

Special Award Winners 2026

Burt Challenge Cup	For best cut comb in classes 23 and 24	David Robertson Colchester
Cowan Vase	For the best section of comb honey in classes 1 and 22	Luke Wisdom Colchester
Dearman Cup	For class 27, six matching jars of set honey	Richard Ridler Saffron Walden
Ford Trophy	For most points in extracted honey classes 2, 3 and 15 to 21	Thomas Smith Braintree
Horton Cake Cup	For class 38, a honey fruit cake	Debbie Jakeways Southend
Memorial Cake Knife	To be retained by the winner of the Horton Cake Cup as a permanent token of their prowess. This is presented annually through an endowment made by friends of the late Mrs M Horton. (Honorary Life Member of EBKA and Central Association of Beekeepers)	Debbie Jakeways Southend
Mallinson Cup	For the best in classes 34 and 35, natural wax candles, moulded and unmoulded	Roger Honey Romford
Ongar Cup	For the best extractable frame in class 25	Alison Morris Southend
President's Cup	Presented to the division whose members gain the highest number of points in all classes	Romford Division
Holmes Cup	For the exhibitor with the highest number of points in all classes	David Robertson Colchester
Tidswell Challenge Bowl	For the most points in all honey classes	David Jennings Saffron Walden
Jersey Cup	For the best cake of beeswax in classes 13 and 37	Carol Stapleton Southend
W.B.C Cup	For the highest number of points in classes 39 to 41 (biscuits, honey, apple & sultana cakes and fudge)	Debbie Jakeways Southend
Devall Award	For the novice gaining the highest number of points in classes 10, 11, 12 and 13	Richard Wightman Southend
National Honey Show Best Novice Award	An award for the best novice at the 2026 show	Kerry Bennion Chemsford
Essex Chronicle Cup	For class 26, six matching jars of clear honey	Jim McNeil Romford
National Honey Show BBKA Blue Ribbon	For the best exhibit in show when over 100 entries are staged. Given this year for the extractable frame in class 25	Alison Morris Southend
Marconi Trophy	For the best sweet mead in class 28	Fiona Watson Saffron Walden
A F Gunn Jubilee Shield	For the best metheglin in classes 32 and 33	Not awarded in 2026
Walden Wine Shield	For the best melomel in classes 30 and 31	Michel Pywell Braintree
G A Taylor Mazer	For the best dry mead in class 29	Not awarded in 2026
Richard Alabone Award	For the best honey wine in classes 28 to 33	Fiona Watson Saffron Walden
Archie Horton Award	For most points in candle classes 34, 35 and 36	Carol Stapleton Southend
Michael Barke Award	For the best novice wax block in novice class 13	Richard Wightman Southend