

Roehampton Garden Society
Founded 1873
(Member of the London Gardens Society)



Horticultural Shows
2018

The Autumn Show

Saturday 8th September at 3.00 pm

Exhibits cleared at 4.30, followed by auction.

The Show will be held
in St Margaret's Church Hall
Putney Park Lane
Putney SW15 5HU

Guidance for entrants to the RGS Shows

Decide now that you will enter at least one exhibit in each Show!

1. Study the rules set out here carefully.
2. Be sure that your entry is exactly as required by the class concerned, e.g. '12 peas -' - 11 or 13 would disqualify your entry.
3. Aim to produce a balanced entry, e.g. 'vase of 3 roses' - avoid 1 large bloom with 2 small blooms; a vase of identical triplets is the ideal. Likewise try to find identical quintuplets when showing '5 potatoes', etc.
4. If you have any queries, or need advice, ask members of the Committee who are at the Store every Sunday between 10 am and 12 noon and who will be at the show from 09.30.
5. In the Cookery classes, please note that presentation is important: the following must be adhered to or the entry may be disqualified
 - produce in jars must have
 - an inner grease- proof paper
 - a clean transparent outer film cover e.g. clingfilm, even if a metal cap is also being used
 - lids must be loosened before putting on show
 - jars must be filled to the top
 - name the produce, e.g. 'Blackberry Jam'
 - where possible choose a dish that is meant to be eaten cold, because it makes the judging fairer
 - all entries must be covered
 - a list of ingredients must accompany every entry
6. **Salad vegetable** (from the RHS show handbook)
"A vegetable used in either a raw or cooked state and served in salads as a cold dish. The following examples are kinds that may be used for horticultural show purposes: beetroot, cabbages, carrots, celeriac, celery, chicory, chives, corn salad, lamb's lettuce, cress, cucumber, dandelion, endive, Florence fennel, kohlrabi, lettuces, onions, oriental brassicas, potatoes, radishes, sweet peppers, tomatoes, turnips and watercress".

Method of entry

Exhibitors are requested to enter for each show separately. Entries are to be made only:

- At the Society's Store, The Pleasance, Dover House Road, SW15 between 10.00 and 11.00 on Friday 7th September. **OR**
- At the Hall on the morning of the Show between 09.30 am and 11.30 am.

Staging

- All exhibits are to be staged between 9.30 am and 12.15 on the day of the Show.
- Wherever possible give the name of the variety with each exhibit.
- All exhibits should be removed between 5.00 pm and 5.15 pm on the day of the Show (not earlier - see rule 13), or it will be assumed they are donations for the auction.

Be careful!

Please study the rules governing entry to the Society's shows.

Failure to follow the rules and regulations will result in disqualification.

Metric measurements have been used throughout.

THE AUTUMN SHOW

Method of entry & guidelines are given above; rules are at the back (signifies the Class has a special prize or cup). Assistance with dahlia classification will be available at the entry desk on the day of the Show*

Section A – Flowers

1. Vase of 1 giant or large dahlia of any variety
2. Vase of mixed dahlias, not more than 7 blooms
3. Vase of decorative dahlias, not more than 5 blooms
4. Vase of pompon dahlias, not more than 7 blooms, not to exceed 5 cm
5. Vase of cactus dahlias (approx. 10 cm), not more than 5 blooms
6. Vase of ball flowered dahlias (larger than 5cms), not more than 5 blooms
7. A vase of mixed perennial flowers (foliage allowed)
8. * Vase of cut flowers, 4 or more varieties, any foliage, arranged for all-round effect. (**Society vases must be used, available on day**)
9. Vase of 3 or more annuals (can be mixed)
10. Vase of orange &/or yellow flowers, foliage allowed, can include flowers from other classes
11. Vase of flowering stems of fuchsia, not more than 5 stems
12. Vase of HT roses, not more than 4 stems
13. Vase containing 1 HT rose
14. Vase of multiflora roses, not more than 3 stems
15. A table decoration, maximum length 25 cm
16. Vase of 3 gladioli stems

Section B - Flowers and Vegetables mixed

Note: In classes 17 and 18 the number of vegetables to be as in classes 20 – 51 where applicable (e.g. 3 carrots, 9 french beans)

17. An exhibit of 2 each of 2 different vegetables or fruits
18. Any 1 specimen each of 1 kind of vegetable and 1 kind of flower

Special Entry

19. ***Harvest Collection** – a display of home grown **vegetables, fruits and flowers** in any combination in a basket or suitable container

Section C - Vegetables

20. 2 aubergines
21. 9 French beans
22. 9 runner beans
23. 9 of any other bean
24. 3 beetroots, round or oval, with 10 cm tops
25. 1 green cabbage, with at least 5 cm stalk
26. 1 red cabbage, with at least 5 cm stalk
27. 3 carrots, any one variety, with 10 cm tops
28. A winter vegetable such as cauliflower, leek, parsnip, sprouts
- 29.a) 2 cucumbers – grown under protection
b) 2 cucumbers – grown outdoors
30. 1 celeriac

31. 3 garlic bulbs
 32. 4 different herbs, in small bunches (not more than 25 cms)
 33. A pot of one type of home- grown annual herb
 34. 1 marrow, (less than 35cms in length) any variety, any colour
 35. 4 onions, dressed for presentation
 36. a) 5 peppers, chilli
b) A pot of growing chillies
 37. a) 3 peppers, sweet (capsicum)
b) A pot of growing capsicums
 38. 5 potatoes, white, any one variety
 39. 5 potatoes, coloured, any one variety. See addendum for tips on potato colour.
 40. 6 radishes, with tops and roots
 41. a) 9 shallots, pickling, (under 30mm)
b) 9 shallots, exhibition
 42. 1 pumpkin, any variety
 43. 1 squash (winter or summer), any one variety
 44. 2 sweetcorn (check presentation in guidelines)
 45. 3 tomatoes, large- fruited ("Beefsteak"), with calyx, min. diam. 7.5 cm
 46. 6 tomatoes, medium- fruited, with calyx
 47. 9 tomatoes, any colour, small fruited (cherry-type), with calyx, not exceeding 3.5 cm diam.
 48. 6 Tomatoes, plum-type with calyx
 49. 1 truss tomatoes, ripe or unripe
 50. 2 courgettes, any colour or variety
 51. 6 stalks of leaf vegetables – e.g. spinach, leaf beat, chard
 - 52.a) 1 lettuce, any variety, with roots
52.b) A display of 3 different seasonal vegetables that you like in a salad (see description in guidelines)
 53. Any 1 vegetable not in Section C above
- Note: In classes 54 & 55, the no. of vegetables /fruits to be as in classes C20– 52a) & D60-66 where applicable (e.g. 3 carrots, 1 squash)**
- 54.*Collection of vegetables and / or fruits of 5 different kinds, in a box or tray not to exceed 60cm x 45cm, garnish allowed
 55. Collection of vegetables of 3 different kinds, frontage space not to exceed 60 cm
- A veg too far.....**
56. The biggest marrow
 57. The longest runner bean
 58. The heaviest pumpkin
 59. The largest diameter sunflower
 - 59 (a) An ugly or funny shaped fruit or vegetable
- Section D - Fruit**
- All fruit to be displayed at their best on a small plate so that each individual fruit can be seen**
60. 3 cooking apples, with stalks, any one variety
 61. 3 dessert apples, with stalks, any one variety
 62. 12 blackberries, with calyx
 63. 1 bunch of grapes
 64. 3 pears, with stalks, any one variety
 65. 12 raspberries, with calyx
 66. 12 of any hybrid berry, with calyx (e.g. boysenberry, loganberry, tayberry).
 67. Exhibit of any other edible fruit excluding those above

Section E – Novices

For members who have not previously won first prize for any horticultural exhibit

- 68. Vase of 3 dahlias – any variety, can be mixed
- 69. Vase of mixed Flowers
- 70. Display of fruit, one kind only (no. as given in classes D60 – 67)
- 71. Dish of vegetables, one kind only (no. as given in classes B20 – 52a)
- 72. A display of 3 different vegetables that you like in a salad (see description in guidance notes)

Section F - Children (under14)

- 73. Funny animal or person made of anything grown
- 74. Colour picture of a vegetable or fruit (Any medium – i.e. paint, crayon)
- 75. A collage made from pictures in a seed catalogue
See also competition below.

Please ask for a sticker to put on your exhibition card if you would like to donate an item for the auction at the end of the show. Thank you

G – Cookery – see addendum for tips on displaying your cookery.

- 76. Homemade seasonal soup, presented hot in a flask with bowl
- 77. 6 sausage rolls
- 78. Glass jar of chutney
- 79. Glass jar of pickled vegetables or piccalilli
- 80. A seasonal savoury item of cookery- e.g. quiche, pie or flan
- 81. Plain, wholemeal or speciality bread (any size/shape) made in a bread-maker or in traditional manner (to be specified). Present on a board
- 82. Glass jar of jam (not jelly)
 - a) Soft fruit – e.g. strawberry
 - b) Stone fruit – e.g. plum, cherry
- 83. a) Glass jar of jelly (fruit)
b) Glass jar of jelly (herb)
- 84. A cake made from a seasonal vegetable, e.g. beetroot, pumpkin
- 85. A ginger cake
- 86. An apple pie
- 87. 6 fruit scones
- 88. A seasonal sweet item of cookery – e.g. tart, dessert or, cake
- 89. 5 flapjacks, any variety
- 90. Homemade fruit cordial

Competitions (to be judged by visitors to the Show):

- 1. An allotment, gardening or horticulture related photograph, black and white or colour, no larger than A5.
- 2. As above – entrants to be under 16
- 3. A miniature garden in a seed tray, no larger than 22 x 36 cm (any age)

Only one exhibit per person per category (including competitions)

Special Awards for the Autumn Show

The Reta Challenge Cup – The best vegetable in the autumn show

The Hugh & Marie Jenkins Trophy – The most points for vegetables in autumn show

Dr Miguel Lacroze Cup – The best Harvest Collection – B19

The Tommie Noon Cup – The best exhibit in class C54 – 5 different vegetables/fruit

The Ben Dandey Memorial Cup – The best vase of roses in the autumn show, either HT or multiflora

The Jack Hawkins Challenge Cup – The best vase of 4 different types of flower (A8)

The Barnes & Mortlake Herald Challenge Cup - The best exhibit of dahlias (A7) (autumn)

The Autumn Cookery Cup (Ladies Cup) – The highest number of points in Section G

The Percy Barnes Memorial Cup – The novice with most points in the autumn show

Annual Awards

The Reverend PG Wallis Cup – The most points for fruit in both shows

The JHP Higgins Cup – The exhibitor gaining the most points in horticultural classes but not successful in winning a major award

The Banksian Medal – The exhibitor with most prize money in horticultural sections of both shows

The RGS Challenge/Paula Alderson Memorial Cup – For the best kept allotment

The Rita Noon Cup – The most points in the children's classes in both shows

RULES governing the Society's Competitions

1. All exhibits must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for at least 2 months prior to the Show.
2. The Society reserves the right to inspect gardens and allotments of exhibitors to ensure that only bona-fide exhibits are entered.
3. A member shall be allowed to show only produce of any kind grown by him or herself except where otherwise stated.
4. In showing flowers, no foliage or bloom other than that of the flower specified in the schedule may be shown, except where otherwise stated.
5. For the purposes of this Society's shows, the following definitions apply:
 - VASE: A vessel for displaying cut flowers in water with a greater height than the width of its mouth
 - BOWL: A vessel for displaying cut flowers in water with its mouth at least equal to (but generally larger) than its height.
 - GOBLET: A drinking glass with a foot and a stem
6. No more than one exhibit can be entered in any one class. Two or more persons may not exhibit for prizes separately from the same garden or allotment.
7. Entries to be made as set out above.
8. Exhibits to be staged as set out above.
9. Exhibit cards will be supplied by the Society for all exhibits, showing the schedule number of the class, which must be placed in position with the exhibit.
10. The entrance fee to be 20p for each entry, (except children's entries).
11. All children's entries must be the unaided work of the child.
12. No unauthorised person to be in the Hall during the judging.
13. No exhibit to be removed from the Hall before the advertised time. Exhibits remaining 15 minutes after the time of closing will be assumed to be donated for the auction.
14. Points in all cases to be: 4 for 1st, 3 for 2nd, 2 for 3rd and 1 for Highly Commended
15. The Committee, while exercising all reasonable care, cannot be held responsible for the loss of, or damage to, exhibitors' vases, etc.
16. Nothing in the foregoing rules shall prejudice the Committee's right to exercise their discretion in any of the matters concerning the administration of the Society's competitions.

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Store

The Pleasance, Off Dover House Road, London SW15

The Store sells a wide range of goods for gardeners and is open every Sunday morning, 10am-12noon, except in December, and some Saturday morning in the spring.

We sell responsibly sourced composts and organically produced fertilisers such as volcanic rock dust and seaweed alongside fish, blood, & bone and poultry manure

All these are at very competitive prices, available only to RGS members.

RGS Membership costs £5 pa (£2.50 associate members)