

# SUSSEX CATTLE SOCIETY

## HERD COMPETITION CLASSES

**CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023**

**Please read the Schedule and Rules & Conditions carefully**

### Schedule of Classes and Prizes

#### Entry Fees

<b>Class 1</b> For Herds of <b>6 to 19</b> breeding cows, to include heifers <u>having calved</u> at the time of entry	£ 25.00
<b>Class 2</b> For Herds of <b>20 to 49</b> breeding cows, to include heifers <u>having calved</u> at the time of entry	£ 25.00
<b>Class 3</b> For Herds of <b>50</b> breeding cows and over, to include heifers <u>having calved</u> at the time of entry	£ 25.00
<b>Class 4</b> For Traditional Herds with <b>6</b> or more breeding cows. Herd Sire must be designated Traditional and 50% of the cows In the herd must be designated Traditional. The Judges may request to see Registration Certificates to verify eligibility.	£ 25.00

**PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUPS** presented to the Best Herd in each Classes 1-4

**PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP** presented to the overall Champion Herd

**ROSETTES** awarded to the owners of the First, Second, Third and Reserve in each class.

**CERTIFICATES OF MERIT** given to the Herdsmen of the First, Second, Third and Reserve herds in each class.

**SPECIAL PRIZE** of £10 awarded for the **Best Stock Bull** in each Class.  
(Kindly sponsored by Mr. J.A. Covell) (See Conditions of Entry)

**SPECIAL AWARD** for best **Cow or Heifer with Calf at Foot (both to be judged)** in each Class (Entrants **must** indicate which heifer they wish to be judged on the Entry Form.

### **PRIZE MONEY**

Prize Money of £20, £15 and £10 will be awarded to the Stockperson in charge of the First, Second and Third prize herds respectively in each Class.

### **POINTS AWARDED**

a)	General Breeding Character (Cows)	
b)	General Management	
c)	In-calf heifers	
d)	Yearlings (heifers, steers, bulls)	
e)	Stock bull/s	2250 points maximum

## **SUSSEX CATTLE SOCIETY HERD COMPETITION RULES & CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

The Competition is open to all registered breeders whose Membership and Capitation Fees for the year have been paid. The number of breeding females entered should closely match the Capitation Fees paid for the year.

A Herd is defined as all animals registered under a single Herd Prefix

All animals in a Herd must be produced for judging and will be judged as a single herd. Calf registrations should be up to date in that Birth Returns should have been sent to the Society Office.

If a breeder manages two herds separately, they may enter both herds but they must be clearly defined as two herds by having separate Herd Prefixes.

Herds engaged in any development programme must have all their breeding females registered with the Sussex Cattle Society inspected, but only those calves sired by either a Registered Sussex Bull or a Bull registered with another Society (whose calves are eligible for registration) will be eligible for inspection and points allocation. All such calves must be Birth Returned with the Society for entry in a supplementary register.

**The judging of herds will take place during weeks 17 – 31st July with judging for the Champion Herd to follow shortly afterwards. Note: In some cases there will be leeway due to judges' commitments.**

**Entries must reach the Secretary by closing date on the attached entry form and accompanied by the Entry Fee – Late entries will not be accepted.**

**A Class must have a minimum entry of three herds to be judged and prizes to be awarded.**

**The Society reserves the right to amend classes according to entries based on the number of breeding cows.**

The Judges reserve the right to make further inspections of any herds if necessary

Competitors and their exhibits shall be subject to the general rules of the Sussex Cattle Society and the interpretation of these conditions. The Council reserves the right to refuse any entry or to withhold any Prize without giving a reason

The Judge's decision is final.

Competitors must arrange to show their herds upon the day selected and make them as accessible as possible, as the Judges' time is limited. A knowledgeable person must be available to guide the judges during their visit or the herd will be unplaced.

Protests must be made in writing within three days of the results being published, accompanied by a deposit of £50.00. If the protest is found to be unfounded the deposit will be forfeited and placed in the Society's funds.

In cases where no stock bull is kept the bull seen will be judged, if the bull is not available the judges will allocate marks at their discretion based on the calves seen. If there are no in calf heifers or yearlings, the judges will allocate marks accordingly for that section.

### **Best Stock Bull in Class**

The bull or bulls entered must be owned by the entrant in that Class and viewed on the day. The bull may be the current sire in use and/or the sire of the current crop of calves.

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## ENTRY FORM FOR HERD COMPETITION 2023

Entry Fees:	Class 1 Small Herds (6-19 cows)	£ 25.00
	Class 2 Intermediate Herds (20-49 cows)	£ 25.00
	Class 3 Large Herds (50+ cows)	£ 25.00
	Class 4 Traditional Herds	£ 25.00

### CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES 30th June 2023

Owner ..... Telephone Number.....

Address .....

Class Entered .....

Total number in herd:

Stock Bulls	.....	Junior Bulls	.....
Cows	.....		
In-calf Heifers	.....		
Yearling Heifers	.....		
Steers/Beef bulls	.....		
Calves	.....		

Name/s of **Stock Bulls** to be Judged (owned by entrant) to be judged for Special Award

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Name of **Cow or Heifer with Calf at Foot (both to be judged)** to be judged for Special Award  
**MUST BE ENTERED ON THIS FORM**

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Name to whom all communications are to be sent, and with who all arrangements for inspection of the herd are to be made if different from above:

Name ..... Telephone Number.....

Address .....

Name of Farm(s) where Herd is kept .....

Distance to be covered to see whole Herd .....

Full Name of Stockperson entitled to receive Certificate of Merit & Prize Money .....

The condition of the acceptance of this entry is that each entry form must be accompanied by the amount of the entry fee (cheque/BACS), that each competitor agrees to co-operate with the Judges in arranging a date and time for the inspection, and to have the whole herd as near together as possible for them, and to accept the rules and conditions of entry and competition as set forth in this respect.

Owner's or Agent's Signature .....Cheque/BACS £ ..... Date .....