



STAFFORDSHIRE & BIRMINGHAM
AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

COUNTY COMPETITIONS SCHEDULE 2023

SHEEP FLOCKS
GRASSLAND
RAPE
WINTER WHEAT
FARM
GARDEN
DAIRY HERDS
DAIRY YOUNGSTOCK
BEEF
BEANS & CROPS
MAIZE
SILAGE

NOVICE PLOUGHING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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This booklet contains the schedules for all the Staffordshire & Birmingham Agricultural Society's County Competitions for 2023; which are as follows:

Competition	Entry Closing Date	Judging Commences
Sheep Flock	7 th April	28 th April
Grassland	10 th April	19 th April
Rape	2 nd June	12 th June
Winter Wheat	2 nd June	12 th June
Beans (Crops Section)	16 th June	3 rd July
Farm	9 th June	26 th June
Garden	16 th June	26 th June
Beef	23 rd June	10 th July
Dairy Herds	30 th June	17 th July
Dairy Youngstock (Via District)	30 th June	10 th July
Crops	4 th August	14 th August
Maize	11 th August	21 st August
Silage (Via District)	19 th Jan 2024	24 th Jan 2024

General Notes

All competitors must be members of the Staffordshire & Birmingham Agricultural Society.

The entry closing dates will be strictly adhered to; no late entries will be accepted from either individuals or Districts. Any class, with the exception of the Farms Competition, with less than three entries will be cancelled.

Please refer to the relevant schedule/s for the competition/s you wish to enter, complete the entry form enclosed with this booklet and return it to The Chief Executive, Staffordshire & Birmingham Agricultural Society, County Showground, Weston Road, Stafford ST18 0BD.

The Stafford District Points Cup – Will be awarded to the District accumulating the most points from the competitions. Please indicate on the entry form which district you would like any points you gain to be awarded to.

Presentation of all awards will take place at the Society's Annual Dinner at the County Showground on Wednesday 1st November 2023.

There is no entry fee for any of the Competitions.

It would be appreciated if disinfectant could be available for the use of the Judge when he arrives at the farm.

BREEDING SHEEP FLOCK COMPETITION

JUDGE: Mr G Parry, Chartley, Staffs

ENTRIES CLOSE: 7th April 2023

JUDGING BETWEEN: 28th April & 31st May 2023

CLASS 1 Pedigree Flock

CLASS 2/3 Commercial Flock

Entries will be taken for the class and will then be split by flock size, into two equal classes, at the Judge's discretion.

The Competition is for Lambing Flocks and is designed to encourage good sheep husbandry. Accordingly, it will be suggested to the Judge that he should take the following into account.

1. The management, marketing and general husbandry of the flock.
2. The conformation of the flock.
3. The lambing percentages and flock production. (Note: the lambing percentages should be based on the number of ewes put to the ram.)

The Judge will consider all records of lambs which have been sold prior to the date of judging, accordingly, it will be helpful if any flock records can be available for scrutiny.

PRIZES

In each class First - £50 Second - £30 Third - £20

(A Fourth Prize of £10 will be awarded if there are 6 or more entries)

The Shepherd in charge of the Best Flock in the Competition will receive a prize of £30.

AWARDS

The Geoffrey Thompstone Trophy - (To be held for one year) will be awarded for the best flock in the Competition.

GRASSLAND COMPETITION

JUDGE: Mr N Haines, Bradley, Staffs

ENTRIES CLOSE: 10th April 2023

JUDGING COMMENCES: 19th April 2023

CLASS 4 Short Term Cutting Ley for the best and cleanest crop sown as a short-term Ley in 2021 or 2022.

CLASS 5 Long Term Cutting Ley for the best and cleanest crop sown as a long-term Ley in 2021 or before

CLASS 6 Grazing Ley

PRIZES

In each Class First - £50, Second - £30 Third - £20.

(A Fourth Prize of £10 to be awarded in any Class with 6 or more entries)

AWARDS

The Ed Weetman Trophy (to be held for one year) will be awarded to the best entry in the competition.

RAPE COMPETITION

JUDGE: Mr D Boden, Denstone, Staffs

ENTRIES CLOSE: 2nd June 2023.

JUDGING COMMENCES: 12th June 2023

CLASS 7 For the best and cleanest field of Rape

The class for Rape will be divided into Spring & Winter sections if there are sufficient entries.

PRIZES

In each Class First - £50 Second - £30 Third - £20.

(A Fourth Prize of £10 to be awarded in any Class with 6 or more entries)

AWARDS

The J B Sands Perpetual Trophy: (To be held for one year) will be awarded for the best entry in the competition.

WINTER WHEAT COMPETITION

JUDGE: Mr T Parton, Coven, Wolverhampton

ENTRIES CLOSE: 2nd June 2023.

JUDGING COMMENCES: 12th June 2023

CLASS 8 For the best and cleanest field of Winter Wheat

The class for Winter Wheat may be split into feed and milling if there are sufficient entries

PRIZES

In each Class First - £50 Second - £30 Third - £20.

(A Fourth Prize of £10 to be awarded in any Class with 6 or more entries)

FARMS COMPETITION

Kindly Sponsored by The Packwood Family

JUDGES:

Class 9: Mr R Calcott, Wigginton, Tamworth

Class 10: Mr T Packwood, Curborough, Lichfield

Overall Champion: Mr R Calcott & Mr T Packwood

ENTRIES CLOSE: 9th June 2023

JUDGING COMMENCES: 26th June 2023

The judge will consider production and profitability, general tidiness, technical efficiency and conservation.

CLASS 9/10 Entries will be taken for the class and will then be split by acreage into two equal classes and therefore total farm acreage must be entered on entry form.

NOTE

Only those farms with the homestead within the County boundary or within 10 miles of it are eligible to enter.

All land within the Staffordshire County Boundary and to a distance of 10 miles outside the County Boundary must be declared to the Judge; however, only land around the home farm will be judged unless the judge decides otherwise.

The judge will only take into consideration direct agricultural operations on the farm and any non-agricultural operations will be disregarded.

The Judges will choose the Overall Championship winner in the Competition from the two classes.

PRIZES

In each Class: First Prize - £80 Second Prize - £50 Third Prize - £30

AWARDS

The Philip Solari Esquire Challenge Cup; (to be held for one year) will be awarded for the best farm in the Competition together with an additional prize of £50

The David Parton Perpetual Trophy; (to be held for one year) will be awarded to the winner of Class 10

The JS Madders & Sons Salver; (to be held for one year) will be awarded to the Winner of Class 11

GARDEN COMPETITION

Note: The Garden Competition is open for anyone to enter. However, Districts who hold Garden Competitions are encouraged to enter the first prize winner from each class within their Competition, if they hold multiple classes or the first and second prize winners if they hold a single class.

Judge: Mrs J Parrott, Acton Russell, Staffs

Entries Close: 16th June 2023 Judging Commences: 26th June 2023

Class 12/13 Entries will be taken for the Competition and will then be split by garden size, into two equal classes, at the Judge's discretion.

Prizes

In each Class: First - £50 Second - £30 Third - £20
(A Fourth Prize of £10 to be awarded in any Class with 6 or more entries)

AWARDS

The MT & DM Shelley Trophy; (to be held for one year) will be awarded to the best garden in the competition.

DAIRY HERDS COMPETITION

JUDGE: Mr P Stubbs, Whitgreave, Stafford

ENTRIES CLOSE: 30th June 2023 JUDGING COMMENCES: 17th July 2023

CLASS 14/15 For the Best Herd of Dairy Cattle; open to any breed, pedigree or non-pedigree herds. (Entries will be taken for the overall competition and will then be split by herd numbers to give two classes of equal number.)

Judging will be based on a visual inspection of the herd. All the necessary records should be available at the time of judging including dairy slips and dairy herd costing information.

The Champion Prize Winner is not eligible to compete for one year following their success.

CLASS 16 For the best progeny; open to any breed, pedigree or non-pedigree.

A group of cattle, by one named sire, from within the Dairy Herd. The exhibitor must enter whichever is the greater, 5% of the Herd or 3 animals. Only one group may be entered per herd.

PRIZES

In each Class: First - £50 Second - £30 Third - £20
(A Fourth Prize of £10 to be awarded in any Class with 6 or more entries)
A prize of £30 will be made to the Herdsman in charge of the winning herd in each Class.

AWARDS

The F T Brough Trophy: (To be held for one year) will be awarded for the Best Herd in the Competition.

The S Monckton Perpetual Challenge Cup: (To be held for one year) will be awarded for the Best Progeny.

DAIRY YOUNGSTOCK COMPETITION

Note: Entries for the County Competition are by nomination following the District Competition and are restricted to one per District. Any member wishing to enter the District Competition should contact their District Secretary.

JUDGE: Mr R Kite, Milwich, Staffs

ENTRIES CLOSE: 30th June 2023

JUDGING COMMENCES: 10th July 2023

CLASS 17 For the Best Group of Dairy Youngstock.

All Youngstock from day old calves upwards, housed and outside will be judged.

PRIZES

In each Class: First - £50 Second - £30 Third - £20

(A fourth prize of £10 will be awarded in any class with 6 or more entries)

AWARDS

The WH David Hobson Challenge Trophy: (To be held for one year) will be awarded for the best Group of Dairy Youngstock in the Competition.

BEEF COMPETITION

JUDGE: Mr J Ede, Checkley, Staffordshire

ENTRIES CLOSE: 23rd June 2023

JUDGING COMMENCES: 10th July 2023

This competition is designed to encourage good cattle husbandry; therefore, it will be suggested to the Judge that he take into account the management, marketing, general husbandry and conformation of the herd.

All cattle in the respective classes must be shown.

CLASS 18 Intensive Feeding Cattle

CLASS 19 Grazed Feeding Cattle

CLASS 20 Pedigree Suckler Cattle

CLASS 21 Commercial Suckler Cattle

CLASS 22 Dairy Bred Beef Cattle out of a Dairy Cow

The Champion Prize Winner is not eligible to compete for one year following their success.

PRIZES

In each Class: First - £50 Second - £30 Third - £20.

(A fourth prize of £10 will be awarded in any class with 6 or more entries.)

Note: Cattle in different Classes must be shown in separate fields or pens.

AWARDS

The George Myatt Perpetual Trophy: (To be held for one year.) will be awarded to the best herd in the Competition.

The Joe Ede Trophy: (To be held for one year.) will be awarded to the best Pedigree herd in the Competition.



STAFFORDSHIRE & BIRMINGHAM AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

COUNTY COMPETITIONS 2023 ENTRY FORM

Completed entry form should be returned to,

The Chief Executive
Staffordshire & Birmingham Agricultural Society
County Showground, Weston Road
Stafford, ST18 0BD

sue@staffscountyshowground.co.uk

More than one competition may be entered using a single-entry form. The entry form for any competition **MUST** reach the Chief Executive by the closing date.

Late entries will not be accepted.

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Address	<input type="text"/>
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District	Burton Eccleshall Lichfield Newcastle
	Stafford South Staffs Stone Uttoxeter

(* Please circle one)

STAFFORDSHIRE & BIRMINGHAM AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY COUNTY COMPETITIONS

ENTRY FORM 2023

	✓	Please tick the shaded box against the class you wish to enter and include required information where applicable.	
Sheep Flock		Class 1 Pedigree Flock	No. of Breeding Ewes put to ram EARLY / LATE LAMBING
		Class 2/3 Commercial Flock	Lambing %.....
Grassland Competition		Class 4 Short Term Ley	
		Class 5 Long Term Ley	
		Class 6 Grazing Ley	
Rape		Class 7	Spring / Winter (delete as appropriate)
Winter Wheat		Class 8	Feed / Milling (delete as appropriate)
Farms		Class 9/10	Farm acreage..... Total acreage to be judged..... No. of cows in milk..... No. of other cattle..... No of Sheep..... Other enterprises.....
Gardens		Class 12/ 13	
Dairy Herds		Class 14 / 15 Best Herd	No. of cow & heifers in Milk No. of cows in calf..... No. of heifers in calf..... No of young stock under 6 months No. of Bulls.....
		Class 16 Best Progeny	Nominated sire of progeny

	✓	Please tick the shaded box against the class you wish to enter and include required information where applicable.	
Beef		Class 18 Intensive Feeding Cattle	Herd Size
		Class 19 Grazed Feeding cattle	Herd Size
		Class 20 Pedigree Suckler Cattle	No. of Suckler Cows..... No. of Followers.....
		Class 21 Commercial Suckler Cattle	No. of Suckler Cows..... No. of Followers.....
		Class 22 Dairy Bred Beef Cattle (Out of a dairy Cow)	Herd Size
Beans & Crops		Class 23 Beans	Spring / Winter (delete as appropriate)
		Class 24 Grass Seeds	
		Class 25 Potatoes	Type of Potatoes.....
		Class 26 Fodder Crop	Type of crop.....
Maize		Class 27/28	Acreage.....

Location of Land away from the farm you wish the judge to visit

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Farm Competition only:
Details of any crop being cleared early

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BEANS & CROPS COMPETITION

JUDGE: To be confirmed

BEANS

ENTRIES CLOSE: 16th June 2023. JUDGING COMMENCES: 3rd July 2023

CLASS 23 BEANS - For the best and cleanest crop of Beans not less than 2 acres.
The Beans class will be split into spring & winter beans if there are sufficient entries.

CROPS

ENTRIES CLOSE: 4th August 2023 JUDGING COMMENCES: 14th August 2023

CLASS 24 GRASS SEEDS - For the best and cleanest crop, sown in 2023
CLASS 25 POTATOES - For the best and cleanest crop of red or white potatoes of not less than 2 acres.
CLASS 26 FODDER CROP - For the best and cleanest crop of not less than 2 acres.
(Note; Any crop with more than 4 entries will be split into its own class.)

PRIZES

In each Class: First - £50 Second - £30 Third - £20.
(A fourth prize of £10 will be awarded in any class with 6 or more entries)

AWARDS

The GV Prestwood Championship Challenge Cup: (To be held for one year) will be awarded for the best entry in the Competition.

MAIZE COMPETITION

JUDGE: Mr S Barrow, Dunston, Staffs

ENTRIES CLOSE: 11th August 2023 JUDGING COMMENCES: 21st August 2023

CLASS 27/28 MAIZE
For the best and cleanest crop of not less than 5 acres.

(Note: The class will be split by acreage of field, into two equal classes if there are more than 10 entries.)

PRIZES

In each Class: First - £50 Second - £30 Third - £20.
(A fourth prize of £10 will be awarded in any class with 6 or more entries)

AWARDS

The Matthew Harrison Memorial Cup: (To be held for one year) will be awarded for the best entry in the Competition.

SILAGE COMPETITION

Note: Entries for the County Competition are by nomination following the District Competition and are restricted to the first prize winner of each District. Any member wishing to enter the District Competition should contact their District Secretary.

JUDGES:

Maize: Mr C Malpass, Gnosall, Staffs

Grass, Bagged & Wrapped: Mr R Calcott, Wigginton, Tamworth

ENTRIES CLOSE: 19th January 2024 JUDGING COMMENCES: 24th January 2024

CLASS 29 For the best clamp of grass silage.

CLASS 30 For the best clamp of maize silage.

CLASS 31 For the best sample of bagged or wrapped silage.

The judge will assess the silage on inspection; however, an analysis should be available for his reference.

PRIZES

In each Class; First: £50 Second: £30 Third: £20

(A fourth prize of £10 will be awarded in any class with 6 or more entries.)

AWARDS

The Staffordshire Farmers Ltd. Silver Salver: (To be held for one year) will be awarded to the winner of Class 29.

The D. A. Stubbs Perpetual Challenge Trophy: (To be held for one year) will be awarded to the winner of Class 30

COUNTY NOVICE PLOUGHING CHAMPIONSHIPS

JUDGE: Mr T Williams, Acton Trussell, Staffordshire

Open to any competitor at a District Ploughing Match who has never won a first prize in any ploughing class at any ploughing match.

Any Competitor wishing to be judged for the Novice Championship must indicate on the entry form for the district ploughing match that he or she is eligible.

RULES:

1. Entry to the County Novice Championship will be via the relevant District Ploughing Match entry form and will be limited to reversible classes.
2. A novice is defined as someone who has never won a Class, including a Young Farmers Class or Novice Championship, at any ploughing match. However, winning a class in a Ploughing Match held after 1st September 2023 would not debar the competitor from entering the County Novice Championship.
3. Each District will identify the novices at their Ploughing Match that have entered the County Novice Championship: The County Judge will then award points to each of the competitors based on their finished work.
4. On completion of all the District Ploughing Matches the County Judge will rank all competitors based on the number of points he has awarded at the individual District Matches, prizes will be awarded to competitors ranked 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
5. A competitor may enter the County Novice Championship as many times as he or she wishes by entering more than one District Ploughing Match.
6. Competitors must live within the County of Staffordshire or within 10 miles of the County Boundary

PRIZES:

First Prize £100, Second Prize £50, Third Prize £25

AWARDS

The Burton District Perpetual Trophy: (To be held for one year) will be awarded to the First Prize winner in Competition.

Further information can be obtained from District Secretaries or by contacting the County Office on 01785 258060.

STAFFORDSHIRE



COUNTY SHOW

WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY & THURSDAY 1ST JUNE 2023

Trade Stand application forms available from

Trade stand Secretary - Mrs Holly Hobson

www.staffscountyshowground.co.uk

Tel: 01785 258060

email: holly@staffscountyshowground.co.uk

Closing date for applications – 30th April 2023

Livestock Schedules available from

Livestock Secretary - Mrs Sue Mellor

www.staffscountyshowground.co.uk

Tel: 01785 258060

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Closing date – 1st May 2023

Horse & Pony Schedule available from

Horse Secretary - Mrs Gilly Jones

www.staffscountyshowground.co.uk

Tel: 01283 712289

Cookery & Handicraft and Floral Art Schedule available from

www.staffscountyshowground.co.uk

Tel: 01785 258060

Closing date for entries 20th May 2023

Poultry Section Schedule available from

www.staffscountyshowground.co.uk

Tel: 01785 258060

Dog Show, Cavy, Rabbit and Farriery Schedules available from

www.staffscountyshowground.co.uk



Incorporating the Royal Smithfield Duke of Norfolk Competition

CEREALS COMPETITION

Prizes: 1st £15 2nd £10 3rd £5

Class 1 Winter Barley
Class 2 Spring Barley
Class 3 Milling Wheat
Class 4 Feed Wheat
Class 5 Oats

HAY/HAYLAGE COMPETITION

Prizes: 1st £15 2nd £10 3rd £5

Exhibitor of the Champion sample of hay will receive the Kyle James Memorial Trophy, presented by the friends of the late Mr Kyle James.

Class 1 Seeds Hay
Class 2 Meadow Hay
Class 3 Haylage

The above competitions are free to enter.

Entries are to be delivered to the Show and be in place for Judging by 10.30am on Saturday 18th November 2023.

Prize money is to be collected at the Show.

Any prize money not collected at the Show will be forfeit.

For further details or to request a schedule, please contact the Showground office,
Tel: 01785 258060

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STAFFORDSHIRE & BIRMINGHAM AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

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WHITEGROVE TROPHY COMPETITION 2023

Annual Farm Conservation Competition
Kindly sponsored by
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This competition is an opportunity to demonstrate how conservation has been integrated successfully into the farm business. Conservation will be taken to include fauna and flora, but consideration is also given to landscape and historical interests.

Entries are invited from all farmers and farm managers in Staffordshire, whether tenant or owners.

Small and Large, arable, livestock or forestry, all are given equal chance and are judged in their own context.

The winning entry will be presented with the Whitegrove Trophy and a prize of £200.

The closing date for competition entries is 31st August 2023.

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