

ROYAL CORNWALL AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

Registered Charity No 250312



ROYAL CORNWALL ... SHOW / 2026 ...

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Please note entries are to be sent to:

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Committee

Martyn Sandercock, Nick Jasper, Ike Francis, Dave Labruyere, Greg Davidson, Alan Marshall,

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ENTRIES CLOSE Friday 29th May 2026

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Showing Excellence / ROYAL CORNWALL SHOW
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The Royal Cornwall Show is a fundraising activity of the Royal Cornwall Agricultural Association to help support agriculture and the countryside. Charity No - 250312

Sheep Shearing Timetable

Thursday 4th June

10:30 a.m. Royal Cornwall Show Young Farmers' Championship Heats

To follow:

Royal Cornwall Show Junior Championship Heats

Royal Cornwall Show Intermediate Championship Heats

Royal Cornwall Show Junior Championship Semi-Final

2:15pm to finish

Royal Cornwall Show Intermediate Championship Semi-Final

Royal Cornwall Show Young Farmers' Championship Final

Royal Cornwall Show Junior Championship Final

Royal Cornwall Show Intermediate Championship Final

Presentation of Prizes

Friday 5th June

10:00 a.m. Royal Cornwall Show Senior Championship Heats

To follow:

Royal Cornwall Show Open Championship Heats

Royal Cornwall Show Senior Championship Semi-Final

2:00pm to finish

Royal Cornwall Show Open Championship Semi-Final

Royal Cornwall Show Senior Championship Final

Royal Cornwall Show Open Championship Final

Presentation of Prizes

Saturday 6th June – Demonstration Day

Demonstrations including blade and electric shearing, wool rolling & spinning at:

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m.

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Thursday 4th June 2026

Entry Fees:

Junior/YFC: £10.00

Intermediate: £15.00

Open Classes

10:30 a.m. Royal Cornwall Show Young Farmers' Championship Heats

To follow:

Royal Cornwall Show Junior Championship Heats

Royal Cornwall Show Intermediate Championship Heats

Royal Cornwall Show Junior Championship Semi-Final

2:15pm to finish

Royal Cornwall Show Intermediate Championship
Semi-Final

Royal Cornwall Show Young Farmers' Championship Final

1st £100, 2nd £75, 3rd £50, 4th £40, 5th £30

Royal Cornwall Show Junior Championship Final

1st £100, 2nd £75, 3rd £50, 4th £40, 5th £30

Royal Cornwall Show Intermediate Championship Final

1st £150, 2nd £120, 3rd £90, 4th £70, 5th £50

Presentation of Prizes

Junior Winner – Robert Truscott Memorial Cup

YFC Winner – Wallace Facey Memorial

Friday 5th June 2026

Entry Fees:

Senior: £18.00

Open: £20.00

Open Classes

10:00 a.m. Royal Cornwall Show Senior Championship Heats

To follow:

Royal Cornwall Show Open Championship Heats

Royal Cornwall Show Senior Championship Semi-Final

2:00pm to finish

Royal Cornwall Show Open Championship Semi-Final

Royal Cornwall Show Senior Championship Final

1st £200, 2nd £150, 3rd £100, 4th £75, 5th £60

Royal Cornwall Show Open Championship Final

1st £350, 2nd £250, 3rd £175, 4th £125, 5th £100

Presentation of Prizes

Best Pen Overall - across all classes (Thurs & Fri inclusive)

In Memory of Arthur Rundle

John Bone Memorial Cup – Cleanest shearer from Devon and Cornwall in The Senior

Saturday 6th June 2026

Demonstration Day

Blade Shearing and Electric Shearing,

Wool Rolling & Spinning

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

12 noon – 1:30 p.m.

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

National Rules

For all Classes – YFC, Junior, Intermediate, Senior & Open

PLEASE NOTE: ALL COMPETITORS MUST HAVE THEIR BLUE SEAL BEFORE THEY CAN COMPETE IN COMPETITIONS

1. All entries must be made on the Official Entry Form or National Shearer's Form and entry fee to be paid by BACS.
2. Every exhibitor and competitor will be held responsible for the correctness of his entry form.
3. THE CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRY FORMS IS FRIDAY 29th May 2026
4. PRIZE MONEY will be paid by BACS as soon as possible after the Show.
5. Sheep Shearing Machines have been loaned by Listers and have solid and flexible droppers.
6. All competitors must report to the Shearing Shed 30 minutes before the commencement of the competition, heat or final in order to qualify for the draw. Latecomers will be liable to disqualification. The draw for stands will be made before each heat.
7. Competitors may ask for any sheep considered to be substandard to be rejected before the heats commence. The Chief Steward's decision will be final.
8. Competitors must wear suitable clothing and footwear and not display any form of advertising on their clothing. The Chief Steward will administer this ruling at all times. Competitors will be expected to be properly dressed for presentations.
9. Competitors will be allowed to take two loaded handpieces onto the Boards and no time will be allowed for stoppages caused by either handpiece or the competitor's own sheep escaping. If any stoppages occur through faults in the machine or downtube or through other competitors sheep escaping, a time allowance will be made or a re-run given at the Steward's discretion.
10. Each Competitor may be allowed one person in his/her pen to act as a second. The second may only assist the Competitor by holding the sheep with all four feet on the ground, but must not switch the machine on or off.
11. Without assistance, each shearer must:
 - (i) start and stop his machine (after each sheep)
 - (ii) catch and shear his sheep
 - (iii) put each shorn sheep away properly
12. Each Competitor will be separately timed from the word "go" until he/she has switched off their machine after shearing his/her last sheep. Competitors will wait on the boards with one hand on the closed door for "go".

13. Facilities will be available to time any stoppages and stoppage time will be deducted from the Competitor's total time.
14. Before the start of the Competition the Chief Steward or Referee will announce whether socks are to be taken off or left on. A penalty for socks left on when required off to be increased from one penalty stroke per sock left on to two.
15. The Chief Steward in consultation with any Judge has the right to disqualify any Competitor whose work or conduct on the boards is detrimental to the good reputation of Competition Shearing.
16. Each Competitor's points will be calculated and recorded regardless of whether he/she has scored insufficient quality points or has a slow time.
17. The number of sheep to be shorn may be altered at the discretion of the Chief Steward. The Competitors before the last Competition each day of the Show will shear any spare unshorn sheep.
18. Shearers only eligible to enter in one group above their classification.
19. The Judge will inspect each shearer's sheep individually in the pen when shorn.
20. No Competitor will be allowed in his/her pen except in the presence of a Judge and with the consent of the Chief Steward.
21. A Competitor may not act as a Judge for any class in which he/she is competing but may Judge other classes at which he is not competing at the same event.
22. Points gained only at Junior, Intermediate and Senior Competitions staged by Societies affiliated to the National Shearing Competitions' Committee will count towards the "Lister British Isles Shearer of the Year" title.
23. The maximum number of Competitors in any Final will be five. In event of a tie for places in the Final, quality points will decide.
24. Subject to any right of appeal contained in the Society's bye-laws the Chief Steward's ruling shall be final on any matter not covered by the Regulations.
25. Replacement entries will be accepted in place of any Competitor not turning up on the day. This applies to all classes and a 50% surcharge will be imposed on entry fee.
26. Cornwall YFC and the Royal Cornwall Agricultural Association reserve the right to amend or cancel any of the foregoing rules.
27. **A copy of the National Rules are available from the Shearing Secretary**

Each Competitor will shear sheep as follows:

(The number of sheep to be shorn in the heats may be altered at the discretion of the Stewards. Any spare unshorn sheep must be shorn by the Competitor).

	Eliminating Heat	Semi-Final	Final
Junior	3 sheep	3 sheep	4-5 sheep
Intermediate	4 sheep	4 sheep	5-8 sheep
Senior	4 sheep	5 sheep	7-12 sheep
Open	5 sheep	8 sheep	15-20 sheep

Royal Cornwall Show 2026

Royal Cornwall Showground, Wadebridge

4th, 5th & 6th June 2026

Entry Forms to be completed and returned to:

Hollie Francis, West Rose Barn, St.Breward, Bodmin, Cornwall, PL30 4NL

by **Friday 29th May 2026**

PAYMENT BY BACS; SORT CODE: 30-98-76 ACCOUNT NO: 42817860

REF: SHEARING/NAME

PLEASE NOTE START TIMES

Class	Description of Class	(For Commentator) (Experience etc)	Cat No. Office Use	Entry Fee	
				£	

I hereby certify that, according to conditions, I am eligible to exhibit or compete in the classes entered and qualify where age limits apply.

Name (Mr, Mrs or Miss).....

Address

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Tel / Mob:

Email:

Signature.....

Shearing number (if applicable).....

YFC Membership number (if applicable)