

2026

Devon
COUNTY SHOW
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JUNIOR COMPETITIONS SCHEDULE

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Westpoint Arena, Exeter

DEVON COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

Patron: His Majesty The King

President: Mr J Lee OBE DL

Honorary Show Director: Mr Stewart Stevens

Devon County Show Manager: Mrs Lisa Moore

Devon County Show, Westpoint, Clyst St Mary, Exeter, EX5 1DJ

Thursday 21st – Saturday 23rd May 2026

Judge: TBC

For Children Aged 3-11

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CLASSES

1 A Painted Flower on a Pebble

2 A Home-Grown Garden in a Butter Tub

To be displayed in a butter tub.

3 A Posie tied with any medium

4 A Homemade Bird Feeder

5 An Animal Crafted from Recycled Goods

6 A Sunflower Crafted from any Medium

Sunflowers can be created from any non-perishable material and will be displayed at or near the entrance to the Crafts & Flowers Marquee at the 2026 Devon County Show. This class is not judged—children can enjoy seeing their sunflower on display and collect a special sticker for taking part in the sunflower display from the Primary Times team in the Junior Competitions area.

School Class Only

7 A Climate Change Poster

Title: *“Grow a Greener Future!”*

Theme: *“How flowers, gardens and wildlife can help fight climate change.”*

Brief:

To create a bright and colourful poster showing how caring for flowers, gardens, and wildlife can protect our planet. The aim is to inspire young people to think about how nature helps us tackle climate change, and how we can all play our part in keeping gardens and wild spaces healthy.

Minimum size of poster A3, maximum size A0.

Ideas for Inspiration:

- Planting trees, flowers, or wildflower meadows.
- Creating bee- and butterfly-friendly gardens.

- Looking after birds, hedgehogs, and other garden wildlife.
- Growing fruit and vegetables to eat from the garden.
- Saving water when gardening (e.g. water butts, watering cans).
- Composting food and garden waste.
- Celebrating the colours and beauty of flowers as a symbol of a thriving planet.

Judging Criteria:

- Creativity and imagination.
- Clear climate-friendly message linked to flowers, gardens or wildlife.
- Bright, bold, and eye-catching design.

Display:

All entries will be displayed in the **Crafts & Flowers Marquee** at the Devon County Show 2026.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY

Entries close on Friday 1st of May 2026. Please ensure this form (not the entries themselves) is received by the Show Office no later than the entry deadline. Alternatively, entries can be submitted online—please contact molly@dcshow.org for the link.

The Competitions will be staged as a section of the Crafts and Flowers Pavillion at the Devon County Show on 21st, 22nd & 23rd May 2026.

All trade stands and features within the Crafts and Flowers Pavilion are open to the public from 0900 hrs and will remain open until 1830 hrs each day.

Schools for students with additional needs are exempt from stated age categories.

2. ENTRY FEE

Entry is free.

3. PRIZE AWARDS MAY INCLUDE:

Family Voucher for Devon County Show 2027
Rosettes and Award Cards

4. RECEPTION AND STAGING OF EXHIBITS

a. **Exhibits must be staged on the day prior to the Show.** Staging must be completed by **4.00 pm at the latest on Wednesday 20th May.**

b. Any naming of Flowers and Plants must be done on plain labels.

c. Exhibitors will receive a Pre-Show Vehicle Permit for access to the Showground on **Wednesday 20th May** to deliver their exhibit(s).

5. RESPONSIBILITY FOR EXHIBITS

The Devon County Show (Devon County Agricultural Association, hereafter referred to as DCAA), will not accept any responsibility for damage to plants, flowers or other substances before, during or after the Show nor will the Devon County Show (DCAA) be responsible for loss, although every precaution will be taken to ensure safety.

6. CANCELLATION OF CLASSES

The Devon County Show (DCAA) reserves the right to cancel any class if they consider the entries to be insufficient.

7. JUDGING

a. The judges will be at liberty to withhold prizes where the exhibits are deficient in number or merit.
The decision of the Judges shall be final.

b. The Crafts and Flowers Committee reserves the right to disqualify or remove any exhibit.

8. REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS

All competitive exhibits can be removed from **4.00 pm** on the last day of the Show and **MUST** be removed by close of Show. Any exhibits not removed at close of Show may be disposed of by the Stewards, unless prior arrangements have been made with the Competition Co-Ordinator 01392 353710.

9. OBLIGATIONS

All exhibitors will be subject to the Orders, Regulations and Rules of the Devon County Show (DCAA).

10. INSURANCE

Any exhibitor, firm or organisation taking part in the Devon County Show must have sufficient insurance cover and Health and Safety requirements. Where an exhibitor does not have Employer's Liability cover, because they rely on volunteers or self-employed persons, they must have Public Liability Cover.

11. POSTPONEMENT OR ABANDONMENT

Exhibitors shall not have any claim against the Devon County Show (DCAA) or any member of the Devon County Show (DCAA) in respect of any loss or damage whatsoever consequent upon the Show or any part of it failing (for whatsoever reason) to be held or having to be abandoned.

12. ACCIDENT

In the event of an accident within a feature area, it is the Exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that it is reported to the Chief Steward Crafts and Flowers Feature, or her representative, in the marquee.

13. THEFT

The Devon County Show (DCAA) reserves the right to appoint a Show Official or Security Guard to stop and search vehicles leaving the Showground and/or to assist the Police Authority.

14. HEALTH AND SAFETY

The (DCAA) Council reserve the sole and absolute right to interpret these or any other prescribed regulations, conditions and prize lists, and to finally settle and determine all or any matters, question, difference, in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or in connection, with the Show and to substitute judges for those announced in the prize list, or to make additional appointments as may be deemed necessary.

15. All Exhibitors and other persons admitted to the Showground shall be subject to rules, the orders, regulations (including Health and Safety) of the Devon County Show and the Council of the Devon County Agricultural Association.

16. FORCE MAJEURE

If an event defined hereafter as Force Majeure occurs the DCAA will not be responsible for the financial consequences or any losses or any actions claims or demands caused to or made by an exhibitor or their servants or agents caused by the failure of the Devon County Show to be held on one or more of the days but for the event of Force Majeure on which it would otherwise to be held. Force Majeure means for the purposes of this clause exceptionally inclement weather; flooding of the whole or any part of the Devon County Showground or the whole or any part of the car parks associated with it ; an act of God including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, windstorm or other natural disaster; act of any sovereign including but not limited to war, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power or confiscation, nationalisation, requisition, destruction or damage to property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority or imposition of government sanction embargo or similar action; law, judgment, order, decree, embargo, blockade, labour dispute including but not limited to strike, lockout or boycott; interruption or failure of utility service including but not limited to electric power, gas, water or telephone service; failure of the transportation of any personnel equipment, machinery supply or material required by DCAA to run the Devon County Show ; breach of contract by any essential personnel; any other matter or cause beyond the control of DCAA.

17. Photographs and/or film footage will be taken at this event. These images may be used by the Devon County Agricultural Society, its subsidiaries (including but not limited to Devon County Show) and show sponsors in the following ways:

- Printed publicity
- Online publicity (including but not limited to Facebook, Instagram & Twitter)
- Website use – (DCAA, its subsidiaries or sponsors)
- Any other fair use in marketing and promoting the Devon County show by ourselves and our sponsors

They will be stored securely and will not be kept for longer than they are needed for the purposes listed above. If you would prefer for you or your child not to be photographed, please speak to the photographer on the day or contact the show office. If you would like to review our privacy and usage policy or have any

further questions please contact info@dcsow.org or head to devoncountysow.co.uk or phone 01392 353 700. Registered Charity Number: 292897.

- 18.** Information from entry forms will be stored on computer, information about the results may be published and/or provided to the Press for publication. The making of an entry is irrevocable consent for the storage and disclosure of information in this way.
- 19.** The DCAA operates to a high Health and Safety standard. All Show personnel and visitors are expected to meet that standard and comply with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974.

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