

EAST MEON GARDEN CLUB



ANNUAL SHOW 2021

Sunday 1st August

2.00 p.m. to 4 p.m.

In the Village Hall

**N.B. All classes are open to
Non-members of the Garden Club**

Rules and Regulations for Exhibitors

All exhibitors are bound by the Rules of the Show, which are adapted from the Rules and Standards contained in the RHS Horticultural Show Handbook.

By signing the Entry Form, exhibitors are declaring that the exhibits entered have been produced by them. In the case of potted plants, the exhibits must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least 6 months. In flower arranging classes, bought flower or foliage is permitted.

Only one entry per person, per class is permitted.

Adult entry fee is 50p per exhibit up to a maximum of £5.00. Whereafter unlimited entries are free.

Entry forms and fees must be received at the Village Shop by 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday 28th July 2021

Prize certificates will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards. Any prize may be withheld or modified if there are insufficient entries of the standard required. Money prizes will be awarded for children's classes 39 - 41 only: £2 for 1st, £1.50 for 2nd and £1 for 3rd.

Exhibitors must stage their exhibits in the Village Hall between 8.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. on Sunday 1st August. All exhibitors should leave the Hall by 11.00 a.m. There is no access to the Village Hall for exhibitors between 11 a.m. and 2.00 p.m., when judging and administration will take place.

No exhibit may be removed from the Hall until prize giving has taken place which will be at 3.30 p.m.

All exhibits must be removed from the Village Hall by 5.00 p.m.

The Committee will not be responsible for any loss or damage to goods or produce at the Show, nor for any accident or loss affecting persons, animals or property at the Show.

Any disputes arising from the judges' decisions will be considered by the Show Organising Committee. Complaints should be made in writing and accompanied by a deposit of £5 which will be forfeited if, in the opinion of the Committee, the complaint is not valid.

Hints for Exhibitors - Fruit and Vegetables

Read the schedule carefully. Check that you place on the Show tables the number of specimens stated in the schedule, for each exhibit.

An incorrect number will lead to disqualification. All cultivars should be named if possible.

Vegetables should be freshly gathered and cleaned so as not to damage the skin. A portion of the tap root of root vegetables should be present

Carrots and beets should have leaves removed to approximately 75mm.

Courgettes should be about 150mm long and approximately 70mm in diameter with flowers attached, if possible.

French or runner beans should be straight and not stringy. They should be cut from the vine, leaving about 1cm of stem attached.

Garlic bulbs should be whole, clean and firm, with some root attached.

Potatoes should be of good shape and size appropriate to the cultivar.

Shallots and onions should have excess loose skin and foliage removed, have tops tied with raffia and be set on sand or rings as appropriate. Please check size and weight specified in the schedule. (rings, sand and raffia will be available at the show).

Tomatoes should be of an appropriate size for the cultivar and presented with the calyx attached. They should be of even size, shape and colour. The number must be as specified in the schedule.

Fruits should be shown with the stalk or calyx attached. Do not polish. Handle the fruits as little as possible. Apples and pears need not be ripe and should be of a size appropriate to the cultivar.

Hints for Exhibitors - Flowers and Other

Flowers should be arranged facing forward in an appropriate vase and should be of uniform size with strong stems and without dropping florets. It is recommended that flowers should be cut and placed in a vase the evening before the show to allow them to take up water.

Dahlias should be fully open and floribunda roses should be at least 50% open. For all flowers, stems should be presented with a balance of open blooms and buds and a spike should be a complete stem.

Where the schedule calls for a specific number of blooms, be aware that a bud counts as a bloom. A limited number of small and medium display vases are available. Please contact Pamela Peacock 01730 823662.

Flower arrangements may be arranged at home and brought to the Village Hall for finishing and staging. An exhibit should be composed of natural plant material, which may be fresh, dried or preserved, with or without accessories, placed within the space specified in the

Show schedule. It is recommended that water retaining material is used but it is important that it should be concealed with natural plant material. It is important that flower arrangements reflect the theme specified in the schedule, using appropriate materials and container.

Produce and Preserves may be sampled by the judge for consistency and taste. Baked or cooked items should be covered with cling film or placed in a polythene bag. Preserves are best once matured and therefore recommended to be a minimum of 3 months old. All jams, preserves, chutneys and drinks should be labelled and dated. Jars should be sealed with cellophane or new lids,

as appropriate to the product. Do not recycle commercial jars and lids. Savoury items should not include meat or fish.

Arts, Crafts and Family Section exhibits should be original work of the entrant. Children's exhibits should have the age of the child clearly marked on the exhibitor card. Where there is doubt about the authenticity of an exhibit, it will not be judged.

VEGETABLES Classes 1 - 19

Cultivar to be stated where possible.

- 1** Potatoes –3 tubers white
- 2** Potatoes –3 tubers other than white
- 3** French beans – 6 pods
- 4** Runner beans – 6 pods
- 5** Mange Tout or Sugar Snap Peas - 6 Pods
- 6** Onions – 3 dressed (optional), each 225g or less in weight
- 7** Onions – 3 dressed (optional), each over 225g in weight
- 8** Shallots – 6 on a dish, large, over 30mm in diameter
- 9** Shallots – 6 on a dish, small, less than 30mm in diameter
- 10** Carrots – 3 of one variety, with approximately 75mm of foliage
- 11** Beetroot – 3 of one variety, with half foliage attached
- 12** Tomatoes – medium, 3 on a plate, 50mm in diameter or more
- 13** Tomatoes – cherry variety, 10 on a plate, each 35mm or less in diameter
- 14** Courgettes – 3, 150mm long approximately - flower attached if possible
- 15** Cucumbers – a pair. Ridge or greenhouse varieties
- 16** Garlic – any variety, 3 bulbs with some root and stem attached
- 17** Spinach or Chard – 7 stems
- 18** Sweet corn – 2 heads
- 19** Radish - 6 on a plate (any variety)

FRUIT Classes 20 – 22

- 20** Raspberries - 12 stalks attached
- 21** Blueberries on a plate – 12 on a plate
- 22** Apples – 3

FLOWERS Classes 23 - 35

Variety to be stated where possible.

- 23** Cosmos - 3 blooms
- 24** Clematis – 3 blooms
- 25** Dahlias – 3 of one variety 155mm in diameter or less
- 26** Dahlias - 3 of one variety 150mm in diameter or more
- 27** Dahlias – 5 mixed
- 28** Rudbeckia – 3 stems
- 29** Gladiolus – 1 specimen spike
- 30** Hydrangea – 3 mop-head or 3 lace caps
- 31** Penstemon – 3 spikes
- 32** Phlox – 3 stems
- 33** Rose – 3 stems one variety cluster flowered or single
- 34** Rose – 1 specimen stem appearance and scent
- 35** Sweet Peas – 6 stems

FLORAL ARRANGEMENT Classes 36 – 38

- 36** A floral arrangement in an egg cup
- 37** A centre piece arrangement - overall approximately 45cm – (1 ½ ft)
- 38** Sensory arrangement in a jug - an informal arrangement of flowers and foliage in water

CHILDREN'S SECTION Classes 39 - 41

1st prize £2, 2nd prize £1.50, 3rd prize £1

39 A model - made from any material (i.e. toy building bricks, Clay, fruit and vegetables or something completely different!)

40 A painting, picture, or collage of home

41 3 Edible treats on a plate

PRODUCE AND PRESERVES Classes 42 - 48

42 A spicy chutney

43 A jar of marmalade

44 Signature loaf of bread

45 3 Savoury scone 5cm/2in cutter

46 Something to nibble with a glass of wine

47 A cake for afternoon tea

ARTS and CRAFTS Classes

48 A exhibit of any Art or craft

Medals, Cups and Trophies

Cups and Trophies will be awarded in various classes.

Points towards the RHS Banksian Medal, cups and trophies will be awarded as follows.

All classes: 1st – 3 points; 2nd - 2 points; 3rd - 1 point

Cups and Trophies open to all exhibitors are:

The **RHS Banksian Medal** presented to the exhibitor who gains the highest number of points in Classes **1- 35**. Competitors who won the RHS Banksian Medal in 2018 or 2019 are not eligible to win the medal in this year.

Challenge Cup awarded for most points classes **1 - 35**

Allotment Holder Award for most points in classes **1 - 35**

Edgebourne Cup awarded for most points class **36 - 38**

Produce Cup awarded for most points classes **42 - 47**

Novice Cup awarded to those who have never won a cup or trophy for classes **1 – 35**

Children's Cup awarded for most points in classes **39 - 41**

The John Davies Salver awarded for class 48

CUPS AND TROPHIES OPEN TO GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS ONLY:

East Meon Vegetable Cup awarded for classes **1 – 19**

East Meon Flower Cup awarded for classes **23 - 35**

Best Exhibit in Show in the opinion of the judge in classes **1 – 35**

**Please note all exhibitors are excluded from the Hall
between 11.00am and 2.00pm**

All entrance to the show is free.