Annual Birmingham Allotment Fruit, Flower & Vegetable Competition

Saturday 17th August 2024

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Competition venue:

Bordesley Green Allotments,

592A Bordesley Green(B4128),

Birmingham B9 5PD

(Entrance opposite Bordesley Green School)

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General Competition Rules

1. Eligibility

An Individual Exhibitors must fulfil one of the following:

a) Be a current tenant of a city of Birmingham Allotment or a partner of a current tenant.

b) Be a Young Gardener aged 15 to 18 years related to a current tenant of a city of Birmingham Allotment*. NOTE: A young gardener may enter senior classes he/she may be required to satisfy rule*

c) Be a tenant of a Sutton Coldfield site previously under the City of Birmingham Council

Note :Entries from any Birmingham private sites are at the discretion of the Show Committee depending upon the space available. The Committee reserve the right not to present trophies to private exhibitors.

Society/Association

Society or Association Exhibitor must represent a City of Birmingham Allotment Site/s

A group of tenants may enter association class(s) only when their association declines to take. part..

2. Entries

a) Copies of the schedule and entry forms will be supplied on request by the Show Secretary

b) All entries must be made on the form provided.

c) Each exhibitor must complete a separate entry form.

d) Each exhibitor has only one entry per class.

e) Exhibitors must state on their entry form - The situation, name and number of their plot.

f) All entry forms must be returned to the Clerk of the Show. Barbara Smith, 137 Black Haynes Road, Selly Oak Birmingham B29 4RE, email barbarasblackhaynes@gmail.com. Phone 07746062410.

g) Closing date for entries Monday 22nd July 2024.

h) Entry Cancellation -The Show Secretary is to be notified three days prior to the setup day of the show.

3. Entry Fee

Entry Fee to all classes – **FREE However voluntary donations are encouraged, towards the costs of the show.**

4. **Access**

a) Access to Show benches for exhibitors will be between 09.00 hrs and 20.00 hrs. on Friday 16th August 2024. And also, between 08.00hrs and 08.45 hrs on the Saturday.

b) Show Bench Arena will be closed for judging between 09.00 hrs and approximately 12.00hrs on the Saturday 17th August 2024.

c) Only those persons officially appointed shall be present during the judging of exhibits

d) No exhibit is to be removed before 5.00pm on Saturday 17th August 2024. When the Show Secretary will announce the closure of the Show.

e) The Show Area will open to the public at 12.00am Saturday 17th August 2024, closing to the public at 16.00hrs.

f) Presentation will take place at 16.00hrs on Saturday 17th at the end of the Show

5. Security

a) The committee will make the most careful arrangement for the protection of all exhibits at the show.

b) All exhibits, individual property etc., will be at the risk of the exhibitor and the committee will not be liable for the loss or damage due to any cause whatsoever.

6. Exhibits

a) Exhibit class cards will be ready for collection on staging days.
b) Exhibitors wishing to retain their exhibits need to indicate with an "R" on their class card.

7. Exhibitors will be responsible for

a) Cards are for correct class numbers.
b) Placement on correct exhibit.
c) Left face down

8. Exhibit correctly named where stipulated.

a) All exhibits must be named for public information where possible.
b) In classes where any variety is not known this will not disqualify the exhibitor.
c) Judges will however recognise favourably a correctly named exhibit in awarding points.

9. All individual exhibits must be grown on the exhibitor's allotment plot by the exhibitor.

a) All exhibits entered by an Association must be grown on that Association's site(s)
b) All exhibits entered in children's classes need not be grown by the exhibitor.
c) Exhibits must be cleaned and trimmed before delivery to show bench.
d) All flowers must be exhibited in containers holding water. (vases, bowls, tubes etc.)
e) Fruit exhibits to be displayed on paper plates, which will be supplied.

10. Judging

a) All exhibits in allotment classes shall be Judged in accordance with the R.H.S "The Horticultural Show Handbook" (8th Edition 2016)
b) Judges have the right to award additional places or withhold places in the event of insufficient entries in each class.
c) Any exhibit that does not conform to the schedule will be marked N.A.S. and disqualified.
d) The decision of the judges will be final.
e) In the event of a disqualification the lower placed winners will all be moved up one place and the lowest place will not be awarded.

11. Prize Money. Note there will be no prize monies this year, however there will be certificates for all classes and trophies for the Competition awards.

12. Complaints

1. The committee reserves the right to visit an allotment in the event of a dispute/complaint.
2. Any complaint regarding awards or exhibits must be made in writing to the show secretary no later than 10.00am Saturday 17th August 2024.

Competition Awards

Association Vegetable, Fruit Display	Class A3. Display of twelve kinds of Vegetables and four kinds of Fruit
Association Flower Display	Class A4. 1. Cut flowers arrangement, viewed for frontal effect.
Most Points in Competition	Will be awarded for obtaining most points Show
Most Points in Vegetables Section	Will be awarded for obtaining most points in the Vegetable Classes 1 - 31
Most Points in Novice Section	Will be awarded for obtaining most points in the Vegetable Classes 39 – 54.
Most Points in Flowers Section	Will be awarded for obtaining the most points in Flower classes 64 - 78
Cut Flower Display	Class 63. 1 vase collection of Cut Flowers, with any natural foliage to occupy Space 0.61m x 0.61m (2ft x 2ft). arranged for frontal effect.
Collection of Vegetables, six kinds.	Class 35. Collection of Vegetables, six kinds, only one of the Cabbage family allowed. To occupy Space 0.91m x 0.91m (3ft x 3ft). Garnishing to be allowed.
Children Best Exhibit	Will be awarded for best exhibit in the children's classes.

Individual - Single Vegetable Classes

Open anyone who is eligible under rule 1.

NOTE *Collection quantities differ from single class quantities where Class is marked with* see notes to class 35,* 36,37

Class	Description	Quantity
*1	Onions, five, dressed, 250g or under (clean basal plates)	**5**
*2	Potato, five, White cultivar, kidney, round, oval, one cultivar.	**5**
*3	Potato, five, Coloured cultivar, kidney, round, oval, one cultivar.	**5**
*4	Carrots, three, Stump rooted, shown with tops to be cut to 75mm (3”) in length	**3**
*5	Shallots, pickling, twelve, **under** 30mm (1 1/8in) (clean basal plates)	**12**
*6	Rhubarb, three sticks, leaf trimmed to 75mm (3”) in length	**3**
7	Courgette, three, 150mm – 200mm (6”-8”) any colour - matching.	**3**
8	Beet, globe, four, with foliage trimmed to 75mm	**4**
*9	Beans, runner, nine	**9**
*10	Beans, French, nine (including climbing)	**9**
*11	Tomatoes, nine, approx.: 60mm (2 3/8” dia)	**9**
*12	Tomatoes, one truss	**1 truss**
12a	Tomatoes 15 round cherry max 30mm	**15**
12b	Tomatoes 15 small cherry plum	**15**
*13	Pepper, sweet, three	**3**
*14	Squash, three	**3**
15	Sweetcorn, three, silks retained. fold down sufficient husk to expose the cob	**3**
*16	Cucumber, pair	**1 pair**
17	Marrow, table, pair, matching colour, under 350mm (133⁄4”)	**1 pair**
18	Garlic, five bulbs, trimmed to 25mm (1 in) (clean basal plates) on 250mm (10 in) plate	**5 bulbs**
19	Pepper, Hot Chilli, six, stalks attached, colour according to cultivar	**6**
*20	Aubergine, three, with calyces intact	**3**
*21	Onion, three, over 250g, dressed (clean basal plate)	**3**
*22	Peas, nine pods	**9**

23	Shallots, exhibition, twelve. **Over** 30mm (1 1/8in) (clean basal plates)	**12**
24	Parsnips, three, Tops to be cut to 75mm (3") in length	**3**
25	Carrots, three, a long-pointed cultivar, tops to be cut to 75mm (3") in length	**3**
*26	Celery, two Sticks with roots trimmed. (Clean basal plate)	**2**
*27	Blanched Leeks, three, min barrel 350mm, (roots on & clean)	**3**
28	Intermediate Leeks, three, min barrel 250mm, (roots on & clean)	**3**
*29	Pot Leeks, two, max barrel 150mm, (roots on & clean)	**2**
*30	Cauliflower, two, 75mm(3in) stem left on.	**2**
*31	Cabbage, two, Red or Green, 75mm(3in) stem left on.	**2**

Points for each of Classes 1 to 31, 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 1 point. 7

Individual - Collection of Vegetables

Class 35 - Collection of Six Vegetables

Class	Description
35	Collection of Vegetables, six kinds, only one of the Cabbage family allowed. To occupy Space 0.91m x 0.91m (3ft x 3ft). Garnishing to be allowed.

Open anyone who is eligible under rule 1. All Quantities in collections, apart from below, are as per classes 1 to 31.

Specific Quantities for Collection class 35

Quantity THREE (3) : Cauliflowers, Cucumber, Cabbage Green, Cabbage Red.

Quantity FOUR (4) : Celery, Leeks other than Pot Leeks, Pot Leeks, Squash.

Quantity SIX (6) : Onions Over 250g, Onions 250g or under, Peppers Sweet, Potato White, Potato Coloured, Carrots Stump rooted, Rhubarb.

Quantity TWELVE (12): Peas, Beans Runner, Beans French.

Black cloth or tray painted black and Parsley for garnishing are permitted. Also, accessories e.g., plates, sand and rings are permitted

Points for Class 35, 1st = 12 points, 2nd = 9 points, 3rd = 6 points.

B.D.A.C Youth Challenge Vegetables Class 38 - Collection of Three Vegetables

Class	Description
38	Tabletop Display of three kinds of vegetables only one of the Cabbage family allowed. Vegetables must be displayed for effect To occupy Space 0.61m x 0.45m (24" x 18").

Quantities for Collection Class 38

3 kinds of Vegetables, any from the following:

Beans, runner, **six**
Cauliflower, **one,** 75mm(3in) stem left on.
Onion, **three,** over 250g or under 250g, dressed (clean basal plate)
Peas, **six,** pods
Sweetcorn, **three**, silks retained. Fold down sufficient husk to expose the cob
Potato, **three**, Coloured or white cultivar, kidney, round, oval, one cultivar.
Cabbage, **one**, green or Red 75mm(3in) stem left on.
Carrots, **three**, Stump rooted, shown with tops to be cut to 75mm (3") in length
Tomatoes, **six,** approx.: 60mm (2 3/8"). dia

Youth Challenge is Open to any exhibitor aged 15 to 18 years who is related to a City of Birmingham allotment tenant eligible under rule 1.

Points for Class 38, 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 1 point. All Vegetables are to be displayed for effect.

Vegetables must be displayed within the allocated area measuring 18inches x 24inches/450mm x 600mm.

Black cloth or tray painted black and Parsley for garnishing are permitted. Accessories e.g., plates, sand and rings are permitted.

Individual Novice Single Vegetable Classes

Restricted to inexperienced/infrequent exhibitors or anyone who has never entered a show before. Exhibitors must be eligible under rule 1.
If you are unsure what is required, speak to the show committee.

Class	Description	Single Class Quantity
39	Onion, three, any variety, dressed (clean basal plate)	3
40	Peas, six pods, (with flower case)	6
41	Cabbage, two, green or red 75mm(3in) stem left on.	2
42	Potato, three, white or coloured cultivar, kidney, round, or oval, one cultivar.	3
43	Carrots, three, any variety, tops to be cut to 75mm (3”) in length	3
44	Rhubarb, three sticks, leaf trimmed to 75mm (3”) in length	3
45	Courgette, three, 150mm – 200mm (6”-8”) any variety, colour matching.	3
46	Beet, globe, three, with foliage trimmed to 75mm	3
47	Beans, runner, six, any variety	6
48	Beans, French, six, any variety, (including climbing)	6
49	Tomatoes, six, approx.: 60mm (2 3/8”). Dia, any colour.	6
49a	Tomatoes 15 round cherry max 30mm	**15**
49b	Tomatoes 15 small cherry plum	**15**
50	Pepper, sweet, three, any variety, one cultivar.	3
51	Squash, three, any variety, one cultivar.	3
52	Sweetcorn, three, silks retained. Fold down sufficient husk to expose the cob, any variety, one cultivar.	3
53	Cucumber, pair, any variety, one cultivar.	1 pair
54	Garlic, three bulbs, trimmed to 25mm (1 in) (clean basal plates) on 250mm (10 in) plate	3 bulbs

Points for each of Classes 39 to 54, 1^{st} = 3 points, 2^{nd} = 2 points, 3^{rd} = 1 point.

Individual - Single Fruit Classes F1 – F5 Open anyone who is eligible under rule 1.

Class	Description	Single Class Quantity
F1	Apple, Dessert, six, any cultivar.	**6**
F2	Apple, Cooking, six, any cultivar.	**6**
F3	Pear, Dessert, six, any cultivar.	**6**
F4	Plum, Dessert, nine, any cultivar	**9**
F5	Damson, nine, any cultivar	**9**

Points for each of Classes F1 to F5. 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 1 point.

Individual - Single Heaviest Classes H1 – H5 Open anyone who is eligible under rule 1.

Class	Description	Single Class Quantity
H1	Onion, Heaviest, Leaves cut 75mm (3in) with clean root	**1**
H2	Marrow, Heaviest	**1**
H3	Pumpkin, Heaviest	**1**
H4	Potatoes, three, Heaviest Combined Weight any cultivars	**3**
H5	Longest Bean	**1**

Points for each of Classes H1 to H5. 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 1 point.

Children's Classes C1

Open to any Child who is related to a City of Birmingham allotment tenant.

Age 4 – 8 years

C1	Animal, to be made from Vegetables, Fruit and other natural plant material.

Note: - Award will be presented to the winner of this class.

Children's Classes C2

Open to any Child who is related to a City of Birmingham allotment tenant.

Age 9 - 14 years

C2	Miniature Garden, in a standard seed Tray to include Vegetables, Fruit and other natural plant material.

Note: - Award will be presented to the winner of this class.

Individual Classes of Cut Flowers

Class 63 - Collection of Cut Flowers

Open to any exhibitor who is eligible under rule 1.

Class	Description
63	1 vase collection of Cut Flowers, with any natural foliage to occupy Space 0.61m x 0.61m (2ft x 2ft). arranged for frontal effect.

Note: -
Staging not to be higher than 0.76m (2ft 6in)
Overall display height not to exceed 0.91m (3ft)
Points for Class 63, 1^{st} = 8 points, 2^{nd} = 6 points, 3^{rd} = 4 points.

Individual Classes of Cut Flowers

Open to any exhibitor who is eligible under rule 1.

Class	Description
64	One vase of mixed Garden flowers and its own foliage, arranged for frontal effect.
65	Three vases Garden Flowers, 3 kinds, not more than 9 stems in each vase, one kind per vase.
66	One vase of hardy Border Perennials and own foliage, any kind of cultivars, arranged
67	One vase, African Marigold, 6 blooms, any cultivar.

68	One vase Gladioli, 3 large spikes.
69	One vase Gladioli, 5 spikes, (other than large flowering type, any cultivar, or cultivars.
70	Gladioli, 1 Specimen, any cultivar.
71	Two vases of Spray Chrysanthemum, 5 stems per vase, two distinct cultivars
72	1 vase, Dahlia, Pom Pom, 5 blooms, any single cultivar.
73	1 vase, Dahlia, Miniature, 5 blooms, **Size Max dia 100mm (4")** Ball or Decorative/Cactus or semi-Cactus, any single cultivar.
74	1 vase, Dahlia, Small, 5 blooms, **Size 100mm – 150mm (4" to 6")** Decorative/Cactus or semi-Cactus, any single cultivar.
75	1 vase, Dahlia, Medium, 3 blooms, **Size 150mm – 200mm (6" to 8")** Decorative/Cactus or semi-Cactus, any single cultivar.
76	3 vases, Dahlia, Large, 1 bloom per vase, **Size 200mm – 250mm (8" to 10")** Decorative/Cactus or semi-Cactus, any single cultivar.
77	3 vases, Dahlia, Giant, 1 bloom per vase, **Min dia 250mm (10")** Decorative/Cactus or semi-Cactus, any single cultivar.
78	1 vase, Dahlia 5 blooms any single cultivar, **NOT IN CLASSES 72 TO 77**

Points for each of Class's 64 to 78 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 1 point.

Association Classes

Association Display Class A3

Class	Description
A3	Display of twelve kinds of Vegetables and four kinds of Fruit. Displayed in a standard size fruit box. 600mm x 400 x 175 mm **Quality, staging and general effect**

Note: -
The display must consist of **twelve kinds of vegetables and four kinds of fruit inside the box**
With no restriction on the quantity of each of the twelve chosen vegetables and four chosen fruits.
Quality, Staging/Overall Effect will be considered and marked in awarding prizes.

Each element, namely; vegetables, fruit and staging, will have a maximum of 25 points.

Orientation – viewed from Front (400mm), depth (600mm) across the show bench. Only Parsley for garnishing allowed.

A card identifying the variety of the fruit and vegetable is required on the display.
Failure to identify produce will result in a one place penalty.

Fruit boxes are readily available from any fruit retailer.
Boxes can be painted or covered for staging effect; these may be inclined a maximum of 75mm front to back.

Extensions or additions to box construction are not permitted.
Show bench allocation is 600mm x 600mm
A base board to mount the box is permitted and the outside of the box can be dressed for appearance only, the exhibit must **not exceed** the allocated space.

Class A3 - Open to Allotments Societies and Associations who are eligible under rule 1d or 1e.

No association identification is permitted on display until judging is completed.
No decoration is permitted.-Only the name of the Association may be added after judging has taken place.

Points for class A3, 1st = 6 points, 2nd = 4 points, 3rd = 2 points.

Association Display Class A4

Class	Description
A4	1 Flower arrangement. To occupy space 0.61m (2ft). arranged for frontal effect. **Quality, staging and general effect**

Note: -
The display must consist of **a minimum of three kinds of Flowers.**
Overall display height not to exceed 0.76m (2ft 6in)

Natural Foliage is permitted for effect.
Quality, Staging/Overall Effect will be considered and marked out 50 points in awarding prize.

Each element is marked as follows.

Flowers	35 points
Staging/Overall Effect	15 points

A card identifying the variety of the flowers is required on the display.

Failure to identify produce will result in a one place penalty.

Class A4 - Open to Allotments Societies and Association who are eligible under rule 1d or 1e.

No Association identification is permitted on display until judging is completed.
No decoration is permitted.

Only the name of the Association may be added after judging has taken place.

Points for class A4 , 1st = 6 points, 2nd = 5 points, 3rd = 4 points.

All entries to be sent to:

Barbara Smith. By email barbarasblackhaynes@gmail.com, by post : 137 Black Haynes, Selly Oak, Birmingham B29 4RE

Good Luck from the Show Team!

BIRMINGHAM ALLOTMENT, FLOWER, FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SCHEDULE ENTRY FORM

Entries to reach Show Entry Clerk before Monday 22nd July 2024

Name of Exhibitor [BLOCK CAPITALS]:_____

Private Address [BLOCK CAPITALS]: _____

_____

Post Code: _____ Tel.No. _____.

e-mail _____

Allotment Site: _____

Plot No_____

Class	Description of Exhibit [as in schedule]. Each entry to be on separate line.

Entry Fee is free , donations welcomed.

Continue overleaf

Children's Classes – Parents must sign the following:

"I declare that the child is within the age limit for the class(s) that I the parent/guardian have entered him/her into".

Child's Name: _____Age: _____

Signed: _____Parent/Guardian

I wish to enter the Exhibits listed and **entry is Free** for 2024 competition

Entries to be returned to **Clerk of the Show before Monday 22th July 2024**

we would like to donate £..... to the cost running the competition.

Please do not enclose cash/postage stamps. Cheques or postal Orders must be made payable to **"BDAC Show Account"**

Direct payments can be made to the BDAC Show Account: Sort Code 09 01 53 Account number 60682286. Please email the Entry Clerk to notify electronic payment amounts.

Send entries to the Entry Clerk:

Barbara Smith by email barbarasblackhaynes@gmail.com or by post 137 Black Haynes Road Selly Oak, Birmingham, B29 4RE

The submission of this entry form indicates that I have read the regulations, printed in the show schedule and agree to comply with all of them.

Sign: _____ Exhibitor Date _____