HORTICULTURAL SECTION

The challenge of growing flowers and vegetables for the show bench has a fascination for newcomers and experienced growers alike. The aim is to look for flowers, fruit and vegetable specimens that are as near perfect as possible – this means no damage, no signs of disease and nice even growth. Growing an even sample that conforms to defined condition, size and uniformity, presented in the approved way is considered to test the growing skill of the exhibitor to the highest level.

Entrance Fee: 50p per entry

Prize Money £2, £1.50, £1

Except Classes 630 and 682: £4, £3, £2

All exhibits must be in place by no later than 8.45am on show day

PLEASE NOTE THAT EXHIBITORS MUST SUPPLY THEIR OWN VASES, BOWLS OR BOARDS these will NOT be supplied by the Show. TWO entries per class may be submitted. Bench cards will be placed in the position where exhibits are to be staged. It is important that all exhibitors keep a note of their entries as NO exhibit numbers will be produced before showday. Exhibitors submitting 5 entries or more will be entitled to a free admission ticket to the show

ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED UP TO AND INCLUDING SATURDAY 30th AUGUST 2025. Entries and enquiries to be sent to Keith Steer, Fairwinds, 2 Collaton Road, Malborough, Kingsbridge, Devon, TQ7 3RJ (Tel: 01548 561509).

Prize-winners are asked to collect their prize money from the Secretary's Tent on show day. Do not remove any exhibitor cards from the show benches. Prizes not claimed on the show day may be claimed by sending the winner's prize ticket(s) and a stamped addressed envelope to the Show Secretary at 38 Lyte Lane, West Charleton, Kingsbridge, Devon, TQ7 2BW by no later than 30th September. Monies not claimed by this date are forfeit

Judge: Mr J Wallis

SECTION A – COTTAGERS AND ALLOTMENT HOLDERS.

Limited to Amateur Gardeners within the Kingsbridge Union. Persons who employ gardeners for more than eight hours per week are excluded from this Section.

VEGETABLES – SECTION A

- 607. Three Carrots, stump rooted, tops trimmed to 3ins.
- 608. Three Carrots, long or intermediate, tops trimmed to 3ins.
- 609. Three Parsnips, tops trimmed to 3ins
- 610. Three Turnips, garden grown
- 611. Pair of Marrows, maximum 15ins
- 612. Three Courgettes, maximum length 6ins
- 613. Three Beetroot, red round, tops trimmed and tied
- 614. Any other Vegetable not on schedule 2 specimens of same variety
- 615. Cherry Tomatoes on the Vine. Size not to exceed 35mm in diameter
- 616. Two Cabbage Lettuce
- 617. Seven Runner Beans
- 618. Three Leeks
- 619. Two Cucumbers grown under glass
- 620. Five Tomatoes with stems
- 621. Five Fronds of Parsley in a jar
- 622. Collection of cut Herbs, three varieties, two stems of each in a jar (excluding Parsley)
- 623. Four Kidney or Four Oval Potatoes, white
- 624. Four Kidney or Four Oval Potatoes, coloured

- 625. Four round Potatoes, white
- 626. Four round Potatoes, coloured
- 627. Collection of Potatoes, three dishes of distinct varieties, four potatoes per dish
- 628. Collection of Potatoes, on one dish, four potatoes, 1 each from varieties taken from classes 623 626
- 629. Five Chillies
- 630. Tray of any three of the following five vegetables: 3 potatoes, 3 tomatoes (with stems), 3 onions (trimmed and tied), 5 runner beans, 3 carrots (tops trimmed to 3ins). Size of tray 18ins x 12ins.
- 631. Seven Shallots, hybrids
- 632. Seven Shallots, any other variety i.e. banana shape etc. (not hybrids)
- 633. Three Onions, not sets, trimmed and tied
- 634. Three Onions, globe, from sets, trimmed and tied
- 635. Three Onions, flat, from sets, trimmed and tied

A National Vegetable Society Medal for the best vegetable exhibit in Section A to include special Show Society prize of £4 (excluding Class 630) (Winner 2024: Jackie Case)

George Edwards Memorial Cup presented by Keith Steer. To be awarded to the exhibitor in the potato classes who obtains the highest number of points (Classes 623 - 628) (Winner 2024: Tim Smith)

DAHLIAS – SECTION A

- Judges: Mr M Harvey and Mr D Harvey
- 636. Three Dahlias, large (over 215mm diameter) or giant (over 260mm diameter) decorative. Three vases one bloom in each vase
- 637. One vase three Dahlias, medium decorative, (between 165mm and 215mm diameter)
- 638. One vase five Dahlias, small decorative (between 115mm and 165mm diameter)
- 639. One vase five Dahlias, small Pompon, (not exceeding 54mm diameter)
- 640. One vase three Dahlias, medium cactus or semi-cactus (between 165mm and 215mm diameter)
- 641. One vase five Dahlias, small cactus or semi-cactus (between 115mm and 165mm diameter)
- 642. One bowl five mixed Dahlias. Space 2ft x2ft. Height optional
- 643. One vase five Dahlias, miniature ball (under 115mm diameter)

The Arthur Hutchinson Limited Challenge Cup for the best Dahlias Exhibit in Section A – Cottagers (Winner 2024: Terry Reeves)

CUT FLOWERS AND PLANTS – SECTION A Judges: Mr M Harvey and Mr D Harvey

- 644. One bowl mixed Garden Flowers. Space 2ft x 2ft. Height optional
- 645. One Pot Plant foliage only. Space 2ft x 2ft.
- 646. One Pot Plant in bloom. Space 2ft x 2ft
- 647. One vase five blooms double Asters
- 648. One vase five blooms single Asters
- 649. One vase three spikes Gladioli
- 650. One vase of flowers, one variety, not already specified in schedule
- 651. One vase one bloom of Hydrangea
- 652. One vase three mixed blooms hybrid tea roses
- 653. Six Fuchsia heads.

- 654. One Specimen Rose
- 655. Six Pansies.
- 656. One spike of Gladiolus
- 657. Three Zinnias

A Perpetual Challenge Cup presented by Keith Steer will be awarded for the most points in Section A (Classes 607 – 657 inclusive) 1st, 2nd and 3rd places respectively count 3, 2, 1 points. (**Winner 2024: Bob Gould**)

The Stewart Goodwin Memorial Cup presented to the competitor with the highest number of points from Section A Cut Flowers and Plants (Classes 644 – 657 inclusive) (Winner 2024: Bob Gould)

Show Society prize of £4 for the best flower or plant exhibit in Section A excluding Class 644 (Winner 2024: Bob Gould)

The Avon Mill Garden Centre Voucher for Best Bowl of Flowers in Section A – Class 644 (Winner 2024: Bob Gould)

Judge: Mr J Wallis

VEGETABLES – SECTION B – Open to Allcomers

- 658. Three Carrots, stump rooted, tops trimmed to 3ins.
- 659. Three Carrots, long or intermediate, tops trimmed to 3ins.
- 660. Three Parsnips, tops trimmed to 3ins
- 661. Three Turnips, garden grown
- 662. Pair of Marrows, maximum 15ins
- 663. Three Courgettes, maximum length 6ins
- 664. Three Beetroot, red round, tops trimmed and tied
- 665. Any other Vegetable not on schedule 2 specimens of same variety
- 666. Largest Marrow 1 entry
- 667. Cherry Tomatoes on the Vine. Size not to exceed 35mm in diameter
- 668. Two Cabbage Lettuce
- 669. Seven Runner Beans
- 670. Three Leeks
- 671. Two Cucumbers grown under glass
- 672. Five Tomatoes with stems
- 673. Five Fronds of Parsley in a jar
- 674. Collection of cut Herbs, three varieties, two stems of each in a jar (excluding Parsley)
- 675. Four Kidney or Four Oval Potatoes, white
- 676. Four Kidney or Four Oval Potatoes, coloured
- 677. Four round Potatoes, white
- 678. Four round Potatoes, coloured
- 679. Collection of Potatoes, three dishes of distinct varieties, four potatoes per dish
- 680. Collection of Potatoes, on one dish, four potatoes, varieties taken from classes 675 678)
- 681. Five Chillies
- 682. Tray of any three of the following five vegetables: 3 potatoes, 3 tomatoes (with stems), 3 onions (trimmed and tied), 5 runner beans, 3 carrots (tops trimmed to 3ins). Size of tray 18ins x 12ins.
- 683. Seven Shallots, hybrids
- 684. Seven Shallots, any other variety i.e. banana shape etc. (not hybrids)
- 685. Three Onions, not sets, trimmed and tied
- 686. Three Onions, globe, from sets, trimmed and tied
- 687. Three Onions, flat, from sets, trimmed and tied

A National Vegetable Society Medal for the best vegetable exhibit in Section B to include special Show Society prize of £4 (excluding Class 682) (Winner 2024: Mike Hine)

The Tony Church Perpetual Cup for highest number of points in vegetables Section B (Winner 2024: Mike Hine)

Judges: Mr M Harvey and Mr D Harvey

Mr D Harvey

DAHLIAS – SECTION B

- 688. Three Dahlias, large (over 215mm diameter) or giant (over 260mm diameter) decorative. Three vases one bloom in each vase
- 689. One vase three Dahlias, medium decorative, (between 165mm and 215mm diameter)
- 690. One vase five Dahlias, small decorative (between 115mm and 165mm diameter)
- 691. One vase three Dahlias, medium cactus or semi-cactus (between 165mm and 215mm diameter)
- 692. One vase five Dahlias, small cactus or semi-cactus (between 115mm and 165mm diameter)
- 693. One vase five Dahlias, small Pompon, (not exceeding 54mm diameter) one colour
- 694. Ten Dahlias, small Pompon (not exceeding 54mm diameter) in two vases, five in each vase, mixed colours
- 695. One bowl seven mixed Dahlias. Space 2ft x 2ft. Height optional,
- 696. One vase five Dahlias miniature ball (under 115mm diameter)
- 697. One vase five Dahlias miniature decorative (under 115mm diameter)
- 698. One vase one Dahlia giant decorative (over 260mm diameter).

A National Dahlia Society Silver Medal Certificate for the best Dahlia Exhibit in Section B – Open (Winner 2024: Terry Reeves)

A National Dahlia Society Bronze Medal Certificate for the reserve best Dahlia Exhibit in Section B – Open (Winner 2024: Norman Veitch)

CUT FLOWERS AND PLANTS – SECTION B Judges: Mr M Harvey and

- 699. One bowl mixed Garden Flowers. Space 2ft x 2ft. Height optional
- 700. One Pot Plant foliage only. Space 2ft x 2ft.
- 701. One Pot Plant in bloom. Space 2ft x 2ft
- 702. One Geranium or Pelargonium in pot. Space 2ft x 2ft.
- 703. One Specimen Rose, hybrid tea
- 704. One vase five mixed blooms hybrid tea Roses
- 705. One vase one stem cluster Roses
- 706. One spike of Gladiolus
- 707. One vase three spikes Gladioli
- 708. Seven Sweet Peas
- 709. One vase of flowers, one variety, not already specified in schedule
- 710. One vase five blooms double Asters
- 711. One vase five blooms single Asters
- 712. One vase of five Zinnias
- 713. One vase one bloom of Hydrangea
- 714. Six Pansies.
- 715. Six Fuchsia heads.

A Perpetual Challenge Cup presented by Keith Steer will be awarded for the most points in Section B (Classes 658 – 715 inclusive). 1st, 2nd and 3rd places respectively count 3, 2, 1 points. (Winner 2024: Bob Gould)

Show Society prize of £4 for the best flower or plant exhibit in Section B excluding Class 699 (Winner 2024: Bob Gould)

The Avon Mill Garden Centre Voucher for Best Bowl of Flowers in Section B – Class 699 (Winner 2024: Bob Gould)

FRUIT CLASSES Judge: Mr J Wallis

- 716. Five desert Apples
- 717. Five cooking Apples
- 718. Collection of Apples, three dishes of four distinct varieties
- 719. Five dessert Pears
- 720. Five cooking Pears
- 721. Any other Fruit

The Heron Valley Perpetual Cup for highest points in the Fruit Section (Winners 2024: Heather Frazier-Roberts and Jackie Case)

NOVICES CLASSES FOR 18 YEARS AND UNDER Judge: Mr J Wallis (age to be stated on entry form)

- 722. One Sunflower Head
- 723. Vase of Three blooms mixed types or the same and two Vegetables of the same type on table (Vase supplied)
- 724. One growing Pepper or Chilli plant
- 725. Six Cherry Tomatoes with stems
- 726. Any other Vegetable
- 727. A Painted, Planted Herb trough. Herbs to be labelled and minimum of 5 in number

Avon Mill Perpetual Cup awarded to the winner with the highest points in Novices Classes (Winner 2024: Juliet Case)

The Island Lodge Camping and Caravan Club Site Perpetual Cup for the Runner Up in Novices Section (Winner 2024: Stella Case)