

RULES & CONDITIONS

Static Classes:

- 1. Classes A,B,C entries to be original & made wholly by the competing Smith & not previously entered at this Show in any format. Previously entered items are welcome but exhibited for display purposes only. It is advised, so to display in their full glory, that fixed items such as lighting, mirrors, sign brackets, gates etc. are displayed on custom made freestanding frames and boards.
- 2. All entries to be delivered to the Showground Marquee by 9am Sunday & remain on display until prize giving on Monday, entries removed (without permission) will result in disqualification from show and forfeiting class placing and money prizes.
- 3. Judging commences at 11am Sunday for classes A-C. Place Cards will be displayed 9am Monday.
- 4. Whilst every care will be taken of the exhibits during the time they are in the show ground, the committee cannot accept responsibility for any loss or damage, from whatever cause arising, the exhibits being entered at the sole risk of the competitors.

Live Forging Classes:

- 5. D, E & F Entries are accepted on the basis that the Competitor enters entirely at their own risk.
- 6. Competitors are required to report to Forge Steward **30 minutes**_before the starting time of their class and must be ready to commence work at the time notified.
- 7. Only officials and competitors for the class in progress will be allowed in the Forge area.
- 8. You are working in a public place, the committee respectfully request all competing Smiths to present themselves as fully clothed Professionals; shirts can be bought in the Marquee. Absolutely NO drinking of alcohol or eating whilst working at the Forges or in the Forge area.
- 9. PPE (personal protection equipment) must be in good condition and used whilst working at the Forges and in Forge area. **Safety Glasses must be worn when competing.**
- 10. All competitors need to provide their own hand tools (and in some classes their own materials, see class details). The committee will provide Forge, Fuel, Anvil and Vice. The committee cannot accept responsibility for any losses, damage or injury to competitors whilst on the showground.
- 11. Judging for classes D-F will take place on completion of the final round on Monday.

All Classes:

- 12. All entries must be received by 26th August 2023. Late entries may be allowed but at the discretion of Chief Steward.
- 13. The judge's decision is final.
- 14. All trophies are the property of the Organisers and must be returned ONE month prior to the show date.
- 15. Competitors of all classes must be available for the prize presentation on Monday 28th August 2023. Failure to do so may result in forfeiting any prize money or trophies.
- 16. Any competitor wishing to lodge an objection must do so in writing with a £25 deposit. The Committee will consider each objection and their decision shall be final.

PRIZES FOR ALL CLASSES (except Class F see schedule)

1st £40, 2nd£30, 3rd £20, Prize cards and rosettes to 6th place Class A - E prize money will be Cash.

Class F is winner takes all entry cash, Best Gate is £100 Cash, more details in schedule.

TROPHIES/Tankards AWARDED IN ALL CLASSES

The much coveted "JOHN DENTON MEMORIAL TROPHY" and £40 will be awarded to **THE WINNING STATIC ENTRY VOTED BY THE PUBLIC**

NATIONAL BLACKSMITHS COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE (NBCC) CHAMPION BLACKSMITH OF THE YEAR

The Edenbridge and Oxted Show is a nominated NBCC Show (one of nine held around the UK). Points awarded at this Show will contribute towards the NBCC Championship Blacksmith of the Year and Best Blacksmith of the Year.

Show Champion 10 points

Reserve Champion 4 points

The Edenbridge & Oxted Show

Blacksmith Competition Schedule 2023

All entries must be received by 26th August 2023

Judge for all classes - TBC

£5.00 entry for each class (see entry form for more detail)

Static classes:

- A TRADITIONAL (Any item embracing traditional blacksmith forging and construction techniques** design can be contemporary or traditional)
- B CONTEMPORARY (Any item made using innovative design and construction)
- C 'FARM' literally or literary or whatever!! Used on, Found on, Lives on..... as long as it is made from metal.... it counts! **Extra points if it has a tail or tale.** (Any method of construction.)

A one off **special Cash prize £100** is awarded to the **Best Gate in Show** (Chosen and presented by the Judge).

**The Edenbridge & Oxted Blacksmith Competitions encourages and promotes the hot forging of Iron, Steel and other metals. All of the static competition entries (except Class A) may use any method of construction, BUT should primarily be designed and made using hot forging techniques. Class A is strictly a 'by Hammer & Hand' class, thereby encouraging ONLY the use of traditional blacksmith hot forging techniques, design and construction. Gas, Plasma and Lazer cut profiles are permitted in Class A, but they must be worked as traditionally cut out profile.

Live forging classes:

- D LIVE FORGING COMPETITION (NBCC round)— To forge on the showground in 90 minutes 'A Shepherds Crook to pattern' a copy sample will be available during your first 10 minutes of competing then removed (you may take a picture on your phone). Materials and any specific tools supplied by organisers. No extra cleaning up time allowed. Winner is awarded the Tommy Tucker perpetual Rose Bowl Trophy and £100 2nd £50 3nd £25
- E LIVE PAIRS To forge on the showground in 45 minutes 'a length of fire welded chain made from 20mm round' judged upon number of links, uniformity and weld appearance. Its suggested this is a Smith and fireman competition, no striker needed?? Material supplied by organisers. No extra cleaning up time allowed. Winners are awarded the Burrows Lea Forge Pairs Forging Trophy and 2 x 1st £40, 2 x 2^{sd} £30, 2 x 3^{sd} £20. Not NBCC.
- F LIVE 30 MIN COMPETITION To forge on the showground in 30 minutes 'Any item' No extra cleaning up time allowed. No trophy for this class. Winner takes all prize money. Not NBCC.



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For more information:

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Download an entry form:

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