**Shepperton Horticultural Association**

**Handbook & Schedule 2024**



**Summer Show 22nd June**

**Autumn Show 31st August**

**at**

**Shepperton Village Hall, Doors Open at 1.pm -3.30pm. Admission Free.**

**Prize giving 3.30pm**

**Annual General Meeting TBA November**

**Venue TBA 7.30pm**

Shepperton Horticultural Association

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Dear Friend

Welcome to our 2024 Show Schedule. Once again we will be holding our annual Summer and Autumn shows. However, sadly we will be unable to hold a plant sale this year as some of our treasured growers feel that they can no longer grow the plants to support it. Our sincere thanks goes out to them for supporting us over the years. However, Longacres have continued their valued support by donating garden vouchers instead of plants and we are very grateful for their continued support.

Please read the schedule carefully especially noting the change of setting up times.

With the latest additions of handicraft and photography classes to our schedule, those of you who no longer feel up to coping with a garden or allotment may hopefully be able to find something that fits in with your current life style and continue to exhibit.

We have lots to look forward to and I look forward to meeting old and new friends in the coming year.

Best wishes for the coming year.

Yours sincerely

Jill Greenwood Show Secretary.

**SHOW REGULATIONS - \*\*\* PLEASE READ YOUR SCHEDULE CAREFULLY \*\*\***

1. All produce shown for competition must have been grown by the exhibitor in their garden or allotment and must have been in their possession for at least 3 months prior to the show, other than for flower arrangements.
2. The shows are open to all amateur gardeners.
3. Entry fees for exhibits in the show are:

(a) Members 20p per entry (b) Non-members 50p per entry (c) Children free

1. Entry forms to be returned to the Show Secretary by Wednesday 6 p.m. preceding the show. Telephone and email entries are acceptable. No entries will be accepted on the day of the show.
2. An exhibitor may stage only one entry per class.
3. Judging will be in accordance with RHS rules. The judges’ decisions will be final. **Entries not complying with the Schedule will be disqualified.**
4. If exhibitors supply their own vases, plates or containers, they do so at their own risk. Vases and plates are provided by the Association.
5. Unless otherwise stated, a dish should consist of one variety only.
6. Every exhibit must have an entry slip obtained from the Show Secretary. The

Exhibitor’s name must not be displayed until after the judging has taken place.

1. Prizes may be withheld or modified at the Judge’s discretion if the quality of the exhibit is undeserving.
2. Objections must be lodged in writing within 1 hour of the opening of the show, with a deposit of 50p, which is refunded if the appeal is upheld.
3. The Committee reserves the right to inspect an exhibitor’s garden or allotment.
4. Cups to be held for 1 year and remain the property of Shepperton Horticultural Association (To be returned to the Show Secretary 2 weeks prior to the corresponding show). Medals may be retained by the recipient.
5. Cash prizes & awards not collected within 7 days will revert to the Association.
6. All shows are insured against accident, but exhibits are at the owners’ risk.

Any matters arising during the show that are not covered by these regulations shall be determined by the Committee, three members to form a quorum for this purpose.

**NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS**

The number of specimens to be exhibited in collections of vegetables and fruit is to be the same as that for individual classes. Where there is no individual class for any other vegetable and fruit classes, the number of specimens should be:

Vegetables

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|  |  | Qty |  | Points |  | Qty |  | Points |
| Aubergines | 2 | 18 | Beans – Broad | 6 | 15 |
| Beans – French | 6 | 15 | Beans – Runner | 6 | 18 |
| Beetroot | 3 | 15 | Brussels Sprouts | 12 | 15 |
| Cabbage | 2 | 15 | Capsicum | 3 | 15 |
| Carrots – long | 3 | 20 | Carrots – others | 3 | 18 |
| Cauliflower | 2 | 20 | Courgettes | 3 | 12 |
| Cucumber | 2 | 20 | Garlic | 3 | 12 |
| Kohl Rabi | 3 | 12 | Leeks | 2 | 20 |
| Lettuce | 2 | 15 | Marrow | 2 | 15 |
| Onions – over 250 gm | 3 | 20 | Onions – under 250 gm | 5 | 15 |
| Onions – Spring | 10 | 12 | Parsnips | 2 | 20 |
| Peas | 6 | 20 | Potatoes | 4 | 20 |
| Radishes | 10 | 10 | Rhubarb | 3 | 12 |
| Shallots – large | 6 | 18 | Shallots – pickling | 12 | 12 |
| Squashes | 2 | 15 | Swedes | 3 | 15 |
| Sweet Corn | 2 | 18 | Tomatoes - medium | 5 | 18 |
| Tomatoes – Beefsteak | 3 | 15 | Tomatoes – cherry | 8 | 12 |
| Turnips | 3 | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| Fruit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Apples – cooking | 3 | 18 | Apples – dessert | 3 | 20 |
| Apricots | 5 | 16 | Blackberries | 12 | 12 |
| Cherries | 12 | 16 | Currants, bunches | 6 | 12 |
| Damsons | 12 | 8 | Figs | 5 | 16 |
| Gooseberries | 12 | 12 | Grapes, bunches | 2 | 16 |
| Loganberries | 12 | 12 | Melons | 1 | 18 |
| Peaches | 3 | 20 | Pears – cooking | 3 | 16 |
| Pears – dessert | 3 | 20 | Plums – cooking | 5 | 14 |
| Plums – dessert | 6 | 16 | Raspberries | 12 | 12 |
| Strawberries | 12 | 16 |  |  |  |  |

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|  |  | **DEFINITIONS** |  |
| Vase: | Vessel with greater height than width measurement of its mouth |
| Bowl: | Vessel having a mouth wide measurement at least equal to, but usually |
|  | greater than its height |
| Variety: | Also known as Cultivar |
| Kind | A type of fruit or vegetable e.g. apples, pears, plums are a “kind” of fruit |

*A useful guide for exhibitors is the Show Handbook published by The Royal Horticultural Society, a copy of which may be obtained from the Show Secretary*

Where possible, exhibitors are requested to name the varieties used in each exhibit.

**Summer Show**

**Saturday 22nd June 2024**

 **Staging 9.00 a.m. to 11.15 a.m.** Judging to commence at 11.15 a.m.

Hall opens for public viewing at 1p.m. Prize giving at 3.30 p.m.

All exhibits must remain in place until after the prize giving.

**Prizes** Except where stated otherwise

1st Prize £1 (10 points). 2nd Prize 70p (7 points). 3rd Prize 50p (5points)

**Roses Judges: Mr R Dix and Ms E Lacey**

1. Roses - 1 large Flowered Specimen Bloom in vase
2. Roses – 3 large Flowered, one variety in vase
3. Roses – 3 large Flowered, different varieties in vase
4. Roses – 1 stem Cluster Roses, in vase
5. Roses – 3 stems Cluster Roses, different varieties in vase
6. Roses – 1 large Flowered Specimen Bloom and 1 Stem Cluster Roses, in separate vases
7. Roses – One vase or bowl – minimum of 3 varieties

**Sweet Peas Judge: Ms E Lacey**

1. Sweet Peas, 1 vase, 5 stems, any variety
2. Sweet Peas, 1 vase, 5 stems, blue or mauve shades, any variety or varieties
3. Sweet Peas, 1 vase, 5 stems, pink or red shades, any variety or varieties
4. Sweet Peas, 1 vase, 5 stems, white or cream, any variety or varieties
5. Sweet Peas, 1 vase, 7 stems, 2 distinct colours
6. Sweet Peas, 3 vases of 5 stems, one distinct variety in each vase
7. Sweet Peas, 1 bowl, any variety or varieties, maximum 24 stems – open staging to view all round.

The Best in Section will be awarded the Brian Fifoot Memorial Award of £5.00.

**Garden Flowers & Pot Plants Judges: Mr R Dix and Ms E Lacey**

1. Delphiniums, 1 spike, any variety, any container.
2. Pinks, 1 vase, 5 stems
3. Annuals, 1 vase, one kind, other than sweet peas
4. Perennials, 1 vase, one kind, other than single classes
5. Garden flowers, 3 vases, one kind in each vase

 1st Prize £5 2nd Prize £3 3rd Prize £2

1. One vase of alstroemerias, any variety or varieties
2. One vase of Perennials, one kind and one vase of annuals, one kind
3. Pansies or violas, 1 bowl, 6 stems.
4. Flowering Shrubs, 3 sprays, any variety or varieties, any container
5. Mixed Garden Flowers, 1 vase
6. Biennials, 1 vase, 1 kind
7. 5 Hosta leaves, any variety or varieties
8. Pot Plant, foliage, maximum pot size 255 mm
9. Regal Pelargonium or Geranium, 1 pot, maximum pot size 255 mm
10. Fuchsia, 1 pot, maximum pot size 255 mm
11. One vase of mixed foliage
12. Pot Plant, flowering, other than classes 29 and 30, maximum pot size 255 mm
13. Cacti and/or Succulents, collection of 4, all different, max pot size 130mm
14. 1 cactus or Succulent, any size pot

**Vegetables Judges: Mr R Dix and Ms E Lacey**

1. Collection of 3 Vegetables, quantities as per single dish classes or

as listed on page 3

 1st Prize £5. 2nd Prize £3. 3rd Prize £2.

1. Two cabbages, any type, with approximately 50 mm stalks
2. Broad Beans, dish of 6 pods
3. Peas, dish of 6 pods
4. Lettuces, 2, any type, with approximately 50 mm stalks
5. Potatoes, dish of 4, any variety
6. Carrots, dish of 3, with approximately 75 mm tops
7. Beetroots, dish of 3, globe or oval, with approximately 75 mm tops
8. Onions, 4, as grown.
9. Spring Onions, 10
10. Radishes, 10 bunched
11. Cauliflowers, 2, with approximately 50 mm stalks
12. Any other Vegetable, quantities as listed on page 3
13. Rhubarb, 3 sticks, with 75 mm leaf
14. Herbs, 3 bunches, all different, in separate containers

**Fruit** **Judges: Mr R Dix and Ms E Lacey**

1. Two plates of different fruits

1st Prize £5 2nd Prize £3 3rd Prize £2

1. Raspberries, dish of 12, with stalks
2. Strawberries, dish of 12, with stalks
3. Currants, black, red or white, dish of 6 bunches
4. Gooseberries, dish of 12, with stalks
5. Dish of any other fruit

**Handicraft Judge: Catrin Rides**

 Items should not have been shown previously in any SHA show.

1. An item made of wood. Please advise size on entry form. No furniture thank you.
2. A hand knitted or crocheted toy or novelty item.
3. A painting, any medium. ‘Still Life’ No larger than 45cm/18”.
4. A homemade card for any occasion.

**Domestic Judge: Catrin Rides**

**Preserving**

**Jars require wax discs and cellophane or new metal lids. Preparation date must be shown on the jar. Jars should be of standard size and must not bear commercial company name. Jelly may be in smaller jars. Vinegar preserves must be matured for at least 3 months.**

1. Jar of Marmalade.
2. Jar of Strawberry Jam.
3. Jar of any other Jam.
4. Jar of Jelly.
5. Jar of pickled vegetables.
6. Jar of Chutney.

**Baking**

Any pastry should be home made.

1. Lemon Griesstorte 20 cm. using given recipe.
2. 5 Cheese Straws.
3. 5 Wholemeal Buns.
4. Bakewell Tart, 20 cm.
5. 5 Fruit Scones
6. 5 Oat Biscuits.
7. 5 Vegan Sausage Rolls. Please state filling.
8. Age 18 years and under 4 squares of Brownies.

**Recipe for Lemon Griesstorte**

3 eggs separated 110g golden caster sugar

Zest of 1 large lemon and juice of ½ lemon 50g fine semolina

25g ground almonds lemon curd for filling

Icing sugar to dust top.

Preheat oven to180C/350F/Gas 4. Grease and line two 20 cm cake tins with greaseproof paper.

Whisk the egg yolks and sugar until pale and light in texture. Add the lemon juice and continue to whisk until the mixture is thick. Fold in the grated lemon zest, semolina and ground almonds until the mixture is evenly blended. In a separate bowl whisk the egg whites to soft peak stage. Fold into the egg yolk mixture with a metal spoon. Divide the mixture between the prepared tins and level with the back of a spoon. Bake near the centre of the oven for 20 – 25 minutes. They are cooked when pressed with the little finger the mixture springs back. Leave to cool in the tins for 10 minutes before turning on to a cooling tray. Flip them over so that the top doesn’t stick to the cooling tray.

Spread lemon curd on one cake then top with the other and sprinkle generously with icing sugar.

**Photography Judge: TBA**

 Photographs should have name on the back and be no bigger than 25cm/10”. A short description should be provided to display alongside photo. Not to have been submitted previously.

1. Water.
2. Safe hands.
3. New life.

**Junior – Judge: Mrs Irene Smith**

**Open Classes**

1. Paint a smiley face. Under 5 years
2. Turn an egg box into something else. 5 to 8 years.
3. Make a miniature garden in a tub, tin or bowl. Max 9”. 8 to 12 years.

Over 12 to 18 years can enter any item on the schedule but should display their age. A certificate will be awarded for the most points for under 18.

**Autumn Show**

**Saturday 31st August 2024**

**Staging 9.00 a.m. to 11.15 a.m.** Judging to commence at 11.15 p.m.

Hall opens for public viewing at 1p.m. Prize giving at 3.30 p.m.

All exhibits must remain in place until after the prize giving.

**Prizes** Except where stated otherwise:

1st Prize £1 (10 points). 2nd Prize 70p (7 points). 3rd Prize 50p (5 points)

**Vegetables Judge: Mr Keith Hine**

1. Collection of 5 kinds of vegetables, one variety of each. Quantities as in the single dish classes or as listed on page 3. Space allowed: 685mm x 610mm.

 1st prize £5 2nd prize £3 3rd prize £2

1. Container of vegetables, minimum of 4 kinds. Space allowed: 540 mm x 300 mm

 1st prize £5 2nd prize £3 3rd prize £2

1. Onions, not exceeding 250g each, 5
2. Onions, over 250g each, 3
3. Beetroot, dish of 3, tops approx. 75 mm
4. Carrots, dish of 3, tops approx. 75 mm
5. Runner Beans, 6
6. French Beans, dwarf or climbing, 6
7. Tomatoes, medium (not to exceed 75 mm diameter), dish of 5
8. Tomatoes, small-fruited, not to exceed 35 mm diameter, dish of 8
9. Tomatoes, 75 mm and over in diameter, dish of 3
10. Tomatoes plum any size dish of 6
11. Shallots, for pickling (not to exceed 30 mm diameter), dish of 12
12. Shallots, large, dish of 6
13. Marrows, for table use, 2 (should not exceed 38 cm in length)
14. Courgettes, dish of 3 approx. 15 cm approx.
15. Potatoes, white dish of 4.
16. Potatoes, coloured, dish of 4.
17. Sweet Corn, 2 cobs with husks and silks (husks 1/3rd stripped back)
18. Sweet Peppers, 3, any colour or variety
19. Lettuces, 2
20. Herbs, 3 bunches, all different, in separate containers
21. Squash, 2.
22. Cucumbers, 2.
23. Cabbages, 2.
24. Any other vegetable, except pumpkins and rhubarb.
25. Heaviest potato
26. Longest runner bean.

**Fruit Judge: Mr Roger Dix**

1. Apples, dessert, dish of 3 with stalks
2. Apples, culinary, dish of 3 with stalks.
3. Pears, dish of 3 with stalks.
4. Raspberries, dish of 12 with stalks.
5. Blackberries, dish of 12 with stalks.
6. Any other fruits (see page 3 for quantities)

***Fruit must not be polished***

**Dahlias Judge: Mr Keith Hine**

1. Two vases, 3 blooms in each, 2 different varieties

 1st Prize £5, 2nd Prize £3, 3rd Prize £2.

1. One vase, 1 bloom, giant or large decorative.
2. One vase, 3 blooms, medium decorative, any variety or varieties
3. One vase, 3 blooms, small or miniature decorative, any variety or varieties
4. One vase, 1 bloom, giant or large, cactus or semi-cactus
5. One vase, 3 blooms, medium cactus or semi-cactus, any variety
6. One vase, 3 blooms, small or miniature, cactus or semi-cactus, any variety or varieties
7. One vase, 3 blooms waterlily, any variety or varieties
8. One vase, 3 blooms, small or miniature, any variety or varieties
9. One vase, 5 blooms Pompom, any variety or varieties
10. One bowl of Dahlias, maximum, 12 blooms.

Pompom: Blooms must not exceed 52 mm in diameter

Miniature Blooms must not exceed 115 mm in diameter

Small Blooms must not exceed 170 mm in diameter

Medium Blooms must not exceed 220 mm in diameter

Large Blooms must not exceed 260 mm in diameter

 **Sizing rings are available when staging**

**Garden Flowers and Pot Plants Judge: Mr Roger Dix**

1. Aster, one vase, 5 blooms.
2. African Marigolds, one vase 5 blooms
3. Annuals, one vase, 5 blooms (except the above)
4. Roses, 1 large flowered in a vase, any variety
5. Roses, 1 stem of cluster roses in a vase
6. Garden Flowers, 3 vases, one variety in each vase.

 1st prize £5 2nd prize £3 3rd prize £2

1. Herbaceous Perennials, one vase, one kind
2. Garden Flowers, mixed in one vase
3. Gladioli, 1 spike
4. One vase of Foliage
5. One vase of perennials one kind and one vase of annuals one kind.
6. One vase three sprays of chrysanthemums, any variety or varieties, single or double.
7. One vase Chrysanthemums, 3 blooms intermediate
8. One vase Chrysanthemums, 3 blooms, different varieties
9. Pot Plant, Fuchsia, one pot not exceeding 255 mm
10. Pot Plant, Flowering (except Fuchsia) 1 pot not exceeding 255 mm
11. Pot Plant, Foliage, one pot not exceeding 255 mm
12. Cactus or Succulent, 1 pot any size.

**Novice Vegetable Classes Judge: Mr Keith Hine**

These classes are especially for growers who hesitate to compete in vegetable classes for the first time. Just a few tips to help. Items should be clean, uniform as possible in size and unblemished. Please read the show regulations at the front of the schedule. Entering the novice vegetable classes does not stop entry into other classes in the show. Make sure that intent of entries are submitted to the show secretary by 6pm on the Wednesday preceding the show, as per regulations. Telephone and email entries are permitted. Plates will be provided.

Novice classes are open to any exhibitor who has not won a first prize in the section they wish to enter.

1. Tomatoes, medium, (not to exceed 75mm diameter). Plate of 5
2. Beetroot, tops cut back to approx. 75mm. Plate of 3
3. Runner Beans 6
4. Carrots, tops cut back to approx. 75mm. Plate of 3

**Photography Judge: TBA**

 Photographs should have name on the back and be no bigger than 25cm/10”. A short description should be provided to display alongside photo. Not to have been submitted previously.

1. Shepperton at play.
2. A beautiful tree.
3. Happiness.

**Handicraft**  **Judge: Mrs Rosemary Hucker**

 Items should not have been shown previously in any SHA show.

1. A picture made entirely from recycled materials. Own choice of subject. No larger than 45cm/18”.
2. Something for the garden. Any material.
3. Any item of embroidery
4. A homemade card for any occasion.

**Domestic Judge: Mrs Rosemary Hucker**

**Preserving**

**Jars require wax discs and cellophane tops. or new metal lids. Preparation date must be shown on the jar. Jar must be of standard size and not bear commercial company name. Jelly may be in smaller jars.**

1. Jar of Jam, soft fruit, any kind except Blackcurrant
2. Jar of Jam, Blackcurrant
3. Jar of Jam, any other fruit
4. Jar of Jam. Stone fruit, any kind
5. Jar of Lemon Curd
6. Jar of Jelly, any kind.

**Baking**

All pastry must be home made.

1. Lemon Meringue Pie. 20 cm
2. Soda Bread
3. Marmalade Cake, using given recipe.
4. Jam Swiss Roll.
5. Pizza
6. Under 18 years and under: 5 Shortbread Shapes.

**Recipe for Marmalade Cake.**

170g soft margarine 85g caster sugar.

225g self raising flour 110g sultanas

2 large eggs 6 level tablespoons thick marmalade.

Pinch of salt

Method.

Pre heat oven to 190C /375F/gas 5.

Lightly grease and line 20 cm cake tin with greased proof paper.

Cream margarine until soft, add sugar. Beat well until fluffy. Add eggs one at a time beating well. Mix in the marmalade and sultanas. Lastly add the flour and salt. Turn into tin and cook in the centre of the oven for 1 -1 ¼ hours.

Cool in tin for 15 minutes before turning out to cool completely.

**Junior Classes – Judge: Mrs Irene Smith**

**Open classes**

1. Make a coloured paper mosaic Max size A4. Under 5 years
2. Make a fairy door from cardboard. 6”. 5 to 8 years.
3. Paint a picture which reminds you of a holiday. 8 to 12 years.

Over 12 to 18 years can enter any item on the schedule but should display their age. A certificate will be awarded for the most points for under 18.

**AWARDS**

**Summer Show**

Silver Tray for most points in show

SHA medals for most points in section

Roses Sweet Peas

Garden Flowers & Pot Plants Vegetables

Fruit Domestic

SHA Certificate and Voucher for Best Exhibit in each section:-

Roses Garden Flowers & Pot Plants

Vegetables Fruit

Preserving Baking

Photography Handicraft

SHA Certificate and Brian Fifoot Memorial Award of £5 for Best Exhibit in Sweet Peas.

**Autumn Show**

Shepperton Challenge Cup for the most points in Show

RHS Banksian Medal for most points in classes 1 - 63

winners of the last two years, 2022 and 2023 are not eligible.

NVS Medal for best vegetable exhibit.

SHA medals for most points in section:-

 Vegetables Fruit

Dahlias Garden Flowers & Pot Plants

Domestic

SHA Certificate and Voucher for Best Exhibit in each section

Vegetables Fruit

Dahlias Garden Flowers and Pot Plants

Preserving Baking

Photography Handicraft.

**Annual Awards**

The Goddard Cup - For most points in Vegetables & Fruit classes in Summer and Autumn Shows

Bill Green Memorial Trophy - For most points in Garden Flowers and Pot Plant classes in Summer and Autumn Shows

The Domestic Trophy - For most points in Domestic classes in Summer and Autumn Shows

**ACORN AWARD SCHEME**

This scheme is to encourage members and non-members to continue to exhibit at our shows.

A *Copper* Acorn Badge is awarded for 15 First Prizes

A *Silver* Acorn Badge is awarded for a further 15 First Prizes (30 in all)

A *Gold* Acorn Badge is awarded for a further 20 First Prizes (50 in all)

An *Achievement* Award is awarded for every additional 25 First Prizes

Totals are cumulative, show by show and year by year.

**Many thanks go to the many Shepperton businesses who support our shows by donating raffle prizes.**

**Shepperton Horticultural Association would like to sincerely thank our sponsors for their generous support.**





