

THE SEVENTH

Ayr & District Flower Show

FRIDAY 15TH &
SATURDAY 16TH
AUGUST 2025

10AM TO 5PM AT
AYR RACECOURSE,
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Schedule of Classes

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A&DFS Handpicked 2025

We know entering classes for the first time can be a little daunting, but we want as many people to get involved at this years show so we've handpicked some classes for first time exhibitors as well as some of the new classes to the A&DFS.

Class 48 - One Basket of Vegetables - page 14

Have your own vegetable patch? Why not gather up your produce and display it in a basket for everyone to admire your work!

New Class 63 - Baking Foursome- page 15

Get together with friends or family and put your very own spin on this years Autumn theme - don't eat it all before entering though!

New Class 275 - An Arrangement in a Shoe - page 26

Got an old pair of shoes at the back of the wardrobe? Then we have the perfect class this year and with the addition of a few flowers, you can give them a new lease of life!

Class 381 - A Scarecrow - page 31

What better way to use up those unwanted jeans than putting them to use as part of a scarecrow exhibit!

Class 477 - A Pallet Garden- page 34

We're on the hunt for the best looking garden in pallet form, so get your thinking cap on to get the most out of your 1m x 1m area!

New Class 518 - Vegetable Photo - page 37

With the National Vegetable Society National Championships taking place at this year's show, now's the time to get creative with your take on our photography class!

Good luck and we'll hopefully see you at the show!

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**At the Ayr Racecourse on
Friday 15th and Saturday 16th August 2025
10.00am - 5.00pm both days**

Entry Ticket : Adults £7.00

Children under 16 years free if accompanied by an adult

Conditions of Entry

- Disabled visitors accompanied by a Carer will be admitted on a single entrance fee basis.
- Last admission will be **one** hour prior to close of Show.
- Only assistance dogs will be allowed in the show grounds.

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Welcome to the Seventh Ayr & District Flower Show

It was great to see so many people get involved at last year's show and I would like to take the chance to thank everyone for making another successful event for Ayrshire and beyond. I also once again have the pleasure of welcoming you all to the seventh Ayr & District Flower show where things look set to be even bigger and better than year's past.

Thanks go out to all those who exhibited their hard work, were involved in the organising or running of the show, our judges and members of the public who all played their part in the growing success of the A&DFS.

This year, the National Vegetable Society National Championships will be hosted by the A&DFS and we look forward to seeing the quality exhibits at this prestigious event. We also have our normal competition classes with some new ones introduced to attract more exhibitors and help continue the growth of the show - I look forward to welcoming you all there.

George Bartling

Chairperson, Ayr & District Flower Show

We Need Your Help!

To allow for the continuation of the Ayr & District Flower Show, we are in desperate need of help on the committee.

Due to age, illness and job commitments, our already small committee will not be able to continue organising the show and we are looking out for pro-active members to help keep the show running.

If you would like to help out and become a part of our show, please get in touch with us:

- ayranddistrictflowershow@gmail.com
- Call - 07803 782821
- Chat to someone at our show information table



PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Ayr & District Flower Show is a co-operative venture run by members of Ayrshire's horticultural community for the benefit and enjoyment of all who visit the Show.

Please consider this to be a warm welcome and invitation to be part of the Show whether as an exhibitor, judge, visitor, sponsor or volunteer to ensure the success of the 2025 Flower Show.

THE SHOW SITE

The Show will be held at Ayr Racecourse in the Ayrshire Suite extending out to the permanent marquees and surrounding grounds. The racecourse has been a successful venue for many various events and the generous accommodation provides suitable cover from inclement weather conditions. Ayr Racecourse is located in Whitletts Road, Ayr. KA8 0JE and is easily accessed by taking the A719 turning off the Ayr Town Centre or by following the A77 or B743 to Whitletts Roundabout and taking the Ayr A719 town centre exit.

TRAINS AND BUSES

Ayr is served by excellent rail connections to Glasgow Central with a half hourly service throughout. Similarly a good service to Girvan and Stranraer is also provided. Bus services from Ayr and the local/surrounding areas are frequent with just a few minute intervals. For services go to www.Stagecoachbus.com and use postcode KA8 0JE.

CAR PARKING

Car parking is free at Ayr Racecourse and there is ample space available, including allocated parking for Blue Badge holders. Coach parking will be provided. *Drop Off* passengers at the main entrance, Whitletts Road and follow instructions.

BUS PARTIES

We are delighted to assist with arrangements for bus parties or other groups attending the Show and who may wish advice on catering facilities, toilet accommodations, etc. Please do not hesitate to email ayrandedistrictflowershow@gmail.com for advice.

ACCOMMODATION

For those wishing to book accommodation Ayr and Prestwick offer a variety of accommodation options.

CATERING

Catering services will be provided by Ayr Racecourse within the Ayrshire Suite facility.

SHOW NOTES

ENTRY FORM

If you require an additional entry form, photocopies of the original will be accepted or you may download a fresh version from our website :-www.ayranddistrictflowershow.com

EXHIBITING RULES

All entries should be received by Monday 11th August. Late entries may only be accepted at the Show Committee's discretion. The Show Committee reserve the right to refuse any entry without giving any reason or explanation.

ONE ENTRY ONLY PER CLASS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

AMATEUR CLASSES

In common with the practice adopted by other large shows, the distinctions of "Open to All" classes and "Amateur Classes" have been merged and all classes are now "Open to All" except where otherwise stated.

CLASS NUMBERING

Exhibitors will note that there are breaks in the consecutive numbering of some classes. This is to allow for schedule changes in future years.

PHOTOGRAPHS

By exhibiting at the Show competitors agree that any photographs taken by the Ayr and District Flower Show of exhibits shall be the copyright of the Show.

SHOW OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

Chairperson : George Bartling

Vice Chairperson: Ian Gibson

Show Secretary : Irene Yuill

Treasurer : Moira Bartling

Show Entries Secretary : Elizabeth Kennedy

Minutes Secretary & Volunteer Co-ordinator: June Black

Committee Members : Samuel Kennedy, Craig Eccles, William Westcott,
Nathan Gibson, Anne-Marie Conway, Anne Howat.

JUDGES FOR 2025

BAKING

Mrs Janette Cousar, Craigie, Kilmarnock.
Mrs Mary Kerr, Drongan.

BEGONIAS (TUBEROUS)

Mr. David Nimmo, Polbeth.
Mr. James H. Evans, Clackmannan.

BEGONIAS (SPECIES)

Dr. Stan. da Prato, Tranent, East Lothian.

CACTI AND SUCCULENTS

Mr. Jim Gibbs, Dundee.

CARNATIONS

Ms. Hazel Mulberry, Dunlop.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS

Ms. Hazel Mulberry, Dunlop.

DAHLIAS

Mr. William Craig, Kilwinning.

FLOWER ARRANGING

Mrs May Steel, Symington.

FRUIT

Mr. George Bartling, FNVS, Symington.

FUCHSIAS

Prof. Stephen Philips, Glasgow.

GLADIOLI

Mr. Stan Hunter, Kilmarnock..
Mr Donald Wilson, Kilwinning.

HANDICRAFTS

Mrs Nan Brown, Kilmarnock.
Mrs Agnes Henderson, Catrine.

HERBACEOUS, ANNUALS & SHRUBS CLASSES

Mr. Donald Wilson, Kilwinning.
Ms Hazel Mulberry, Dunlop.

JUNIOR SECTION

Mrs Margaret Clarke, Drongan

PALLET GARDEN

Dr. Stan da Prato, Tranent, East Lothian

PANSY & VIOLA

Mr. George Neil, Dalmellington.

PELARGONIUMS

Dr. Julie McCamilly, Ayr.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Mr. Brian Muir, Prestwick

POT PLANTS, PATIO CONTAINERS AND HANGING BASKETS

Ms. Julie Dougall, Sorn.

PRESERVES

Mrs Kay Young, New Cumnock.

ROSES

Mr. Laurence Marcantonio, Ayr.

SWEET PEAS

Mr. Stan Hunter, Kilmarnock.
Mr. Donald Wilson, Kilwinning

VEGETABLES

Mr. George Bartling, FNVS, Symington.
Mr. William Duff, FNVS, Balmullo.
Mr. Jim T. Williams, FNVS, Pathhead.
Mr. George McGavin, Fenwick.

SHOW REGULATIONS

1. All entries should be received by Monday 11th August. Late entries may only be accepted at the Show Committee's discretion. The Show Committee reserve the right to refuse any entry without giving any reason or explanation.
2. All competitors are held to declare that the subjects exhibited by them are of their own development and horticultural exhibits have been in their possession for at least two months. Any infraction of this rule will disqualify the exhibitor.
3. All vegetables must be clean, sound and properly dressed. Undue dressing will disqualify.
4. All plants should be free from pests and diseases. Any plant considered by the Judges to be carrying such will be removed from the hall.
5. Unless articles are legibly and correctly named any awards will be withheld.
6. The show area will be open for placement of exhibits from 17.00 on the day prior to the show and all exhibits must be in place by 07.00 on the day of the show. Cut blooms must be shown in vases provided.
7. Judging will take place between 07.30 and 10.00 on the opening day of the show.
8. Any protests must be lodged with the Committee in writing before 12.00 noon on the opening day of the show along with a forfeitable deposit of £10.00 if the protest is not upheld. The Show Committee decision will be final.
9. The Show Committee will direct the placing of all exhibits and the exhibitors must obey their instructions. No exhibit shall be removed prior to the closure of the show without the Show Committee's agreement.
10. The show will close at 17.00 on Saturday. All competitors with removal tickets must prominently display these for security purposes and remove their own exhibits from the venue by 18.00. Any items remaining after that time will be disposed of by the Committee.

11. The Ayr and District Flower Show nor the Show Committee nor their respective officers or sub-contractors shall be responsible for any accidents, damage or loss, howsoever arising, that may happen to a) exhibitors or competitors or contractors/sub-contractors of exhibitors or competitors while they are entering or leaving the venue; and b) animals, articles or property of whatsoever nature in or while being brought into or taken out of the venue. Exhibitors and competitors shall be solely responsible for any loss, damage or injury caused by themselves or their contractor/sub-contractor by animals, articles and property belonging to them; and exhibitors and competitor shall free and relieve the said Flower Show of all claims for loss, damage or injury, howsoever arising, and shall indemnify the said Flower Show and their respective officers against all legal proceedings which may follow thereon. All exhibits, boxes, stands and other items left at the show will be disposed of by the Committee.
12. The submission of an entry form by an exhibitor shall imply that he/she agrees to observe and conform to all rules and regulations in connection with the show.
13. There must be no vehicle movement within the show ground before 17.15 on the last day of the show.

PRIZE SCHEDULE

A warm welcome is extended to all exhibitors to Ayr Racecourse in 2025.

As in previous years no monetary award will be made in the adult classes.

The show organisers will again provide *Premium Keepsake Prizes* for the major class in a section and a *Keepsake Prize* for the best exhibits for the section.

As in previous years, cash prizes for First, Second and Third will be provided in the Junior Section.

Certain Societies are providing trophies within their section which will remain the property of that Society. In general these trophies are only awarded to members of these Societies and their award is at the discretion of each of these Societies.

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MASTER GARDENER COMPETITION CONDITIONS

- Vases:-** As supplied by Show Committee.
- Naming:-** All exhibits shall be clearly named.
- Area:-** 1·22m x 1·22m
- Judging:-** The relevant category judges will award points following their society rules where appropriate.

Class

1. An arrangement of two vases of Flowers and a Collection of three kinds of vegetables from the lists below:-

Two vases cut blooms, chosen from:-

Sweet Peas, twelve stems per vase, any variety or varieties;

Gladioli, three spikes per vase, one variety per vase;

Dahlias, five blooms per vase, one variety per vase;

Chrysanthemums, five blooms per vase, one variety per vase;

Annuals, twelve stems per vase, three or more kinds per vase.

(For the guidance of exhibitors, the two vases may be two of the same subject, i.e. two vases Sweet Peas, Gladioli, Dahlias, Chrysanthemums, Annuals or one each of any two subjects, i.e. one vase Sweet Peas and one vase Annuals.

All Flowers, Maximum points :- 20

Collection of Vegetables, comprising three kinds, chosen from:-

Runner Beans	9 pods	Maximum points	18
Cabbages	2	"	15
Cauliflowers	2	"	20
Celery trench	3	"	20
Carrots long	3	"	20
Carrots stump rooted	3	"	18
Cucumbers	2	"	18
Leeks	3	"	20
Onions, each to exceed 250g.	3	"	20
Peas	9 pods	"	20
Parsnips	3	"	20
Potatoes	5 one variety	"	20
Shallots, pearshaped	9	"	18
Tomatoes	5	"	18

N.B. Either long or stump carrots may be shown

First - Premium Keepsake Prize and Certificate

Second - Keepsake Prize

Third - Keepsake Prize

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VEGETABLE CHAMPIONSHIP
To be Judged to N.V.S. rules 2018.

Class

3. **One Collection of Vegetables**

Six kinds, table space 1·22m x 0·92m frontage

To be judged by points.

The maximum number of points allowed for each kind of vegetable will be as follows:-

Cauliflowers, Celery, Leeks, Onions, Peas, Potatoes,	
Carrots (long), Parsnips, Long Beetroot	20 points
Carrots (stump rooted), Tomatoes	18 points
Cucumbers, Runner Beans, Shallots (pearshaped)	18 points
Cabbages, Turnips, Beet (globe), French and Broad Beans	15 points
Vegetable Marrows	15 points
Beef and Cherry Tomatoes	12 points

N.B. Either long or globe beet may be shown. Either long or stump carrots may be shown.

The number of points awarded will be placed on the exhibit.

Cauliflowers, Celery, Leeks, Beet, Parsnips, Onions, Turnips, Carrots - three of each to be shown.

Potatoes, Tomatoes - five of each to be shown.

Peas, Beans - nine pods of each to be shown.

Vegetable Marrows, Cucumbers, Cabbages - two of each to be shown.

Shallots (pearshaped) - nine of each to be shown.

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

Second - Keepsake Prize

Third - Keepsake Prize

Plates will be provided where required

Class

5. Three distinct varieties of **Potatoes**, five of each variety.

6. Two distinct varieties of **Potatoes**,
one variety white, one variety coloured, five of each variety.

7. Five **Potatoes**, white, one variety.

8. Five **Potatoes**, coloured, one variety.

Potatoes showing undue dressing will be down pointed

9. **One Collection of Vegetables**, four kinds, one of each - to be judged on points.

10. **One Cauliflower.**

11. **One Cabbage**, round.

Class

12. One **Cabbage**, conical.
13. Two Heads **Celery**.
14. Three **Leeks**, blanched.
15. Two Pot **Leeks**, not exceeding 155mm to the tight button.
16. Three **Onions**, over 250g.
17. Three **Onion**, sets.
18. Three **Onions**, red.
19. One **Onion**, heaviest, undressed, foliage cut to 10cm above the bulb.
20. Six **Shallots**, red.
21. Six **Shallots**, yellow.
22. Six **Shallots**, pear shaped
23. Six **Tomatoes**.
24. One truss **Tomatoes**.
25. Four **Courgettes**.
26. Two **Cucumbers**.
27. One **Vegetable Marrow**, quality.
28. One **Vegetable Marrow**, for weight.
29. Three **Beetroot**, long.
30. Three **Beetroot**, globe.
31. Three **Carrots**, long.
32. Three **Carrots**, stumped rooted.
33. Three **Parsnips**.
34. Three **Turnips**.
35. Six Pods **Broad Beans**.
36. Six Pods **Runner Beans**.
37. Nine Pods **French Beans**.
38. Nine Pods **Peas**.
39. Two **Lettuce**.
40. One Single **Parsley Plant**, pot size 150mm max.
41. One pot of **Herbs**, one kind excluding parsley, pot size 150 mm.
42. Three pots of **Herbs**, three kinds.
43. Four pots of **Herbs**, one each parsley, sage, rosemary and thyme, pot size 150mm
44. Three stalks **Rhubarb**, for quality.
45. Three stalks **Rhubarb**, for weight
46. One **Pepper**
47. Any **Vegetable**, not listed above

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 5 to 47 (excluding class 9)

NOVICE SECTION - VEGETABLES

NOTE:- Exhibitors are regarded as Novice vegetable growers until they have won a First Prize at an Open Show for two years, after which they cease to be Novices.

Class

48. One **Basket of Vegetables** not exceeding 450mm x 300mm.

Best Exhibit Keepsake prize in Class 48

BAKING

Paper Plates will be supplied for exhibits

Class

50. Three **Oven Scones, (Plain).**
51. Three **Plain Girdle Scones.**
52. Three **Pancakes.**
53. One **Lemon Drizzle Loaf.**
54. Three **Shortbread Biscuits.**
55. Three pieces of **Paradise Slice.**
56. Three **Decorated Cup Cakes.**
57. Three **Meringue Shells.**
58. Six **Pieces of Tablet.**
59. Three pieces no-bake **Chocolate Traybake.**
60. **An Afternoon Tea Plate to include three different items.**
61. A single layer **Fatless Egg Sponge**, undecorated.
62. Sticky **Gingerbread.**
Exhibits must be made to this recipe.

Ingredients:

113g/4oz butter or margarine, 113g/4oz light muscovado sugar,
113g/4oz golden syrup, 113g/4oz black treacle, 113g/4oz self-raising flour,
113g/4oz wholemeal self raising flour, 3 tsp ground ginger, 1 egg, 150ml/5oz milk.

Method: Preheat oven to 180°/160° fan/325°F/Gas Mark 4

Gently melt butter or margarine, sugar, syrup and treacle and cool slightly. Mix flours and ginger. Mix egg and milk. Pour the wet ingredients into the flours and mix well. Pour mix into a prepared circular cake tin, 18-21cm diameter, and bake for approximately 35 minutes.

Timing is for conventional ovens and is only a guide as appliances vary.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 50 to 62

BAKING FOURSOME

Class

63. The theme is '**Autumn**'.
Apple Tart on a 15cm plate.
Two **Carrot Cake** Fingers.
Two **Cheese Scones**.
Jar of **Chutney**.
To be staged by four friends or family members, each making one item.
To be displayed on a tea towel.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Class 63

BEGONIAS - TUBEROUS SEEDLING SECTION

Exhibitors may submit any number of entries into this section

Class

70. One **Begonia** Pot Plant - Seedling.
71. One **Begonia** Seedling Pendula.
72. One **Begonia** Seedling, small flowered tuberous, rhizomatous, shrub cane etc in a pot.
73. One **Begonia** Cut Bloom - Seedling (to be shown on a board).

OPEN SECTION

Class

81. **Display of Begonias** in an area of 1·22m. x 1·22m.
to be judged for effect. Tuberous, flowered, ferns allowed.

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

Class

82. Nine **Begonia** Pot Plants.
83. Six **Begonia** Pot Plants.
84. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants.
85. Six **Begonia** Pot Plants, single stems, no side shoots.
86. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants, single stem, no side shoots.
87. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants, with side shoots.
88. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, single stem, with side shoots.
89. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, single stem, no side shoots .
90. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, multi stem.

Class

- 91. Three **Begonia Pot Plants**, one multi stem, one single stem with side shoots and one single stem, no side shoots.
- 92. Three **Begonia Pot Plants**, single stem, no side shoots and Three **Begonia Cut Blooms** (to be shown on a board).
- 93. One **Begonia Pot Plant**, single stem, no side shoots and One **Begonia Cut Bloom** (to be shown on a board).
- 94. One **Begonia Pot Plant**, any variety or varieties, 1 litre round pot 100mm
- 95. One Pot of **Begonias** - "Bonfire or Million Kisses" type.

PENDULA BEGONIAS

Class

- 96. One Pendula **Begonia** in a pot or basket.
Note:-Other trailing **Begonias** e.g. *B. sutherlandii* should be exhibited in **Species and their Cultivars**.

CUT FLOWER SECTION

Class

- 100. **Scottish 'Land o' Burns' Championship**
Nine **Begonia Cut Blooms**, judged on quality and colour effect.

First - Premium Keepsake Prize and Certificate

Second - Keepsake Prize

Third - Keepsake Prize

- 101. Six **Begonia Cut Blooms**, not less than four varieties.
- 102. Three **Begonia Cut Blooms**.
- 103. Three **Begonia Cut Blooms**, picotee or bi-colour.
- 104. Three **Begonia Cut Blooms**, white, yellow or cream.
- 105. Three **Begonia Cut Blooms**, pink or salmon.
- 106. Three **Begonia Cut Blooms**, crimson or red.
- 107. Three **Begonia Cut Blooms**, orange.
- 108. One **Begonia Cut Bloom**, any colour.

BEDDING BEGONIAS

Class

- 110. One Novelty container of **Bedding Begonias**,
Judged for effect, maximum pot size 5 litre.

NOVICE SECTION - BEGONIAS

Class

- 120. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants.
- 121. Two **Begonia** Pot Plants.
- 122. One **Begonia** Pot Plant.
- 123. One **Begonia** Pendula in a pot or basket, less than 30cm in diameter.
- 124. Six **Begonia** Cut Blooms, any colour.
- 125. Three **Begonia** Cut Blooms, any colour.
- 126. One **Begonia** Cut Bloom, any colour.
- 127. Collection of flowering **Begonia** plants, for effect,
grown in a container not exceeding 41cm. (no species or cultivars).
- 128. One Pot of **Begonia** - "Bonfire or Million Kisses" type.

***Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 70 to 128
excluding Class 81 and Class 100***

Keepsake Prize to Best Cut Bloom

SPECIES and their CULTIVARS

Botanical Begonia Growers

Consideration will be given to difficulty in growing.

Class

- 150. Display of **Begonias**, in an area 1·22m x 1·22m
to be judged for effect. Any species or cultivar may be used, ferns allowed.

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

Class

- 151. Five **Begonia** Pots, any variety, staged for effect.
- 152. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants, cane, superba type, (large leaf).
- 153. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants, cane, (small leaves) .
- 154. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants, Rex-cultorum.
- 155. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants, rhizomatous, other than Rex-cultorum.
- 156. Three Pot Plants **Begonias**, Mac MacIntyre hybrids.
- 157. Three Pot Plants **Begonias**, species, (not less than two varieties).
- 158. Three Pot Plants **Begonias**, (one each of any three varieties).
- 159. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, trailing or scandent type.
- 160. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, tuberous species or semi-tuberous
not specified elsewhere in the **begonia** schedule.
- 161. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, *sutherlandii* or its hybrids.

Class

- 162. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, rhizomatous species other than Rex-cultorum.
- 163. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, thick stem or bush
- 164. Collection for effect, Species and their cultivars, in a container 10 litres max.
- 165. One **Begonia** Plant within a terrarium or contained atmosphere size 30cm x 30cm x 30cm, max or similar glass bowl size.
- 166. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, any variety - (restricted) 1 litre max.
- 167. One Pot Plant **Begonia**, rhizomatous, small leaved (less than 102mm).

BEGINNERS SECTION - BEGONIAS

Class

- 175. Five **Begonia** Pot Plants, any variety staged for effect.
- 176. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants, cane, rhizomatous.
- 177. Three **Begonia** Pot Plants, rex (any variety).
- 178. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, cane type, (any variety).
- 179. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, rhizomatous (any variety).
- 180. One **Begonia** Pot Plant, rex (any variety).
- 181. One Pot of **Begonia** - Semperflorens/Dragon Wings.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 151 - 181

CACTI and SUCCULENTS

Class

- 200. **Thematic Exhibit of Cacti and/or "Other Succulents".**

Each entry for this class will be staged on a maximum of 750mm x 750mm bench space and will illustrate a theme Geographical, Botanical, etc. Entries will include a card on which the title of the theme is clearly written together with any additional explanatory information. This class will be judged as a collection.

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

Class

- 201. Six **Cacti** Pots not over 155mm.
- 202. Six **"Other Succulents"** Pots not over 155mm.
- 203. One plant **Astrophytum**.
- 204. One plant **Cleistocactus** or **Espostoa Sub-groups**.
- 205. One plant **Cereus Group, except Class 204**.
- 206. One plant **Copiapoa Group**.
- 207. One plant **Coryphantha** or **Thelocactus Group**.
- 208. One plant **Echinocactus Group**.
- 209. One plant **Echinocereus Group**.
- 210. One plant **Gymnocalycium Group**

Class

- 211. One plant **Echinopsis Group.**
- 212. Two plants **Mammillaria Group.** Pots not over 141mm.
- 213. One plant **Mammillaria Group.** Pot over 141mm.
- 214. One plant **Neoporteria Group.**
- 215. One plant **Opuntia Group.**
- 216. One plant **Parodia Group**
- 217. One plant **Rebutia Group.**
- 218. Two **Cacti.**
- 219. One plant **Agave Group.**
- 220. One plant **Aloe Group.**
- 221. One plant **Echeveria Sub-Group.**
- 222. One plant **Crassula Group** other than Class 221.
- 223. One plant **Euphorbia Group.**
- 224. One plant **Gasteria Group.**
- 225. One plant **Haworthia Group.**
- 226. One plant **Mesembryanthemum Group** excluding Class 227.
- 227. One plant **Lithops Sub-group.**
- 228. Two **"Other Succulents".**
- 229. One **Cactus** or **"Other Succulent"** which is **Cristate, Monstrose or Variegated.**
- 230. One Plant **Stapelia** or **Cereopegia.**

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 201 - 230

CARNATIONS

Own foliage only - wiring permitted

Class

- 235. Two vases **Border Carnations**, any variety or varieties, three blooms per vase.
- 236. One vase **Border Carnations**, any variety or varieties, five blooms per vase.
- 237. One Specimen Bloom, **Border Carnation.**
- 238. One vase **Garden Pinks**, nine stems.
- 239. One vase **Garden Pinks**, six stems.
- 240. Two vases **Perpetual Carnations**, three blooms.
- 241. One vase **Perpetual Carnations**, any variety or varieties, five blooms.
- 242. One vase **Perpetual Carnations**, any variety or varieties, three blooms.
- 243. One vase **Perpetual Carnations**, any variety, one bloom.
- 244. One vase **Scented Carnations**, any variety, one bloom.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 235 - 244

CHRYSANTHEMUMS

Early Flowering

Judging under current N. C. S. Classification

Class

245. Three vases **Chrysanthemums**, three distinct cultivars,
three blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

Class

246. One vase **Chrysanthemums**, Reflexed, three blooms.
247. One vase **Chrysanthemums**, Incurved or Intermediate, three blooms.
248. Two vases **Chrysanthemums**, Sprays, two distinct cultivars,
three stems of one cultivar in each vase.
249. One vase **Chrysanthemums**, sprays, three stems.
250. One vase **Chrysanthemums**, one bloom.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 246 - 250

DAHLIAS

To be Judged under current N.D.S. Classifications (Except Novice Section)

The term Cactus includes Semi-cactus

Giant is greater than 260mm

Large is a maximum of 260mm

Medium in a maximum of 220mm

Small is a maximum of 170mm

Miniature is a maximum of 115mm

Class **Championship Class**

- 251 Three vases **Dahlias**, One variety per vase, three blooms per vase,
one distinct type per vase.

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

Class

252. One vase giant **Dahlia**, one bloom.
253. One vase large **Cactus** or **Decorative Dahlias**, three blooms.
254. One vase medium **Decorative Dahlias**, three blooms.
255. One vase medium **Cactus Dahlias**, three blooms.
256. One vase small **Decorative Dahlias**, three blooms.
257. One vase small **Cactus Dahlias**, three blooms.
258. One vase small **Ball Dahlias**, three blooms.
259. One vase miniature **Decorative Dahlias**, five blooms.

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Competitor Number

ENTRY FORM

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Please fill in class numbers for each entry.

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ENTRY FEES - no charge for 2025

One entry only per class unless otherwise specified

Exhibitors will be given ONE free entry ticket and One Removal ticket.

All Exhibitor Entry cards and envelope will be available in the Ayrshire Suite.

I hereby declare that I will comply with the conditions set out in the Show Regulations

Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss).....
(Block Letters)

Address

..... Post Code

Tel No: Mob No

Email Address
(printed)

Date

Entry Forms maybe be duplicated as many times as required.

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I hereby declare that I will comply with the conditions set out in the Show Regulations

Name (Master/Miss).....
(Block Letters)

Address

..... Post Code

Tel No: Mob No

Email Address
(printed)

Date Junior Section Age

Entry Forms maybe be duplicated as many times as required.

DAHLIAS

Class

- 260. One vase miniature **Cactus Dahlias**, five blooms.
- 261. One vase miniature **Ball Dahlias**, five blooms.
- 262. One vase **Pom Pom Dahlias**, five blooms.
- 263. One vase **Any other classification**, three blooms.
- 264. Display of **Dahlias**, for effect in a basket.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 252 - 264

NOVICE SECTION - DAHLIAS

A person is regarded as novice until they have won a prize at a show for two years, then they will cease to be regarded as a novice.

Class

- 265. One vase large or giant **Dahlia**, one bloom.
- 266. One vase large or giant **Dahlias**, three blooms.
- 267. One vase medium **Dahlias**, three blooms.
- 268. One vase small **Dahlias**, three bloom.
- 269. One vase miniature **Dahlias**, three blooms.
- 270. One vase **Pom Pom Dahlias**, three blooms.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 265 - 270

FLOWER ARRANGING

Exhibits should be composed of fresh or dried, natural plant material, with or without accessories, unless otherwise stated.

Exhibits must be within the space stated (width x depth) and a maximum height of 110cm unless otherwise stated. Table height is 73cm. All staging measurements are approximate. The table top will be white covering and the tent sides (ivory) will be the backing.

All exhibits to be judged from the front.

Nothing must be attached to the background.

Exhibits can be brought complete or made on site but must be the individual competitor's own work.

Exhibitors do not have to belong to Floral Art Clubs, there is a class for everyone.

Novice - A person who is not a Professional Florist or Demonstrator.

Open - Everyone including Professional Florists or Demonstrators.

NOVICE SECTION - FLOWER ARRANGING

Space allowed for each arrangement is 60cm x 60cm.

Class

- 275. An Arrangement in a **Shoe**.
- 276. An Arrangement in a **Jug**, no oasis or other support.
- 277. An Arrangement incorporating a **Bottle**
- 278. **'Evergreen'**
An Arrangement of fresh foliage

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 275 - 278

OPEN SECTION - FLOWER ARRANGING

Class

- 279. **"Mardi Gras"**
A pedestal arrangement. Floor area of 100cm x 100cm, maximum height 180cm.
- 280. **'Bee Happy'**
An arrangement to attract pollinators. Area allowed 90cm x 60cm.
- 281. **'Country Garden'**
An arrangement to incorporate vegetables. Area allowed 90cm x 60cm.
- 282. **'Friendship'**
A linked arrangement. Area allowed 90cm x 60cm.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 279 - 282

FRUIT

Paper plates provided. All exhibits must be sound and correctly named.

All fruit must have been grown by the exhibitor.

Class

- 300. Two dishes **Hardy Fruit**, two distinct kinds.
- 301. One dish **Hardy Fruit**.
- 302. Two dishes **Soft Fruit**, two distinct kinds.
- 303. Four **Dessert Apples**, one variety.
- 304. Four **Culinary Apples**, one variety.
- 305. One bunch **Grapes**, any colour.
- 306. Ten **Blueberries**.
- 307. One **plate of fruit** *not on* schedule.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 300 - 307

FUCHSIAS

Guidance Notes for Showing Fuchsias.

1. ALL CLASSES TO BE JUDGED UNDER British Fuchsia Society Rules 2023.
2. A *Beginner* is a competitor who has never won a First, Second or Third prize for Fuchsias at any recognized Fuchsia Show.
3. A *Novice* is a competitor who has never won a First prize for Fuchsias at any recognised Fuchsia Show, with the exception of a beginner's class.
4. All plants must have been the property of the exhibitor for at least three months prior to the show. This also applies to plants from which blooms have been taken for showing. All plants must be shown in the pot size in which they have been grown. All (Fuchsia) plants may be bush or shrub grown unless stated otherwise, and must be shown in terracotta coloured pots - except for entries in Beginner, Novice and Junior.
5. Standard (Fuchsias). The stem length of a standard is measured from soil level to the underside of the first lateral branch.
This stem should be free of all growth and measure as follows:-
Full Standard - not less than (760mm) and not more than (1070mm).
Half Standard - not less than (460mm) and not more than (760mm).
Quarter Standard - not less than (250mm) and not more than (460mm).
6. All plants should be free from pests and diseases. Any plant considered by the Judges to be carrying such will be removed from the hall.
7. A BUSH is an exhibit which must be developed on a single stem not less than 10mm and not exceeding 40mm. The entire exhibit should be covered with a healthy abundance of foliage and flower which should be of the size expected of the cultivar being shown. The exhibit should present a balanced shape when viewed from all angles.
8. A SHRUB is an exhibit with more than one shoot emerging from below compost level. It can also be developed from more than one plant. The entire exhibit should be covered with a healthy abundance of foliage and flower which should be of the size expected of the cultivar being shown. The exhibit should present a balance shape when viewed from all angles.
9. A FULL HANGING BASKET should be TOP planted only, and may contain more than one plant. Growth should fill the centre and top of the basket and surge over the edge in a sweeping cascade. Uniform growth with an abundance of healthy foliage and flower and should continue to at least the depth of the basket, and be evenly distributed from the crown to the end of the trailing growths. The exhibit is to be viewed from the top and sides when displaced in an elevated position. The container should not be visible when viewed at eye level. The basket must be of open mesh construction and be commercially manufactured as a hanging basket. The top must be circular in shape, should not be less than 300mm and not exceed 410mm in diameter. The maximum depth allowed is 250mm.
A HALF HANGING BASKET should be **TOP** planted only, and may contain more than one plant. Growth should fill the centre and top of the basket and surge over the edge in a sweeping cascade. Uniform growth with an abundance of

healthy foliage and flower and should continue to at least the depth of the basket, and be evenly distributed from the crown to the end of the trailing growths. The exhibit is to be viewed from the top and sides when displayed in an elevated position. The container should not be visible when viewed at eye level. The basket must be of open mesh and be commercially manufactured as a hanging basket. The top must be circular in shape, should be not less than 300mm and not exceed 410mm in diameter.

The maximum depth allowed is 250mm.

N.B. - the solid base used for strengthening purposes on some baskets is allowed. Full and Half baskets may also have flat bottoms, solid bases and straight sides.

- 10. Class 325: see current BFS Species List. www.thebfs.org
- 11. Class 329: see current BFS Hardy List. www.thebfs.org
- 12. The BFS Crested Spoon will be awarded to the Best exhibit in classes 323 or 332.
- 13. The BFS Blue Rosette will be awarded to the Best Exhibit in classes 330, 331 or 332.

FUCHSIAS - OPEN TO ALL

To be judged under British Fuchsia Society 'Judges, Exhibitors and Stewards Rulebook and Guidelines' 2023. www.thebfs.org.uk

A copy of these rules shall be available at the Show Entries Secretary's table during staging. All plants to be any cultivar and either single/semi-double or double (unless specified).

AYRSHIRE CHALLENGE CHAMPIONSHIP

Open to all and any competitor can enter a single class if desired.

Class

- 310. **Three Plants**, any cultivars, max pot size 90mm at least two distinctly different cultivars.
- 311. **Two Plants**, same cultivar, to be judged as a matching pair, max pot size 150mm.
- 312. **Two Plants**, any cultivar, one single/one semi- double, one double, max pot size 150mm.
- 313. **One Plant**, any cultivar, max pot size 180mm (can be ornamental leafed or Triphylla).

Points for **Championship classes** to be awarded as follows:

First - 5 points, Second - 3 points, Third - 1 point

In the event of a tie, the competitor with most First prizes in the Championship classes will take precedence, and thereafter, if necessary, Second and Third prizes.

Premium Keepsake Prize to the winner of Ayrshire Challenge Championship

Class

- 318. **One Plant**, any cultivar, max pot size 90mm.
- 319. **One Plant**, any cultivar, max pot size 100mm.
- 320. **One Plant**, any cultivar, max pot size 130mm.
- 321. **One Plant**, any cultivar, max pot size 150mm.

Class

- 322. **One Plant**, ornamental leafed, max pot size 150mm.
- 323. **One Plant**, any cultivar grown either as a Quarter, Half or Full Standard, any size pot.
- 324. **One Plant, Triphylla**, any size pot.
- 325. **One Plant, Species, *minimum*** pot size 180mm.
- 326. **One Plant**, any cultivar/species grown in any manner other than bush, shrub or single stemmed standard, any size pot.
- 327. **Six Blooms** of six different cultivars to be shown on board provided by the exhibitor.
- 328. **One Bowl**, of floating fuchsias, max size 254mm.
- 329. **One Plant**, Hardy, any cultivar any size pot.
- 330. **One Hanging Basket**, max diameter 410mm.
- 331. **One Half Basket**, max diameter 410mm.
- 332. **One Hanging Pot**, max diameter 250mm.

BEGINNERS - FUCHSIAS

Class

- 333. **One Plant**, any cultivar, max pot size 150mm.

NOVICE - FUCHSIAS

Class

- 334. **One Plant**, any cultivar, max pot size 150mm.

JUNIOR - FUCHSIAS

Class

- 335. **One Plant**, any cultivar, max pot size 130mm.
Exhibitors in the above class should be *under the age of 16 at 31st August 2025*.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 318 - 334

Note:- Triphylla can be only entered into classes 311, 313, 322, 323, 324, 325, 330, 331, 332

GLADIOLI

To be Judged under current B.G.S. classifications.

Exhibitors are permitted more than one entry in the seedling class 361 and should indicate clearly on their entry form the number of entries they wish to make in this class.

Class

Large Flowered

- 350. Three vases, two spikes per vase.

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

- Class **Large Flowered Gladioli**
351. Three vases, one spike per vase.
352. One vase, three spikes.
353. One vase, two spikes.
354. One vase, one spike.

- Small Flowered Gladioli**
355. One vase, three spikes.
356. One vase, two spikes.
357. One vase, one spike.

- Primulinus Gladioli**
358. One vase, three spikes.
359. One vase, two spikes.
360. One vase, one spike.

- Seedling** (multiple entries allowed).
361. One vase, one spike - any size, any variety.
362. Six **Gladioli Florets** shown on a box, any cultivars.
363. One basket of **Gladioli**, to be shown for effect.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 351 - 363

NOVICE SECTION - GLADIOLI

A person is regarded as a novice until they have won a prize at a show for two years then they will cease to be regarded as a novice.

- Class
366. One vase, one spike, any variety.
367. One vase, two spikes, any variety or varieties.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 366 - 367

HANDICRAFTS

Exhibits must be competitor's own work.

Exhibits must not have been shown previously at Ayr & District Flower Show

Class

- 370. One **Celebration Card**, any craft.
- 371. One **Knitted Matinee Jacket** in 4 ply, wool band to be included.
- 372. One article in **Crochet**.
- 373. One **Toy** any craft.
- 374. A **Picture**, painted/drawn in any medium, longer side not exceeding 45cm, including the frame.
- 375. One article in **Beadwork**.
- 376. One **Cushion**
- 377. One **Embroidered Picture** (including Cross Stitch), longer side not exceeding 45cm, including the frame.
- 378. One **Trauma Teddy**, pattern provided (see page 42).
Teddies to be donated to The Micah Project in Troon. Extras gladly accepted.
- 379. **Favourite Crafts**, **Three** items to be displayed on a round board max 30cm in diameter.
- 380. One **Patchwork Placemat**. Maximum length, depth or diameter 38cm.
- 381. A **Scarecrow**, floor standing in an area 1 m x 1m, height up to 180cm, exhibitor to provide your own support/standing mechanism.
- 382. One **Novelty Door Stop**, any craft.
- 383. One **Walking Stick**
- 384. One **Walking Stick** made by a child under 16 years on the date of the show.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 370 - 384

HERBACEOUS, ANNUALS and SHRUBS

Class

- 390. Three vases **Hardy Herbaceous**, three distinct kinds.

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

Class

- 391. Two vases **Hardy Herbaceous**, two distinct kinds.
- 392. One vase **Hardy Herbaceous**, one distinct kind.
- 393. One vase **Hardy Herbaceous**, no less than five kinds.
- 394. One vase **Phlox**, three spikes, any variety or varieties.

Class

- 395. One vase **Flowers**, from open border, mixed.
- 396. One vase **Liliums**, two stems.
- 397. One vase **Asters**, five blooms.
- 398. One vase **Antirrhinums**, five spikes.
- 399. One vase **Marigolds**, five stems, (Calendula excluded).
- 400. One vase **Calendula**, five blooms.
- 401. One vase **Stocks**, five spikes.
- 402. One vase **French Marigolds**, five stems.
- 403. Two vases **Flowering Shrub**, two species.
- 404. One vase **Flowering Shrub**, one species.
- 405. One vase **Hydrangea**, one head.

Note: For the purposes of this section, Phygelius spp. will be classified as Herbaceous.

Class

- 406. One vase, **Delphinium**, single spike, any variety.
- 407. Six Florets **Delphinium** (any variety or varieties) in circular bowl.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 391 - 407

JUNIOR SECTION

Under 5 Group Exhibit

Open to Nurseries, Childminders etc.

To be staged by four or more children, under the age of 5 at 31st August 2025.

Class

- 410. **Bugs & Bees.** A collage to be displayed flat. Maximum size 60 x 85cm.

Prize presented to the group by Ayr & District Flower Show

JUNIOR SECTION

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All entrants must declare age on the Junior Entry Form. Junior exhibitors must be accompanied by an adult within the confines of the showground. All the exhibits to be prepared and assembled by the juniors for their own self satisfaction.

All entries should be staged by the exhibitor and removed by them or nominee at the close of the show. In accordance with health and safety regulations, **no glass containers will be allowed.**

Prize Money will be available from the Information Desk from 2pm, on the second day of the show.

5 - 8 YEARS

Class		1st	2nd	3rd
460.	Posy of Garden flowers in a Tea Cup.	£5	£3	£2
461.	Edible piece of Jewellery.	£5	£3	£2
462.	Man or animal made from fruit and/or vegetables. Displayed on card not exceeding A4 size.	£5	£3	£2
463.	A Model made from LEGO.	£5	£3	£2
464.	A Decorated Stone.	£5	£3	£2
465.	A Miniature Garden in a seed tray. (size approx. - 380mm x 230mm)	£5	£3	£2

9 - 12 YEARS

Class				
470.	Posy of Garden flowers in a Jug.	£5	£3	£2
471.	Christmas Decoration made from Re-cycled Materials.	£5	£3	£2
472.	Decorated Plant Pot.	£5	£3	£2
473.	A Model made from LEGO.	£5	£3	£2
474.	A Flag designed for Ayr & District Flower Show. Maximum size A4.	£5	£3	£2
475.	A Miniature Garden in a seed tray. (size approx. - 380mm x 230mm)	£5	£3	£2

Also see classes 335 & 384. Children can also enter any open class they wish.

PALLET GARDEN

To be exhibited by a group or individual.

A pallet, approximately 1m x 1m with raised edge boards will be provided.

The exhibit must be designed to view from the front.

It may include a backdrop at a maximum height 1.5m from ground level.

The exhibit should be made up of predominantly living plant material, but not cut flowers.

Plant material may be purchased.

Hard/soft landscaping should be kept to a minimum.

No artificial plant material is permitted.

The pallets will be sited on hard standing.

All material used in the exhibit must be cleared away by the exhibitor at the close of the show.

Class

477. **One Pallet Garden**

Premium Keepsake Prize to the winner of Class 477

PATIO CONTAINERS & HANGING BASKETS

Class

479. **One Patio container**, mixed Plants.

Container max. 500mm diameter

480. **One Hanging Basket.**

Diameter of basket frame not to exceed 410mm

(N.B. this measurement specifically refers to the container size.

Overall diameter including Plant Material may of course exceed 410mm).

Suitable stand will be provided by Show Committee

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 479 - 480

PELARGONIUMS (Geraniums) - OPEN TO ALL
GUIDANCE NOTES FOR SHOWING PELARGONIUMS

1. ALL CLASSES TO BE JUDGED UNDER PAGS National Rules for Judging.
2. The diameter of the pot is the inside measurement as near to the top of the pot as possible.
3. A MINIATURE is a plant in a pot not exceeding (90mm) in diameter with the plant in proportion to the pot, and flowers and leaves in proportion to the plant. Maximum height of foliage above the pot is (127mm).
4. A DWARF is a plant in a pot exceeding (90mm) but not exceeding (120mm) in diameter with the plant in proportion to the pot, and flowers and leaves in proportion to the plant. Maximum height of foliage above pot is (178mm).
5. A BASIC is a plant in a pot exceeding (120mm) but not exceeding (155mm) in diameter with the plant in proportion to the pot and flowers and leaves in proportion to the plant.
6. The term DISTINCT shall mean "obviously visually different".
7. Unless otherwise stated, plants should be shown in pots NOT exceeding the above sizes.
8. All plants must have been the property of the exhibitor for at least three months prior to the show. All plants must be shown in the pot size in which they have been grown. **All plants must be shown in terracotta coloured pots -** except for entries in Beginner and Novice.
9. A BEGINNER is a competitor who has never won a First, Second or Third prize for Pelargoniums at any recognised Pelargonium Show.
10. A NOVICE is a competitor who has never won a First prize for Pelargoniums at any recognised Pelargonium show, with the exception of a beginners class.
11. All plants should be free from pests and diseases. Any plant considered by the Judges to be carrying such will be removed from the hall.
12. A FULL HANGING BASKET should be TOP planted only, and may contain more than one plant. Growth should fill the centre and top of the basket and surge over the edge in a sweeping cascade. Uniform growth with an abundance of healthy foliage and flower and should continue to at least the depth of the basket, and be evenly distributed from the crown to the end of the trailing growths. The exhibit is to be viewed from the top and sides when displayed in an elevated position. The container should not be visible when viewed at eye level.
The basket must be of open mesh construction and be commercially manufactured as a hanging basket. The top must be circular in shape, should be not less than 300mm and not exceed 410mm in diameter. The maximum depth allowed is 250mm.

N.B. - the solid base used for strengthening purposes on some baskets is allowed.
Full and Half baskets may also have flat bottoms, solid bases and straight sides.

NOTE: PAGES Gold and Silver certificates MAY be awarded at Judges Discretion.

PELARGONIUMS - OPEN TO ALL

To be judged under current (Pelargoniums and Geranium Society) PAGES 'National Rules for Judging Pelargoniums (Geraniums)' www.thepags.org.

**A copy of these rules shall be available at the
Show Entries Secretary's table during staging.**

****Please see 'Guidance notes for showing Pelargoniums'.***

SCOTTISH PELARGONIUM CHAMPIONSHIP

Open to all and any competitor can enter a single class if desired.

Class

- 485. **Three Plants, one Basic Zonal, one Dwarf Zonal, one Miniature Zonal.**
- 486. **Two Plants, one Dwarf Zonal, and one Miniature Zonal.**
- 487. **Two Plants, one Stellar, and one Bi or Tri coloured, max pot size 155mm.**
- 488. **Two Plants, one Scented Leaved, one Angel, max pot size 155mm.**
- 489. **Two Plants, Stellar, to be shown as a MATCHING pair, max pot size 155mm.**

Points for **Championship classes** to be award as follows:

First - 5 points, Second - 3 points, Third - 1 point

In the event of a tie, the competitor with the most first prizes in the Championship classes will take precedence and thereafter, if necessary, second and third prizes.

Premium Keepsake Prize to the winner of the Scottish Pelargonium Championship

The Scottish Pelargonium Championship is not exclusive,
is open to all and any competitor can enter a single class if desired

Class

- 490. **One Plant, Stellar, max pot size 155mm.**
- 491. **One Plant, Stellar, max pot size 120mm.**
- 492. **One Plant, Basic Regal, max pot size 155mm.**
- 493. **One Plant, Basic Zonal with Green leaves, max pot size 155mm.**
- 494. **One Plant, Zonal with Gold/Bronze leaves, max pot size 155mm.**
- 495. **One Plant, Zonal with Tri-coloured leaves, max pot size 155mm.**
- 496. **One Plant, Zonal with Bi-coloured leaves, max pot size 155mm.**
- 497. **One Plant, Miniature Zonal.**
- 498. **One Plant, Dwarf Zonal.**

Class

- 499. **One Plant, Scented** leaved, max pot size 155mm.
- 500. **One Plant, Angel** max pot exceeding 120mm but not greater than 155mm.
- 501. **One Plant, Angel** max pot size 120mm.
- 502. **One Plant, Species or interspecific hybrid**, any growth style, any size pot.
- 503. **One Plant**, of a type not specified elsewhere in schedule, grown in any manner, any size pot.
- 504. **One Plant**, any cultivar/species of trained growth, e.g. standard/fan/espalier/pillar etc, any size pot.
- 505. **One Plant**, hardy **Geranium** (cranesbill), any style growth, any size pot.
- 506. **One Container of Pelargoniums**, (and or hardy **Geraniums**) max diameter 416mm.
- 507. One **Hanging Basket, Ivy leaved**, (or hybrid Ivy leaved), basket not to exceed 410mm.
- 508. One **Hanging Pot, Ivy leaved** (or hybrid Ivy leaved) max diameter 250mm.

BEGINNERS - PELARGONIUMS

Class

- 511. **One Plant**, any Pelargonium, max pot size 155mm

NOVICE - PELARGONIUMS

Class

- 512. **One Plant**, any Pelargonium, max pot size 155mm.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 490 - 512

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES

Note:- Only one entry per class which must be the exhibitors own work.

All photographs should be a maximum size 30cm x 20cm, (actual photograph size).

Card mount only, flush to photograph. **No Glass**

Please print your name on the back of your photograph

Class

- 515. **Two of a kind.** A colour print.
- 516. **Sport.** A colour print
- 517. **Water.** A print
- 518. **Vegetable(s).** A print

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 515 - 518

POT PLANTS

All plants must be in clean pots wherein grown.

Class

525. **Display of Pot Plants** in foliage and in flower.
To be staged in an area of 1·22m x 1·22m with black background.
Exhibitors may provide tiering if they wish

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

Class

526. Two **Greenhouse Plants**, one in foliage and one in flower.
527. One **Orchid** in pot.
528. One **Coleus** in pot.
529. One **Houseplant** in flower, in pot.
530. One **Houseplant** in foliage, in pot.
531. One pot **Lilium**, distinct variety.
532. One **Streptocarpis**, in flower.
533. One Pot of **Annuals**, in flower
534. Any pot plant **not in Pot Plant** schedule.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 526 - 534

PRESERVES

Class

540. One jar of **Jelly**, any flavour.
541. One jar of **Strawberry Jam**.
542. One jar of **Blackcurrant Jam**.
543. One jar of **Raspberry Jam**.
544. One jar of **Chutney**, any flavour.
545. One jar of **Lemon Curd**.
546. One jar of **Marmalade**.
547. One jar of **Rhubarb & Ginger Jam**.
548. One jar of **Jam**, not listed above.
549. One jar of **Mincemeat**.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 540 - 549

ROSES

Only own foliage permitted

Class

- 550. Nine **Roses**, any variety or varieties to be shown on board.
- 551. Six **Roses**, any variety or varieties, to be shown on board.
- 552. One vase **Roses**, three specimen blooms, three varieties.
- 553. One vase **Roses**, three stems, large flowered, any variety or varieties.
- 554. One vase **Roses**, six stems, large flowered, any variety or varieties.
- 555. One vase **Roses**, cluster flowered, six stems any variety or varieties.
- 556. One vase **Hybrid Tea Rose**, one bloom, any colour.
- 557. Three stems, **Miniature Roses**, any variety.
- 558. Six blooms, **Miniature Roses**, any variety to be shown on board.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 550 - 558

SCOTTISH PANSY and VIOLA ASSOCIATION

The trophies listed for competition remain the property of the Association and may only be awarded to members.

William Davidson Memorial Trophy awarded to classes 560 to 583

**The Murphy Challenge Trophy will be awarded to the runner - up of the
William Davidson Memorial Trophy**

SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP

Class

- 560. One board of **Six Fancy Pansies**, distinct varieties.
One board of **Six Exhibition Violas**, distinct varieties.
One board of **Six Show Pansies**, distinct varieties.
**The winner of this Class will be awarded the title "Scottish Champion"
and will receive the Andrew K. Gordon Cup for one year.**

First - Premium Keepsake Prize

Class

- 561. A **Display of Pansies and Violas** 92cm x 92cm - 152mm in height (board)
- 562. One board of **Six Fancy Pansies** (at least three varieties).
- 563. One board of **Three Fancy Pansies** (variety or varieties).
- 564. One board of **Six Show Pansies** (at least three varieties).

The HS Ritchie Cup for winner of Class 564

Class

- 565. One board of **Three Show Pansies** (variety or varieties).
- 566. One board of **Six Exhibition Violas** (at least three varieties).
- 567. One board of **Three Exhibition Violas** (cream, white, yellow suffused/edged).
- 568. One board of **Three Exhibition Violas** (dark or striped varieties).
- 569. One bloom **Fancy Pansy** on a board.
- 570. One bloom **Show Pansy** on a board.
- 571. One bloom **Exhibition Viola** on a board.

**The John Watt Memorial Trophy to best bloom
in Classes 569 to 571**

Class

- 572. Three vases **Exhibition Violas** (three blooms per vase),
three distinct varieties, one per vase, own foliage only.

**Hugh Campbell Trophy will be awarded
to the winner of Class 572**

Class

- 573. One board **Six Garden Pansies**.
- 574. One board **Six Garden Violas** (without face).
- 575. One vase six stems **Bedding Violas** (one variety).
- 576. One vase six stems **Viola Cornuta or Species** (any varieties).
- 577. One vase six stems **Garden Pansies**.
- 578. Three pots* or pans **Bedding Violas** (one variety per pot).
- 579. One pot* or pan **Fancy Pansy or Exhibition Viola** (one variety).
- 580. One pot* or pan **Garden Viola/Garden Pansy** (one variety).
- 581. One decorative **Basket of Pansies and Violas**.
- 582. **Seedling** - Three Blooms on a Board (exhibition variety).
- 583. **Seedling** - one plant in pot* or pan.

A Rosette, supplied by the Society, will be awarded for the Best Pot.

Multiple entries allowed in **Seedling** classes

Certificate of Merit or First Class Certificate may be awarded

***Pots or pans must not exceed 155mm**

NOVICE SECTION - PANSY & VIOLA

A person is regarded as novice until they have won a prize at a show for two years then they will cease to be regarded as a novice.

Class

- 585. One board three Blooms **Pansies or Violas** (variety or varieties).
- 586. One vase six stems **Garden Violas** (variety or varieties).
- 587. One vase or container six **Garden Pansies**.
- 588. One **Fancy Pansy** (on a board).
- 589. One **Show Pansy** (on a board).
- 590. One **Exhibition Viola** (on a board).

**The John Eadie Trophy will be awarded
for most points in the above classes 585 - 590**

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 561 - 590

SWEET PEAS

Sweet Pea Foliage only. No wiring allowed.

Class

- 591. Three vases **Sweet Peas**, three distinct varieties, twelve spikes in each vase.
- 592. Two vases **Sweet Peas**, two distinct varieties, twelve spikes in each vase.
- 593. One vase **Sweet Peas**, white or cream, one variety, nine spikes.
- 594. One vase **Sweet Peas**, pink, one variety, nine spikes.
- 595. One vase **Sweet Peas**, blue, lavender or mauve, one variety, nine spikes.
- 596. One vase **Sweet Peas**, orange, scarlet or cerise, one variety, nine spikes.
- 597. One vase **Sweet Peas**, any other colour, one variety, nine spikes.
- 598. One vase **Sweet Peas**, mixed, nine spikes.

Best Exhibit Keepsake Prize in Classes 591 - 598

Trauma Teddy knitting pattern

This pattern is simple and can make good use of small pieces of wool.

You will need

- No 10 (3¼mm) needles
- Double knitting wool in four colours:
 - o Colour 1 for the head and paws
 - o Colour 2 for the trousers
 - o Colour 3 for the jumper
 - o Colour 4 for the scarf
- Stuffing Please stuff the teddy with either polyester or other healthy padding. Foam rubber is not recommended as babies or young children might chew it.
- Needle and thread

Note Do not use buttons or beads as they may be a hazard to young children.

Instructions

- 1 Cast on 10 garter stitches main colour.
- 2 KNIT 10 rows and CONTINUE in garter stitch for 30 rows in trouser colour. Leave on spare needle and make another leg in the same way.
- 3 KNIT across all 20 stitches and work 16 rows.
- 4 CHANGE to jumper colour and KNIT 24 rows.
- 5 CHANGE to main colour for head and also CHANGE to stocking stitch 5½ inches (14cm).
- 6 CHANGE to jumper colour and KNIT 24 rows.
- 7 CONTINUE teddy in reverse order and cast off.
- 8 STITCH down the sides of the head. With jumper colour, pick up 8 stitches either side of the neck join (16 in all) and KNIT 20 rows.



- 9 CHANGE to main colour and KNIT 10 rows for paws and cast off.

For the scarf

- 1 Cast on 75 stitches in colour 4. KNIT 4 rows and cast off.
- 2 Tie scarf on teddy at the back of the neck, close to the jumper edge. Don't sew down at the front.
- 3 Turn right side out and SEW diagonal top corners for ears before stuffing.
- 4 SEW up teddy leaving opening in crotch to stuff.
- 5 STUFF the teddy then run a thread through the knitting around the neck to draw it in.
- 6 SEW a happy face using stem or back stitch.

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