# ST.JOHN'S ALLOTMENTS ANNUAL SHOW

#### SATURDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2023

# THE SANCTUARY KENILWORTH METHODIST CHURCH WAVERLEY ROAD

STAGING OF EXHIBITS 9.00 - 10.30am

JUDGING 11.00am

SHOW OPENS 2.15pm

TEA & HOMEMADE CAKES 2.15pm onwards

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS 3.00pm

AUCTION OF PRODUCE 3.15pm

At the moment the annual show is planned to go ahead on the 'usual' weekend - first Saturday in September. The schedule has been left unchanged from 2022, so no new classes or surprises. It has been emailed out again this year, so there is no need to handle paper copies that were printed elsewhere.

## **RULES**

- All classes are open to members of:
   St. John's Allotment Association
   Kenilworth Sports and Social Club
   Kenilworth Tenants Allotment Association
- 2. The judges decisions are final
- 3. All entries are 40p per entry
- 4. The association has a supply of tall green vases suitable for displaying Dahlias, but entrants may supply their own vases for any of the classes if they wish
- 5. Prizes are £1.50 for first, £1.00p for second
- 6. All trophies to be returned to the show committee 14 days prior to the following year's show if you wish your name to be recorded on the trophy, please go ahead as the show committee are no longer able to fund engraving,
- 7. All produce to be grown by exhibitor
- 8. It is hoped that exhibits will be left for auction at the end of the show
- 9. Points will be awarded as follows: 1st 15 points, 2nd 10 points, 3rd 5 points

### HINTS FOR EXHIBITORS

Pick exhibits as close to show day as possible. Avoid splits, pest or disease damage. Samples evenly sized and clean. Label with name or variety if possible.

Fruit - Leave natural bloom intact, show a single variety, leave some stalk attached

Vegetables - Show a single variety, display on paper plate/dish/doyley if you wish

Potatoes - Equally matched specimens, clean and unblemished

Onions - well ripened bulbs, roots trimmed, tops tied with raffia

Carrots, parsnips, beetroot - leave tap root intact, foliage trimmed back to 3"

Runner and French beans - slender, straight, no prominent seeds, short stalk attached

Tomatoes - uniform size and colour, leave calyx (stalk) attached

Corn on the cob - display with approx quarter of grain exposed by pulling back husks

### **Flowers**

Class	Exhibit	
1	1 bloom any dahlia	
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2	Vase of 3 dahlias pom pon	
3	Vase of 3 dahlias cactus/semi	
4	Vase of 3 dahlias decorative	
5	Deleted	
6	Vase of mixed garden flowers	
7	1 Pot plant flowering	
8	1 Pot plant foliage	
9	1 Cactus or Succulent	
Most points classes 1 - 9 - Leisure Gardens Trophy		

# Fruit

10	Plate 5 pears
11	Plate 5 apples dessert
12	Plate 5 apples cooking
13	Plate 8 plums/greengages
14	Dish damsons minimum 15
15	Dish any soft fruit minimum 10 fruits
16	3 stems rhubarb

Most points classes 10 - 16 - Secretary's Trophy

# Vegetables

Class	Exhibit
17	5 Potatoes white
18	5 Potatoes coloured
19	3 Onions trimmed
20	10 Shallots - all one size
21	3 Carrots with 3" stalk
22	3 Parsnips with 3" stalk
23	3 Beetroot with 3" stalk
24	3 Leeks
25	5 Runner beans with stalk
26	9 French beans with stalk
27	10 Small tomatoes
28	5 Large/medium tomatoes
29	2 Cabbages with stalk
30	2 Table marrows
31	2 Squashes - same variety
32	3 Corn on the cob in sheath
33	3 Items any other vegetable
34	Heaviest onion - with roots & top
35	Heaviest marrow
36	Heaviest Pumpkin
37	Longest runner bean
38	Collection of three different
	vegetables - one off each

Most points classes 17 - 38 - Allan Mace Trophy

# Culinary

Class	Exhibit
39	1 Chocolate Cake 6 - 8" diameter
40	1 Lemon Drizzle Cake
41	6 Sausage Rolls
42	1 Savoury flan
43	A bundle of cheese straws
44	6 Scones plain or fruit
45	Plate of Short Bread
46	Home made loaf - any variety
47	1 Jar home-made jam
48	1 Jar home-made chutney
49	1 Jar home-made pickles
50	1 Jar home-made bottled fruit

All pastry to be home-made please

Most points classes 39 - 50 - Joyce Hatwood Rose Bowl

## Younger exhibitors

Class Exhibit Junior S	ınior Section
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The junior competition is open to children, grand children, nieces or nephews of members, under the age of 14

51	'Ugly bug' made from vegetables/fruit
52	A garden on a tray
53	A decorated flower pot
54	An exhibit made from recycled material
55	A plate of 6 homemade biscuits
56	A vase of garden flowers
57	6 Cup Cakes iced/decorated

Most points classes 51 - 57 - Society Cup

Potts Trophy for most points in show

To assist the judges please label exhibits in flower, fruit and vegetable classes with name/variety if possible

# Top Vase 2023

The Top Vase class is for a vase of mixed flowering stems containing a total of between 5 and 10, 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 plants are NOT two kinds.

The display is judged out of a total of 35 points, split into 25 points for the colour, form, condition, quality and freshness of the flowers on display, and 10 points for the overall presentation and effects of the flowers in the vase. The vase will be viewed from all directions. Judging of flowers should be to the normal rules used for other classes.

Stems used in the display must be showing flowers only, no seed heads or berries will be allowed.

The vase can be any shape and size and made from any material, but must be in proportion to the display. No marks are awarded for the vase itself.

No accessories such as bows and additional foliage will be allowed. Foliage which is growing naturally from the flowering stem, and still attached to that stem, is allowed. Packing material - including florists' foam - to keep the stems in place is allowed.

The winner of the Top Vase class will receive a £10 garden voucher, the runner up a £5 garden voucher and third place a £3 garden voucher.

#### 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.
- Use only fresh, home-grown flowers. No dried or silk flowers 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.
- The Garden News Top Vase class is open for anyone to enter and is not intended purely for growers who regularly display in single species classes at shows.
- Judges should use their discretion when judging the Top Vase class bearing in mind that the entries may come from inexperienced exhibitors.
- Please note that the display has to be viewed all round.
- The points awarded should be clearly marked by the judges 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 any of these rules will lead to disqualification.

# Top Tray 2023

#### COMPETITION RULES

- 1 The Top Tray class is for a collection of three types of vegetables taken from the following list of fifteen. The quantity of each vegetable required for the collection is given in brackets: carrots (3), cauliflower (2), onions (3), parsnips (3), peas (6 pods), potatoes (3), runner beans (6 pods), tomatoes (6), french beans (6 pods), sweetcorn (2), pepper (3), cucumber (2), courgettes (3), red beet (3), aubergines (2). Each type of vegetable will be judged out of a total of 20 points. This is split into three sections as follows: 7 points for size, shape and colour; 7 points for condition; 6 points for uniformity. The overall mark will be out of a total of 60.
- 2 All vegetables are to be displayed for effect. The vegetables must be displayed within an area measuring 45cm by 60cm (18x24in) without bending any part of them. No part of any exhibit may exceed the size of the tray. A tray or board measuring 45cm by 60cm (18x24in) can be used to display the vegetables, or an area can simply be marked on the staging. Where a tray has a lip or edge, it is the internal measurements that must not exceed 45cm by 60cm (18x24in).
- 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 and so on, will be allowed. Onion tops may be tied or whipped using raffia or string.
- 4 The winner of the Top Tray class will receive a £10 garden voucher, the runner up will receive a £5 garden voucher and third place, a £3 garden voucher.

#### NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS AND JUDGES

- Carrots and parsnips must have foliage trimmed back to 7.5cm (3in).
- Peas and beans must be displayed with some stalk attached.
- Tomatoes must be displayed with calyces (the green flower 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 Top Tray class, remembering that entries may come from inexperienced exhibitors.
- Points awarded should be clearly marked by the judges on the exhibitors' cards.