

West Suffolk Horticultural Society

195th FLOWER & VEGETABLE SHOW

**FLOWERS, FRUIT, VEGETABLES, PHOTOGRAPHY,
FLOWER ARRANGING, COOKERY,
and HANDICRAFT CLASSES**

**GREAT BARTON VILLAGE HALL
Elms Close, Great Barton, Bury St Edmunds, IP31 2NR**

**Friday 13th November 2025
1pm – 4.30pm**

Admission: Free

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Show Regulations

Entry Fee: Members - 20p per class
Non-Members - 40p per class

- 1 No Exhibitor may make more than one entry in any one class.
- 2 All Exhibitors shall provide their own plates, trays, dishes, bowls, baskets, vases and display boards.
- 3 All Exhibits must be placed ready for the judges by 10am. No exhibits may be removed from the show until Friday at 4.30pm.
- 4 In exhibits of equal merit, correct naming shall weigh with the judge in making their awards.
- 5 All persons must leave the Venue during judging, unless officially retained.
- 6 All produce must have been grown by the Exhibitor, except where stated.
- 7 All complaints must be handed in to the Secretary before 3.00pm on the day of the Show in writing and all objections must be accompanied by a deposit of 50p which shall be returned if the objection is upheld.
- 8 The Judges will be empowered to withhold Prizes when exhibits are considered by them unworthy, and their decision shall be final
- 9 The groups in each Section will be judged by the quality and effect: the vegetable and fruit will be judged by their fitness for table, and quality shall be preferred to weight or size.
- 10 Prizes for most points will be counted as follows: 1st prize - 3 points, 2nd prize - 2 points, 3rd prize - 1 point.
- 11 The committee reserves the right of refusing any entry and withholding any Prize taken by unfair means.
- 12 The Committee will not be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits but every reasonable care will be taken.
- 13 The current edition of the NCS classified catalogue and subsequent report of the NCS classified committee shall be the standard work of reference in all questions of classification and nomenclature.
- 14 All persons intending to exhibit in the Horticultural Show must give notice to the Secretary, in writing, on or before Monday 9th November 2026
- 15 All Challenge Cups to be held by the winners for one year only and to be returned to the Secretary by the date of the next year's show.
- 16 Exhibits must not have been entered at any previous WSHS Show.

West Suffolk Horticultural Society

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Jean Campbell, John Campbell, David Cantwell & Anne Fisk

Timetable

Thursday 12th : 3pm – 6pm Staging of Exhibits

Friday 13th : 7.30am – 10am Staging of Exhibits
10.15am Judging to Commence
1pm – 4.30pm Show opens to public
4pm Presentation of the Trophies

* Refreshments available

General Rules of the Society

- 1 The Society shall be called the West Suffolk Horticultural Society.
To be maintained by Annual Subscription and Donations its object shall be to encourage the cultivation of Chrysanthemums, and other Flowers, Fruit, Vegetables, etc.
- 2 Persons wishing to become Members of the Society should forward their subscriptions to the Treasurer.
- 3 The Officers of the Society shall be elected annually.
- 4 Annual membership of £3.00 shall become due on 1st January in each year.

Special Awards

- 1 The Royal Horticultural Society's Banksian Medal awarded to the Exhibitor winning largest total of prize money in the Horticultural classes. The winner of 2024 and 2025 will not be eligible to win the medal.
- 2 The A J Edwards Challenge Cup awarded to the Exhibitor winning most points in the Show.
- 3 The Ladies of Bury Cup presented by Mr I D S Martin in memory of his grandfather, Mr D T Fish, who won the cup outright in the Royal Horticultural Society Show in Bury St Edmunds in 1867. Second highest points in the Show.
- 4 The Millennium Trophy presented by Mr and Mrs Philip Underwood for the Premier Exhibit in the Chrysanthemum classes.
- 5 The Presidents Challenge Cup presented by the late H C Drayton awarded for most points in the Chrysanthemum classes in the Show.
- 6 The Frank Goldsmith Challenge Cup awarded for the best vase of singles in the Show.
- 7 The James Surkitt Memorial Challenge Cup presented by the late Mr A Surkitt in memory of his late father for the best exhibit large exhibition Chrysanthemums
- 8 The Mrs John W Greene Challenge Trophy for best vase of decorative chrysanthemums reflexed and/or intermediate.
- 9 The Dorothy Challenge Cup, presented by Mrs Dorothy Gough for the best vase of exhibition Incurved Chrysanthemums.
- 10 Challenge Cup for the best Charm Chrysanthemum plant presented by Mrs H C Drayton in 1964.
- 11 Challenge Rose Bowl, the Winifred Woodward Trophy presented by Mr C C Woodward in memory of his wife in 1966 for most points in Newcomers & Allotment Holders – Section F.
- 12 The Garden News Challenge Shield awarded to the Best Exhibit in Fruit
- 13 The Geoffrey Noble Challenge Cup for the most points in Photography.
- 14 Silver Challenge Cup presented by Mr Stanley J Noble in memory of his father who won the cup outright in London 1900/1/2 for the best composite exhibit in the Show.

- 15 The Gough Challenge Cup presented by Mrs H R Gough in 1965 for the best exhibit in pot plants and flowers, Section B.
- 16 A Challenge Cup awarded for the most points in pot plants and flowers, Section B.
- 17 A Challenge Cup awarded for the best exhibit in Photography
- 18 Inter Society Floral Art Competition Shield for the Best Exhibit in Floral Art, Section C.
- 19 The Chequer Cup awarded for most points in Floral Art, Section C.
- 20 The O' Meara Trophy presented by Mrs J P O' Meara in 1963 for most points in Fruit classes, Section D.
- 21 The A J Edwards Challenge Cup awarded for the best collection of vegetables, Class 84.
- 22 The Eleanor Cup awarded for most points in Vegetable classes, Section E.
- 23 The National Vegetable Society Medal awarded for the best Exhibit in vegetable classes 57 - 81
- 24 The D T Fish Cup awarded for the Best Exhibit in Spirit classes.
- 25 The British Sugar Salver awarded for the Best Exhibit in Cookery classes, Section H.
- 26 The D A and A Kidd Challenge Cup awarded for the most points in Cookery classes, Section H.
- 27 National Chrysanthemum Society Certificate of Merit awarded at the judge's discretion.
- 28 West Suffolk Agricultural Exhibition Challenge Cup for the Best Exhibit in Handicraft, Section I
- 29 The Marlow Challenge Cup awarded for most points Section I

Section A - Chrysanthemums

1st

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| 1 Composite Class Four vases from the following sections:
One bloom from section 1 or 2 and three vases from the following all distinctive cultivars.
One vase of three decoratives, section 4/5a or b
One vase of three singles, section 7a or b
One vase of three stems of sprays, section 9
One vase of three blooms of anemones – section 6 | £5.00 |
| 2 Composite Class
One vase of three decorative blooms, one cultivar, section 4/5a or b
One vase of three incurved blooms, one cultivar, section 3a or b
One vase of three singles, one cultivar, section 7a or b | £5.00 |

Large and Medium Exhibition

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| 3 Six large or medium exhibition blooms, sections 1 or 2 No fewer than three distinct cultivars. To be staged in separate vases | £5.00 |
| 4 Three medium exhibition blooms, any cultivar(s) section 2 to be staged in separate vases | £1.50 |
| 5 One large exhibition bloom, section 1 | £1.00 |
| 6 One medium exhibition bloom, section 2 | £1.00 |

Incurved

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| 7 Three vases of three blooms, three cultivars, section 3a or b one distinct cultivar in each vase | £1.50 |
| 8 Two vases of three blooms, two cultivars, section 3a or b one distinct cultivar in each vase | £1.50 |
| 9 One vase of five blooms, any cultivars, section 3a or b | £1.00 |
| 10 One vase of three blooms, one cultivar, section 3b | £1.00 |

Decoratives, Reflexed or Intermediate

11	Three vases of three blooms, three cultivars, section 4/5a or b one distinct cultivar in each vase	£1.50
12	Two vases of three blooms, two cultivars, section 4/5a or b one distinct cultivar in each vase	£1.50
13	One vase of five blooms, any cultivar(s), section 4a or b	£1.00
14	One vase of five blooms, any cultivar(s), section 5a or b	£1.00
15	One vase of three blooms, one cultivar, section 4a or b	£1.00
16	One vase of three blooms, one cultivar, section 5a or b	£1.00

Singles

1st

17	Two vases of three blooms, two cultivars, section 7a One cultivar in each vase	£1.50
18	Two vases of three blooms, two cultivars, section 7b One cultivar in each vase	£1.50
19	One vase of five blooms, any cultivar(s), section 7a	£1.00
20	One vase of five blooms, any cultivar(s), section 7b	£1.00
21	One vase of three blooms, any cultivar, section 7a	£1.00
22	One vase of three blooms, any cultivar, section 7b	£1.00

Terminal Sprays

23	Two vases of three terminal sprays, two cultivars, section 9 One cultivar in each vase	£1.50
24	One vase of three terminal sprays, any cultivar(s) section 9	£1.00

Pots and Miscellaneous

25	Two vases of three blooms, two cultivars, any classification not listed above (anemone, fantasies, etc.)	£1.50
26	One vase of three blooms, any classification not listed above any cultivar(s) (anemone, fantasies, etc.)	£1.00

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| 27 One pot of charm chrysanthemum | £1.00 |
| 28 One specimen pot of chrysanthemum other than a charm | £1.00 |
| 29 One vase, bowl or basket of single chrysanthemums,
section 7, arranged for effect, with any kind of foliage,
to face frontal, not less than 18" across | £1.00 |
| 30 One vase bowl or basket of chrysanthemums arranged
for effect with any kind of foliage, to face frontal not
less than 18" across. | £1.00 |
| 31 One vase of 5 any classification for previous non trophy
winners in Chrysanthemum section at W.S.H.S. | £1.00 |



Section B
Flowers and Miscellaneous Pot Plants

	<u>1st</u>
32 One Cactus (max 8" Pot)	£1.00
33 One Succulent (max 8" Pot)	£1.00
34 One vase of shrubs and/or trees in fruit or flower	£1.00
35 Vase of any other cut flower not in schedule, one or more cultivar(s)	£1.00
36 One flowering pot plant, other than chrysanthemum (max 8" Pot)	£1.00
37 One foliage pot plant (max 8" Pot)	£1.00



Section C Floral Art

Notes

1. Approximate depth of all tabling is 2' 6", width allowed 2'. Any drapes or covering to be provided. by the Exhibitor if needed.
2. Flowers may be purchased for floral art classes, accessories may be used.

	<u>1st</u>
38 Canned (using a tin can)	£3.00
39 Harvest	£3.00
40 Autumn in a vase	£3.00
41 A corsage	£3.00
42 Sticks and Stuff	£3.00



Section D

Dessert Apples

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| 43 Cox's Orange Pippin, plate of five | £1.00 |
| 44 Spartan, plate of five | £1.00 |
| 45 Gala, plate of five | £1.00 |
| 46 Charles Ross, plate of five | £1.00 |
| 47 Any other variety, plate of five | £1.00 |

Culinary Apples

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| 48 Bramley's Seedling, plate of five | £1.00 |
| 49 Howgate Wonder, plate of five | £1.00 |
| 50 Blenheim Orange, plate of five | £1.00 |
| 51 Any other variety, plate of five | £1.00 |

Collections

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| 52 Collection of apples
of two cultivars of culinary, and two cultivars dessert
five fruits of each. | £1.50 |
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Pears

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| 53 Doyenne du Comice, plate of five | £1.00 |
| 54 Dessert, any other variety, plate of five | £1.00 |
| 55 Any Other Fruit | £1.00 |

Section E
Vegetables

	<u>1st</u>
56 Five white potatoes	£1.00
57 Five coloured potatoes	£1.00
58 Two plates of potatoes, two cultivars, five of each	£1.00
59 Collection of potatoes, three cultivars, three of each	£1.50
60 Five tomatoes	£1.00
61 Nine exhibition shallots	£1.00
62 Nine pickling shallots, (not exceeding 1" diameter)	£1.00
63 Three beetroot, globe	£1.00
64 Three beetroot, long	£1.00
65 Two cauliflowers	£1.00
66 Two green cabbages	£1.00
67 Two red cabbages	£1.00
68 One heaviest onion (sound condition)	£1.00
69 Nine onions- space allowed 2' Three over 1 kg (1000 grams) Three under 1kg (1000 grams) Three shallots	£1.50
70 Five onions, exhibition	£1.00
71 Five onions, under 500 grams	£1.00

Section E (cont.)
Vegetables

72	Five onions, under 250 grams	£1.00
73	Three carrots, pointed, long and intermediate cultivars	£1.00
74	Three carrots, stump rooted, ball and finger cultivars	£1.00
75	Ten Brussels sprouts	£1.00
76	Six Chilli Peppers	£1.00
77	Three parsnips	£1.00
78	Three leeks	£1.00
79	Two heads of celery	£1.00
80	Any other vegetable, not in section	£1.00

Collections		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>
81	Tap Root class: Three varieties of vegetables, two of each variety Space allowed 3' x 2'6"	£5.00	£3.00	£2.00
82	Collection of five kinds of vegetables, one of each. Space allowed -3' x 2'6"	£5.00	£3.00	£2.00
83	Collection of six kinds of vegetables (numbers of each not less than ordinary classes) Space allowed 3' x 2'6"	£5.00	£3.00	£2.00



Section F
Newcomers and Beginners

1st

84	Three white potatoes	£1.00
85	Three coloured potatoes	£1.00
86	Six exhibition shallots	£1.00
87	Three onions	£1.00
88	Three Beetroot	£1.00
89	Three leeks	£1.00
90	One Dish of Fruit	£1.00
91	Any other vegetable not in section.	£1.00



Section G
Photography

1st

Photographs to be 8" x 6" – unframed.

(must not have been exhibited before and must have been taken by the exhibitor)

92	Garden wildlife	£3.00
93	Landscape	£3.00
94	A flower close up	£3.00
95	Water (waterfall, river, sea)	£3.00
96	Street life	£3.00

Section H
Cookery – no cake mix to be used

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>
Paper plates will be provided. Exhibits to be covered in cling film.			
97 Round two layer chocolate sponge cake - filled but not decorated	£1.00		
98 Fruit tea loaf	£1.00		
99 Five sweet biscuits	£5.00	£3.00	£2.00
100 Five pieces shortbread (Men only)	£5.00	£3.00	£2.00
101 Jar of Jam (plain clear glass jar, wax circle & cellophane top)	£1.00		
102 Jar of Marmalade (plain clear glass jar, wax circle & cellophane top)	£1.00		
103 Jar of Chutney (plain clear glass jar, wax circle & cellophane top)	£1.00		
104 Flavoured Spirit (plain clear bottle with plain label)	£1.00		



Section I
Handicrafts

1st

105	Cross stich, tapestry, or needlepoint item	£1.00
106	Cushion in any medium	£1.00
107	A painting, any medium	£1.00
108	Patchwork item	£1.00
109	Handmade card	£1.00
110	Any craft not mentioned above e.g. metalwork, woodwork, pottery art, painting.	£1.00

