

014RESULTS OF THE MENDIP PLOUGHING MATCH
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2026
ON LAND AT MARKSBURY, NR BATH, BS39 4NW
BY KIND PERMISSION OF A & G HARDWICK LTD

HORSE & HIGH CUT PLOUGHING ~ SPONSORED BY BROTHERS DRINKS CO LTD

Class 1 - Horse Ploughing

1st John Mattingley, Bagstone

Class 2 - High Cut

1st Peter Brock, Tickenham

VINTAGE CLASSES ~ SPONSORED TINCKNELLS FUELS AND COUNTRY STORE

Class 3 - For the best ben of land ploughed by any Competitor using a tractor

(in production before 31st December 1959) and trailing plough. Mould boards should not exceed 36"

1st George Jenkins, Cleeve

Class 4 - For the best ben of land ploughed by any Competitor using a tractor

(in production before 31st December 1959) and trailing plough. Mould boards should not exceed 43".

1st Andy Stacey, Somerton

2nd Colin Stacey, Street

Class 5 - For the best ben of land ploughed by any competitor using a tractor and mounted plough (plough and tractor to have been in production before 31st December 1959).

1st Steve Teague, St Austell

2nd David Franklin, Upton St Leonards

3rd Keith Stone, Salisbury

4th Martin Franklin, Upton St Leonards

FERGUSON CLASSES ~ SPONSORED BY CHEFFINS AUCTIONEERS

Class 6 - For the best ben of land ploughed by any competitor using a

Ferguson T20 Tractor and Ferguson Plough

22 David Bryant, Berkeley

24 John Dyer, Cannington

26 Geroge Greenslade, Bridgwater

28 Tony Wilkinson, Melksham

Class 7 - For the best ben of land ploughed by a competitor using

a Massey Ferguson 100 series Tractor and Ferguson, Massey Harris Ferguson or Massey Ferguson Plough

1st Martyn Brake, Frome

2nd Michael Taviner, West Harptree

3rd Martin Ford, Wookey

4th Charlie Reynolds, Wells

CLASSIC ~ SPONSORED BY R M PENNY

Class 8 - 'The Classic Class'

For the best ben of land ploughed by any competitor using a tractor produced prior to Q-cab regulations (approx. 1976) and mounted plough in production before 31st December 1976 but excluding Fiskars, Kvernlund Hydren and Super Hydren or Ransomes/Bonnings, YCN UCN & SEN bodies not allowed.

1st Steve Braithwaite, Cirencester

2nd Pete Ovens, Minehead

3rd Alfie Ovens, Stockley

4th Peter Stone, Kingsbridge

NOVICE CONVENTIONAL~ SPONSORED BY J W & T J PEARCE

Class 9 - Novice Conventional Ploughing – by a complete novice using any type of plough – restricted to competitors who have not won 1st prize in this section in any competition.

- 50 Gabriel Hardwick, Stanton Prior
- 52 Julian Bown, Farrington Gurney
- 54 Christopher Burt, West Harptree
- 56 Will Keel, Sandford

Class 10 - Open Conventional Ploughing 3 furrows or more

- 1st Mike Tizzard, Sherborne
- 2nd Mark Shutler, XChurch
- 3rd Tom Broad, Winford
- 4th Robert Price, Coleford

SEMI DIGGER ~ SPONSORED BY NFU MUTUAL STRATTON ON THE FOSSE

Class 11 - Semi Digger

- 1st Bill Tonkin, Crediton

NOVICE REVERSIBLE ~ SPONSORED BY ALVIS CONTRACTING

Class 12 - Novice Reversible -3 furrow or more - restricted to competitors who have not won 1st prize in this section in any competition.

- 1st Sam Phillips, Timsbury
- 2nd Robert Phillips, Coleford

OPEN REVERSIBLE ~ SPONSORED BY HUNT FOREST GROUP - GREEN ORE

Class 13 - Open Reversible Ploughing - 3 furrows or more

- 1st Martin Jennings, Bruton
- 2nd Mike Butler, Corsley
- 3rd George Gell, Winscombe
- 4th Les Gallop, Mells

Class 14 - Classic Reversible Ploughing
No entries

Class 15 - Horticultural Ploughing

- 1st Derek Hiscock, Warminster
- 2nd Chris Kearn, Taunton

HEDGING ~ SPONSORED BY YEO VALLEY FARMS

Class 16 - Champion Class

- 1st Paul Gulliford, Backwell
- 2nd Alex Bown, Binegar
- 3rd Brendan Halahan, Backwell

Class 17 - Open Hedging

- 1st Rob Sturmey, Honiton
- 2nd Samuel Jeddere-Fisher, Bristol
- 3rd George Brooks, Winscombe
- 4th Will Feay, Saltford

Class 18 - Novice Hedging – restricted to beginners, novices and non professionals.

- 1st Joe Keppie-Bray, Bath
- 2nd Hannah Carding, Bruton
- 3rd Jasmin Dennis, Leigh Woods

ROOTS

Class 21 - For the best Six Mangolds or Fodder Beet

- 1st Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip

Class 22 - For the best Six Swedes or Six Turnips

- 1st N F Clothier, Ston Easton
- 2nd Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip

Class 23 - For the best Three Brassicas

- 1st Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip
- 2nd N F Clothier, Ston Easton

Class 24 - For the best sample of 28lbs unwashed Potatoes - white

- 1st Stuart Tibbs, Paulton

Class 25 - For the best sample of 28lbs unwashed Potatoes - coloured

- 1st Stuart Tibbs, Paulton

Class 26 – For the best collection of specimen roots

- 1st Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip
- 2nd N F Clothier, Ston Easton

FORAGE ~ SPONSORED BY COOPER AND TANNER

Class 27 - Best Ley - comprising a Turf measuring 18" x 12"

- 1st W G Ogborne, Chew Stoke
- 2nd Sam Millard, Chew Magna
- 3rd N F Clothier, Ston Easton

Class 28 - Best Herbal Ley - comprising a Turf measuring 18" x 12"

- 1st Sam Millard, Chew Magna
- 2nd W G Ogborne, Chew Stoke
- 3rd P & S Mitchell, Dundry

Class 29 - For the best bale of Meadow Hay

- 1st M Bevan, Bitton
- 2nd Mike Read, Nempnett Thrubwell
- 3rd P & L Carnell, Barrow Gurney

Class 30 - For the best bale of Seeds Hay

- 1st M Bevan, Bitton
- 2nd P & L Carnell, Barrow Gurney
- 3rd W G Ogborne, Chew Stoke

Class 31 - For the best sample of Big Bale Hay (14lbs or over)

- 1st Mark Tibbs, Stanton Drew
- 2nd P & L Carnell, Barrow Gurney
- 3rd Sam Millard, Chew Magna

Class 32 – For the best sample of Haylage

- 1st IW Lane & Sons, Norton Malreward
- 2nd N F Clothier, Ston Easton
- 3rd W G Ogborne, Chew Stoke

Class 33 - Best sample of 10lbs of Grass Clamp Silage

- 1st Antony Bown, Haydon
- 2nd NS & WS Pollett, Hallatrow
- 3rd N F Clothier, Ston Easton

Class 34 - Best sample of 10lbs Whole Crop Silage

- 1st N F Clothier, Ston Easton
- 2nd NS & WS Pollett, Hallatrow
- 3rd Antony Bown, Haydon

Class 35 - Best sample of 10lbs of Big Bale Silage

- 1st W G Ogborne, Chew Stoke
- 2nd NS & WS Pollett, Hallatrow
- 3rd P & L Carnell, Barrow Gurney

Class 36 - Best collection of 4 items of Winter Forage

- 1st P & L Carnell, Barrow Gurney
- 2nd N F Clothier, Ston Easton
- 3rd Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip

GRAIN

Class 37- For the best sample (20lbs) WHEAT

- 1st Mark Tibbs, Stanton Drew
- 2nd Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip

Class 38 - For the best sample (20lbs) OATS

No entries

Class 39 - For the best sample (20lbs) BARLEY

- 1st P & S Mitchell, Dundry
- 2nd Mark Tibbs, Stanton Drew
- 3rd Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip

Class 40 - For the best sample (20lbs) OIL SEED RAPE

- 1st P & S Mitchell, Dundry
- 2nd Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip

Class 41 - Best sample of any other combinable crop harvested in 2026

- 1st P & S Mitchell, Dundry

Class 42 - Best 6 Stalks of Maize

- 1st Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip
- 2nd N F Clothier, Ston Easton
- 3rd NS & WS Pollett, Hallatrow

Class 43 - Six Heaviest Cobs of Maize (without leaves)

- 1st Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip
- 2nd Antony Bown, Haydon
- 3rd NS & WS Pollett, Hallatrow

Class 44 - For the best sample/bale of Barley Straw

- 1st Mark Tibbs, Stanton Drew
2nd P & S Mitchell, Dundry
3rd Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip

Class 45 – For the best sample/bale of Oat Straw

No entries

Class 46 – For the best sample/bale Wheat Straw

- 1st Julian Clothier, Chewton Mendip
2nd P & S Mitchell, Dundry

NOVELTY CLASSES

Class 47 - Heaviest Pumpkin

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| 1 st | George Searle, Blagdon | 245 lbs |
| 2 nd | David Bath, Ubley | 195 lbs |
| 3 rd | Winifred Tibbs, Stanton Drew | 180 lbs |

Class 48 -Tallest Sunflower

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| 1 st | Annie Sherborne, Chelwood | 4m 70 cms |
| 2 nd | Rachel Morgan, Compton Martin | 4m 30 cms |
| 3 rd | Simon Groves, Chelwood | 4m 18 cms |

Class 49 - Largest Sunflower head

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| 1 st | Enda Crook, Hallatrow | 43cms |
| 2 nd | Rachel Morgan, Compton Martin | 36cms |
| =3 rd | Simon Groves, Chelwood | |
| | Winifred Tibbs, Stanton Drew | 34cms |

SPECIAL AWARDS WINNERS 2026

A Perpetual Silver Challenge Cup to be awarded to the Champion of Champions presented by the Pearce Family of Barrow Gurney (originally presented by the children of the late Percy Roland Cripps to the Winford and Chew Stoke Ploughing Society) – PAUL GULLIFORD, BACKWELL

The Charles Ball Perpetual Challenge Cup for the Champion Ploughman – STEVE TEAGUE, ST AUSTELL

The Sir John Wills Perpetual Silver Challenge Cup for the best Ploughing (not including 'High Cut' work) – STEVE TEAGUE, ST AUSTELL

The Roy Hill Challenge Cup for the best Horse Ploughing Class 1 – JOHN MATTINGLEY, WOTTON UNDER EDGE

The Perpetual Heavy Horse Ornament kindly donated by the estate of the late Mrs Enid Chilcott and presented in memory of Dave Tinney, past Treasurer of the Society, to the winner of the best horse turnout -

The Fred Smith Perpetual Silver Challenge Cup for the best 'High Cut' Ploughing Class 2 – JOHN BROCK, TICKEHAM

The W King and Sons Challenge Cup for the best ploughing in Vintage Class 3 – GEORGE JENKINS, CLEEVE

The Ken Payne Perpetual Challenge Cup for the best ploughing in Vintage Class 4 – ANDY STACEY, SOMERTON

The Blagdon, Charterhouse and West Mendip Ploughing Society Hale Bros Challenge Cup for the best ploughing Class 5 (mounted plough) - STEVE TEAGUE, ST AUSTELL

The Blagdon, Charterhouse and West Mendip Ploughing Society Perpetual Challenge Cup for the best ploughing in the Vintage Tractor Classes 3,4 & 5 — STEVE TEAGUE, ST AUSTELL

The Kelston Sparkes Perpetual Trophy for the best turnout in the Vintage Classes 3,4 & 5 – KEITH STONE, SALISBURY

A Trophy for the best ploughing in the Ferguson T20 Class 6 – DAVID BRYANT, STONE

The Blagdon Charterhouse & West Mendip Ploughing Society Challenge Tankard for the best ploughing (Ferguson 35/65/100 series) Class 7 – MARTIN BRAKE, FROME

The Dick Groves Memorial Perpetual Trophy for the best ploughing in the Classic Class 8 – STEVE BRAITHWAITE, CIRENCESTER

A Perpetual Trophy in memory of John Gallop and Ken Tucker for the best Novice ploughing in Class 9 – GABRIEL HARDWICK, STANTON PRIOR

The Ken Osborne Memorial Perpetual Cup for the best Ploughing in Class 10 - MIKE TIZZARD, SHERBORNE

The Mike Brockway Memorial Perpetual Trophy for the best tractor in its original condition (not restored) in the novice or open conventional Classes 9 or 10 – TOM BROAD, WINFORD

The Blagdon Charterhouse & West Mendip Ploughing Society 1934 Perpetual Three Handled Cup from “an anonymous donor” for the best ploughing in Class 11 Semi Digger - BILL TONKIN, CREDITON

The Martin Hasell Memorial Perpetual Cup for the best Ploughing by in the Novice Reversible Class 12 – SAM PHILLIPS, TIMSBURY

The David Parker Perpetual Challenge Cup for the Champion in the Open Reversible Class 13 - MARTIN JENNINGS, BRUTON

The Keith Hasell Silver Perpetual Challenge Cup for Classic Reversible Ploughing – NOT AWARDED

The Perpetual Horticultural Shield for the best Horticultural Ploughing – DEREK HISCOCK, WARMINSTER

The Uphill Perpetual Shield for the best ploughing by a member of the Young Farmers Clubs – ALFIE OVENS, STOCKLEY

The Jim Stephens Challenge Cup for the best ploughing under 21 years - ALFIE OVENS, STOCKLEY

The Winford, Chew Stoke etc Ploughing Society Cup (Feb 26 1908) presented by the Iron Ore Co for the best ploughing by a local ploughman living within 10-mile radius of the ploughing match site, who achieves the highest marks - STEVEN JONES, STANTON DREW

The Penny (Plant Hire & Demolition Ltd.) Challenge Cup for the Champion Hedger - PAUL GULLIFORD

The Blagdon, Charterhouse and West Mendip 1934 Challenge Cup on wooden base for the best hedging in Class 17 – ROB STURMEY, HONITON

The Blagdon Charterhouse and West Mendip Ploughing Society - Sidney Hill Challenge Cup to the winner of Class 18 - Novice Hedge Laying – JOE KEPPIE-BRAY, BATH

The Percy Wear Trophy in memory of the late Frank Wear for the best hedging by a local person, living within a 15-mile radius of the site of the match - JOE KEPPIE-BRAY, BATH

The Molly Salvidge Silver Challenge Jug for the Best Lady Hedger - HANNAH CARDING, BRUTON

The Lionel Clothier Challenge Cup for the Champion Stone Waller – NOT AWARDED

The John Hayman Trophy for Stone Walling Class 20 – NOT AWARDED

The James Walker Perpetual Silver Challenge Cup for the Champion Roots -
JULIAN CLOTHIER, CHEWTON MENDIP

The Jim Stephens Challenge Cup for the most points in the Roots Classes -
JULIAN CLOTHIER, CHEWTON MENDIP

The Carters Tested Seeds Raynes Park 1925 trophy awarded the Champion Forage -
W G OGBORNE, CHEW STOKE

The Blagdon Horse Show Committee Perpetual Silver Challenge Cup for the
Champion Grain – P & S MITCHELL, DUNDRY

The Lever Feeds Perpetual Cup for the Exhibitor gaining the most point
in the Grain and Fodder Classes - JULIAN CLOTHIER, CHEWTON MENDIP