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Schedule

**Tullamore Show & FBD National
Livestock Show 2026**

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HORTICULTURE & FARM PRODUCE

Marquee Sponsored by: C A Maye, Bridge Centre, Tullamore

The continuing success of the Horticulture and Farm Produce Section since 1991 is due to the unfailing support of our exhibitors who arrive at our marquee loaded down with numerous entries of a superb standard. We owe them an enormous debt of gratitude. This year there are 110 classes, as well as the following four All Irelands:

1. All Ireland Quality Potato Championship (No Direct Entry).

Class: 677 - Sponsored by Bord Bia

2. All Ireland Collection of Vegetables Championship (Direct Entry).

Class: 658 - Sponsored by Bridge House Hotel and Leisure Centre, Tullamore

3. Kitchen Garden All Ireland (No Direct Entry)

Class 678 - Sponsored by Bord Bia

4. Single Hybrid Tea Rose All Ireland (Direct Entry).

Class: 704 - Sponsored by the Hutton - Bury Family, Charleville Estate, Tullamore

Exhibitors may submit exhibits on **Saturday evening, 8th August from 6.00pm to 9.00pm and on Sunday morning 9th August, from 7.00am to 10.00am.**

Judging starts at 10:00am

Marquee will be open to the public at 12 noon.

Exhibits returned after 5.00pm.

Number of prizes awarded is at the discretion of the judges.

Exhibits displayed at owner's risk.

Late Entry Fee: €6 on Show weekend, €4 for all junior classes No admission credits allowed for late entries.

No Late entries accepted after 9.30am on Show Morning.

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5 except where otherwise stated.

To make the Horticulture and Farm Produce Section more interesting for the public, each entry should be named where possible. In the event of a tie, naming will count.

Closing date for all hardcopy entries is: Tuesday 1st July 2025.

Closing date for all online entries is: Friday 4th July 2025.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

All Vegetables judged under National Vegetable Society's rules.

Onions must be presented in soft dry sand.

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Sponsors: Centra Ferbane

Class 620: 3 Stalks of Rhubarb

Class 621: 3 Types of Soft Fruit

To be displayed on a 20cm plate

Class 622: 5 Cooking Apples

Class 623: 3 Dessert Eating Apples

Class 624: 5 Plums

Class 625: 2 Carrots - Long Rooted

(The tops should be trimmed to 7.5cm approx. No oil or polish to be used)

Class 626: 3 Carrots - Stump Rooted

Class 627: 2 Parsnips

Class 628: 3 Globe Beetroot

Class 629: 3 Turnips

Any variety other than Swedes

Class 630: 5 Pods of Runner Beans

Class 631: 5 Pods of French Beans

Class 632: 5 Pods of Peas

Class 633: 5 Onions

Each to weight 250 grammes or under

Class 634: 3 Onions over 250 grammes

Class 635: 5 Onions grown from sets

Class 636: 5 Shallots

Class 637: 5 Picking Shallots

Must not exceed 30mm in diameter

Class 638: 3 Garlic

Class 639: 2 Heads of Cabbage

Class 640: 2 Cauliflowers

Class 641: 1 Truss of Tomatoes

Class 642: 5 Beefsteak Tomatoes

Class 643: 5 Medium Tomatoes

Class 644: 9 Cherry Tomatoes

Class 645: 1 Cucumber

Class 646: 3 Courgettes

Approx. 15cm in length and 3.5cm in diameter

Class 647: 1 Vegetable Marrow

Less than 40cm

Class 648: 2 Heads of Lettuce

Class 649: Novice Class - 2 Heads of Lettuce

For exhibitors who have not won First Prize in this Class in Tullamore Show

Sponsors: **National Vegetable Society**

Class 650: 5 Scallions

Class 651: Exhibit of 6 Herbs on a tray to be named

Displayed on a base no greater than 25cm x 35cm

Class 652: 5 Stems of Parsley

Class 653: Best Sample of Vegetables

Two of any vegetable not classed above i.e. Leeks, Celery etc.

Sponsors: **National Vegetable Society**

Class 654: Bridge House Junior Tray of Vegetables

Best collection of 3 kinds of vegetables (2 of each). Confined to people under 21 years

Sponsors: **Bridge House Hotel and Leisure Centre, Tullamore, Co. Offaly**

Entry Fee: €6

Class 655: Trug or Basket of Salad Vegetables

Must contain a minimum of 4 kinds. Mixed cultivators permitted

Class 656: Qualifier for the Quality Onion All Ireland Championship

Final Virginia Show on Wednesday 19th August

Class 657: Novice Class - 3 Onions grown from sets

For exhibitors who have not won First Prize in this Class in Tullamore Show

Class 658: The Bridge House All Ireland Championship for a Collection of Vegetables

The vegetables exhibited should be grown by the exhibitor.

The collection may contain 5 kinds of vegetables, 3 of each, apart from peas, beans, tomatoes and potatoes, which should have 5 of each. Cut greenery from the garden, including parsley may be used and will be classed as decoration. The space required is at the discretion of the exhibitor.

Points will be awarded for uniformity of size, quality, freshness and artistic appearance

Sponsors: **The Bridge House Hotel & Leisure Centre, Tullamore**

Entry Fee: €6

Best Exhibit in Classes 625-652

Prizes: National Vegetable Society of Ireland Silver Medal

The Exhibitor with the most points in classes 625-652 inclusive

Prizes: 1 - Michael Walton Memorial Shield

FARM PRODUCE

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Class 659: Sheaf of Feeding Barley

Length of straw 20cm, circumference 10cm, naming to count

Class 660: Sheaf of Wheat

Length of straw 20cm, circumference 10cm, naming to count

Class 661: Sheaf of Oats

Length of straw 20cm, circumference 10cm, naming to count

Class 662: Sample of Hay

1.5kg approx, in mesh bag or onion bag

Class 657: Best Exhibit in the Farm Produce section Classes 658-662 inclusive

- Sponsor: M Healion Tractors, Arden, Tullamore, Co Offaly
- Prizes: 1 - €50

POTATOES

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

Sponsors: **Oliver Choiseul Potato Technical Services, Tullamore**

National Vegetable Society of Ireland perpetual trophy awarded to the exhibitor with highest number of points from classes 666- 676

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

All Exhibits in potatoes classes should be correctly named and displayed on white paper plates.

Class 666: 5 First Early Potatoes

Class 667: 5 British Queens

Class 668: 5 Records

Class 669: 5 Kerr's Pink

Class 670: 5 Roosters

Class 671: 5 Potatoes suitable for seed

Class 672: 5 White Skinned Potatoes not classed above

Class 673: 5 Coloured Skinned Potatoes not classed above

Class 674: 5 Cooked Potatoes

Class 675: 5 Potatoes any traditional Non-commercial, white skinned variety

Modern Commercial varieties for example Record not eligible.
To Be Named.

Class 676: 5 Potatoes Any traditional Non-commercial, Coloured or Part-coloured Variety.

Modern Commercial varieties for example Rooster not eligible. To Be Named.

Class 677: Bord Bia All Ireland Quality Potato Championship Final

No Pre-Entry, enter through qualifying shows only.

Prizes: 1st - €250 and Bord Bia Perpetual Trophy and Replica, 2nd - €150, 3rd - €100, 4th - €75, 5th - €50, 6th - €25

See Rules & Regulations Section at the back of the Schedule including Judging Criteria

Class 678: The Bord Bia, 7 a day best in Season Kitchen Garden All Ireland Final

Enter through Qualifying shows. See rules and regulations at the end of the schedule.

Entry Fee: €6

TURF

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

Sponsor: **Derville Dolan Accountants, Tullamore**

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Class 681: 6 Sods of Machine Won Turf

Presentation to count on a tray not exceeding 40cm.

Class 682: 4 Sods of Hand Won Turf

Presentation to count on a tray not exceeding 40cm.

CUT FLOWERS

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

Sponsor:

Flynns Centra, Charlevile Road, Tullamore.

Willow Garden Buildings

Exhibitors may use the Society's vases if they wish.

1. Presentation will be taken into account when being judged.
2. Name variety where possible.
3. Entries may be left into the Horticultural Marquee from 6pm to 9pm on Saturday 8th August and on Sunday morning 9th August from 7.00am to 10.00am.

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Class 688: Herbaceous Flowers (Perennial) - 6 Stems mixed kinds, 1 vase

Class 689: Herbaceous Flowers (Perennial) - 6 Stems, 1 Kind, 1 Vase

Class 690: Flowering Shrub

One Kind, 3 Stems, 1 vase (excluding Hydrangea)

Class 691: Hydrangea Macrophylla - Large Mop Head Flowers

Three Blooms - 1 vase

Class 692: Hydrangea Paniculata - Large Conical Flowers

Three blooms - 1 vase

Class 693: Annuals

One kind, 6 stems, 1 vase (excluding Sweet Pea)

Class 694: Annuals

6 stems, mixed, 1 vase (excluding Sweet Pea)

Class 695: Pansy

5 blooms - 1 vase

Class 696: Sweet Pea - 10 stems, mixed varieties, 1 vase

Class 697: Sweet Pea - 10 Stems, one variety, 1 vase

Class 698: Gladioli

One spike, 1 vase

Class 699: Lillies - 3 stems, one kind, 1 vase

Class 700: Begonias

Large Flowered Tuberosus, 3 Blooms displayed on a tray 25cm x 35cm

Class 701: Floribunda Rose

3 Stems, 1 Variety, 1 Vase

Class 702: Hybrid Tea Roses

3 Blooms, 1 variety, 1 vase

Class 703: Bowl of Roses

8 Hybrid Tea Roses, Mixed or one Kind

Class 704: The Single Hybrid Tea Rose All Ireland Championship

Each exhibit should consist of 1 single Hybrid Tea Rose. Condition of stem and foliage will be taken into account. Exhibitor must use vases provided by the Tullamore Show. The exhibit must be grown by the exhibitor

DIRECT ENTRY

Prizes: 1st - €100, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €25

Best Exhibit in the Cut Flower Section Classes 688-703 inclusive.

- Sponsors: K Flowers, Tullamore.
- Prizes: 1 - €50

DAHLIAS

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

Sponsor: **Beechill Bulbs, Tullamore.**

Exhibitors may use the Society's vases if they wish.

1. Presentation will be taken into account when being judged.
2. Name variety where possible.

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd- €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Class 705: Midland Dahlia Championship

2 vases Dahlias, any classification, three blooms each vase, 1 kind per vase.

Prizes: 1st - Irish Dahlia Society Perpetual Crystal Trophy and €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Class 706: Dahlia Collarette 3 Blooms, 1 Vase

Class 707: Miniature Dahlia, any classification

Three Blooms - 1 vase, may be mixed

Class 708: Medium Decorative Dahlias

Three Blooms - 1 vase, may be mixed

Class 709: Small Decorative Dahlias and/or Ball Dahlias

Three Blooms - 1 vase, may be mixed

Class 710: Medium Cactus and/or Semi-cactus Dahlias

Three Blooms - 1 vase, may be mixed

Class 711: Pompon Dahlias

Three Blooms - 1 vase, may be mixed

Class 712: Small Cactus and/or Semi-cactus Dahlias

Three Blooms - 1 vase, may be mixed

Best Exhibit of Dahlias In classes 706-712 inclusive

- Prizes: 1 - Beechill Bulbs Annual Plate

AMATEUR DAHLIA GROWER CLASSES

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

Confined to growers of 50 Dahlia Tubers or less

Class 713: Pompon Dahlias

3 Blooms, 1 vase, Varieties may be mixed.

Class 714: Small or Ball Decorative Dahlia

3 Blooms, 1 vase

Class 715: Medium Decorative Dahlias

3 Blooms, 1 vase

Class 716: Medium Cactus

3 Blooms, 1 Vase

Class 717: Small Cactus and/or Semi Cactus Dahlias

3 Blooms - 1 Vase may be mixed

POT PLANTS

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Maximum pot size 30 cm diameter

Class 724: Begonia - Pendulous - 1 plant per pot

Pendulous, 1 plant per pot

Class 725: Begonia - Tuberos - 1 plant per pot

Tuberos, Large flowered, 1 Plant per pot

Class 726: Fuchsia Upright

1 plant per pot

Class 727: Fuchsia Pendulous/Trailing

1 plant per pot

Class 728: Pelargonium - x Hortorum - Zonal geranium

1 plant per pot

Class 729: Pelargonium Peltatum - trailing Ivy Leaf geranium

1 plant per pot

Class 730: Pelargonium Grandiflorum - Regal or English Geranium

1 plant per pot

Class 731: Any plot in bloom except Begonia, Fuchsia, Geranium, Orchid, Hydrangea

1 plant per pot

Class 732: Foliage, non-flowering

1 plant per pot

Class 733: Cactus

1 plant per pot. Pot size maximum **30cm**

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Class 734: Succulent

1 plant per pot. Pot size maximum **30cm**

Best Overall Exhibit in the Pot Plant Section Classes 724-734 inclusive

- Prizes: 1 - €50

FLOWER ARRANGING

Exhibits will be judged by an international florist

1. Exhibits may be staged in the Horticultural Marquee from 3pm to 9pm on Saturday 8th August and on Sunday morning 9th from 7am to 9:30am.
2. All exhibits may be brought to the venue partially completed for staging.
3. **Please note that late entries will not be accepted on Saturday or Sunday.**
4. All exhibits must be staged within the space provided. All measurements are approximate.
5. Backgrounds or drapes, if used, must be free-standing. Nothing may be attached to the staging in any class.
6. The use of aerosol cans is not permitted inside the marquee.
7. All exhibits must be the unaided work of the exhibitor.
8. A black background is provided for all exhibits
9. Competitors may not enter more than one exhibit in any class.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Entry Fee: €3 unless otherwise stated.

Sponsors: **Loughman Landscaping and Paving Ltd**

Aged 14 Years and under

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Class 742: Animal created using fruits and vegetables

Class 743: Miniature Garden

Max size 30cm x 30cm

Class 744: Miniature Flower Arrangement of wild flowers in a sugar bowl

GENERAL CLASSES

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5

Class 745: "Salvaged, Recycled, Reuse" An Exhibit

Space - 75cm x 60cm.

Height Optional

Prizes: 1st - €50 and Certificate & Rosette, 2nd - €25 and Certificate, 3rd - €15 and Certificate, 4th - €10 and Certificate

Class 746: "Dramatic Simplicity" An Exhibit

Space - 75cm x 60cm

Height Optional

Class 747: "Autumn Melody" An Exhibit

Space - 75cm x 60cm

Height optional

Class 748: "Time to Reflect" An Exhibit

Space - 75cm x 60cm

Height optional

Class 749: "The Wonders of Wood" An Exhibit

Space - 75cm x 60cm

Height optional

Class 750: "Seasonal Inspiration" An Exhibit

Space - 75cm x 60cm

Height optional

Class 751: Best in Show

No entry in this class

Reminder: Strictly no late entries for Floral Art

HONEY

Entry Fee: €4 unless otherwise stated.

Honey judged under FIBKA rules

An exhibitor shall be entitled to win 1 prize in any 1 class

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €15, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5 (unless otherwise stated)

Class 756: 2 Sections of Honey

John Donoghue Cup

Class 757: 2 Containers of Cut Comb Honey

Offaly Oil Cup

- Minimum weight 200g each

Class 758: One frame of Comb Honey suitable for extraction

Ulster Bank Trophy

Class 759: 2 Jars of Light Honey

Bank of Ireland Trophy

- 340g or 454g

Class 760: 2 Jars of Medium Honey

Denton Apiaries Trophy

- 340g or 454g

Class 761: 2 Jars of Ling Heather Honey

- 340g or 454g

Class 762: 2 Jars of Chunk Honey

- 340g or 454g

Class 763: 2 Jars of Creamed or Naturally Granulated Honey

- 340g or 454g

Class 764: 2 Jars of Run Honey

- 340g or 454g
- Confined to members of OBKA

Class 765: Novice Class - 1 Jar of Honey (any type)

John Summerville Cup

- 340g or 454g
- Only those who have not won a prize for honey at any show are eligible
- 1st - John Summerville Cup

Prizes: 1st - €30, 2nd - €20, 3rd - €15, 4th - €10

Class 767: Decorative Display of 12 Jars of Honey (same type) labelled with the producer's name and address.

340g or 454g

The size must not exceed 60cm x 60cm. Together with quality, the exhibit will be judged for originality and artistry

Class 768: 5 x Matching Blocks of Beeswax

Lee Denton Trophy

- 130-140g combined

Class 769: 3 Matching Beeswax Candles

Class 770: Honey Cake Plain

Cecily Rainsberry Trophy

- Made with 227g sr flour, 175g Irish honey, 110g butter or margarine, 2 eggs, pinch of salt.
- Bake in 16-19cm circular tin

Class 771: Honey Cake Fruit

Cecily Rainsberry Trophy

- Made with 227g sr flour, 175g Irish honey, 110g butter or margarine, 175g sultanas, 2 eggs, pinch of salt.
- Bake in 16-19cm circular tin

Class 772: 1 Bottle Dry Mead

Jim Duffy Challenge Trophy

Class 773: 1 Bottle Sweet Mead

Class 775: Supreme Run Honey

From classes 759,760,764,765,767

Sponsor: Offaly Beekeeper's Association

Prizes: 1st - €25

Best Overall Exhibit in the Honey Section Classes 756-773 inclusive

- Sponsors: Offaly Beekeeper's Association
- Prizes: 1 - €50