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Three Counties, Malvern, WR13 6NW GROW TO SHOW SCHEDULE

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GROW TO SHOW ENTRIES CLOSE THURSDAY 4 May 2023 JUDGING COMMENCES AT 7AM THURSDAY 11 MAY 2023

BEST EXHIBIT IN SHOW (excluding Class A1, Sections J and L) will receive an Award Card and Trophy.

BEST EXHIBIT OF CUT FLOWERS FROM SECTIONS B, C or H will receive an Award Card.

BEST EXHIBIT IN SECTION - Sections A – L (excluding Class A1) - will each receive a Best in Section Award Card.

BEST IN SECTION J - The Tony Hughes Memorial Trophy

SECTION A

Entry fee for class A1 - £1 Prizes - 1st - £30, 2nd - £24, 3rd - £18, 4th - £1

Class A1 A display of cut flowers and/or vegetables and/or pot plants, foliage etc, (excluding dried materials) arranged for effect. The niche provided will be 900mm wide at the front and 760mm at the back. Front to back measurement will be 590mm, height unlimited. Tabling, backboard and sideboards will be supplied by the RHS Malvern Spring Festival. Exhibitors may use alternative coverings if they wish. Displays may overhang the front, but pots must be within area provided. A list of plants included in the display is required for public information.

Entry fee for classes – A2, A3, A4 and A5 - £1 Prizes - 1st - £10, 2nd - £8, 3rd - £6, 4th - £4

- Class A2 An established container planted with flowering plants suitable for the PATIO. The container is to be provided by the exhibitor and will be placed on a 610mm x 610mm paving slab. To be judged for all round effect. Container must be brought to the Show already planted, if not it will not be accepted into the Show.
- Class A3 An established container planted with foliage plants suitable for the PATIO. The container is to be provided by the exhibitor and will be placed on a 610mm x 610mm paving slab. To be judged for all round effect. Container must be brought to the Show already planted, if not it will not be accepted into the Show.
- Class A4 A hanging container not to exceed 360mm diameter planted with flowering plants. Facility for hanging container will be provided.
- Class A5 A hanging container not to exceed 360mm diameter planted with foliage plants. Facility for hanging container will be provided.

SECTION B - BULBS

Entry fee for Classes B1 - 10B - 60p Prizes for Classes B1 -B10 - 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £2

- Class B1 Daffodils/Narcissi, one container of 5 stems, any cultivar/cultivars (excluding those eligible for class B2).
- Class B2 **Daffodils/Narcissi, diameter 50mm or less, one container of 5 stems, any cultivar/cultivars.**
- Class B3 Three different cultivars of daffodils/narcissi in a container 1 stem of each variety.
- Class B4 One specimen stem of daffodil/narcissus.
- Class B5 One specimen tulip stem.
- Class B6 Tulips, one container of 5 stems, any cultivar/cultivars (excluding those eligible for class B7, B8 and B9.)
- Class B7 Tulips, miniature, one container of 5 stems, any cultivar/cultivars.
- Class B8 Parrot Tulips, one container of 5 stems, one cultivar.
- Class B9 Double flowered tulips, one container of 5 stems, one cultivar.
- Class B10 One container growing any single species of bulbs, corms, rhizomes, tubers in flower, excluding Orchid. Container not to exceed 356mm diameter.

SECTION C - CUT FLOWERS

Entry fee for Classes C1 - 16C - 60p Prizes for Classes C1 - 16C - 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £2

- Class C1 Polyanthus, one container of 5 stems.
- Class C2 Wallflowers, one container of 5 stems.
- Class C3 Lily of the Valley, one container of 5 stems.
- Class C4 One vase of cut flowers of one genus, not mentioned elsewhere in the schedule, excluding flowers grown from bulb, corm, tuber or rhizome.
- Class C5 One container of cut flowers of one genus, not mentioned elsewhere in the schedule, grown from bulb, corm, tuber or rhizome.
- Class C6 One container of cut flowering shrub, excluding lilac.
- Class C7 One container of cut flowering tree, excluding lilac.
- Class C8 One container of cut lilac.
- Class C9 One container of mixed spring flower. Consideration will be given to quality of blooms, number of cultivars and artistic presentation. Extra foliage not allowed. Width of exhibit not to exceed 1m.
- Class C10 Pelargonium flowers, one container of 5 stems.
- Class C11 A petite arrangement of mixed flowers. Size not to exceed 250mm in width, depth and height. Consideration will be given to quality of blooms, number of cultivars and artistic presentation. Extra foliage not allowed.
- Class C12 Pansies or Violas, One board of six blooms.

Boards provided.

- Class C13 One container of cut peony flowers.
- Class C14 One container of cut aquilegia flowers.
- Class C15 One container of cut euphorbia flowers.

Class C16 One bowl of floating flower heads. Bowl not to exceed 300mm diameter.

SECTION D - AURICULA

Judged to National Auricula and Primula Society rules, please see http://www.auriculaandprimula.org.uk for more information

Entry fee for Class D1 - D8- 60p Prizes for Classes D1 - D8 - 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £2

- Class D1 One plant White, Green or Grey Edge Show Auricula
- Class D2 One plant Self Show Auricula
- Class D3 One plant Fancy Auricula
- Class D4 One plant Light Centred Alpine Auricula
- Class D5 One plant Double Auricula
- Class D6 One plant Striped Auricula
- Class D7 One plant Border Auricula

Class D8 One plant Gold Centred Alpine Auricula

SECTION E - POT PLANTS

Entry fee for Classes E1 - E18 - 60p Prizes for Classes - E1 - E8 & E10 - E18, 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £2 Prizes for Class - E9, 1st - £8, 2nd - £5, 3rd - £3

Class E1	One pot plant, flowering, pot or pan not exceeding 260mm diameter, excluding pelargoniums, bulbs, corms, tubers, orchids, rhizomes, cacti and succulents.
Class E2	One Regal Pelargonium, flowering, pot or pan not exceeding 260mm.
Class E3	One other variety Pelargonium, flowering, excluding Regal, pot or pan not exceeding 260mm.
Class E4	One pot plant grown for Ornamental foliage effect, pot or pan not exceeding 260mm diameter, excluding cacti, succulent and hosta.
Class E5	One Miniature Hosta, variegated leaf. Container not to exceed 200mm.
Class E6	One Miniature Hosta, non-variegated leaf. Container not to exceed 200mm
Class E7	One Hosta, variegated leaf, grown for foliage effect, pot or pan not exceeding 260mm diameter.
Class E8	One Hosta, non-variegated leaf, grown for foliage effect, pot or pan not exceeding 260mm diameter.
Class E9	A collection of three Hostas in separate pots or pans, not to exceed 260mm diameter.
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Class E10 One climbing plant, pot or pan not exceeding 260mm.

- Class E11 Any Broadleaf 'BONSAI' exhibit.
- Class E12 Any Coniferous 'BONSAI' exhibit.
- Class E13 One pot of Orchid in flower, container not to exceed 360mm diameter.
- Class E14 A container of Ornamental Grass, Sedge or Rush, Container not to exceed 260mm.
- Class E15 One Fern Pot or pan not to exceed 260mm.
- Class E16 One pot or pan, any carnivorous plant. Container not to exceed 260mm diameter and 200mm depth.
- Class E17 One pot, Violas or Pansies, maximum pot size 150mm.
- Class E18 One pot or pan, Violas or Pansies, maximum pot size 260mm.

SECTION F - CACTI AND SUCCULENTS

Entry fee for Classes F1 - F10 - 60p

Prizes for Classes F1, F4, F5, F8, 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £2 Prizes for Classes F2, F3, F6, F7, F9, F10, 1st - £8, 2nd - £5, 3rd - £3

- Class F1 One cactus, the pot or pan not to exceed 260mm diameter or equivalent in square pot or pan.
- Class F2 A collection of three cacti in separate pots or pans not to exceed 155mm diameter or equivalent in square pot or pan.
- Class F3 A collection of four cacti in separate pots or pans not to exceed 90mm diameter or equivalent in square pot or pan.
- Class F4 One cactus any cultivar, unrestricted pot size. (Please state pot size on entry form for staging purposes.)
- Class F5 One succulent, excluding cacti, pot or pan not to exceed 260mm diameter or equivalent in square pot or pan.
- Class F6 A collection of three succulents, excluding cacti, in separate pots or pans not to exceed155mm diameter or equivalent in square pot or pan.
- Class F7 A collection of four succulents, excluding cacti, in separate pots or pans not to exceed 90mm diameter or equivalent in square pot or pan.
- Class F8 Echeveria Group, one plant unlimited pot size.
- (Please state pot size on entry form for staging purposes.)
- Class F9 Cacti and/or other succulents, container not to exceed 385mm x 230mm, with a minimum of nine plants, each in individual pots or pans.
- Class F10 A "miniature" container garden, cacti and/or succulents, ornaments optional. Container not to exceed 305mm diameter.

SECTION G - ALPINES

Entry fee for Classes G1 - G22 - 60p Prizes for One Pan Classes - 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £2 Prizes for Three Pan Classes G6 and G17 - 1st - £8, 2nd - £5, 3rd - £3

All exhibits in the Alpine section must be named

Pan sizes are external measurements at the top rim

(a) PAN SIZE NOT TO EXCEED 360mm DIAMETER

- Class G1 One pan rock plant in flower, to exclude Orchidaceae.
- Class G2 One pan dwarf Shrub.
- Class G3 One pan dwarf Conifer.
- Class G4 One pan hardy Orchid.

(b) PAN SIZE NOT TO EXCEED 260mm DIAMETER

- Class G5 One pan rock plant in flower, to exclude Orchidaceae and Lewisia
- Class G6 Three pans rock plants, different cultivars or species.
- Class G7 One pan Primulaceae.
- Class G8 One pan dwarf bulbous plants of one cultivar (to include bulbs, corms, tubers and rhizomes but exclude Orchidaceae).
- Class G9 One pan dwarf Shrub.
- Class G10 One pan rock plant with silver or grey foliage.
- Class G11 One pan hardy Orchid.
- Class G12 One pan Lewisia.
- Class G13 One pan Cushion plant.
- Class G14 One pan Sempervivum or Jovibarba
- Class G15 One pan Saxifragaceae.

(c) PAN SIZE NOT TO EXCEED 190mm DIAMETER

- Class G16 One pan rock plant in flower, to exclude Orchidaceae and Lewisia.
- Class G17 Three pans rock plants, different cultivars or species.
- Class G18 One pan Lewisia.
- Class G19 One pan Primulaceae.
- Class G20 One pan dwarf Shrub.
- Class G21 One pan rock plant to be judged for foliage effect.
- Class G22 One pan dwarf bulbous plants of one cultivar (to include bulbs, corms, tubers and rhizomes but exclude Orchidaceae).

SECTION H - IRIS

Entry fee for Classes H1 - H4 - 60p

Prizes for Classes H1 - H4 - 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £2

- Class H1 Iris. Bearded hybrids (over 410mm in height), three cut stems displayed in three containers. Any cultivar/cultivars.
- Class H2 Iris. Dwarf bearded hybrids (380mm or less in height), three cut stems in one container. Any cultivar/cultivars.
- Class H3 Iris. Beardless hybrids, three cut stems in one container. Any cultivar/cultivars.
- Class H4 Iris species, three cut stems in one container.

SECTION J - PHOTOGRAPHY

Entry fee for Classes J1 - J4 - 60p Prizes for Classes J1 - J4 - 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £2

Prints may be mounted, maximum overall size A4 size.

No photograph to have been exhibited in this Show before.

- Class J1 A Summer scene in the garden.
- Class J2 A picture of a pot plant.
- Class J3 A picture of a floral close up.
- Class J4 A picture taken at the RHS Malvern Spring Festival, Royal Three Counties Show or the Malvern Autumn Show

SECTION K - VEGETABLES

Entry fee for Classes K1 - K5 - 60p Prizes for Classes K1 - K5 - 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £2

- Class K1 Rhubarb natural. One dish of three, with leaf blades trimmed back to approximately 75mm.
- Class K2 Asparagus one dish of six spiers.
- Class K3 Herbs, three bunches of cut herbs.
- Class K4 Potatoes One dish of five **must** be named.
- Class K5 Any Other Vegetable not classified elsewhere **must** be named. If not named, the exhibit will not be judged.

SECTION L – DESIGN AND DISPLAY

Entry fee for Classes L1 and L2 - £1 Prizes for Classes L1 and L2 - 1st - £10, 2nd - £8, 3rd - £6, 4th £4

- Class L1 A trio of ornamental plants, which would naturally grow well together planted in a container/s of designer's choice. Maximum space allowed 1m wide by 590mm.
- Class L2 A collection of five culinary plants growing, presented in an imaginative and creative way. Maximum space allowed 1m wide by 590mm deep.

These classes will be judged on the overall effect, creativity of design, selection of plants and containers.

The Grow to Show Committee would like to thank all sponsors for their participation in the 2023 RHS Malvern Spring Festival

ENTRIES CLOSE THURSDAY 4th MAY 2023 - NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Rules

 All exhibits must be of the Exhibitor's own growing. The Committee reserves the right to inspect the premises of Exhibitors and to disqualify for infringement of this rule. Exhibits in class A1 entered in the Societies/Groups/Club name must similarly have been grown by the Society/Groups/Club members.

2 Entry forms and fees must reach the Show Secretary by Thursday 4 May 2023. No late entries will be accepted.

- 3 Only one entry from each address per class allowed.
- 4 The Grow to Show section will be open from 10am on Wednesday 10 May until 6.45am on Thursday 11 May for exhibitors to stage. The marquee will be electrically illuminated throughout the night and security staff will be in attendance throughout the night. However, stewards will only be on duty during the following times to give advice and issue exhibit cards:-

Wednesday 10 May – 10.00am to 10.00pm Thursday 11 May - 6.00am to 6.45am

All exhibitors must leave the section by 6.45am. Judging will commence at 7am prompt.

- 5 Exhibits should be named where possible for the interest and education of visitors. All exhibits in Alpine Classes **must** be named. Variety cards will be available from the Stewards.
- 6 VASES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR CUT FLOWERS, but exhibitors may supply their own. **Please see rule 20 FLORAL FOAM**
- 7 The Society and Committee will take every reasonable care but will not be responsible for any loss or damage.
- 8 Please place exhibits in a saucer, if you wish your entry to be watered during the Show.
- 9 The decision of the Judges is final. They have the power to withhold any award if the exhibits are deemed to be unworthy.
- 10 Exhibits and prizecards **must not** be removed until after **4.45pm** on Sunday 14 May 2023. Failure to comply will forfeit prize money. The Society and Committee will try to ensure the safety of all exhibits, but no responsibility will be taken for any loss or damage. Stewards will be in attendance until 6pm.
- 11 IF EXHIBITORS ARE UNABLE TO STAGE THEIR EXHIBIT/S, WOULD THEY PLEASE INFORM THE SHOW OFFICE BY TUESDAY 9 MAY 2023.
- 12 Any objection must be made in writing to the Secretary before 3.00pm on the first day of the show, together with a deposit of £5.00, which will be retained if the objection is not upheld by the Committee.
- 13 Prize money will be paid after the Show.
- 14 The Show is open to all exhibitors who need not be resident within the three counties of Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Gloucestershire.
- 15 One pass per exhibitor for not fewer than **5 entries**.
- 16 One-vehicle pass will be issued to exhibitors to enable them to deliver and collect their exhibits. Once delivery has been completed, all vehicles **must** be removed from the showground to the car parks. The appropriate wristbands will be given to exhibitors when they collect their class cards.
- 17 The Society's general show regulations will apply to this section. Copies are available from the main office.
- 18 All classes to be judged in accordance with the Royal Horticultural Society Rules, **8th Edition**, **2016**, except where stated otherwise in the schedule.
- 19 Collection of trophy: please liaise with the Main Office Reception.
- 20 RHS and Three Counties Society statement for Floral Foam 2023 Show Season.

As part of our efforts to improve sustainability and to make environmentally-minded choices when planning our events, we will go ahead with the decision to ban ALL plastic containing foam at all shows in 2023. Many current flora foams on the market are

non-biodegradable and use micro-plastics and due to the nature of its use is very easy for these to get into the water supplies. We have taken the decision in consultation with exhibitors, competitors, venues, and site managers.

What are the alternatives? There are several great floristry resources online proposing alternatives.

Some to consider include:

Chicken Wire or Metal Pins (kenzan)

Moss

Green Foliage

Tubes and Water

Newspaper

Marbles

Pebbles, Sand, Gravel, Clay

If you are using a degradable alternative to floral foam such as Agra-wool please contact the relevant show manager to confirm the product is suitable.