

NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION

Flower and vegetable show 2023 Schedule of classes

To be held on **Saturday 9th September** at Crownway Community Centre Crown Street
Earlestown
WA12 9DA

Doors open to the public 2pm Prize giving from 4.15pm

No admittance charge Café

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Newton-le-Willows Gardeners' Association is affiliated to :

The Royal Horticultural Society
The National Dahlia Society
The British Gladiolus Society

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AWARDS

DAHLIAS

For the most points gained in the section
The H K Jeacock Trophy and £5 Prize

GLADIOLI

For the best exhibit The British Gladiolus Society Bronze Medal

POT PLANTS

For the most points gained in the section
The Sue Lever Trophy and £5 prize

VEGETABLES

For the most meritorious Vegetable Exhibit The National Vegetable Society Silver Medal and £5 prize

FRUIT

For the most points gained in the section
The Malcolm Greenhalgh Shield and £5 prize

FOR THE HIGHEST TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS GAINED IN THE FLOWER SECTIONS
Newton-le-Willows Rotary Club Salver and £10 prize

FOR THE MOST POINTS GAINED IN THE VEGETABLE SECTIONS £10 Prize

FOR THE HIGHEST TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS GAINED IN THE SHOW

Gordon Brooks Trophy and £15 prize

FOR THE BEST EXHIBIT IN SHOW NLWGA Shield and £10 prize

NLWGA TOP TRAY AND TOP VASE AWARDS Both receive NLWGA certificate + prize money

THE ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY BANKSIAN MEDAL

Awarded to the winner of the largest total amount of points in prizes in the whole of the Horticultural Classes at the Show.

ROSES

For the best exhibit Rose Shield
For the most points gained in the section £5 prize

PHOTOGRAPHY

For photograph judged best overall Photographic Challenge Cup and £5 prize

FOR THE BEST BEGINNER VEGETABLE/FRUIT GROWER Bert Jackson Memorial Cup

MOST SCENTED ROSE (people's choice)

Arthur Green Perpetual Trophy

SHOW RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Show will be conducted in accordance with the rules and standards of the various societies to which the Newton - le - Willows Gardeners' Association is affiliated.

Conditions of Entry

- All classes are open to both member and non-member amateur growers.
- Only 2 entries per person per class allowed
- Entry Fees: 20p per entry.
- No exhibit, once entered, may be transferred to any other class without permission of at least TWO officers or stewards of the Association who must be satisfied that a genuine error has been made.
- All entries must be grown by or have been in the possession of the Exhibitor for two
 months
- The Committee reserves the right to examine the garden of any Exhibitor.
- Complete the form in the schedule and take it into the Hut with your entry fee. You can
 also email nlwgashow@aol.com or phone your entry to 01925 816416 / 07805407475
 (until 8pm on the Thursday evening before the Show) and bring the entry form plus the fee
 to the Show.

Presentation

- Whenever possible exhibits must be named on the Exhibitor cards provided by the Association. The Judge will favour a named exhibit in close competition.
- All roots to be left on vegetables, except Onions, Shallots and Celery.
- Tomatoes to have stalks. Beetroot, Carrots, Parsnips, Swedes and Turnips should have top foliage trimmed to not more than 3 inches (7.5cms) from the top of the shoulder of the vegetable. Cauliflowers trimmed to show curd. Foliage allowed in soft fruit class.
- Where something is necessary for displaying multiple veg, e.g. beans, a standard WHITE plate is to be used (your own or supplied by the Association) - no other tray/ slab/board/mat to be used. Using anything other than a white plate will be disqualified. (This rule does NOT apply to 66-TopTray Class or 67-Mini Collection)
- Where pot sizes are specified, exhibits displayed in pots which do not conform to the specified size will be disqualified.
- Pot Plants to be exhibited in plant pots only.
- Vases for cut flower classes will be provided by the Association, though your own can be used for Class 32 - Top Vase.
- Photography classes exhibitor labels must be placed behind the photographs
- Photographs should be no larger than 8" x 6" (20cm x 15cm), unmounted and marginfree

Judging

- Judging commences promptly at 10.45 am and Exhibitors are not permitted in the building or to re-enter until the opening time for the show.
- Points are awarded as follows: 1st 5 points; 2nd 3 points; 3rd 1 point.
- Any prize may be modified or withheld if, in the opinion of the Judges, the exhibit is considered not of sufficient merit.
- Any Exhibitor making an objection must do so, in writing, before 2.30 pm and pay £1.
 The decision of the Association is final.
- Class 82 will not be judged, it will be decided by the People's Choice. All visitors can submit one vote.

Prize Money

Prize monies will be paid on the day of the show, usually from 3.30 pm onwards.

Disposal of Exhibits

- No exhibit may be removed until the prize giving ceremony has finished.
- Any Exhibitor wishing to retain an exhibit MUST put a "Reserve" label on it (available
 from the Show Secretary) at the time of exhibiting. After 4.30pm, exhibits WITHOUT A
 RESERVE LABEL may be taken by the public who should give a cash donation to a
 yellow-jacket steward.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Staging	Friday 8 September Saturday 9 September	-	7.00 pm to 9.00pm 8.00 am to 10.30 am
Judging	, .	-	10.45am to 1.30 pm
Show open to the Public		-	2.00 pm
Distribution of F	Prize Money	-	from 3.30 pm
Presentation of Awards		-	from 4.15 pm

Purchase of Exhibits follows Presentation of Awards

THE GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION CANNOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE TO EXHIBITS, EQUIPMENT OR ACCESSORIES BELONGING TO EXHIBITORS

Any prize certificates or raffle prizes left at the show will be taken to the Hut on Rob Lane and must be collected within 4 weeks.

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR EXHIBITORS STAGING ON FRIDAY EVENING

TOP VASE COMPETITION RULES 2023

The Top Vase class is for a vase of mixed flowering stems containing a total of between 5 and 10, taken from a minimum of two different kinds of plants. Please note that it is two different KINDS of plants, two varieties of the same plant are NOT two kinds.

The display is judged out of a total of 35 points, split into: 25 points for the colour, form, condition, quality and freshness of the flowers on display, and 10 points for the overall presentation and effect of the flowers in the vase. The vase will be viewed from all directions.

Judging of flowers should be to the normal rules used for other classes.

Stems used in the display must be showing flowers only; no seed-heads or berries will be allowed. The vase can be any shape and size and made from any material, but must be in proportion to the display. No marks are awarded for the vase itself. No accessories such as bows and additional foliage will be allowed. Foliage which is growing naturally from the flowering stem, and still attached to that stem is allowed. Packing material - including florists' foam - to keep the stems in place is allowed.

The winner of the Top Vase class will receive a NLWGA Certificate plus £10. The runner up will receive £5, third place will receive £3.

NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS AND JUDGES

- Flowering stems can be taken from ANY flowering plant. The different kinds of plants need to be taken from different genera. For instance, pinks, carnations and sweet william - which are all dianthus - would not be classed as different kinds.
- Use only fresh, home-grown flowers. No dried or silk flowers allowed.
- A vase, by definition, is any vessel that can be used to hold cut flowers and which is taller than it is wide at its widest point.
- The Top Vase class is open for anyone to enter and is not intended purely for growers
 who regularly display in single species classes at shows. Judges should use their
 discretion when judging the Top Vase Class bearing in mind that the entries may come
 from inexperienced exhibitors.
- Please note that the display has to be viewed all round. The points awarded should be clearly marked by the judges on the exhibitors' cards.
- Any queries that may arise, regarding anything other than the above rules, should be referred to, and decided by, the show officials. Failure to abide by any of these rules will lead to disqualification.

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OTHER LOCAL SHOWS in 2023

SHEVINGTON GARDEN CLUB

Annual Show, Saturday 5th August, Shevington Methodist Church, 1 Gathurst Lane, WN6 8HA. For further details contact Chair Andrew Moakes at carolmoakes@hotmail.com or 07710635075 or see their Facebook page - Shevington Garden Club.

KNOWSLEY FLOWER SHOW

Sunday August 6th at Court Hey Park, Roby Road, Huyton. www.knowsleyflowershow.com. For information contact Carla.Simkin@knowsley.gov.uk, 0151 443 5353. www.knowsleyflowershow.com

RAINFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Saturday September 2nd. Rainford Village Hall. For further information contact M1chaelowen@hotmail.co.uk

TOP TRAY COMPETITION RULES 2023 Sponsored by NLWGA

The Top Tray class is for a collection of **three types of vegetables** taken from the following list of **fifteen**. The quantity of each vegetable required for the collection is given in brackets: Carrots (3), Cauliflowers (2), Onions (3), Parsnips (3), Peas (6 pods), Potatoes (3), Runner Beans (6 pods), Tomatoes (6), French Beans (6 pods), Sweetcorn (2), Pepper (3), Cucumber (2), Courgettes (3), Red Beet (3), Aubergines (2)

Each type of vegetable will be judged out of a total of 20 points. This is split into three sections as follows: 7 points for size, shape and colour; 7 points for condition; 6 points for uniformity. The overall mark will be out of a total of 60.

All vegetables are to be displayed for effect. The vegetables must be displayed within an area measuring 45 cm by 60 cm (18" x 24"), without bending any part of them. No part of any exhibit may exceed the size of the tray. A tray or board measuring 45 cm by 60 cm (18" x 24") can be used to display the vegetables, or an area can simply be marked on the staging. Where a tray has a lip or edge, it is the internal measurements that must not exceed 45 cm x 60 cm (18" x 24"). A black cloth is permitted, and the tray may be painted. Parsley is allowed for garnishing, but no other foliage or accessories, such as plates, sand, rings and so on, will be allowed. Onion tops may be tied or whipped using raffia or string.

The winner of the Top Tray class will receive a NLWGA certificate plus £10. The runner up will receive £5, third place will receive £3.

NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS AND JUDGES

- Carrots and Parsnips must have foliage trimmed back to 7.5cms (3"). Peas and beans must be displayed with some stalk attached. Tomatoes must be displayed with calyces (the green flower bud case).
- Judges may handle exhibits, open pods etc to check for quality.
- The tray, board or staging must not be cut or mutilated in any way at all such as cutting holes for standing onions in.
- Judges should use their discretion when judging the Top Tray class, remembering that entries may come from inexperienced exhibitors.
- The points awarded should be clearly marked by the judges on the exhibitors' cards.
- Any queries that may arise, regarding anything other than the above rules, should be referred to, and decided by, the show officials. Failure to abide by any of these rules will lead to disqualification.

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	PRIZE MONEY		
	1st	2 nd	3rd
DAHLIAS			
 Giant or Large flowered Cactus or Semi-Cactus Dahlia – 1 bloom Giant or Large Decorative Dahlia – 1 bloom Medium Decorative Dahlia – 3 blooms Small Decorative Dahlia – 3 blooms Small Ball Dahlia – 3 blooms Miniature Decorative Dahlia - 3 blooms Miniature Ball Dahlia – 3 blooms Medium Cactus or Semi-Cactus Dahlia – 3 blooms Small or Miniature Cactus or Semi-Cactus Dahlia – 3 blooms Pompon Dahlia – 3 blooms Waterlily Dahlia - 3 blooms Collarette Dahlia - 3 blooms 	£3 £3 £3 £3 £3 £3 £3 £3 £3 £3 £3 £3	£2 £2 £2 £2 £2 £2 £2 £2 £2 £2 £2 £2 £2 £	£1 £1 £1 £1 £1 £1 £1 £1 £1 £1
 13. Newton-le-Willows Gardeners' Association Championship For Dahlias 4 Vases – 3 blooms per vase - I variety per vase Any variety except Giant Cactus, Semi-Cactus or Giant Decorative 	£7	£5	£3
CHRYSANTHEMUMS			
14. 15. 16. 17. Spray (Section 29) – 3 stems	£3	£2	£1
GLADIOLI 19. 20. Gladioli – large – 3 spikes of 3 distinct varieties 21. Gladiolus – large – 1 spike 22. Gladioli – primulinus or butterfly or glamourglad– 3 spikes 23.	£3 £3 £3	£2 £2 £2	£1 £1 £1

	PRIZE MONEY		
	1st	2 nd	3rd
ROSES			
24. 3 Large flowered (H T) Roses	£3	£2	£1
25. 1 Large flowered (H T) Rose	£3	£2	£1
26. 1 Spray – Cluster flowered (Floribunda) Rose	£3	£2	£1
27. 1 Bowl of Large flowered (H T) Roses (max 6 stems)	£3	£2	£1
OTHER FLOWERS			
28. 6 Pansies or violas– in a box or small container	£3	£2	£1
29. Vase of Annuals – 1 kind – not included in the schedule			
and grown from seed. No more than 9 stems.	£3	£2	£1
30. Vase of Rudbeckia - 1 variety	£3	£2	£1
31. Vase of Perennials – 1 kind – not included in the schedule.			
No more than 9 stems.	£3	£2	£1
32. Top Vase Class - for rules see Page 6	S	ee page	6
POT PLANTS 33. 1 Pot Plant in bloom (excluding Pelargoniums and Begonias)	£3	£2	£1
34. 1 Foliage Pot Plant	£3	£2	£1
35. 1 Begonia – flowering	£3	£2	£1
36. 1 Cactus Plant	£3	£2	£1
37. 1 Succulent Plant	£3	£2	£1
38. 1 Pelargonium (pot not to exceed 7")	£3	£2	£1
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FRUIT	00	00	04
39. 3 Apples - dessert	£3	£2	£1
40. 3 Apples - cooking	£3	£2	£1
41. Plate of stoned fruits	£3	£2	£1
42 3 of any other fruit not mentioned above and	00	00	0.4
excluding soft fruit	£3	£2	£1
43. A plate of soft fruit - 1 variety - 12	£3	£2	£1

	PRIZE MONEY		
	1st	2 nd	3 rd
VEGETABLES			
44. 4 Potatoes - coloured	£3	£2	£1
45. 4 Potatoes - white	£3	£2	£1
46. Runner Beans – 6 pods	£3	£2	£1
47. French Beans - 6 pods	£3	£2	£1
48. Shallots – 9	£3	£2	£1
49. 3 Onions – grown from seed – dressed – under 8 oz	£3	£2	£1
50. 3 Onions – grown from seed – dressed – 8 oz and over	£3	£2	£1
51. 3 Onions - grown from sets, dressed - white	£3	£2	£1
52. 3 - Onions - grown from sets , dressed - red	£3	£2	£1
53. Beetroot - 3	£3	£2	£1
54.			
55. Cucumber – 1	£3	£2	£1
56. Tomatoes – 5	£3	£2	£1
57. 1 truss of Tomatoes	£3	£2	£1
58. Cherry tomatoes – 5 (max 3.5cms)	£3	£2	£1
59. Carrots – 3	£3	£2	£1
60. Pepper (sweet or chilli) – 1	£3	£2	£1
61. Leeks – 2	£3	£2	£1
62. Sweetcorn – 1 cob with quarter of grain exposed	£3	£2	£1
63. Marrow -1	£3	£2	£1
64. Squash or Pumpkin - 1	£3	£2	£1
65. 1 of any other type of vegetable not mentioned above	£3	£2	£1
66. Top Tray Class - for rules see Page 11 67. Mini collection of 3 kinds of vegetables – 1 of each kind –	See page 11		
except pods of peas & beans (4) and tomatoes (3) 68.	£3	£2	£1
 A basket/trug of mixed garden produce (Container not provided, max 18" long) 	£3	£2	£1

PRIZE MONEY 2nd 3rd **COOKERY** A jar of home made jam in plain jam jar with waxed seal and cellophane top. £3 £2 £1 71. A jar of chutney in a screw-top jar. £3 £2 £1 A jar of fruit jelly with cellophane top. £3 72. £1

73. Beetroot cake

Ingredients: self-raising flour - 250g / 9oz; baking powder - 2 teaspoons; soft brown sugar - 150g / 6oz; sultanas - 100g / 4oz; beetroot, grated - 200g / 7oz; vegetable or sunflower oil - 150ml; eggs - 2

Method: Sift flour and baking powder together and mix in the sugar. Add the sultanas and grated beetroot. Beat the oil and eggs together and add. Combine. Spoon the mixture into a greased and lined 20cms / 8 inch springform cake tin and bake for 1 - 1½ hours at gas No 3, /165°c. until the skewer comes out clean. Cool in the tin for 10 minutes and then turn out to cool completely.

Please exhibit on a white paper plate

£3 £2 £1

£1

74. Peanut Butter Flapjacks

Ingredients: dark brown sugar—130g /4.5oz; porridge oats - 360g / 9oz; peanut butter - 200g/10.5oz; butter - 130g / 4.5oz; golden syrup -115g/4oz; chocolate - 180g / 6oz

Method: Preheat the oven to 190c/(170c fan)/gas 6. Line a 10 in square baking tin or similar size with grease proof paper. In a saucepan, add golden syrup, butter and brown sugar over medium-low heat, stir until the butter melts. Now, add the peanut butter to the mixture and stir until it melts. Turn the heat off and stir in the oats. Now, transfer the mixture into the baking pan, press it down with your hands or spoon. Bake for 30-35 minutes or until golden brown. Let the flapjack cool down before coating in melted chocolate.

Cut and select 4 equal squares and exhibit on a white paper plate £3 £2

CHILDREN'S CATEGORIES removed

75.

76.

PRIZE MONEY

£3

£2

£1

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photograph size not larger than 8" x 6" (20cm x 15cm), un-mounted and margin-free

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77.	Welcoming garden wildlife	£3	£2	£1
78.	Coast	£3	£2	£1
79.	Royal memories	£3	£2	£1

80. What I have grown. For U12's only, via their school, scout/brownies, other children's group. Photos to be judged by best content and use of produce.

NOVICE VEG/FRUIT GROWER

81. Best plate of fruit or vegetables by a beginner (someone who has never put anything in a Show and who is new to growing fruit & veg.) Can be a plate of any size (but NOT a basket/trug) of just one type or several mixed type, the main point is to show good produce and presentation.

MOST SCENTED ROSE

82. This will be decided by public vote.

ENTRY DETAILS

Complete the form in the schedule and take to the Hut with your entry fee.

You can also email nlwgashow@aol.com or phone your entry to 01925 816416 / 07805407475. N.B. This option is only available until 8pm on the Thursday evening.

Alternatively just bring along your completed entry form plus the fee, at the exhibitors staging time