

Royal Welsh Show

22 - 25 July 2024

Junior Competitions Horticulture Village

Classes for:-

- Junior Horticulture Classes (individuals & school groups)
- Decorated Wheelbarrow Competition (schools/children's organisations)
- Feature County Schools Competition (schools/colleges)



Introduction



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In 2024, the horticulture section will be located within the new Horticulture Village which is the Society's new vision for horticulture as launched at the 2023 Show. The village will celebrate all aspects of horticulture in Wales - from community to commercial growing, competitive showing and displays. Alongside promoting the health and social benefits of gardening.

The ethos is to 'inspire, educate and collaborate.' The village will be a space to inspire by showcasing excellence with competitive exhibits and displays. It will be a place for education and learning by working in partnership with schools and colleges. And it will create an opportunity to collaborate through inclusive social spaces, meeting areas and a stage to welcome guest speakers and exciting exhibitions.

The competitive element will be housed within separate areas this year and there will also be a new Learning Hub 'Y Dysgubor' for education, demonstrations, and skills development.

New and exciting classes have been introduced in the Junior Section for both Primary and Secondary school ages, along with a feature county competition and the popular decorated Wheelbarrow competition.



Entries are to be submitted via the online entry system (other than the feature county competition).

Click the link below to sign in OR to register a NEW Account (if you already have an account please do not make a duplicate one)

<https://enrolment.engage-powered.com/rwas/signup/?e=44&siteid=NONLS>

Come and join us and celebrate a new generation of growers!



Junior Classes - age 11 years and under (primary)



No entry fee • Prizes - 1st £5 2nd £3 3rd £2

Each class is open to individuals or school/college groups.

1. "A MINIATURE GARDEN"

To be staged within any container; maximum size of 45cm x 45cm

2. DEPICT AN ANIMAL OUT OF MAINLY VEGETABLES AND/OR FRUIT

3. A VASE OF ANY GARDEN FLOWERS & FOLIAGE

Vase to be provided by exhibitor

4. GROW AN "EXOTIC" PLANT

e.g. pineapple top, ginger root, avocado seed. Start growing them as soon as possible to be ready for the Show

5. MAKE A BUG HOTEL

No larger than 20 x 15 x 10cm

6. PRESSED LEAVES OF 6 NAMED TREES OR SHRUBS

Displayed on A4 sheets of paper in a folder

7. BEST GARLIC BULB

Open only for those school children who attended the 2023 Winter Fair and given a garlic bulb to grow at home

Junior Classes age 11–16 years (secondary)



No entry fee • Prizes - 1st £5 2nd £3 3rd £2

Each class is open to individuals or school/college groups.

1. A VEGETABLE GROWN IN A POT

Pot not exceeding 15cm

2. A VASE OF ANY GARDEN FLOWERS & FOLIAGE

Vase to be provided by exhibitor

3. GROW AN “EXOTIC” PLANT

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4. MAKE A BUG HOTEL

No larger than 20 x 15 x 10cm

5. PRESSED LEAVES OF 10 NAMED TREES OR SHRUBS

Displayed on A4 sheets of paper in a folder

Prize money in the Junior Section kindly sponsored by:

Mr & Mrs Allan Evans

Mrs Amanda Burton

Growing “Exotic” Plants on a Window Ledge

Pineapple

- Choose pineapple with good central leaves
- Cut or twist off the crown of leaves
- Clear any flesh from stem - to prevent rot
- Remove some lower leaves to expose stem
- Leave to dry for 2 days
- Either suspend/stand in water or plant directly into gritty soil
- Water method:- support crown in jar of water, put in light warm position
- Window ledge ideal especially a bright humid bath room window
- Rooting (if successful!) in 2 to 5 weeks.

Ginger Root

- Buy a piece of fresh organic ginger root
- Soak overnight
- Cut into 2 - 5 cm lengths - leave cuts to dry
- Plant 5cm deep in good well drained compost
- Place in a warm (frost free) shady window
- Keep moist but not wet
- Sprouts in 5-6 weeks - matures after several months.

Avocado Seed

- Open avocado carefully without damaging seed
- Pull out seed, rinse clean in warm water
- Insert 3 toothpicks equally halfway up seed
- Suspend over bowl of water so base of seed is wet
- Put on sunny window to sprout
- When roots established plant in soil with top of seed visible
- Keep moist in a sunny location

To Press Leaves

- Put double layer of absorbent paper (kitchen roll) on a piece of thick cardboard and arrange the dry leaves
- Cover leaves with more absorbent paper and put another layer of thick cardboard on top.
- Put heavy weight (house brick or similar sized stone) on top and leave in warm dry place for 2-3 weeks or until dry (change paper if moist)
- Carefully arrange leaves on A4 sheet of paper (heavier weight the better e.g. 100gm) use dabs of glue to fix leaves to paper, add name of tree, when and where the leaf was collected.

RULES & CONDITIONS - Junior Horticulture Classes



- ◆ **Entries close – 14 June 2024.** No entries accepted after the closing date.
- ◆ The Horticultural Village will be open for the reception of amateur exhibits from 2.00pm, Sunday 21 July 2024. You are strongly urged to deliver and stage your exhibits no later than **Sunday 21 July, but all exhibits must be in the Marquee and staged by 7.00am on Monday 22 July 2024.**
- ◆ Judging will commence at 7.30am prompt on Monday 22 July. Any exhibit not properly staged at that hour may be disqualified. The Marquees will be cleared during judging and no one but Judges and Officials in attendance will be allowed in the Marquees until the judging is completed.
Horticultural Marquees will be open to the public from 10.30am or such time as the judging duties have been completed.
- ◆ **No amateur exhibit may be removed before 5pm on Thursday 25 July 2024.** Access arrangements for amateur section exhibitors to remove their exhibits will be included with their admission package.
- ◆ The Society reserves the right to cancel any class which are low in entries.
- ◆ It would be appreciated if the Society office could be informed of non ability to exhibit in any classes as soon as possible prior to the show.
- ◆ No responsibility will be accepted by the Society for loss or damage to exhibits (or any portion thereof) or personal belongings before, during or after the event, nor will the Society be responsible for the loss of any plant, flower or receptacle in transit to or from or on the showground, during or after the event
- ◆ The Royal Welsh Agricultural Society is committed to protecting your personal data and processing it only in accordance with legal requirements. For more details you should request a copy of our GDPR Policy. We process your personal data as it is necessary for the performance of our contract with you to facilitate your entry to the event. We will not transfer your data outside of the UK and European Economic Area and will not share your data with third parties except for regulatory authorities or affiliated Societies to whom we may submit entries and results to be checked for validity and eligibility based on their legitimate interests. Your name and county will be published within the Society's catalogue. Results will also be circulated with members of the press and published on our website. We retain your data in accordance with our retention schedule to simplify future applications. You have various rights in the data we hold including rectification and objecting to processing. Please also be aware that photographs and film will be taken throughout the Showground for broadcast, publicity and marketing purposes.

Please note that if the exhibitor is under 18 years of age then the online entry has to be completed by a parent/guardian who is over 18 years of age. Please note that whoever completes the entry form takes full responsibility for complying with all rules and regulations.

Decorated Wheelbarrow Competition



'To depict the theme Rainbow'



Win cash prizes for your school and a visit to the show by participating in the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society's Decorated Wheelbarrow Competition

Category: Open to Schools / Childrens Organisations only

Prizes: 1st - £200 2nd - £150 3rd - £100

Objective, rules and information:-

- ◆ The competition is open to schools/childrens organisations and not individual pupils.
- ◆ A wheelbarrow (maximum planting area not more than 90 x 60 cms) planted with flowers and vegetables, accessories allowed, **'To depict the theme Rainbow'**
- ◆ The name of the school must not be placed on the exhibit prior to or during judging.
- ◆ Entries will have to be delivered to the Horticulture Marquee at the show site on Sunday 21 July 2024, from 2.00pm.
- ◆ The winning schools will be contacted as soon as the judging has been completed on the morning of Monday 22 July 2024, so that arrangements can be made to invite representatives of the winning schools to attend the presentation of awards to be held in the Horticultural Village on Thursday 25 July 2024 at 12.15pm. A limited number of admission tickets will be issued to the winning schools.
- ◆ All the entries will be displayed within the Horticulture Marquee during the week of the Royal Welsh Show.
- ◆ Closing date of entries is Friday 14 June 2024.
- ◆ Please enter via the online entry system (please note this is different to previous years when entries were posted).

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NEW FOR 2024



Feature County Gardening Competition

Ceredigion School/College Gardens

This year, as part of the new Horticultural Village we are keen to celebrate the school gardens of the feature county in a new competition that will recognise the efforts of all the school/colleges' staff and children in an award ceremony at the Show at the end of July.

We are looking for the best school garden which will be a combination of growing vegetables, flowers and creating a habitat for nature.

How to compete?

We will open the competition to Ceredigion primary/secondary schools and further education colleges at the end of May and **all applications will need to be sent to us by the 20 of June 2024.** The number of applications will be limited to one application from each school/college.

All you need to do to enter is:

- Send a letter from the pupils stating what they grow in the garden and how they enjoy doing so.
- Create a short video of the growing spaces (filmed in landscape) no longer than 5 minutes.
- Include 3 interesting pictures of the garden.

How will we determine the winners?

A panel of judges will look at each application individually and measure the strength of the applications according to the following criteria:

- Variety of plants including vegetables, fruit and flowers.
- The children's involvement with the garden as part of their education.
- The look and creativity of the final garden.
- The positive impact the growing space has on biodiversity and nature.

The winning school will receive a selection of gardening resources to use in school and these will be presented during the award ceremony which will be held on Thursday 25 July 2024. A limited number of admission tickets will be issued to the winning school.

Please note - we will display the school's video clips on a big screen during the Show and therefore it will be necessary to ensure that all the pupils who appear on the screen have the right to do so in accordance with the school/college's privacy policies and procedures. It will be your responsibility to ensure this and notify us in writing with your application submission.

Get in touch



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