

# Cotswolds AONB Hedgelaying Championship 2018

Date: Saturday 10th November 2018

Location: Woodlands Farm, Gloucestershire, GL54 4NT.



<b>Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Postcode</b>	
<b>Telephone Number</b>	
<b>Email Address</b>	

<b>Competition Class</b>	
<b>Date of Birth (for NHLS Award Scheme*)</b>	

## PRIZES AND CUTTING MONEY: BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

To avoid any administrative delays, all prizes and cutting money will be transferred electronically via BACS after the competition.

Full information about these prizes and cutting money can be found in the Competition Rules included in this information pack.

**Please provide bank account details (account name, account number and sort-code) in the following fields.**

<b>Bank Account Name</b>	
<b>Bank Account Number (8 digit number on bank card: 12345678)</b>	
<b>Sort-code (6 digit number on bank card: 31-82-43)</b>	

I have read the rules of the competition and I agree to be bound by them (delete as appropriate)

Yes

No

Please return the completed form no later than Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018 to [edward.bonn@cotswoldsaonb.org.uk](mailto:edward.bonn@cotswoldsaonb.org.uk) or by post to:

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**\*ALL COMPETITION ENTRANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 30 ARE ELIGIBLE FOR AN AWARD OF £25 FROM THE NATIONAL HEDGE LAYING SOCIETY.**

To qualify, individuals must be under the age of 30 at the time of the competition. **If you will be under 30 on 10th November 2018 and wish to be included in the award scheme please send through a scan/photo copy evidencing your date of birth (driving licence, birth certificate, passport, student card etc.) with this application form.**

**Any claim for a person under 16 years of age will require the signature of a parent or guardian.**

Once the competition is complete we will then send off the claim for the award to the National Hedge Laying Society who will then approve and make payment direct to you.

More information <http://www.hedgelaying.org.uk/docs/info/NHLS%20Awards%201819.pdf>

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### Competition Classes and Rules

NOTE: THE USE OF CHAINSAWS IS PERMITTED  
AT THIS YEAR'S COMPETITION



### Classes

- **Class 1 - Open**  
Open to anyone with experience of hedgelaying.
- **Class 2 - Intermediate**  
Intermediates are those who have NOT WON THIS CLASS TWICE or been placed in an open or veteran class.
- **Class 3 - Junior, Beginners and Novice**  
Juniors to be 21 years or under on the day of the competition.  
Beginners are classed as those who have not entered a competition before.  
Novices are those who have NOT WON THIS CLASS TWICE or been placed in an open or veteran class.  
Competitors who have WON THIS CLASS TWICE must compete in class 1, 2 or 4.
- **Class 4 - Veterans**  
Competitors having attained their 60th birthday on or before the day of the competition will qualify for the Veterans class.
- **Class 5 - Beginners pairs**  
Any two people who have little experience of hedgelaying.

### Rules

- Classes 1 and 2 to cut and lay up to 10 yards. Classes 3, 4 and 5 to cut and lay up to 8 yards.
- The draw for sections will take place at 8.40am and laying will commence at 9.00am.
- Hedging must finish at 2.00pm, when competitors must stand away from their section and final judging will take place.
- Competitors will lay the section drawn and will not be allowed to change sections.
- Each competitor is to lay off their number and work to the next highest number.
- Competitors to lay the hedge in the Midland style, using only stakes and heatherings provided by the organisers.
- The finished height to the top of the heatherings must be 3'6".
- The use of unnecessary and excessive deadwood will be penalised.
- Competitors will be expected to provide their own equipment and tools.

- **CHAINSAWS ALLOWED**

## **Judging**

Will be on a points basis as follows:

- Cut and pleach 35
- Stake and heatherings 25
- Back of hedge 20
- General appearance 20

100 points maximum. The judge's decision is final.

## **Prizes**

### **Class 1 - Open**

1st - A trophy (held for one year) and £50

2nd - £25

3rd - £15

### **Class 2 - Intermediate**

1st - A trophy (held for one year) and £40

2nd - £25

3rd - £15

### **Class 3 - Junior, Beginners and Novice**

1st - A trophy (held for one year) and £30

2nd - £20

3rd - £10

### **Class 4 - Veterans**

1st - A trophy (held for one year) and £40

2nd - £25

3rd - £15

### **Class 5 - Beginners pairs**

1st - A trophy (held for one year) and £30

2nd - £20

3rd - £10

All competitors will receive certificates.

Cutting money of £10 per section, will be paid to each competitor/team completing their section.

Prize money will be transferred via BACS immediately following the competition, to avoid any administrative delays. More information can be found on page 1 of this information pack.