

**Letchworth**



**District  
Gardeners  
Association**

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# **SHOW SCHEDULE 2017**

**Summer Show  
Saturday 15th July**

**Autumn Show  
Saturday 9th September**

**Free Church Hall,  
Norton Way South, SG6 1NX**

**Open to non-members**

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## 53rd ANNUAL SUMMER SHOW

**Saturday 15th July 2017**

Welcome to our Summer Show schedule for 2017. Please look for the ♦ symbol indicating the classes that are new or have changed and the ● symbol reminding you to read the showing instructions. As with last year, to keep our shows fresh, we are stating that exhibits must not have been shown previously at LDGA shows (rule 14, page 18).

If you like converting old or discarded items into something new then class 73 is for you. If you like painting or drawing, check out our more relaxed Art section.

Once again, for members only, hardy fuchsia plants will be available from LDGA in the spring. We would like you to grow them on and show them in class 30. A £1.00 contribution is required for the plant but entry to the class is free.

The mystery seed challenge for the Tapps Trophy will this year be in the autumn. If you like buying plants as well as showing them, there will be a plant sale running throughout the afternoon. We are also hoping to have more cookery demonstrations by Andrew Wakeford from West Herts College.

## SUMMER SHOW CUPS AND AWARDS

Society Bowl	Most points in rose classes 1-5
Lathyrus Cup	Most points in sweet pea classes 6-10
NSPS Bronze Medal	Best exhibit in sweet pea classes 6-10
Fuchsia Cup	Most points in fuchsia classes 26-29
Fuchsia Blue Ribbon	Best exhibit in fuchsia classes 26-29
Coronation Cup	Most points in vegetable & fruit classes 31-46
H J Davidson Posy Bowl	Most points in domestic classes 47-53
Merit Shield	Most points in children's classes 54-58
Arch Cup	Winner of schools' class 59
Newcomers Shield	Most points showing at Letchworth for the first time

## SUMMER SHOW CLASSES

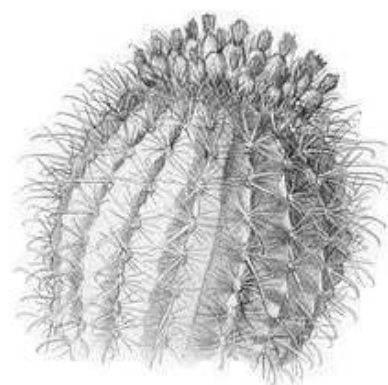
### ● FLOWERS

1. Rose, hybrid tea, 1 vase, 1 specimen bloom
2. Roses, hybrid tea, 1 vase, 3 specimen blooms
3. Roses, hybrid tea, 1 vase, 3 specimen blooms, 2 or more varieties
4. Roses, floribunda, 1 vase, 3 stems
5. Rose, other than above, 1 vase, 1 specimen bloom
6. Sweet Peas, white or cream, 1 vase, 9 sprays
7. Sweet Peas, blue or mauve, 1 vase, 9 sprays
8. Sweet Peas, pink or red, 1 vase, 9 sprays
9. Sweet Peas, bi-colour, 1 vase, 9 sprays
10. Sweet Peas, mixed colours, 1 vase, 9 sprays
11. Pinks, 1 vase, 5 stems, 1 or more varieties
12. Pansies, 1 vase, dish or bowl, 6 blooms
13. Violas, 1 vase, dish or bowl, 6 blooms
14. Flowering shrubs, 1 vase, 1 or more varieties
15. Garden flowers, 1 vase, 5 stems or blooms, 1 variety
16. Mixed garden flowers, 1 vase, 5 stems and/or blooms, 5 varieties



### ● POT PLANTS

17. Tuberos or bulb, 1 pot 3 ½" (9cm) or under
18. Tuberos or bulb, 1 pot over 3 ½" (9cm)
19. Floral, 1 pot 3 ½" (9cm) or under
20. Floral, 1 pot over 3 ½" (9cm)
21. Foliage, 1 pot 3 ½" (9cm) or under
22. Foliage, 1 pot over 3 ½" (9cm)
23. Begonia, 1 pot
24. Cactus, 1 specimen
25. Succulent, 1 specimen



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## ● POT PLANTS continued

26. Fuchsia, any shape or form, 1 pot
27. Fuchsia, bush, 1 pot 6 ½" (16.5cm) or under
28. Fuchsia, ¼ or ½ standard, 1 pot, length of clear stem soil to branch 12"- 18" (30.5-45.5cm), or 18"- 30" (45.5-76cm) respectively
29. Fuchsia, full standard, 1 pot, length of clear stem soil to branch 30"- 42" (76-106.5cm)
30. Fuchsia, hardy, grown from LDGA-supplied plant. Free entry (see page 2)

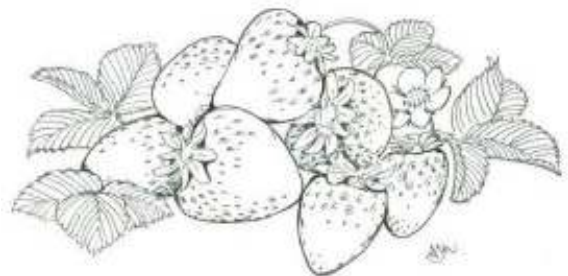
## ● VEGETABLES

- 31. Rhubarb, natural, 3 stalks
32. Peas, 9 pods
33. Broad Beans, 9 pods
34. Potatoes, white or coloured, 5
- 35. Cabbage, 1
- 36. Carrots, 5
- 37. Cauliflower, 1
- 38. Beetroot, 5
39. Courgettes, 3
40. Any other vegetable



## ● FRUIT

- 41. Gooseberries, 1 dish, 12
42. Blackcurrants, 1 dish, 9 bunches
43. Redcurrants, 1 dish, 9 bunches
- 44. Strawberries, 1 dish, 9
- 45. Raspberries, 1 dish, 9
46. Any other fruit

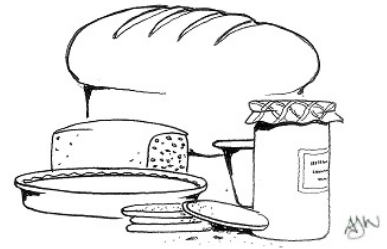


## ● DOMESTIC

47. Marmalade, from fresh fruit, 1lb (454g) jar
48. Savoury scones, 6

## ● DOMESTIC continued

- 49. Loaf of bread, 1.1lb (500g) max of strong white bread flour, handmade or in a breadmaker
- 50. Biscuits, 6 on a plate
- 51. Victoria sponge with red jam filling
- 52. Chocolate cake
- 53. Ginger bread



## ◆ ● CHILDREN'S

- 54. 3 decorated cupcakes
- 55. Make and bake 6 biscuits
- ◆ ● 56. The best photo I have taken of something red
- ◆ 57. A collection of 3 paper flowers
- ◆ 58. Colour a picture (download from [ldga.org.uk](http://ldga.org.uk) or call 01438 727422)



## ◆ ● SCHOOLS' Certificates awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places

### ◆ 59. A display of produce from your school garden

Choose the best flowers, fruit and vegetables from your school garden and stage them on an A3 piece of paper (may overlap the edges)

- ◆ 60. A collage entitled 'Sport' made from recycled materials, 40"x40" (100x100cm) max, to be displayed on the show bench

## ● HOME-MADE WINE AND BEER

- 61. Wine, red, 1 bottle
- 62. Wine, white or golden, 1 bottle
- 63. Beer, 1 bottle

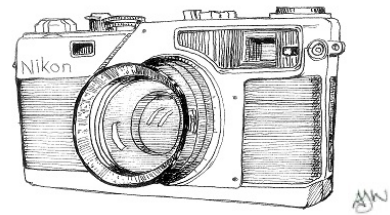


## ◆ ● FLORAL ART

- ◆ 64. A flower arrangement entitled 'Anniversary', 16"x16"x16" (40x40x40cm) max, to be viewed and judged from the front
- ◆ 65. A ladies spray

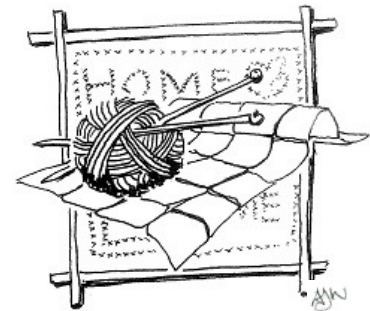
## ◆ ● PHOTOGRAPHY

- ◆ 66. Winter wonderland
- ◆ 67. A statue
- ◆ 68. The colour green



## ◆ ● HANDICRAFTS


- ◆ 69. A patchwork article
- ◆ 70. A lace item
- ◆ 71. A mounted cross stitch picture
- ◆ 72. A soft toy, 10" (25cm) max overall
- ◆ 73. New from old, an item of upcycling



## ◆ ● ART

- ◆ 74. A painting in oils or acrylic, A3 max
- ◆ 75. A painting in watercolours, A3 max
- ◆ 76. A drawing in pencil or ink, A3 max



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You never know you could be going home with the Newcomers Shield

## TIMETABLE

Staging of exhibits : 8:30am – 11:30am  
Judging : 12 noon onwards  
Show opens : 2:00pm  
Awards & Raffle : 4:15pm – 4:30pm  
Removal of exhibits : 4:30pm – 4:45pm

## SUMMER SHOW ENTRY FORM

To the Show Secretary:

Please enter my name as an exhibitor for the classes listed overleaf.

I have read the show rules on page 18 and agree to comply with them.

Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms).....

Address.....

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Date.....

Signed

Are you a member of LDGA?  Yes  No      Membership No.....

Have you shown at Letchworth before?  Yes  No



### ENTRY FEES

LDGA Members : £0.30 per entry unless otherwise stated

Non-Members : Double the LDGA Members' fee

All Children & Schools : Free

### HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY

First read the show rules on page 18 and the showing instructions on page 19. Then cut out the above form, fill out both sides and return it along with your entry fees to Paul Heydon, LDGA Show Secretary:

- at the monthly evening meetings (3rd Thursday of month)
- at the monthly coffee mornings (1st Wednesday of month)
- at the Trading Store during normal opening times
- at 129 Lonsdale Road, Stevenage, Herts. SG1 5DF
- you may also email: [shows@ldga.org.uk](mailto:shows@ldga.org.uk) or phone: 01438 727422

Entry forms and fees must be received by 8:00pm on Thursday 13th July

Class	Entry Fee	Class	Entry Fee	Class	Entry Fee

Total entry fees = £ \_\_\_\_\_



**PRIZES AND POINTS**

- 1st Place : £1.00 and 5 points
- 2nd Place : £0.60 and 3 points
- 3rd Place : £0.40 and 1 point
- Unless otherwise stated

**NOTES & RECORD OF CLASSES ENTERED**



## AUTUMN SHOW ENTRY FORM

To the Show Secretary:

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I have read the show rules on page 18 and agree to comply with them.

Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms).....

Address.....

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Date..... Signed

Are you a member of LDGA?  Yes  No Membership No.....

Have you shown at Letchworth before?  Yes  No



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Entry forms and fees must be received by 8:00pm on Thursday 7th September

Class	Entry Fee	Class	Entry Fee	Class	Entry Fee

Total entry fees = £                         



**PRIZES AND POINTS**

- 1st Place : £1.00 and 5 points
- 2nd Place : £0.60 and 3 points
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- Unless otherwise stated

**NOTES & RECORD OF CLASSES ENTERED**

# 111th ANNUAL AUTUMN SHOW

**Saturday 9th September 2017**

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We will not be holding the North Herts Dahlia Championship this year; instead for the dahlia growers, we have our own more relaxed championship. If you like working with wood then new class 99 is for you.

Once again, for members only, chilli pepper plants will be available from LDGA in the spring. We would like you to grow them on and show them in class 59. A £1.00 contribution is required for the plant but entry to the class is free.

Also for members only, special vegetable seeds will be available from Tapps Garden Centre, Baldock in the spring. We would like you to grow them and show the resulting produce in class 62. A £1.00 donation to Tapps' charity is required for the seeds but entry to the class is free.

If you like buying produce as well as showing it, there will be a produce sale running throughout the afternoon. We are also hoping to have more flower arranging demonstrations by Claire McNamara proprietor of 'Hello Flower'.

## AUTUMN SHOW CUPS AND AWARDS

Mrs G M Ashwell Cup	Best exhibit in pot plant classes 1-5
C F Ball Cup	Most points in flower classes 8-17
J J Chalmers Trophy	Best bloom in chrysanthemum classes 16-17
Association Cup	Most points in dahlia classes 18-29
Dahlia Championship Trophy	Winner of Dahlia Championship class 30
NDS Silver Medal	Best dahlia exhibit
NDS Bronze Medal	Best dahlia exhibit – runner up
Dr Macfadyen Cup	Most points in vegetable classes 32-61
W H Gaunt Cup	Best exhibit in vegetable classes 32-61
Tapps Trophy	Winner of vegetable class 62
E D Virgin Cup	Winner of vegetable championship class 63

## AUTUMN SHOW CUPS AND AWARDS continued

Children's Cup	Most points in children's classes 73-77
Ladies Cup	Most points in domestic classes 78-86
Dent & Cockle Cup	Best exhibit in floral art classes 90-92
Newcomers Trophy	Most points showing at Letchworth for the first time

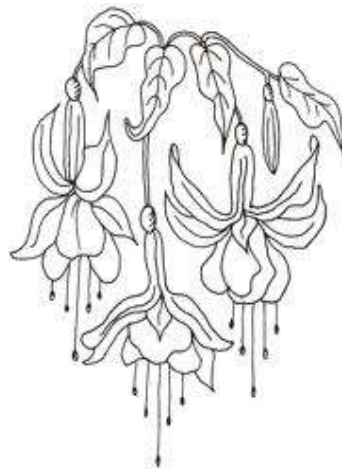
## SUMMER / AUTUMN SHOW CUPS AND AWARDS

Doug Clarke Cup	Most aggregate points in wine & beer classes at summer and autumn shows
R L Heydon Cup	Most aggregate points in photography classes at summer and autumn shows
Handicraft Salver	Most aggregate points in handicraft classes at summer and autumn shows

## AUTUMN SHOW CLASSES

### ● POT PLANTS

1. Regal Pelargonium / Geranium, 1 pot
2. Fuchsia, 1 pot
3. Foliage, 1 pot
4. Floral, 1 pot
5. Coleus, 1 pot
6. Cactus, 1 specimen
7. Succulent, 1 specimen



### ● FLOWERS

8. Mixed foliage, 1 vase, 2 or more varieties
9. Gladioli, red, pink or orange, 1 vase, 1 spike
10. Gladioli, blue or mauve, 1 vase, 1 spike
11. Gladioli, white, cream or yellow, 1 vase, 1 spike
12. Asters, 1 vase, 6 stems



## ◆ ● FLOWERS continued

- 13. Roses, 1 vase, 3 stems
- 14. Mixed flowers, 1 vase, 12 stems and/or blooms max, 2 or more varieties  
Judged: 20% Arrangement, 30% Colour, 50% Quality



- ◆ 15. Chrysanthemums, 1 vase, 3 sprays
- ◆ 16. Chrysanthemums, 1 vase, 3 blooms, incurve
- ◆ 17. Chrysanthemums, 1 vase, 3 blooms, reflex

## ◆ ● DAHLIAS

- 18. Giant decorative, 1 vase, 1 bloom
- 19. Large decorative, 1 vase, 3 blooms
- 20. Medium decorative, 1 vase, 3 blooms
- 21. Small and/or miniature decorative, 1 vase, 5 blooms
- 22. Giant cactus or semi-cactus, 1 vase, 1 bloom
- 23. Large cactus and/or semi-cactus, 1 vase, 3 blooms
- 24. Medium cactus and/or semi-cactus, 1 vase, 3 blooms
- 25. Small or miniature cactus and/or semi-cactus, 1 vase, 5 blooms
- 26. Small and/or miniature ball, 1 vase, 5 blooms
- 27. Pompon, 1 vase, 5 blooms
- 28. Mixed dahlias, 1 vase or bowl, 2 or more varieties, arranged for effect
- ◆ 29. Any other dahlias not from classes 18 - 28, 1 vase, 5 blooms, 1 or more varieties

### ◆ 30. Dahlia Championship

A display of 15 blooms, in a minimum of 4 vases to include no more than 5 giant or large blooms. Exhibit to cover no more than 4ft (1.25m) of the show bench

Entry Fee: £0.60

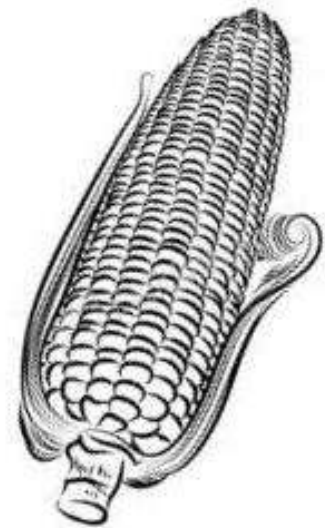
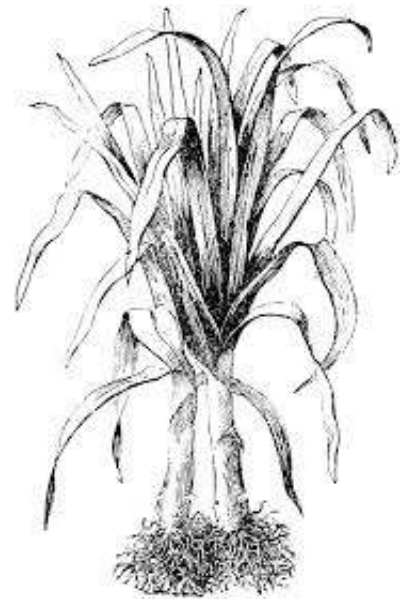
Prizes: 1st: £3.00    2nd: £2.00    3rd: £1.00

## ● FLOWER & VEGETABLE COMBINATION

- 31. One flower and one vegetable exhibited together

## ◆ ● VEGETABLES

- 32. Leeks, 3
- ◆ 33. Potatoes, white, 5
- ◆ 34. Potatoes, coloured, 5
- ◆ 35. Potatoes, white, 3 and coloured, 3
- 36. Marrows, for the table, 2
- 37. Cucumbers, indoor, 2
- 38. Tomatoes, standard size, 6
- 39. Tomatoes, cherry size, 6
- 40. Tomatoes, other than above, 6
- 41. Cabbages, culinary, 2
- 42. Beetroot, 5
- 43. Runner Beans, 9
- 44. French Beans, 9
- 45. Carrots, long, 5
- 46. Carrots, short, 5
- 47. Parsnips, 3
- 48. Shallots, pickling, 30mm dia or under, 12
- 49. Shallots, over 30mm dia, 12
- 50. Sweetcorn, 2 cobs, 1 with grain exposed
- 51. Onions, not grown from sets, 6
- 52. Onions, grown from sets, 8oz (227g) or under, 6
- 53. Onions, grown from sets, over 8oz (227g), 6
- 54. Onions, exhibition size (e.g. Kelsae / Robinson's mammoth), 6
- 55. Onions, red, 6
- 56. Chilli Peppers, 3
- 57. Sweet Peppers, 2
- 58. Courgettes, 3
- 59. Chilli plant grown from LDGA-supplied plant.  
Free entry (see page 11)
- 60. Culinary herbs, 1 vase, 3 varieties



## ◆ ● VEGETABLES continued

- 61. Any other vegetable
- ◆ 62. Vegetables grown from seed obtained at Tapps Garden Centre, Baldock  
6 specimens. Free entry (see page 11)

### 63. Vegetable Championship

Choose 4 items from the following and stage on 15"x15" (38x38cm) board

Beetroot(3), carrots(3), courgettes(2), onions(3), potatoes(3), shallots(6),  
sweetcorn(2), tomatoes(3)

Entry Fee: £0.50

Prizes: 1st: £2.00    2nd: £1.50    3rd: £1.00

## ● NOVELTY VEGETABLES 1st Prize only

- 64. Longest runner bean
- 65. Most amusing vegetable

## ● FRUIT

- 66. Pears, 1 dish, 5
- 67. Apples, cooking, 1 dish, 5
- 68. Apples, dessert, 1 dish, 5
- 69. Stone fruit, 1 dish, 5
- 70. Raspberries, 1 dish, 12
- 71. Blackberries/hybrids, 1 dish, 12
- 72. Any other fruit



## ◆ ● CHILDREN'S

- ◆ ● 73. The best photo I have taken of an animal
- ◆ 74. A plant growing in a jam jar
- 75. A monster made from fruit and/or vegetables
- ◆ 76. Make, bake and exhibit 3 pieces of flapjack
- ◆ 77. A birthday card



## ◆ ● DOMESTIC

- 78. Jam, stone fruit, 1lb (454g) jar
- 79. Jam, soft fruit, 1lb (454g) jar
- 80. Jelly, soft fruit, ½lb (227g) jar
- 81. Chutney, 1 jar
- 82. Piccalilli, 1 jar
- ◆ 83. Cheese straws, 6
- ◆ 84. Savoury flan, 8" (20cm) max
- 85. A cake, ingredients to include a vegetable
- 86. A fruit cake



## ● HOME-MADE WINE AND BEER

- 87. Wine, red, 1 bottle
- 88. Wine, white or golden, 1 bottle
- 89. Beer, 1 bottle

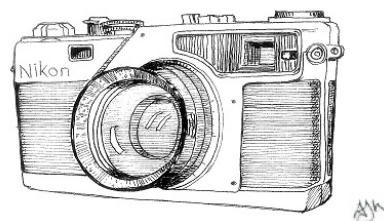


## ◆ ● FLORAL ART

- ◆ 90. An arrangement of fresh flowers and foliage to include a candle stick
- 91. A miniature exhibit, not to exceed 4" (10cm) overall
- ◆ 92. A table decoration using a wine bottle

## ◆ ● PHOTOGRAPHY

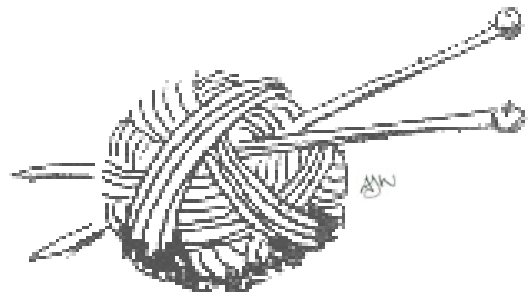
- ◆ 93. A garden tool or tools
- ◆ 94. Glass
- ◆ 95. Farm machinery





## ◆ ● HANDICRAFTS

- 96. A handmade card
- 97. A knitted or crocheted garment
- 98. A piece of embroidery, hand or machine made
- ◆ 99. An item of handicraft made from wood.  
Must be suitable for displaying on the show bench



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## SHOW RULES

### GENERAL

1. Exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor, and have been in his or her possession for at least 3 months prior to the show
2. Exhibits may be of any size & any variety or cultivar unless otherwise stated
3. Where an exhibit comprises 2 or more items they must be of the same variety or cultivar unless otherwise stated
4. When known, exhibits must be correctly named and clearly labelled
5. The judges may withhold prizes where exhibits are of insufficient merit
6. The judge's decision will be final on all points
7. Every care will be taken with staged exhibits, but the LDGA committee will not be responsible for any loss or damage
8. At all times, the LDGA committee reserve the right to inspect growing crops, etc. from which exhibits will be or have been taken
9. Artificial flowers or materials may not be used except in floral art classes
10. Exhibitors must leave the hall by 11:30am
11. Exhibitors must remove their trimmings and other waste
12. Exhibits must not be removed before 4:30pm
13. Non-members may not hold a cup or trophy
14. Exhibits must not have been shown previously at LDGA shows

### SUMMER SHOW

15. Exhibitors may enter no more than two exhibits in each class
16. Fuchsias may not be shown in classes 17-22

### AUTUMN SHOW

17. Exhibitors may enter no more than one exhibit in each class
18. Dahlias must comply with NDS classifications and are judged to NDS rules
19. Chrysanthemums must comply with NCS classifications and are judged to NCS rules

## SHOWING INSTRUCTIONS

### GENERAL

1. Read through the schedule carefully, ensure your exhibits conform to it
2. Allow plenty of time for staging on the morning of the show
3. Where an exhibit comprises 2 or more items they should be of uniform size and colour
4. Exhibitors may use their own vases providing they conform to show standards. LDGA vases are available on the morning of the show

### VEGETABLES

5. Vegetables should be prepared by washing only. No oiling or polishing
6. Leeks should be shown with roots washed & teased but not trimmed, and with leaves left on
7. Tomatoes should be shown with calyx and stalk attached
8. Rhubarb should be shown with 3" (7.5cm) of leaf left & bud scales removed
9. Cabbages and cauliflowers should be shown with a 2" - 4" (5-10cm) stalk
10. Carrots, beetroot and parsnips should be shown with 4" (10cm) tops
11. Shallots should be shown as separate bulbs
12. Sweetcorn should be shown with husk and silk attached
13. Onions should be shown with tops neatly tied

### OTHER SECTIONS

14. Apples and pears should be shown with stalk attached and not trimmed
15. Berries should be shown with calyx and stalk attached
16. Wine should be shown in a clear bottle with fluted bottom and flanged cork
17. Floral Art exhibits may comprise any plant material with accessories, bases, candles, fruit etc.
18. Photography exhibits should be on photographic paper, 7"x 5" max, unmounted and not digitally enhanced
19. Handicraft exhibits should be labelled stating if they are your own design



LDGA is affiliated to the British Fuchsia Society, National Dahlia Society, National Sweet Pea Society, National Vegetable Society, Royal Horticultural Society