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Schedule for Spring Vintage & Classic Ploughing Match

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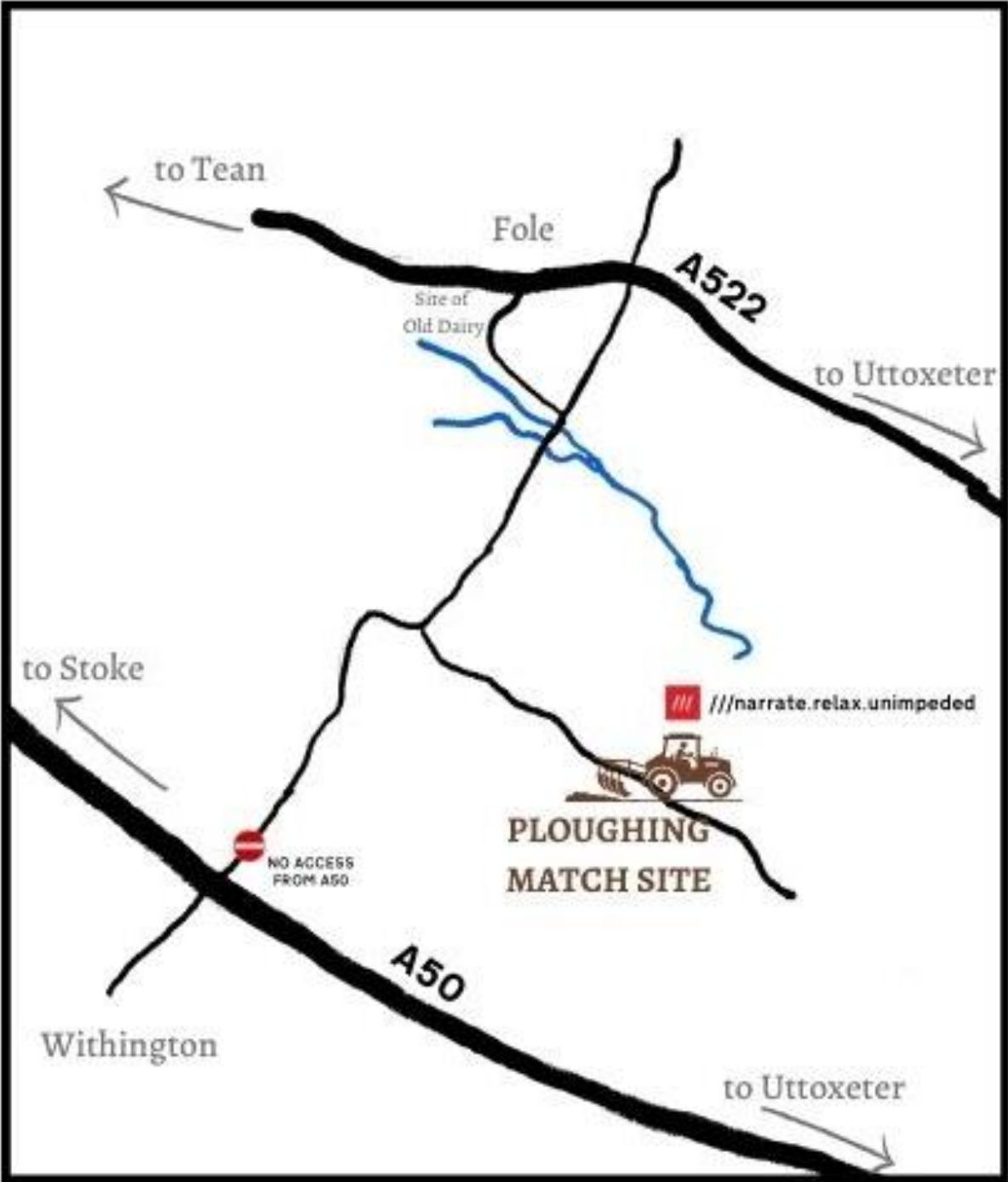
SATURDAY 16TH MARCH 2024

At 9.00am prompt

ENTRIES CLOSE ON FRIDAY 1ST MARCH 2024

PLOUGHING ENTRY FEE: £15.00

MAP OF SITE



TRACTOR PLOUGHING CONDITIONS

ENTRY FEE: £15.00

START 9AM PROMPT

1. Entries to be made in writing to the Ploughing Secretary, Mr D Rushton, The Olde Thatch, Stowe Lane, Stowe-by Chartley, Stafford, ST18 0NA by Friday 1st March 2024. Telephone entries are to be confirmed by a signed entry form for each competitor.
2. Any competitor having entered who is unable to attend, must telephone the Ploughing Secretary by 8.00am on the morning of the match at the latest.
3. All classes are open to any competitor but only one Class may be entered.
4. If any discrepancy arises with regard to the specification of the plough the Steward's decision will be final with regard to the Class in which a competitor may compete.
5. The area to be ploughed to be fixed by the Stewards.
6. **Handwork is NOT allowed. Rolling of the opening split is NOT allowed.** Any contravention will be brought to the attention of the judge.
7. A Dead Furrow may be used if required.
8. **Final Judging will commence at 2.00pm for all classes. Any competitor not completing their ploughing by this time will lose points.**

REVERSIBLE PLOUGHING CLASSES

1. **Competitors must plough a single opening split (turned towards the lower numbered plot). The opening split must be completed by 9.20am, when it will be judged. Competitors must wait until the Judge or Steward gives permission to continue ploughing.**
2. 2 and 4 furrow ploughs should plough 8 furrows,
3 furrow ploughs should plough 9 furrows,
5 furrow ploughs should plough 10 furrows,
On the lower number, before proceeding to the higher number and ploughing back to the first furrow.
3. ALL THE GROUND MUST BE PLOUGHED.
4. Competitors with a vacant plot adjacent should set their poles where they would join their neighbour whilst the opening Splits are being judged.
5. Depth of ploughing to be a minimum of 8" (200mm) achieved by the completion of the "start" and maintained until the final 2 runs.
6. Maximum depth 9".

CONVENTIONAL AND VINTAGE PLOUGHING CLASSES

1. **Competitors must plough a double opening split.**
2. The opening split must be completed by 9.20am, when it will be judged.
3. Competitors must wait until the Judge or Steward gives permission to continue ploughing.
4. After completing the "start" 11 or 12 furrows, competitors should proceed to the higher numbered plot and plough the ground to their own start. Competitors with a vacant plot adjacent should set their poles where they would join their neighbour whilst the opening splits are being judged.
5. Depth of ploughing for Conventional plough to be a minimum of 6" (150mm) and for Vintage 5" (125mm). This depth must be achieved by the completion of the "start" and maintained until the "finish", (the finish" is the last 8 furrows).

ALL RULES AS THE SOCIETY OF PLOUGHMEN

Please note the Fourth prize of £5 in each of the classes 1-6 will only be awarded if 6 or more competitors plough that individual class on the day.

1. **Classic Class**, Any Tractor & Plough of a model that was in production before 31st December 1976, with any type of one-way plough. *NB – Area qualifier class for the 2024 Championship.*
 For the Best Ploughing with a Classic Tractor & Plough £30.00
 For the Second Best ditto £20.00
 For the Third Best ditto £10.00
2. **Classic Tractor & Reversible Plough, of a model that was in production before 31st December 1976.** *NB – Area qualifier class for the 2024 Championship.*
 For the Best Ploughing..... £30.00
 For the Second Best ditto £20.00
 For the Third Best ditto £10.00
3. **Vintage Trailing Open Ploughing**, Open for Vintage Tractors & Trailing Ploughs. *NB – Area qualifier class for the 2024 Championship.*
 For the Best Ploughing with a Vintage Tractor & Trailing Plough £30.00
 For the Second Best ditto £20.00
 For the Third Best ditto £10.00
4. **Vintage Mounted Open Class** for any Vintage Tractor and Mounted Plough (any make). *NB – Area qualifier class for the 2024 Championship.*
 For the Best Ploughing with a Vintage Tractor & Mounted Plough £30.00
 For the Second Best ditto £20.00
 For the Third Best ditto £10.00
5. **Novice Vintage Tractor Ploughing** open to competitors who have not won a first prize in any Vintage Mounted & Trailed Class at a Utttoxeter District Match.
 For the Best Ploughing by a Novice Plougher £30.00
 For the Second Best ditto £20.00
 For the Third Best ditto £10.00
6. **“FERGIE”** Class for Fergusons TE20 Tractor and Ferguson Plough.
 For the Best Ploughing by a Ferguson Tractor & Plough..... £30.00
 For the Second Best ditto £20.00
 For the Third Best ditto £10.00
 Best turnout in class £25.00

Entries must be received by the closing date: Friday 1st March 2024

No Entries will be accepted after this date.

TRACTOR PLOUGHING

Affiliated to the National Society of Ploughmen Ltd.

Commencing at 9.00am prompt

Secretary:

Mr D Rushton

The Olde Thatch, Stowe Lane, Stone-by Chartley, Stafford, ST18 0NA

JUDGES' METHOD OF SCORING

CONVENTIONAL AND VINTAGE PLOUGHING

OPENING Well out, uniform and straight	20
START (11 or 12 furrows) (Only in Class 1) Uniform, level and straightness	20
SEED BED Weed control and soil available	20
FIRMNESS Uniform, level and straightness	20
UNIFORMITY Clearly defined uniform furrows, straightness and no paring of furrows	20
FINISH Uniform shallow and straightness	20
INS AND OUTS Neat, accurate and regular	20
STRAIGHTNESS Straightness of the whole plot	20
GENERAL APPEARANCE Workmanship and general appearance of the whole plot	20

FIXED PENALTY DEDUCTIONS

Two wheel marks	20 points penalty
Finish wrong way	20 points penalty
Depth infringement less than specified depth	20 points per cm
Rolling	20 points penalty
Incorrect number of furrows in the finish	20 points penalty
Failure to finish plot by finishing signal	10 point per minute or part minute over time
Abuse of officials or fellow competitors	20 points penalty
Failure to adhere to safety policy	Disqualification

NOTE:

Seedbed, firmness and uniformity cover the whole of the plot, i.e.. Start, furrows, butts and final 15 or 16 furrows.

Dates for your Diary

Ploughing Match

Saturday 14th September 2024

Annual Dinner & Prize Giving

Friday 20th September 2024

Ingestre Suite, County Showground, Stafford

Staffordshire & Birmingham Agricultural Society

UTTOXETER DISTRICT

TRACTOR PLOUGHING ENTRY FORM

Please return entry forms to the Secretaries only - **Entries definitely close on FRIDAY 1ST March 2024**

CLASS	Tick Class Entered	No of Furrows on Plough*
Class 1 - Classic Class		
Class 2 - Classic Reversible Plough		
Class 3 - Vintage – Trailing		
Class 4 – Vintage - Mounted		
Class 5 - Novice		
Class 6 - Fergie		

If you have already paid for the September 2023 Match and wish to use that payment to pay for this entry TICK HERE ☐

ENTRY FEE: £15.00 BACS details: Sort Code: 54-10-27 A/C No. 13267752

I enclose a cheque made payable to SBAS Uttoxeter District to the value of £..... In payment of fees detailed above.

I confirm I have Third Party Insurance and will provide proof if requested. I have read the Rules and Regulations of Ploughmen's Safety Policy and I undertake to observe and be bound by them.

Signed: Date:

Name:.....

Postal Address:.....

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.....Post Code:

Tel No: Email:.....

Make of Tractor & Plough:

PLEASE NOTE Entries will not be accepted unless this form is signed, dated and with a cheque attached.

Please return to the Ploughing Secretary Mr D Rushton, The Olde Thatch, Stowe Lane, Stowe-by-Chartley, Stafford, ST18 0NA