

RULES FOR EXHIBITORS

- 1 All exhibits in Sections I to IV must have been grown by the Exhibitor.
- 2 An Exhibitor may only enter one exhibit per class.
- 3 The Village Hall will be open for staging at 8.30 am, and exhibits must be staged before 10.30am on the day of the Show.
- 4 Entries must reach the Show Secretary by 5pm Thursday 19th March 2026. (except class 8)
- 5 Exhibitors must obtain an entry card from the Show Secretary in the Show room on the day of the Show.
- 6 So far as applicable, the Show will be governed by the Royal Horticultural Society's 'The Horticultural Show Handbook' a copy of which is in the possession of the Show Secretary. The floral art classes will be judged under the National Association of Flower Arrangement Societies (NAFAS) Competitions Manual 2023. The show secretary has a copy of their competition rules.
- 7 **Please note.** Plastic based floral foam will not be permitted in any class. Competitors are asked to use biodegradable alternatives such as Agrawool, FibreFloral, moss/chicken wire.
- 8 Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the judges.
- 9 Prize money will be available from 3.30pm.
- 10 Presentation of cups and awards will take place at 3.45pm
- 11 Exhibits may be removed after 4pm.
- 12 All exhibits, personal property, etc. will be at the risk of the Exhibitor and the Committee will not be liable for loss or damage to the same due to any cause whatsoever.
- 13 No persons, other than Exhibitors and authorised helpers will be admitted to the Show Room on the day of the Show prior to opening time.
- 14 TIES. In the event of two or more competitors tying for any Cup, Medal or Award, each will hold it for an equal number of months during the ensuing year. The prize money will be divided equally among the Exhibitors.



SPRING SHOW



SATURDAY 21st MARCH 2026

2 – 4pm

VILLAGE HALL, DAMERHAM

**Entrance £2.50 Children Free if accompanied by an adult
Members Free on production of card**

**Entries welcome from non members and children
(Entry form enclosed)**

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HINTS AND TIPS FOR EXHIBITORS

The formality of the Show schedule may look a little daunting, but please don't let this discourage you from entering. The Show secretary or any committee members will be able to offer you any help and advice you may need with your entry.

When you arrive at the Show with your exhibits, members of the Society will be there to assist you to find the classes for your exhibits and give you advice on staging your exhibits.

Read the schedule carefully. Make sure that you have the correct number of items in your exhibit.

Please note. Plastic based floral foam will not be permitted in any class. Competitors are asked to use biodegradable alternatives such as Agrawool, FibreFloral, moss/chicken wire.

In the cookery classes, the judge will consider taste, appearance and uniformity of size.

Please cover all cookery with cling film or preferably an environmentally friendly alternative.

We want you to enjoy the Show to the full. Remember that your entries make the Show, giving great pleasure to visitors. So, go on, do have a go.

Entrance Fee: 20p each exhibit.

Children's Classes 40 – 48 free

Prizes: £1, 75p, 50p

Entry Form is enclosed

Judges:

Daffodils – Mr Keith Boxall
Cookery – Mrs Bobby Carter
Floral Art – Mrs Pip Bensley
Photography – Mr Richard James

SECTION VI

Floral Art Classes

Class No

- 49 **'Fragile Beauty'- A Petite Exhibit.** Space allowed 25cm (w) x 25cm (d) x 37cm (h). To be viewed all round and judged from the front.
- 50 **'Jewels of the Spring Garden' An exhibit incorporating a basket.** Space allowed 50cm (w) x 50cm (d) x height optional. To be viewed from all round and judged from the front. (This is an ideal class for the inexperienced or not so brave arranger).
- 51 **'A Splash of Colour'- An Exhibit.** To be staged in a cream coloured niche. Space allowed 61cm (w) x 74cm (d) x 76cm (h). To be viewed and judged from the front.
- 52 **'Electrical'.** An exhibit for MEN ONLY. Space allowed 45cm (w) x 45cm (d) x height optional. To be viewed and judged from the front.

An exhibit is composed of natural plant material, in all its forms with or without accessories, contained within a space as specified in the show schedule.

Flowers in this section need not be grown by the exhibitor.

All plant material must be in water, or water-retaining material, or must remain turgid for the duration of the show.

Non biodegradable floral foam will not be permitted in any classes.

All exhibits will be staged on tables covered in pale green fabric.

SECTION VII

Cookery and Handicraft Classes

- 53 A Victoria Sandwich with jam filling
- 54 An Apple Cake
- 55 A Cake containing a named Vegetable
- 56 A Wholemeal Loaf (using yeast)
- 57 5 Vegetarian filled Rolls (using puff pastry)
- 58 6 Savoury Scones
- 59 A Vegetable Tart
- 60 A Jar of Marmalade (454g approx.)
- 61 A Jar of Lemon Curd (454g approx.)
- 62 Any item of Knitting; Crotchet; Embroidery; Lacework; Tapestry or Patchwork completed during the past year.
- 63 An item of Handicraft/Artwork, excluding those in class 62, completed during the past year
- 64 Photography Subject: 'Happy Days' (max size 13 x18cm)

SECTION IV Tulips

Class No

- 25 ONE STEM of any variety.
- 26 THREE STEMS of any variety

Growing Bulbs (max container size 30cm)

- 27 ONE CONTAINER OF FLOWERING BULBS, CORMS OR RHIZOMES

Spring Flowers

- 28 THREE STEMS POLYANTHUS one vase, any colour or colours.
- 29 BOWL or VASE OF PANSIES OR VIOLAS OR BOTH, any colours.
- 30 'IT'S SPRING AGAIN' An arrangement of Spring flowers & shrubs.
- 31 BOWL OF NINE FLOATING SPRING FLOWERS, any types.
- 32 VASE OF ANY OTHER SINGLE TYPE OF SPRING FLOWER, not covered by any other class.
- 33 THREE OR MORE STEMS OF HYACINTH one vase, any colour or colours.

Flowering Shrubs

- 34 ONE STEM OF A FLOWERING SHRUB.
- 35 COLLECTION OF FLOWERING SHRUBS, three cultivars (types), one stem of each in **one** container.

Pot Plants (max container size 30cm)

- 36 ONE POT PLANT – Flowering.
- 37 ONE POT PLANT – Foliage.
- 38 A SPECIMEN ORCHID
- 39 An Arrangement of Growing Plants in a Bowl/Pot.

SECTION V

Children's Classes (Age to be stated on your entry form)

Children's Classes, for children 6 years & under. Free Entry.

- 40 A Hen's Egg Decorated/Painted for Easter
- 41 A Vase/Jam Jar of Spring Flowers.
- 42 A Miniature Easter Garden on a baking tray or similar.
- 43 An Easter Card

Children's Classes, for children 7-12 years old. Free Entry.

- 44 Photograph Subject 'My Favourite Thing'
- 45 An Arrangement of Spring Flowers in any container.
- 46 A Design for A Wildlife Garden (no larger than A4)
- 47 A Mosaic using Natural Material (to be stuck onto A4 card)
- 48 A Hand Written Passage from 'The Wind in the Willows' with Coloured Illustrations

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Cups and Awards

The President's Bowl, in memory of our late President, Lady Studd, will be presented at the Spring Show, to the member winning the most prize at the Spring and Summer Shows combined. The recipient must not have won this award in the last two years.

The Sutton Vane Cup will be awarded to the Exhibitor with most points in Section I - Amateur Gardener Classes 1 – 8 and 22-24.

The Parmiter Cup will be awarded to the runner up.

A Daffodil Society Medal will be awarded to the Exhibitor with the most points in Section II – Specialist classes 9 - 24.

A Daffodil Society Diploma will be awarded to the runner up.

A Challenge Cup will be awarded for the best Narcissus (Daffodil) in the Show. The Clare Cottam Award will be awarded to the Exhibitor with most points in the Spring Flowers classes 28 - 33.

The David Dampney Memorial Vase will be awarded to the Exhibitor with most points in the Flowering Shrubs classes 34 - 35.

A Challenge Cup will be awarded for the best exhibit in Section V - The Floral Art classes 49 - 52.

The Sarah Robbins Award will be awarded to the exhibitor with the most points in Section VI - Cookery and Handicraft classes 53 - 64

SECTION I. AMATEUR GARDENER CLASSES

- 1 ONE BLOOM Trumpet daffodil.
- 2 ONE BLOOM Large cupped daffodil.
- 3 ONE BLOOM Small cupped daffodil.
- 4 ONE BLOOM Double daffodil.
- 5 ONE STEM of any variety not included in 1-4 above.
- 6 THREE STEMS of any variety or varieties in one container.
- 7 NINE STEMS of any variety or varieties in one container.
- 8 MY BEST DAFFODIL – **To be entered on the morning of the show**

SECTION II. SPECIALIST CLASSES

- 9 ONE BLOOM DIVISION 1 - Trumpet.
- 10 THREE BLOOMS DIVISION 1 – Trumpet, in one vase, one or more cultivars.
- 11 ONE BLOOM DIVISION 2 – Large Cup.
- 12 THREE BLOOMS DIVISION 2 – Large Cupped, in one vase, one or more cultivars.
- 13 ONE BLOOM DIVISION 3 – Small Cup.
- 14 THREE BLOOMS DIVISION 3 - Small Cupped, in one vase, one or more cultivars.
- 15 ONE BLOOM DIVISION 4 – Double.
- 16 THREE BLOOMS DIVISION 4 – Double, in one vase, one or more cultivars.
- 17 ONE STEM DIVISION 5 – Triandrus.
- 18 ONE STEM DIVISION 6 – Cyclamineus.
- 19 ONE STEM DIVISION 7 – Jonquilla.
- 20 ONE STEM DIVISION 8 – Tazetta.
- 21 ONE STEM, ANY DIVISION – not included in Classes 11 – 22 e.g. Split Corona, Poeticus (Pheasants Eye).

SECTION III COLLECTIONS (open to SPECIALISTS and AMATEURS)

- 22 THREE VARIETIES with pink, orange or red colouring in the Corona, any Division or Divisions. Three stems each, in three vases, one variety to a vase. (Total 9 stems.)
- 23 THREE VARIETIES. Three stems of each, representing three Divisions, one vase per Division. (Total 9 stems.)
- 24 NINE STEMS of any variety or varieties, in one container.



Division I.
LONG TRUMPET
One flower to a stem;
Corona ("Trumpet")
as long as, or longer
than the perianth
segments ("Petals")



Division V
TRIANDRUS
Two or more pendent
flowers to a stem;
perianth segments
reflexed.



Division II.
LARGE CUP
One flower to a stem;
corona ("cup") more than
one-third but less than
equal to the length of
the perianth segments
("petals").



Division VI
CYCLAMINEUS
Usually one flower to a
stem; Perianth segments
reflexed; flower at an
acute angle to the stem,
with a very short neck.



Division III
SMALL CUP
One flower to a stem;
corona ("cup") not more
than one-third the length
of the perianth segments
("petals").



Division VII
JONQUILLA
One to three fragrant
flowers on a rounded stem;
dark-green narrow leaves.
Perianth segments spreading,
not reflexed.



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



Division VIII
TAZETTA
Three to twenty fragrant
flowers on a stout stem.
Leaves broad. Perianth
segments spreading, not
reflexed