

ROEHAMPTON GARDEN SOCIETY

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Autumn Show Special

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The Autumn Show was held on Saturday 31st August at St Margaret's. We decided to hold it inside the church again after last year as the space is so lovely. After the very wet summer we began to wonder if we were holding it too early but we needn't have worried as lots of plot-holders had crops to enter and lots of visitors came to see the show.



Our judge Mark, a colleague from Beatrix Potter allotments was very complimentary about the standard of entries.

We served the teas and cakes in the refurbished hall, but sadly the day turned out quite chilly so we didn't use the garden.



Adele selling the donated homemade cakes.



Our resident auctioneer David, ably assisted by Mariangela and Bella.

Section A – Flowers

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



First – Helen Finch

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

First – Mariangela Renshaw

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

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4. Vase of pompon dahlias, not more than 7 blooms, not to exceed 5 cm.
No entries

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



First – Mariangela Renshaw –Best in show

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

First – Raj Patel

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

No entries

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



First – Mariangela Renshaw

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



Joint First – Mariangela Renshaw and Vivien Fowler

10. Vase of orange &/or yellow flowers, foliage allowed



First – Jenny Gorle

11. Vase of stems of a flowering shrub, e.g. fuchsia, not more than 5 stems, can be mixed
No entries

12. Vase of HT roses, not more than 4 stems
No entries

13. Vase containing 1 HT rose

First – Helen Finch

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 Pink Fir Apple potatoes and 2 dessert apples

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



First – Raj Patel

Special Entry

19. Harvest Collection – a display of home-grown vegetables, fruits and flowers.



First – Vivien Fowler, voted for by visitors to the show

Section C - Vegetables

20. 2 aubergines



First – Jean & Patrick Crawford

21. 9 French beans

First – Helen Finch



Sarah and Tony inspecting the french beans

22. 9 runner beans

First – Shan Karwatowska

23. 9 of any other beans.



First – Siop Cooper, who was very excited about winning.

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



First – Julie Hadingham

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

First – Simon Hill

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 – Sheila Konig – with her winning cauliflower

29.a) 2 cucumbers – grown under protection

First – Raj Patel

b) 2 cucumbers – grown outdoors

First – Hai Le

30. 1 Celeriac

No entries

31. 3 garlic bulbs

No entries

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

First – Vivien Fowler

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 – Stuart & Anne-Louise Rea

35. 4 onions, dressed for presentation



First – Sarah & Tony de Souza

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

First – Carol Martinez

b) A pot of growing chillies



First – Raj Patel

37. a) 3 peppers, sweet (capsicum)
No entries

b) A pot of growing capsicums

First – Sarah & Tony de Souza

38. 5 potatoes, white, any one variety

First – Vivien Fowler

39. 5 potatoes, coloured, any one variety.

First – Carol Martinez

40. 6 radishes, with tops and roots
No entries

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

Second – Raj Patel

b) 9 shallots, exhibition

Second – Raj Patel

42. 1 pumpkin, any variety

First – Carol Martinez

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



First – Ruth Tigue (Butternut squash at the back)

44. 2 sweetcorn.



First – Shan Karwatowska

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

First – Raj Patel

46. 6 tomatoes, medium- fruited, with calyx

First – Sheila Konig

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



First – Siop Cooper

48. 6 Tomatoes, plum type, with calyx

First – Carol Martinez

49. 1 truss tomatoes, ripe or unripe

First – Carol Martinez, Best in Show

50. 2 courgettes, any colour or variety



First – Ruth Tighe

51. 6 stalks of leaf vegetables – e.g., spinach, leaf beat, chard
No entries

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



First – Sheila Konig

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's bitter melon is at the back behind the kohlrabi.

54.*Collection of vegetables and / or fruits of 5 different kinds, in a box or tray.



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 – Helen Finch

57. The longest runner bean

First – Raj Patel

58. The heaviest pumpkin

First – Carol Martinez

59. The largest diameter sunflower

No entries

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



First – Raj Patel

Section D – Fruit

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

First – Jean & Patrick Crawford

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



First – Jackie Savage

62. 12 blackberries, with calyx

First – Sheila Konig

63. 1 bunch of grapes

No entries

64. 3 pears, with stalks, any one variety



First – Shan Karwatowska

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 – Raj Patel, plums

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

No entries

Section G – Cookery



76. A seasonal dip

First – Vivien Fowler

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78. A savoury vegan dish

No entries

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



First – Sue Illingworth

80. Glass jar of chutney

First – Ruth Tighe

81. Glass jar of pickled vegetables

First – Sarah & Tony de Souza

82a) Glass jar of jam (soft fruit)

First – Sheila Konig

b) Glass jar of jam (stone fruit)

No entries

83a) Glass jar of jelly (fruit)

No entries

b) Glass jar of jelly (herb)

No entries

84. A glass jar of marmalade

First – Sarah & Tony de Souza

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



First – Sarah & Tony de Souza, courgette and chocolate cake

86. Any other cake



First – Oonagh Kelly with her winning cake

87. 6 fruit scones

Second – Jenny Gorle

88. Your favourite dessert

First – Carol Martinez

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 – Elizabeth King with her winning muffins

90. Homemade fruit cordial

First – Carol Martinez

Competition winners

Adult photograph – Jane Powell

Child photograph – Oonagh Kelly

There was a produce stall manned by Vivien, Georgina and Mariangela. Thank you to everyone who donated plants, surplus crops and cakes.



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 will be on sale in the store on Site 2 until Sunday 17th November, the Sunday before the AGM.



This chap walked in off the lane, on his way to Tesco. He couldn't believe how good the show was, called his wife to come along and have a look and then stayed to buy produce in the auction.