

## 2018 Show Rules

1. Classes in the Show schedule are open to all except where specified. All entries to be exhibitor's own work and craft entries must not have been previously exhibited in this show. Joint entries are not permitted with the exception of the Scarecrow Section where groups are allowed.
2. Exhibits must be staged between 7.00am and 10.30am on the day of the show, and all competitors must vacate the show areas by 10.30am when judging will commence. Exhibits must be left until 4.00pm when they should be collected, however, any items not collected before 4.30pm will be auctioned unless clearly marked "NOT FOR SALE".
3. Committee members will supervise the removal of exhibits prior to the auction, after which the show halls may be unattended.
4. No exhibit may carry any name or mark that could identify the exhibitor.
5. Vases will be supplied for all the horticultural flower classes except for class 6 (Roses - 1 bowl) where exhibitors must provide their own bowl.
6. Each exhibitor shall pay a fee for every entry up to ten entries after which further entries are free. Any cheques should be payable to HH&CGS.
7. Any person exhibiting produce not of their own growing, or which has not been in their possession in the two months previous to the show, will forfeit all prizes and will not be allowed to compete in future shows.
8. A judge may not enter a class that he or she is judging.
9. Only one entry per class per exhibitor is allowed.
10. The deadline for entries is 7:00pm on Wednesday 15 August. If insufficient entries are received by the closing date, classes may be cancelled.
11. All competitors will be charged for admission to the show.
12. All awards will be handed out between 3.30pm and 4.00pm on the day of the show.
13. Points for cups are awarded as follows: 1st place – 5 points; 2nd place - 3 points; and 3rd place - 2 points. In the event of a tie, the exhibitor with the most First prizes will be the cup winner.
14. Hurst Horticultural & Cottage Garden Society (HH&CGS) is the organiser of the Show and is affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society. All horticultural exhibits will be judged under RHS rules unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
15. Entries in Novice classes 72 to 79 are limited to those who have not won a first prize in the corresponding non-novice classes. A first prize in any Novice class will mean a loss of novice status in that class.
16. Any complaint should be raised before 3.00pm on the day of the show to a committee member.
17. HH&CGS accepts no responsibility for the theft or other loss or damage to attendees' and exhibitors' property. Nor shall it be liable for any indirect or consequential loss, damage, costs or expenses whether foreseeable or not except for death or personal injury caused by its negligence or fraudulent act.
18. Cups are not engraved with each year's winner. However, if the design of the cup is suitable, winners may, at their expense, engrave cups but only after seeking written permission from the Secretary. If authorised, engraving needs to be done professionally and to a size and font consistent with other engraving on the cup. Also the winner is responsible for any damage to the cup that may be caused by such engraving.
19. Entrants of class 137 give the Society the right free of charge to play their entry at the show and place it on its website for public download. However, the entrant's copyright will be acknowledged.