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PINNER & RUISLIP

BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION



*ANNUAL HONEY SHOW*

At

**Ruislip Bowls Club**

**Manor Farm, Bury Street**

**Ruislip HA4s 7SU**

**Saturday 11th October 2025**

**Judging from 10am**

**Presentation of Trophies at 3.30 pm**

**Judge**

***Sue Carter***

***Show being organised by Committee Members***

**Show Secretary**: Ben Wong

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The Pinner and Ruislip Beekeepers Association

Is a Registered Charity No. 290514

**VENUE & DIRECTIONS**

Ruislip Bowls Club

Manor Farm, Bury Street

Ruislip HA4 7SU

From Bury Street/High Street, turn into Eastcote Road and left again into the Car Park.

Walk ahead through the gate towards the Manor Farm complex

Straight ahead across the path is the Bowls Club. Go through the gate and up to the clubhouse



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Public Car Park for Bowls Club

**For details of Staging arrangements for exhibits, please see Regulation 13**

**Regulations 2025**

1. All honey and wax, except in classes 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 **MUST** be the produce of the exhibitor’s own bees.
2. All extracted honey must be exhibited in matching standard squat jars, closed with plain lacquered or white plastic screw or twist off lids and containing 454g (1lb) net. (No airspace visible between top of honey and bottom of lid).
3. Chunk Honey: Cut the largest possible piece of comb to fit in the jar. The comb must be the full height of the jar, or it will float upwards, leaving a gap underneath. The comb should stand upright. The glass magnifies the size of the comb and gives a great appearance. Use a light liquid honey, and use the same colour honey for the comb. No loose bits of beeswax cappings in the jar, and no pollen in the comb.
4. Combs for extraction must be shown in glazed cases. Label to be placed on top right of honey frame AND top right on front glass.
5. Mead must be shown in wine bottles of colourless glass, (or slightly green tinted), with plain or white flanged corks or stoppers. Mead made to your own recipe. Display recipe
6. Cakes must be baked in a round tin and should measure between 19 and 21.5 cms (7.5 and 8.5 inches) in diameter. Allow for shrinkage, measure your tin. No decoration.
7. Biscuits – display 7 biscuits, No decoration.
8. Novice Class – A novice is a person who has never won a 1st, 2nd or 3rd prize in any honey class at this Show.
9. Photographs should not be larger than 25.5 x 21 cms (10” x 8”) and *must be mounted on card, with title and number affixed to the mount*. Photographs entered in previous PRBKA Shows cannot be used.
10. Exhibitors may enter more than one exhibit in any one class, but will not receive more than one award in that class.
11. Entries can be made by email, post or a completed form left at the apiary and are to be received NO LATER than Friday 3rd October. Late entries will be accepted at the Committee’s discretion.
12. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the judge, whose decision will be final.
13. Exhibits must be staged on Friday evening 10th October between 19:30 and 21:00 or Saturday morning 11th October between 09:00 and 09:45. Members of the Committee will stage your exhibits for you if it is not possible to stage them yourself.
14. Judging will commence at 10am.
15. Every exhibit must have affixed to it the label supplied. No exhibit shall bear any other distinguishing mark or label until the conclusion of the judging. NB. Labels for entries will be pre-written and put into small envelopes with exhibitors name on, along with red dots for gift honey, if applicable. The envelopes will be on tables provided for exhibitors to prepare their exhibits.
16. **No exhibit can be removed without permission, which will normally be given at the end of all formal proceedings. Exhibits in classes 5 and 17 (if donated) are the property of the Association.**
17. All cosmetics must have been satisfactorily tested by use prior to the Show.
18. Points shall be awarded as follows; 1st = 6 points; 2nd. = 5 points; 3rd = 4 points; Very highly commended =3 points; Highly commended =2 points; Commended =1 point.

***CLASSES***

**Class No. Description**

1. Two jars of Light Honey 454g (1lb)\*

2. Two jars of Medium Honey 454g (1lb)\*

3. Two jars of Dark Honey 454g (1lb)\*

4. Two jars of Granulated Honey 454g (1lb)\*

5. Gift Honey (gifted to PRBKA). One jar of Liquid or Granulated Honey 454g (1lb)\*

6. One jar of Chunk Honey (See Reg. 3)

7. Novice Class – 2 jars Honey.\*

A Novice is a person who has never won a 1st, 2nd or 3rd prize in any honey class at this Show (Reg. 8)

8. One Comb for Extraction (brood or shallow)\*

Combs for extraction must be shown in glazed cases. Label to be placed on top right of honey frame AND top right on front glass (Reg. 4)

9. One cake of beeswax, natural colour, minimum 113g (4 oz)\*

10. One cake of Beeswax, natural colour, minimum 170g. (6 oz)\*

11. Five (5) 28g. (1oz) Blocks of Beeswax, natural colour\*

12. Three Dipped Beeswax Candles, natural colour – *one will be burned by the Judge\**

13. Three Beeswax Candles made by any other method than dipping, any colour.

*One will be burned by the Judge*

14. An Exhibit using mainly Beeswax

NB: Classes 13, 14. 15 and 16 do not have to be the produce of the exhibitors own bees

15. Bottle of Mead (sweet) *Mead must be shown in wine bottles of colourless glass (or slightly*

16. Bottle of Mead (dry) *green tinted), with plain or white flanged corks or stoppers – Reg. 5*

17. One Honey Cake made to recipe given in schedule (Reg. 6) –no decoration. Optional gift

18. Honey Shortbread Biscuits to recipe given in schedule

Display 7 biscuits – no decoration

19. Any item of Honey cookery (excluding Honey Cake and Honey Shortbread Biscuits)

Show recipe & method. Open to All

20. Short Story, limerick or poem (maximum 200 words) on any aspect of beekeeping

21. Bee related Art

22. Beekeeping – any aspect. One item made or produced by the exhibitor,relevant to beekeeping either by its uses or subject.

e.g. skeps, woodwork, instructive display, invention (must be an original idea), an exhibit showing the work of the bees. Include a clear description. Let us know in advance if your entry needs a lot of space, hanging up, or a special display. Excludes items covered by classes 14, 21 and 23.

23. Crafts: One item made by the exhibitor, or by being made using beehive produce, relevant to beekeeping either by its uses or subject.

e.g. Preserves, needlework, a sales display, beeswax polish, mobile, display of hive products (e.g. three types of honey in jars, a nice frame of honey and a good block of wax). Let us know in advance if your entry needs a lot of space, hanging up, or a special display. Excludes items covered by classes 14, 21 and 22. All cosmetics must have been satisfactorily tested by use prior to the Show. (See Reg. 17)

24. A colour or Black and White photograph relating to Bees or Beekeeping – See *Reg. 9*

*(Photographs entered in previous PRBKA Shows cannot be used)*

25. Under 11 years - Anything Goes – anything to do with Honeybees

26. From 12-16 years - Anything Goes – anything to do with Honeybees

*Encouraging Children*

Examples of suitable subjects for children include:

a model of a bee, any size or materials; a poster advertising honey; a mobile using beekeeping subjects; a story featuring bees or beekeeping; a model with a beekeeping connection; a model not necessarily of a beekeeping topic but made using beeswax among other materials; a beekeeping notebook; a flag or banner suitable for display at a honey show; a drawing; a poem; paper mâché Age should be written on each exhibit. A prize will be presented for first place in classes 25 and 26.

\*See Regulation 1

The classes numbered 13 – 26 are suitable for members who are non-beekeepers, as well as family members and others.

**NB:**

1. Our regulations differ slightly from the National Honey Show Regulations, so please check carefully, especially if you plan to enter exhibits into the National.
2. There is no entry fee, and there are no cash prizes.
3. There are no separate members classes.
4. Cups will be awarded in the normal way with two trophies (Ruislip Manor Cup and Silver Jug) for the PRBKA members with the most points.

*See below*

***PERPETUAL TROPHIES***

**The Corbell Bowl** for the most points gained in the wax classes

**The Frazer Cup** for the best Beeswax in the Show

**The Society C**up for the Best Mead in the Show

**The Meadow Cup** for the best Honey in the Show

**The Uxbridge Cup** for the best Comb for Extraction

**The Candlestick Trophy** for the best Candles in the Show

**The June Turpin Cup** for the best cookery item from Classes 17-19

**The Ruislip Manor Cup**

for the PRBKA member scoring most points in Classes 1-24

**The Swan Cup**

for a **non**-PRBKA member scoring the most points in Classes 1-24

**The Pinner Horticultural Cup**

for the most number of points in Classes 21-24

**The Silver Jug**

for the highest points in the Show scored by a PRBKA lady member

**The Novice Cup** – see regulation 8

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO READ THE REGULATIONS!**

**SIZES, INGREDIENTS, AND COLOURS MUST FOLLOW SPECIFICATIONS GIVEN EXACTLY, OTHERWISE YOUR EXHIBIT COULD BE DISQUALIFIED**

**Standard Recipes**

**Honey Cake**

**(No decoration)**

**Ingredients *200g (7oz) self-raising flour***

***175g (6oz) clear honey***

***150g (5oz) butter***

***110g (4oz) soft brown sugar***

***1 tablespoon of water***

***2 eggs***

**Method 1. *Combine honey, butter, sugar and water until fully mixed***

***2. Beat in eggs then flour***

***3. Pour into a greased, lined, round tin***

***4. Bake at 160 degrees C, ( 325 F), gas mark 3***

***for 50 to 60 minutes until firm.***

**Honey Shortbread Biscuits**

**(No decoration)**

**Ingredients *50g (2oz) clear honey***

***225g (8oz) butter***

***400g (14oz) plain flour***

***50g (2oz) caster sugar***

**Method *1. Cream butter and sugar***

1. ***Add honey***
2. ***Gradually add flour***
3. ***Knead and roll out to about ¼ inch thick***
4. ***Cut into shapes***
5. ***Prick with a fork***
6. ***Bake at 150 degrees C, 300 degrees F, gas mark 2 for about 25 minutes***

**PINNER & RUISLIP BEEKEEPERS’ ASSOCIATION**

**ANNUAL HONEY SHOW**

**Entry Form 2025**

Return To:

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Mr./Mrs./Ms/Miss \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Beekeeping Association PRBKA / None / Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

NOTES;

1. Entries no later than Friday 3rd October. See Regulation 11
2. Entries will not be acknowledged. Labels and entry cards will be issued at the time of staging
3. *STAGING TIMES (see Regulation 13)*

Friday 10th October between 19:30 and 21:00 or Saturday 11th October between 09:00 and 09:45. If you wish a member of the Committee to stage your exhibits for you, please let the Committee know. Please don’t leave it too late

1. Entries in Classes 13-26 may be made by the exhibitor or a member of the family
2. Entries in gift classes 5 and 17 are sold in aid of Association funds

Please complete and return as soon as possible. There are ***No entry fees.***

**Class Title No. of entries**

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| 1 | Light Honey |  |
| 2 | Medium Honey |  |
| 3 | Dark Honey |  |
| 4 | Granulated Honey |  |
| 5 | Gift Honey (donated to PRBKA) |  |
| 6 | Chunk Honey |  |
| 7 | Novice Honey |  |
| 8 | Comb for Extraction |  |
| 9 | Cake Wax 4oz |  |
| 10 | Cake Wax 6oz |  |
| 11 | Wax Blocks 5 x 1oz |  |
| 12 | Candles Dipped |  |
| 13 | Candles Other |  |
| 14 | Beeswax Exhibit |  |
| 15 | Mead Sweet |  |
| 16 | Mead Dry |  |
| 17 | Honey Cake - (Optional gift) |  |
| 18 | Honey Biscuits Display 7 |  |
| 19 | Any item Honey Cookery |  |
| 20 | Short story, limerick, poem |  |
| 21 | Bee Related Art |  |
| 22 | Beekeeping – Any aspect |  |
| 23 | Crafts |  |
| 24 | Photograph |  |
| 25 | Anything Goes – under 11 years |  |
| 26 | Anything Goes – 12-16 years |  |

Tick to donate to PRBKA

TOTAL NO. OF ENTRIES

We welcome all those interested in Bees and Beekeeping.

Informal meetings at our home Apiary

at Glovers Grove off Breakspear Road, Ruislip, HA4 7JT

Sundays 11am to 12.30pm

Our AGM will take place in January/February DateTBC

Annual Dinner Date TBC

***As a member you will have access to:***

Beginners’ Course

Basic Course

Lectures and training sessions

Our own Apiary

Our Own Newsletter

Use of the Association Library

Use of Extraction Room

Hire of Honey Processing Equipment

Purchase of equipment at discounted rates

A chance to compete in our own Honey Show

And at the National Honey Show

**Don’t forget….**

**The Asian Hornet will become a severe threat to our Honey Bees**

**Members should take the short training course to enable proper identification**

**And download the Asian Hornet Watch app**

**Alan Husbands will have a table set up at this Show to demonstrate how the hornet traps work and some will be available for members**

*The Committee of the Pinner & Ruislip Beekeepers Association would like to thank:*

* Ruislip Bowls Club for allowing us to stage our Honey Show in its Clubhouse.
* Our Judge for agreeing to judge our Honey Show
* Our Members for supporting this Show