Guidance for entrants to the RGS Shows

- 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 triplets when showing '3 asparagus spears', etc. Give the name of the variety if you have it.
- 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 that day.
- 5. In the cookery classes, please note that presentation is important, the following must be adhered to or the entry may be disqualified
- All food entries must be covered
- A list of ingredients must accompany every food item.
 - 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

Entries are to be made

• At the church hall, St Margaret's Church between 09.30 and 12.00 on the morning of the Show (21st September)

Staging

- All exhibits are to be staged between 09.30.00 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 16.15 and 16.30 on the day of the Show (not earlier) or it will be assumed they are for donating to 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.

RGS Awards - 2019 Special Awards for the Summer Show

The Douglas Overall Challenge Cup – The best vegetable in the summer show

The Hugh & Lady Linstead Centenary Cup- The best display of sweet peas.

The Davis Memorial Cup – The best exhibit for I vegetable/1 fruit/1 flower (B17)

The Dr Howard Coulthard Cup - The best bowl of roses arranged for all round effect (A4)

The Lady Hudson Cup - The best rose in the summer show

The Lady Corry Cup – The best vase of multiflora roses (A3)

The A Norman Rogers Challenge Cup— The best vase of cut flowers, 3 or more kinds (A8)

The Barbara Dacie Cup – The best flower display in a goblet. (A9)

The Summer Cookery Cup – The best decorated cake / cup-cakes

Special Awards for the Autumn Show

The Reta Challenge /Leslie Harvey Memorial 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 Bowl – The best exhibit of dahlias (A7) (autumn)

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

The Barnes & Mortlake Herald Challenge / Derrick Ratcliffe Cup - The best vase of roses in the autumn show, either HT or multiflora

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

The Rita Noon Cup – The most points in the children's classes in the autumn show

The Autumn Vegetable Cup – for the best exhibit in a chosen class – 2019- Aubergine

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 (not to be won by the same person for 3 years)

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

The WTF Iles Memorial Cup - The best newcomer, having had a plot for less than 18 months

SCHEDULE FOR THE AUTUMN SHOW

Saturday 21st September – 15.00 – 17.00 St Margaret's Church Hall * 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

- 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)
- 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, can be mixed
- 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 1st prize wins the cup for
- 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 kale, 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, growing.
- 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

Only one exhibit per person per category (including competitions)

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)

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 flower display in a teapot, (any age)

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

Section G – Cookery – see guidelines for tips on displaying your cookery.

- 76. 6 sausage rolls
- 77. Glass jar of chutney
- 78. A seasonal savoury item of cookery- e.g. quiche, pie or flan
- 79. Plain, wholemeal or speciality bread (any size/shape) made in a breadmaker or in traditional manner (to be specified). Present on a board
- 80. Glass jar of jam (not jelly)
 - a) Soft fruit e.g. strawberry
 - b) Stone fruit e.g. plum, cherry
- 81. a) Glass jar of jelly (fruit) b) Glass jar of jelly (herb)
- 82. A glass jar of marmalade
- 83. A cake made from a seasonal vegetable, e.g. beetroot, pumpkin
- 84. A ginger cake
- 85. 6 fruit scones
- 86. A fruit flan using seasonal fruit
- 87. A plate of 6 biscuits, any type

90. Homemade fruit cordial

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Entry Form

Consult the Show Schedule for precise details concerning Show Rules and exhibits. Entry cards can be completed on the morning of the Show Saturday 21st September, between 09.30am and 12.00 at St Margaret's Church Hall

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