

# North Somerset Agricultural Society

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# 175<sup>th</sup> Annual Ploughing Match Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**Commencing 10.00 am**

**Grove Farm, Brockley Way, Claverham, Bristol BS49 4PT**

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Schedule for Ploughing, Hedging, Roots, Hay,  
Silage, Straw, Grain and Field Crops

## **Programme for the day**

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|-----------------|---|
| 9.30 am         | Ploughing and hedging competitors to be on the field          |
| 10.00 am        | Classes 1-4 and 6-13 (ploughing) and 14-16 (hedging) commence |
| By 11.00 am     | Classes 17-47 (roots, etc) to have been staged                |
| 11.00 am        | Class 5 (ploughing) commences                                 |
| 2.00 pm         | Classes 5 and 15 finish                                       |
| 3.00 pm         | Ploughing and hedge-laying classes finish                     |
| 3.30 pm         | Blessing of the Plough  |
| 4.00 pm         | Produce Show prize-giving                                     |
| Followed by     | Ploughing Match prize-giving                                  |
| 4.30 pm onwards | Roots, etc, entries may be removed                            |

*(Timings may be subject to change at the discretion of the organisers)*

Bacon butties will be available from 8.00 am.  
Refreshments, licensed bar and BBQ will be available throughout the day. Please bring cash as no cash facilities available

## **The North Somerset Show 2019 Bank Holiday Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

**An agricultural spectacular with something for everyone!**

**Livestock & horse showing, show jumping, cavies, poultry, vintage tractors, dog agility, gun dog demonstrations, terrier racing, food & drink, llamas, alpacas, crafts and much much more.**

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# **TROPHIES**

## **Champion of Champions Trophy**

kindly presented by Mr Marshall Ford, will be awarded to the overall Champion from all classes on Match Day, to be held for the period between Matches

**Judge: Mr G Atwell**

2016 winner: Mr C Clutterbuck

## **Champion Ploughman Trophy**

kindly presented by Mr Mervyn Vowles, will be awarded to the overall Champion Ploughman

to be held for the period between Matches.

2016 winner: Mr J Lander

## **The R E Hill Trophy**

kindly presented by Mr Roy Hill, will be awarded to the competitor who ploughs the Best Ben of Ground in the "High Cut" section to be held for the period between matches and to be won three times before becoming the absolute property of the winner

2016 winner: Mr R Irving

## **The Percy Jackson Perpetual Memorial Trophy**

kindly presented by Mrs Eileen Jackson, will be awarded to the competitor who ploughs the Best Ben of Ground in the Semi-Digger section

2016 winner: Mr J Lander

## **The Edsons Perpetual Challenge Trophy**

kindly presented by the Ball family, will be awarded to the competitor who ploughs the Best Ben of Ground in the 4-Furrow Tractor Ploughing section

## **The Whitehead Perpetual Challenge Trophy**

kindly presented by the Whitehead family, will be awarded to the competitor who ploughs the Best Ben of Ground in the Reversible Ploughing section

2016 winner: Mr S J Bendall

## **The Bill Perry Perpetual Trophy**

kindly presented by Mr Dave Perry, will be awarded to the competitor who ploughs the Best Ben of Ground in the Open Vintage Tractor Ploughing (max 43" mouldboards) section

2016 winner: Mr A J Walker

## **The M Haberfield Vintage Hydraulic Perpetual Trophy**

kindly presented by Mr Mike Haberfield will be awarded to the competitor who ploughs the Best Ben of Ground in the Open Vintage Hydraulic Tractor Ploughing section

2016 winner: Mr M Franklin

### **The Gerald Harris Horticultural Perpetual Trophy**

kindly presented by Mr Gerald Harris will be awarded to the competitor who ploughs the Best Ben of Ground in the Open Horticultural Ploughing section

### **Vintage Turnout Perpetual Trophy**

2016 winner: Mr B Weaver

### **The North Somerset Hedging Cup**

kindly presented by Mr C Young, will be awarded to the competitor making the best hedge in classes 13 and 14 to be held for the period between Matches

2016 winner: Mr C Clutterbuck

### **The Mike Ball Perpetual Challenge Cup**

kindly presented by the Ball family, will be awarded to the best exhibit in the Specimen Roots section, to be held for the period between Matches

2017 winner: Mr R Simmons

### **The Champion Grain Cup**

kindly presented by the late Mr A C V Telling, will be awarded for the best exhibit in the Grain classes, to be held for the period between Matches

2016 winner: Mr C Wyatt

### **The George Vauden Cup**

kindly presented by the late Mr George Vauden, will be awarded for the most points gained in the Specimen Roots, Hay, Silage, Straw and Grain sections

to be held for the period between Matches

2017 winner: F. E. Smith & Son

### **The Harvey Trophy**

kindly presented by the Yatton Fatstock Committee, will be awarded for the most points gained in the Field Crops section, to be held for the period between Matches.

2017 winner: Mr L Lavington

### **The Dennis Watts Memorial Trophy**

kindly presented by Mrs Mary Watts, will be awarded to the winner of class 48: 3 acres of Forage Maize, to be held for the period between Matches.

2017 winner: Mr R Simmons

### **The North Somerset Perpetual Cup**

For the best turned out Horticultural Outfit. This Cup was kindly donated by Mr M Goodwin.

## PLOUGHING MATCH RULES

- 1 Competitors requiring a tractor must make their own arrangements.
- 2 All entry fees to be paid at time of entry.
- 3 **All competitors must have Public Liability Insurance Cover, a copy of which MUST BE ENCLOSED with the entry form. All competitors must have a current driving licence.**
- 4 Entries for classes 1-47 close on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2018. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** This rule will be adhered to. Entries for classes 48-55 close on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2018.
- 5 All ages as at date of Match.
- 6 All classes are open to all comers (**except class 4**), ie, Society members and non-Society members.
- 7 Plot numbers will be drawn prior to the Match.
- 8 All competitors to be on the field by 9.30 am, to commence at 10.00 am and to finish at 3.00 pm.
- 9 Anyone driving on the site must hold a current driving licence.
- 10 **If pegs are not put at each end of the crown, then the plot will not be judged.**
- 11 Prizes in all sections will only be awarded if work is completed.
- 12 All trophies must be signed for and returned clean, in good condition and in time for presentation at the following year's Match.
- 13 Objections must be made in writing within one hour of the incident accompanied by a deposit of £10.00 which is returnable if the objection is sustained.
- 14 All competitors take part at their own risk. The organisers do not hold themselves responsible for any injury, loss or damage which may occur to any competitor, spectator, horse, machinery or equipment.
- 15 Where two competitors achieve the same overall results, the relevant cup will be shared between them both, with each

# RULES FOR PLOUGHING

## 1 Ploughs

- (a) Tractor ploughs to be fitted with skimmers (except class 1).
- (b) Tailpieces are allowed.
- (c) Plough bodies must be in a "ploughing" position at all times.
- (d) In multi-furrow classes all bodies must be used when finishing.

## 2 Time Allowed

- (a) 20 minutes for opening.
- (b) 40 minutes for opening to be judged.
- (c) 15 minutes' extra time for any cast-off done after the ploughing has commenced.
- (d) At the finishing signal, a ploughman can complete the run without stopping.
- (e) **Penalty for failing to finish in time: disqualification.**

## 3 Opening

- (a) Conventional ploughing: double opening - no land shall be left unturned.
- (b) Reversible ploughing: single furrow opening (one-way only).
- (c) Horse ploughing and high cut: at the discretion of the ploughman.

## 4 Crown

- (a) Tractor ploughing: crown to consist of 11 or 12 furrows.
- (b) Horse ploughing: crown to consist of 8 furrows.
- (c) Competitors to cast towards the next highest numbered plot.

## 5 Finish

- (a) Tractor ploughing: finish to consist of last 8 furrows.
- (b) Horse ploughing: finish to consist of last 8 furrows.
- (c) Last furrow to be ploughed towards the competitor's own crown.

## 6 Depth

Depth to be reached on completion of crown and adhered to until commencing the finish.

- (a) For all ploughing: **To be 6" on match day**

## 7 Vintage Ploughing

- (a) Plough bodies must be the correct ones for the plough.
- (b) Skimmers and tailpieces optional.
- (c) All crowns to be opened.

## 8 Horse Ploughing

- (a) Competitors can use one or two horses at the finish.
- (b) Leading of horses by one assistant is permitted.
- (c) Horses must not be left unattended.

## 9 **General**

- (a) Rolling without a plough in work is not allowed.
- (b) Twin tractor wheels are not allowed.
- (c) Three sifting poles only. Assistance to set and remove is allowed.
- (d) **No other assistance is allowed.**
- (e) Handling, treading or shaping of scratches or furrows is not allowed. (Class I and horse ploughing: scratches only may be handled).
- (f) Only one wheelmark allowed at the finish in tractor ploughing.
- (g) **Any infringement of the rules giving rise to a warning will result in 10 points being deducted.**

## 10 **Final Decision**

Any questions arising and not provided in these rules shall be decided by the Ploughing Standing Committee whose decision shall be final and binding.

# PLOUGHING

**Entries close:** 29<sup>th</sup> August 2018. No late entries will be accepted

**Entry fee:** £6.00 per entry

**Prizes:** £30, £20, £10 (If more than 8 entries in a class, a 4<sup>th</sup> prize of £10 will be awarded)

**Special Prizes:** No additional entry fee.

Competitors must indicate on the entry form the Special Prizes for which they are eligible.

All Special Prizes are restricted to competitors who reside in the North Somerset Agricultural Society's area.

- (i) Special Prize for the Best Competitor under 21 years of age in any ploughing class. Presented by **R Tincknell & Son Ltd**
- (ii) Special Prize for the Best Work done by a Ford or Fordson tractor. Presented by **T H White (Frome) Ltd**
- (iii) Special Prize for the Best Work done by a Case International tractor. Presented by **T H White (Frome) Ltd**
- (iv) Special Prize for the Best Commercial Ploughing done by a Kverenland Plough. Presented by **Read Agri**

**Ploughing Judges:** Mr D Stevens, Mr P Cary, Mr N Norman  
Mr L Clothier, Mr K Hasell, Mr P Keen

## "HIGH CUT"

### 1 OPEN, TRACTOR PLOUGHING

*Sponsored by: **R E Hill & Son***

## HORSE PLOUGHING

### 2 OPEN, HORSE PLOUGHING

- (i) For the best work done
- (ii) For the best turnout
- (iii) For best decorated pair

To be eligible the team must have completed ploughing in a workman like manner.

**Turnout and Decorated Pair Judges** (ii and iii): Mrs V Thorne & Mrs L Driver

**Prizes** (i): £30, £20, £10 sponsored by: **Mr R Cook**

(ii): £15, £10, £5 sponsored by: **Lyehole Estates**

(iii): £15, £10, £5 sponsored by: **Mrs M Watts**

A rosette will be presented to everyone exhibiting on the day.

£25 will be given to all competitors who finish their work in a workmanlike manner.

**Travelling expenses will be paid:**

*up to 20 mile radius of site: £15; 20-50 miles of site: £30; over 50 miles: £40.*



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## SEMI-DIGGER PLOUGHING

Minimum width of furrow: 12"

- 3 OPEN, TRACTOR PLOUGHING  
*Sponsored by: **W J Pearce & Sons***
- 4 LOCAL, TRACTOR PLOUGHING, 4 OR MORE FURROW PLOUGH
- 5 OPEN, BEST PLOUGHING BY ANY MAKE OF 3 OR MORE FURROW REVERSIBLE PLOUGH  
*Sponsored by: **Herbert and Brand, agents for NFU Mutual, Wroughton***  
National Rules will apply and in particular no marking sticks to be used after ploughing has commenced.  
Failure to adhere to this will mean the plot may not be judged.  
Number of furrows to be stated on the entry form.  
Start: 11.00 am - Finish: 2.00 pm.

## VINTAGE PLOUGHING

**Vintage Turnout Judge** (classes 6-10): Mr A Sparkes

**Turnout Prizes:** £15, £10, £5

- 6 OPEN, VINTAGE TRACTOR PLOUGHING  
For the best work done (mouldboards not to exceed 39")  
*Sponsored by: **Roger and Andrew Triggol, Vintage Car Hire***
- 7 OPEN, VINTAGE TRACTOR PLOUGHING  
For the best work done (mouldboards not to exceed 43")
- 8 OPEN, VINTAGE HYDRAULIC PLOUGHS  
Tractor and plough to be pre-December 1959  
*Sponsored by: **Tom James***
- 9 OPEN, VINTAGE TRACTOR PLOUGHING  
Grey Ferguson Tractor and matching plough.  
*Sponsored by: **Richard Withers***

- 10 OPEN, HORTICULTURAL TRACTOR  
For the best work done with a single plough  
*Sponsored by: Cleeve Nursery*

## CLASSIC PLOUGHING

- 11 OPEN  
*Sponsored by: S J H Butler, Agricultural Contractor*  
For the best work done using a tractor produced prior to Q-cab regulations (approx 1976) and mounted plough in production before 31<sup>st</sup> December 1976, but excluding Fiskars, Kvernland Hydren and Super Hydren or Ramsomes/Bonnings. YCN, UCN and SCN bodies not allowed.

## NOVICE PLOUGHING

- 12 OPEN  
*Sponsored by: North Somerset Vintage Tractor and Engine Club*  
For competitors who have never won a ploughing prize before.  
Competitors to use conventional ploughs with not more than 3 furrows.  
Assistance will be allowed.

## SPEED PLOUGHING

**Speed Ploughing Judges:** Mr J Alvis & Mr R Withers

- 13 OPEN, SPEED PLOUGHING  
For the best work done: 75 points for quality of ploughing, 25 points for speed.  
All ground must be ploughed.  
Maximum width of furrow: 16".  
Number of furrows to be stated on the entry form.  
Mark out: 2.15pm, plough: 3.15pm.  
**Entries for the Speed Ploughing will be taken on the day only and will only take place if there is enough space.**

North Somerset Agricultural Society

 **Harvest Supper** 

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October

Mendip Spring Golf Course

£20.00 per person

7.30 pm for 8.00 pm

For tickets telephone 08456-342464

Tickets also available at the Ploughing Match

**Ploughing Match Raffle**

**Don't forget to enter the raffle on the day, there are lots of great prizes to be won!**

**All proceeds go to the North Somerset Agricultural Society. Charity No  
1007694**

# HEDGING

**Entries close:** 29<sup>th</sup> August. No late entries will be accepted

**Entry fee:** No entry fee

**Prizes:** £30, £20, £15

**Special Prize:** £10 for the Best Competitor under 21 years of age in classes 13 and 14. No additional entry fee.

Competitors must indicate on the entry form that they are eligible for the Special Prize. Special Prize is restricted to competitors who reside in the North Somerset Agricultural Society's area.

- (i) Competitors in classes 14 and 15 to commence work at 10.00 am and finish at 3.00 pm.
- (ii) Chainsaws may be used at competitor's own risk.
- (iii) Protective clothing **MUST** be worn.
- (iv) Other rules to be given out on the Field.
- (v) Plot numbers will be drawn prior to the Match.
- (vi) All hedgers failing to obtain a prize will receive the sum of £10.00 when they have completed their work to the satisfaction of the judges. (Money to be collected from the Secretary).
- (vii) The Committee reserves the right to cancel classes if insufficient entries are received.

**Judges** (classes 14-15): Mr M Ford, Mr A Bartlett

*Sponsored By: **Alvis Bros***

14 OPEN

To the person who shall best cut and lay the given quantity of hedge

15 OPEN

To the person not having won this class on one previous occasion, who shall best cut and lay the given quantity of hedge

## MECHANICAL HEDGE TRIMMING

**Entries close:** 29<sup>th</sup> August. No late entries will be accepted

**Entry fee:** £6.00 per entry

**Judge** (class 16): Mr N Green

*Sponsored By: **Mr A Hillman***

16 OPEN

# **SPECIMEN ROOTS**

(To be grown by exhibitor)

**Entries close:** 29<sup>th</sup> August. No late entries will be accepted

**Entry fee:** £1.50 per entry

**Prizes:** £5, £3, £2

- (i) All Roots and Kale to be shown fresh pulled, washed and trimmed.
- (ii) Exhibits be staged by 11.00 am and not to be removed before 4.00 pm.
- (iii) Separate specimens must be shown in each class.
- (iv) No exhibitor may make more than 2 entries per class in classes 17-32.
- (v) Classes 17, 18, 25 and 26 will be split if more than 3 entries are forwarded on the day.
- (vi) Classes 17-32 are open to all comers.

**Judges** (classes 17-33): Mr D Vile & Mr C Ogborne

*Sponsored by **H W C & J M Butler** and **F E Smith & Son***

- 17 6 specimens of MANGOLDS **or** FODDER BEET
- 18 6 specimens of SWEDE **or** TURNIPS
- 19 6 specimens of KALE
- 20 6 specimens of MAIZE
- 21 3 CABBAGE of any variety suitable for cattle feed
- 22 28lb POTATOES - WHITE (unwashed) } weights in classes 21
- 23 28lb POTATOES - COLOURED (unwashed) } and 22 may be  
checked
- 24 A COLLECTION OF SPECIMENS consisting of 4 specimens of any 3  
kinds, ie, roots, kale, cabbage, maize
- 25 HEAVIEST MANGOLD **or** FODDER BEET
- 26 HEAVIEST SWEDE **or** TURNIP
- 27 HEAVIEST CUT CABBAGE
- 28 HEAVIEST COLLECTION OF 6 MAIZE COBS
- 29 HEAVIEST COB OF FIELD MAIZE
- 30 A sample of LEY TURF, minimum 18" x 12"
- 31 A COLLECTION OF 5 DIFFERENT ANIMAL FEEDS for the winter  
feeding of stock harvested in 2017
- 32 Largest sunflower head

Champion exhibit from the Specimen Roots section is eligible for the  
Champion of Champions Trophy.

- 33 Tallest Sunflower, (open to School Children).  
To be judged by Mr M Dowling

## **HAY, SILAGE AND STRAW SAMPLES**

(To be grown by exhibitor)

**Entries close:** 29<sup>th</sup> August. No late entries will be accepted.

**Entry fee:** £1.50 per entry

**Prizes:** £5, £3, £2

- (i) All entries in classes 34-43 must have been made in 2017
- (ii) All exhibits to be staged by 11.00 am and not to be removed before 4.00pm.
- (iii) The judges are empowered to use their own discretion as to the definition of Seeds Hay.

**Judges** (classes 34-47): Mr D Vile & Mr C Ogborne

*Sponsored By: **Mr Roger Fear & Mr P Carnell***

- 34 A bale or sample of MEADOW HAY
- 35 A bale or sample of SEEDS HAY
- 36 A bale or sample of OAT STRAW
- 37 A bale or sample of BARLEY STRAW
- 38 A bale of or sample of WHEAT STRAW
- 39 Sample of WHOLE CROP SILAGE (14lb or over)
- 40 Sample of CLAMP SILAGE (14lb or over)
- 41 Sample of BIG BALE SILAGE (14lb or over)
- 42 Sample of BIG BALE HAY (14lb or over)
- 43 Sheaf of CORN (tied with straw bond)

# GRAIN SAMPLES

(To be grown by exhibitor)

**Entries close:** 29<sup>th</sup> August. No late entries will be accepted  
**Entry fee:** £1.50 per entry (one entry per exhibitor per class)  
**Prizes:** £5, £3, £2

- (i) All exhibits to be staged by 11.00 am and not to be removed before 4.00pm.
- (ii) Weights may be checked.
- (iii) Variety of grain to be stated on entry form and included with the sample on Match Day.

*Sponsored By: **Mr A Hillman***

- 44 28lb WHEAT harvested in 2018
- 45 28lb BARLEY harvested in 2018
- 46 28lb OATS harvested in 2018
- 47 28lb ANY OTHER COMBINABLE CROP not listed (linseed rape, peas, beans, etc) harvested in 2018

Champion exhibit from the Grain Samples section is eligible for the Champion of Champions Trophy



## FIELD CROP CLASSES

**Entries close:** 9<sup>th</sup> September (match day)  
**Entry fee:** £3 per entry (one entry per exhibitor per class)  
**Prizes:** £15, £10, £5

- (i) Classes 48-51 are open to members of the North Somerset Agricultural Society who reside in the Society's area.
- (ii) Classes will be judged in the week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018
- (iii) If insufficient entries in any class it may be dropped.

**Judges** (classes 48-51): Mr R Keel & Mr P Keel  
*Sponsored by Mr Mervyn Vowles*

- 48 2 acres (not less) of STUBBLE TURNIPS
- 49 3 acres of LEY sown in 2016 or 2017
- 50 3 acres of LEY sown prior to 2016
- 51 3 acres of FORAGE MAIZE

## WINTER FORAGE COMPETITION

- (i) Classes 52-55 are open to members of the North Somerset Agricultural Society who reside in the Society's area.
- (ii) The sponsors will arrange to collect and analyse the samples.
- (ii) The winners will be announced at the Society's AGM on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November

**Judges** (Classes 52-55): For Farmers  
*Sponsored by For Farmers*

- 52 WHOLE CROP SILAGE (not Maize)
- 53 CLAMP SILAGE
- 54 MAIZE SILAGE
- 55 BIG BALE SILAGE

## Somerset Ploughing Championship Association Matches 2018

### **Bridgwater**

Rhode, Bridgwater. Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September  
Sec: T Bird, 01278-671874, ted.bird@hotmail.co.uk

### **Frome**

Cranmore Estate, Dean, Near Shepton Mallet, BA4 4RY. Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September  
Sec: A. Pople, 07799-268601, andypople@hotmail.com

### **Mendip**

Stanton Wick Farm, Pensford BA5 3BR Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September  
Sec: J B King, 01275-332402, jimking@btinternet.com

### **Yeovil**

Hinton Farm, Mudford, Yeovil, Somerset Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September  
Sec: V Baker, 01935-826368, vincentbaker7@gmail.com

### **Crewkerne**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October  
Chair: P Hardwill, 01460-30517, pjhardwill@gmail.com

## Other Matches

### **Yesterday's Farming Show, South Somerset Agricultural Preservation Society**

Saturday & Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> August  
Dillington Park Estate, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 9DT  
Mr G Banks 07754 593545

### **North Somerset Vintage**

Friday, Saturday & Sunday  
14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> September  
Birches Farm, Cambridge Batch, Flax Bourton, BS48 3QS  
Sec: Mr B Ralfs 01275 853137  
secretary@nvtec-northsomerset.org

### **Welsh Ploughing Association**

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September - All Wales Ploughing Championships  
Crug Glas Farm, Croesgoch, St Davids, SA62 6XX  
Mrs A George on 01437 741719/07974 433881

### **68<sup>th</sup> British National Ploughing Championships**

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October  
Austrey, Atherstone, Warwickshire, CV9 3ED Ltd.  
Further information from the Society of Ploughmen on 01302 852469