



Schedule & Agenda; 8th 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

~ 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 (1st Year), 65 Minutes (2nd Year), 60 Minutes (3rd year +)

Entry fee; FREE

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

Judge; Paul Ashmore AWCB LWCB

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

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

Judge; Richard Bent FWCB

Competitors, please note that this is an NBCC qualifying round

~ 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 AWCB LWCB welcome judges, competitors and students.
- Quick introduction to competitors from Chief Steward Josh Masey AWCB.

9am – 10 am

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

10:15am – 11:45am

- Open Live Forging (NBCC 1st Round) commences.
- Labelling finalised, judging of Student live commences (Judge; Paul Ashmore AWCB 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 AWCB LWCB (Deputy).
- Farewell round up (**4:00pm**).

4:45pm

- End of seminar & Clean up.
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NBCC 'Judging Seminar' – 8th 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

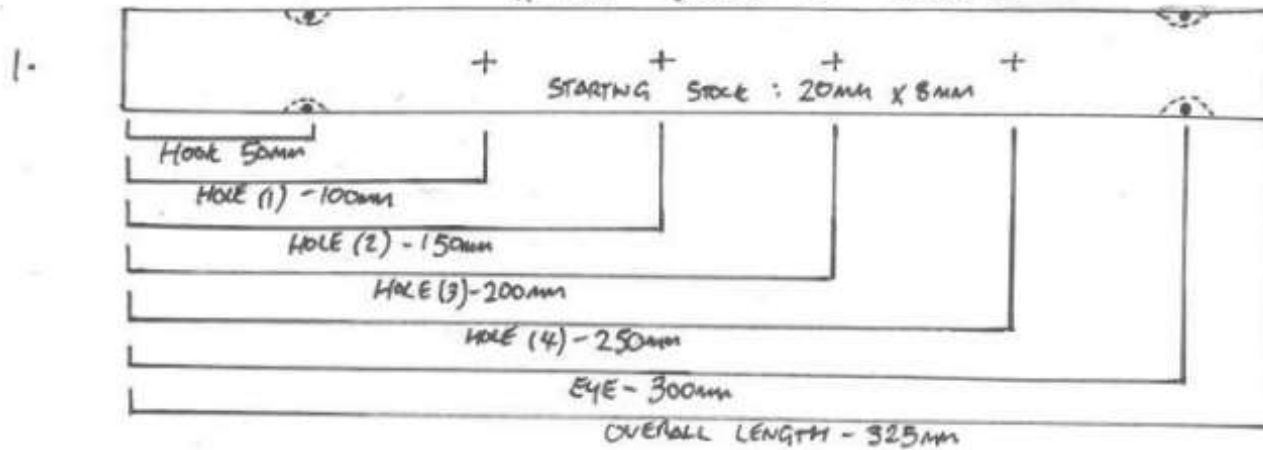
Time Allocated: 1st year - (70 minutes), 2nd year – (65 minutes), 3rd year – (60 minutes)

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

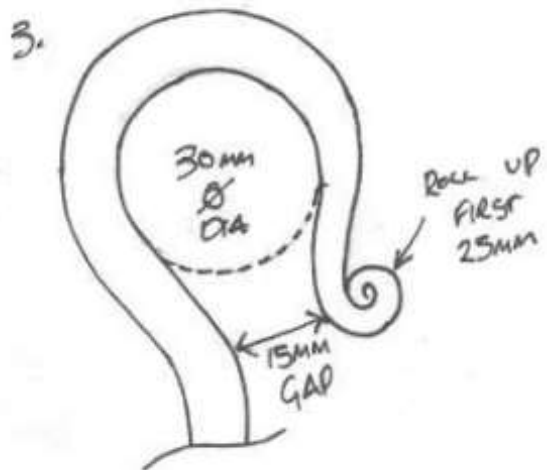
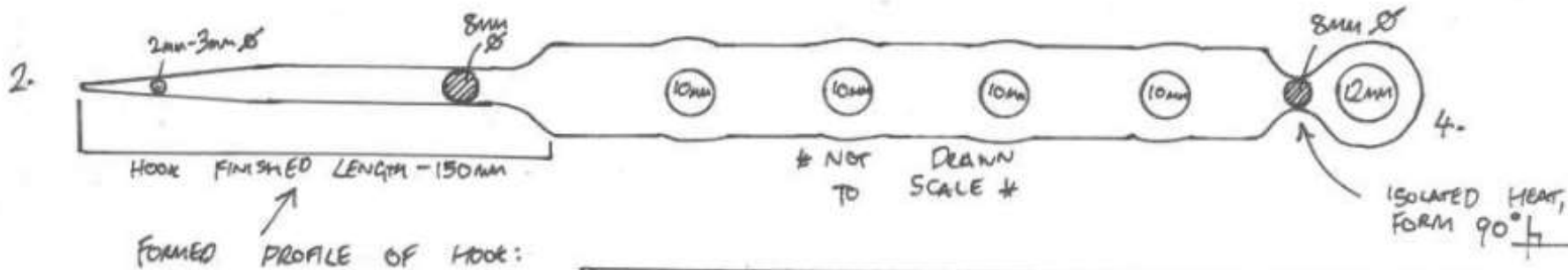


'TRAMMEL HOOK' - BACK PLATE

* NOT DRAWN TO SCALE *



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'TRAMMEL HOOK' - Hook

