**Preston BBKA Honey Show Rules 2024**

JUDGING WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH BBKA SHOW RULES (2016)

UNLESS AMENDED BY THIS SCHEDULE.

**\*\*\*Please read the show rules carefully\*\*\***

* All exhibitors must be fully paid up members of Preston Beekeepers Association
* All exhibits must be produced by the exhibitor or a member of their immediate family.
* Exhibitors may make up to two entries in a class but shall not take more than one award in that class.
* Honey class entries of two jars must contain the same type of honey.
* Exhibits in Classes 17 & 18 must have been created in 2022 or 2023 and NOT have been submitted in previous PBKA shows.
* Class 21 - In the event of a tie break time, the neatest frame will win.
* If you have any doubt about the colour of your honey, please check prior to the staging on the day with the Show Secretary.

EVERY CARE WILL BE TAKEN OF EXHIBITS, BUT PRESTON BKA CANNOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE WHICH MAY ARISE.

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1. **Entries**

No exhibit may be entered in more than one class.

Exhibitors are permitted to make more than one entry in a class but shall not take more than one award in that class.

Joint owners are regarded as one exhibitor.

The preparation of all entries (except where otherwise stated) must be by the exhibitor.

Classes may be amalgamated or cancelled at the discretion of the Show Secretary.

The Show Secretary has the power to refuse any entry without giving a reason.

1. **Delivery, staging & collecting**

Exhibitors may only stage exhibits when permitted to do so by the Show Secretary.

All exhibits must be staged at the time stated on the schedule.

Exhibits may not be removed before the time stated on the schedule, or by the end of the show.

Competitors are responsible for the delivery and collection of their exhibits; this may be via a third party.

The containers of exhibits sent to the show must be easy to open and repack.

**3 Disqualifications**

An exhibit found to be adulterated shall be disqualified unless the class states otherwise.

All honey and wax must be the natural produce of bees owned by the exhibitor.

**4 Labels**

The labels supplied by the Show Secretary should not be altered in any way.

Except where otherwise stated, no label, trade mark or distinguishing mark may be placed on an exhibit.

**Labels shall be affixed**: Advice & Assistance provided on the day.

To jars and bottles as to leave approximately 2cms between the label and the base of the jar.

To honeycomb honey frames: at the top right hand corner of the front face of the frame case, and a duplicate one on the top of the frame within.

To cut comb containers: one on the lid and a duplicate label on the side of the container.

To wax, on the upper surface of the wax displayed, and if applicable a duplicate on the plate/board/container.

To cakes and confectionary: on a plain white card placed together with the exhibit in the plastic bag/container.

**5 Extracted Honey**

Extracted honey must be exhibited in clear 1lb (454g) squat jars with lacquered metal or white plastic commercial screw or twist off lids. All of British Standard pattern and matching except otherwise stated.

Colour will be judged in accordance with BBKA grading filters complying with BS 1656

Jars must contain the standard weight specified in the schedule.

**6 Cut Comb Honey**

Cut comb honey must be displayed in standard white or commercial container with a transparent lid.

**7 Mead and Metheglin**

Mead must be exhibited in clear colourless (or slightly green tinted) glass 75cl bottles of the new sauterne type (of round section with rounded but not fluted shoulders) without lettering or ornament of any kind.

Bottles with a punt, a shallow punt or with a flat bottom are equally acceptable.

The bottle must be stoppered by a cork with a white (or cream coloured) plastic flange and be easily removable by hand, not tied down or requiring mechanical aids to remove it. No foil or other wrapping round the stopper allowed.

The bottle must contain a minimum of 75cl of the specific mead type.

The exhibit must be made by the exhibitor by the process of fermentation only. No fortification by any method is allowed.

No alcohol, flavouring or colour matter may be added (other than the herbs of Metheglin).

**8 Cakes**

Cakes must be made by the exhibitor (or a member of their immediate family).

All cakes to be exhibited in clear unsealed plastic bags or under clear plastic containers and placed on a white paper plate or doily.

Exhibitors must conform to any schedule requirements which specify the recipe and/or the shape and size and baking time to be used.

Cakes may be cut in half by the judge. Recipe to be supplied for the judge where stated.

**9 Articles of Art, Craft & Photographs**

**ALL** articles must be made the exhibitor (or a member of their immediate family) and must have been made in 2023 or 2024.

Drawings and paintings must be made the exhibitor (or a member of their immediate family) according to the size in the schedule.

Photographic prints are to be A4 size and taken in 2023 or 2024.

**Entries previously shown at the PBKA honey show are not permitted.**

**10 Awards**

In the event of a tie for a cup or prize awarded on a points basis, the award shall be made to the exhibitor who has secured the most prizes, failing this, first and second prizes and so on. If there is still a tie, then more importance will be paid to the prizes gained in the most classes containing the most entries. This will be determined by the judge.

**11 Products from the hive**

Must be labelled e.g. Lip Balm.

Must be made by the exhibitor (or a member of their immediate family) must contain honey and/or wax. Ingredients to be listed. Items eligible for entry in other classes are not permitted i.e honey, candles, mead, cakes.

**12 Protests**

Any protests must be put in writing and lodged with the Show Secretary for any infringement of these rules of the show schedule.

All such protests must be accompanied by the sum of £10 to discourage trivial or mischievous protests.

 Should the protest be sustained or considered reasonable by the Show Secretary then this sum will be refunded.

**13 Decisions and Liabilities of the Show Secretary**

The decision of the Show Secretary on any matter whatsoever, under or in relation to the foregoing rules and the Show Schedule, or any protest or obligation in relation thereto, or any exhibit shall be final and conclusive.

The Show Secretary will not be responsible for the loss or damage sustained in any way by the exhibitors either to their property or that of another person.

**Have fun preparing & enjoy the show!**