

WALSALL M.B.C
WALSALL NORTH ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

Show Schedule for 2019

Show to take place at Old Hall Snooker Club,
14 Revival Street, Bloxwich, WS3 3HJ
on Saturday August 24th 2019

Open to Walsall North Allotment Association members only

Staging 9 am. to 12 noon
Judges will be in attendance from 12.15 pm

VEGETABLES – Roland Bostock

FLORAL – Geoff Allen

Public viewing approx. 2.00 pm

Breakdown and removal of exhibits to be retained begins at 3.15 pm

Public auction of vegetables/flowers commences at 3.30 pm (*includes any vegetables donated for the auction only*)

Show Secretary

Mr. G. Kirby

Treasurer

W. Hickinbottom

Chairman

J. Silvester

Show Committee

Mr. G. Kirby 07731 343134

Mr. M. Morgan 07786 933230

Mr. G. Shaw 07891 470268

SHOW ENTRY FORMS IN ON FRIDAY 16TH August
NO LATER THAN 8PM TO YOUR SITE MANAGER

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Show Rules

1. Competitors must be members of Walsall North allotment Association.
2. Exhibitors may enter a maximum of twelve classes. Space is limited and the number of classes each competitor enters may be reduced at short notice.
3. All exhibits must be grown in exhibitor's allotment or garden.
4. All root crops must be washed clean and roots trimmed where specified.
5. Strictly no entry can be accepted after 8 pm. on the date stated on the entry form.
6. Prior to the show allotments & gardens are liable to be visited by appointed officers. All entries must be on view for the officers & it shall be the duty of the officers to report to the secretary any exhibit that in their opinion does not conform to rule 2.
7. Any other objection to the bona fides of any exhibit must be in writing with a £2 deposit & in the possession of the secretary not later than 3pm. on the Saturday of the show. A refund of the deposit will be made if the objection is upheld.
8. The venue will be open for staging of exhibits from 9 am. Exhibits must be staged by 12 noon when all exhibitors must leave the area.
9. No exhibit will be removed from the show until it has been open for public viewing.
10. The judge has the discretion to modify or withhold any prize if the exhibits in any class are not up to standard.
11. The decision of the judge is final.
12. Exhibitors may not make more than one entry per class.
13. A novice is someone not having won a first prize at any show.
14. All trophies remain the property of Walsall North Allotment Association and are held by winning exhibitors until one month prior to the next show when they must be returned to the show secretary in good condition.
15. The exhibitor with the highest points will hold for twelve months any trophy that may be awarded.
16. Points will be awarded as follows. Winner 5 points, Second 3 points, & Third 1 point. The points will be added together to find the overall winner..
17. Exhibitors will be invited to donate produce for sale. The proceeds to be put toward future vegetable and flower shows, a portion may be given to a charity agreed by the committee.

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Show Classes

Vegetable Classes

1. Five potatoes any one colour.
2. Three beetroot washed with tops.
3. Three carrots washed with tops.
4. Three parsnips washed with 6" tops.
5. Five culinary onions to pass through 3.5" diameter ring.
6. Six shallots any one variety.
7. Six pods of peas.
8. Six runner beans.
9. Six dwarf beans.
10. Two cauliflowers with roots washed & Clubroot cut off.
11. Six tomatoes with calyces still attached.
12. Six Cherry tomatoes with calyces still attached. (Max 35mm).
13. Two blanched leeks.
14. Two pot leeks.
15. Two Swedes washed with roots and 6" tops.
16. Two cucumbers.
17. Two marrows.
18. Matching pair of any other vegetable not on schedule. If Calabrese is shown it must be with washed roots.
19. Heaviest onion. 1st prize only.
20. Longest runner Bean. 1st prize only.
21. Funniest/most distorted vegetable. 1st prize only.

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Flower Classes

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| 22. Vase Dahlias – one cultivar | 3 Stems |
| 23. Vase Chrysanthemums – one cultivar | 3 Stems |
| 24. Vase Gladioli – one cultivar | 3 Stems |
| 25. Pot Fuchsia | Maximum pot size 10" (250mm) |
| 26. Any other pot plant not on schedule | |
| 27. Floral Vase (please read entry information carefully) | |

Vases will be provided

Fruit Classes

- 28. Six soft fruit with stalks and leaves
- 29. Three hard fruits any one variety
- 30. Three sticks of rhubarb with leaves

Other Classes

- 31. Novice Cup (*A novice is someone not having won a first prize at any show.*)
- 32. Four of a kind (please read entry information carefully)

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Show Awards Vegetables

General

Classifications 1 – 18

A certificate will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for categories 1 to 16
For categories 19, 20 and 21, 1st place only.

Novice Cup *(A novice is someone not having won a first prize at any show.)*

Classification 31

A collection of any two varieties of vegetables shown in vegetable classes 1 to 16, plus a single flower cultivar. A certificate will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. A cash prize of £5.00 for 1st place.

Four of a kind

Classification 32

A certificate will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. A cash prize of £5.00 for 1st place.

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Six of a Kind – Rules

1. The Garden Four of a Kind class is for a collection of four types of vegetable taken from the following list of eight, not more than one cultivar to be selected from the following. The quantity of each vegetable required is given in brackets:
Carrots (3), Cauliflowers (2), Onions (3), Parsnips (3), Peas (6 pods), Potatoes (3)
Runner Beans (6 pods), Tomatoes (6). Each type of vegetable will be judged out of a total of 25 points. This is split into three sections as follows: 9 points for size, shape and colour; 9 points for condition; 7 points for uniformity. The overall mark will therefore be out of 100.
2. All vegetables are to be displayed for effect. The vegetables must be displayed within an area measuring 45cm x 60cm (18 x 24 in), without bending any part of them. No part of an exhibit may exceed the size of the tray. A tray or board measuring 45cm x 60cm (18 x 24 in) can be used to display the vegetables, or the area can simply be marked on the staging. Where a tray has a lip or an edge, it is the internal measurements that must not exceed 45cm x 60cm (18 x 24 in).
3. A Black cloth is permitted, and the tray may be painted. Parsley is allowed for garnishing, but no other foliage or accessories, such as plates, sand, rings, etc., will be allowed. Onion tops may be tied or whipped using raffia or string.

Notes for Exhibitors and Judges

- Carrots and parsnips must have foliage trimmed back to 7.5cm (3 in).
- Peas and beans must be displayed with some stalk attached.
- Tomatoes must be displayed with calyces (the green lower bud case).
- Judges may handle exhibits, open pods, etc., to check for quality.
- The tray, board or staging must not be cut or mutilated in any way at all – such as cutting holes for standing onions in.
- Judges should use their discretion when judging the Four of a Kind Class, remembering that entries may come from inexperienced exhibitors.
- The points awarded should be clearly marked on the exhibitors' cards.
- Any queries that may arise, regarding anything other than the above rules, should be referred to, and decided by, the show officials.

Failure to abide by these rules will lead to disqualification.

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Floral Display - Rules

1. The Floral Display class is for a vase of mixed flowering stems containing a total of between 5 and 10 stems, taken from a minimum of two different kinds of plants. Please note that it is two different KINDS of plants, two varieties of the same plant are NOT two kinds.
2. The display will be judged out of a total of 100 points, split in to 75 points for the colour, form, condition, quality and freshness of the flowers on display, and 25 points for the overall presentation and effect of the flowers in the vase. The vase will be viewed from all directions. Judging the flowers should be to the normal rules used for other classes.
3. Stems used in the display can be showing flowers, seed heads and/or berries.
4. A vase will be supplied.
5. No accessories whatsoever such as bows and additional foliage will be allowed. Foliage which is growing naturally from the flowering stem, and still attached to the stem, is allowed. Packaging material – including Oasis – to keep the stems in place is allowed.

Notes for Exhibitors and Judges

- Flowering stems can be taken from ANY flowering plant.
- The different kinds of plants need to be taken from different genera. For instance, Pinks, Carnations and Sweet William - which are all Dianthus - would not be classed as different kinds.
- Only fresh, home grown flowers can be used in the vase. No dried or silk flowers are allowed.
- A vase, by definition, is any vessel that can be used to hold cut flowers and which is taller than it is wide at its widest point.
- Judges should use their discretion when judging the Floral Display, remembering that entries may come from inexperienced exhibitors.
- Judges and exhibitors should note that the display has to be viewed all round.
- The points awarded should be clearly marked on the exhibitors' cards.
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Competitor information and advice

1. Read the schedule.
2. Trays, plates, sand, vases, water and paper will be available at the show to enable you to display your exhibits.
3. With all entries the judges will be looking for well-formed vegetables with minimal blemishes and all of a consistent size.
4. Where two or more vegetables are required they must be matching – i.e. two marrows should be a matching pair.
5. Any other veg (classification 19) must be a matching pair.
6. Pick/cut your exhibits as late as possible but allow time for preparation and cleaning.
7. Where appropriate a short length of stalk must be retained.
8. Soil should be washed away, but no attempt must be made to polish specimens. Where possible retain the natural bloom.
9. Root vegetables, after cleaning must be displayed with the roots intact.
10. Small vegetables and fruit can be displayed on a plate (supplied).
11. Tick all the boxes on the entry form for the classes you wish to enter, you can decide to withdraw your entry for any class ticked on the day of the show.

Vegetables

Wash root vegetables carefully to remove soil - use soft cloth and plenty of water. Brushing will damage the skin. On other vegetables, retain the bloom wherever possible.

1. **Potatoes** - Select equally matched, medium sized (between 170g and 225g) tubers with shallow eyes. Should be free from skin blemishes. Stage on plate. Cover to exclude light until just before judging.
2. **Beetroot** – Select uniform size beetroot (not too large, between 50 and 70mm) with smooth skin. Retain full length of tap root. Judges may cut beetroot to check that flesh is uniform in colour.
3. **Carrots** - Select full length roots of good shape, colour and size - free from side shoots and from green at the crown.
4. **Parsnips** - Select well-developed, well-shouldered, smooth skinned white roots. Roots should be full length and free from side roots.
5. **Onions** - Select uniform well-ripened bulbs of good colour. Avoid removing too much skin. Necks should be firm and thin. Tops should be tied with uncoloured raffia or string. Trim roots to the base of the onion. May be staged on rings or soft collars.
6. **Shallots** - Bulbs should be well ripened with thin necks. Remove loose skins and roots. Tie or whip tops neatly with uncoloured raffia or string. Stage on dry sand in saucer or tray.

Fruit

Pick as near to Show time as practicable - retain stalks. Do not polish fruits - leave the natural bloom. Do not select over-ripe fruits.

1. **Apples** - Select large, solid unblemished fruits of shape and colour typical of the cultivar with stalks intact. Stage with eye uppermost and stalk end downwards, placing one fruit in the centre and the remaining around it. The centre fruit can be raised by placing a cushion of white tissue beneath it.
2. **Blackcurrants** - Select large strings with plenty of berries. Berries should be large, ripe and uniform on fresh stalks. Display on a plate, own foliage may be used for decoration.
3. **Gooseberries** - Select large ripe fruits of good colour with stalks. Stalks should look green and fresh and all point one way when staged.
4. **Raspberries** - Select large ripe fruits of good colour with stalks. Stalks and calyces should look green and fresh and all point one way when staged.
5. **Redcurrants** - Select large strings with plenty of berries. Berries should be large, ripe and uniform on fresh stalks. Display on a plate, own foliage may be used for decoration.
6. **Pears** - As for apples, except that best arranged around the perimeter of a plate with stalks towards the centre.
7. **Plums** - Select large ripe, but firm fruits of good colour, carrying bloom and with stalks. Best laid out in lines across the plate.
8. **Strawberries** - Select large ripe fruits of good colour with stalks. Stalks and calyces should look green and fresh and all point one way when staged.
9. **Rhubarb** - Select fresh, straight, thick stalks. Trim leaves back to approximately 75mm. Cut off any bud scales at the bottom and wipe clean.

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FLOWER & VEGETABLE SHOW 2019

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Please tick every category you intend entering.
 Maximum number of categories per entrant is 12.
 Please read ~~the show schedule~~ rules.

<i>Official use only</i>
Competitor Number

Entry Form

Name of Exhibitor: Date:

Allotment Site: Plot Number:

Entry Class

(ENTRANTS)

	VEGETABLES	Y		FLOWERS	Y
1	Five potatoes any one colour		22	Vase Dahlias one cultivar 3 stems	
2	Three beetroot washed with tops		23	Vase Chrysanths one cultivar 3 stems	
3	Three carrots washed with tops		24	Vase Gladioli any cultivar 3 stems	
4	Three parsnips washed with 6" tops		25	Pot Fuchsia maximum pot size 10"	
5	Five culinary onions to pass through 3.5" diameter ring		26	Any Other Pot Plant not on schedule	
6	Six shallots any one variety		27	Floral Vase £5 Prize	
7	Six pods of peas		FRUITS		
8	Six runner beans		28	Six soft fruit with stalks	
9	Six dwarf beans		29	Three hard fruits any one variety	
10	Two cauliflowers with roots washed & trimmed		30	Three sticks of rhubarb with leaves	
11	Six tomatoes with calyces still attached		NOVICE CUP		
12	Six cherry tomatoes with calyces still attached 35mm maximum diameter		31	Two varieties of vegetable (class 1-16) plus a single flower cultivar £5 Prize	
13	Two blanched leeks		EXPERT CLASS		
14	Two pot leeks		32	Four of a Kind - see schedule for details £5 Prize	
15	Two swedes with roots washed and 6" tops		HIGHEST POINTS		
16	Two cucumbers with stalks/with or without flowers		33	Highest points overall £5 Prize	
17	Two marrows		BEST IN SHOW		
18	Any other vegetable not on schedule - matching pair. If Calabrese is shown it must be with washed roots.		34	Best in show £5 Prize	
19	Heaviest onion 1st Prize Only				
20	Longest Runner bean 1st Prize Only				
21	Furriest mostle's show vegetable 1st Prize Only				

By entering the Walsall North Allotment Association Vegetable and Flower Show you are agreeing to abide by the Show Rules.

Entry forms must be in by Friday 16th August 2019. No later than 8.00 pm.
Staging 9.00 am. to 12 noon Saturday 24th August 2019.

I agree to abide by the Show Rules signed: