

2020 National Black Jar Honey Contest Rules

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HOST: Georgia Beekeepers Association (GBA)

CHAIRPERSON: Brutz English, (770) 843-2110, brutzenenglish@gmail.com

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 per exhibit

LOCATION: Barnesville, GA

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2020.

JUDGING: September 12, 2020, Beginning at 10:00 AM

JUDGES: The contest will be judged by certified Welsh Honey Judges

SHOW SECRETARY: Katie Goodman, Mary Cahill-Roberts

General Rules of the Black Jar Contest:

1. The honey show is open to anyone keeping honeybees anywhere, in any state or territory of the United States of America, except as follows: The honey show is NOT open to individuals serving as judges, stewards, or show secretaries, nor to individuals who are immediate family members of those individuals serving as judges, stewards, or show secretaries. "Immediate Family Member" is defined as individuals who are spouses, siblings, parents, children, grandparents, grandchildren, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, first cousins, parents of common children, stepparents, step-children, or any individuals residing in the same residence.
2. An entry consists of not less than two (2) ounces, nor more than sixteen (16) ounces, of honey. Entries should be submitted in a standard one-pound, plastic (no glass), "Queen-line" or "Classic" style jar.
3. All honey must be produced by the exhibitor from honeybees owned and kept by the Exhibitor.
4. Each Exhibitor must sign an affidavit stating that each entry he or she submits was produced by the Exhibitor in conformity with the rules set forth herein.
5. Entries must be unmarked or identifiable in anyway, except as provided herein.
6. Exhibitors may make as many individual entries as they like. Multiple entries must be individually registered, and each separate entry is subject to an additional \$5.00 entry fee.
7. Entries must be registered online through the GBA website at www.gabeekeeping.com. Upon successful registration, including the payment of the entry fee, each exhibitor will be issued a unique QR code. Exhibitors must include a copy of the assigned QR code with their entry(ies). For exhibitors entering multiple entries, the exhibitor should mark the top of the cap of each

individual entry with a unique number distinguishing it from the other entries submitted by that exhibitor.

8. Entries may be submitted via UPS, FedEx, U.S.P.S. Exhibits must be shipped or mailed, along with a fully completed entry form, to the following address: "GBA Honey Show Committee, 901 Thomaston St., Barnesville, GA 30204". EXHIBITS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2020. Exhibits postmarked after September 1st will NOT be accepted.
9. All entries become property of the Georgia Beekeepers Association Honey Show Committee upon arrival. Entries will not be returned after the show.

Judging:

1. The contest will be decided by blind judging. All judges will be licensed Welsh Honey Judges.
2. The Show Secretaries will catalog all entries and assign a unique Exhibit # to each exhibit.
3. The Show Secretaries will generate two identical ID labels with the entry's Exhibitor # on each.
4. A sample from each entry will be transferred by the Show Secretaries into a standard, opaque container for judging.
5. The Show Secretary will affix an ID label with the entry's unique Exhibitor # to the jar the exhibit was submitted in, as well as to the sample jar to be submitted for judging.
6. Judges will only enter the judging area after the Show Secretaries have cataloged & labeled all exhibits.
7. Judges evaluate entries for taste & flavor only. Visible attributes such as color, clarity, partial crystallization, etc., will not be considered by the judges.

Prizes and Awards:

1. The winner will be announced on September 25, 2020, as part of the online presentation of the Georgia Beekeepers Association 100th Anniversary Fall Conference.
2. The 2020 National Black Jar Contest will have one winner. The winning entry will be awarded a rosette for the "Best Tasting Honey in the Nation" and a check for \$1,000.00.

If you have any questions regarding the 2020 National Black Jar Contest, please contact Brutz English at brutzenglish@gmail.com or (770) 843-2110.