

Falmouth & district ALLOTMENT AND GARDEN SOCIETY

ANNUAL SHOW

2026

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AUGUST 1ST

*Growing
Community
Celebrating
Allotments
and Gardens*

Emmanuel Baptist Church,
Western Terrace,
Falmouth, TR11 4QJ

SHOW
SCHEDULE



Contact information

For further information relating to the show please contact the email address below,

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Entering Your Produce for the 2026 Show

Entry forms and fees can be posted into the A site shed post box or handed in at the Society's Clubhouse on Thursday the 30th July between 5.30 and 7.00pm.

**Please note that all entry forms and fees must be received
before 7pm on Thursday 30th July 2026.
No entries will be allowed on the day.**

Timings for the Day - Saturday 1st August 2026

- 08.30 - Hall will open for the staging of exhibits.
- 10.00 - Hall will be closed and judging will begin
- 14.00 - Hall opens to society members and members of the public
- 15.00 - Presentation of Trophies and Prizes
- 15.20 - Raffle

Some advice on staging your exhibits and some judging criteria is given towards the end of this schedule.

The Society cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to exhibitors' property, or any accident sustained by exhibitors or members of the public at the show.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All classes are confined to society members who are Allotment Holders, Associate or Garden Members of the society.
2. All produce must be grown by members on their own plots or in their own gardens. The Committee will have the right to inspect plots or gardens to ensure that this is so.
3. Only one entry per member is allowed for each class (unless otherwise stated)
4. A Novice is defined as a society member who has not won a 1st Prize or Trophy in any class in any previous show held by our society.
5. Exhibitors must use the vases supplied for the display of cut flowers.
6. All trophies are perpetual and cannot be won outright and must be returned to the Show Secretary before the next show. Trophies will be inscribed with the winner's name and the year (paid for by the society using our designated engraver). Trophies must be cleaned and polished before return.
7. Each class will be awarded a first, second and third prize if there are sufficient entries. The judge may also award a 'highly commended' if thought appropriate.
8. The judges' decision will be final.
9. Any protest must be made in writing before 14.30 on the day of the show.
10. Points will be awarded for each prize as follows: 1st. Prize - 5 points, 2nd. Prize – 3 points, 3rd Prize - 2 points.
11. Where a trophy awarded is for most points over a number of classes, should there be an equal highest score, the judge will decide the winner based upon the consistency of quality across those classes.
12. No entries can be removed before 15:15 on the afternoon of the show.
13. Cash prizes may be collected between 14:00 and 14.45pm on show day.

TROPHIES and PRIZES

Cash prizes are awarded for each class: 1st = 50p; 2nd = 30p; 3rd = 20p. Entrants can indicate on the entry form whether they would like to collect any winnings, for their winnings to be donated to the charity **Mission to Seafarers** or to be retained by the society.

Plot Trophies

Entry is automatic for all Allotment Holders.

The Julian's Cup – Most Improved Plot in the first year of membership.

Plot Holder of the Year – for the most improved allotment plot for members not in their first year

President's Cups – for the best kept plot on each site A, B and C.

One cup is awarded each year for the best plot on each site. These may only be won by the same allotment holder every fifth year.

Vegetable Trophies

The Blue Flame Shield – best Top Tray; class V1.

Vegetable Shield – for the most points in the Vegetable Section; classes V2-V34

The Shed Cup – the best exhibit in the Vegetable Section: classes V2-V34

The Saundry Cup – most points for onions, shallots, garlic and leek classes V8-V14 and N1.

Alison Waddling Cup – best cherry tomato; class V16

The Herb Cup – best exhibit of herbs; V33

Fruit Trophies

The Bailey's Country Stores Cup – for the most points in the Fruit Section; classes F1-F9

The Falmouth Garden Centre Cup - for best mixed berries; class F8

Vegetable and Fruit Trophy

The Hine Downing Cup – for impressive vegetables and fruit; V1-V33 and F1-F9.

-awarded to the exhibitor with the highest average scores across both the vegetable and fruit sections.

Novelty Vegetables

Effortless IT/DiamondGroundworks Cup – for biggest cabbage - class N2. If there are no entries, this trophy will be awarded to best example of a large cabbage in class V29.

Flower Trophies

Top Vase – for best Top Vase; class CF1

The Geoffrey Evans Cup - for the Best Sweet Peas; class CF2

The Jackie Wagland Flower Shield – for the most points in the Cut Flowers Section; classes CF2-CF19

The George Pentecost Cup – for the best exhibit in the Cut Flowers Section; classes CF2-CF19

Pot Plant Cup – for most points in the Pot Plants section; class PP1-PP7

Moyle Cup – for the exhibitor who in the view of the judges has demonstrated greatest horticultural skill in the growing of an exhibit for this section of the show, PP1-PP7.

Domestic Trophies

Domestic Cup – most points in the preserves classes of the domestic section; classes D1-D6 and beverages class D11 & D12

Stones Bakery Cup – most points in the baking classes; classes D7-D12

Novice Trophy

Novice Cup – most points in the novice class; classes N1-N8

Junior Trophy

Junior Cup – most points in the junior section; classes J1-J4 or J5-J8

President's Trophy

Marlborough Cup – President's choice of best exhibit in the show.

Society Trophy

The Show Champion Cup – most points in the show

Handicraft/Needlework

Silver cup - most points won in classes HC1 – HC5

Photography

Photography cup – most points won in classes PH1 – PH5

The trophies will be retained to be inscribed with the winner's name and year by the Society and will be available for collection from the Coffee mornings during late August or by arrangement with the Show Secretary.

VEGETABLE SECTION

Class V1

Top Tray

Entry Fee: 20p (One entry only per exhibitor). One trophy to be won.

A collection of FOUR types of vegetable from the following list. Each type must be of one variety. The quantities are shown in brackets. Beans -French or Runner (4 pods), Carrots (3), Courgettes (3), Lettuce (1), Onions (3), Potatoes (3), Peas (5 pods), Tomatoes (4). All Vegetables to be displayed on a tray measuring 18"x12" which will be supplied. No part of the display can exceed this size. Parsley is allowed for garnish. No other foliage or accessories will be permitted. All types to be displayed in the same manner as individual classes.

Each tray can be awarded a maximum total of 80 points (20 points per type). Each type will be assessed, and points awarded to a maximum as follows: 7 points for shape, size and colour; 7 points for condition; 6 points for uniformity.

Classes V2-V34

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class). Five trophies to be won.

		Entered (x)
V2	3 Beetroot - (foliage trimmed)	
V3	3 Carrots - (foliage trimmed)	
V4	3 Potatoes (whites)	
V5	3 Potatoes (partially coloured)	
V6	3 Potatoes (colours)	
V7	1 Elephant Garlic Head	
V8	3 Red Onions (As Grown)	
V9	3 Onions (Dressed)	
V10	3 Onions (As Grown)	
V11	5 Shallots – round bulbs (Dressed)	
V12	5 Shallots – long or banana bulbs (Dressed)	
V13	3 Garlic Heads	
V14	2 Leeks	
V15	3 Tomatoes - round (Calyces On)	
V16	6 Cherry Tomatoes (Calyces On)	
V17	2 Tomatoes – other varieties (Calyces On)	
V18	6 Pods of Peas	
V19	6 Pods of Peas - mangetout or snap	
V20	4 Runner Beans	
V21	4 French Beans	
V22	1 Cucumber	
V23	3 Courgettes - cylindrical	
V24	3 Courgettes - round or patty pan cultivars	
V25	1 Marrow (no longer than 350mm in length)	
V26	3 Chilli Peppers	
V27	1 Sweet Pepper	
V28	1 Lettuce	
V29	1 Cabbage (Root Trimmed)	
V30	3 Stalks of Rhubarb - leaves trimmed to approx 75mm	
V32	6 Radish (Same variety – foliage trimmed to approx 30mm)	
V33	Mixed Herbs (Max of 5 stems of 5 named varieties in your own container)	
V34	1 Any Other Vegetable for which there is no class	

NOVELTY VEGETABLES SECTION

Classes N1-N4

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class). One trophy to be won.

		Entered (x)
N1	Biggest Onion	
N2	Biggest Cabbage	
N3	Longest Runner Bean	
N4	Any other oversized fruit or vegetable of which there is no class	
N5	Most mis-shaped vegetable	

FRUIT SECTION

Classes F1-F8

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class). Two trophies to be won.

		Entered (x)
F1	Blackberries - 10 on a small plate/dish – calyces on	
F2	Blueberries - 5 strings of one on a small dish	
F3	Currants – black or white or red 5 strings of one on a small dish	
F4	Gooseberries - 10 on a small plate/dish	
F5	Loganberries or Tayberries - 10 on a small plate/dish – calyces on	
F6	Raspberries - 10 on a small plate/dish – calyces on	
F7	Strawberries – 6 on a small plate - calyces on	
F8	Mixed berries or currants.	
F9	Any other fruit for which there is no class	

NOVICE SECTION

Classes NV1-NV8

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class). One trophy to be won.

		Entered (X)
NV1	3 Potatoes	
NV2	3 Onions - as grown	
NV3	3 Beans – any kind	
NV4	3 Beetroot - foliage trimmed	
NV5	3 Tomatoes or 5 Cherry Tomatoes	
NV6	Sweet Peas - 3 Stems	
NV7	5 Blooms of any flower - one variety or mixture of varieties (not sweet pea)	
NV8	Any vegetable not listed above – 1 example	

CUT FLOWER SECTION

Class CF1

Top Vase

A Vase of Mixed Flower Stems containing a total of between 5 & 10 stems taken from a minimum of 2 different kinds of plants. Only flowers from the exhibitor's allotment or home garden are allowed. The Vase will be viewed all round.

The stems should show only flower, no seed heads or berries may be included. No accessories such as bows, or additional foliage will be permitted. Foliage growing naturally and still attached to the flowering stems will be allowed as will be packing to hold the stems in place. Each display can be awarded a maximum total of 35 points divided as follows: 25 points for colour, form, condition, quality and freshness; 10 points for overall presentation and effect of flowers in the vase. One trophy to be won.

Classes CF2-CF19

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class) Three trophies to be won.

		Entered (X)
CF2	1 Vase of Sweet Peas - 5 Stems	
CF3	1 Vase of Gladioli - 3 Spikes	
CF4	1 Vase of Gladioli - 1 Spike	
CF5	1 Vase of Carnations or Pinks - 3 Stems	
CF6	1 Vase of Pompom Dahlias - (Any Variety) - 3 Blooms	
CF7	1 Vase of Cactus Dahlias (Any Variety) - 3 Blooms	
CF8	1 Vase of Decorative Dahlias (Any Variety) - 3 Blooms	
CF9	1 Vase of any type of Dahlias - 3 Blooms of same variety	
CF10	1 Vase of Pompom Dahlias (Any Variety) - 1 Bloom	
CF11	1 Vase of Cactus Dahlias (Any Variety) - 1 Bloom	
CF12	1 Vase of Decorative Dahlias (Any Variety) - 1 Bloom	
CF13	1 Vase of any type of Dahlias (Any Variety) - 1 Blooms	
CF14	1 Vase of dried seed heads (no more then 6 stems)	
CF15	Rose (Any Variety) - 1 Bloom	
CF16	Hydrangeas of same colour – 3 stems	
CF17	1 Vase Any Flower not previously mentioned - 3 Stems, 1 Variety.	
CF18	6 Fuchsia heads (same variety, mounted on board provided)	
CF19	Vase of mixed foliage (5 stems)	

POT PLANT SECTION

Classes PP1-PP7

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class). Two trophies to be won.

		Entered (X)
PP1	1 Pot Plant - Foliage	
PP2	1 Pot Plant - Fuchsia	
PP3	1 Pot Plant - Pelargonium	
PP4	1 Pot Plant - Orchid	
PP5	1 Pot Plant – Cactus	
PP6	1 Pot Plant – Succulent	
PP7	1 Pot Plant - Any other plant (max pot size 30cm)	

DOMESTIC SECTION

Classes D1-D12

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class). No screw tops or commercial labels are permitted on jars. Two trophies to be won.

	Preserves	Entered (X)
D1	1 Jar of Homemade Jam	
D2	1 Jar of Homemade Curd	
D3	1 Jar of Homemade Jelly or Marmalade	
D4	1 Jar of Homemade Pickles	
D5	1 Jar of Homemade Chutney or Relish	
	Baking	Entered (X)
D7	1 Victoria Sandwich - 8" Diameter *see rules	
D8	6 Scones: Plain, sweet or savoury	
D9	1 Vegetable Cake – any variety - accompanied by recipe	
D10	Savoury pastry goods (pasty, quiche, flan, sausage roll, cheese straws)	
	Beverages	Entered (X)
D11	Fruit cordial non alcoholic	
D12	Alcoholic beverage (wine or liquor with base of fruit or vegetable grown on the plot or your garden)	

Handicraft/Needlework

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class). One trophy to be won.

	Entered (X)
HC1	Handmade soft toy – Knitted or Crocheted
HC2	Any garment – Knitted or Crocheted
HC3	Any other item – Knitted or Crochet
HC4	Pin Cushion
HC5	Hanging decoration
HC6	Any other crafted item

JUNIOR SECTION

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class).

	Entered (X)
	Under 7s – One Prize to be won
J1	1 Leaf and/or Petal collage (no larger than A4)
J2	3 x decorated cupcakes
J3	Design a miniature environmentally friendly garden on a dinner plate.
	7-11 Years – One Trophy to be won
J4	Create a summer themed artwork (2D or 3D) using recycled materials covering a display space of no more than 21cms x 30cms
J5	3 x decorated cupcakes
J6	Design a miniature environmentally friendly garden on a dinner plate.

Photography

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class). One trophy to be won.

		Entered (X)
PH1	Landscape	
PH2	Wildlife & Nature	
PH3	Street Photography	
PH4	My favourite spot in the allotments	

Photography Youth Section

Open to anyone 17 years old and under.

Entry Fee: 20p (One Entry per Exhibitor per Class). One prize to be won.

		Entered (X)
YPH1	My World	
YPH2	Nature & Wildlife	
YPH3	Black & White	
YPH4	Reflections	

Advice and Judging Criteria

As far as vegetables and fruit are concerned, general presentation is important with particular attention given to uniformity of colour, size and shape. Quality rather than size, trueness to type, not too ripe, not too young, and unblemished specimens, which in the end means 'which you would want to eat'.

Vegetables

Root vegetables should be washed and clean of all soil, roots intact and tops trimmed. Podded vegetables should have part of the stem attached.

Potatoes (V4-V6). Pure white varieties should be entered in class **V4**. Those with pink or purple or other coloured eyes or with splashes of colour go in **V5**. Varieties with full colour should be entered in class **V6**.

Tomatoes (V15-V17). Normal round tomatoes of all colours should be entered in class **V15**. Cherry tomatoes of all colours and shapes should be in **V16**. Beefsteak, plum and heritage varieties should be entered in class **V17**.

V16 entries to be staged on plates and fine grade vermiculite provided.

Fruit

Berries (F1, F2, F4, F5) - black/logan/tay berries large and ripe, free from blemishes with fresh calyces. Gooseberries – large, unblemished, good colour, stalks on. Blueberries – good colour and bloom, free from blemishes.

Currants (F3) - Select 5 large strings with plenty of currants which should be large, ripe and uniform on fresh stalks. Brilliant colours. Display on a plate; own foliage may be used for decoration.

Mixed Berries/Currants (F8) – At least four different kinds of berries and/or currants attractively presented on a plate of approximately 7" diameter.

Raspberries (F6) - Select 10 large ripe fruits of good colour with stalks. Stalks and calyces should look green and fresh and all point one way when staged on a small plate.

Strawberries (F7) - Select 6 large ripe fruits of good colour with stalks. Stalks and calyces should look green and fresh and all point one way when staged on a small plate.

Any other fruit for which there is no class (F9) - Only 1 fruit should normally be selected but in the case of small fruits up to 6 may be displayed.

Flowers

With regards to cut flowers, fresh and unfaded with petals complete and unmarked with a uniformity of colour, size and shape. The centres of the blooms should be vibrant with the stamens unfaded. For pot plants, consideration is given to quality, size, condition, and presentation.

Prepping and staging facilities to be available on the day and a selection of vases provided for exhibitors.

Dahlia types – information from National Dahlia Society website

Pompon Dahlias - have fully double spherical blooms of miniature size, with florets largely involute along their length (longitudinal axis).

Cactus Dahlias - have fully double blooms, the ray florets are usually pointed, the majority narrow and revolute for 65% or more of their length (longitudinal axis) and either straight or incurving.

Decorative Dahlias - have fully double blooms showing no disc. The ray florets are generally broad and flat and may be involute for no more than 75% of their length (longitudinal axis) or slightly twisted, and usually bluntly pointed.

Pot plants

All pot plants will have been grown and in the care of the owner/exhibitor for at least three months prior to the show.

Domestic

Victoria Sandwich (D7) – made with 4 eggs; jam-filled, dredged with sugar, baked in two tins.

Vegetable Cake (D9) – for example carrot cake, courgette cake etc.

Photography

Entries can be delivered to the Hall between 8.30 and 10.00 or to the Society's Clubhouse on Thursday the 30th July between 5.30 and 7.00pm

One entry per class. The space allowed for each photograph is A4 including mounts. No frames are allowed. All photographs must be the entrants own work, have their name and class entered on the reverse, and not previously have been entered into the Falmouth & District Allotments and Gardens Society Annual Show. A caption on the front is optional.