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Agriculture and Rural Development
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BEECON 2026

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NATIONAL HONEY, MEAD AND VALUE ADDED PRODUCTS COMPETITION

RESULTS SUMMARY

**Presented in collaboration with the
Honey Judges' and Stewards' Guild of South Africa (NPC 2025/245070/08)**



**30 June 2026
Sun City Convention Centre
North West Province**

SABIO Chairperson

Tumi Mobu

Judges

Reg Morgan (Chairman)

Eddy Lear

Tina Lear

Elize Lundall-Magnuson

Chief Steward

Chris Schoeman

Assistant Chief Steward

Ronel Swanepoel

Stewards

Sonica Schulenburg, Brett Smit, Sam Mathibe, Mpho Bogatsu,
Kenalemang Mooketsi, Onkarabile Mooketsi, Thato Letshufi.

Competition Results & Awards

Prize Allocation

First, Second, and Third Prizes will be awarded only when:

- There are more than three (3) entries in a given category.
 - The exhibits meet the standards of excellence as outlined at the end of each class.
- Winners in these categories will receive medals corresponding to their placement.

Alternative Awards System

In categories with fewer than three (3) entries, where an exhibit meets the required standard of excellence, the following recognition system will apply:

Placement	Award Title	Recognition Type
1st	Very Highly Commended (VHC)	Certificate
2nd	Highly Commended (HC)	Certificate
3rd	Commended (C)	Certificate

These awards celebrate outstanding achievement and ensure that excellence is recognized, regardless of the number of entries.

The competition drew strong participation, with beekeepers from seven provinces across South Africa showcasing their skills. A total of 216 entries were submitted across the categories of honey, mead, and value-added bee products.

Special Awards	
Best bottle of Honey	Kristie Paine
Best Bottle of Mead	Kings Honey
Highest Scoring Value added	Kings Honey
Highest Overall Score	Kristie Paine
Highest Score Novice	Kaylin Rohlandt

Special Mention 100%	
Chantel Rohlandt	Exhibit of Beeswax, Cast of Apiary site
Kings Honey	Poured moulded candles
Kenalemang Mooketsi	Lip Balm
Kings Honey	Metheglyn Sweet Mead
Estelle Harmse	Photo
Kaylin Rohlandt	Art Ink Painting
Niel Harmse	Novelty Art. Good harvest Apiary site.

RESULTS 2026

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Cat</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Entrant</u>	<u>Place</u>
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	HONEY				
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	1	Light	Hans Steenpoorte	1
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	1	Light	Martin Raubenheimer	2
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	1	Light	Nazeem Allie	3
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	2	Medium	Iaan du Toit	1
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	2	Medium	Martin Raubenheimer	2
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	2	Medium	Kristie Paine	3
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	2	Medium	Mngome Zulu	VHC
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	2	Medium	Hans Steenpoorte	VHC
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	2	Medium	Simthembile Nzuzo	VHC
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	2	Medium	Lenah Mosiapoha	VHC
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	3	Dark	Nazeem Allie	1
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	3	Dark	Hans Steenpoorte	2
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	3	Dark	Hans Steenpoorte	HC
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	3	Dark	Martin Raubenheimer	3
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	3	Dark	Kristie Paine	C
1.1	LIQUID HONEY	3	Dark	Simthembile Nzuzo	C
1.2	EUCALYPTUS	2	Medium	Gabathata Matshediso	1
1.2	EUCALYPTUS	2	Medium	Martin Raubenheimer	2
1.2	EUCALYPTUS	2	Medium	Kings Honey	3
1.4	SELECT HONEY	1	Orange Blossom	Nazeem Allie	2
1.4	SELECT HONEY	2	Eucalyptus Melliodora (Yellow box)	Martin Raubenheimer	HC
1.4	SELECT HONEY	5	Ziziphus mucronata (Buffalo Thorn)	Martin Raubenheimer	1
1.4	SELECT HONEY	7	Kidney Bean	Martin Raubenheimer	VHC
1.4	SELECT HONEY	8	Cosmos	Hans Steenpoorte	HC
1.4	SELECT HONEY	8	Boekenhout	Martin Raubenheimer	HC
1.4	SELECT HONEY	8	Brazillian Pepper	Kristie Paine	C
1.4	SELECT HONEY	8	Fynbos	Nazeem Allie	VHC
1.4	SELECT HONEY	6	Acacia Melifera (Swart Haak)	Martin Raubenheimer	HC
1.4	SELECT HONEY	8	Eucalyptus cladocalyx	Nazeem Allie	C
1.5	SELECT GRANULATED HONEY	4	Canola	Frans Labuschagne	C

1.6	GRANULATED HONEY	1	Light	Martin Raubenheimer	HC
1.6	GRANULATED HONEY	2	Medium	Martin Raubenheimer	2
1.6	GRANULATED HONEY	2	Medium	Kristie Paine	3
1.7	SOFT SET HONEY	1	Light	Kristie Paine	1
1.7	SOFT SET HONEY	1	Light	Martin Raubenheimer	2
1.7	SOFT SET HONEY	1	Light	Frans Labuschagne	3
1.7	SOFT SET HONEY	1	Light	Chiquita van Niekerk	HC
1.7	SOFT SET HONEY	1	Light	Alfred Faber	HC
1.8	CREAMED HONEY	1	Light	Gabathata Matshediso	1
1.8	CREAMED HONEY	1	Light	Martin Raubenheimer	2
1.8	CREAMED HONEY	1	Light	Frans Labuschagne	3
1.10	COMB HONEY EXHIBITS	1	Comb Punnets	Frans Labuschagne	1
1.10	COMB HONEY EXHIBITS	1	Comb Punnets	Frans Labuschagne	
1.10	COMB HONEY EXHIBITS	1	Comb Punnets	Martin Raubenheimer	2
1.10	COMB HONEY EXHIBITS	3	Standard Super Frame	Peter Mputle	HC
1.11	BEES WAX BLOCKS	1	Light	Kristie Paine	1
1.11	BEES WAX BLOCKS	1	Light	Kings Honey	3
1.11	BEES WAX BLOCKS	2	Medium	Kristie Paine	3
1.11	BEES WAX BLOCKS	1	Light	Pieter Loubser	HC
1.12	LABEL AND PACKAGING DESIGN	1	Label	Pieter Loubser	1
1.12	LABEL AND PACKAGING DESIGN	1	Label	Kristie Paine	2
1.12	LABEL AND PACKAGING DESIGN	1	Label	Martin Raubenheimer	3
	MEAD				
2.1	TRADITIONAL MEAD	3	Sweet	Kings Honey	1
2.1	TRADITIONAL MEAD	3	Sweet	Nico Grobler	2
2.1	TRADITIONAL MEAD	3	Sweet	Walter Thornhill	3
2.2	METHEGLYN	3	Sweet	Kings Honey	VHC
2.3	HIPPOCRAS	3	Sweet	Kings Honey	HC
2.3	HIPPOCRAS	3	Sweet	Kristie Paine	C
2.4	MELOMEL	1	Dry Litchi	Kings Honey	C
2.4	MELOMEL	3	Sweet Litchi	Walter Thornhill	VHC
2.4	MELOMEL	3	Sweet	Johan du Toit	C
2.4	MELOMEL	4	Morat	Kristie Paine	VHC
2.4	MELOMEL	4	Morat	Walter Thornhill	HC

2.4	MELOMEL	7	Viking blood	Johan du Toit	2
2.4	MELOMEL	7	Viking blood	Kristie Paine	3
2.4	MELOMEL	8	Bilbemel	Kristie Paine	C
2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	7	Rhodomel	Johan du Toit	VHC
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2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	1	Floramel, Hibuscus	Walter Thornhill	1
2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	1	Floramel, Elderflower	Kristie Paine	2
2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	1	Florramel, Cherry	Johan du Toit	3
2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	2	Coffeamel	Nico Grobler	1
2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	2	Coffeamel	Kristie Paine	3
2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	3	Bochet	Kristie Paine	VHC
2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	4	Weirdomel Sweet	Nico Grobler	VHC
2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	4	Capsicumel	Kings Honey	1
2.5	SPECIALITY MEAD	4	Capsicumel	Johan du Toit	2
2.7	HONEY LIQUEUR	1	Saxumel	Kristie Paine	C
2.7	HONEY LIQUEUR	4	Vodka Liqueur	Kings Honey	VHC
2.8	LOW ALCOHOL MEAD	1	Session mead	Kristie Paine	VHC
2.9	BREWED MEAD	2	Braggot	Kristie Paine	VHC
2.13	MELEGAR (Vinegar mead)	1	Melegar	Kristie Paine	VHC
	VALUE ADDED PRODUCTS				
3.1	HONEY CUISINE AND BAKING	1	Hot honey sauce	Charlene Sim	
3.1	HONEY CUISINE AND BAKING	8	Honey based biscuit	Irma Schoeman	2
3.1	HONEY CUISINE AND BAKING	7	Honey baked cake	Irma Schoeman	3
3.2	CONFECTIONARY	1	Honey Roasted Almond nuts	Charlene Sim	2
3.4	HONEY & BEESWAX PRODUCTS	7	Body balm	Kenalemang Mooketsi	1
3.4	HONEY & BEESWAX PRODUCTS	3	Lip Balm	Kings Honey	2
3.4	HONEY & BEESWAX PRODUCTS	3	Cosmetics Lip balm Blueberry	Kristie Paine	3
3.4	HONEY & BEESWAX PRODUCTS	6	Leather Polish	Kings Honey	1
3.4	HONEY & BEESWAX PRODUCTS	7	Other, Healing Balm	Kings Honey	HC

3.4	HONEY & BEESWAX PRODUCTS	7	Other, Flu Lollys	Thato Othelia Lesufi	1
3.4	HONEY & BEESWAX PRODUCTS	7	Other, Cough Mixture	Thato Othelia Lesufi	C
3.5	MODELLED BEESWAX	1	Exhibit of Beeswax, Cast	Chantel Rohlandt	1
3.5	MODELLED BEESWAX	1	Casted Beeswax 1	Kings Honey	3
3.6	BEESWAX CANDLES	1	Poured molded candles	Kings Honey	1
3.6	BEESWAX CANDLES	4	Rolled candles	Hannah Grobler	2
3.6	BEESWAX CANDLES	1	Poured molded candles	Charlene Sim	3
3.6	BEESWAX CANDLES	1	Poured molded candles	Alfred Faber	C
3.7	GIFT PACKS	1	Gift Pack	Martin Raubenheimer	1
3.7	GIFT PACKS	1	Mead Gift Packs	Kristie Paine	2
3.7	GIFT PACKS	1	Gift box	Drienie Botes	3
3.7	GIFT PACKS	1	Gift Pack	Hannah Grobler	C
3.9	PHOTOGRAPHY	1	Photo	Estelle Harmse	1
3.9	PHOTOGRAPHY	1	Photo	Hennie Harmse	2
3.9	PHOTOGRAPHY	1	Photo	Hennie Harmse	HC
3.9	ARTWORK	2	Ink Art	Kaylin Rohlandt	VHC
3.10	NOVELTY ITEMS	4	Good Harvest	Niel Harmse	1
3.10	NOVELTY ITEMS	2	Decorated Kitchen Items	Charlene Sim	2
3.13	DISPLAYS	1	Apiarian Display of Apiary products	Martin Raubenheimer	VHC
3.13	DISPLAYS	1	Tasting box	Drienie Botes	HC
3.14	ART	1	Wooden plank mask	Lukas Radise	VHC

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