

# ROEHAMPTON GARDEN SOCIETY

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## Autumn Show Special

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**The Autumn Show** was held on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September in St Margaret's. It was actually in the church as the hall is being refurbished. It was a lovely setting with the sun coming through the stained-glass windows and as it was a hot day the church was cooler.

There was a clash of interests in that the garden had been hired out to Putney Arts Theatre for a play so we couldn't have tea on the lawn – but again the hot weather meant everyone was happy indoors.

We had 2 new judges. Vegetables and fruits were judged by Mark, a colleague from Beatrix Potter allotments and the cookery by Sue, a friend of a plot holder who used to run a Cordon Bleu establishment in Paris. Both were very complimentary about the standard of entries.



Mark busy judging the vegetables before the doors were opened to all.

The auction was once again run by our resident entertainer David Renshaw.



David waxing lyrical about a Romanesco cauliflower. He got a good price for it too.

Raffle tickets for a Christmas cake were sold, the winner will be drawn at the AGM in November. The cake will once again be made by Laura Davis, and will be ready in early December. Tickets, at £1 each are still on sale in the store on Site 2 until 12th November, the week before the AGM.



## Section A – Flowers

1. Vase of 1 giant or large dahlia of any variety.

**First – Mariangela Renshaw**



**Mariangela's giant dahlia, also best dahlia in show.**

2. Vase of mixed dahlias, not more than 7 blooms.

**First – Mariangela Renshaw**

3. Vase of decorative dahlias, not more than 5 blooms.

**First – Mariangela Renshaw**

4. Vase of pompon dahlias, not more than 7 blooms, not to exceed 5 cm.

**First – Raj Patel**

5. Vase of cactus dahlias (approx. 10 cm), not more than 5 blooms.

**First – Raj Patel**

6. Vase of ball flowered dahlias (larger than 5cms), not more than 5 blooms

No entries

7. A vase of mixed perennial flowers (foliage allowed).

**First – Mariangela Renshaw**

8. Vase of cut flowers, 4 or more varieties, any foliage, arranged for all-round effect.

**First – Mariangela Renshaw**

**Spot the visiting butterfly**



9. Vase of 3 or more annuals (can be mixed).

**First – Mariangela Renshaw**



10. Vase of orange &/or yellow flowers, foliage allowed, can include flowers from other classes.

**First – Vivien Fowler**



11. Vase of flowering shrub, e.g. fuchsia.

No entries

12. Vase of HT roses, not more than 4 stems

No entries

13. Vase containing 1 HT rose

No entries

14. Vase of multiflora roses, not more than 3 stems.

No entries

15. A table decoration, maximum length 25 cm

**First – Mariangela Renshaw**

16. Vase of 3 gladioli stems

No entries

## Section B - Flowers and Vegetables mixed

17. An exhibit of 2 each of 2 different vegetables or fruits, can be mixed.

**First – Carol Martinez**



**Two Tondo courgettes and 2 dessert apples**

18. Any 1 specimen each of 1 kind of vegetable and 1 kind of flower

**First – Mariangela Renshaw**

## Special Entry

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

**First – Vivien Fowler**



**The winning harvest collection**

## Section C - Vegetables

20. 2 aubergines

**First – Jackie Savage**



**Aubergines – all shapes and sizes**

21. 9 French beans

**First – Raj Patel**

22. 9 runner beans

**First – Ali Linton**

23. 9 of any other beans.

**First – Vivien Fowler**



24. 3 beetroots, round or oval, with 10 cm tops

**First – Raj Patel**



25. 1 green cabbage, with at least 5 cm stalk

**First – Jackie Savage**

26. 1 red cabbage, with at least 5 cm stalk

**First – Vivien Fowler**

27. 3 carrots, any one variety, with 10 cm tops

**First – Carol Martinez**

28. A winter vegetable such as kale, cauliflower, leek, parsnip, sprouts

**First – Raj Patel, Romanesco cauliflower**

29.a) 2 cucumbers – grown under protection

First – Raj Patel

b) 2 cucumbers – grown outdoors

**First – Carol Martinez**

30. 1 Celeriac

No entries

31. 3 garlic bulbs

**Joint First – Helen Finch and Carol Martinez**

32. 4 different herbs, in small bunches (not more than 25 cms)

**First – Shan Karwatowski**

33. A pot of one type of home-grown annual herb, growing.

**First – Raj Patel**



34. 1 marrow, (less than 35cms in length) any variety, any colour

**First – Shan Karwatowski**



35. 4 onions, dressed for presentation

**First – Raj Patel**

36. a) \*5 peppers, chilli - 1st prize wins the cup for best vegetable in this year's show

**First – Raj Patel**

b) A pot of growing chillies

**First – Raj Patel**



37. a) 3 peppers, sweet (capsicum)

**First – Raj Patel**

b) A pot of growing capsicums

**First – Raj Patel**

38. 5 potatoes, white, any one variety

**First – Carol Martinez**

39. 5 potatoes, coloured, any one variety.

**First – Adele Stebbings**

40. 6 radishes, with tops and roots

**First – Georgina O'Reilly**

41. a) 9 shallots, pickling, (under 30mm)

First – Raj Patel

b) 9 shallots, exhibition

**First – Raj Patel**

42. 1 pumpkin, any variety

**First – Georgina O'Reilly**



43. 1 squash (winter or summer), any one variety

**First – Carol Martinez**

44. 2 sweetcorn.

**First – Adele Stebbings**

45. 3 tomatoes, large- fruited ("Beefsteak"), with calyx, min. diam. 7.5 cm

**First – Sue & David MacDonald**

46. 6 tomatoes, medium- fruited, with calyx

**First – Robert Wilkinson**

47. 9 tomatoes, any colour, small fruited (cherry-type), with calyx, not exceeding 3.5 cm diam.

**First – Sue & David MacDonald**



48. 6 Tomatoes, plum type, with calyx

**First – Helen Compson – also Best Vegetable in Show**



Helen with her fabulous tomatoes and a broken wrist

49. 1 truss tomatoes, ripe or unripe

**First – Sue & David MacDonald**

50. 2 courgettes, any colour or variety

**First – Mariangela Renshaw**

51. 6 stalks of leaf vegetables – e.g., spinach, leaf beat, chard

**First – Kate Hunt**

52.a) 1 lettuce, any variety, with roots

**First – Georgina O'Reilly**

52.b) A display of 3 different seasonal vegetables that you like in a salad (see description in guidelines)

**First – Carol Martinez**

53. Any 1 vegetable not in Section C above

**First – Hai Le, Bitter Melon**



54. \*Collection of vegetables and / or fruits of 5 different kinds, in a box or tray not to exceed 60cm x 45cm, garnish allowed

**First – Carol Martinez**





55. Collection of vegetables of 3 different kinds, frontage space not to exceed 60 cm

No entries

**A veg too far.....**

56. The biggest marrow

**First – Shan Karwatowski**

57. The longest runner bean

**First – Shan Karwatowski**

58. The heaviest pumpkin

**No entries**

59. The largest diameter sunflower

**No entries**

59 (a) An ugly or funny shaped fruit or vegetable

**First – Vivien Fowler**



These weren't in the show – I dug them up a week later – anyone remember the Smash advert? Carol

## Section D – Fruit



60. 3 cooking apples, with stalks, any one variety

No entries

61. 3 dessert apples, with stalks, any one variety

**First – Helen Finch**

62. 12 blackberries, with calyx

**First – Marika Mosal**

63. 1 bunch of grapes

No entries

64. 3 pears, with stalks, any one variety

**First – Vince Cottam**

65. 12 raspberries, with calyx

**First – Helen Finch**

66. 12 of any hybrid berries, with calyx (e.g., boysenberry, loganberry, tayberry).

No entries

67. Exhibit of any other edible fruit excluding those above

**First – Helen Finch, Melon**



Helen's melon

## 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

No entries

69. Vase of mixed Flowers

No entries

70. Display of fruit, one kind only (no. as given in classes D60 – 67)

No entries

71. Dish of vegetables, one kind only (no. as given in classes B20 – 52a)

**First – Hai Le, Sponge Gourd**

72. A display of 3 different vegetables that you like in a salad (see description in guidance notes)

No entries

## Section F - Children (under14)

73. Funny animal or person made of anything grown

No entries

74. Colour picture of a vegetable or fruit (Any medium – i.e., paint, crayon)

No entries

75. A collage made from pictures in a seed catalogue

**First – Isabella Stebbings**



## Section G – Cookery



Sue – ready to start tasting

76. A seasonal dip

**First – Vivien Fowler**

77. A seasonal pastry based savoury dish

No first prize

78. A savoury vegan dish

No entries

79. Plain, wholemeal or speciality bread (any size/shape) Present on a board

**First – Carol Martinez**



80. Glass jar of chutney

**First – Sylvia Wilcox**

81. Glass jar of pickled vegetables

**First – Sylvia Wilcox**

82a) Glass jar of jam (soft fruit)

**First – Vivien Fowler**



b) Glass jar of jam (stone fruit)

No entries

83a) Glass jar of jelly (fruit)

**First – Sylvia Wilcox**

b) Glass jar of jelly (herb)

No entries

84. A glass jar of marmalade

**First – Mark Sutcliffe**

85. A cake made from a seasonal vegetable, e.g., beetroot, pumpkin

**First – Carol Martinez, pumpkin and orange cake**

86. Any other cake

No entries

87. 6 fruit scones

**First – Helen Finch**

88. Your favourite dessert

No first prize

89. A plate of 6 biscuits, any type

**First – Vivien Fowler**

90. My favourite tea time treat – can be sweet or savoury, present on a small plate

**First – Shan Karwatowski**

90. Homemade fruit cordial

**First – Carol Martinez**

## Competition winners

**Adult photograph – Jenny Gorle**



**Child photograph – Isabella Stebbings**

