Lavant Horticultural Society

(Affiliated with the Royal Horticultural Society)

ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW

Saturday 2nd August 2025

LAVANT MEMORIAL HALL

Pook Lane, Lavant PO18 0AH

Free Admission

Refreshments and Raffle Tickets will be on Sale

TIMETABLE 08.45 Hall opens for exhibits to be put in place 10.45 All exhibits must be in place and the hall cleared 11.00 Hall closed - judging commences 14.00 Show opens to exhibitors and visitors 15.45 Removal of exhibits not for sale 16.00 Prize-giving, followed by raffle draw and sale of exhibition produce

Proceeds of the produce sale go to Lavant Friendly Club

Note that 5pm on Wednesday 30th July 2025 is the cut-off time for submission of entry forms — later entries will not be accepted.

Rules:

- 1 Please note that all entries must be exhibited exactly as described in the Schedule, otherwise they will be disqualified as 'NAS' Not According to Schedule. If in doubt, do ask a steward on the day.
- 2 Exhibitors must be members of the Society or residents of the Parish of Lavant or of Summersdale or Lavant Allotment Holders.
- 3 Junior classes are open to any child/grandchild of anyone who qualifies to exhibit in the Show (see 2 above), to any pupil of Lavant Primary School and to any child in a group run by Lavant Church.
- 4 All exhibits must be in place by 10.45 am on the day of the Show. The Hall will be open to exhibitors from 8.45 am.
- 5 No exhibitor may show more than one exhibit in any class. Only one entry per household or allotment in adult classes 1-49 and 201-251.
- 6 All exhibits must have been grown in the garden or allotment of, or be made by, the exhibitor. The committee reserves the right to inspect the garden or allotment to satisfy themselves as to the bona fide character of any exhibit.
- 7 Pot plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least 3 months.
- 8 Exhibits in the Flower Arrangement classes (53-56 and 251) are exempt from the conditions of rule 6. No artificial flowers/plants or accessories are allowed in any class except where specifically stated.
- 9 The judges shall have complete discretion to give or to withhold any prize. The award shall depend entirely on the quality of the exhibit and may be any of 1st, 2nd or 3rd places, Highly Commended or no award at all.
- 10 Any exhibits that are not for sale must be marked 'R' on the Entry Form. The exhibitors must remove these from the show tables at 15.45. Exhibits not reserved under this rule will be sold after the prize-giving.
- 11 The committee will take all reasonable care but will not be responsible for the loss of or damage to any exhibit.

Any queries about the Show Schedule should be addressed to the Show Contact, Michael Kingsford, by email: **shows@lavanthortsoc.org.uk** or by phone on 01243 527414, in advance of the Show.

Advice for those thinking of entering the Show

We have produced 3 help sheets which should answer any queries you have. These are listed below and can be found on our website www.lavanthortsoc.org.uk.

- 1. **Advice on Showing -** General advice on preparing and staging entries (flowers, fruit and vegetables), together with specific points ('What the judges are looking for') for flower and fruit classes.
- Vegetables Preparation and Showing Specific points ('What the judges are looking for') for all the vegetable classes.
- 3. **Which class is my dahlia?** Basic guide to take some of the guesswork out of entering your dahlia in the correct class in the Show.

Additional information for the **Flower Arrangement classes** (52 - 56 and 251) is provided here:

Flowers and foliage (Class 52):

The flowers should predominate this arrangement. Cereals, heads of grass, reeds and rushes may be used as flowers but remember colour is important in this exhibit.

Foliage and berries (Class 54):

Foliage should predominate this arrangement. Leaves of any plant may be used. Berries, their leaves and stems are permitted. Berries may be edible or inedible. Unopened buds **not** showing petal colour are acceptable.

All Flower Arrangements:

Where maximum width and depth dimensions are stated but there is no reference to a height measurement, the height must be in proportion to the width and depth.

If you have any further questions, please get in touch with our Show Contact, Michael Kingsford, by email: **shows@lavanthortsoc.org.uk** or Tel: 01243 527414. For Junior classes, it's Sue Jackson on 01243 527725.

Entry fees:

Members 20p per class

Non-members 30p per class

Under 16s free

VEGETABLES

Except for Classes 19 and 20, all exhibits must consist of one variety/cultivar. Exhibits must be placed directly on the show table or paper plate provided, with no other display material (except sand Class 12, raffia or string Class 11 and raffia Classes 4, 8 and 12).

		Quantity
Class		
1	Beetroot - leaf trimmed to approx. 75 mm	3
2	Potatoes	3
3	Onions, Salad/Spring - untrimmed	6
4	Onions, 250 gms or under - trimmed	3
5	Tomatoes, medium, max 65 mm diameter	5
6	Tomatoes, small/cherry types, max 35 mm diameter	7
7	Beans, runner	7
8	Garlic - trimmed (does not include 'elephant garlic')	3
9	Marrow, table quality, max 380 mm	1
10	Courgettes, 100-200 mm in length	3
11	Lettuce, any type, washed roots wrapped in a clear plastic bag*	2
12	Shallots - trimmed	7
13	Carrots, any type - leaf trimmed to approx. 75 mm	3
14	Beans, French (includes climbing French Beans)	7
15	Cucumbers, any type	2
16	Peppers, sweet or chilli, same colour	2
17	Rhubarb - leaf trimmed to approx. 75 mm	3 stalks
18	Any vegetable not listed above	#
19	Culinary herbs, distinct kinds in a jam-jar	6
20	Collection of vegetables, displayed on a tray or board 45 cm consisting of any 3 of the following 7 (quantity of each show brackets): Beetroot (3), Carrots (3), Onions (3), Peas (5 pool Tomatoes (5), Potatoes (3), Runner Beans (7) [for presental individual classes]	n in ls),

* Class 11 - Clear plastic bag should be tied with raffia or string.

Class 18 - For quantities, apply to Show Contact, Michael Kingsford, by email: **shows@lavanthortsoc.org.uk** or by phone on 01243 527414.

Novice classes:

Class		Quantity
201	Courgettes, max 200 mm in length	2
202	Tomatoes, small/cherry types, max 35 mm diameter	3
203	Beans, runner	3

Only those who have not previously won points in any Vegetable Class are eligible to enter one of these Novice Classes.



FRUIT

Class		Quantity
22	Soft Fruit, any kind - berries/strigs	7
23	Fruit other than soft, any kind. For quantities, apply to Show Contact, Michael King email: shows@lavanthortsoc.org.uk or by phone 6527414.	



FLOWERS

Vases will be provided for the cut flower classes and MUST be used

Class

28	Patio Pot planted	1 pot*
29	Succulent or Cactus	1 pot*
30	Fuchsia bush-type	1 pot*
31	Flowering house/pot plant (single plant)	1 pot*
32	An Orchid in flower	1 pot*
33	Geranium/Pelargonium in flower	1 pot*
34	Foliage house/pot plant (single plant)	1 pot*
35	Flowering Shrub, any kind(s)/cultivar(s)	3 stems, 1 vase
36	Roses Hybrid Tea/large-flowered any cultivar(s)	3 stems, 1 vase
37	Roses any other kind(s)/cultivar(s)	3 stems, 1 vase
38	Rose Specimen Bloom	1 stem, 1 vase
39	Dahlias Cactus/semi-cactus, any cultivar(s)	3 stems, 1 vase
40	Dahlias Decorative, any cultivar(s)	3 stems, 1 vase
41	Dahlias Waterlily, any cultivar(s)	3 stems, 1 vase
42	Dahlias any type/cultivar(s) other than above	3 stems, 1 vase
43	Sweet Peas	5 stems, 1 vase
45	Herbaceous Perennials, 3 distinct kinds	3 stems, 1 vase
46	Annuals, 3 distinct kinds	3 stems, 1 vase
47	Agapanthus, any cultivar	1 stem, 1 vase
48	Gladioli, any cultivar(s)	3 stems, 1 vase
49	Lilies, any cultivar(s)**	2 stems, 1 vase

^{*} Pot diameter not to exceed 35 cm inside rim. See also Rule 7.

211 Novice class: Flowers, 3 distinct kinds

Only those who have not previously won points in any Flower Class are eligible to enter Class 211.

^{**} Class 49 is for all types of true lilies (*Lilium* genus). It does **not include** other flowers whose common name may include 'lily', such as day lily, arum lily, calla lily, toad lily, pineapple lily, African lily etc.

FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

Class NB: See information on page 3.

- 52 An exhibit of flowers and foliage from your own garden 'A Spectrum of Colour', max 45cm wide x 45cm deep
- An exhibit 'Mellow Yellow', max 35cm wide x 35cm deep
- 54 An exhibit of foliage and berries 'Berried Treasure', max 45cm wide x 45cm deep
- 55 An exhibit 'A Day at the Seaside', max 45cm wide x 45cm deep accessories may be used
- A miniature exhibit in an egg-cup, max 10cm wide x 10cm deep
- **Novice class:** 'A vase of colour', max 35cm wide x 35cm deep

Only those who have not previously won points in any Flower Arrangement classes are eligible to enter Class 251.

HOME PRODUCE

Classes 61-71 must be on clean white paper plates - these will be available at the Show, if required

- 61 Bread rolls 3 on a plate
- 62 Cheese scones 5 on a plate
- 63 Fruit scones 5 on a plate
- **64** Tray-bakes 5 on a plate
- A cake with a vegetable ingredient (labelled to say which vegetable(s))
- 66 Victoria Sandwich filled with raspberry jam and topped with castor sugar
- 67 Tea Bread, any flavour
- 68 Fruit Cake, undecorated
- 69 Chocolate Brownies 5 on a plate
- 70 Shortbread 5 pieces on a plate
- 71 Cheese straws 5 on a plate
- 72 Fruit Crumble, own choice of fruit
- 73* Jam. own choice, one pot, not less than 340 gms
- 74* Fresh Fruit Orange Marmalade, one pot, not less than 340 gms
- 75* Lemon, Orange or Lime Curd, one pot, not less than 225 gms
- **76*** Chutney, one pot, not less than 340 gms

^{*} Classes 73-76: Plain jar (new or used) - wax disc, cellophane top and rubber band. No other coverings allowed. Jar to be labelled on the side (without exhibitor's name).

HANDICRAFTS

Handicraft items must have been completed within the last two years and must not have been entered in any previous Show.

Class

80	An item of Hand Knitting or Crochet
81	An item of Creative Needlework
83	An item of any other craft e.g. jewellery, cards, wood
84	An original Painting in watercolour, framed or unframed *
85	An original Painting or Drawing in any other medium, framed or unframed

^{*} Paintings must not have your name on the front

- 87 A Photograph, subject 'An Unusual Sign' #
- 88 A Photograph, subject 'Oh dear!' #

Photographs must be no larger than 18 x 13 cm, mounted on a card no larger than 25 x 20 cm. No photograph can be entered in more than one class. Please put your name on the back of the mounting card.

FUN CLASSES		Quantity
91	The Longest Runner Bean	1
92	The Strangest Shaped Vegetable	1



JUNIOR CLASSES (for under 16s)

Your name must not be on the front of any entry but please make sure it is on the back or underneath your entry, as appropriate.

Under age 5

101	'Wild in Lavant' - a painting, drawing or collage on A4 paper or
	card of a wild animal, insect, bird or plant

102 A vase of garden flowers (4 flowers max)

103 A decorated biscuit

Age 5 - 7

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104 A picture in any medium of an animal

Three cooking herbs in a jam-jar 106 A decorated cupcake which you have helped to make

Age 8 - 10

107 A miniature garden in the lid of an egg-box (12 eggs size)

108 A photograph of some tins of food *

109 Something I have baked

Age 11-15

110 I made it myself from recycled material(s)

(max 45x45x45cms)

111 I grew it myself

112 A decorated cupcake which I have made

NB: Under 16s can also enter the adult classes and any points awarded will also count towards the Paxtons Cup

If you are not able to bring your entry to the Hall on the morning of the Show (see timetable on front of this Schedule) alternative arrangements can be made. Please contact Sue Jackson by email: susan.jackson5678@gmail.com or by phone on 01243 527725...

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PRIZES

For each class: First Prize £2; Second Prize £1

Points are awarded which count towards the various trophies as follows:

First - 10 points, Second - 6 points, Third - 4 points

Highly Commended - 2 points (except for the Novice & Fun classes)

In the event of a tie on points, the winner shall be the one with the most Firsts; if there is still a tie on points and on Firsts, the winner shall be the one with the most Seconds.

The same criteria will be applied to the number of Thirds and Highly Commendeds awarded, as necessary



SHOW JUDGES

Mr S Holroyd Classes 1-23, 91-92 and 201-203

Mr M Ward Classes 28-49 and 211
Mrs L Constable Classes 52-56 and 251

Mrs M Monk Classes 61-76

Mrs S Arnold Classes 80-88 and 101-112

TROPHIES

with names of current holders

SECRETARY'S CHALLENGE CUP

Awarded for the highest number of points gained in the Show

Michael Kingsford

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION CUP

For the highest number of points gained in the Vegetable and Fruit Classes 1 to 23

Michael Kingsford

GRAHAM KELLY CUP

For the best exhibit in the Vegetable Classes 1 to 18

Michael Kingsford

LOCK CHALLENGE CUP

For the highest number of points gained in the Flower Classes 28 to 49

Michael Kingsford

COBDEN CHALLENGE CUP

For the highest number of points gained in the Rose Classes 36 to 38

Michael Kingsford and Glyn Roberts (tied)

KING-JONES CUP

For the highest number of points gained in the Flower Arrangement Classes 52 to 56

Sue Jackson

OLGA BALDWIN CUP

For the best exhibit in the Flower Arrangement Classes 52 to 56

Rosemary Cassoni

FLETCHER TROPHY

For the highest number of points gained in the Home Produce Classes 61 to 76

Patricia Riches

PATSEY BONSEY MEMORIAL TROPHY

For the highest number of points gained in the Handicrafts Classes 80 to 88

Lottie Cleaton-Roberts

PAXTONS CUP

For the highest number of points gained by a Junior

Lottie Cleaton-Roberts

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The Society holds at least one event at Lavant Memorial Hall every month throughout the year. Our Plant Sale is in May and our Annual Show in August. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday in other months, from 2.30pm in January and February or from 7.30pm. We arrange garden visits for our members and we also have stalls at the Lavant Fete and the Lavant Christmas Market.

Visitors are welcome to all our meetings (other than the Annual General Meeting) for £3.

Our subscription is £10 per year (£5 if joining at or after the Annual Show) and membership is free for Juniors (under 16s).

For more information visit our website www.lavanthortsoc.org.uk or contact Margaret Rhodes email: members@lavanthortsoc.org.uk or by phone on 01243 527217.