



## Walter Spencer of Great Chalfield

Walter Spencer was an enthusiastic supporter of local agricultural shows and won a number of prizes – mainly in shows run by the Melksham Agricultural Society

### 1862

For the best bull, cow and offspring, the latter under 12 months old – 2nd prize £3

Best 2 heifer calves, under 1 year – 2nd prize £1

Best boar of any breed – 2nd prize £1

Bounty of 15 shillings to Mr. Spencer for 4 sows

**Bristol Mercury 13th December 1862**

### 1867

In June 1867 at the annual ploughing, mowing and sheep shearing matches which took place at Manor Farm, Monkton Farleigh a servant of his won third prize - Ploughing under 18 years of age, 3rd prize, £1, William Keene, servant to Mr. Walter Spencer (Ball's plough)

**Bristol Mercury 29 June 1867**

### 1876

2 heifer calves under 12 months old – 2nd prize

Fat pigs under 12 months old – 2nd prize

**Bristol Mercury 16th December 1876**

### 1878

2 heifers coming 3 years old, in calf – 1st prize

2 heifer calves under one year old – 2nd prize

Fat pigs of any age 1st prize

**Bristol Mercury 11th December 1878**