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# DAIRY PRODUCE SCHEDULE

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# DEVON COUNTY AGRICULTURE ASSOCIATION

**Patron: His Majesty The King**  
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**Honorary Show Director: Mr Stewart Stevens**  
**Devon County Show Manager: Mrs Lisa Moore**

Devon County Show Office, Westpoint, Clyst St Mary, Exeter, EX5 1DJ  
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**Entries can be made online at:**

**<https://showingscene.com/events/devon-county-show-2026-may-2026/dairy-produce>**

**Closing Date: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026**

## Judges

To be confirmed

## Entry Fees

Class 1:	Free of charge
Classes 2- 24:	£5.50 per entry
Classes 25-42:	£2.00 per entry

## Prizes

Class 1:	1st £25; 2nd £20; 3rd £15
Classes 2 - 24:	1st £15; 2nd £11; 3rd £8
Classes 25 - 42:	1st, £5; 2nd, £4; 3rd, £3

In all classes with eight or more entries, a fourth prize equivalent to half of the third prize will be awarded.

Exhibitors are limited to **two entries** per class, but only one entry will be accepted in Class 1 – IFF Danisco Grand Prix, classes 25 and 26 one 250g Brick or one 250g roll of butter.

## CHEESE CLASSES

Open to all UK and non UK Cheesemakers  
Cheese to be exhibited in plain packaging

## CHALLENGE CLASSES

1. **IFF Danisco Grand Prix - round One.** Finest Mature Cheddar Cheese. Block or cylindrical, made by exhibitor. *See regulation 5 for further details.*

## CHEDDAR CLASSES

Helvetica starter culture (modern) will be judged separately from those made with traditional cultures (classic).

2. **Mature Farmhouse Traditional (Classic) Cheddar.** 12 month or older in age. Minimum 5kg and maximum 26kg.
3. **Extra Mature Cheddar (Classic)** Traditional or block, any weight, but not less than 5kgs, in excess of 18 months of age. Please state date of make on the exhibit.
- 3a. **Extra Mature Cheddar (Modern)** Traditional or block, any weight, but not less than 5kgs, in excess of 18 months of age. Please state date of make on the exhibit.
4. **Block Mature Cheddar (Classic)** Minimum 5kg and maximum 26kg.
- 4a. **Block Mature Cheddar (Modern).** Minimum 5kg and maximum 26kg.
5. **Mild Cheddar (Classic)** Traditional or block, made in 2025. Minimum 5kg and maximum 26kg.
- 5a. **Mild Cheddar (Modern)** Traditional or block, made in 2025. Minimum 5kg and maximum 26kg.
6. **Vintage Cheddar (Classic)** Traditional or block. Traditional cheese may be undressed. Minimum 5kg and maximum 26kg. Please state date of make on the exhibit, must be 21 months plus.
- 6a. **Vintage Cheddar (Modern)** Traditional or block. Traditional cheese may be undressed. Minimum 5kg and maximum 26kg. Please state date of make on the exhibit, must be 21 months plus.

## HARD CLASSES

7. **Hard Pressed Cheese** (Not Cheddar, any size, made from any milk)
8. **Reduced Fat Hard Cheese (Classic).** To be made with 50% less fat than original. Fat content to be stated on the entry form.
- 8a. **Reduced Fat Hard Cheese (Modern).** To be made with 50% less fat than original. Fat content to be stated on the entry form.

## SPECIAL CLASSES

9. **Single Speciality – Hard or Soft.** Open
10. **Single Goat, Ewe or Buffalo Milk Cheese.** Hard pressed or soft, whole or sectioned.
11. **Single Blue Cheese.** Any variety.
12. **Single Blue Cheese.** Other than Stilton.
13. **Any Cheese with Additives.** Sweet or savoury, hard or soft.
14. **Any Smoked Cheese.** Hard or soft, made from any milk.
15. **Any Cheese** produced or manufactured in Devon. Whole cheese or portion, any variety, any milk.
16. **Organic Cheese.** Any type, any weight. All ingredients must be 100% organic.
17. **Single Cheese I would most like on a cheese board for a dinner party.** Portion of cheese, not to exceed 250g.
18. **Cheese to Export.** In commercial packaging (*state variety on the entry form*).

19. **Totally Open.** Any type, any variety.
20. **Soft Cheese.** Any variety (*state variety on the entry form*).
21. **Halloumi.** Any type.
22. **Artisan Cheese.** Limited to producers producing 2 tonnes or less a week. Any type of milk, hard or soft cheese. Open to any cheesemaker with a turnover of less than £½ million.
23. **One Pack of convenience cheese** (e.g. sliced, diced or grated).
24. A cheese made by a **New Exhibitor** not exhibited in the last 5 years. Any variety, any milk. (*state variety on entry form*).

## BUTTER CLASSES

25. **Two 250g Bricks or two 250g Rolls of Butter.** (Farmhouse)
26. **Two 250g Bricks or two 250g Rolls of Butter.** (Creamery)
27. **One 250g Brick or one 250g Roll of Butter,** confined to exhibitors 21 years and under on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026.
28. **One 250g Brick or one 250g Roll of Butter,** confined to exhibitors over 21 years and under 28 years on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026.

All entries in Butter classes to be exhibited on white 6” square tiles. Entries in Classes 25, 27 & 28 to be made and entered in the name of an individual.

## BUTTER CRAFT CLASSES

29. **Floral Art, made from not more than 250g butter, foliage or other** decoration allowed. (To be displayed on a white 6” square tile).
30. **Sculpture, made from not more than 250g butter.** (To be displayed on a white 6” square tile).

## CREAM CLASSES

31. **Carton Clotted Cream**
32. **Carton Double Cream**
33. **Farmhouse Cream.** To be made and exhibited by an individual. For own consumption, not retail.
34. **Farmhouse Cream** – for retail

All cream to be exhibited in suitable containers and not exceed 300ml or half pound.

## CARTON DESSERT CLASSES – not to exceed 500ml

35. **Yoghurt** – natural
36. **Yoghurt** – flavoured
37. **Frozen Yoghurt** – any flavour
38. **Carton of any variety flavoured fruit ice/sorbet**

All exhibits in classes 35 to 41 to be shown in **plain, unmarked containers.**

## ICE CREAM CLASSES – not to exceed 500ml

39. **Vanilla Ice Cream**
40. **Fruit Flavour Ice Cream** (*State variety on entry form*).
41. **Dessert Ice Cream,** (other than fruit flavour). (*State variety on entry form*).
42. **Open Ice Cream – One Carton** Including new varieties, to be shown in final branded packaging.

## CHAMPION & SPECIAL PRIZES

**CHAMPION SASH AND CARD** is awarded for the **best exhibit** in Classes 2 – 24.  
Milklink Perpetual Trophy Champion Cheese (Ref 354) Winner in 2025 – **SDUK Davidstow**

**The Arla Foods Perpetual Challenge Trophy** awarded for the **Champion Cheese** Winner in 2025 – **SDUK Davidstow**

**DPS2 Champion Prize: The Evelyn Bray Memorial Perpetual Challenge Trophy**, donated by friends and old students of the late Evelyn Bray, is awarded to the exhibitor scoring most points in the Dairy Produce Section. This includes the YFC butter and junket-making classes from the YFC Section. (Ref 65) Winner in 2025 – **SDUK Davidstow**

**DPS3 Champion Prize: The Messrs Hammetts Dairies Limited Perpetual Challenge Cup**, awarded to the exhibitor gaining most points in the Dairy Produce Classes. \*Points awarded for the above trophies as follows: 1st 5 points; 2nd 4 points; 3rd 3 points. (Ref 73). Winner in 2025 – **SDUK Davidstow**

**DPS4 Special Prize: The Barry Rowe Memorial Salver**, presented by **Quickes Traditional Ltd** for the **Best Dressed Cheese in Show**. All cheeses will be automatically entered for this award. (Ref 339) Winner in 2025 – **SDUK Davidstow**

**DPS6 Special Prize: Dartington Vase** kindly donated by Mr & Mrs T Hammett for the best overall exhibit in the Butter Sculpture and Floral Art classes. Winner in 2025 – **Not Awarded.**

**DPS7 Special Prize: For the Best Soft Cheese – The Sharpham Partnership Ltd Perpetual Trophy** (Ref 379) Winner in 2025 – **Sharpham Partnership**

**DPS8 Ice Cream Award: Kelly's of Bodmin Perpetual Trophy** kindly donated by **Mr Philip Kelly** for the Best Ice Cream (Ref 357) Winner in 2025 – **Otter Valley Dairy**

**DPS9 Special Prize: Robert Kitching (Cheesemaker) Memorial Trophy** donated in memory of Robert Kitching for the most points in the Speciality Classes (9 – 20) (Ref 364) Winner in 2025 – **Joint Sharpham Partnership & Curworthy Cheese**

**DPS10 Special Prize: The Wyke Farms Perpetual Trophy** highest points gained in the Cheddar Classes at the Devon County Show. (Ref 373) Winner in 2025 – **SDUK Davidstow**

# REGULATIONS

## PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS CAREFULLY

1. **All Exhibits must be delivered and staged by 2.00pm** on the day before the Show (**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026** after which time the Dairy Produce Section will be closed for judging.
2. **Please Note Classes 1 - 24 only:** Exhibitors wishing to have their exhibits staged by Officers of the Devon County Show must arrange for them to be delivered to the Works Office, Devon County Show, Westpoint, Clyst St Mary, Exeter, EX5 1DJ **by 1.00pm** on the day **before** the Show (**Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May**).
3. Any Cheese exhibited must not have been ironed or otherwise tested, or it will be disqualified.
4. Exhibitors must state upon their entry forms whether they will unpack their cheeses on arrival or if they desire the officers of the Devon County Show to do so.
5. **Class 1 – IFF Danisco Grand Prix.** (The name and the following are correct at time of going to print). Points available for winning exhibits in qualifying rounds - 1 for entry, 3 for 4th, 3 for 3rd, 4 for 2nd and 5 for 1st. The overall competition winner will be the exhibitor with the most points from the qualifying rounds and the competition winner will be declared at the Frome Show in September. Judges at all participating Shows will be asked to award marks out of ten for each qualifying round exhibit. **These marks will be used if it is necessary to break points tie at the final Show. Prizes for overall competition winner: Champion £200. Reserve Champion £100.**
6. Judging will take place at **2.30pm** on **Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May** The judge's decision will be final.
7. All exhibits must be collected between **6.45pm and 7.30pm** hours on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** from the Food and Drink Exhibition on or between **10.00am and midday** on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May, from the Works Office on the Showground. Exhibitors are reminded that it will be necessary for them to produce the official label issued for this purpose. Exhibitors are asked to complete the "Collection of Exhibits" section. If exhibitors do not arrive to collect their entries or have not made contact with the Dairy Produce Stewards by **7.00pm** on the **Saturday of the Show**, their exhibit/s will be taken to the Works Office.

Whilst every care will be taken of the exhibits, the Devon County Show will not be liable for compensation for loss or damage from any cause whatsoever.

**Any item not claimed by midday on the Monday will be destroyed.**

On **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** commercial vehicles are permitted to enter the Showground via the Orange (Main) Gate at **7.00pm**.

8. The Devon County Show operates to a high Health and Safety standard. All Show personnel are expected to meet that standard and comply with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974.
9. **Responsibility.** Neither the Devon County Show, nor any of its Officers or Servants shall be in any way responsible or accountable for anything that may happen from any cause or circumstance whatever to Exhibitors or their Servants, or to any article exhibited or property brought into the Showground; or otherwise for anything else in connection with, or arising out of or attributable to, the Show, or these or any other condition or regulation prescribed by the Devon County Show in relation thereto; each Exhibitor shall be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury, or damage done to, or occasioned by,

or arising from, any article exhibited by him, and shall indemnify the Devon County Show against all legal and other proceedings in regard hereto. **All Exhibitors and other persons admitted to the Showground shall be subject to rules, the orders, regulations (including Health and Safety) of the Devon County Show and the Council of the Devon County Agricultural Association (DCAA).**

10. Force majeure. If an event defined hereafter as Force Majeure occurs the DCAA will not be responsible for the financial consequences or any losses or any actions claims or demands caused to or made by an exhibitor or their servants or agents caused by the failure of the Devon County Show to be held on one or more of the days but for the event of Force Majeure on which it would otherwise be held. Force Majeure means for the purposes of this clause exceptionally inclement weather; flooding of the whole or any part of the Devon County Showground or the whole or any part of the car parks associated with it; an act of God including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, windstorm or other natural disaster; act of any sovereign including but not limited to war, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power or confiscation, nationalisation, requisition, destruction or damage to property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority or imposition of government sanction embargo or similar action; law, judgment, order, decree, embargo, blockade, labour dispute including but not limited to strike, lockout or boycott; interruption or failure of utility service including but not limited to electric power, gas, water or telephone service; failure of the transportation of any personnel equipment, machinery supply or material required by DCAA to run the Devon County Show; breach of contract by any essential personnel; any other matter or cause beyond the control of DCAA.

11. Photographs and/or film footage will be taken at this event. These images may be used by the Devon County Agricultural Society, its subsidiaries (including but not limited to Devon County Show) and show sponsors in the following ways:

- Printed publicity
- Online publicity (including but not limited to Facebook, Instagram & Twitter)
- Website use – (DCAA, its subsidiaries or sponsors)
- Any other fair use in marketing and promoting the Devon County show by ourselves and our sponsors

They will be stored securely and will not be kept for longer than they are needed for the purposes listed above. If you would prefer for you or your child not to be photographed, please speak to the photographer on the day or contact the show office. If you would like to review our privacy and usage policy or have any further questions please contact [info@dcshow.org](mailto:info@dcshow.org) or head to [devoncountyshow.co.uk](http://devoncountyshow.co.uk) or phone 01392 353 700. Registered Charity Number: 292897.

12. Information from entry forms will be stored on computer, information about the results may be published and/or provided to the Press for publication. The making of an entry is irrevocable consent for the storage and disclosure of information in this way.

13. Prize money will be paid by BACS to the winners within 4 weeks of the Show.

14. The Devon County Show reserve the sole and absolute right to interpret these or any other prescribed regulations, conditions and prize lists, and to finally settle and determine all or any matters, question, difference, in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or in connection, with the Show and to substitute judges for those announced in the prize list, or to make additional appointments as may be deemed necessary.

## HEALTH AND SAFETY FOR FEATURES EXHIBITORS

The Devon County Show takes pride in welcoming both exhibitors and visitors to the Show. In order that we provide a safe environment for all parties we ask that you comply with the following when on Show Site. For some Feature Sections additional rules may apply. In the event of a query please speak to your Section Stewards.

**Children:** Please ensure children are supervised at all times. If possible, leave children at home during set up and breakdown; the show site is not a suitable play area as there are a number of moving vehicles and heavy equipment on site during these periods.

**Dogs:** We strongly recommend that you do not bring your dog onto site during set up or break down. Any dogs on site must be on a short non retractable lead and under your control at all times. Please do not leave your dogs in your car.

**Drones:** The use of drones is strictly prohibited on the Showground and car parks during Show week.

**Fire:** In the event of a fire please follow the instructions of the Feature's Steward who will know what action to take in the event of an emergency. Fire extinguishers are available in all marquees and these are located near to the fire exits or at a central fire point.

**First Aid:** Our medical centre is available on the Wednesday before the Show and this is indicated on our site maps (near the Lime Tree Café) and until midnight on the Saturday night.

**General:** If you see something that you think is unsafe or wrong then please report this so that we can do something about it.

**Electrical Equipment:** Any electrical equipment being plugged into the Show's electrical installation (paid for in advance) must be PAT tested.

**Slips, Trips and Falls:** Please ensure that you keep walkways clear of your belongings, cables or any other objects. Exhibits must be secure and displayed so that they will not topple over during the Show.

**Smoking:** Smoking of any type is not permitted in any of our buildings, marquees, or temporary structures.

**Vehicles:** Please drive slowly and stick to the designated roadways. Your vehicle must be off site and parked in the appropriate car park by the time advised by your Section. At the end of the Show please do not move your vehicle until permission is given to do so. Quad bikes and motor bikes (other than those in displays) are not permitted on the Show Site.

**Waste:** Please ensure that any waste is placed into the appropriate waste skip provided.

**Working at Height:** If you are building a display then appropriate working at height equipment should be used (as identified in your risk assessment). Climbing on boxes, chairs or staging is not acceptable. Anyone using tower scaffolding must be suitably trained in its erection and use (PASMA).

*The Devon County Show is a fundraising activity of the Devon County Agricultural Association to help support agriculture and the countryside.*



# DAIRY PRODUCE EXHIBITORS COLLECTION OF EXHIBITS

**Please complete and return this form with your entry so that we are aware of WHEN and WHOM your entry (s) will be collected.**

I  (Exhibitor's Name)

Will be collecting my exhibit(s) on

SATURDAY EVENING – between 6.45pm and 7.30pm  
 SUNDAY MORNING – between 10.00am and MIDDAY

And they will be collected by:

Ourselves  
 Another Dairy  (please state whom)

Or

I wish to donate my cheese/s to the Show.

Any queries, please telephone  
Sarah Hammett, Dairy Produce Steward on 07870 655880.

**Results will be posted on the Show website  
[www.devoncountyshow.co.uk](http://www.devoncountyshow.co.uk)  
as soon as possible after judging.**