

**SHOW SCHEDULE 2025**  
**Show date: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

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**ENTRY FORMS & PAYMENT**

**(Cost is just 50p per entry, per class)**

TAKE FORMS TO: Potton Post Office, Market Square, Potton  
or: 19 Brook End, Potton. SG19 2QS

**BY NO LATER THAN 4PM ON THURSDAY 4th SEPTEMBER**

Or hand in at St Mary's Church Hall, Potton. SG19 2RP on the evening of  
Thursday 4th September between 7pm & 9pm

(Contact number 07734 297868 for queries/telephone entries)

**Sorry no entries after the times stated above, as we need to complete our  
paperwork and calculate marquee spacing and layout for exhibits.**

1. CUPS - The 'T. E. Housden Cup' for the Overall Winner will be awarded for the highest number of points gained by any one exhibitor throughout the Show. Cups are also awarded for the highest number of points gained by any one exhibitor in each of the sections
2. VOUCHERS – Donated Vouchers will be awarded for the highest number of points gained by any one exhibitor in each of the sections.

The committee are very grateful for sponsorship from the following;

Waresley Park Garden Centre	Anna's Flowers Potton
Tysoes' Hardware, Potton	Mrs Sheila Woods
The Happy Brewer	Highland Group Potton
Clayton's Butchers	Woodview Farmshop, Gamlingay
Hashtag Mechanic	Mrs Jean Ashdown

York House  
Mrs Jane Leonard  
Mrs Janet King

Tesco Potton  
The Rising Sun, Potton  
Woodentops Nursery, Potton

- 3 PRIZE AWARDS **PLEASE NOTE CHANGES** - A cash prize of £1 will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> placed exhibits in all classes, with the exception of classes 1 & 100 where the prize money will be £5 for 1<sup>st</sup> placed. Certificates will be given for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & Highly Commended exhibits.

**IMPORTANT:** EXHIBITORS ARE RESPECTFULLY ADVISED TO PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THE NOTES AT EACH SECTION, WHERE APPLICABLE, AND TO THE RULES FOUND AT THE END OF THE SCHEDULE.

The ENTRY FORM is in the centre of the Schedule. Entry forms, schedules & colouring sheets can also be downloaded from our website: [www.pottonshow.org.uk](http://www.pottonshow.org.uk)

## TIMETABLE FOR SHOW WEEKEND

### SATURDAY 6<sup>th</sup>

- 2.00 pm The Show will open The marquee and hall will be open to view exhibits & prize winners. Scarecrow Competition, stalls and refreshments will be on the field and in the hall
- 2.15 onwards Letchworth Morris Men / Live Music by Po'Noodle
- 2.30 pm Story time by Theatre of Widdershins
- 3.50 onwards Prize money may be collected from outside the Office Tent, but do not remove exhibits
- 4.00 pm Presentation of prizes and awards
- \*\* Exhibits may only be removed after Prize Giving.\*\***
- 4.30 – 5pm Please collect any exhibits which are not donated to Auction
- 4.30 pm Auction of donated produce
- 5.30 pm The Show closes.
- 8.00 pm **Barn Dance** \* tickets must be purchased in advance and presented on the evening

### SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup>

- 12 - 5pm Craft Fair in the marquee. Wide range of stalls, refreshments available.

## THE SCHEDULE

### VEGETABLES

JUDGE: STAN BONESS  
SPONSOR: JANET KING

CUP - ASMER SEEDS LIMITED

THE COLIN BUXTON MEMORIAL AWARD FOR CLASS 1 – POTTON SHOW TOP TRAY

PRIZE MONEY: **CLASS 1** £5, for first - placed in Potton Show Top Tray class & £1 for first-placed in all other classes

Note: All vegetable exhibits should be displayed with stalks intact & display the name of the variety, if known. Each entry in classes 3 - 25 & 31 to consist of one variety. RHS Rules apply. ([www.rhs.co.uk](http://www.rhs.co.uk))

1. Potton Show Top Tray: Rules for this class at the back of the Schedule No.15

A collection of 3 kinds of vegetables chosen from the following 8:

3 Potatoes

2 Cauliflowers

3 Carrots without top foliage  
6 Tomatoes  
6 Peas

3 Parsnips without top foliage  
3 Onions  
6 Runner Beans

- 2 A vegetable collection - FOUR distinct kinds of vegetables, ONE of each (width of exhibit not to exceed 457mm)
3. 6 Onions
4. 3 Garlic Bulbs
5. -
6. 5 Potatoes, white
7. 5 Potatoes, coloured
8. 9 Shallots
9. 4 Chilli peppers, any variety
10. 9 Runner beans
11. Longest runner bean
12. 9 French beans
13. A bunch of radishes
14. 3 Beetroot, untrimmed
15. 3 Parsnips, untrimmed
16. 3 carrots, other than long, 75mm foliage maximum
17. 3 carrots, long pointed, 75mm foliage maximum
18. 3 Leeks, (blanched)
19. 6 Tomatoes - over 35mm
20. 6 Cherry Tomatoes under 35mm
21. 2 Marrows, (table)
22. Heaviest marrow
23. 2 Squashes, any variety
24. Heaviest squash
25. Sweet corn, 3 cobs
26. A collection of unusual vegetables, arranged on a 10" plate
27. Heaviest truss of tomatoes
28. Heaviest untrimmed onion
29. 1 misshaped or ugly vegetable
30. Any other vegetables (no fewer than two of same veg.)
31. 3 Courgettes
32. 1 cut flower in a vase & 1 vegetable
33. A collection of herbs (4 distinct kinds), 3 sprigs of each

## **VEGETABLES – Novices**

CUP - ANNA KITCHENER

JUDGE: STAN BONESS  
SPONSOR: SHEILA WOODS

The following classes are open to people who have never won a first prize for exhibiting vegetables in any Show. Entering these classes does not bar Novices from exhibiting in the other vegetable classes.

40. 6 Cherry Tomatoes under 35mm
41. 6 Runner beans - one variety
42. 6 French beans
43. 3 Beetroot
44. 3 Courgettes
45. A bunch of radishes
46. 3 Carrots - one variety, untrimmed
47. 3 Tomatoes – one variety over 35mm
48. A collection of allotment vegetables, 4 kinds minimum – 2 of each variety

## **JUNIORS ONLY: (3 - 16 Years)**

AWARD: The Sunflower Medal

59 Largest Sunflower head - to be judged on width measured across widest part.

## FRUIT

JUDGE: ROSIE WAYMAN

SPONSOR: WARESLEY PARK GARDEN CENTRE

CUP – POTTON TIMBER ENGINEERING CO LIMITED

THE SID WHITFIELD MEMORIAL SHIELD - Best apple exhibit

Note: - All fruit exhibits should display the name of the variety, if known, and be displayed on a paper plate

- 60 4 Dessert pears, one variety
- 61 20 Blackberries, arranged on a plate, with stalks
- 62 20 Raspberries, arranged on a plate, with stalks
- 63 6 Plums, one variety
- 64 1 Bunch of grapes
- 65 Any other fruit, one kind
- 66 4 Cooking apples, one variety
- 67 4 Dessert apples, one variety
- 68 4 Figs

## FLOWERS

JUDGE: PETA FROST

SPONSOR: ANNA'S FLOWERS

### CUPS

A. BOXALL ESQ. – Most points in section

TOM MESSENGER MEMORIAL SALVER - Most points in Fuchsia classes

THE HOUGHTON SHIELD - Class 100, Potton Show Best Vase

SHEILA WILSON ROSE BOWL - Most points in Rose classes

Note: A "vase" is a vessel in which the diameter at the top is less than its height.

PRIZE MONEY: CLASS 100 £5 for first-placed exhibit. All other classes @ £1 for first-placed

### 100 **Potton Show Best Vase**

A vase of mixed flowers containing a total of between 5 and 10 stems, taken from a minimum of two different kinds of plants. Please note that it is two different kinds of plants: two varieties of the same flower are NOT two kinds

- 101 1 Rose, specimen hybrid tea, in a vase
- 102 1 Stem cluster flowered roses, in a vase
- 103 4 Roses, hybrid tea, in a vase, no more than two varieties
- 104 A vase of garden flowers, 4 different kinds
- 105 5 Asters, one type, in a vase
- 106 3 Gladioli blooms in a vase
- 107 1 Gladioli specimen stem (spike), in a vase
- 108 1 Pot of Begonia (25 cm 10" pot max.)
- 109 Foliage, shrub, 1 kind only, in a vase
- 110 Flowering Shrub, 1 kind only, in a vase
- 111 1 Pot plant, foliage (25 cm 10" pot max.)
- 112 1 Pot plant, flower (25 cm 10" pot max.), excluding Fuchsias and geranium/pelargonium
- 113 1 Cactus or Succulent (25 cm 10" pot max.)
- 114 1 Single flowered Fuchsia plant (25 cm 10" pot max.)

- 115 1 Double flowered Fuchsia plant (25 cm 10" pot max.)
- 116 1 pot Tryphilla flower (25 cm 10" pot max.)
- 117 1 Geranium/pelargonium (25 cm 10" pot max.)
- 118 1 African Violet (10 cm 4" pot max.)

Notes for Dahlia entries, classes 121 – 128 & 130:

Bloom sizes – Giant over 254mm diameter, Large < 254 mm diameter, Medium 203mm, Small 152 mm  
Miniature 102mm, Pompom 52mm All sizes maximum except giant

- 120 1 Giant or large bloom in a vase. Decorative dahlia
- 121 3 Mediums in a vase. Decorative dahlia
- 123 3 Small or miniatures in a vase. Decorative dahlia
- 124 1 Giant or large bloom in a vase. Cactus/semi cactus.
- 125 3 Mediums in a vase. Cactus/semi cactus
- 126 3 Small or miniatures in a vase. Cactus/semi cactus
- 127 3 Small or miniatures in a vase. Ball dahlia
- 128 5 Pompom dahlias in a vase.
- 129 1 vase Chrysanthemums. 3 stems – any variety

### Novice Class

- 130 Mixed Dahlias, any type, in a vase (Minimum 3 stems)

## **GENERAL**

JUDGE: SALLY TOPPLE

SPONSOR: TYSOES HARDWARE, POTTON

CUP - THE COMMITTEE : Handicrafts Classes 200 – 207 & 216

CUP - MRS YATES : Painting & Drawing Classes 208 -- 215

### Please note:

Maximum size for pictures is A3, including frames

Please note that Professional artists are not allowed to enter these classes.

All wall-hanging items must be supplied with appropriate fitting for display & judging

- 200 A model from a kit.
- 201 An item of pottery or ceramic work
- 202 A handicraft exhibit – other than a wall hanging (any material)
- 203 A diamond-art picture
- 204 A handmade item of jewellery
- 205 A handmade greetings card
- 206 A handicraft wall hanging (not needlework)
- 207 A textile wall hanging using any of the following techniques: felt embellishing, appliqué, machine, freehand embroidery or hand embroidery
- 208 A mixed media painting, using at least 3 different mediums
- 209 A collage picture, any subject
- 210 A print or etching
- 211 A drawing in graphite pencil or coloured pencils (not to be traced or copied)
- 212 A pen and ink drawing or ink wash
- 213 A pastel drawing, using oil or soft pastels
- 214 A painting – acrylic or oil
- 215 A painting - watercolours

## WINE

CUP: THE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

JUDGES: LES IVALL / CHARLES COUCHMAN  
SPONSOR: THE HAPPY BREWER

All entries to be exhibited in clear (i.e. colourless) preferably “punted” bottles which should be filled to within 1” of the plain flanged cork or top.

Bottles must not carry any adhesive labels; one tie-on label showing the name of wine to be attached to each bottle.

- 250 1 bottle of homemade white wine – from a kit
- 251 1 bottle of homemade red - from a kit
- 252 1 bottle of homemade white wine – not from a kit
- 253 1 bottle of homemade red wine -not from a kit
- 254 1 bottle of homemade liqueur - not from a kit
- 255 1 bottle of wine, any type - made from a kit (please specify type)
- 256 1 bottle of homemade sloe gin
- 257 Home brewed beer – please specify type
- 258 Home brewed cider or perry - please specify type
- 259 A flavoured spirit – please specify type

## **COOKERY - LADIES**

JUDGE: RHIANNA of RHI-RHI’s CAFE  
SPONSOR: WOODVIEW FARMSHOP

CUPS:

LINDSAY CAKE SLICE: Best Victoria sponge overall – Ladies & Men’s classes  
THE BARBARA BANKS AWARD: Ladies Cookery – Most points in section

Please ensure that entries are displayed on a disposable plate. (excluding classes 301 & 322)

- 300 Fruit cake 8" maximum (must follow recipe below)
- 301 Apple pie, on a plate
- 302 1 round Shortbread 20cm / 7” – 8” approx.
- 303 4 Muffins, any variety
- 304 6 Cheese straws
- 305 6 Rock cakes
- 306 6 Butterfly cakes
- 307 Victoria sandwich - 20cm / 8” Maximum, (170g /6oz each ingredient), jam filling
- 308 Handmade loaf of bread – clearly labelled as to flavour/type
- 309 Lemon drizzle cake
- 310 A gingerbread loaf
- 311 6 Jam tarts
- 312 A vegan sponge cake
- 313 Bedfordshire clanger – please state ingredients

## **COOKERY - MEN**

CUP: MESSRS JACKSON TROPHY  
Most points in section

JUDGE: RHIANNA of RHI RHI’s CAFE  
SPONSOR: HIGHLAND GROUP POTTON

- 321 Fruit cake 8” maximum (must follow recipe below)
- 322 Apple pie, on a plate
- 323 1 Round shortbread 20cm / 7 – 8” approx.
- 324 4 Muffins, any variety
- 325 6 Cheese straws
- 326 6 Rock cakes
- 327 6 Butterfly cakes
- 328 Victoria Sandwich – 20cm / 8” Maximum, (170g /6oz each ingredient), jam filling
- 329 Handmade loaf of bread – clearly labelled as to flavour / type
- 330 Lemon drizzle cake
- 331 A gingerbread loaf
- 332 6 Jam tarts
- 333 A vegan sponge cake
- 334 Bedfordshire clanger – please state ingredients

<b><u>Fruit Cake Recipe</u></b>	170g/6oz Sultanas 255g/9oz Plain flour 170g/6oz butter 3 eggs	85g/3oz Currants pinch of salt 170g/6oz sugar milk to mix	57g/2oz candied peel ½ teaspoon baking powder
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Method:

Grease and line cake tin. Clean and pick over fruit, chop peel. Sieve flour, salt & baking powder and stir in the fruit and peel. Cream the butter and sugar, beat in each egg separately and stir in the dry ingredients, adding a little milk if required. Put the mixture into the prepared tin. Bake for 1 ½ to 2 hours in a moderate oven (Gas mark 4 350F)

**CHILDREN’S COOKERY**

JUDGE: EILEEN EMMETT  
SPONSOR: JANE LEONARD

- CUPS: Junior Medal 3-5 years
- Junior Medal 6 – 8 years
- Junior Cup 9 – 11 years
- Junior Cup 12 – 16 years

Please note that all items are to be displayed on a paper plate

3 - 5 Years

- 350 Chocolate nests
- 351 4 Decorated biscuits

6 – 8 Years

- 352 4 Homemade biscuits – can be decorate or left plain. Please state ingredients
- 353 6 Homemade sweets

9 – 11 years

- 354 4 decorated homemade fairy cakes
- 355 A homemade, decorated gingerbread man
- 356 6 Homemade sweets

12 – 16 years

- 357 A decorated cake, 8” maximum, jam filling (170g/6oz each ingredient)

- 358 4 Muffins
- 359 2 Energy bars – state ingredients
- 360 4 cheese straws

## **PRESERVES**

CUP: THE LADIES CLUB

JUDGE: EILEEN EMMETT  
SPONSOR: CLAYTONS BUTCHERS

Classes 400 - 404 to be filled to within ¼” of top of the jar, to allow for shrinkage, - correctly sealed with waxed discs and cellophane covers. Alternatively – a correctly sealed screw-top or kilner jar, ie. to exclude air  
Jars to be labelled clearly with variety, month & year of making.  
Judging will be based on taste, colour, clarity & consistency.

- 400 1 Jar of soft fruit jam.
- 401 1 Jar of jam, stone fruit
- 402 1 Jar of jelly
- 403 1 Jar of lemon curd
- 404 1 Jar of marmalade - any variety
- 405 1 Jar of chutney (To be in jars with vinegar-proof top)
- 406 1 Jar of pickles (To be in jars with vinegar-proof top)
- 407 1 jar of honey, any type, clearly labelled

## **HOME HANDICRAFTS**

CUP - THE MIGALLE CUP

JUDGE: PHYLLIS HOOPER  
SPONSOR: HASHTAG MECHANIC

Note: Articles entered previously may not be re-entered.

- 500 1 Article of hand knitting for an adult
- 501 1 Article of machine embroidery/ appliqué work
- 502 1 Article of crochet.
- 503 1 Article of hand embroidery. (not counted cross stitch)
- 504 1 Scarf or Shawl
- 505 1 Article of needlework - other than a garment
- 506 1 Article of clothing which has been made by recycling old clothes
- 507 1 handmade toy
- 508 1 handmade hat
- 509 1 Article of quilting
- 510 1 Article of felting
- 511 1 Article of counted cross stitch – the majority of the design to be in cross stitch
- 512 1 Article of hand knitting for a child
- 513 1 Pincushion
- 514 1 Article of Patchwork
- 515 1 Article of clothing made from a pattern. Pattern to also be displayed
- 516 1 Article of tapestry



## **CHILDREN'S HOME HANDICRAFTS**

JUDGE: PHYLLIS HOOPER  
SPONSOR: JEAN ASHDOWN

### **CUPS – see children's cookery**

6 - 8 Years

550 A pom-pom toy

9 – 11 Years

551 An article of hand made jewellery

552 A handmade sewn fabric creature/monster/animal or alien

12 – 16 Years

553 A fabric pencil case

554 A bag made from recycled clothing

555 An article of Diamond Art

## **PHOTOGRAPHIC**

JUDGE: MATTHEW AYRES  
SPONSOR: THE RISING SUN

CUPS - POTTON CONSOLIDATED CHARITIES CUP  
DAVE RADFORD MEMORIAL TROPHY - for class 611

Notes: Open classes may be colour, black and white or 'straight digital'. Photographs may be up to a maximum of 21 cm x 15 cm / (8" x 6") overall size, mounted but not framed, for classes 600 – 609 & 620 - 622. Classes 610 and 611 30 cm x 30 cm (12" x 12") maximum including frame.

600	Shadows	Open
601	Trees	Open
602	Festivals	Open
603	Bedfordshire Landmarks	Open
604	Clocks	Open
605	Coastline	Open
606	Nightscene	Open
607	Textures or Patterns	Open
608	Stairs	Open
609	Any Other subject	Open
610	Digital Montage	Advanced Class - Digital
611	Any Subject.	Advanced class – Entrant to do own developing and printing

## **CHILDREN'S PHOTOGRAPHIC**

Please also see COOKERY & HOME HANDICRAFTS Classes for Children which will be included in the points for cups and vouchers.

### **6 – 8 Years**

Class 620 Animals

### **9 – 11 Years**

Class 621 Animals

### **12 - 16 Years**

Class 622 Animals

## **CHILDREN'S – General Classes**

CUPS THE POTTON SCOUT GROUP TROPHY

JUDGE: KAREN HUGHES

SPONSOR: WOODENTOPS NURSERY

Note: Exhibits **MUST NOT HAVE** the child's name attached, but ages MUST BE STATED throughout. Children may enter any classes for older ages, but not any for younger age groups..

### **3 - 5 years**

650 A picture or pattern in paint, pencil or crayon

651 A painted pebble

652 A junk model

653 A collage

654 Colour in the show cover – available from Potton Library or download @ [www.pottonshow.org.uk](http://www.pottonshow.org.uk)

### **6 - 8 years**

655 A garden in a shoebox

656 An animal model from fresh vegetable and/or fruit material

657 A picture or pattern in pen, pencil, crayon, or paint

658 A Collage – A4 maximum

659 An edible necklace

660 Colour in the show cover – available from Potton Library or download @ [www.pottonshow.org.uk](http://www.pottonshow.org.uk)

661 A decorated flowerpot

662 A collage

### **9- 11 years**

670 A picture in pen, pencil, crayon, paint – A4 maximum , any subject

671 A greetings card

672 A Collage made of natural materials - A4 maximum

673 An animal model from fresh vegetable and/or fruit material

674 Make & decorate a papier mache model

675 Colour in the show cover – available from Potton Library or download @ [www.pottonshow.org.uk](http://www.pottonshow.org.uk)

676 Design Potton Show's schedule cover for 2026 (Date 12th September)

677 A garden in a tray, maximum 9"

678 A bug hotel

679 A paracord bracelet or key ring

## **12 - 16 years**

- 685 An origami model
- 686 A painting or drawing – A4 maximum – any subject
- 687 A bird box or bird feeder
- 688 Design Potton Show’s schedule cover for 2026 (Date 12<sup>th</sup> September)
- 689 A greetings card , hand made using any medium
- 690 Design, make and decorate a bowl – any medium
- 691 An item of macrame
- 692 A model made from a kit (NOT lego)
- 692 A collage
- 693 A pet portrait, using any medium
- 694 A Diamond Art picture

## **SCARECROWS**

**JUDGED BY SHOW VISITORS  
SPONSOR: JAN MAY**

\*Not included in points for prizes but please add to your entry form as “scarecrow” so we can ensure there is sufficient space for them all.

700 Scarecrow - Theme; A celebrity Can be an individual or family entry – Scarecrow for our Scary corner of the show field.

Must be no more than 1.5 m2 and able to stand or be mounted on a pole.

Visitors will vote to award 1<sup>st</sup> place and there is a £10 prize for the winning entry.

## **THE RULES**

1. Exhibits must be strictly according to the Schedule, and failure here will be disqualified by the judges.
2. Two entries are allowed per class per individual.
3. All exhibits must be exhibitors' own growing or making and must not have been produced for commercial purposes. Exhibits should not have been exhibited at this Show before.
4. Children may enter any class in addition to those in the Children’s Section, on the same basis as other entrants.
5. Vegetables, fruit and flowers will be judged to R.H.S. standards. Please ask a committee member for clarification.
6. Chrysanthemums will be judged in accordance with the rules of the National Chrysanthemum Society as current. Blooms must be shown in the classification registered at the N.C.S.
7. Exhibits will be accepted from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm on the evening prior to the Show, and from 8.00 am to 9.45 am on Show morning, after which the premises will be cleared for judging. No late entries will be accepted.
8. The Committee may not be held responsible for loss or damage to exhibits but will take all reasonable care of same.
9. An envelope containing exhibitor slips along with “NOT FOR SALE IN AUCTION” stickers (if items of produce are not to be donated to the auction) must be collected from the office on submitting entries.
10. All horticultural exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor, or have been in his/her possession for at least three months.

11. No exhibits may be removed from the Show before the Auction commences.
12. All cups are Perpetual Trophies and will be held by the winners until one month before the Show the following year, when they must be returned to a Committee member.
13. Where there are less than 3 entries in any class, the judges have the power to award a prize only if they think fit.
14. Points for scoring will be awarded as follows: First - 5 points: Second - 3 points: Third - 1 point.
15. Potton Show Top Tray Rules  
The Potton Show Top Tray class is for a collection of three types of vegetables taken from the following list of eight. The quantity of each vegetable required for the collection is given in brackets: Carrots (3), Cauliflowers (2), Onions (3), Parsnips (3), Peas (6 pods), Potatoes (3), Runner Beans (6 pods), Tomatoes (6). Each type of vegetable will be judged out of a total of 20 points. This is split into three sections as follows: 7 points for size, shape and colour; 7 points for condition; 6 points for uniformity. The overall mark will therefore be out of a total of 60.

All vegetables are to be displayed for effect. The vegetables must be displayed within an area measuring 45cm x 60cm (18"x24"), without bending any part of them. No part of any exhibit may exceed the size of the tray. A tray or board measuring 45cm x 60cm (18"x24") can be used to display the vegetables, or the area can simply be marked on the staging. Where a tray has a lip or edge, it is the internal measurements that must not exceed 45cm x 60cm (18"x24").

A black cloth is permitted, and the tray may be painted. Parsley is allowed for garnishing, but no other foliage or accessories, such as plates, sand or rings will be allowed. Onion tops may be tied or whipped using raffia or string.

Notes for Exhibitors and Judges - Carrots and parsnips must have foliage trimmed back to 7.5cm (3in). Peas and beans must be displayed with some stalk attached. Tomatoes must be displayed with calyces (the green flower bud case). Judges may handle exhibits, open pods etc to check for quality. The tray, board or staging must not be cut or mutilated in any way at all – such as cutting holes for standing onions on. Judges should use their discretion when judging the Top Tray class, remembering that entries may come from inexperienced exhibitors. The points awarded should be clearly marked by the judges on the exhibitors' cards.

16. Any protest or objection concerning a judge's decision must be made in writing to the Show Secretary by 3.00 pm on the day of the Show. A fee of 50p will be charged and it will be returned if the protest is successful. The decision of the Committee is final.