

Show Date: Sunday 20th September 2025		Entry form deadline: Midnight Sunday 13th September 2026			Entries placed at show: Saturday 19th September 2-5, Sunday 20th September 08:30 to 09:44											
Class	Entry Form Description	Open or Member only class	How many entries	Number of Labels	Label position	Jar type	Lid type	Lid	Colour of Honey	Number of items per entry	Weight	Plastic bag to cover	Candle holders required?	Paper plate to be supplied by show	Bottle size / shape etc	Any other comments
<b>Honey and Hive Product Section</b>																
1	Class not in use															
2	OPEN: One 454g (1lb) jar of any type of honey that will be judged on aroma & flavour alone. The honey can be unfiltered. The jars to be wrapped (provided by the Honey Show Secretary).	Open	1	3	one on jar 10-15 mm up, one on lid, one on foil	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic		1						Foil to be provided, cover sides of jar only
3	Two matching 454g (1lb) jars of light clear honey	Members only	Max 3	2	Front of jar, 10-15mm up from bottom	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic	Light	2						
4	Two matching 454g (1lb) jars of medium clear honey.	Members only	Max 3	2	Front of jar, 10-15mm up from bottom	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic	Medium	2						
5	Two matching 454g (1lb) jars of dark clear honey.	Members only	Max 3	2	Front of jar, 10-15mm up from bottom	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic	Dark	2						
6	Two matching 454g (1lb) jars of creamed or soft set honey.	Members only	Max 3	2	Front of jar, 10-15mm up from bottom	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic	Light or medium colour	2						
7	Two matching 454 g (1lb) jars of naturally crystallised honey.	Members only	Max 3	2	Front of jar, 10-15mm up from bottom	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic		2						
8	Two 454g (1lb) jars of chunk honey. (Should contain approximately 50% capped comb (containing liquid honey).B10B15B11:B13B9:B13	Members only	Max 3	2	Front of jar, 10-15mm up from bottom	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic		2						
9	<b>*Novice*</b> class: Two matching 454g (1lb) jars of clear or creamed/crystallised honey. <b>*Novice</b> is an entrant who has never won a 1st place in any honey show	Members only	Max 3	2	Front of jar, 10-15mm up from bottom	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic		2						Novice = Someone who has never won 1st place at ANY honey show run under National Honey Show Rules
10	Six matching 454g (1lb) jars of honey (clear, naturally granulated, soft set or creamed). These <b>must</b> be labelled for sale with valid Best Before End Date/Lot Number as per 2015 Labelling regulations. The label design will <b>not</b> be included as a part of the overall placing.	Members only	Max 3	6	Front of jar, 10-15mm up from bottom	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic		6						
11	One piece of cut comb between 170g (6 oz) and 227g (8 oz) in weight. (Note: should be from a comb 'suitable for extraction')	Members only	Max 3	1	Bottom right hand side of lid					1	170 - 227g. Gross (so includes weight of container and lid)					Comb to be displayed in a transparent container with removable lid
12	One shallow frame of honey suitable for extraction. (Must be displayed in a transparent bee-proof case).	Members only	Max 3	2	One on frame, one on glass side, top right					1						Shallow bee proof frame holder, frame visible from both sides

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13	Three matching Beeswax blocks 28g each.	Members only	Max 3	3	One on underside of each piece					3	25 -30g	Optional		Yes but can use own plate (keep size to minimum)		Judge can allow +/- 10% weight variance, ensure your scales are calibrated. Mould can be any design, but the three items must match
14	One plainly moulded Beeswax block, minimum weight 226g.	Members only	Max 3	2	One on bottom of a piece of wax, other on plate					1	Minimum weight 226g.	Optional		Yes but can use own plate (keep size to minimum)		Judge can allow +/- 10% weight variance, ensure your scales are calibrated. Must be plainly moulded
15	Three matching dipped beeswax candles (displayed flat - one may be lit, at the judge's discretion).	Members only	Max 3	2	One on bottom of the piece of wax, other on plate					3		Optional	No. Display flat on paper plate	Yes but can use own plate (keep size to minimum)		HS Secretary to provide wooden block with Nails to securely hold candles whilst burning
16	Three matching moulded beeswax candles (displayed flat - one may be lit, at the judge's discretion).	Members only	Max 3	2	One on a candle, one on plate					3		Optional	No. Display flat on paper plate	Yes but can use own plate (keep size to minimum)		HS Secretary to provide wooden block with Nails to securely hold candles whilst burning
17	One bottle of Dry Mead	Members only	Max 3	1	Immediately below shoulder of bottle. Should include label stating Sweet or Dry					1					75cl. Clear Shouldered smooth Glass. Punted. No lettering or ornamentation. White or Black flanged cork. NO screw tops, flip top bottles	
18	One bottle of Sweet Mead	Members only	Max 3	1	Immediately below shoulder of bottle. Should include label stating Sweet or Dry					1					75cl. Clear Shouldered smooth Glass. Punted. No lettering or ornamentation. White or Black flanged cork. NO screw tops, flip top bottles	
19	One bottle of alcoholic drink based on honey – please provide details of other ingredients either on a label or accompanying card. To include Cyser, Melomel, Metheglin, Beer, Honey Wine, Pyment, Hippocras.	Members only	Max 3	1	Main label immediately below shoulder of bottle. Also include label showing type of drink (Cyser, Melomel etc) and Key ingredient(s)					1					75cl. Clear Shouldered smooth Glass. Punted. No lettering or ornamentation. White or Black flanged cork. NO screw tops, flip top bottles	Entrant can place label with ingredient underneath the bottle
<b>Craft and Honey Cookery Section</b>																
20	<b>OPEN:</b> Honey Cake – Made according to recipe on website.	Open	Max 3	1	One on plate					1				Show on paper plate (to be provided) or own plate. Plastic dome to cover will be provided		Made using recipe in Show Shedule
21	<b>OPEN:</b> Eight (8) Honey Sweets using honey as a main ingredient. Recipe must be displayed.	Open	Max 3	1	One on plate					8				Show on paper plate (to be provided) or own plate. Plastic dome to cover will be provided		Recipe Must be included
22	<b>OPEN:</b> Six biscuits (made using honey) – recipe to be displayed.	Open	Max 3	1	One on plate					6				Show on paper plate (to be provided) or own plate. Plastic dome to cover will be provided		Recipe Must be included
23	One jar of honey marmalade, recipe to be displayed. Any size of jar may be used. Commercially produced fruit pulp i.e. 'Ma Made' is not permitted to be used.	Members only	Max 3	1	One 10-15mm from base of jar	Any size	Any type	Any colour		1						Recipe Must be included
24	A Honey Label. A standard label of your own design, actual size, to fit on a standard 1lb jar or 12oz HEX or Round jar produced in any medium to comply with current UK regulations to be displayed either flat or on an empty honey jar. Must include appropriate Lot Number/Best Before date as if the honey were from the current season. Labels will be judged against the Honey Label regulations 2015 as interpreted by Bedfordshire Trading Standards.	Members only	Max 3	1	One on back or side of jar 10-15mm up from bottom	12 oz or 454g round or hexagon	Screw top or twist off	Gold metal or gold plastic		1						Entry label can be placed vertically if required

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25	Any Educational or Instructive Exhibit related to bees or beekeeping.	Members only	Max 3	1	One bottom right or near front of exhibit					1							
26	A display of Beeswax items. Candles are NOT allowed. Minimum 6 items. To be displayed in an area maximum size 30cm x 30cm.	Members only	Max 3	1	One bottom right or near front of exhibit					6 minimum						Maximum space 30cm x 30cm. No Candles allowed. Minimum of 6 items	
27	Craft Display Class: Three different items which utilise bee products and show the skill of the exhibitor. Each to be displayed with a brief description.	Members only	Max 3	1	One bottom right or near front of exhibit					3						N	
28	Craft Class: A practical item made or invented by the exhibitor directly related to bees, beekeeping, or bee products. To be displayed with a brief explanation.	Members only	Max 3	1	One bottom right or near front of exhibit					1							
29	<b>OPEN:</b> A Limerick about bees or beekeeping.	Open	Max 3	1	One bottom right or near front of exhibit					1						Handwritten or printed onto paper. Maximum size of entry A4. Can be decorated if desired, however the judging will be for the limerick alone.	
<b>Photographic and Microscopy Section. Printed copies only. Maximum size A4. Can be mounted or unmounted. A short explanation can be added on the back of the Photographs.</b>																	
30	Photographic Class: A photograph with the subject "In the Apiary".	Members only	Max 3	1	One on plastic wallet					1						Maximum size A4, mounted or unmounted, explanation can be on back if required. To be displayed in a clear plastic wallet (will be supplied), any over-sized frames/mounts will be disqualified	
31	Photographic class: A macro or close-up photograph of a honeybees showing at least two castes of honeybees (at least two of: queen, worker and drone).	Members only	Max 3	1	One on plastic wallet					1						Maximum size A4, mounted or unmounted, explanation can be on back if required. To be displayed in a clear plastic wallet (will be supplied), any over-sized frames/mounts will be disqualified	
32	Photographic Class: Black and white photograph of bees or beekeeping.	Members only	Max 3	1	One on plastic wallet					1						Maximum size A4, mounted or unmounted, explanation can be on back if required. To be displayed in a clear plastic wallet (will be supplied), any over-sized frames/mounts will be disqualified	
33	One photomicrograph or macro print (in colour or black and white) with the subject of honey bee anatomy or pollen grains (brief description to be provided on an accompanying card NOT on the actual photo)	Members only	Max 3	1	One on plastic wallet					1						Maximum size A4, mounted or unmounted, explanation can be on back if required. To be displayed in a clear plastic wallet (will be supplied), any over-sized frames/mounts will be disqualified	
34	One Microscope slide 3"x 1" subject bee anatomy or pollen grains (brief description on slide label).	Members only	Max 3	1	one on side of slide					1						Brief description on side label (See National Honey Show guidelines for labelling slides) <a href="https://honeyshow.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/National-Honey-Show-labelling-guidelines.pdf">https://honeyshow.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/National-Honey-Show-labelling-guidelines.pdf</a>	
<b>Junior/Student Section (Open to Beds BKA Student members – age to be stated)</b>																	
35	Three <b>Cupcakes</b> to be decorated with a bee themed design.	Members only	Max 3	1	One on plate					3		Optional		Yes but can use own plate (keep size to minimum)		Age appropriate help may be given ny an adult. Age of child must be stated on the label	
36	One 454g (1lb) <b>Jar of honey</b> – entrant to have helped with the bees, extraction and bottling	Members only	Max 3	1	On front of jar 10-15mm up from base	454g squat glass jar	screw on lid	lid gold metal or gold plastic	Light or medium colour	1							Age appropriate help may be given ny an adult. Age of child must be stated on the label

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37	A craft item with a bee, or beekeeping theme.	Members only	Max 3	1	One bottom right or near front of exhibit					1						Age appropriate help may be given by an adult. Age of child must be stated on the label
<b>School or Home-Schooled Junior Classes</b>																
<p><b>OPEN</b> to children attending full time education at schools or to groups or individuals being home-schooled). In order to assist the judges please state the year group, or age of the entrant(s), and how many children contributed to the entry. <b>Note:</b> These classes are aimed at classes of school children to all get involved and contribute to the activity, but are open to individual or groups of home-schooled children. Please provide a short explanation describing the subject matter and how the item was produced.</p>																
38	<b>OPEN:</b> School Class activity: Create a collage of drawings or pictures of bees and flowers created by the children. <b>Note:</b> This class is a for a group activity so please state how many children contributed and their age range.	Open	No limit	1	One bottom right or near front of exhibit											
39	<b>OPEN:</b> School Class activity: "Amazing things that I have learnt about bees." <b>Note:</b> This class is a for a group activity so please state how many children contributed and their age range.	Open	No limit	1	One bottom right or near front of exhibit											