



Crowhurst & District Horticultural Society



SPRING FLOWER SHOW



Spring show to be held in Crowhurst Village Hall on
Saturday 15th March 2025

Staging of Exhibits - **8:30am - 10:15am**

Show opens to the public at **2pm**

Prize giving and raffle drawn at **4pm**

Entries accepted until **Wednesday 12th March**

Crowhurst & District Horticultural Society

2024 – 2025

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MEMBERS of the COMMITTEE

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CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Hooray, Spring is soon to be upon us! In my opinion, it's the most magical time in the gardening calendar. Spring follows on from what has seemed to have been a long, drawn-out winter, with very variable weather that has been challenging!

We hope you will find something in this year's Spring schedule to enter, from what you have grown from your garden or pots. Maybe you have some preserves you have made from produce you harvested last year or you want to test your cookery talents! We have three photographic classes in which you can show your talents, with an entry to highlight the beauty of your current spring garden or memories of past delights in your gardens at any time of the year. We love to support nature and wildlife in this society so there is also a photographic entry to cover what you may have witnessed of wildlife along the way. For those creative amongst you, we have craft classes to show off what all you talented people you made. We love to have children's entries as they are so inspirational, so we have three classes for them, which includes picked Spring flowers from your garden, a collage or a pretty picture of a Daffodil that you can decorate as you wish.

Thank you all so much for your support and interest, and as always we very much look forward to seeing your entries!

SPRING SHOW

Spring show to be held at Crowhurst Village Hall on **Saturday 15th March**.

SHOW PROGRAMME

- Hall open for staging of exhibits: **8:30am – 10:15am**
- Hall closed for judging: **10:15am – 2pm**
- Show open to the public: **2pm – 4:30pm**
- Prize giving and raffle drawn: **around 4pm**

SUBMITTING ENTRIES

We welcome exhibits from everyone! You do not have to be a member of the society to exhibit. Details of how to submit your entries for the show can be found on page 8.

JUDGING

Judges are chosen by the committee. The name of the judge for each section can be found above each list of classes. The hall must be cleared by **10:15am** on the morning of the show to allow judging to commence promptly at 10:30am. During the judging, only judges and stewards will be allowed in the hall.

TROPHIES & AWARDS

Each winner of a trophy or award will be presented with a certificate to keep during the prize giving around 4pm. The society will engrave your name on the trophy (where possible) and record your name in our trophy winner's ledger.

REG FORD MEMORIAL TROPHY	Most points in flower classes
BOB CLAYTON MEMORIAL TROPHY	Best exhibit in flower classes
WALTER GASSON TROPHY	Winner of picked flowers class 20
SOCIETY TANKARD	Best exhibit in handicrafts classes
L & J CABS TROPHY	Best entry in cookery classes
GEORGE PUTLAND TROPHY	Most points in photography classes
BRIAN CROUCH MEMORIAL TROPHY	Most points in children's classes
VISITOR'S CHOICE AWARD	Best exhibit, chosen by visitors

SPRING SHOW CLASSES

CUT FLOWERS

See page 7 for definitions.

Judge: Pete and Jean Sudell

- 1 3 cut TRUMPET DAFFODIL stems (*one variety*)
- 2 1 cut TRUMPET DAFFODIL stem
- 3 3 cut LARGE CUPPED DAFFODIL stems (*one variety*)
- 4 1 cut LARGE CUPPED DAFFODIL stem
- 5 3 cut SMALL CUPPED DAFFODIL stems (*one variety*)
- 6 1 cut SMALL CUPPED DAFFODIL stem
- 7 3 cut DOUBLE DAFFODIL stems (*one variety*)
- 8 1 cut DOUBLE DAFFODIL stem
- 9 3 cut MULTI-HEADED DAFFODIL stems (*one or more varieties*)
- 10 1 cut MULTI-HEADED DAFFODIL stem
- 11 3 cut MINIATURE DAFFODIL stems (*one variety*)
- 12 3 cut DAFFODIL stems (*any one variety not listed above*)
- 13 3 vases of 3 DAFFODIL stems (*3 different varieties*)
- 14 My favourite DAFFODIL (*any variety*)
- 15 3 stems of picked POLYANTHUS in a vase
- 16 Bowl of picked GARDEN PRIMROSES (*bowl 4" or less*)
- 17 3 stems of picked HELLEBORE flowers in a vase
- 18 6 HELLEBORE heads (*display boxes will be provided*)
- 19 1 CAMELLIA stem with 1 bloom (*any variety*)
- 20 Vase of picked MIXED SPRING FLOWERS
- 21 Vase of MIXED FOLIAGE

PLANTED FLOWERS

Judge: Pete and Jean Sudell

- 22 Pot of planted DAFFODILS (*any variety, pot 8" diameter or less*)
 - 23 Pot of planted MINIATURE DAFFODILS (*pot 8" diameter or less*)
 - 24 Pot of planted TULIPS (*any variety, pot 8" diameter or less*)
 - 25 Single planted HYACINTH in a pot (*pot 6" or less*)
 - 26 Bowl of 3 planted HYACINTHS (*one or more colours, bowl 8" or less*)
 - 27 Bowl of planted POLYANTHUS (*bowl 8" or less*)
 - 28 A FLOWERING POT PLANT (*pot 8" or less*)
 - 29 A FOLIAGE POT PLANT (*pot 8" or less*)
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PHOTOGRAPHY

Maximum size 7"x5" (18cmx13cm). Exhibits should be printed, unframed and have not have been shown before. *Judge: Debbie Dann*

- 30 'SPRING HAS ARRIVED'
- 31 'MY PRETTY GARDEN'
- 32 'WILDLIFE'

HANDICRAFTS

Judge: Avril Parrini

- 33 A CROCHETED item
- 34 A NEEDLE-FELTED item
- 35 'SOMETHING I HAVE MADE', any item not covered by the other classes

COOKERY

Domes will be provided. Judge: Avril Parrini

- 36 BANANA & WALNUT LOAF (*recipe on page 10*)
- 37 VICTORIA SANDWICH with raspberry jam filling (*approx. 8" diam*)
A Victoria sandwich is made with fat
- 38 5 CHEESE SCONES
- 39 5 FRUIT FLAPJACKS, *any flavour(s), labelled*
This class is open to men only
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CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Judge: Oliver Boorman-Humphrey

- 40 A COLLAGE, made from recycled magazines pieces (*max. size A4*)
- 41 A vase of SPRING FLOWERS picked from my garden, displayed in a recycled container
- A PICTURE of a daffodil, decorated using any medium or materials (*max. size A4*)
- 42 *A template image is available to download from the Downloads page of the society's website if you would like to use it, although entrants are free to use their own design if they prefer.*

Exhibits and displays from the local community groups to be confirmed.



Why not join the society and support our future events!

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION - £5 per member

Anyone interested in joining the society can contact Alan, our Membership Secretary, on 07870525441 for more details.



We would be pleased to hear from anyone who might like to sponsor prize money for a particular class or classes.

Donations of raffle prizes, plants and cakes are always welcomed for our events.

Contact any committee member for more information about any of the above.

SOCIETY DEFINITIONS

NARCISSUS/DAFFODIL CLASSES

Note that the names Narcissus and Daffodil are one and the same.

TRUMPET NARCISSUS/DAFFODIL

The trumpet should be as long or longer than the petals (Perianth).

LONG CUPPED NARCISSUS/DAFFODIL

The cup should be more than one third of, but less than the length of the petals.

SMALL CUPPED NARCISSUS/DAFFODIL

The cup should be no more than one third of the length of the petals.

SHOW ENTRY DETAILS

CLASS ENTRY FEES

Children's classes	FREE
All other classes	20p per class

SUBMITTING ENTRIES

Entries can be submitted until **7pm** on the preceding **WEDNESDAY** to the show. Anyone can enter exhibits - you do not have to be a member of the society to exhibit! Exhibitors may only have one entry per class.

There are two methods of submitting entries:

- Online via our website at **www.crowhursthorticultural.org.uk** and follow the links. Entry fees are payable to the treasurer on the morning of the show.
- Complete the enclosed entry form and post or hand into any of the following people, enclosing your entry fees:

- **RITA GOWER** 22 FOREWOOD RISE, CROWHURST, TN33 9AH 01424 830560
- **MARY BOORMAN** GRAY'S COTTAGES, BATTLE HILL, BATTLE, TN33 0BS 07870525441

Photographic entries can now be submitted in JPEG format as part of the online entry form. These will be printed by the society on 6"x4" photo paper and exhibited for you. Alternately, you are welcome to bring prints along yourself on the morning of the show.

For children's entries, please ensure the child's name and age is added to the entry form, along with a responsible adult's details.

Please ensure you are familiar with the rules of exhibiting given on page 11 before submitting any entries.

PRIZE MONEY

	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
All classes	60p	40p	20p

Prize money can be collected from the treasurer between 2pm and 4:30pm on the afternoon of the show. Prize money not collected before the close of the show will be treated as a donation to the Society.

ENTRY FORM - SPRING SHOW - Sat 15th March 2025

Please **circle** the classes below that you wish to enter.

STANDARD CLASSES - 20p per class

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	

CHILDREN'S CLASSES - Free

40	41	42
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CHILD'S NAME _____ **AGE** _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

No. of Entries _____ **Amount Enclosed** _____

If you wish to donate your winnings to the society, please tick here.

I hereby agree to abide by the rules of the society. SIGNED.

Entry details can be found on page 8



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CLASS 36 RECIPE – BANANA & WALNUT LOAF

- 100g (4oz) butter, softened, plus extra for greasing
- 140g (5oz) light muscovado sugar
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 100g chopped walnuts
- 2 ripe bananas, mashed
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 200g (8oz) self-raising flour*

Method

- 1) Preheat the oven to 180°C/160°C fan/Gas 4. Grease and line a 900g (2lb) loaf tin.
- 2) Cream the butter and sugar, and then add the eggs.
- 3) Set aside 25g walnuts, then fold the rest into the creamed mixture with the bananas and milk.
- 4) Fold in the flour and blend until well mixed.
- 5) Spoon into the tin and sprinkle over the reserved walnuts.
- 6) Bake for 55mins to 1 hour until risen. Let stand for 10mins, then turn out, remove the paper and leave to cool.

* Replace with gluten-free flour if desired, but please label as gluten-free.

RULES

1. The Society shall be known as THE CROWHURST & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
2. All persons intending to exhibit must give notice to the Show Secretary not later than the Wednesday preceding the Show in which they wish to exhibit, by handing in their completed entry form and paying the necessary fees. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Show Secretary. If accepted, double the normal entry fee will be payable.
3. All exhibits must be staged before 10.15 am on the morning of the Show, at which time the hall will be cleared for judging.

THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED

4. Produce must have been grown by the Exhibitor in his or her own garden or allotment for not less than two months preceding the Show unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
5. Exhibitors must supply their own trays, dishes, vases, or other receptacles for their exhibits (unless otherwise stated). A vase must have a greater height than the diameter of its mouth.
6. Collections of vegetables must contain the distinct kinds specified. (Distinct kinds mean for instance, Peas, Beans, Carrots, Cabbage etc.). Antirrhinums, Petunias, Verbena, Phlox drummondii, are classified as annuals for the purpose of the show schedule.
7. No exhibits may be removed before 4.30pm at any of the shows. The Committee will be pleased to accept any exhibits to sell for the benefit of the Society.
8. The Committee will appoint the Judges, whose decision will be **FINAL**. Judges are empowered to withhold prizes where there is not sufficient competition, or when the exhibits are of insufficient merit. They can award extra prizes with the consent of the Committee, who will set the amount.
9. No exhibitor may enter more than one exhibit in any class.
10. The points awarded for the Challenge Cups will be: 3 for a first prize, 2 for a second and 1 for a third. Winners of the Cups must undertake to return the cups to the Society two weeks before the relevant show in the following year.
11. All vegetables will be judged by their fitness for use, and must be divested of all superfluous leaves. Lettuce to be shown with the roots on.
12. The Committee reserve the right to inspect any garden or allotment of any exhibitor, and to decide any questions not provided for in these rules.
13. Any objection must be lodged in writing before 4pm on the day of the Show together with a 50p deposit, which will be refunded if the objection is upheld.
14. Judging for all the shows will be guided by R.H.S. rules, amplified where necessary by the regulations of specialist societies such as the N.D.S., R.N.R.S. and N.A.F.A.S.
15. The Society will take all possible care of the exhibits, but will not be responsible for any loss or damage that may arise.
16. Prize money not collected before the close of the Show will be donated to the Society.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

JUMBLE SALE

Sat 22nd FEBRUARY – 9:30am

Crowhurst Village Hall, 50p entry

Donations wanted on the morning!

PLANT SALE at the Village Market

Sat 3rd MAY – 10am (TBC)

Crowhurst Village Hall

Donations wanted on the morning!

ASHBURNHAM PLACE GARDENS TOUR

Tue 20th MAY – 1:30pm-3pm

Talk and Tour by gardener Jay

Free for members, £3 for non-members

Meet at Ashburnham Place

ICKLESHAM GARDEN VISIT

JULY (Date and time to be confirmed)

Free for members, £3 for non-members

BUTTERFLY TALK & MEADOW TOUR

Tue 19th AUGUST – 1:30pm-4pm

With naturalist Michael Blencowe

Free for members, £3 for non-members

Meet at Battle Cemetery, Marley Lane

AUTUMN SHOW

Sat 20th SEPTEMBER

Staging 8:30am-10:15am

Open to the public from 2pm

Crowhurst Village Hall

AGM and further events to be arranged. Please refer to our website and subscribe to our free e-newsletter for up-to-date information.

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