

Schedule

New growers wanted for 2026



Stories in full bloom

Knowsley Flower Show



Sunday 2 August 2026, 11am - 5pm
Court Hey Park, Roby Road, Huyton L16 3NA

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Welcome

from Christine Yates, Show Secretary



If you are reading this schedule for the first time, and thinking of entering the show this year, please keep on reading. Perhaps you think the standard is too high for your flowers, vegetables or crafts, but everyone has to start somewhere. We have classes for novices where you will only be competing with other people who have never tried it before. We provide vases or plates for you to use, and will guide you through the process. Who knows, in a few years you may be winning the trophy for Best in Show!

The theme of this years show is Stories in Full Bloom. Just as authors start with the seed of an idea for their plot, so do gardeners, sowing seeds in their plot in the garden. As gardeners our stories are laid out in the design and flowers we visualise in our heads, then make it come to fruition with our planting. Like Frances Hodgson Burnett, we all create our own Secret Garden.

Please don't think you can't enter if you don't have a garden. Hopefully we have classes to suit everyone, from jams and cakes to crochet and knitting. And of course the whole family can take part as we have children's classes for all age groups.

So why not change from spectator to participant and enjoy the show even more. Give me a ring or email if you would like more information, and good luck to all exhibitors.

FLORAL MARQUEE COMMITTEE

Mrs K Brady	Miss K McLoughlin
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Miss A Grundy	Mr J Smith
Mr T Hill	Ms Y Vines
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SHOW MANAGER

Mr J Kennedy

ENTRY FEES

All entries are 50p

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Classes

In all classes entries are limited to 2 per person.

ARTHUR JACKSON MASTER GARDENER CLASS

Sponsored by Les Jackson

Class No.

- 1 One vase, one distinct kind of flower (three stems, spikes, spray, etc)
One pot plant (max pot size 7")
One distinct kind of vegetable (one dish, amount as per this schedule)
Max width of exhibit - 33"
All three parts of the exhibit to be judged individually with marks out of 20 for each part.
Highest total to be the winner.

FREDA & ALAN GABRIELSEN CLASS

Sponsored by Serena Murphy & Michelle Yates

- 2 Basket of cut flowers, any variety or varieties.
Any foliage may be used. Baskets will be supplied, flowers must be grown by exhibitor, basket to be prepared on site.

FLORAL ART

Sponsored by

Judge: Mrs J Croft

- 3 Themed - Teddy Bears (Max width 30")
Exhibits will be judged from the front.
Natural and / or artificial plant materials may be used.
Natural materials do not need to be grown by the exhibitor. Other accessories may be included.



GENERAL CUT FLOWERS

PYRAMID
POWER LTD

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In memory of Ted Frith & Dennis Martin

Judge: Mr L Jackson

Special Cash Prize for Best in Section: £30

No restriction in vase sizes in all classes except in class 12 where there is a maximum vase size 4" x 12" restriction.

- 4 One vase mixed flowers
- 5 One vase of annuals, one kind
- 6 One vase of annuals, mixed
- 7 One vase of mixed yellow flowers in memory of Joan Quilliam
- 8 Two vases of annuals, two distinct kinds

- 9 One vase of mixed herbaceous perennials
- 10 One vase of herbaceous perennials one kind, excluding phlox
- 11 One vase of herbaceous phlox
- 12 One vase of same variety or mixed annuals or perennials. Maximum 15 stems, max vase size 4" x 12"
- 13 Two vases of sweet peas, nine stems per vase, two distinct varieties
- 14 One vase of sweet peas, nine stems, one variety
- 15 One vase of sweet peas, nine stems, mixed
- 16 One vase of sweet peas, 12 stems, one variety
- 17 One bowl of sweet peas, maximum 30 stems, mixed, max 8" bowl
- 18 One vase of three gladioli, large flowered, one variety
- 19 One vase of gladioli, large flowered, three spikes, distinct varieties
- 20 One vase of three miniature gladioli
- 21 One vase, one spike gladioli
- 22 One vase of six stems, garden pinks
- 23 Pansies or violas, five blooms in tubes, staged in a 5" pot of sand
- 24 One vase of spray chrysanthemums, five stems

DAHLIAS

Sponsored by: Tony Hill

Judge: Mr R Weeks

Special cash prize for Best in Section £30

- 25 One vase, three blooms, small and / or miniature decorative
- 26 One vase, three blooms, small cactus and / or semi cactus
- 27 One giant decorative or giant semi cactus
- 28 One vase, three blooms, small ball
- 29 One vase, three blooms, miniature ball
- 30 One vase, five blooms, pompon
- 31 One vase, three blooms, water lily
- 32 Two vases, each of one bloom, any variety or varieties
- 33 Any other classification, three blooms
Refer to www.dahlia-nds.co.uk for classification details

ROSES

Sponsored by Friends of Court
Hey Park In memory of past friends



Judge: Mr R Scott

Special Cash Prize for Best in Section: £30

- 34 One vase, one large flowered rose
- 35 One vase of three large flowered roses
- 36 One vase of cluster flowered roses, three stems
- 37 One vase, one stem, cluster flowered rose
- 38 One vase, miniature roses, three stems
- 39 One bowl of garden roses, max 8" plastic bowl
- 40 One vase of cluster flowered roses three stems and one vase of large flowered roses three stems
- 41 One vase, three stage blooms. Vase three stems, one variety, one bud stage (showing colour), one perfect stage, one full blown stage
- 42 One vase of five large flowered roses

POT PLANTS

Sponsored by Mr J. Kennedy

Judge: Mr T Tasker

Special Cash Prize for Best in Section: £30

- 43 Two specimen pot plants, one flowering, one foliage
 - 44 One pot plant, flowering
 - 45 One pot plant, foliage
 - 46 One pot, double, tuberous begonia
 - 47 One pot, cactus
 - 48 One pot, succulent
 - 49 One fuchsia, any variety - max 3.5" pot
 - 50 One fuchsia, single, any cultivar - max 6" pot
 - 51 One fuchsia, double, any cultivar - max 6" pot
 - 52 One fuchsia, variegated / ornamental - max 6" pot
 - 53 One triphylla - max 6" pot
 - 54 Any flowering standard - max 10" pot
 - 55 Two fuchsias, any cultivars - max 6" pot
- Standards may only be entered in class 54

PELARGONIUMS / GERANIUMS

Sponsored by

Judge: Mr T Tasker



- 56 One plant, single flowered basic green leaves zonal - max 6" pot
- 57 One plant, basic zonal having bronze or golden foliage - max 6" pot

- 58 One plant, basic angel - max 4.5" pot
- 59 One plant, double or semi-double basic green leaves zonal - max 6" pot
- 60 One plant, dwarf zonal - max 4.5" pot
- 61 One plant, ivy leaf - max 6" pot
- 62 One plant, miniature zonal - max 3.5" pot
- 63 One plant, stellar - max 6" pot
- 64 One plant, tricolour - max 6" pot
- 65 One plant, regal - max 6" pot

Exhibitors are reminded that plants should be in proportion to their pots in size of plant, leaf and flower. Please refer to www.thepags.org

VEGETABLES

Sponsored by

Judge: Mr D Metcalfe



Special Cash Prize for Best in Section: £30

- 66 Three large onions, dressed
- 67 Six onions, each to be 250g or under, dressed
- 68 Heaviest onion, trimmed to 6" shank
- 69 Dish of nine shallots
- 70 Dish of nine pickling shallots / 30mm max size
- 71 Two pot leeks to a 6" button, complete with roots and leaves - Sponsored by Jean Kilshaw & Dawn Blackburn
- 72 Two blanched leeks, complete with roots and leaves
- 73 Dish of four potatoes, white
- 74 Dish of four potatoes, other than white
- 75 Dish of four potatoes, two white, two other than white
- 76 Dish of ten tomatoes, cherry or other cultivar
- 77 Dish of five tomatoes
- 78 Heaviest truss of tomatoes, ripe or unripe
- 79 Dish of nine pods peas
- 80 Dish of nine pods broad beans
- 81 Dish of nine runner beans
- 82 Longest runner bean
- 83 Dish of nine pods French beans
- 84 Three globe beetroot
- 85 Three long beetroot
- 86 One cabbage, 3" stalk
- 87 One head cauliflower, 3" stalk
- 88 Three sticks of rhubarb, trimmed and tied
- 89 Three of one kind of any other vegetable not mentioned
- 90 Two vegetable marrows, for quality
- 91 Heaviest marrow
- 92 Three carrots, long

- 93 Three carrots, short
- 94 Soft fruit - one plate, one variety, with stems
- 95 A plate of stoned fruit e.g. apricots, peaches, plums, apples, pears.
- 96 Bizarre shaped vegetable
- 97 Cucumber, one for quality
- 98 One trug of mixed vegetables (trugs supplied for a refundable deposit)
- Sponsored by Roby Gardening Society**
- 99 Herbs, three vases, three distinct kinds

SPECIAL HERB CLASS

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Judge: Mr D Metcalfe

- 100 Incredible kitchen herbs - grow a kitchen herb box or display, with three different herb varieties. Approx. size 15" length x 4" deep x 6" wide



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NOVICE CLASSES

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Special Cash Prize for Best in Section: £10

- 101 Three vegetables, any one variety
- 102 Three tomatoes, any variety
- 103 Three potatoes, any variety
- 104 One vase of flowers, any variety or varieties
- 105 One flowering pot plant, any variety
- 106 One vase, three blooms, dahlias, any variety or varieties
- 107 One spike, gladioli in vase
- 108 One vase, large flowered rose
- 109 One vase, three blooms, roses, any variety or varieties

Vases supplied for novice classes only, see Rule 8.

CRAFTS

Special Cash Prize for Best in Section: £15

Sponsored by

Judge: Lucy Antal of Alchemic Kitchen, Brenda Hill and Fran McCann

- 110 Jar of home made jam
- 111 Jar of home made chutney
- 112 Jar of home made marmalade
- 113 Three home made scones (no fillings)
- 114 A decorated cake with a teddy bear theme
- 115 A plate of 4 biscuits for a teddy bears' picnic
- 116 A knitted set of child's clothing
- 117 Any knitted item
- 118 Any crocheted item



Trio Entertainment

- 119 Any knitted/crocheted display eg post box topper, display. Groups and individuals may enter this class.
- 120 A teddy bear made using any technique.
- 121 Any item of any handicraft e.g. woodwork, jewellery, embroidery etc. No bigger than A3
- 122 A photograph of plant life. Max size A5, unmounted.

YOUNG PEOPLE CLASSES

Judge: Sue Hopper

AGE 7 AND UNDER

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Best in Section: £10



- 123 Paint a picture of a garden, max size A3
- 124 Draw and colour a picture of a teddy bear story, max size A4
- 125 Make a construction using any materials. No bigger than 45cm in any direction
- 126 Make a sculpture using vegetables

AGE 8 TO 11 YEARS

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Best in Section: £10



- 127 Paint a picture of your dream garden, max size A3
- 128 Draw and colour a picture of a teddy bear story, max size A3
- 129 Take a photograph of a flower or flowers, max size A5
- 130 Make a garden in a standard seed tray 23 x 38cm / 9" x 15" approx. using living and / or recycled materials
- 131 Any item of handicraft.

AGE 12 TO 18 YEARS

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- ★ **1st Prize £15 Smyths Toys Voucher**
- ★ **2nd Prize £10 Smyths Toys Voucher**
- ★ **3rd Prize £5 Smyths Toys Voucher**
- 132 Make your own illustration for a teddy bear story, max size A3
- 133 Any item of handicraft.
- 134 Make a poster about the importance of insects, max size A3
- 135 Take a photograph of a flower or flowers, max size A5

Young people may enter older classes.

Prize Money

ALL CLASSES

1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
£3.00	£2.00	£1.00

CLASS 3: FLORAL ART

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Centre 63

1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
£30.00	£20.00	£10.00

CLASS 7: ONE VASE OF MIXED YELLOW FLOWERS

In memory of Joan Quilliam

Sponsored by Christine Yates

1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
£15.00	£10.00	£5.00

THE ARTHUR JACKSON MASTER GARDENER CLASS

Sponsored by Les Jackson

1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
£20.00	£10.00	£5.00
+ trophy		

FREDA & ALAN GABRIELSEN CLASS

Sponsored by Serena Murphy & Michelle Yates

1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
£30.00	£20.00	£10.00
+ trophy		

CLASS 71: TWO POT LEEKS

Sponsored by Jean Kilshaw & Dawn Blackburn

1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
£20.00	£10.00	£5.00

CLASS 98: ONE TRUG OF MIXED VEGETABLES

Sponsored by Roby Gardening Society

1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
£15.00	£10.00	£5.00

CLASS 100: INCREDIBLE KITCHEN HERBS

Sponsored by Childwall Valley



1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
£15.00	£10.00	£5.00

The presentation of trophies will take place at 4.40pm near the Floral marquee.

The Best Exhibit in the show will be awarded the Joan Quilliam Trophy in memory of Joan Quilliam, a much loved friend and supporter of the Knowsley Flower Show

The Bill Sandifer Memorial Trophy will be presented to the Best Exhibit in the Gladioli Classes

The North of England Dahlia Association E.W. Winterbottom Trophy (Best Dahlia Exhibit)

The Ford Sports and Social Club Gardening Challenge Cup (Most points in Vegetable Classes)

The Richard Burniston Trophy – awarded in memory of Richard Burniston to the most meritorious entry in the Vegetable section

The Albert Sutcliffe Memorial Trophy (Most points in Dahlia Classes)

The Jack Denson Cup (Best in Rose Section)

12-18 year young people classes sponsored by VIBE UK Association Smyths Toys Vouchers for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes - £15, £10 and £5




Rules



Contact Show Secretary Christine Yates

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1. The show will be conducted in accordance with the standards contained in the Royal Horticultural Society's Show Handbook.
 2. Entry in the show is restricted to amateurs only.
 3. All exhibits must have been grown or made and staged by the exhibitor and have been in their possession for at least eight weeks prior to the show.
 4. A novice is defined as an exhibitor who has won less than three first prizes in any show, in any section. **Novices may ask advice and help from the stewards.**
 5. Exhibitors cards are to be placed on, or in front of exhibits before judging. Exhibits without a card will not be considered for competition.
 6. An exhibitor may not enter more than two exhibits in any one class.
 7. Exhibits should be named, where possible, but any error or omission will not disqualify the entry.
 8. Exhibits to be staged in appropriate exhibition vases only. To be provided by the exhibitor. Vases for novice classes and children's only will be provided. **THE USE OF BOTTLES, GLASS VASES OR JARS IS PROHIBITED.**
 9. Any exhibitor wishing to make an objection must do so in writing to the Show Secretary before 2pm on show day.
 10. **REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS: THE SHOW CLOSSES AT 5PM ON SUNDAY. STEWARDS WILL ONLY ALLOW THE CLEARANCE OF EXHIBITS AFTER 5PM.**
 11. **ENTRIES: Must be received by the Show Secretary no later than 8pm on Friday 31st July 2026. (Telephone or email entries accepted)**
 12. The committee reserves the right to refuse any entry and settle any matter not provided for in the rules.
 13. **THE JUDGES' DECISION IS FINAL.**
 14. Staging: **SATURDAY 12 noon until 8pm. SUNDAY 7am until 8.30am**
 15. **PRIZE MONIES: MUST** be collected between 2pm - 4pm on the Sunday show day, if not, this money will be put back into the Prize Fund.
 16. All trophies awarded on the day must be returned to the Registry Office in Prescot by 4th June 2027 for engraving purposes.
 17. The RHS Banksian Medal will be awarded to the competitor who obtains the highest total amount of points in the whole of the horticultural classes. Winners of the medal in the previous two years will be ineligible.
 18. All classes 50p per entry.
 19. Exhibitors enter their exhibit at their own risk. The organisers cannot be liable for any loss or damage to exhibits.
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