

AUTUMN SHOW 2025

The Large Village Hall will be open for entries from 10 am.

All entries must be staged by 11.30 am when judging will commence and members, unless authorised by the committee, are asked to keep away from the exhibits.

Competitors should use their numbers, as explained in the Rules.

Open to the public at 2.30 pm. Prizes at 4pm.

Rules and Conditions of Entry for Shows

1) Every person entering the show will be allocated a number that will be used to identify their exhibits.

2) All exhibits must be grown on ground in exhibitor's possession, or in the case of plants for a period of at least 3 months. This does not apply to Floral Arrangements, Home Produce, and Handicrafts sections.

3) Number of each kind of vegetable and fruit to be used in the 'Collections':

4 Potatoes, 3 Onions, 3 Leeks, 6 Pods of Peas, 2 Parsnips, 3 Carrots, 3 Turnips, 5 Shallots, 3 Tomatoes, 6 Brussels Sprouts, 2 Cauliflowers, 2 Cabbage (Red), 2 Cabbage (Green), 2 Lettuce, 2 Cucumbers, 2 Marrows, 2 Heads of Celery, 3 Beetroot, 6 Broad Beans, 6 French Beans, 6 Runner Beans, 5 Courgettes, 10 Radishes. Herbs may be used for decoration only.

For more details see the RHS Show handbook held by the WGS Chair.

4) For the 'Collections' of distinct types of vegetables in the Summer and Autumn Shows the maximum marks for each kind of vegetable will be those laid down by the Royal Horticultural Society in their guide for the judging of vegetables. Details may be obtained from the WGS Chair on request. The size of 'Collections' is not to exceed 20"x 24"/50 x 60 cm.

5a) Plates will be provided for exhibits but you may use your own for the home produce classes.

5b) Vases will be provided and must be used for flowers where listed in the schedule.

5c) Floral arrangements in your own choice of container.

5d) The width of a bowl should be greater than its height.

6) Jars and bottles in the Home Produce Section should be made of clear glass no larger than 450g and be free from all commercial trademarks or decoration, whether on lid or jar. They should bear a label clearly denoting the contents and date made.

7) The Committee appoint judges who have no right to compete in any entry.

8) Judges may decide whether an exhibit in a class is worthy of a prize. Judging will be in accordance with the Royal Horticulture Society Rules, except for 'Collections'.

9) Exhibits will be disqualified in any class if the numbers of each kind, or the variety or the quantity used are not exactly as shown in this schedule. The judges are encouraged to leave helpful comments about exhibits

10) The Committee reserve the right to make alterations relating to the Show which they think desirable, before the day of the Show.

11) The Committee will not accept responsibility for any loss or damage to any exhibit or container, but all possible care will be taken to avoid loss or damage.

12) Trophies awarded for one year at the Show must be returned in good condition to the Society one week before the appropriate Show the next year. The Hayes Cup must be returned at each show.

13) Only members of Wye Gardeners' Society will be eligible for the Summer, Autumn and Annual Awards. At each show 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners will be awarded 3, 2 and 1 points respectively to be used in calculating these awards. In the event of a tie the award will go to the competitor with the most 1st prizes in that Category.

14) No exhibit may be removed until after the prize giving

Autumn 2025 Classes

Vegetables

- Class 1 Five cherry tomatoes (same variety)
- Class 2 Five tomatoes (same variety, not cherry type)
- Class 3 Three onions (same variety)
- Class 4 Four potatoes (same variety)
- Class 5 Three carrots (same variety)
- Class 6 Three beetroot (same variety)
- Class 7 Six runner beans (same variety)
- Class 8 Six French beans (same variety)
- Class 9 Three courgettes (same variety)
- Class 10 Three leeks (same variety)
- Class 11 Three sweet peppers or chillies (same variety)
- Class 12 Any other vegetable (maximum 3) (same variety)
- Class 13 The heaviest pumpkin
- Class 14 A cook's vegetable basket (container not to exceed 15" x 15"/38 x 38 cm)
- Class 15 The most misshapen vegetable
- Class 16 The longest Runner Bean

Fruit

- Class 17 Three cooking apples (same variety)
- Class 18 Three eating apples (same variety)
- Class 19 Three pears (same variety)
- Class 20 Six raspberries (same variety)
- Class 21 Six blackberries (same variety)
- Class 22 An exhibit of any other fruit (maximum six fruit, same variety, or one bunch)
- Class 23 A bowl of mixed fruit (bowl not to exceed 30cm/12" diameter) (see rule 5d)

Flowers

- Class 24 One vase of dahlias (3 blooms, one variety) (no buds visible)
- Class 25 One vase of mixed dahlias
- Class 26 One vase of mixed flowers
- Class 27 One vase of mixed ornamental grasses
- Class 28 A flowering pot plant
- Class 29 A foliage pot plant
- Class 30 An orchid
- Class 31 Three sprays of berried shrub
- Class 32 Three sprays of fuchsia (one or more varieties)
- Class 33 The largest sunflower head (grown this year)

Arrangements

- Class 34 A foliage arrangement in anything (max 30cm, 12" width)
- Class 35 A Floral Arrangement in a basket (maximum 38cm/15" diameter)
- Class 36 A floral arrangement in a cup and saucer

Home Produce

- Class 37 A Cherry cake (18-20cm 7-8" round)
- Class 38 A plaited loaf
- Class 39 A jar of Tomato based Chutney (at least two months old) (see rule 6)
- Class 40 A jar of Plum jam (see rule 6)
- Class 41 A Frangipane and Fruit Tart (max 23cm 9" round)
- Class 42 Six Shrewsbury Biscuits

Handicraft

- Class 43 A painting or drawing of a Garden Implement (in any medium)
- Class 44 A knitted item
- Class 45 A crochet item
- Class 46 An embroidered item
- Class 47 A Lace item
- Class 48 A photograph "Sunset"
- Class 49 Any other handicraft

Children's Classes

- Class 50 Four decorated cup cakes (ages 6 years and under)
- Class 51 A vegetable that I grew myself (ages 6 years and under)
- Class 52 A painting of a Pet on A5 paper (ages 6 years and under)
- Class 53 A Pumpkin I grew myself (ages 6 years and under)
- Class 54 Four decorated cup cakes (ages 7 to 10 years)
- Class 55 A vegetable that I grew myself (ages 7 to 10 years)
- Class 56 A painting of a Pet on A5 paper (ages 7 to 10 years)
- Class 57 A Pumpkin I grew myself (ages 7 to 10 years)
- Class 58 Four decorated cup cakes (ages 11 to 15 years)
- Class 59 A vegetable that I grew myself (ages 11 to 15 years)
- Class 60 A painting of a Pet on A5 (ages 11 to 15 years)
- Class 61 A Pumpkin I grew myself (ages 11 to 15 years)

Prizes

THE JUNIOR CHILDREN'S PRIZE for classes 52, 53, 54, and 55

THE INTERMEDIATE CHILDREN'S PRIZE for classes 536, 57, 58, and 59

THE OLDER CHILDREN'S PRIZE for classes 60, 61, 62, and 63

THE GALLAWAY CUP for the most points in the combined classes for Dahlias.

THE WILLIAM CATT CUP for Onions.

THE HANCOCK PRIZE for the heaviest Pumpkin

THE HAYES CUP for the exhibitor with most points overall.

ANNUAL AWARDS

Awarded for points received in both shows

The Federation Cup for most points this year.

The prize for the most points for Vegetables Fruit and Flowers £10

The prize for the most points for Floral Displays Home Produce and handicrafts £10

The Vegetable Cup for most points awarded for Vegetables

The Fruit Cup for most points awarded for Fruit

The Flowers Cup for most points awarded for Flowers

The Floral Cup for most points awarded for Floral

The Home Produce Cup for most points awarded for Home Produce

The Handicrafts Cup for most points awarded for Handicrafts