixture a little at a time, beating between each addition. Sieve the flour and mix the fruit with it to ensure the fruit is dry. Gradually fold in the flour and fruit. Add a little milk if necessary, to achieve a dropping consistency. Put the mixture into an 18 cm lined round cake tin. Bake at 160°C/ (140°C fan)/325°F/gas mark 3 for approximately 1hr 30mins until the cake is firm. (Timing is for conventional ovens and is a guide only as appliances vary.)	£8	£4	£2
24	Honey Snickerdoodle Biscuits, made according to this recipe: 7oz self-raising flour, 5oz butter, 3oz caster sugar, 2 large tablespoons honey, 1 egg yolk. Plus 1.5oz caster sugar for rolling the dough balls in. Cream sugar, butter, honey and egg yolk and sift in the flour mixing well. Form the dough into walnut size balls, roll in the caster sugar and place on a baking tray covered with silicone or greaseproof paper. Flatten with a fork and cook in a medium oven, gas 4, 180c/350f for 15-20 minutes or until golden brown. The recipe makes 20 biscuits please enter your best 7 arranged on a paper plate provided by the Show Secretary or Chief Steward.	£5	£3	£2
25	One jar of Honey Preserve/Jam.	£5	£3	£2
26	One jar of Honey Chutney.	£5	£3	£2
27	A Recent Photograph to Illustrate an Aspect of Beekeeping. Photograph to be taken by the exhibitor and affixed to an A4 board, along with a caption in size 18 font	£5	£3	£2
28	A Piece of Homemade Beekeeping Equipment. To be accompanied by an explanatory note. (Size to be advised to the Show Secretary.)	£8	£6	£3
29	A Craft Item using a Product of the Hive. To be accompanied by an explanatory note.	£5	£3	£2

HONEY SHOW RULES

- 1 Entry forms, accompanied by entrance fees made payable to The Gower Agricultural Society, must be returned to the Honey Show Secretary **NO LATER THAN 8pm ON Thursday 3rd August 2023. No refunds will be made.**
 - 2 It is expected that the tent should be ready to accept entries for staging by approx 12 Noon on Saturday 5th August 2023. All exhibits are to be staged by 1.30pm. Judging to commence at 2.00pm.
 - 3 Every entry must bear a numbered label supplied by the Show Secretary. On every shallow comb, label to be attached at top right hand corner of the display case. On every container of cut comb, label to be attached on the lid. On every jar of honey, honey preserve or honey chutney, and every bottle of mead, metheglin or melomel, number must be affixed about 12 mm from the bottom of the bottle or jar. Cakes of wax must have the label fixed on the underside and also on the plate. In classes, 16, 17, 22, 23 and 24 the label should be fixed to the disposable plate supplied by the Chief Steward.
 - 4 Extracted honey must be exhibited in 454g squat unlabeled jars, with gold screw top lids. In the commercial class (Class 10) any type of jar and lid can be used as long as the minimum total weight of honey is 3lb, the exhibitor's own label will account for 10% of the total marks. Chutneys and preserves must be exhibited in a 340g hexagonal jar with a gold twist top lid. Light, medium and dark honey (Classes 4 – 6) will be defined using B D grading glasses as used at the National Honey Show.
 - 5 Meads, metheglin and melomel to be shown in clear glass bottles, 75cl approx, with white flanged stoppers which can be obtained from the Chief Steward if required.
 - 6 Metheglin, melomel, preserve and chutney labels are to be plain white and are supplied by the Show Secretary, no other labels will be allowed. The labels are to be written in block capital letters and the preserve and chutney labels are to mention honey.
 - 7 Exhibitors may enter more than one exhibit in a class, but no single exhibit may be shown in more than one class and an exhibitor shall not be entitled to more than one award in any class.
 - 8 The judge reserves the right to withhold prizes in case of insufficient merit. The decision of the judge is final.
 - 9 Exhibitors and Stewards may bring honey and hive products for sale on a sale or return basis (max. 22.5 kg), an approved commission being charged. Honey to be sold only by stewards appointed by the committee. Any deemed to be sub-standard will be rejected. The honey offered for sale must conform to existing regulations including being registered as a food business.
- HONEY PRESENTED FOR SALE MUST BE FITTED WITH TAMPER EVIDENT SEALS.**
- 10 All objections to be made in writing to the Show Secretary before 2.00pm on the day of the show, with a deposit of £10 which will be forfeited if the Committee declares the objection frivolous.
 - 11 The Committee will not be responsible for any loss or damage done before, during or after the Show.
 - 12 No exhibit may be removed before 5.30pm except with the permission of the Show Secretary. Any person found interfering with the exhibits will be liable to expulsion and the forfeiture of any prizes won.
 - 13 No person shall be allowed in the Marquee during the time of judging, except those officially engaged.
 - 14 The Judge's Steward is not allowed to exhibit.
 - 15 Entries must be produced by the exhibitors, except wax used in classes 3 and 29, seed honey used in class 8 and also honey used in baking, preserves, chutneys, meads, craft etc. These need not be the produce of exhibitors.
 - 16 The Novice Classes are open to exhibitors who have not previously won a prize for honey/wax/candles (as relevant) at any honey show.
 - 17 The craft in class 29 is to be one not covered in other classes.
 - 18 Prize money to be paid on Show day.
 - 19 The Dorothea Daniel-Jenkins Challenge Cup and The Joe's Novice Cup are to be held for one year only.
 - 20 Payment for honey and hive products sold under Rule 9 will be made within 30 days of the Show.

GOWER SHOW RULES

1. The Society shall be called 'THE GOWER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY' and shall consist of ordinary members from whom shall be elected annually President, Vice-Presidents and Honorary Treasurer, an Honorary Secretary or Secretaries and a Committee to manage the Society.
2. The Payment of an annual subscription of £41.00 family, £12.50 adult, £5.00 child 5 - 16 years (inc. VAT) shall constitute a person an ordinary member of the Society.
3. The principal objects of the Society shall be the improvement in the breeds of cattle, horses, sheep and pigs and the improvement of agricultural machinery and implements and the developments of agriculture generally and to hold an Exhibition thereof, and if the Society so decides to combine with such Exhibition classes for Horticulture, Forestry, Dogs, Bee Keeping and Rural Arts and Crafts.
4. All subscriptions shall be paid to the Secretary or Secretaries not later than the 31st July in each year and the Annual General Meeting shall be held not later than March in each year.
5. The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall appoint annually a President, an Honorary Treasurer and a committee to manage the Society and any officers and such committees as it may consider necessary for the running of the Society during the forthcoming year.
6. Persons, who for special services to the Society, or its objects, the Society may wish to honour by appointment as Vice-Presidents or Honorary Members or other similar positions, shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting only on the recommendation of a majority of the Management Committee. The Management Committee shall only make such recommendations in the case of persons proposed and seconded by members of that Committee and shall ignore representations made by other than their own members.
7. The Treasurer and the Chief Financial Steward shall be responsible for the collection of all subscriptions all donations and any sums due to the Society and the making of all payments authorised by the Committee on behalf of the Society, except prize money, shall be paid by cheque signed by any two of the President, the Treasurer and two members appointed by the Finance and Organisation Committee of the Society.
8. The funds of the Society shall be utilised for the purpose of maintaining and developing the objectives of the Society.
9. Closed classes shall be confined to exhibitors occupying a residence or farm building within the boundaries of the City and County of Swansea.
10. The rules of the Society shall be altered only by a General Meeting of the Society.

CONDITIONS OF EXHIBITION

1. All exhibits in the livestock and poultry section must be on the showground no later than 9.00am on the morning of the show. Exhibits shall not be removed from the showground before the prize presentation without the permission of the Livestock Secretary. No exhibition in other sections to be removed before 5pm.
2. Horses should arrive in good time for their class and to allow enough time for preparation and warm-up. Parking for horse trailers and horse lorries is not guaranteed. Every effort will be made to stick to the running order but the committee reserve the right to make a change if circumstances deem this necessary.
3. The decision of the Judges shall be final.
4. Any objection to an exhibit must be lodged with the Secretary in writing and a deposit of £10 paid within two hours of the Class being judged. The deposit of £10 will be returned if the objection is upheld, but forfeited to the Society if the objection is not sustained. The objection will be considered by the Committee.
5. If in the opinion of the judge or judges the exhibits in any class are of insufficient merit, the Committee reserves the right to withhold the whole or any part of the prize money.
6. All entries must be made in writing and delivered no later than as stated in your relevant section.
7. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse or reject any entry without stating the reason for doing so and to cancel any class or group of classes not less than three days before the date of the Show.
8. The Committee reserves to itself the right to withhold or reduce the scheduled prize money in the event of

there being insufficient number of exhibitors or is so recommended by the judge.

9. Any exhibitor who does not comply with the rules of the Society or these conditions shall be debarred from exhibiting and may at the discretion of the Committee forfeit all prize money won.
10. All horses must be properly haltered and secured to the satisfaction of the stewards. The Society, its Officers or Stewards will not be responsible for any errors or mistakes that may occur in the placing, penning or securing of exhibits.
11. Any person riding a horse/pony anywhere on the showground is required to wear a hard hat of a standard approved by their appropriate governing body. No horse/pony is to be ridden or led through the showground except on designated horse walks/areas.
12. A fall of horse/pony or rider during any class will result in elimination. The rider must NOT remount in the ring and should see a medically qualified attendant before remounting.
13. All exhibitors and their servants in charge of stock will be subject to the orders of the stewards, and any such person disobeying such orders may be expelled from the Show Yard.
14. No diseased animal will be allowed to enter the Show Field. The Society's Veterinary Surgeon to be the sole judge. The certificate of the Veterinary Inspector, whether as to age or soundness, shall be required only in cases where the judges are in doubt, or where the stewards consider it necessary. The decision of the Inspector in such cases, shall be final and conclusive.
15. The Society will not in any case or under any circumstances hold itself responsible for any loss, damage, mis-delivery, illness or accident that may occur through or to any exhibit or person from any cause whatsoever and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold the Society harmless and indemnify it against legal proceedings arising from any of the above- named circumstances.
16. No person shall enter any of the rings, enclosures or tents during the time judging is proceeding, except the Secretary's Steward properly appointed to assist the judges in such ring, and the attendants in charge of the animals being judged and no person shall have communication; on with the judges except the Secretaries and such Stewards. All exhibitors acting in opposition to this condition shall forfeit such premiums as may be awarded to them and the Stewards shall report to the Committee any infringement of this condition.
17. A number label will be allotted by the Secretary to each exhibitor and such number shall be displayed when the animal is exhibited.
18. Should any question arise as to the construction or applicability of any rules of these conditions, or any other matter requiring urgent decision, on the day of the Show, the same shall be decided by the Committee, consisting of the Director, the Assistant Director, the Chairman, the Secretary/Secretaries and the Hon. Solicitor and the Chief Steward of the Section concerned.
19. Any animal shown in the Brood Mare Class must have produced a live foal in the current year or a veterinary surgeon's certificate to that effect must be produced to the Secretary or Secretaries.
20. An exhibitor on winning and receiving a trophy shall sign for the trophy and be responsible for its safe keeping. The trophy must be returned to the Society (unless won outright) not later than one month before the following show. Return of the trophy should be in person or with proof of posting receipt.
21. In these rules the Committee referred to shall be the Committee constituted in accordance with Rule 1.

THIRD PARTY LIABILITY

The Society, its Officers or Servants, shall not be responsible to any person whatsoever while on the Society's premises or while entering or leaving same, for any damage or loss however caused, to the property of any such person or for any injury fatal or otherwise to any such person.

The Society, its Officers or Servants shall not be responsible for any accident, damage or loss, however caused, that may occur to any exhibitor or his servant, or to any animal, article or property, brought into the Showground, or while entering or leaving or being carried into or out of the said Showground. Each exhibitor shall be solely responsible for any loss, injury or damage that may be done to or occasioned by, or arising from any animal, article or property exhibited or brought on to the Showground by him, and he shall indemnify and hold harmless the Society from and against all actions, suits, expenses and claims on account of or in respect of any such damage or injury which may be caused or occasioned.

