



**BALSALL & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

**77<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FLOWER and  
PRODUCE SHOW**

**(FOR MEMBERS ONLY)**

**SCHEDULE**

**TO BE HELD IN**

**ST PETER'S HALL, HOLLY LANE, BALSALL COMMON,**

**CV7 7EA**

**SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JULY 2026**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 2.00 – 4:00 PM**

**FREE PARKING**

**PLANTS & REFRESHMENTS ON SALE**

**RAFFLE**

SHOW SECRETARY – Iain McKenzie

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## **SHOW RULES**

1. Entry to classes is for members only and there is no charge for entry.
2. Entries must be received by the Show Secretary by Thursday 16th July 2026.  
LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
3. Exhibitors may NOT make more than one entry in each class.
4. The Hall will be open to competitors on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> from 8.30am – 11.00am for staging.
5. All exhibits must be staged by 11.00am on the day of the show. They may not be removed earlier than 4.15pm but must be removed before 5.00pm.
6. Exhibitors are not permitted to move other exhibits; they may only be moved by the Stewards.
7. All exhibits must be presented in accordance with the Schedule.
8. All horticultural exhibits must be the produce of the exhibitors' own garden or allotment unless otherwise stated in the Schedule.
9. No leaf-shine or similar will be permitted on exhibits. 'Oasis' will only be accepted if contained within a vase.
10. All exhibits must be stable and, with the exception of Classes D59 & D60, shall be staged on the show benches.
11. Anyone employing artifice or unfair means to deceive the Judges or obtain awards will be barred from any future show activities.
12. Judges have the right to withhold awards when, in their opinion, the competition is insufficient, or the quality of entries is deficient and to make extra awards at their discretion. The Judge's decision is final.
13. Points will be awarded as: First – 3 pts, Second – 2 pts, Third – 1 pt. Highly Commended – ½ pt.
14. Any protest must be in writing and delivered by 3.00pm to the Show Secretary for submission to the Committee for decision.
15. Any contingency not covered by these rules shall be dealt with by members of the Committee, whose decision is final.
16. The Show awards will be announced on the day of the show.
17. BDHS will not accept responsibility for any loss or damage to exhibitors' property during the Show.

### **PLANT SALE**

There will be a plant sale at the show. Please label plants you are donating and bring them to the show in the morning. Once the show opens, have a browse - you may find just the plant you are looking for.

### **RAFFLE**

The raffle will be drawn at 3.30pm before the presentation of the awards.

## SHOW CLASSES

### SECTION A – VEGETABLES

*Classes A1-A16 to be displayed on paper plates.*

A1	BEETROOT	3 with tops
A2	CARROTS	5 with tops
A3	POTATOES - WHITE	5
A4	POTATOES - COLOURED	5
A5	PEAS	5 pods cut with stalks
A6	BROAD BEANS	5 pods cut with stalks
A7	FRENCH BEANS	5 pods cut with stalks
A8	RUNNER BEANS	5 pods cut with stalks
A9	GARLIC BULBS	3 with 2.5cm of dried stem
A10	TOMATOES - LARGE	5 with calyces attached
A11	TOMATOES – SMALL (3.5cm max)	5 with calyces attached
A12	TOMATO TRUSS with most tomatoes	1 with red and green fruit, minimum of 3 red fruits
A13	ONIONS	3 as grown
A14	LETTUCE	1 with clean roots on
A15	CUCUMBERS	Pair (2)
A16	COURGETTES	Matching pair (2)
A17	ANY OTHER VEGETABLE ( <i>Not named above</i> )	Display as appropriate
A18	CULINARY HERBS	Cut bunches of 3 different herbs, each to be labelled

### SECTION B - FRUIT

*Classes B21-B25 to be displayed on paper plates.*

B21	GOOSEBERRIES	9 on plate with stalks
B22	RASPBERRIES	9 on plate with stalks
B23	BLACKCURRANTS	6 sprays
B24	REDCURRANTS	6 sprays
B25	BLUEBERRIES	9 on a plate
B26	RHUBARB	5 sticks with 10cm of foliage
B27	ANY OTHER FRUIT ( <i>Not named above</i> )	Display as appropriate
B28	GARDEN PRODUCE IN A BASKET	A selection of fruit, veg and herbs, max <b>INTERNAL</b> container size 30cm x 30cm

## **SECTION C - FLOWERS & FOLIAGE**

*These classes are judged on the quality of the flowers/foliage as well as the way they are presented.*

*Maximum vase diameter 15cm in all classes in this section.*

C31	DISPLAY OF CUT GARDEN FLOWERS	1 vase, 3 different species
C32	DISPLAY OF CUT GARDEN FLOWERS	1 vase, more than 3 different species
C33	SPECIMEN CUT FLOWER OR SPIKE	1 not rose
C34	VARIEGATED CUT FOLIAGE	1 vase, no flowers, <b>ALL</b> foliage to be variegated
C35	FLOWERING SHRUBS	3 of same variety, not roses
C36	FLOWERING SHRUBS	3 of different varieties, not roses
C37	CLEMATIS	3 blooms any variety
C38	FERN FRONDS	1 vase
C39	PANSIES OR VIOLAS	5 blooms
C40	FUCHSIA	6 blooms of at least 2 varieties, display blocks provided
C41	LAVENDER	5 spikes
C42	HOSTA LEAVES	1 vase
C43	DAHLIAS	Vase of 5 stems, any variety
C44	DAHLIA	1 single specimen or bloom
C45	SWEET PEAS/LATHYRUS	5 sprays any variety
C46	DIANTHUS	3 stems
C47	ROSES	3 single blooms any variety
C48	ROSE	1 single specimen or bloom
C49	ROSE	1 spray any variety

## **SECTION D - POT PLANTS**

*Maximum INTERNAL pot diameter 20.5cm in all classes except D59 and D60.*

D51	CACTUS OR SUCCULENT	1
D52	FOLIAGE PLANT	1 - except begonia
D53	PLANT IN BLOOM	1 - except begonia or fuchsia
D54	GERANIUM/PELARGONIUM	1 of any kind
D55	ORCHID	1
D56	BEGONIA	1 in bloom
D57	FOLIAGE BEGONIA	1
D58	FUCHSIA	1 in bloom
D59	PATIO PLANTER, MIXED VARIETY	1 container, 30cm max <b>INTERNAL</b> diameter
D60	PATIO PLANTER, SINGLE VARIETY	1 container, 30cm max <b>INTERNAL</b> diameter

## **SECTION E - FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS**

*Flowers used to be as grown by exhibitor, except E63 and E64 which allow the inclusion of purchased natural flowers, foliage and fruit.*

*60cm x 60cm of table space allowed for each entry.*

*Accessories are allowed in all classes.*

- E61 **\*NOVICE CLASS** - TABLE CENTREPIECE TO INCLUDE A CANDLE
- E62 ARRANGEMENT OF 5 FLOWERS AND FOLIAGE
- E63 ARRANGEMENT IN AN UNUSUAL CONTAINER
- E64 ARRANGEMENT OF MIXED FOLIAGE

*\*NB NOVICE CLASS IS FOR MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT WON A BDHS FLOWER ARRANGING CLASS BEFORE*

## **SECTION F - PHOTOGRAPHS**

*MAXIMUM Image size 18cm x 12.5cm, photos unmounted.*

- F66 MY FAVOURITE FLOWER
- F67 GARDEN SCENE
- F68 OVER THE GARDEN FENCE

## **SECTION G - PRODUCE & BAKED GOODS**

*Classes G71 to G74 should be in plain glass jars labelled with the main contents, month and year of jarring.*

*Classes G75 to G79 should be covered in cling film, lining papers and cases should be removed. Ceramic plates may be used for display.*

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| G71 | JAM OR JELLY, ANY KIND                              | 1 jar (see exhibitors' guidance for specifics) |
| G72 | RUNNY HONEY   | 1 jar (as above)                               |
| G73 | CHUTNEY   | 1 jar (as above)                               |
| G74 | MARMALADE, ANY KIND                                 | 1 jar (as above)                               |
| G75 | LEMON AND YOGURT SPONGE CAKE*<br>(See recipe below) | 1 on plate                                     |
| G76 | QUICHE MADE WITH HOMEMADE PASTRY                    | 1 on plate - max size<br>24cm                  |
| G77 | TEA LOAF (Made in 2lb/950g loaf tin)                | 1 on plate                                     |
| G78 | FRUIT SCONES  | 6 on plate                                     |
| G79 | FOCACCIA (PLAIN OR FLAVOURED)                       | Made with 500g of<br>flour                     |

## \*G75 LEMON AND YOGURT CAKE

<u>Ingredients</u>	
• 50g softened butter	• 225g Greek style yogurt
• 300g caster sugar	• Zest of 1 lemon
• 175g SR flour	• 100g sifted icing sugar
• 3 large eggs separated	• 1 ½ tbsp lemon juice
<u>Method</u>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Heat oven to 180°C, 160°C fan, gas 4</li><li>2. Prepare 20 cm cake tin - grease cake tin and line the bottom</li><li>3. Beat together caster sugar, butter and egg yolks. Add the yoghurt and lemon zest, and beat until smooth</li><li>4. Gently fold in the flour</li><li>5. Turn into the prepared tin and bake for 1 – 1 ¼ hours until well risen and firm to touch. Leave in the tin for a few minutes before turning out and removing the parchment. Leave to cool on a wire rack</li><li>6. Make the icing by combining the icing sugar and lemon juice. Pour over the cooled cake, smooth over with a palette knife and leave to set</li></ol>	

## SECTION H – ARTS & CRAFTS

*All entries to be the work of the exhibitor who must indicate if it has been produced from a kit.*

*No exhibit which has been entered in previous BDHS shows may be entered.*

- H81 ONE PAINTING OR DRAWING
- H82 ONE PIECE OF NEEDLEWORK
- H83 ONE PIECE KNITTING OR CROCHET
- H84 ONE HAND MADE CARD
- H85 ONE PIECE OF WOOD CRAFT
- H86 OTHER CRAFT WORK
- H87 ONE HANDMADE TOY
- H88 AN UPCYCLED/RECYCLED ITEM (to state what it has been made from)

## SECTION J - ART COMPETITION, LADY KATHERINE LEVESON PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Theme - UNDER THE SEA**

*The five best entries from each age group will be displayed at the show.*

## **SECTION K - COMPETITION FOR GROWING PLUGS SUPPLIED BY THE SOCIETY**

***Maximum internal pot diameter 20.5cm.***

K96 PELARGONIUM

K97 BEGONIA

### **AWARDS**

*Presented at 3.45 pm.*

*Points awarded: 1st – 3 pts, 2nd – 2 pts, 3rd – 1 pt, Highly Commended – ½ pt.*

**DEELEY CHALLENGE CUP** Awarded for the most points in Sections A & B - Vegetables & Fruit

**MAISEY CHALLENGE CUP** Awarded for the most points in Section C - Flowers and Foliage

**DAHLIA BOWL** Awarded for the best dahlia bloom in class C44

**POT PLANT CUP** Awarded for the most points in Section D - Pot Plants

**SOCIETY CUP** Awarded for the best exhibit in Section E - Flower Arrangements

**HEART OF ENGLAND TROPHY** Awarded to the best exhibit in section F - Photographs

**PRODUCE CUP** Awarded for the most points in Section G - Produce and Baked Goods

**BALSALL TROPHY** Awarded for the best exhibit in section H - Arts and Crafts

**WILKINS CHALLENGE TROPHY** Awarded to the best entry in Section K - Plants from Plugs

**SOUTHFIELD GERANIUM CUP** Awarded for the best geranium or pelargonium in the Show (Class D54)

**JARDINERIE CUP** Awarded to the Novice with the most points in the Show (A Novice is a person who has never won a first prize at a BDHS Show)

**RHS BANKSIAN MEDAL** Awarded for the highest total of points in classes A, B, C, D & K (Excluding winners in the previous 2 years)

**BALSALL CHALLENGE CUP** Awarded for the second highest total of points in all classes

**CHALLENGE CUP** Awarded for the highest total of points in all classes

**BALSALL & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

**77<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SHOW ENTRY FORM**

**MEMBERS ONLY – THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR ENTRY**

**SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JULY 2026**

**St. PETERS HALL, HOLLY LANE, BALSALL COMMON, CV7 7EA**

**NAME** (Please Print) .....

**ENTRIES FOR CLASS Nos (as per Schedule):**

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<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF ENTRIES</b>	
<b>I AM A NOVICE – I HAVE NEVER WON A FIRST PRIZE AT THE BDHS ANNUAL SHOW</b>	

**Please return this form to the Show Secretary as soon as possible:**

e mail: iain.mckenzie1963@btinternet.com

Text/Message: 07776 491241 (please include a photograph of your entry form)

**OR** Drop them off at: Iain McKenzie, 51 Station Road, CV7 7FN

Please ensure that you give all the details outlined on the Entry Form

**LAST DATE FOR ENTRIES – THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> JULY 2026**