

# Barham & District Horticultural Society Autumn Show RULES

1. Exhibitors **need not** be a member of the Society to enter the show in 2025.
2. All exhibits must have been grown in the Exhibitor's garden or allotment, except for Floral Art Classes when the flowers may be bought or from elsewhere. The Committee reserves the right to inspect the gardens of any intending exhibitor.
3. Members employing a part-time professional gardener may compete.
4. Two or more persons may not exhibit for prizes in the same class and from the same garden.
5. Exhibitors may only enter one exhibit in each class.
6. All Barham and District boys and girls of 11 years or under are eligible to enter the Children's Classes and may enter on the day of the show.
7. The Judges have the power to withhold a prize or prizes if they consider the exhibits to be of insufficient merit. Any protest may be handed in writing to the Show Secretary before 3 pm. on the day of the Show, when it will be examined by the Committee whose decision will be final.
8. In the Flower Exhibit classes all the work must be done by the Exhibitors alone.
9. All the exhibits must be staged between **9.00am and 10.30am** on the day of the Show. All exhibitors must then withdraw from the Hall, after which, and until the show opens, only the Judges, the Secretary, and necessary assistants will be allowed in the Hall.
10. All vases for the Flower Classes will be supplied by the Society and must be used, except in the classes marked with an asterisk. Fruit and vegetables to be shown on the plates/trays provided.
11. The entrance fee will be **20p** for members, **30p** for non-members per exhibit, except for Children's exhibits which are free.
12. Prizes will be **£1, 50p** and **30p** for 1sts, 2nds and 3rds respectively.
13. Entries made on the form at the back of this Schedule must be delivered in a sealed envelope by **Tuesday 9th September** to: the box marked BHS Show held in **Barham Village Store** and must be accompanied by the appropriate entrance fees. Entries will be accepted after Tuesday 9th September but not later than midday Thursday 11th September, and the entrance fee will be £1 per item.
14. The Committee will not be responsible for the loss of or damage to Exhibitors' property, but all care will be taken to avoid any damage.
15. The competitors who won the Banksian Medals in 2022, 2023 and 2024 are not eligible for the 2025 award.
16. Pot plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least 6 months prior to the show.
17. Please where possible, identify the variety of vegetable and flower exhibits.
18. PRIOR TO 3pm NO EXHIBITS SHALL BE REMOVED

# SPECIFIC RULES FOR AUTUMN SHOW

*Please ensure that the rules for entry to Classes 21 and 46 are understood and followed in full.*

## **TOP TRAY CLASS — Class 46**

1. The Class is to be known as: Top Tray Class, sponsored by BDHS.
2. The Top Tray Class is for three vegetables chosen from the list on page 18. The quantity of each vegetable to be included is shown in brackets after the vegetable type.  
*\* For carrots, parsnips and beet the top foliage should be trimmed to not more than 5cms from the top of the shoulder of the vegetable.*
3. The vegetables should be displayed within the area of the tray provided by the society.
4. The only decorative material allowed is parsley. No other material is allowed.
5. Each type of vegetable will be judged using a scale of 20 points split into three sections. There are 7 points for size, shape and colour; 6 points for uniformity; and 7 points for condition.
6. Prizes for 1st and 2nd will be a £10 and £5 Garden Centre gift voucher respectively.

## **TOP VASE CLASS — Class 21**

1. The Class is to be known as: Top Vase Class, sponsored by BDHS.
2. The Top Vase Class is for a vase of mixed annual or perennial flowering stems containing a total of between five and ten stems taken from a minimum of two different kinds of plants..
3. The vase can be any shape or size but no marks are awarded for the vase itself. No seed heads or berries, and no accessories whatsoever will be allowed.
4. Foliage growing naturally from the flowering stem, and still attached to the stem is allowed. Packing material, e.g. oasis, or preferably alternatives, is allowed.
5. The display will be judged out of 35 points. 25 points for colour, form, condition, quality and freshness of flowers, and 10 marks for overall presentation.
6. Prizes are the same as for the Top Tray Class above.

## **ALL DAHLIA ENTRIES**

Flower types must conform to the criteria set out by the National Dahlia Society. Details can be found on [www.barhamhortsoc.co.uk](http://www.barhamhortsoc.co.uk) and / or [www.dahlia-nds.co.uk](http://www.dahlia-nds.co.uk)

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# CHALLENGE CUPS AND AWARDS 2024

<b>Allen /Denne Hill Cup</b>	For the member gaining the highest aggregate of points in the collection of vegetables classes <b>Holder:</b> Mr A Clough
<b>The RHS Banksian Medal</b>	Awarded to the winner of the largest aggregate of prize money in the Horticultural Classes in the Show <b>Holder:</b> 2022 Mrs C Hunt; 2023 Mr R Borthwick; 2024 Mr A Clough
<b>Best in Show - Godber Cup</b>	For best exhibit in show in the opinion of the Chair <b>Holder:</b> Mrs J Borgioli
<b>Brian Wright Memorial Cup</b>	For best endeavour in the show in the opinion of the President and Chairman <b>Holder:</b> Miss I May
<b>Carr Memorial Cup</b>	For the member gaining the highest aggregate of points in the Cookery classes, <b>Holder:</b> Mrs C Hunt
<b>Clarke Cup</b>	For the highest aggregate of points <b>Holder:</b> Mrs C Hunt
<b>Collingwood Cup</b>	For the highest aggregate of points in Onion classes <b>Holder:</b> Mr K Hunt
<b>Cottager's Cup (Members Memorial award)</b>	For the member with the most entries <b>Holder:</b> Mrs H Croft
<b>Top Tray Class</b>	For a collection of three types of vegetables from the following list of fifteen. The quantity of each vegetable required is given in brackets: carrots (3), cauliflower (2), onions (3), parsnips (3), peas (6 pods), potatoes (3), runner beans (6 pods), tomatoes (6) <b>Holder:</b> Mr A Clough
<b>Top Vase Class</b>	For a vase of mixed flowering stems containing a total of between 5 and 10 stems, taken from a minimum of two different kinds of plants. <b>Holder:</b> AM Plews
<b>Kathie Hedley /Floral Challenge Cup</b>	For the member gaining the highest aggregate of points in the Flower Exhibit Classes, <b>Holder:</b> Mrs W Atherton & R Corteen
<b>H.E.Middleton Cup</b>	For the best Dahlia bloom in the Show <b>Holder:</b> Mrs C Hunt
<b>New Exhibitor's Cup</b>	For the most points by a new Exhibitor <b>Holder:</b> R Corteen
<b>Potato Challenge Cup</b>	For the most points in Potato classes, <b>Holder:</b> Mr K Hunt
<b>President's Cup</b>	For the Best Flower in the Show (except Dahlia and Rose) <b>Holder:</b> Mrs W Atherton
<b>A. J. Ross Amateur Cup</b>	For the highest aggregate of points in the Fruit classes, <b>Holder:</b> AM Plews
<b>Schools Cup</b>	For the boy or girl gaining the highest aggregate of points in the Children's Classes, <b>Holder:</b> J Crump
<b>Jubilee Cup</b>	For the best Rose in the Show <b>Holder:</b> Mrs C Hunt

# AUTUMN SHOW - FLOWERS

## 1. FLOWERS - JUDGE: Mrs Sylvia Pocock

1 Dahlia	3 Blooms, Star Dahlia
2 Dahlia	3 Blooms, Water lily
3 Dahlia	5 Blooms, Pompom
4 Dahlia	1 Bloom, Giant or large
5 Dahlia	3 Blooms, Decorative
6 Dahlia	3 Blooms, Cactus or Fimbrilated
7 Dahlia	3 Blooms, any other Dahlia
8 Dahlia	Vase of mixed Dahlias viewed for overall effect
9 A vase of flowers	A vase of flowers from your garden, mixed or same variety - no rules
10 # Rose	1 Bloom, large flowered
11 Rose	3 blooms
12 Rose	3 Stems, cluster-flowered (floribunda or polyanthus)
13 Rose	Made up to wear as a button hole
14 * Pot plant	In flower or fruit (except Fuchsia) - max pot size 10"/25cm
15 * Pot Plant	Fuchsia - max pot size 10"/25cm
16 * Pot Plant	For foliage - max pot size 10"/25cm
17 Pot Plant	A succulent or succulents - max pot size 10"/25cm
18 Pot Plant	A cactus or cacti - max pot size 10"/25cm
19 Cut flowers	3 vases of different kinds - 3 blooms/stems in each vase (9 stems in all) (excluding Roses & Dahlias and must NOT be shrubs)
20 Flowering Shrub	1 vase of 3 blooms or stems of same kind
21 Top Vase	See special rules, page 15
22 Michaelmas Daisies	3 stems
23 Perennials	3 Blooms of one kind
24 Foliage	5 branches of differing foliage (grasses allowed) All fruits, berries, flowers and the like removed

# Class 10 only to be shown in Exhibitors' containers

\* Name and variety (if known) to be attached to the exhibit

# AUTUMN SHOW - FRUIT & VEGETABLES

## 2. FRUIT - JUDGE: Mr Ian Clapp

25 Apples	3 Fruits, one variety, dessert
26 Apples	3 Fruits, one variety, culinary
27 Collection of Fruit	3 specimens of three different Fruits, total 9
28 Pears	3 fruits, one variety
29 Raspberries	6 fruits with stalks

## 3. VEGETABLES - JUDGE: Mr Ian Clapp

(To be shown on plates provided)

30 Potatoes	3 white	
31 Potatoes	3 coloured	
32 Runner Beans	5 pods	
33 French Beans - climbing	5 pods	
34 French Beans - Dwarf	5 pods	
35 Onions	3 bulbs, over 250g and up to 1kg	
36 Onions	3 bulbs, 250g or under	
37 Onion display	1 large onion, 3 medium onions, 3 shallots (single bulbs)	
38 Shallots	5 single bulbs, exhibition - over 30mm	
39 Tomatoes	4 fruits—round salad	
40 Tomatoes	5 fruits—cherry	
41 Tomatoes	4 fruits - plum	
42 Truss of small tomatoes	10 fruits minimum	
43 Green Cabbage or Savoy	2 heads	
44 Leeks	3 plants, shown with 5cm green and 2.5cm roots	
45 Cucumbers	1 pair of cucumbers indoor or outdoor	
46 Top Tray * - see page 15 for specific rules	3 vegetables chosen from the following eight: Potatoes (3), Peas(6), Cauliflowers (2), Onions (3), Runner Beans (6), Tomatoes (6), Carrots (3) and Parsnips (3)	
47 Lettuce	2 heads - one variety	

## AUTUMN SHOW - VEGETABLES

### 3. VEGETABLES Continued - JUDGE: Mr Ian Clapp

(To be shown on plates provided)

48	Sweet peppers	3 fruits	
49	Chilli Peppers	5 fruits	
50	Summer or winter squash	1 pair fruits—not above 30.5cm	
51	Courgettes	3 fruits	
52	Beetroot	3 roots—any form	
53	Carrots	3 roots (shown with 5cm of greenery)	
54	Herbs	5 stems of different culinary herbs in water	
55	Embrace the wonky ones	1 vegetable that has grown wonky!	

\* Class 46 sponsored by BDHS - boxes provided by the Society.

# AUTUMN SHOW - Continued

## 6. Cookery and tasting- JUDGE: TBC

(To be shown on plates provided and open to adults and children)

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- 56 1lb/454gm jar of soft fruit jam
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- 57 1lb/454gm jar of relish
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- 58 4 meringue nests - individual size (unfilled)
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- 59 Loaf of teabread
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- 60 2 home grown cherry tomatoes for tasting
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Jars to be straight-sided with no commercial advertising. Lids can be plain white plus screw-on or pliable press-on (no inner wax seal required) or clear cellophane with inner wax seal.

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## 7. FLORAL ART - JUDGE: Mrs Cicely Finnis

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- 61 'Autumn' - an arrangement including flowers, fruit & foliage, not exceeding 50cm/20" in any direction.
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- 62 'Floating beauty' - an exhibit of flowers floating in a dish. Maximum dish size 30cm/12"
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- 63 'Wine not!' - an arrangement of flowers in a stemmed wine glass.
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- 64 'Tiny joy' - a miniature exhibit maximum dimensions 10cm/4" in any direction.
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**Note:** An arrangement means **no** accessories are allowed, i.e. plant material only.  
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## 8. PHOTOGRAPHY - JUDGE: Mr Geoff Wakefield

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- 65 Stormy Skies - a colour or black & white photograph, size 12 ½ cm x 17 ½ cm (5" x 7") **No mount**
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## 9. CHILDREN'S SECTION (Open) - Judge: Mr Geoff Wakefield

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- 66 A vase of flowers from my garden
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- 67 An animal I like- A 5"x 7" colour photograph. No mount to be used.
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### Parent and Child

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- 68 Child to be 6 years old or under - a ginger bread man - decorated
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- 69 Child to be 7-10 years old—a ginger bread man - decorated
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### Grandparent and Child

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- 70 Child to be 6 years old or under— a animal made from vegetables
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- 71 Child to be 7-10 years old— a animal made from vegetables
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