Ellens Green and Rudgwick Gardening Association





Members' Handbook and Show Schedules 2025

ELLENS GREEN AND RUDGWICK GARDENING ASSOCIATION

"Come and see the show!" - as Emerson, Lake & Palmer said in their 70's classic.

It falls to me to welcome you to the Ellens Green and Rudgwick Gardening Association schedule for 2025. Our shows are the most visible aspect of the association in village life, but behind the flowers, veg, cakes and raffle stalls lies the real benefit: bringing people together. Be it setting up the village hall or running the tea stall or just coming along for a slice of cake, the shows are a reason to come together and enjoy a rather lovely aspect of living in a small village.

Thank you for being a member, for supporting activities throughout the year. Help us celebrate the 80th Anniversary in style by entering an exhibit or two so that we mark this impressive milestone in style. Most of all encourage your friends and neighbours to come along too. The cakes are always great!

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EGRGA main events for 2025

Spring Show	Rudgwick Village Hall, Bucks Green				
22 March 2025	Raffle				
Staging 08.30 – 10:30	Tea and Cake				
Show opens – 14:30	Admission 50p (children and members free				
Prize Giving – 15:45					
Plant Sale	Rudgwick Village Hall, Bucks Green				
26 April 2025	Raffle				
10:00 to 12:00	Tea and Cake				
Summer Show	Rudgwick Village Hall, Bucks Green				
12 July 2025	Grand Raffle				
Staging 08:30 - 10:30	Tea and Cake				
Show opens – 14:00	Admission 50p (children and members free				
Prize Giving – 15:45	• •				
Autumn Show	Rudgwick Village Hall, Bucks Green				
13 September 2025	Raffle				
Staging 08:30 - 10:30	Art Exhibition				
Show opens – 14:30	Tea and Cake				
Prize Giving – 15:45	Admission 50p (children and members free				
Annual General Meeting Rudgwick Village Hall, Bucks					
26 January 2026	Social evening with wine and refreshments				
19:30	and a look back at the previous year				

EGRGA online

Visit our website **www.gardenREG.org** to find full details of activities, enter an exhibit for a show, renew your membership, or update your contact details.

Surrey Horticultural Federation

As an affiliate, EGRGA members can also enjoy the wide variety of fascinating talks and events of the Surrey Horticultural Federation. To find out more information see their website **www.surreyhorticulturalfederation.org**

Show Trophy Winners from 2024

Spring Show 2024	Winner
THE 1931 CHALLENGE CUP Most points in classes 26,27 and 29	Jan Bryan
THE WILLIAM PORT SPRING CUP Most points in Classes 1-25	Richard Tabor
THE MURIEL BOXALL PLATE Winner of Class 28	Jan Bryan
THE JASMINE HOUSE DAFFODIL CUP Winner of Class 2	Brenda Westbrook
THE PEGGY HUME DAFFODIL CUP Winner of Class 7	Richard Tabor
THE LADY SILKIN HOME FARE CUP Most points in classes 30-36	Jenny Griffin
Summer Show 2024	Winner
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Jenny Griffin

THE FRANK HOWARD MEMORIAL TROPHY

Most points in Division J

Gillian Tanner THE ASSOCIATION PERPETUAL CUP Most points in Division H THE CECILIA BUTCHER TROPHY Martine Buckle Best exhibit in Division K THE CHILDREN'S PERPETUAL CUP Monty Buckle, Archie Most points in Division M Butler, Eleanor Goundry THE HARRY JELLEY MEMORIAL CUP Ruby Osgood Most points in Division N THE PRESIDENT'S CUP Carol Fry For the President's Personal Recognition THE RHS BANKSIAN MEDAL* Chris Westbrook Largest total of money prizes in classes B, D, E and F *Winner of the Banksian Medal in 2024 is not eligible to win it in 2025

Autumn Show 2024	Winner
THE NAUMAN PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP Most points in Classes 2-18	Dave Ockenden
THE WILLIAM PORT MEMORIAL CUP Best exhibit of apples	Clare Topham
THE PRATT BARLOW CUP Most points in Classes 33-45	Clare Topham
THE BOB SUTTON MEMORIAL PLATE Best pot plant	Brenda Westbrook
THE T W FOREMAN DAHLIA CUP Winner of Class 46	Alan Moody
THE JIM HALE TROPHY Best vegetable	Dave Ockenden
SWITHINBANK CUP Most points in Home Fare Classes 25-33	Jenny Griffin
THE BEAUMONT CHALLENGE CUP	Mizuki Tada

Most points in flower arranging Classes 46-47



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Spring Show



Saturday 22rd March 2025 Rudgwick Village Hall Bucks Green

Bring entries to the hall between 08:30 – 10:30 Show opens: 14:30 with prize giving at 15:45 Admission 50p (Members and children free)

Please use entry form included or download from www.gardenREG.org and send to EGRGAshowsecretary@gmail.com or Show Secretary by **22:00 Thursday 20 March**

Payment is due before staging. Entry 50p per entry. Young person's entries free. All classes are open. Prizes: 1st £1.00, 2nd 75p, 3rd 50p – except where stated



See page 32 for daffodil classification

CLASSES

- 1. Vase of three stems of double daffodils
- 2. Vase of mixed daffodil varieties (not more than 9 stems) grown in Rudgwick or Ellens Green
- 3. One specimen stem daffodil, Division 1
- 4. One specimen stem daffodil, Division 2
- 5. One specimen stem daffodil, Division 3
- 6. Vase of three stems white petal daffodils, any Division (see RHS Show Handbook)
- 7. Vase of three stems daffodils, white excluded, Division 1
- 8. Vase of three stems daffodils, Division 2
- 9. Vase of three stems daffodils. Division 3
- 10. Vase of three stems of Jonquilla or Tazetta daffodil Divisions 7/8
- 11. Vase of three stems Cyclamen type daffodil (see RHS Show Handbook)
- 12. Three vases each of three daffodils, three distinct varieties
- 13. Display of five Hellebore flower heads in water (your own bowl or dish)
- 14. A Cactus or succulent plant
- 15. Vase of not more than six polyanthus flowers
- 16. One planted pot of spring flowers
- 17. Vase of mixed bulb or corm flowers (not more than seven stems)
- 18. Vase of one variety of any flowering shrub or tree (max. five stems)
- 19. Vase of any one kind of hardy flower, excluding daffodil and tulip (max. nine stems)
- 20. One pot plant foliage
- 21. One pot plant flowering

- 22. Vase of not more than six Primroses.
- 23. Vase of mixed flowers, with or without foliage, not more than nine stems, bulbs excluded
- 24. One vase of one variety of bulbous flowers, any small-flowered species (narcissi excluded)
- 25. One spray Camellia blooms (grown in open)
- 26. **RICHARD TABOR DAFFODIL CHALLENGE CLASS**. One Specimen stem daffodil. Any Division. Grown from bulb given at the Autumn Daffodil Seminar

1st Prize £20 voucher 2nd Prize £10 voucher

TROPHIES

THE WILLIAM PORT SPRING CUP awarded to the exhibitor with the most points in Classes 1 – 25

THE JASMINE HOUSE DAFFODIL CUP awarded to the winner of Class 2

THE PEGGY HUME DAFFODIL CUP awarded to the winner of Class 7



CLASSES

- 27. "Spring Reflections" An Exhibit
- 28. "Magical March" a planted basket
- 29. "New Beginnings" An Exhibit
- 30. "Spring" A Miniature Exhibit. **Note max size 100mm W** x **100mm D** x **100mm**

NB. In classes 27, 28 and 29 exhibits are to be staged in a niche 700mm wide x 530mm deep x 750mm high. Please refer to NAFAS Rules. All exhibits may be with or without accessories.

TROPHIES

THE 1931 CHALLENGE CUP awarded to the exhibitor with most points in classes 27, 28 and 29

THE MURIEL BOXALL PLATE awarded to the winner of class 30



Note: exhibits may be protected with a clear cover; please avoid clingfilm if possible.

Covers are available from the Show Secretary

Please present entries on a plain plate

CLASSES (follow Home Fare rules)

- 31. **Novice Class**: (for those who have not exhibited before). Five Chocolate Brownies
- 32. Celebrating Sussex: Six Sussex Cinnamon Biscuits using recipe on p 10
- 33. Vegan Cake
- 34. Battenburg Cake
- 35. A Savoury Galette (round, 7"/8" 180-205mm, puff pastry may be bought)
- 36. Afternoon Tea for Two: Two savoury & two sweet items served on a tray
- 37. My Favourite vinegar preserve (including pickle or chutney)

 Min.3 months old to allow flavours to develop. Use new screw-top lid
- 38. A jar of orange marmalade Jar size min. 12oz/340g

TROPHIES

THE LADY SILKIN CUP awarded to the exhibitor with most points in classes 32 to 38

YOUNG PERSONS

Separate entry form required, no entry fee. All entries must be the competitor's own work

Ages 4 - 8 inclusive

CLASSES

- 39. An 80th Anniversary Card
- 40. Five Chocolate Chip Cookies
- 41. Make an Easter Lamb

Ages 9 - 14 inclusive

CLASSES

- 42. Make an insect home from natural materials.
- 43. Draw a picture of your favourite garden bird
- 44. Five Chocolate Chip Cookies

CELEBRATING SUSSEX - Spring Show Recipe

19th Century Cinnamon Biscuits

Ingredients

120g plain flour

60g caster sugar

60g butter

1 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon

20-35 ml dark rum or brandy

Method

Preheat oven to 200°C (180 fan, Gas mark 6).

Line a baking tray with greaseproof paper.

Mix together the flour, sugar, butter and cinnamon until it resembles crumble topping.

Add the rum and mix well to make a dough.

Roll out on a well-floured surfaced to the desired thickness (about a £1 coin's thickness).

Cut out using a round cutter and place on baking tray.

Bake for 9-10 mins or until golden brown.

Extracted from the West Sussex Record Office





Summer Show



Saturday 12 JULY 2025 Rudgwick Village Hall Bucks Green

Contributions welcome to cakes for tea and tombola prizes

Bring entries to the hall between 08:30 – 10:30 Show opens: 14:00 with prize giving at 15:45 Admission 50p (Members and children free)

Please use entry form included or download from www.gardenREG.org and send to EGRGAshowsecretary@gmail.com or Show Secretary by **22:00 Thursday 10 July**

Payment is due before staging. Entry 50p per entry. Children's entries free.

All classes are open, except Division B, which is for members only

Prizes: 1st £1.00, 2nd 75p, 3rd 50p – except where otherwise stated



CLASSES (MEMBERS ONLY)

- B1. One specimen Rose
- B2. Three stems of cluster flowered (Floribunda) Roses
- B3. Three large flowered (Hybrid Tea) Roses
- **B4.** Nine mixed Sweet Peas
- B5. Two vases of annuals, 2 different varieties. Not more than 3 stems in each container
- B6. A vase of one variety of perennial, not more than 5 stems
- B7. A vase of one variety of flowering shrub, not more than 5 stems
- B8. An indoor pot plant with foliage only
- B9. An indoor pot plant with flowers or fruit

TROPHIES

THE RUDGWICK ROSE BOWL awarded for most points in Classes B1, B2 and B3

THE EGRGA CUP awarded to the exhibitor with the best pot plant

THE LADY SILKIN PERPETUAL CUP awarded to the most points in Division B



CLASSES (OPEN TO ALL)

- D1. Five single vegetables (a pod of beans or peas etc.) presented on an A4 sheet of paper
- D2. Four potatoes, white variety
- D3. Four potatoes, a coloured variety
- D4. Three garlic bulbs
- D5. Heaviest single potato, any variety
- D6. Four onions with roots, tops trimmed to approx 75mm
- D7. A collection of four salad vegetables/fruits displayed in a basket or trug chosen from lettuce, tomatoes, cucumber, green salad onions, beetroot, sweet peppers, radishes, Florence fennel
- D8. Three courgettes approx 150mm in length
- D9. Six pods broad beans
- D10. Most odd-shaped vegetable
- D11. Two lettuces, Butterhead, Cos or Crisp
- D12. Six French beans
- D13. Four stalks rhubarb, leaves trimmed to approx. 75mm
- D14. Six radishes, small salad
- D15. Six pods, peas
- D16. Six pods, mangetout or snap
- D17. Three globe beetroot, with tops trimmed to approx 75mm
- D18. Three carrots long pointed. Tops trimmed to approx 75mm
- D19. Three turnips. Tops trimmed to approx 75mm
- D20. Two cucumbers grown under protection
- D21. Any other vegetable. Quantities: minimum of two, or five if small
- D22. Collection of five named culinary herbs in water.



CLASSES (OPEN TO ALL)

- E1. Nine gooseberries
- E2. Five strigs redcurrants, as picked
- E3. Five strigs blackcurrants, as picked
- E4. Fifteen raspberries (with hull)
- E5. Six hybrid cane fruits (with hull) i.e loganberries, tayberries etc.
- E6. Any other fruit, not having a class of its own. One variety, min. of two pieces if large, five if small.



CLASSES (OPEN TO ALL)

Note: reference to 'mixed' means more than THREE varieties

- F1. A vase of mixed perennials, not more than seven stems. Roses and shrubs excluded
- F2. Nine mixed Sweet Peas
- F3. One specimen stem of Sweet Pea
- F4. Display of six Fuchsia heads. Use **Naturebase** or similar wet oasis replacement can be different varieties
- F5. A pot plant with foliage only
- F6. A pot plant with flowers or fruit
- F7. A vase of five stems Penstemons, any variety
- F8. A vase of five stems Salvias, any variety
- F9. One specimen rose (Sponsored by BP Wealth Management 1st Prize BOTTLE of PORT)
- F10. A vase of mixed roses five stems, three or more varieties
- F11. A vase of mixed shrubs, flowering or foliage, not more than five stems
- F12. A vase of one variety of annuals, not more than three stems
- F13. A vase of mixed annuals five stems
- F14. A vase of five Stems of Lavender

TROPHIES

THE R.G. TULLET PERPETUAL MEMORIAL CUP awarded to the exhibitor with the most points in Divisions D, E and F

THE NAPPER PERPETUAL MEMORIAL BOWL awarded for the best exhibit of Sweet Peas

THE MAGPIES CUP awarded for the best exhibit of flowers, excluding Sweet Peas

THE R.H.S. BANKSIAN MEDAL awarded to the exhibitor with the largest total of money prizes in classes B, D, E and F. Note: For sponsored classes the values of prizes will be considered equivalent to the standard prize money when calculating the winner of the Banksian medal.



CLASSES (OPEN TO ALL)

- H1. "Herbal Delight" in a jug
- H2. "80th Anniversary arrangement" an exhibit
- H3. "Kitchen Garden" an exhibit featuring flowers, fruit and vegetables
- H4. "Summer" a miniature exhibit 100mm W x 100mm D x 100mm

NB. In classes H1, H2 and H3 exhibits are to be staged in a niche 700mm wide x 530mm deep x 750mm high. Please refer to NAFAS Rules. All exhibits may be with or without accessories.

TROPHIES

THE ASSOCIATION PERPETUAL CUP awarded to the exhibitor with most points in Division H



DIVISION J – HOME FARE



Note: **exhibits to be placed on a suitable plain plate** and may be protected with a clear cover; please avoid clingfilm. Please consult rules.

CLASSES

- J1. Novice Class (for those who have not exhibited before): Five plain scones
- J2. Celebrating Sussex: Banoffee Pie with a pastry base
- J3. A Victoria Sandwich using three eggs, size 7"/18cm approx
- J4. Decorated Cake to celebrate EGRGA's 80th Anniversary (judged on decoration only, royal or fondant icing to be used)
- J5. A Machine-made Brown Loaf using 450g of white flour
- J6. A White Loaf of your choice (type of loaf and flavour must be stated)
- J7. Summer Pudding
- J8. Traybake of your choice; Five pieces
- J9. A Shortbread Round cut into six pieces
- J10. A Nut Roast
- J11. A jar of marmalade, any variety. Jar size, min 12oz./340g
- J12. A jar of Lemon Curd. Jar size, min 12oz./340g
- J13. A jar of any other jam. Jar size, min 12oz./340g

- J14. Four Hens eggs from the same breed displayed in a small basket. Supply white saucer/plate for egg to be broken on to
- J15. A bottle of home-made cordial (concentrated). Must be exhibited in clear bottle with stopper that can be removed without the use of a corkscrew
- J16. A bottle of Fruit Liqueur. Must be exhibited in clear bottles with stoppers

TROPHIES

THE FRANK HOWARD MEMORIAL TROPHY awarded to the exhibitor with the most points in Division J



CLASSES

- K1. Painting Oils, acrylic or any other medium, including mixed
- K2. Painting Water colour
- K3. An item showcasing your sewing skills
- K4. A Piece of Origami
- K5. A Piece of Macramé
- K6. An item of tie-dye
- K7. A hand-made item of hard material pottery, sculpture or wood
- K8. An 80th Celebration Card
- K9. A Knitted/Crochet Toy for age 3+

Note: Entries must have been completed since last year's Summer Show. If articles are made from a kit this should be stated.

TROPHIES

THE CECILIA BUTCHER TROPHY for excellence in handicrafts awarded to the competitor with the best exhibit in Division K.



Judging marked on Interpretation, Technical quality, Composition and Presentation.

CLASSES

- L1. "A World in a Raindrop"
- L2. "Downs scape"
- L3. A set of three photographs depicting "The Weather". Mounted on a card not exceeding 24" x 20"/60cm x 50 cm

- L4. "A Sussex Landmark"
- L5. "Motion"

Maximum size of individual photographs to be 10" x 8"/ 26cm x 20 cm including mount & frame.

YOUNG PERSONS

All entries must be the Competitor's own work

DIVISION M - Ages 4 - 8 inclusive

CLASSES

- M1. Make a gingerbread man and decorate
- M2. Cut out and colour the centrefold picture
- M3. Make a vegetable monster

TROPHIES

THE CHILDREN'S PERPETUAL CUP awarded to the child with the most points in Division M

DIVISION N - Ages 9 - 14 inclusive

CLASSES

- N1. Make a miniature garden, not exceeding 30cm x 30cm
- N2. Decorate a flowerpot on the theme of the 80th Anniversary
- N3. "Seaside" a collage picture made from recycled items

TROPHIES

THE HARRY JELLEY MEMORIAL CUP awarded to the child with the most points in Division N

▼ OVERALL TROPHY **▼**

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Autumn Show & Art Exhibition



EGRGA welcomes 'ELLENS GREEN ART GROUP' who will be holding an exhibition at the Show

Saturday 13 September 2025 Rudgwick Village Hall Bucks Green

Bring entries to the hall between 08:30 – 10:30 Show opens: 14:30 with prize giving at 15:45 Admission 50p (Members and children free)

Please use entry form included or download from www.gardenREG.org and send to EGRGAshowsecretary@gmail.com or Show Secretary by

22:00 Thursday, 11 September

Payment is due before staging. Entry 50p per entry. Young person's entries free. All classes are open. Prizes: 1st £1.00, 2nd 75p, 3rd 50p – except where stated



CLASSES. Judged out of 20 points per vegetable

- Collection of three kinds of vegetables in a space not to exceed 760mm x 760mm. Tray, backcloth or similar may be used and accessories for display are accepted. (See Rule 13 and 14)
- 2. Four potatoes, a white variety
- 3. Four potatoes, a coloured variety
- 4. Three courgettes approx. 150mm in length
- 5. Three globe beetroot, with tops trimmed to approx.75mm
- 6. Three carrots, any variety, with tops trimmed to approx.75mm
- 7. Six tomatoes, small fruited, cherry or small plum, with calyx (see page 34 for size)
- 8. Three tomatoes, medium, with calyx (see page 34 for size)
- 9. Three tomatoes, large/speciality
- 10. Four onions, no bulb to exceed 250g
- 11. Four onions, each bulb exceeding 250g
- 12. Six exhibition shallots
- 13. Three leeks, intermediate with roots, foliage bound in
- 14. Six runner beans

- 15. Two cucumbers
- 16. Two marrows
- 17. Four peppers, hot (chilli)
- 18. Any other vegetable. Quantities: minimum of two, or five if small
- 19. Harvest Class A display of three items from the following: one flowering pot plant, one vase of three stems of flowers, one fruit, one vegetable displayed in space of 30cm x 30cm
- 20. Three dessert apples (only include stalk)
- 21. Three cooking apples (only include stalk)
- 22. Twelve raspberries (with hull)
- 23. Twelve blackberries (with hull)
- 24. Any other fruit one variety, min. of two pieces if large, five pieces if small
- 25. A wonky vegetable

TROPHIES

THE NAUMAN PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP awarded to the exhibitor with most points in Classes 2 -18 inclusive (vegetables)

THE WILLIAM PORT MEMORIAL CUP awarded for the best exhibit of apples

THE JIM HALE TROPHY awarded to the competitor showing the best vegetable



HOME FARE



If required protect exhibits with a clear cover; please avoid clingfilm

Please present entries on a plain plate

CLASSES

- 26. Novice Class: Coconut Ice
- 27. Celebrating Sussex: Uppark Fruit Cake (recipe below)
- 28. Devil's Food Cake (chocolate)
- 29. Stollen Cake, option to use bought marzipan
- 30. Five Decorated Cup Cakes
- 31. A Jar of Jam. Show date of making (follow rules p35)
- 32. A Jar of Fruit Jelly. Show date of making (follow rules p35)
- 33. A Jar of Mincemeat
- 34. Terrine of Vegetable Pâté
- 35. Five Cheese Straws

TROPHIES

SWITHINBANK CUP awarded to the exhibitor with the most points in classes 27 - 35

HORTICULTURE

CLASSES

- 36. One pot plant with foliage only
- 37. One pot plant with flowers, fruit or berries
- 38. A vase of mixed Roses five stems
- 39. Three decorative Dahlias of one or more varieties
- 40. Three Cactus or semi-Cactus Dahlias of one or more varieties
- 41. Three pompon or ball Dahlias of one or more varieties
- 42. Three single or Collarette Dahlias of one or more varieties
- 43. Three Dahlias, any other type not mentioned above
- 44. One vase of any shrub, foliage, berried or flowering of one or more varieties, not more than five stems.
- 45. One vase of any other flower, excluding Dahlias, not more than seven stems and of one or more varieties
- 46. A vase of ornamental grasses of three varieties, no more than seven stems
- 47. A vase of mixed Dahlias, not more than five stems

TROPHIES

THE BOB SUTTON PLATE awarded for the best pot plant in Class 36 or 37

THE PRATT BARLOW CUP awarded for the most points in Classes 38 – 46

THE TW FOREMAN DAHLIA CUP awarded to the winner of Class 47



CLASSES

- 48. "Misty Morning" an exhibit, can include accessories
- 49. "Harvest Supper" A Table Centrepiece an exhibit
- 50. "Autumn" a miniature exhibit 100mm W x 100mm D x 100mm H

TROPHIES

THE BEAUMONT CHALLENGE CUP awarded to the exhibitor with most points in classes 48 – 49

NB. Classes 48 and 49 exhibits are staged in a niche 700mm wide x 530mm deep x 750mm high. Refer to NAFAS Rules and exhibits may be with or without accessories

YOUNG PERSONS

No entry fee. Exhibits must be the competitor's own work

Ages 4 - 8 inclusive

CLASSES

- 51. A toffee apple on a decorated stick
- 52. Autumn Leaf collage

Ages 9 - 14 inclusive

CLASSES

- 53. Make a pumpkin lantern
- 54. Make a firework picture using natural materials

CELEBRATING SUSSEX – Autumn Show Recipe

Uppark Fruit Cake

Prep time:30 mins

Cooking time: 35-45 mins

Ingredients

110g cooking/baking margarine

110g granulated sugar

2 large eggs

165g self-raising flour

1/2 tsp baking powder

1 tbsp marmalade

1 1/2 tbs milk

200g mixed dried fruit (perhaps use sultanas, mixed peel and cherries)

A sprinkling of caster sugar for the top

Method

Preheat the oven to 180°C (160°F, Gas mark 3).

Grease and line a square tin.

Cream together the margarine and sugar until light and fluffy.

Add the eggs one at a time, with a little flour to prevent curdling.

Add all the other ingredients, sifting the flour and baking powder into the bowl.

The mixture should drop off the spoon easily.

If it is too stiff, add a little more milk or water.

Smooth into the prepared tin and bake on the middle shelf of the oven for 35-45 minutes (check after half an hour and every 5 minutes after that).

Sprinkle with sugar while still warm.





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Rules for Exhibitors

RULES FOR EXHIBITORS - Please read carefully!

The shows will be conducted generally in accordance with the rules and standards contained in the RHS Horticultural Show Handbook 2008. If in any doubt about the rules of entry, please consult the Show Secretary who has a copy of the relevant handbooks for each class. The Rules in Home Fare classes are very particular.

- 1. Unless otherwise stated, all exhibits must be the property of the exhibitor and must have been in his/her possession for at least three months. (Except Flower Arranging).
- 2. Except where otherwise stated, First Prize to count 3 points, Second Prize 2 points, Third Prize 1 point.
- 3. Where cups are awarded on points totals, should a tie occur the exhibitor with the highest number of First prizes will be adjudged the winner.
- 4. No exhibit may be removed until after prize giving.
- 5. The diameter of a pot or pan is the inside measurement, made as near to the top as possible.
- 6. Unless otherwise stated or implied in the schedule, each exhibit of plants, flowers, fruit or vegetables shall consist of one variety. Where a number or quantity is specified neither more nor less may be shown.
- 7. Any exhibit which does not conform to the wording of the schedule shall be disqualified.
- 8. No exhibitor may have more than one entry in any one class. Entries are limited to one per house or garden with the exception of the Home Fare and Handicraft sections, with a maximum of 1 entry per person.
- 9. Any prize may be withheld or modified if the exhibits are considered unworthy of the prize offered.
- 10. On the relative merit of the exhibits the decision of the judges shall be final but the Committee reserves to itself the decision on any other points in dispute. No correspondence can be entered into.
- 11. All exhibits, personal property, etc. shall be at the risk of the exhibitors and the Association shall not be liable for compensation for loss or damage from any cause whatsoever. Should a show for any cause not be held, no exhibitor shall have any claim on the Association.

- 12. Where VASE is stated any suitable container will be accepted. Own vases to be used.
- 13. In classes which do not have the number specified, exhibits should comprise half the number, detailed in Rule 8 on page 11 of the RHS Handbook and rounded up to the nearest whole number. If in doubt, ask the Show Secretary.
- 14. All vegetables in collections will be judged out of 20 points per vegetable.

WHAT THE JUDGES ARE LOOKING FOR

These notes below have been taken from the RHS Horticultural show handbook held by the Show Secretary. The daffodil divisions, and descriptions following, show what the judges consider "Meritorious".

Guide to Daffodil divisions:

DIVISION 1 - TRUMPET DAFFODIL CULTIVARS



One flower to a stem: corona ('trumpet') as long as, or longer than, the perianth segments ('petals')

DIVISION 2 - LARGE-CUPPED DAFFODIL CULTIVARS



One flower to a stem: corona ('cup') more than one-third, but less than equal to, the length of the perianth segments ('petals')

DIVISION 3 - SMALL-CUPPED DAFFODIL CULTIVARS



One flower to a stem: corona ('cup') not more than one-third the length of the perianth segments ('petals')

DIVISION 4 - DOUBLE DAFFODIL CULTIVARS



One or more flowers to a stem, with doubling of the perianth segments or the corona or both

DIVISION 5 - TRIANDRUS DAFFODIL CULTIVARS



Characteristics of N. triandrus clearly evident: usually two or more pendent flowers to a stem: perianth segments reflexed

DIVISION 6 - CYCLAMINEUS DAFFODIL CULTIVARS



Characteristics of N. cyclamineus clearly evident: one flower to a stem; perianth segments significantly reflexed; flower at an acute angle to the stem, with a very short pedicel ('neck')

DIVISION 7 - JONQUILLA AND APODANTHUS DAFFODIL CULTIVARS



Characteristics of Sections Jonquilla or Apodanthi clearly evident: one to five (rarely eight) flowers to a stem; perianth segments spreading or reflexed; corona cup-shaped, funnel-shaped or flared, usually wider than long: flowers usually fragrant

DIVISION 8 - TAZETTA DAFFODIL CULTIVARS



Characteristics of Section Tazettae clearly evident: usually three to twenty flowers to a stout stem; perianth segments spreading not reflexed; flowers usually fragrant **Roses** - Blooms that are fresh, free from any blemish in their most perfect phase, half to three quarters open, of full size for the cultivar and of the form typical of it. Colour bright and brilliant. Well-formed foliage of good size and texture, free from blemish due to pests or disease.

Sweet Peas - Strong spikes with well-spaced blooms, each one fully open and fresh. Large flowers with erect standards, rigid wings and keel closed, free from colour running, spotting or scorching and of a bright colour with a silken sheen. Long straight stems in proportion to the size of the blooms. Effectiveness of staging (particularly when competition is close).

Annuals and Perennials - Good fresh condition. A good proportion (70%) of flowers fully developed and appropriately positioned on their stem(s). The foliage should be clean, healthy and undamaged by weather or pests.

NB Annual flowers, seeds and dies within twelve months, but for show purposes, includes short lived perennials which normally are replaced each year. Perennials include all plants that live for more than two years. However, for show purposes, a "Perennial" only includes herbaceous plants.

Pot Plants (flowering or fruiting) - A sturdy shapely plant, well furnished with healthy unblemished foliage, displaying flowers, coloured bracts or fruits of a good size, colour and substance. Preference should be given to decorative rather than botanical value (unless the decision is close). Pots should be undamaged.

FRUIT

General – In "Any other Fruit" classes the possible points to be awarded vary (from 8 to 18) according to the difficulty of presenting that fruit. See RHS Handbook page 49.

Apples – Optimum-sized (see RHS Handbook), shapely fruits with eyes and **stalks intact** and clear, unblemished skins of the natural colour characteristic of the cultivar.

Currants – Strigs with full complement of berries. Berries large, ripe and of a uniform, brilliant colour (jet black for blackcurrants). Stalks fresh.

Gooseberries – Large, ripe or unripe fruits as appropriate for the season, uniform and unblemished, of good colour, complete with stalks.

Strawberries, Raspberries and Blackberries – Large, ripe fruits, of good colour, free from blemishes, in good condition and having stalks.

VEGETABLES

General – In "Any other Vegetable" or "Collection" classes the possible points awarded vary (from 10 to 20) according to the difficulty of presenting that vegetable. See RHS Handbook page 73.

Potatoes – Medium sized of generally between 170g and 225g per tuber; shapely, clean, clear-skinned tubers; eyes few and shallow.

Tomatoes – (class 7 Small Size) appropriate to cultivar but not exceeding 35mm in diameter. Fruits ripe but firm, well-coloured fruits, blemish free and with fresh calyces attached.

Tomatoes – (classes 8 & 9) Medium fruits (approximately 65mm in diameter) ripe but firm, and of a good shape. Richly coloured fruits with fresh calyces attached.

Cabbages – Shapely, fresh and solid hearts with the surrounding leaves perfect and bloom intact and of a good colour. Size and shape according to cultivar with approximately 75mm of stalk.

Onions and Shallots – Firm, thin-necked, blemish-free bulbs of good form which should be well ripened. ("defective" notes state "...broken skins or have been skinned excessively").

Carrots – (class D18) long fresh, long roots of good shape and colour. Size to exceed 300mm from the crown to a point where the root measures 5mm in diameter; Skins clean and bright.

Carrots – (class D19) short fresh roots of colour and shape according to cultivar, with a decided stump root, and with tap root intact. Skin clean and bright.

Lettuce – Fresh, firm, tender, unbroken, blemish-free hearts of appropriate colour **French Beans** – Straight, fresh, tender snap pod with stalks, and of even length and good colour with no outward sign of seeds.

Runner Beans – Long slender straight fresh pods of good colour with stalks and no outward sign of seeds.

Broad Beans – Long, fresh, well-filled pods with clear skins and tender seeds. Size according to cultivar.

Peas – Large, fresh pods of good colour with bloom intact, free from disease or pest damage and well filled with tender seeds.

Rhubarb – Fresh, straight, long, tender stalks with well-developed colouring with leaf blades trimmed back to approx. 75mm.

Beetroot – Globe spherical, of approx. 50 to 70mm in diameter with a tap root, smooth skin and flesh of a uniform dark colour.

Courgettes – Young tender, shapely fruits, 100-200mm in length or if round cultivars approx. 75mm in diameter, of any colour but well matched.

Vegetable Marrow – Young tender, uniform fruits which should be less than 380mm long and free of blemish.

Cucumbers – Fresh, young, green, tender, blemish-free, straight fruits of uniform thickness with short handles and with flowers still adhering.

Cauliflower – Heads with symmetrical, close, solid, white curd, free from blemish, stain or riceyness, with approx. 75mm of stalk.

Herbs – Fresh, clean, healthy, blemish-free foliage may have seeds or flowers.

Judges' Scoring

Obviously, this varies according to the exhibit being judged, but is usually along the following lines, each aspect only being judged if that is relevant, and the points given to it varying slightly.

For example: Condition Out of 5 points

Size & Shape Out of 4 points
Colour Out of 3 points
Uniformity Out of 3 points

HOME FARE

General: Any entry which is still warm will not be judged. Round items should be displayed on round plates, oval on oval plates and bread on boards.

Novice: This applies to anyone who has NOT previously submitted an exhibit into a Home Fare category before.

Preserves and Curds: A curd is not a preserve. Preserves and curds have different sealing requirements. **Lemon Curd** - Cover with a breathable top of a waxed disc with a cellophane cover. NO caps please! Preserves should be filled to the top of the jar. If using lids they must be new, (no printing of any kind) and put on when the preserve is hot. This ensures a good seal. CLEAN RIMS VERY CAREFULLY.

OR wax discs <u>may</u> be used, trimmed carefully to fit the jar; place smooth side down directly onto the <u>hot</u> surface of the preserve. This will cause an airtight seal when cooled. When the preserve is completely cold apply a cellophane cover for protection; fix with a rubber band. **Full date** of making should be clearly marked. Trademark or business names **must not** appear on any part of the jar or lid. Kilner Jar and lids may be used.

Chutneys: Should have a 12mm (1/2 inch) space at the top. Cook until all liquid evaporates and leave for 3 months for flavours to develop. Use a NEW SCREW-TOP LID to create true seal.

Biscuits: Should be 5-6cm (2" - 21/2") wide and 3 mm (1/8") thick. Fluted cutter for sweet; plain for savoury. Biscuits are flat and snap when broken; cookies are softer and cut from a roll or dropped from a spoon.

Cakes: Cake is one layer, Sandwich is two with filling in centre and optional top decoration only; Gateaux, three or more layers and decorated top and sides.

Cheese Biscuits: Flavour could be enhanced with a little dry mustard powder and by bringing the grated cheese up to room temperature before using.

Pies/Tarts/Flans (Adhere to suggestions below, unless stated in the relevant classes): A fruit pie only needs a pastry top and is cooked in a deep dish. A fruit tart has a pastry top and bottom and is cooked on a shallow plate. Using a metal tin ensures the base is cooked properly.

Gingerbread: Benefits from being made in advance and left to mature.

Mince Pies: Use shortcrust pastry. Flavour is always the winner.

NAFAS Rules for Flower Arranging Classes

An exhibit is composed of natural plant material, with or without accessories, contained within a space as specified in the show schedule. NAFAS rules state that disqualification will take place for the following reasons:

- 1. Failure to comply with any specific requirements of a class as stated in a show schedule i.e. the measurements or the components.
- 2. Inclusion of any fresh plant material that does not have its roots or the cut ends of its stems in water retaining material. (For exceptions see the NAFAS 'Competitions Manual', Third Edition, 2015, Page 4).
- 3. Inclusion of artificial plant material. (unless specifically allowed by the show schedule).

For further details and definitions, please refer to the NAFAS 'Competitions Manual', Third Edition, 2015, in accordance with which all classes will be judged. A copy is held by the Show Secretary.

OASIS REPLACEMENT. EGRGA promotes biodegradable gardening solutions. To display your entries, please try **Bio Floral Foam Maxlife**; or **Agra-Wool Sideau**, or **Naturebase**, which are all biodegradable.

Data Protection and Privacy

Photographs and/or film footage will be taken at each of the Association's Shows These images will be used in the following ways:

- printed publicity material
- online publicity (including Facebook and Twitter)
- shared with the regional press for use in a news story

The images will be stored securely and kept as historical records of events.



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EGRGA NEW MEMBER JOINING SLIP

(see also GardenREG.org)

Please complete and hand to any Committee Member or send by post to the Membership Secretary, Steve Kenward. 6 Pathfield Road, Rudgwick, RH12 3HS. Email online entry form to: steve@kenwardhome.com

Name
Address
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Membership fee is £7.00 per person. There are no group memberships. Subsequent payments are due annually on 31 st January.
Payment by Standing Order is welcome:
Account name: Ellens Green and Rudgwick Gardening Association Bank: Santander Sort code: 09-01-55 Account number: 61693609
Signed

Your membership entitles you to:

- Free raffle for £50 worth of National Garden Vouchers
- Free admission to all shows
- Free refreshments at the AGM
- Enter "Members only" classes at the shows
- Membership mailing(s) of coming events
- Trade prices offered at selected suppliers, please see the website for details

You can also apply online at the EGRGA website: www.gardenREG.org

HOW MEMBERS CAN SUPPORT EGRGA

Helping to put on our shows creates good community spirit... many hands spread the load...the more the merrier. Please indicate if you are happy to help in the following ways: (*Please tick all that apply*)

Helping stage the Associations Shows by:										
	Joining a rota to staff a stall									
	Marshalling car parking when needed									
	Making a cake to supplement our tea and cakes offering.									
	Organising the raffle or selling tickets									
	Serving refreshments									
	Working on the set up and dismantling									
	Being a Judges' Steward (assisting the judge on the day of a show)									
Help witl	I the administration and direction of the Association I would like to join the Committee I love admin I like finance and accounts I love life I have a passion for advertising I like selling I am a great planner I'm just happy to be involved.									
Help witl	n other events, plant sale, events, trips etc									
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Please pass this to the Membership Secretary, Steve Kenward.

Entry Forms

AUTUMN AND SPRING SHOW ENTRY FORMS

Complete the relevant entry form on www.gardenREG.org and email your details to <u>EGRGAshowsecretary@gmail.com</u> Entries by email will be acknowledged. Payment may be made when bringing exhibits on the morning of the show. <u>OR</u> use the forms below, circling the relevant classes you are entering. Deliver the form to the Show Secretary @ 38 Furze Road <u>with</u> the entry fee, by **22:00** on the Thursday before the show.

Entry fee for each class is 50p and exhibits should arrive at the Hall 08:30 - 10:30.

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SUMMER SHOW ENTRY FORM

12 July 2025, closing date for entries 22:00 on 10 July

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YOUNG PERSONS ENTRY FORMS

Please tick the class numbers you wish to enter, insert your name and address and email your completed form to EGRGAshowsecretary@gmail.com Entries by email will be acknowledged and entry fee is free.

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