

THE POTTON SHOW

SCHEDULE 2026

Show date: Saturday 12th September

Welcome to the 2026 Show Schedule

Thank you for supporting the Potton Show. We're delighted to welcome exhibitors and visitors once again for a weekend that celebrates creativity, community spirit, and a good dose of friendly rivalry. Our show is an open event, so we invite entries from anyone not just the immediate Potton area.

For more than fifty years, the Potton Show has been a place where neighbours quietly size up each other's tomatoes, friends compare bakes with a wink. Longstanding "who-won-last-year" debates are settled for another season. Whether you're defending a title, hoping to beat a friend's prize bloom, or simply joining in for the fun of it, we hope you'll take part in the many classes on offer.

Each year we work to keep the event fresh — adding new classes, updating our field activities, and bringing in a wider range of stalls. Whether you bake, grow, craft, sew, take photos or paint, there's something here for everyone, from first timers to seasoned competitors, from children to the more mature. If you have never entered before, please give it a try. It's meant to be fun.

Although the show takes place once a year, the planning never stops. Rising costs for marquees, electrics and venue hire mean we rely heavily on fundraising and the generous support of volunteers, local groups and businesses. We are really grateful for everything you do to keep this much loved tradition alive.

We are a small but dedicated committee of volunteers, and we would gladly accept offers of help from anyone who feels they could spare some time to get involved. Contact myself or Claire, our secretary, and we will welcome you into our team.

Thank you for being part of the Potton Show family. We look forward to seeing your entries, cheering on the friendly competition, and enjoying another fun filled weekend together. See you there!

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The Committee

Lilian Jones	Chris Lavender	James Lavender
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Alice Jackson	Oscar Tipper	Richard Kumpkins
Gill Massey	Pauline Arnold	

For enquiries contact any committee member or the email above.

ENTRY FORMS & PAYMENT

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

Take entry forms to: Potton Post Office, Market Square, Potton
or: 19 Brook End, Potton. SG19 2QS

Email Forms to: entries.pottonshow@gmail.com
(we will email you payment details)

BY NO LATER THAN 4pm ON THURSDAY 10th SEPTEMBER

Or hand in at St Mary's Church Hall, Potton. SG19 2RP
on the evening of Thursday 10th September between 7pm & 9pm
(Phone: 07909 522159 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;

Anna's Flowers Potton	Waresley Park Garden Centre	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	Tesco Potton
Mrs Jane Leonard	The Rising Sun, Potton	Mrs Janet King
	Woodentops Nursery, Potton	

3 PRIZE AWARDS:

A cash prize of £1 will be awarded for 1st placed exhibits in all classes, with the exception of classes 1 & 100 where the prize money will be £5 for 1st placed. For Children's classes prizes will be £1 1st place, 70p 2nd place and 50p for 3rd place. Certificates will be given for 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 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 and colouring sheets can also be downloaded from our website: www.pottonshow.org.uk

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.**

TIMETABLE FOR THE SHOW WEEKEND

SATURDAY 12th

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	Live entertainment on show field
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 ** NOTE: 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 13th

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

VEGETABLES

JUDGE: GILL SMITH
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)

1. Potton Show Top Tray:

Rules for this class at the back of the Schedule Rule 15

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

3 Potatoes	2 Cauliflowers	3 Onions
3 Carrots foliage 75mm maximum	3 Parsnips foliage 75mm maximum	6 Runner Beans
6 Tomatoes	6 Peas (pods)	

2 A vegetable collection - FOUR distinct kinds of vegetables,
ONE of each (exhibit not to exceed 460x460mm)

3. 6 Onions
4. 3 Garlic Bulbs
5. 2 Cucumbers
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 - size over 35mm
20. 9 Cherry Tomatoes maximum size 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 vegetable (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: GILL SMITH
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 - maximum size 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: JENNY REAM
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
- 69 4 Quinces, one variety
- 70 A collection of orchard fruits, 3 kinds – minimum 2 of each variety

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

Note 2: IMPORTANT RULE CHANGE – Following RHS policy guidance & to comply with environmental requirements. No exhibits may be displayed using 'florist's foam' of any type.

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 plant: 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 Triphylla Fuchsia plant (25 cm 10" pot max.)
- 117 1 Geranium/pelargonium (25 cm 10" pot max.)
- 118 1 African Violet (10 cm 4" pot max.)
- 119 A collection of cacti/succulents (30cm 12" pot max.)

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

Bloom sizes – Giant over 254mm / 10" diameter, Large < 254 mm / 10" diameter, Medium 203mm / 8" diameter, Small 152 mm / 6" , Miniature 102mm / 4" , Pompom 52mm/ 2"

All sizes maximum except giant

- 121 1 Giant or large bloom in a vase. Decorative dahlia
- 122 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 - 218

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

Please note:

- Professional artists are not allowed to enter painting and drawing classes.
- Maximum size for paintings & drawings is A3, including frames (420mm x 300mm)
- NO paintings may be offered for sale during the show
- 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 An article of woodwork, not from a kit Maximum size 60cm / 24"
- 203 A diamond-art picture
- 204 A handmade item of jewellery
- 205 A handmade greetings card
- 206 A 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
- 216 A creative colouring or mindfulness picture
- 217 An original poem, handwritten. To be judged on presentation as well as content. Max size A4
- 218 A craft exhibit not from a kit (any material) Max size 60cm / 24"

WINE

CUP: THE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

JUDGES: LES IVALL / CHARLIE COUCHMAN

SPONSOR: THE HAPPY BREWER

All entries to be exhibited in clear, colourless and 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 ARMSTRONG
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 20cm / 8" maximum (must follow recipe below)
- 301 Apple pie, on a plate
- 302 1 Round Shortbread 20cm / 8" maximum
- 303 4 Muffins, any variety
- 304 6 Cheese straws
- 305 6 Rock cakes
- 306 6 Flapjacks
- 307 Victoria sandwich - 20cm / 8" maximum, (170g /6oz each ingredient), with a jam filling(only)
- 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 free-from sponge cake - Please clearly label cake type
- 313 Bedfordshire clanger – Please state ingredients
- 314 Potton "Show-Stopper" decorated home made cake. To be judged on decoration. 20cm / 8" maximum

COOKERY - MEN

JUDGE: RHIANNA ARMSTRONG
SPONSOR: HIGHLAND GROUP POTTON

CUP: MESSRS JACKSON TROPHY
Most points in section

- 321 Fruit cake 20cm / 8" maximum (must follow recipe below)
- 322 Apple pie, on a plate
- 323 1 Round shortbread 20cm / 8" maximum
- 324 4 Muffins, any variety
- 325 6 Cheese straws
- 326 6 Rock cakes
- 327 6 Flapjacks
- 328 Victoria Sandwich – 20cm / 8" Maximum, (170g /6oz each ingredient), with a jam filling (only)
- 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 free-from sponge cake – Please clearly label cake type
- 334 Bedfordshire clanger – Please state ingredients
- 335 Potton "Show-Stopper" decorated home made cake. To be judged on decoration. 20cm / 8" maximum

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

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 1½ to 2 hours in a moderate oven (Gas mark 4 350F)

CHILDREN'S COOKERY

JUDGE: VICKI WINGFIELD
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 decorated 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 home made cake, 20cm / 8" maximum
- 358 4 Muffins
- 359 2 Energy bars – state ingredients
- 360 4 Cheese straws

PRESERVES

CUP: THE LADIES CLUB

JUDGE: DAVID WINGFIELD
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 fruit 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 ketchup or sauce, any type, clearly labelled
- 408 1 Bottle of flavoured vinegar, any type, clearly labelled

HOME HANDICRAFTS

CUP - THE MIGALLE CUP

JUDGE: PHYLLIS HOOPER
SPONSOR: HASHTAG MECHANIC

Note: Articles entered in the show in previous years 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 Something new from something old
- 507 1 Handmade toy
- 508 1 Handmade hat
- 509 1 Article of quilting, self-quilted
- 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 clothing made without a pattern
- 517 1 Article of tapestry

CHILDREN'S HOME HANDICRAFTS

JUDGE: PHYLLIS HOOPER
SPONSOR: JEAN ASHDOWN

CUPS – see children's cookery

6 - 8 Years

- 550 A sock puppet

9 – 11 Years

- 551 An article of handmade 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: CHRIS MILES
SPONSOR: THE RISING SUN

CUPS - POTTON CONSOLIDATED CHARITIES CUP
DAVE RADFORD MEMORIAL TROPHY - for class 610

Notes: Open classes may be colour, black and white or 'straight digital'.
Photographs may be up to a maximum of 210 mm x 150 mm / (8" x 6") overall size, mounted but not framed, for classes 600 – 609 & 620 - 622.
Class 610 300mm x 300 mm (12" x 12") maximum including frame.

600	Reflections	Open
601	Wheels	Open
602	Rivers	Open
603	Fire	Open
604	Churches or Cathedrals	Open
605	Summer	Open
606	Potton town life	Open
607	Recycling	Open
608	A touch of orange	Open
609	Any Other subject	Open
610	Digital Montage	Advanced Class - Digital

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

620 Potton

9 – 11 years

621 Potton

12 – 16 years

622 Potton

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 visible, 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 decorated wooden spoon
- 652 A finger painting
- 653 A crayon-rubbing picture
- 654 Colour in the show picture, available from Potton Library or download @ www.pottonshow.org.uk

6 – 8 years

- 655 A grass head figure
- 656 An animal model from fresh vegetable and/or fruit material
- 657 A picture or pattern in pen, pencil, crayon, or paint
- 658 A potato print
- 659 An edible necklace
- 660 Colour in the show picture, available from Potton Library or download @ www.pottonshow.org.uk
- 661 A decorated flowerpot

9 – 11 years

- 670 A self-portrait in pen, pencil, crayon, paint – A4 maximum
- 671 An air-dried garden ornament
- 672 An animal model from fresh vegetable and/or fruit material
- 673 Make & decorate a papier mache mask
- 674 A bug hotel
- 675 A paracord bracelet or key ring

12 – 16 years

- 685 A digital picture, any subject Not AI edited – A4 maximum
- 686 A bird box or bird feeder
- 687 Design, make and decorate a bowl – any medium
- 688 A model made from a kit (NOT Lego)
- 689 A self-portrait in pen, pencil, crayon or paint – A4 maximum
- 690 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 A Scarecrow Theme: Space
Can be an individual or family entry
Must be no more than 1.5 m2 and able to stand or be mounted on a pole.
Visitors will vote to award 1st 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 trophies will be awarded as follows: First - 5 points: Second - 3 points: Third - 1 point. In the event of a draw countback will be used i.e. most Firsts, most seconds etc.

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 61cm (18"x24"), without bending any part of them. A tray or board measuring 46cm x 61cm (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 46cm x 61cm (18"x24"). No part of any exhibit may exceed the size of the tray.

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.