# Mendip Ploughing Society

## 161st Year

## Schedule of Prizes

for the 150th Meeting
Wednesday 25th September 2019

Competitions start 10am.
Awards presented between 4pm and 5pm.

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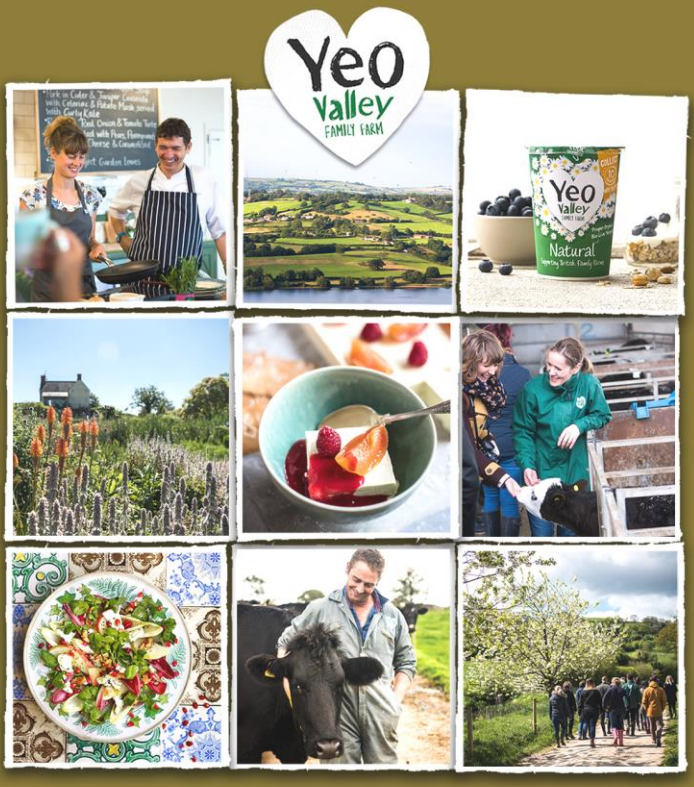


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**WEDNESDAY 25th SEPTEMBER 2019**

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**Awards presented between 4pm and 5pm.**

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**Rules and Conditions as printed in this Schedule.**

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**1858 - 2019**

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## GENERAL RULES AND INFORMATION

A Prize won by any Competitor or Exhibitor entered in the wrong class will be withheld.

The Committee will not accept liability for any injury, loss or damage that may be sustained by any competitor, spectator, livestock, machinery or equipment in connection with the Competitions or otherwise.

All Competitors must comply with Health and Safety Regulations.

All competitors in the ploughing competitions should be aged 16 or over and should hold a current driving licence.

All competitors should have Public Liability Insurance and have a copy of it available for inspection.

Entries may be made with Members of the Committee as set out in the previous page, but preferably should be sent to the Assistant Secretary Mrs Judith Ogborne, Chardith, Chilly Hill, Chew Stoke, Bristol. BS40 8UG before Friday 20th September 2019. Email: cjogborne@btinternet.com
Mobile - 07783709619

No person will be allowed to sell provisions or refreshments on the field unless he has obtained the consent of the Committee.

Any Competitor wishing to lodge an objection to any award shall do so in writing, stating his grounds of the objection within one hour of the award being made and shall at the time deposit the sum of £2 with the Secretary.

If the objection be unfounded the sum so deposited shall be added to the funds of the Society, but if the objection is upheld the sum shall be returned.

The Judge's decision shall be final.

All ages as at the date of the Match.

The Committee may at their discretion award prizes other than cash, but such prizes shall not be of less value than the amount stated in the Schedule and purchase of prizes in kind can generally be arranged at the request of the winner.

Additional prize money will be awarded in a ploughing class with large entries at the discretion of the Committee.

Prizes will be presented in cash on the day of the competitions as soon as the results are available. Prize winners who do not receive their awards in this way will be forwarded cheques by post within fourteen days after the Competitions.

Prize winners in the roots, forage, grain and novelty classes must collect their prize money from the treasurer on the day, small amounts will not be sent by cheques in the post.

A prize draw, tickets available on the day - winners will be announced just before the prize giving.

A "people carrier" will be available free of charge for spectators to view all the competitions. Assembly point near the marquee.

First aid point secretary's office in or near the marquee.

**WILL ALL INTENDING EXHIBITORS AND COMPETITORS USE THE ENTRY FORM AND** complete their **NAMES AND ADDRESSES** in full. **ALL FEES to be paid at the time of entry.**

Classes 3,4 & 5, Class 6 T20, Class 8 Classic are qualifiers for the National Ploughing Championships. Please tick box on our entry form if you wish to be judged in the qualifier at our match and also fill in Official 2019 National Vintage Area Finals Entry Form and return with your Mendip Entry Form and send to Assistant Secretary: Judith Ogborne, Chardith, Chilly Hill, Chew Stoke, Bristol, BS40 8UG

Mendip Ploughing Society respects your privacy and will only use competitor names and addresses to provide you with schedules/entry forms for their ploughing match.

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# ALL PLOUGHING ON GRASS – conventional split

GENERAL RULES FOR PLOUGHING
(separate rules for Horse Ploughing and Vintage Ploughing)

All Competitors to be on the field by 9.30am to commence work at 10.00am except those in classes 12 & 13 who commence at 12 noon.

Plot numbers will be allocated in strict rotation according to time of receipt of entry. Competitors are requested to assemble at the Secretary's tent at 9.30am when their plot numbers and tickets will be issued.

TIME ALLOWED –
5 hours - Classes 1 to 11, 14 & 15 commence at 10am & finish at 3pm
3 hours - Classes 12,13, commence at 12noon & finish at 3pm

Ploughs will start on time as indicated by the stewards. The stewards will give competitors a 5minute warning before ploughing ceases and then indicate the end of the ploughing after which all Competitors who are still working will be disqualified. THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

Remainder of rules as specified by The Society of Ploughmen.
(updated 12/2017)

Four ploughs are required to start in every class or one prize will be withheld. Four prizes will be awarded in any class with a large number of entries.

All Competitors to provide their own tractors.

Ploughmen must replace plot numbers in center of ridge after completion of start. Failure to do this may mean disqualification.

Competitors in Classes 9 & 10 must plough all their plot and will be penalised if any land is left unploughed.

All competitors should have Public Liability Insurance and have a copy available for inspection.

As the general public have access to the site all competitors' tractors should be insured under the Road Traffic Act.

All competitors in the ploughing competitions should be aged 16 or over and should hold a current driving license.

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**CLASS 1 HORSE PLOUGHING**
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FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15

An additional sum of £150 will be given to all Competitors finishing their plot in a workmanlike manner.

The Best Turnout: only open to those who finish their ploughing
Prize £25 - Judges: Ms M Bown and Mrs J Uphill

**CLASS 2 HIGH CUT**

High Cut - Width of furrow to be not less than 8" wide, depth to given out on the field.

FIRST PRIZE £50 SECOND PRIZE £30
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There will be a Special Prize for the best ben of High Cut work ploughed by a Competitor under 21 years of age at the day of the Match.

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**CLASS 3 VINTAGE TRAILER SHORT BOARD**
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".

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15 (if more than 6 entries)

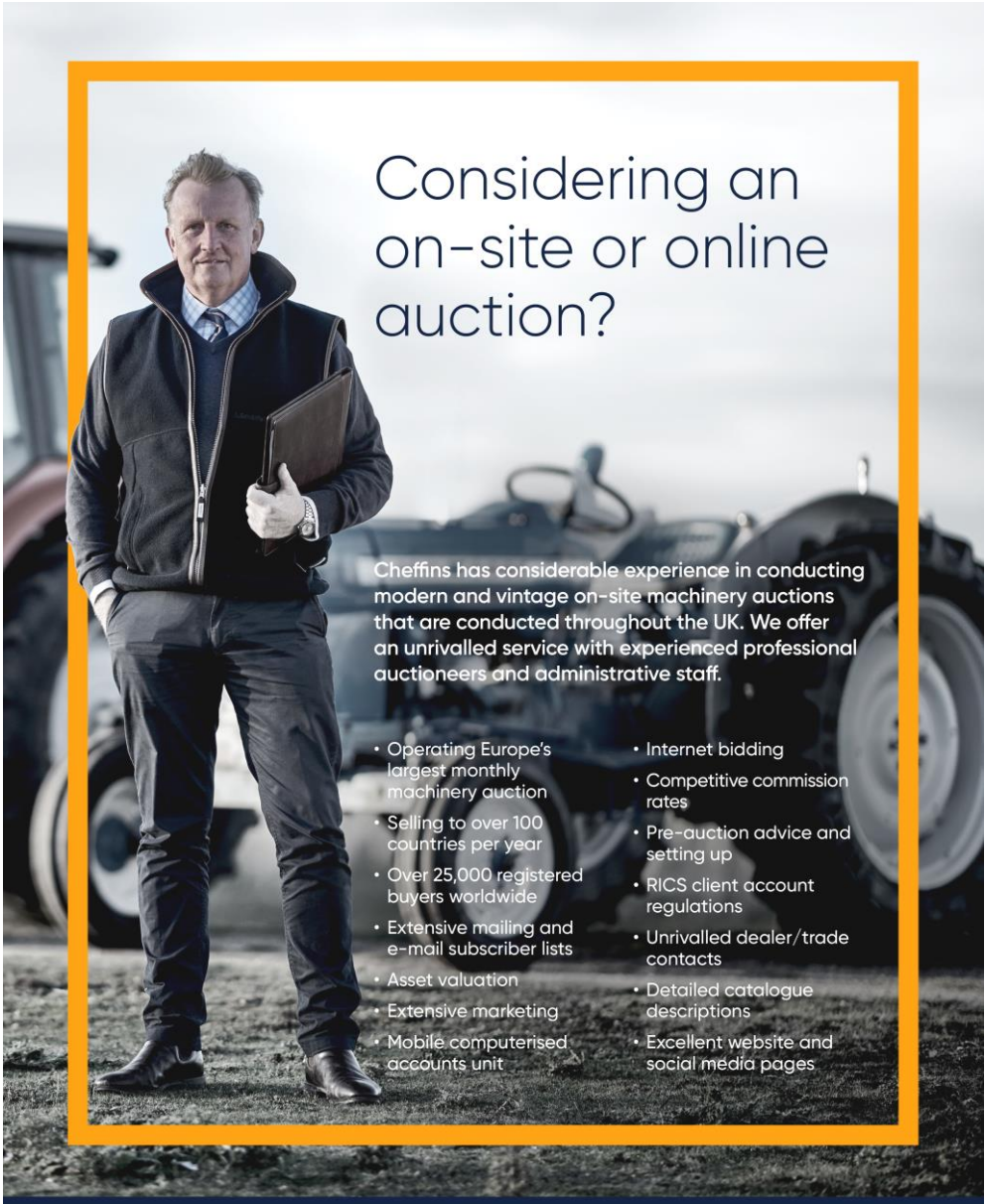
**CLASS 4 VINTAGE TRAILER LONG BOARD**
For the best ben of land ploughed by any Competitor using a tractor (in production before 31st December 1959) and trailing plough. Mould boards should not exceed 43".

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15 (if more than 6 entries)

**CLASS 5 VINTAGE HYDRAULIC MOUNTED**
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).

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15 (if more than 6 entries)

Special Prize for the best turnout of tractor and plough in classes 3, 4 & 5
Judges - Messrs P Tincknell and R Uphill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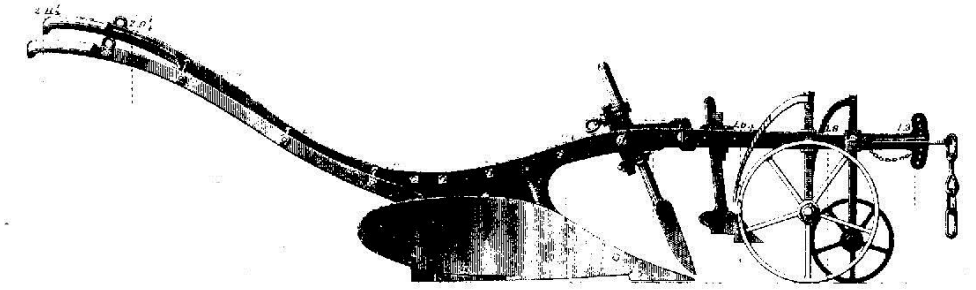
Flat or screw top link allowed.

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15

**CLASS 7 FERGUSON 100 SERIES 35/65/100**
For the best ben of land ploughed by any competitor using a Massey Ferguson 100 series tractor and Ferguson, Massey Harris Ferguson or Massey Ferguson plough.
Flat or screw top link allowed.

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15

Special Cash Prize for the best turnout in classes 6 and 7
Judges - Messrs P Tincknell and R Uphill



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**CLASS 8 CLASSIC**
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FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15

**CLASS 9 NOVICE CONVENTIONAL**
For the best ben of land ploughed by a complete **Novice** using any type of plough. Restricted to competitors who have not won 1st prize in this section in any competition. Competitors must specify number of furrows of plough on entry form so appropriate size of plot is given.
Entries to be approved by the committee.

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15

**CLASS 10 OPEN CONVENTIONAL - 3 furrows or more**
For the best ben of land ploughed. Competitors to state on entry form the number of furrows of their plough.

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15 (if more than 6 entries)
Special Prize for Young Farmers in this Class 1st £20 2nd £10

**CLASS 11 SEMI DIGGER**
For the best ben of land ploughed by any mounted "Semi Digger".
All attachments other than skim shares and bob chains barred. Furrow to be not less than 12" wide. Depth to be given out on the field. All grates must be opened up when ploughing on stubble to a minimum depth of 2".

FIRST PRIZE £50 SECOND PRIZE £30
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**CLASS 12 NOVICE REVERSIBLE - 3 furrows or more.**
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Competitors must specify number of furrows of plough on entry form so appropriate size of plot is given.

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15 (if more than 6 entries)

**CLASS 13 OPEN REVERSIBLE - 3 furrows or more**
For the best ben of land ploughed. Open/Reversible - 3 furrows or more
Rules as specified by The Society of Ploughmen

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15 (if more than 6 entries)

**CLASS 14 CLASSIC REVERSIBLE PLOUGHING (NEW CLASS)**
For the best ben of land ploughed.

FIRST PRIZE £45 SECOND PRIZE £25
THIRD PRIZE £20 FOURTH PRIZE £15

**CLASS 15 HORTICULTURAL PLOUGHING**

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**Rules for Hedging**

All Competitors to be on the field by 9.30am to commence work at 10.00am and complete their hedge laying by 3pm. Plot numbers will be allocated in strict rotation according to the time of receipt of entry.

Competitors are requested to assemble at the Secretary's Tent at 9.30am when their plot numbers and rules specifying height, width and length of hedge will be issued. Competitors are advised to provide their own stakes.

Any Competitor using a chain saw must use/wear protective clothing.

If a large entry is received in either class further prizes may be awarded.

All competitors who do not receive prize money but who complete their work in a workmanlike manner in the time specified will receive £20.

Hedging classes - Entry Fee £2

**CLASS 16**

Champion Class

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| FIRST PRIZE | £50 | SECOND PRIZE | £35 |
| THIRD PRIZE | £30 | FOURTH PRIZE | £25 |

**CLASS 17**

Open Hedging

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| FIRST PRIZE | £50 | SECOND PRIZE | £35 |
| THIRD PRIZE | £30 | FOURTH PRIZE | £25 |

The first prize winner to compete in the champion class the following year.

**CLASS 18**

Novice class - restricted to beginners, novices and non-professionals.

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**Rules for Stone Walling**

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Competitors are requested to assemble at the Secretary's tent at 9.30am when plot numbers and rules specifying height, width and length of wall will be issued.

If a large entry is received further prizes may be awarded.

All competitors who do not receive prize money but who complete their work in a workmanlike manner in the time specified will receive £20.

Stone Walling classes - Entry fee £2

**CLASS 19**
Open Stone Walling

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| FIRST PRIZE | £50 | SECOND PRIZE | £35 |
| THIRD PRIZE | £30 | FOURTH PRIZE | £25 |

**CLASS 20**
Restricted to novices, beginners and non-professionals

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# Pick of the

## A roll-call of champions in

*At the Mendip ploughing match are* (left) *Mr Frank Wear, the chairman, Captain D M Wills* (centre) *and Sir John Wills, the president.*

One hundred years of ploughing were celebrated when the Mendip Ploughing Society met on 15 October under the presidency of Sir John Wills. This hundredth meeting was held at Home Farm, Compton Martin, thanks to Mr R Sainsbury; additional land being provided by Mrs E M Tratt and Mr W Weeks. The match attracted entries from Surrey to the Devon/Cornwall borders and up into Breconshire. At an altitude of around 800ft the climate is notoriously fickle. This time the weather was ideal.

As I travelled by way of Burrington Combe, my first reminder of the proximity of the match was a set of outsize tyre tracks and then, halfway up the combe, a temporarily disabled Fowler ploughing engine on its way to give a demonstration of steam ploughing complete with its six-furrow balance plough. Two brothers, Messrs Ken and Robert Hobbs, are partners in this set of steam-ploughing tackle. The broken

*Mr William Fawcett* (left), *of Batheaston, talks to Mr G Hoskins, of Upton Noble, Shepton Mallet.*

*Judges and breeders:* From to left to right, *Mr C Burrough, of Halse, nr Taunton, Mr W Baker, of Wellington, former chairman of the British Ploughing Association, and Mr D Farley, of Milverton.*

*Britain's champion ploughman for the third time: Mr E J Walker, of Failand, Somerset, in action at the 100th Mendip ploughing match.*

# ploughmen on the Mendips

## the hundredth match, not forgetting the stone-wallers and hedgers

steam-gauge glass was rectified and both engines were soon in action.

Much nostalgia was evoked by the sight of the three teams of horses at work in the horse-ploughing class. The horse brasses tinkled gently as the teams moved across the field. This class was won by Mr T Pritchard, of Hereford, followed by Mr P Howe, of Wellington, and Mr B Radmoor, of Plymouth. Mr Radmoor was ploughing with a balance one-way plough which was once common in South Devon.

### High-cut work

Some well-filled tractor-ploughing classes catered for all from novices to champions and from two-furrow to four and up. Delighting the eye was the precision-like, high-cut work recalling the time when seed corn was broadcast on the furrow. It was from the high-cut section, with its symmetrical furrows, that the champion ploughman of the day was drawn. Mr E J Walker, of Failand, Somerset, took first prize in this section, thereby qualifying for the supreme championship. Mr Walker was also British national champion in 1954 and 1955.

The runner-up for the overall ploughing championship was Mr David Bonning, who won class 6 open for the best ben of land ploughed by any mounted or trailing semi-digger tractor plough. Mr Bonning comes from Yeovil. Second in this class was a Devon ploughman, Mr D Westcott, from Tiverton, and third place in the championship went to Mr R J Bulled, of Crediton, first in the whole work section class 4 open. The prize for the best ben of land ploughed by a competitor under 21 went to Mr M G Hedger, of Yeovil.

### A lady competitor

Stone-walling and hedging were manual skills which attracted both entries and interest. With many miles of stone walls on top of Mendip it is appropriate that entries should be attracted from such an area. Competitors had to demolish and rebuild a given length of dry-stone wall. Included in the six entries of this class was one lady competitor, Miss C Small. First prize went to Mr R Payne, of Priddy.

The hedging was described as being difficult to make and difficult to judge by Messrs J Franks, of Churchill, and E Weaver, of Frampton Cotterell. In the champion class, first prize went to Mr I Smart, of Blagdon, and second to Mr G W Horler, of Chew Stoke. In the over-21 class for hedging, Mr H Jefferies, of Charterhouse, was first, and Mr A Sampson, from Winford, second. Under-21 prizes for hedging went to Mr M Weeks, of Clutton, and Mr W Warren, of Churchill. One of the most laden home-going competitors was Mr H Elworthy, of Broomhouse, South Molton, with first prizes for mangolds, swedes, cow cabbage, collection of roots and the overall championship for roots.

*The Fowler ploughing engine, owned by Messrs Ken and Robert Hobbs, gave a demonstration of steam ploughing.*

Grain classes, judged by Mr George James, of Portishead, and Mr R V Hodges, of Bridgwater, were of high quality, consistent with a wonderful grain year. Mr A J Rollings, of Wellington, took first for wheat, barley and oats.

The centenary match brought along many old friends and supporters. Mr F W Pearce, of Winford, now 77, ploughed as a competitor in the horse classes for 35 years without a break from the age of 15.

### First time out

Among the ploughing competitors was Allan Sparkes, who was 16 on the day of the match and was ploughing with an old Fordson and two-furrow Ransome plough. It was his first time out and he had not touched the outfit until the previous day. Despite this he was still doing some good work and succeeded in gaining a second prize in class 2 of the open high-cut section.

Another visitor to whom many champion ploughmen owe a debt for his putting them on the right track, was Mr W Fawcett, who for years was Ransome's field man. He is without peer in setting a plough.

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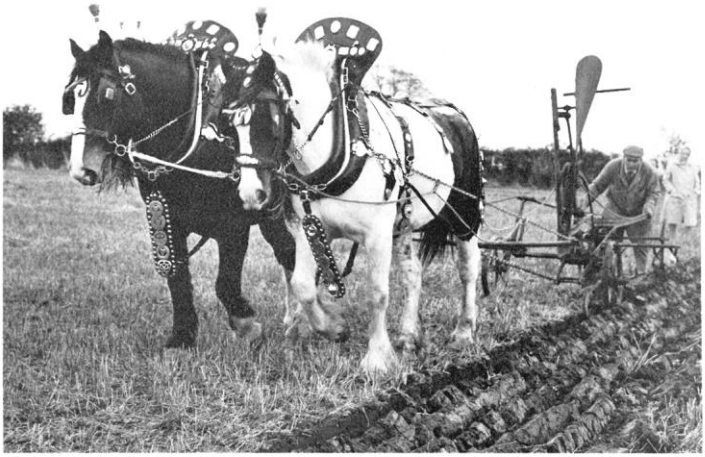
*Mr D Parker* (left) *and Mr J Morgan, both past chairmen of the Mendip Ploughing Society.*

*Ploughing the 1918 way: The Fowler ploughing engine and tackle set. The plough is six-furrow.*

*Horse and brass: Mr A S Radmore, of Gabled Farm, Plympton, nr Plymouth, was a competitor in the horse-ploughing section. His team of heavy horses are turned out in brasses, plumes and standards.*



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Judging will take place at 12 noon.
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No person will be allowed to cut or remove any specimen without the consent of the Committee.
A separate sample must be shown where Exhibitors wish to enter in more than one class.
No roots will be cut except for potatoes.
All root crops from which specimens are drawn must be open for inspection by the Committee.
All samples of roots, forage and grain to be grown and harvested by the Exhibitor in 2019.
If less than four entries are received in any one class that class may be cancelled.
Please Note - At their **discretion the Stewards may check the weight of any sample.**

## ROOTS

Class 21 For the best Six Mangolds or Fodder Beet
Class 22 For the best Six Swedes or Six Turnips
Class 23 For the best Three Brassicas
Class 24 For the best sample of 28lbs unwashed Potatoes – white
Class 25 For the best sample of 28lbs unwashed Potatoes – coloured
Class 26 For the best Collection of Specimen Roots
(4 Specimens of any three varieties to be shown)

## FORAGE

Class 27 Best Ley - comprising a Turf measuring 18" x 12"
Class 28 For the best bale of Meadow Hay
Class 29 For the best bale of Seeds Hay
Class 30 For the best sample of Big Bale Hay (14lbs or over)
Class 31 Best sample of 10lbs of Haylage (New Class)
Class 32 Best sample of 10lbs of Grass Clamp Silage
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Class 34 Best sample of 10lbs of Big Bale Silage
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Class 39 for the best sample (20lbs) Oil Seed Rape (New Class)

Class 40 Best sample of any other combinable crop harvested in 2019
Class 41 Best Six Stalks of Maize
Class 42 Six Heaviest Cobs of Maize (without leaves)
Class 43 For the best bale of clean Barley Straw
Class 44 For the best bale of clean Oat Straw
Class 45 Best sample of big bale Barley Straw
Class 46 Best sample of Wheat Straw

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