

# Lavant Horticultural Society

(Affiliated with the Royal Horticultural Society)

## ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW

Saturday 1st August 2026

### 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 29th July 2026 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 and Guidance (see opposite), otherwise they will be disqualified as 'NAS' - Not According to Schedule. If in doubt, do check with the Show Contact (see below) or 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 on the day of the Show. The Hall will be open to exhibitors from 8:45.
- 5 No exhibitor may show more than one exhibit in any class. Only one entry is permitted per household or allotment in adult classes 1-49.
- 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 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](mailto:shows@lavanthortsoc.org.uk) or by phone on 01243 527414, in advance of the Show.

### Guidance for those thinking of entering the Show

Our information sheets give guidance which must be followed. These are listed below and can be found on our website [www.lavanthortsoc.org.uk](http://www.lavanthortsoc.org.uk).

1. **Showing flowers, fruit and vegetables** - Guidance on preparing and staging entries, together with specific points ('What the judges are looking for') for flower and fruit classes.
2. **Vegetables - Preparation and Showing** - Specific points ('What the judges are looking for') for all the vegetable classes. Also guidance on fruits with or without stalks.
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) 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.

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#### **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).

| Class |  | Quantity |
|-------|--|----------|
| 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, tied with raffia or string   | 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, small bunches of each kind in a jam-jar  | 6        |
| 20    | Collection of vegetables, displayed on a tray or board 45 cm x 60 cm, consisting of any 3 of the following 7 ( <i>quantity of each shown in brackets</i> ): Beetroot (3), Carrots (3), Onions (3), Peas (5 pods), Tomatoes (5), Potatoes (3), Runner Beans (7) [ <i>for presentation, see individual classes</i> ] |          |

# Class 18 - For quantities, apply to Show Contact, Michael Kingsford, by email: [shows@lavanthortsoc.org.uk](mailto:shows@lavanthortsoc.org.uk) or by phone on 01243 527414.



## FOLLOW THE RULES!

It is important that you do - otherwise your entries might be disqualified as being 'Not According to Schedule' which would be unfortunate. See the Rules on the inside front cover - and Guidance on page opposite that one.

## FRUIT

| Class |   | Quantity |
|-------|---|----------|
| 22    | Soft Fruit, any kind - berries/strigs   | 7        |
| 23    | Fruit other than soft, any kind.<br>For quantities, apply to Show Contact, Michael Kingsford, by email: <a href="mailto:shows@lavanthortsoc.org.uk">shows@lavanthortsoc.org.uk</a> or by phone on 01243 527414. |          |



## 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)**                       | 1 stem, 1 vase  |

\* Pot diameter not to exceed 35 cm inside rim. See also Rule 7.

\*\* 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 'Summer Glory', max 45cm wide x 45cm deep
- 53 An exhibit 'All in White', max 35cm wide x 35cm deep
- 54 An exhibit of foliage and berries 'A Green Scene', max 45cm wide x 45cm deep
- 55 An exhibit 'Trophy - Gold/Silver/Bronze', max 45cm wide x 45cm deep - accessories may be used
- 56 A miniature exhibit, max 10cm wide x 10cm deep

## 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
- 65 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
- 74\* Fresh Fruit Orange Marmalade, one pot
- 75\* Lemon, Orange or Lime Curd, one pot
- 76\* Chutney, one pot

\* **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

Items must have been completed within the last two years and photographs taken in that period. None must 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*

- 86 A Photograph, subject 'A Flower' (a close-up) #
- 87 A Photograph, subject 'Round and About' #
- 88 A Photograph, subject 'That's Funny!' #

*# 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.**



## 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 Life' - a painting, drawing, print or collage on A4 paper or card of a wild animal, insect, bird or plant
- 102 Colour in a picture (available from Sue Jackson - see below for contact details)

### Age 5 - 7

- 103 Flowers and leaves in a jam-jar (max 4 stems)
- 104 A biscuit or cake, decorated with a face

### Age 8 - 10

- 105 A miniature garden (max 30cms wide x 30cm deep)
- 106 I baked this myself

### Age 11-15

- 107 A picture in any medium illustrating my favourite sport (max A4)
- 108 I baked this myself

*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](mailto:susan.jackson5678@gmail.com) or by phone on 01243 527725.*

## 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

*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

|                 |                           |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Mrs S Holroyd   | Classes 1-23, 91-92       |
| Mr M Ward       | Classes 28-49             |
| Mrs L Constable | Classes 52-56             |
| 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**

### KING-JONES CUP

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

**Beryl Starkey**

### OLGA BALDWIN CUP

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

**Cynthia Blades**

### FLETCHER TROPHY

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

**Christine Hounsome**

### PATSEY BONSEY MEMORIAL TROPHY

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

**Beryl Starkey**

### PAXTONS CUP

For the highest number of points gained by a Junior

**Benjamin  
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, February and December 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](http://www.lavanthortsoc.org.uk) or contact Margaret Rhodes email: [members@lavanthortsoc.org.uk](mailto:members@lavanthortsoc.org.uk) or by phone on 01243 527217.