



Schedule & Agenda; 8<sup>th</sup> March (Saturday) 2025, NBCC 'Judging Seminar' and NBCC Qualifying Competition

*'NBCC' Points awarded at this authorized show:- Show Champion 10 points, Reserve Show Champion 4 points, Live Forging Champion 10 points, Reserve Live Forging Champion 4 points*

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**~ CLASS 1; STUDENTS OR APPRENTICES - To produce a test piece (pattern enclosed)**

Design supplied by – Josh Masey AWCB, National School of Blacksmithing, Hereford and Ludlow College.

Time allowed – 70 Minutes (1<sup>st</sup> Year), 65 Minutes (2<sup>nd</sup> Year), 60 Minutes (3<sup>rd</sup> year +)

Entry fee; FREE

Prize; 1<sup>st</sup> - Chez Chescoe 'Inter College' Trophy & £75, 2<sup>nd</sup> - £60, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 40, 4<sup>th</sup> - £25

Judge; Paul Ashmore AWCB LWCB

*Competitors, please note that this is **NOT** an NBCC qualifying round*

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**~ CLASS 2; OPEN STATIC – Any item/article of ironwork**

All methods of construction are welcome, Traditional OR Contemporary Methods are allowed.

Competitors, please consider the following. Judges Scorecard: Forging (40 points), Construction (20 points), Finish (10 points), Design (20 points), Creativity (10 points)

Entry fee (Website form); £5 per entry

Prize Money; 1<sup>st</sup> - £240 (Paid in October), 2<sup>nd</sup> – £120 (Paid in October), 3<sup>rd</sup> - £60 (Paid in October)

Judge; Richard Bent FWCB

*Competitors, please note that this is an NBCC qualifying round*

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**~ CLASS 3; OPEN/PROFESSIONAL LIVE – Available to all working Blacksmiths OR Blacksmithing Students**

Free interpretation of a finished article/artefact, produced by one blacksmith.

The only method available is fire and hammer. Specialist hot-working tooling is allowed. Flux is allowed. **NO** power tools are allowed. **NO** strikers are allowed. Competitors must provide their steel; some steel will be available on the day.

Competitors, please consider the following. Judges Scorecard: Forging (40 points), Construction (20 points), Finish (10 points), Design (20 points), Creativity (10 points)

Time allowed – 90 minutes/1 hour & 30 minutes

Entry fee (Website form); £5 (**1 entry only**) \*Free for Students\*

Judge; Paul Gilbert FWCB

Prize Money; 1st - £240 (Paid in October), 2nd – £120 (Paid in October), 3rd - £60 (Paid in October)

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**8:00am – 8:30am**

- Committee, judges, and competitors members turn up.
- Registration and log of static/live entries. Judges provided with relevant material (Scorecard and handbook).

**8:45am**

- NBCC Chair Andy Waight and Deputy chair Adam Greenwell AWCW LWCB welcome judges, competitors and students.
- Quick introduction to competitors from Chief Steward Josh Masey AWCW.

**9am – 10 am**

- Student Live Forging Competition.
- Additional registration for open live for those traveling far.
- Open Static judging commences (NBCC 1<sup>st</sup> Round) (Judge; Richard Bent FWCB).

**10:15am – 11:45am**

- Open Live Forging (NBCC 1<sup>st</sup> Round) commences.
- Labelling finalised, judging of Student live commences (Judge; Paul Ashmore AWCW LWCB).

**12:00 (Noon) – 12:30pm**

- Labelling finalised, judging of the Open/professional live forging competition commences (Judge; Paul Gilbert FWCB).

**12:30pm – 13:15pm**

- Lunch for everyone, tea & coffee will be available, facilities for eating available (Alfie's Kitchen/burger van on site).

**13:15pm – 2:30pm**

- Group judging of the exhibited, scorecard analysis and judge's standards. Hosted by Adrian Legge FWCB LWCB.

**2:30pm – 2:45pm**

- Tea break for everyone, tea & coffee available.

**2:45pm – 4:30pm**

- Finish up of group decision, Q & A for any judges or competitors.
- Quick comments by the judging panel for the day.
- Sponsorship thanks.
- Prize/award ceremony (**3:45pm**) led by Nick Bates, Andy Waight (Chairman) & Adam Greenwell AWCW LWCB (Deputy).
- Farewell round up (**4:00pm**).

**4:45pm**

- End of seminar & Clean up.

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**National Blacksmith Competition Committee Secretary** — Mr Keith Mahoney AWCB, The Pound, Bromham, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 2HF



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**The Worshipful Company of Blacksmiths** (The Clerk)- Lieutenant Colonel Michael White TD VR 9 Little Trinity Lane, London EC4V 2AD



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**The Guild of Wrought Ironwork Craftsmen of Wessex** – (Master of the Guild) – Don Mallett



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**MovieMetal LTD** – Sponsorship includes, Prize Glasses, Mugs & Prize Cards (Nick Bates/Burrows Lea Forge)

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**NBCC 'Judging Seminar' – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

***The National School of Blacksmithing, Holme Lacy, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR1 4DB***

***Student/Apprentice Competition (Class 1) - 'Trammel Hook'- Sample made by Josh Masey AWCB***

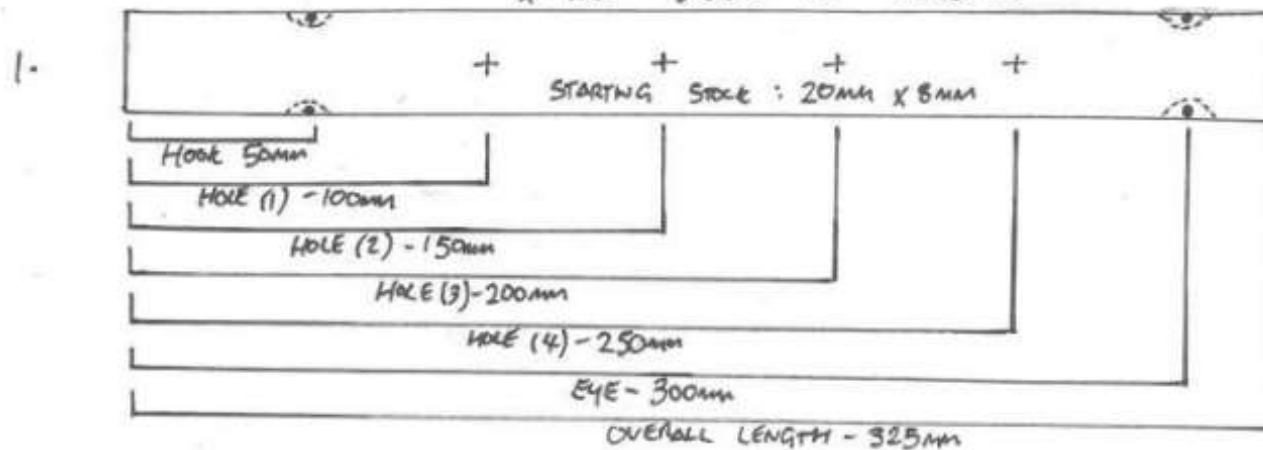
***Time Allocated: 1<sup>st</sup> year - (70 minutes), 2<sup>nd</sup> year – (65 minutes), 3<sup>rd</sup> year – (60 minutes)***

***Starting stock: Backplate - (20mm x 8mm – length 325mm), Hook (8mm Round – length 375mm)***

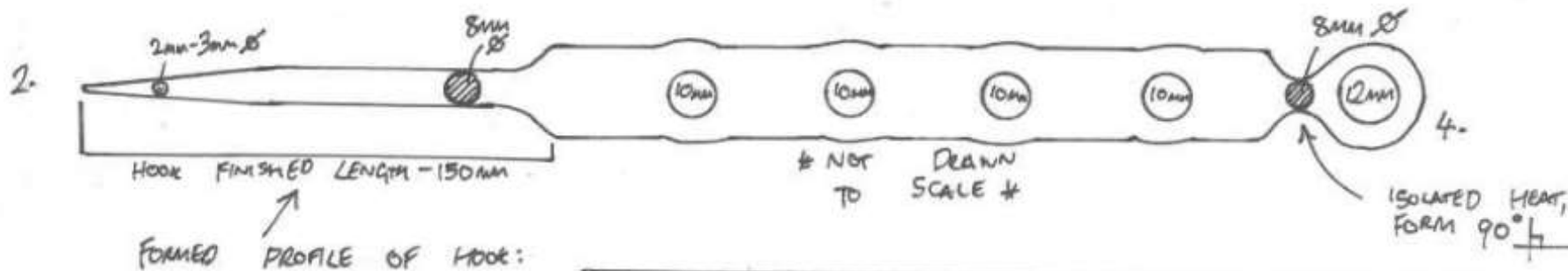


'TRAMMEL HOOK' - BACK PLATE

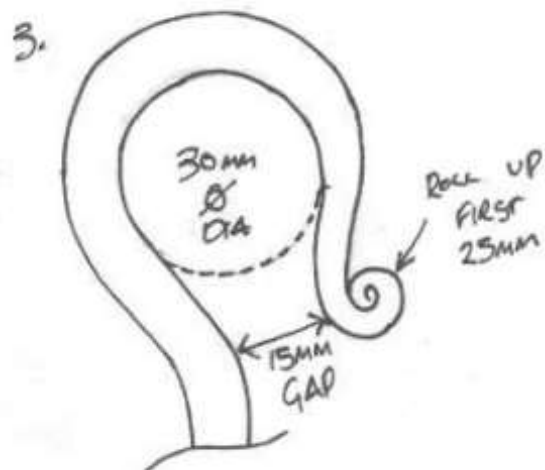
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Josh Masey  
AWCB  
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FORMED PROFILE OF HOOK:



'TRAMMEL Hook' - Hook

STARTING STOCK : 8 MAR 05

OVERALL LENGTH - 575mm

FINISHED LENGTH - 390MM

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