

50TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW

**PRESTWOOD
GARDENING
SOCIETY**

AFFILIATED WITH THE ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

SATURDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2026
PRESTWOOD VILLAGE HALL
OPEN AT 2.00 pm



SHOW SECRETARY: - Mr. S. YATES, ST. JOHN, 44 HONOR RD. PRESTWOOD

ADMISSION: £1
Children Free

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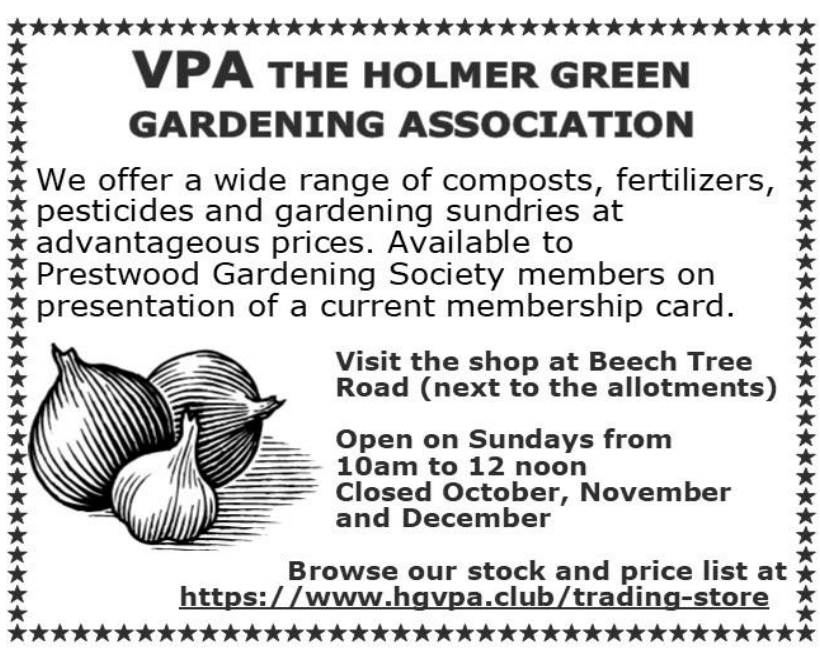


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PRESTWOOD GARDENING SOCIETY

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Mr T Cann

COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN	Sandra Robb
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SHOW SECRETARY	Steve Yates

Annabel Howard, Karen Scott, Sylvia Sturges, Nicki Thomas,
Angela Tompkins

SHOW COMMITTEE

Steve Yates, Janice Chadwick, Barbara Hall, Annabel Howard,
Angela Tompkins, Keith Suddes

TROPHIES

**FOR MEMBERS ONLY. Trophies 1 to 10 are awarded on points
and 11 to 13 are awarded by the judges:**

1	Classes 1 – 22	Crayfourd Cup
2	Runner up	Charles Tindell Memorial Cup
3	Classes 25 – 30	Gairdner Cup
4	Classes 31 – 33	L G Tibbs Cup
5	Classes 34 – 40	Ada Maud Tibbs Clark Cup
6	Classes 41 – 49	Stanley Baldwin Cup
7	Most Points Floral 31 - 49	Lesley Newman Salver
8	Classes 50 – 72	Chairman's Cup (Most Points)
9	Most Points Overall	Bradshaw Cup
10	Runner Up	Bonsey Shield
11	Best in Horticulture	Hildreths Garden Centre Salver
12	Best in Domestic Section	Joyce Wilton Memorial Salver
13	Best In Show	Maurice Kitson Memorial Salver

RULES

- 1 Exhibits to be staged between 08.15 and 9.45 am.
- 2 The Hall to be cleared of all Exhibitors promptly at 9.45 am.
- 3 The Show opens to the Public at 2.00 pm.
- 4 The Entry Fee is 30p per exhibit except for the children's section which is free.
- 5 Entry Forms and Fees to reach the Show Secretary not later than Sunday 30th August 2026
Late entries are not permitted.
- 6 Prizes to be collected from the Show Secretary's table from 2.30 pm onwards. Money not claimed by 4.30 pm will be deemed to be a donation to the Society's funds.
- 7 Exhibits NOT to be removed before 4.00 pm.
- 8 Multiple entries in any class must be of a different variety.
- 9 Vases will be provided for all exhibits except Classes 31, 34, and 40 - 49. No other vases will be allowed. Pot sizes specified are the approximate inside diameter.
- 10 Classes 41 - 49 exhibits must have been the property of the Exhibitor for three months.
- 11 Domestic and craft exhibits must have been made by the exhibitor.
- 12 All items in Craft Classes 66 to 73 must not have been entered before in Prestwood Gardening Society Shows. Please only enter completed works.
- 13 Entries are restricted to Members only with the exception of Domestic, Craft and Children's Classes.
- 14 All Exhibits shall be at the risk of the Exhibitor and the Society shall not be liable for loss, injury or damage from any cause whatsoever.
- 15 Trophies will be presented at the Show at 4.00 pm and are to be held for one year. They are to be returned to the Show Secretary or a Committee Member by Saturday 31st July 2027.
- 16 Points will be awarded as follows: -
Classes 21 and 40 ... 8; 6; 4
Remaining Classes ... 4; 3; 2 (Not Classes 23 & 24)
Only the Exhibitors highest award in each Class will count towards their score.
- 17 Trophies will be awarded to Members only.
- 18 In the event of a tie for a points trophy, the Member with the most 'Firsts' to be the Winner.
- 19 The Judges' decision is final.

VEGETABLE SECTION

CLASS

**JUDGE: Bob Bleasdale
Geoff Nash**

- 1** Three Beetroots, any one variety
- 2** Three Carrots, any one variety
- 3** Three Courgettes, any one variety
- 4** Three Onions from sets (untied tops)
- 5** Nine Shallots, over 1" diameter
- 6** Three Garlic, any one variety
- 7** Three Leeks
- 8** Four Potatoes, any one variety
- 9** Two Parsnips
- 10** One Cabbage, with 2" stalk
- 11** One Cauliflower, with 2" stalk
- 12** Six Runner Beans pods
- 13** Six French Beans pods
- 14** Two Sweet Corn cobs
- 15** One Lettuce, any variety, shown as grown
- 16** Eight Cherry Tomatoes
- 17** Six Tomatoes with stalks
- 18** Three Tomatoes, with stalks, judged for texture and flavour; variety to be named
- 19** Two Cucumber, indoor grown
- 20** Any other vegetable, not in Classes 1 - 19 inclusive
- 21** Collection of 5 kinds of Vegetables, the same numbers as in individual Classes
- 22** Collection of 4 kinds of Herbs displayed in a jam jar, near 1lb size. No flowers on the displayed foliage.
- 23** Longest Runner Bean **Prize £1.00**
- 24** Heaviest Marrow **Prize £1.00**

FRUIT SECTION

CLASS

**JUDGE: Bob Bleasdale
Geoff Nash**

- 25 Three Apples, cooking, any one variety
- 26 Three Apples, dessert, unpolished, any one variety
- 27 Five stoned Fruit, any one variety
- 28 Three Pears, any one variety
- 29 Plate of soft Fruit, one variety or kind, 10 fruits or 10 strings of currants
- 30 Any other Fruit not in Classes 25 - 29 inclusive

Note: - *Stalks are required except for Peaches, Nectarines and Figs.*

FLORAL SECTION

CLASS

**JUDGE: Bob Bleasdale
Geoff Nash**

- 31 Bowl of Roses, arranged for effect
- 32 Rose, one specimen bloom
- 33 Roses, three stems, one variety
- 34 One Clematis flower in a saucer of water
- 35 Gladioli, three spikes, in one vase
- 36 Dahlias, three blooms, Decorative variety, in one vase
- 37 Dahlias, three blooms, Cactus and Semi-cactus variety, in one vase
- 38 Dahlias, three blooms, excluding Classes 36, 37, in one vase
- 39 Three varieties of Perennials in one vase
- 40 Collection of Mixed Flowers, not less than three kinds in one bowl, max. diameter 8". Judged for quality of blooms & effect
- 41 Fuchsia, any variety, in a pot maximum diameter 8"
- 42 Geranium, any variety, in a pot maximum diameter 8"
- 43 Orchid, any variety, in a pot
- 44 Pot Plant, Flowering in a pot maximum diameter 6"
- 45 Pot Plant, Flowering in a pot maximum diameter 8"
- 46 Pot Plant, Foliage in a pot maximum diameter 8"
- 47 Pot Plant, Cactus, in a pot maximum diameter 8"
- 48 Pot Plant, Succulent, in a pot maximum diameter 8"
- 49 Bonsai Plant, in container maximum size 8"

PLEASE NOTE RULE 9 FOR THIS SECTION

Some Tips for Exhibitors in the Floral Sections

Read the Show Schedule carefully before deciding your entries. The Judge will read the description of each class before judging it. If your entry does not meet the description it will be declared NAS - not according to schedule – and will not be included in the judging.

Judging Flowers and Ornamental Plants

In assessing the merits of most exhibits of flowers and some exhibits of pot plants consideration will be given to condition and uniformity.

Staging flowers and ornamental plants is particularly important. Although no points are awarded for arrangement, attractive presentations catch the eye of the judge. In the case of cut flowers in metal vases (supplied by the PGS) experienced exhibitors use newspaper or 'Oasis' in the vase to stabilise the individual stems.

The RHS Horticultural Show Handbook classifies Dahlias into 13 Groups (**Groups 1-10 are illustrated on the next page**).

Class 36 calls for 3 blooms from the Decorative Group.

Class 37 calls for 3 blooms from the Cactus Group

Class 38 calls for 3 blooms from the remaining 11 Groups.

Class 40 calls for a collection of mixed flowers in one bowl, with a maximum diameter of 8 inches. A bowl is a vessel where the mouth width measurement is at least equal to, but usually greater than its height. A vase has a greater height than the width measurement of its mouth.

Classes 41 – 49 give the exhibitor a wide range of possibilities, but ensure that your flower pot or container is clean and within the maximum size limits.

Conclusion

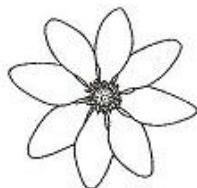
We do not wish to put you off showing – in fact it can be great fun. We welcome new exhibitors and if you want some advice please approach any committee member or the show stewards on the day. We look forward to seeing you at the Show.

DAHLIAS

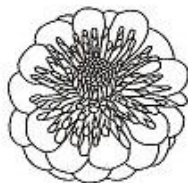
The variety of border hybrids offers a dazzling display of colour and form to every gardener, and no special skills are required to cultivate or propagate them. In colour the flowers range from deep reds, crimsons, purples, hues of mauve, and vibrant pinks to whites, apricots, oranges, bronzes, and brilliant scarlets, in size from the tiny pompons of 52mm (2in) to huge exhibition blooms greater than 254mm (10in) across.

Dahlias are excellent for providing cut flowers and will bloom vigorously throughout summer until the first frosts – provided with the right conditions a single plant may produce up to 100 blooms. Their various flower types (shown below) form the basis of the recognized groups.

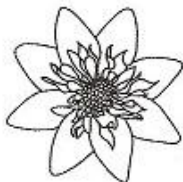
Single – each flower usually has 8–10 broad petals surrounding an open, central disc.



Anemone – fully double flowers each have one or more rings of flattened ray petals surrounding a dense group of shorter, tubular petals, usually longer than disc petals found in single dahlias.



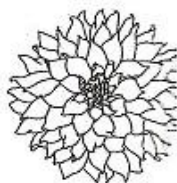
Collerette – single flowers each have broad, outer petals, usually 8–10, and an inner 'collar' of smaller petals surrounding an open, central disc.



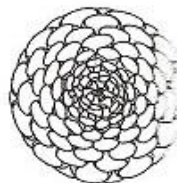
Water-lily – fully double flowers have large, generally sparse ray petals, which are flat or with slightly incurved or recurved margins, giving the flower a flat appearance.



Decorative – fully double flowers have broad, flat petals that incurve slightly at their margins and usually reflex to the stem.



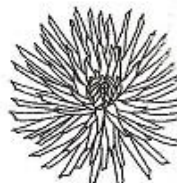
Ball – flattened to spherical, fully double flowers have densely packed, almost tubular petals.



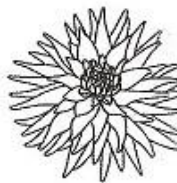
Pompon – flattened to spherical, fully double flowers are no more than 52mm (2in) across – a miniature form of ball flowers.



Cactus – fully double flowers have narrow, pointed petals that can be straight or curl inwards and have recurved edges for more than two-thirds of their length.



Semi-cactus – fully double flowers are similar to cactus flowers but have broader-based petals, the edges of which are generally recurved towards their tips.



Miscellaneous – flowers are in a wide range of unclassified types, including orchid-like (shown right), single and double forms.



CHILDREN'S SECTION ENTRY FORM

NAME	AGE	CLASS

Address

Entry forms to be received NOT LATER than

Sunday 30th August 2026 by

**Steve Yates
St John, 44 Honor Road
Prestwood
Bucks HP16 0NL**

Queries: phone Steve Yates on 01494 866172

ADULT SECTION ENTRY FORM

CLASS	FEE	CLASS	FEE	CLASS	FEE	CLASS	FEE
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DOMESTIC SECTION

**JUDGE: Elaine Brown
Ryan Brown**

Prizes: £1.50 £1.00 50p Each class

CLASS OPEN TO ALL POINTS ONLY TO MEMBERS

50 Cheese & Onion Flan using homemade short crust pastry:
max. size 8"

51 Apple Pie with homemade short crust pastry, max. size 8"

52 Six White Batch Rolls, own recipe

53 One Seeded Brown Loaf, own recipe, bread makers not
allowed

54 Apricot & Walnut Loaf

350g/12oz strong white flour half a 7g sachet dried yeast
250ml/8½floz tepid water(³/₄) and milk(¹/₄) 25g/1oz butter
1 level tablespoon granulated sugar 1 level teaspoon salt
35g/1¼oz chopped walnuts 55g/2oz dried chopped apricots

Put the flour and salt into a large bowl and rub in the butter.
Stir in the yeast, sugar, dried fruit and nuts then mix the liquid
into the dry ingredients. Knead for 10mins, then leave to rise,
covered in lightly oiled cling film, in a warm place, until doubled
in size (45mins – 1hr). Knock out the air from the dough and
put into a greased and floured 2lb loaf tin. Leave to rise as
before until doubled in size. Bake in a preheated oven for
around 30mins at 200°C/400°F/Gas 6. When ready the loaf
should have a hollow sound when tapped on the bottom

55 Six Plain Scones

56 Chocolate Swiss Roll, filled with Cherry Jam.
3 egg recipe

DOMESTIC SECTION continued

57 Petticoat Tails – Plate of 4

100g/4oz plain flour
50g/2oz sugar

100g/4oz butter
50g/2oz ground almond

Preheat the oven to 170C/325F/Gas3. Cream the sugar with butter until white and fluffy. Add the sieved flour and ground almonds and mix well before turning out onto work surface. Knead until smooth. Make into a 7" round and decorate. Mark top into 8 portions. Place the shortbread on a baking tray and bake for 25-30 minutes. Be warned the colour at the end on cooking changes rapidly, so keep an eye on it. Leave to cool. Break in half and display 4 petticoat tails (unseparated) sprinkled with caster sugar.

58 Apple and Pecan Cake

For the Cake

150g/5½oz softened butter

150g/5½oz soft sugar

150g/5½oz self-raising flour

1 tsp baking powder

65g/2½oz chopped pecan nuts

65g/2½oz sultanas

250g/9oz grated cooking apples

2 eggs

For the topping

Soft sugar and chopped pecans for sprinkling

Icing sugar for dusting

Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas 4. Grease and base line a 7in/18cm round cake tin.

Put the butter, sugar, flour, baking powder and eggs into a mixing bowl and beat well for about 2 minutes until thoroughly blended. Add the pecans and sultanas and mix them in. Spoon half the mixture into the prepared tin, then spread the grated apple mixture in an even layer on top. Spread the remaining cake mixture on top, level the surface, then sprinkle generously with soft sugar and chopped pecans. Bake for 1 hour or until the cake is well risen and golden brown. Leave to cool, remove paper, dust with icing sugar, and finish cooling on a rack

DOMESTIC SECTION continued

- 59†** One jar home-made Lemon Curd, near 1lb size
- 60†** One jar home-made Marmalade, near 1lb size
- 61†** One jar home-made Jam, near 1lb size
- 62†** One jar home-made Chutney, near 1lb size
- 63†** One jar home-made Relish, near 1lb size
- 64** One ramekin of home-made Pate
- 65** Four Free Range Eggs, uniform in colour, shape and size displayed on a saucer

† Jars, bottles and lids must be plain and free from trademarks.

CRAFT SECTION

Prizes: £1.50 £1.00 50p Each class

CLASS OPEN TO ALL Points only to Members

JUDGE: Helen Nice

- 66*** One Hand Knitted Article
- 67*** One Hand Crocheted Article
- 68*** One Hand Embroidered Article
- 69*** One Cross Stitch Article
- 70*** One Hand Crafted Soft Article.
- 71*** One Hand Crafted Hard Article.
- 72*** One Handmade 50th Anniversary Card

* State if own design

JUDGE: Jo Laurie

- 73** Framed painting no larger than 24" square including frame.
(Artist's name to be covered)

PLEASE NOTE RULE 12 FOR SECTIONs 66 - 73

CHILDREN'S SECTION. NO ENTRY FEES

Prizes: £1.50 £1.00 50p Each class

CLASS OPEN TO ALL

JUDGE: Helen Nice

74 Up to 8 Years A Carnival Mask.

**75 8-13 Years A Flower or Animal made from Paper
(Flower stem may have support)**

NOTES

The Prestwood Gardening Society welcomes entries from non-members as well as Members in Classes 50 to 73.

If you are not a Member, why not join?

The Society has talks on various subjects every month in Prestwood Village Hall. They are held on the second Thursday of each month and start at 8.00 pm. In addition to the talks the Society

- arranges Midweek and Weekend visits to gardens
- publishes a regular newsletter
- hosts a splendid Harvest Supper which includes entertainment

Members are also entitled to discounts from a number of suppliers in the area.

You can join the Society at one of the Monthly Meetings, or by contacting the

Membership Secretary, Karen Scott
Email: prestwoodgardeningmembers@gmail.com

Alternatively, you may contact any other member of the committee.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR
PRESTWOOD GARDENING SOCIETY

Saturday 12th September - Coach trip to RHS Hyde Hall
Tickets available from Sylvia Sturges.
Email: sylviasturges@gmail.com

Events in Prestwood Village Hall

Thursday 10th September at 8.00 pm – ‘Unusual bulbs and how they grow in your garden’ by John Armand.

Thursday 8th October at 8.00 pm – “Dig for Victory” by Matthew Biggs

Saturday 10th October at 7.15 for 7.30 pm – Harvest Supper with Entertainment.


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