

**THE NATIONAL DAHLIA SOCIETY  
NATIONAL SHOW**

**10<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY AT WISLEY  
SCHEDULE  
2023**

**5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**  
*Held in conjunction with*  
**RHS WISLEY FLOWER SHOW**  
**5<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**  
**WOKING, SURREY**  
**GU23 6QB**

**The National Dahlia Society  
would like to thank  
The RHS Wisley Flower Show  
for kindly hosting the  
2023 National Show**

**ALL FLORAL FOAM IS BANNED FROM USE AT THE  
NATIONAL DAHLIA SHOW**

**Floral Foam must not be used on site.**

As part of the RHS's efforts to improve sustainability, and make environmentally-minded choices when planning their events, they have made the decision to ban all plastic containing floral foam at shows and events from 2021. Floral foams on the market are non-biodegradable (the brown bio-foam still takes 4 years to break down by 90% under special conditions) and use micro-plastics, and due to the nature of its use it is very easy for these to get into water supplies.

**The RHS has approved the use of AGRAWOOL and  
FIBREFLORAL at Shows and  
Gardens.**

**The curatorial team are also happy that both can be put in  
with composting.**

## REGULATIONS FOR EXHIBITORS

1. All entries must be sent either **via the Website for the attention of The General Secretary, or By Post to The General Secretary 'Woodside', Warwick Road, Chadwick End, Solihull, West Midlands, B93 0BP.**

Intending exhibitors must state definitely on the entry form the classes in which they intend to exhibit, and all such entries must reach the General Secretary by the date specified. All entries must be accompanied by a non--returnable Administrative fee, as detailed on the entry form.

2. Entries received after the date specified on the Entry Form, or not accompanied by the correct Administrative fee, will not be accepted. (See entry form for details of fees).

3. An Exhibitor's Number will be sent with an acknowledgement of receipt of entries. **Exhibitors are particularly requested, if for any reason an acknowledgement has not been received by two days before the show, to telephone the General Secretary (Tel: 07549 662265 )** for verbal confirmation of Exhibitor Number.

4. Due to lack of space no late entries whatsoever will be accepted.

5. None but paid up members of the National Dahlia Society may exhibit at this show. Exhibits will be accepted from new members enrolled prior to the closing date for entries.

6. All dahlias exhibited in competition must be grown by the exhibitor, except in Floral Decoration and Seedling classes.

7. Two or more members may exhibit from the same garden or piece of land provided that they do not exhibit in the same class.

8. Members and Affiliated Societies may not enter more than once per class except where otherwise stated in the schedule.

9. All exhibits should be named, except those in seedling classes. Cultivar cards for exhibits in seedling classes must be left in the sealed envelope provided, to be opened and displayed on the exhibit after judging.

The names of the cultivars entered should also be written on the reverse of the entry card in the spaces provided (see paragraph 11).

Cultivar cards for naming exhibits will be available in the marquee and it is a requirement that these are used on each vase. Plastic card holders are also available which should be used to display the cards.

10 Vases and baskets as appropriate for the competitive classes will be provided by the Society and must be left on the stands at the close of the show. These will be obtainable only from the vase-issuing stewards and the number issued will be strictly in accordance with the actual entries made.

11. Exhibits are to be staged as indicated by Class Number (and other instructions when necessary). Individual class entry cards for each class entered are available in the marquee from 5.00 p.m. on the day prior to the show and are to be left face down immediately adjacent to the vase (front vase in the case of multi-vase exhibits).

12. No exhibitor may interfere in any way with exhibits, which are not his or her own without the permission of the Show Manager. Failure to comply with this rule will render the exhibitor liable to disqualification.

13. Exhibitors may arrive at 5.00pm and commence staging **at 6.00pm** on the day preceding the exhibition and all exhibits must be ready by **7:30am** on the morning of the exhibition when exhibitors must leave the marquee unless officially retained by the General Secretary or the Show Manager for Judging and Authorized Stewarding duties.

Health and Safety: No person **aged 16 years or under** is to be present in the marquee while Judging is in progress.

Judges to meet for briefing at **8.00am**, Judging to commence at **8:15am**.

The marquee will be closed to the public until 12 noon while judging is in progress.

The exhibition will close to the public at 4.00pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September

Exhibitors wishing to retain their exhibits must remove them at 4.00pm on 9<sup>th</sup> September and such exhibitors are urgently required to be in attendance at the close of the exhibition to take charge of their exhibits.

The marquee will be revamped for weekend displays on Friday evening 9<sup>th</sup> September.

14. The decision of the judges, in respect of the relative merits of the exhibits, shall be final. Protests on any other matter concerning an exhibit must be made in writing, stating reasons for the protest, and delivered to the General Secretary before 1:00 p.m. on the first day of the show together with a fee of £1.00 which will be returned if the protest is upheld. Judging will be to the rules for judging contained in the current Classified Directory and updates in NDS Publications.

15. Where a member has used internal support of blooms above the top of the vase and has been reported in accordance with Regulation 14 above, the matter will be dealt with by the Judging Committee. On the reports being confirmed the member shall automatically be banned from exhibiting at shows organised by the National Dahlia Society for one year from the 1st of January of the following year.

The Judging Committee shall submit a report to the first following meeting of the Executive Council.

16. The judges have the right to withhold any prize where the exhibit(s) is considered unworthy of the award. Highly Commended cards may be awarded at the discretion of the judges.

17. Winners of perpetual trophies are required to sign a receipt and arrange for their return to the General Secretary's address by 30th June following, to allow time for their engraving prior to the next year's show.

18. Due to lack of secure storage for all of the Trophies at the show only 'The Herbert Brown Perpetual Challenge Cup', The 'J.W Montague Cup', The 'D.B. Crane Cup' and The 'Terry Clarke Perpetual Challenge Cup' will be presented at 2.00pm on the first day of the show.

Winners of other Trophies are requested to make arrangements with the General Secretary for receipt of their Trophies.

### **19. ALL FLORAL FOAM IS BANNED FROM USE**

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20. All exhibits, whether competitive or non-competitive, personal property, etc., will be at the risk of the Exhibitor, and the National Dahlia Society will not be liable for compensation for loss or damage by theft, fire or accident, water or any other cause whatsoever. Exhibitors will be wholly responsible for any claim by their employees under any Act of Parliament, Regulation of Common Law or otherwise.

21. Exhibitors and Judges are requested to read carefully the **35<sup>th</sup> Edition Classified Directory**.

**Schedule:** Please note there are changes to some classes and numbering so please read your Schedule carefully when making your show entries.

**22. Due to Covid19, restrictions and Government regulations may apply.**

**NOTES FOR GUIDANCE  
FOR EXHIBITORS, JUDGES and STEWARDS**

- A. Exhibitors please read Rule 19 on the use of Oasis.
- B. All exhibitors are respectfully reminded to clear the staging tables of plant and staging materials and to return unused vases. Spare blooms of a saleable condition will be greatly appreciated by the NDS and Show Committee and can be put in the buckets provided, located beside the Bureau. Dustbin sacks are distributed around the marquee for rubbish, sacks are also available from the Bureau area.  
**We do not have a service team available to clear away any rubbish, your assistance in this matter will be appreciated.**
- C. Exhibitors are advised to refer to the current "**Classified Directory of Dahlias**" **35th Edition** before completing entry forms and note recent changes & subsequent updates in NDS publications  
The Show Manager or Deputy Manager will be in attendance from 6.00 pm on the day prior to the show. Reference should be made to him or her for information, direction or advice as and when required.
- D. For the sake of appearance during the five days of the show, the Committee may carry out any necessary support of blooms, leaving a signed note confirming their action.
- E. **Exhibitors Entry Gate: Monday 4th September from 5.00pm Company of Cooks Gate. Please show passes at the gate. After unloading blooms please move vehicle to Car Park 3. All exhibitors and helpers will require an exhibitor pass to gain entry to the garden.**
- F. **We ask your assistance with bringing your own refreshments required during the night.** The drinking water in the Marquee has to be brought in from the RHS Restaurant. The drinking water is required for Judges Refreshments in the morning after Judging has taken place.  
The water outside of the Marquee is for vase use only and not suitable for drinking purposes.  
It would be advisable to bring along a torch as the venue is a garden and not on a showground.
- G. Exhibitors **only** on producing their exhibitors pass may be present within a restricted area of the Marquee from 11.00am on the first morning of the show to view the exhibits on the completion of Judging  
**The Office is out of bounds while results are being processed.**

# **SCHEDULE OF CLASSES**

## **DIVISION A: OPEN CLASSES**

### **AFFILIATED SOCIETIES: CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES**

#### **Class 1 The "HERBERT BROWN" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by the late Mr J Brown

(Open only to Societies affiliated to the National Dahlia Society)

No one variety to be used for more than one classification sub-group

Five classes of dahlias comprising:

Three blooms Giant and/or Large Decorative

Three blooms Giant and/or Large Cactus and/or Semi-Cactus,

Together with any three categories' from the following:

- (a) One vase, three blooms Medium Decorative
- (b) One vase, three blooms Medium Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- (c) One vase, three blooms Fimbriated
- (d) One vase, five blooms Small Decorative
- (e) One vase, five blooms Miniature Decorative
- (f) One vase, five blooms Small Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- (g) One vase, five blooms Miniature Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- (h) One vase, five blooms Small Ball or Miniature Ball
- (i) One vase, six blooms Pompon or five blooms Large Pompon
- (j) One vase, five blooms any other classification

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **Class 2      The SOCIETY CHALLENGE**

(This class is open only to Societies affiliated to the National Dahlia Society who do not have an exhibit staged in Class 1).

No one variety to be used for more than one classification sub-group

Any three different categories from the following:

- (a) Three blooms Giant and/or Large
- (b) One vase, three blooms Medium Decorative
- (c) One vase, three blooms Medium Cactus or Semi-Cactus,
- (d) One vase, three blooms Fimbriated
- (e) One vase, five blooms Small Decorative
- (f) One vase, five blooms Miniature Decorative
- (g) One vase, five blooms Small Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- (h) One vase, five blooms Miniature Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- (i) One vase, five blooms Small Ball
- (j) One vase, five blooms Miniature Ball
- (k) One vase, six blooms Pompon or five blooms Large Pompon
- (l) One vase, five blooms any other classification

First Place :      Society's Silver Medal

Second Place:    Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **SPONSORSHIP ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**The Society acknowledges with gratitude the generosity of the many individuals, organisations and societies who contribute towards the National Dahlia Society's Annual Show.**



## **DIVISION A: OPEN CLASSES**

### **Class A 'THE WISLEY CHALLENGE'**

(Class only open to those who do not have an exhibit staged in Class 3)  
NDS current rules to 35th Edition Classified Directory apply.

Six Vases of Three blooms, no less than four Sub-groups.  
Must contain 1 vase of Medium and 1 vase of Giant or Large ( if using  
Giant or large they can be staged in three vases, but will count as 1  
vase)

To be displayed in vases provided by the NDS.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **Class B: The 'TED COLLINS MEMORIAL'**

Three Vases from the following:

To consist of: One vase Three blooms Fimbriated

Together with any two categories from the following:

No one category to be used more than once, and all vases to  
contain one distinct cultivar:-

Three blooms Medium

Five blooms Small

Five blooms Miniature

First Place : Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **Class C: LARGE POMPON CHAMPIONSHIP**

Three vases, five blooms each vase, two or more varieties.

First Place: Silver Medal

Second Place: Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **Class 3 The "TERRY CLARKE" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by the late Mr T Clarke

(Class only open to those who do not have an exhibit staged in Class A 'The Wisley Challenge'.)

No one variety to be used for more than one classification sub-group

Three blooms Giant and/or Large. ( if using Giant or large they can be staged in three vases, but will count as 1 vase)

Together with any four categories from the following (no category to be used more than once and all vases to contain one distinct cultivar only):-

- (a) One vase, three blooms Medium Decorative
- (b) One vase, three blooms Medium Cactus or Semi-Cactus,
- (c) One vase, three blooms Fimbriated
- (d) One vase, five blooms, Small Decorative
- (e) One vase, five blooms, Small Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- (f) One vase, five blooms, Miniature Decorative
- (g) One vase, five blooms Miniature Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- (h) One vase, five blooms, Small Ball
- (i) One vase, five blooms, Miniature Ball
- (j) One vase, six blooms Pompon or five blooms Large Pompon
- (k) One vase, five blooms, any other classification

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **Class 4 The "A T BARNES" Perpetual Challenge Trophy**

Presented by the Late Mr A T Barnes

Giant Decorative, twelve blooms, twelve distinct cultivars,  
each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal  
Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal  
Third Place Card

## **Class 5 The "STUART OGG" Challenge Cup**

Presented by the Late Mr Stuart Ogg VMH

Large Decorative, six blooms not less than three distinct cultivars,  
in two vases, 3 blooms in each vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal  
Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal  
Third Place Card

## **Class 6 The "STEPHEN TRESEDER" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by Stephen Treseder & Son Ltd.

Medium Decorative, three distinct cultivars, three blooms of each,  
each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal  
Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal  
Third Place Card

## **Class 7 The "CHARLES S M MEDLEN" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by Interdahlia Ltd.

Small Decorative, three distinct cultivars, five blooms of each,  
each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal  
Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal  
Third Place Card

### **Class 8 The 'DON BRAWN' Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by the Executive Council

Miniature Decorative, three distinct cultivars, five blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **Class 9 The "VINCENT F PARKER" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by Mr Vincent Parker

Giant Cactus and/or Semi-Cactus, six blooms, each bloom in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **Class 10 The "SILVERHILL" Challenge Shield**

Presented by the late Mr W J Schollar MBE

Large Cactus and/or Semi-Cactus, six blooms not less than four distinct cultivars, in two vases.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **Class 11 The "CLARA LAWSON BROWN" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by Messrs Brown & Such Ltd.

Medium Semi-Cactus, three clearly distinct cultivars, three blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **Class 12 The "VIVIENNE DALE MEMORIAL" Perpetual Challenge Cup.**

Presented by the late Mr T Dale

Three vases from the following : No category or cultivar to be used more than once, and all vases to contain one distinct cultivar.

- : One vase three blooms Large Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- One vase three blooms Medium Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- One vase five blooms Small Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- One vase five blooms Miniature Cactus or Semi-Cactus

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **Class 13 The "F. W. ALESWORTH" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Small Semi-Cactus, three distinct cultivars, five blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **Class 14 The "HARRY JAMES" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by Mr Harry M James

Small Ball, three vases, two or more distinct cultivars, five blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **Class 15 The "FRED OSCROFT" Cup**

Presented by the late Mr F Oscroft

Miniature Ball, three distinct cultivars, five blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **Class 16 The WESTON TROPHY**

Presented by the late Mr Tom McClelland

Miniature Cactus and/or Semi Cactus, three distinct cultivars, five blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

### **Class 17 The "E J WIDDOWSON" Perpetual Challenge Trophy**

Presented by Mr E J Widdowson

Pompon (max 55mm) nine vases, not less than six distinct cultivars, one cultivar per vase, six blooms in each vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place: Card

### **Class 18 The "ALBERT BROWN" Memorial Cup**

Presented by Mr A Brown

Collerette and/or Star, three distinct cultivars, five blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **Class 19 The "JACK KINNS" Memorial Perpetual Challenge Trophy**

Waterlily, three distinct cultivars, five blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal  
Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal  
Third Place Card

## **Class 20 The "MAURICE LORD" Challenge Cup**

Presented by Mr Maurice Lord

Giant and/or Large Decorative, nine blooms, not less than eight distinct cultivars, one bloom per vase.

Not more than two blooms of any one cultivar to be used.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal  
Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal  
Third Place Card

## **Class 21 The "ARTHUR GRIFFITHS" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by the late Mr Arthur Griffiths OBE

No one variety to be used for more than one classification sub-group

Six vases of Small and or Miniature flowered dahlias as follows:

Must include:

Pompon (55mm), two vases, each of six blooms, one cultivar in each vase. Together with four vases, 4 distinct varieties from the following:

No more than two vases from each section

- (a) Small and/or Miniature Cactus and/or Semi-Cactus, five blooms of one cultivar in each vase.
- (b) Small and/or Miniature Decorative, five blooms of one cultivar in each vase.
- (c) Small and/or Miniature Ball, five blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal  
Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal  
Third Place: Card

## **Class 22 The "FRED FULLER" Perpetual Trophy**

Presented by the West Wiltshire Chrysanthemum & Dahlia Society

Pompon (max 55mm), six vases, six blooms each vase,  
not less than three varieties

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **Class 23 The "Mrs A T BARNES" Cup**

Fimbriated, three distinct cultivars,  
three blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **Class 24 The "HARRY STREDWICK" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Three-vase class consisting of five blooms each vase,  
three distinct cultivars each cultivar in one vase, comprising:

Five blooms Miniature Ball

Five blooms Miniature Decorative

Five blooms Miniature Cactus and/or Semi Cactus

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **Class 25 The "DAVE SPENCER" Cup**

Presented by Mr David Spencer

**The Small Ball, Miniature Ball and Pompon Championship**

No one variety to be used for more than one classification sub-group

Three vases, three distinct cultivars, each cultivar in one vase,  
comprising:

Five blooms Small Ball

Five blooms Miniature Ball

Six blooms Pompon or 5 Large Pompon

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card



## **Class 26 'NORMAN LEWIS MEMORIAL CUP':**

Three vases from the following : Each vase to contain a distinct cultivar, no category or cultivar to be used more than once:

Three blooms Large Decorative

Three blooms Medium Decorative

Five blooms Small Decorative

Five blooms Miniature Decorative

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Third Place Card

## **DIVISION B**

### **SEEDLING & SPORT CLASSES**

#### **Class 27 The "PHILIP DAMP' Award**

One vase of a new overseas - raised seedling that has not been exhibited at a NDS Show in previous years. Exhibits must be judged for exhibition potential, with consideration being given for the cultivar's ability to compete in its relevant group or section.

Any number of entries can be made.

Exhibitors must show three blooms of any one variety.

Note: Seedling must be named and variety card placed in the envelope provided, to be opened after Judging has taken place.

The raisers name should be added to the variety card.

The engraved Silver Medal may be awarded to the raiser only.

The engraved Bronze Medal may be awarded to the Runner-Up raiser only.

Medals for this class kindly sponsored by  
The Midlands Dahlia Society

**Note:** for Classes 28 to 34, cultivars must not have been in British commerce for more than 18 months prior to the show nor exhibited in a Seedling or Sport class at a NDS Show in previous years.

Variety names should not be written on the exhibitor card, but only on the variety name card and placed in the envelope provided to be opened and displayed on the exhibit after judging has been completed.

Exhibits classes 28 to 32 and 34 must be judged for exhibition potential, with consideration being given for the cultivar's ability to compete in its relevant group or section. Class 33 to be judged for cut flower potential.

All entry forms **must be** made in the name and address of the raiser with the name and address of the exhibitor who must be a member added if different.

Trophy Class exhibits to receive Silver and Bronze Medal Cards only.

Exhibitors may make multiple entries in class 27 to 34

### **THE "JESCOT" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by Messrs. E. Cooper & Son

The JESCOT CUP: To the best vase in Seedling Classes 28 to 33

A Silver Medal awarded to the winner of the Jescot Cup and a Bronze Medal to the Runner-Up.

### **Class 28 The "G F CROWLEY" Perpetual Challenge Cup**

Presented by the late Mr G F Crowley

One vase of a new British seedling.

Three blooms of one cultivar,

Small or Miniature Cactus or Semi-Cactus, including Group11.

All entry forms must be made in the name and address of the raiser with name and address of the exhibitor added.

### **Class 29 The "ERNEST LUCKHURST" Memorial Cup**

One vase of a new British seedling.

Three blooms of one cultivar, Small or Miniature Decorative or Small or Miniature Ball or Pompon.

All entry forms must be made in the name and address of the raiser with name and address of the exhibitor added.

### **Class 30 The "HAMARI" Perpetual Challenge Trophy**

Presented by the late Mr W Ensum

One vase of a new British seedling.

Three blooms of one Medium-flowered cultivar, including Group 11. All entry forms must be made in the name and address of the raiser with name and address of the exhibitor added.

### **Class 31 The "JALDEC" Perpetual Challenge Trophy**

Presented by the late Mr D Hewlett MBE

One vase of a new British seedling.

Three blooms of one Giant or Large-flowered cultivar to include group 11 (excluding Large Pompon), to be shown separately, or in one vase.

All entry forms must be made in the name and address of the raiser with name and address of the exhibitor added.

**Class 32** One vase, three blooms of a new British Seedling in the Groups not covered by the existing trophies ie:

Groups 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 12, 13, 14 or 15

All entry forms must be made in the name and address of the raiser with name and address of the exhibitor added.

**Class 33** One vase, three blooms, of a new British Seedling to be judged for cut flower potential. (Not to be judged to exhibition standards)

The cultivar not having been exhibited in classes 28 to 32.

All entry forms must be made in the name and address of the raiser with name and address of the exhibitor added.

**Class 34** Sports:

One vase, 3 blooms,

to include 2 blooms of the sport and one bloom of the parent.

All entry forms must be made in the name and address of the raiser with name and address of the exhibitor added.

## **THE “ BENTLEY” PERPETUAL CHALLENGE TROPHY**

Presented by Messrs Joseph Bentley Ltd. Barrow-on-Humber Lincs.

To be awarded to the winner of the Intermediate Championship.

### **Class 35 THE INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS**

**Not open to previous winners.**

Open only to those who have not won a first prize in DIVISION A Championship Classes at any of the National Shows in previous years.

Any 3 categories from the following (no category to be used more than once and all vases except (a) to contain one distinct cultivar only):

- (a) Three blooms Large, Decorative or Cactus or Semi-Cactus, in one vase,
- (b) Three blooms Medium Decorative in one vase
- (c) Three blooms Medium Cactus or Semi-Cactus in one vase
- (d) Five blooms Small Decorative in one vase
- (e) Five blooms Miniature Decorative in one vase
- (f) Five blooms Small Cactus in one vase
- (g) Five blooms Small Semi-Cactus in one vase
- (h) Five blooms Miniature Cactus in one vase
- (i) Five blooms Small Ball in one vase
- (j) Five blooms Miniature Ball in one vase
- (k) Six blooms Pompon (max 55mm) or five blooms Large Pompon (max 83mm) in one vase
- (l) Five blooms any other classification, in one vase

First Place: Silver Medal

Second Place: Bronze Medal

Third Place: Bronze Card

## **Class 36 THE SMALL GROWERS CHAMPIONSHIP**

Open only for those who grow less than 200 plants in total

Three vases, three distinct classifications sub-groups, each classification in one vase, any variety or varieties, from the list printed below.

- (a) Three blooms Large, Decorative or Cactus or Semi-Cactus, in one vase.
- (b) Three blooms Medium Decorative in one vase
- (c) Three blooms Medium Cactus in one vase
- (d) Three blooms Medium Semi-Cactus in one vase
- (e) Five blooms Small Decorative in one vase
- (f) Five blooms Miniature Decorative in one vase
- (g) Five blooms Small Cactus in one vase
- (h) Five blooms Miniature Cactus in one vase
- (i) Five blooms Small Semi-Cactus in one vase
- (j) Five blooms Miniature Semi-Cactus in one vase
- (k) Five blooms Small Ball in one vase
- (l) Five blooms Miniature Ball in one vase
- (m) Six blooms Pompon (max 55mm) or five blooms Large Pompon (max 83mm) in one vase
- (n) Five blooms Waterlily in one vase
- (o) Five blooms any other classification, in one vase

First Place: Silver Medal

Second Place: Bronze Medal

Third Place: Bronze Card

### **Class 37 The UNDER 100 PLANTS CHALLENGE**

Open only for those who grow less than 100 plants in total

Three vases, three distinct classifications sub-groups, each classification in one vase, any variety or varieties, from the list printed below.

- (a) Three blooms Large, Decorative or Cactus or Semi-Cactus, in one vase.
- (b) Three blooms Medium Decorative in one vase
- (c) Three blooms Medium Cactus, in one vase
- (d) Three blooms Medium Semi-Cactus in one vase
- (e) Three blooms Small Decorative in one vase
- (f) Three blooms Miniature Decorative in one vase
- (g) Three blooms Small Cactus in one vase
- (h) Three blooms, Miniature Cactus in one vase
- (i) Three blooms Small Semi-Cactus in one vase
- (j) Three blooms Miniature Semi- Cactus in one vase
- (k) Three blooms Small Ball in one vase
- ( l) Three blooms, Miniature Ball in one vase
- (m) Six blooms Pompon (max 55mm) or three blooms Large Pompon (max 83mm) in one vase
- (n) Three blooms Waterlily in one vase
- (o) Three blooms any other classification in one vase

First Place: Silver Medal

Second Place: Bronze Medal

Third Place: Bronze Card

## **SPECIAL CLASSES**

**Class 38** Twelve blooms Pompon (max 55mm), in two vases, six blooms of one distinct cultivar in each vase.

**Class 39** Nine blooms Miniature, three vases, 3 blooms each vase, any cultivar or cultivars

**Class 40** Three vases: three blooms each vase, any varieties, exhibitors choice.

**Class 41** Three vases: nine blooms Small, three blooms each vase, any cultivar or cultivars

**Class 42** One vase: Five distinct cultivars, Small and/or Miniature Cactus and/or Semi-Cactus.

**Class 43** Three vases of dahlias, three blooms in each vase, each vase to contain a distinct cultivar. Excluding Giant cultivars.

**Class 44** Two vases of dahlias, three blooms each vase, each vase to contain a distinct cultivar. Excluding Giant cultivars.

**Class 45** Three vases of dahlias, one bloom each vase, each vase to contain a separate classification group (groups 1 – 15).  
**Only one size from each classification group permitted**

**Class 46 The 'ALFIE LAWES MEMORIAL'**

Six Blooms Giant Decorative  
one bloom in each vase.

**GIANT or LARGE DECORATIVE**

**Class 47** One bloom, predominantly white or yellow.

**Class 48** One bloom, predominantly orange, bronze, flame or red.

**Class 49** One bloom, predominantly pink, lilac or purple.

The first colour stated in the Classified Directory is the predominant colour in classes 47 to 49.

**GIANT DECORATIVE.**

**Class 50** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in separate vases.

**LARGE DECORATIVE**

**Class 51** Three blooms one or more cultivars in one vase.

**MEDIUM DECORATIVE**

**Class 52** Two vases, six blooms, three bloom each vase, any cultivar or cultivars ,



## **MEDIUM DECORATIVE**

**Class 53** Three blooms of one cultivar, in one vase.

## **SMALL DECORATIVE**

**Class 54** Nine blooms in three vases, three blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

## **SMALL DECORATIVE**

**Class 55** Five blooms of one cultivar, in one vase.

## **MINIATURE DECORATIVE**

**Class 56** Nine blooms in three vases, three blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

## **MINIATURE DECORATIVE**

**Class 57** Five blooms of one cultivar, in one vase.

## **GIANT CACTUS and/or SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 58** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in separate vases.

## **LARGE CACTUS and/or SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 59** Six blooms, one or more cultivars, in two vases, three blooms in each vase.

## **LARGE CACTUS and/or SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 60** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.

## **MEDIUM CACTUS and/or SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 61** Six blooms, one or more cultivars, in two vases, three blooms in each vase.

## **MEDIUM CACTUS and/or SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 62** Three blooms of one cultivar, in one vase.

## **SMALL CACTUS**

**Class 63** Nine blooms in three vases, three blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

## **SMALL CACTUS**

**Class 64** Five blooms of one cultivar, in one vase.

### **SMALL SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 65** Nine blooms in three vases, three blooms in each vase, any cultivar or cultivars

### **SMALL SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 66** Five blooms of one cultivar, in one vase.

### **MINIATURE CACTUS and/or SEMI CACTUS**

**Class 67** Nine blooms in three vases, three blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

### **MINIATURE CACTUS or SEMI CACTUS**

**Class 68** Five blooms of one cultivar Cactus or Semi-Cactus, in one vase.

### **SMALL BALL**

**Class 69** Five blooms, in one vase, any cultivar or cultivars.

### **MINIATURE BALL**

**Class 70** Nine blooms in three vases, three blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

### **MINIATURE BALL**

**Class 71** Five blooms of one cultivar, in one vase.

**LARGE POMPON** (Max 83mm)

**Class 72** Five blooms of one cultivar, in one vase.

**LARGE POMPON** (Max 83mm) and **POMPON** (Max 55mm)

**Class 73** Three blooms (Max 83mm), three blooms (Max 55mm, in two vases, 3 blooms each vase, one or more cultivars each vase.

**POMPON** (Max 55mm)

**Class 74** Six blooms, in one vase.

**WATERLILY**

**Class 75** Nine blooms in three vases, three blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

**WATERLILY**

**Class 76** Five blooms, in one vase.

**COLLERETTE**

**Class 77** Five blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.

**BICOLOUR CLASS**

**Class 78** Three blooms, bicolour, in one vase.

## **FIMBRIATED**

**Class 79** Six blooms not less than two cultivars in two vases, three blooms in each vase.

## **FIMBRIATED**

**Class 80** Three blooms of one cultivar, in one vase.

## **OTHER TYPES**

**Class 81** Three blooms of one cultivar from Groups 1, 2, 10,12,13,14 or 15. as in Classified Directory, in one vase.

**DIVISION B: First, Second and Third Place Cards will be awarded to all Classes in Division B**

## **NOVICES DIVISION C**

**Qualification to enter the Novice Division of the National Shows:**  
**The Novice Division is only open to exhibitors who have won no more than a total of 3 first prizes at previous National shows from 2022 onwards. Winners of more than 3 first prizes or the Montague Cup for the best vase in the Novice Division at the Wisley or the Silver Medal for the best exhibit at Newby Hall will no longer be eligible to enter in the Novice Division. (excluding seedling and sport classes ).**

## **GIANT and/or LARGE DECORATIVE**

**Class 82** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in separate vases.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

## **MEDIUM DECORATIVE**

**Class 83** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

## **SMALL DECORATIVE**

**Class 84** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

### **MINIATURE DECORATIVE**

**Class 85** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third place £2;

### **GIANT and/or LARGE CACTUS and/or SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 86** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in separate vases.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

### **MEDIUM CACTUS or SEMI- CACTUS**

**Class 87** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

### **SMALL CACTUS**

**Class 88** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

### **MINIATURE CACTUS or SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 89** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

### **SMALL SEMI-CACTUS**

**Class 90** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

### **SMALL BALL**

**Class 91** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

### **MINIATURE BALL**

**Class 92** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

### **LARGE POMPON (Max 83mm)**

**Class 93** Five blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

## **POMPON (Max 55mm)**

**Class 94** Six blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

## **WATERLILY**

**Class 95** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

## **COLLERETTE and/or STAR**

**Class 96** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2;

## **FIMBRIATED**

**Class 97** Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place £2

## **AMERICAN MEDAL CHALLENGE**

**Class 98** Two vases, three blooms each vase, two different classifications.

Excluding Giant and Large, (other than Large Pompon )  
First Place: Medal : Presented by the American Dahlia Society  
First Place £6; Second Place £4; Third Place; £2

## **IRISH DAHLIA SOCIETY MEDAL**

**Class 99** Three vases of dahlias, one bloom each vase,  
each vase to contain a separate classification group (groups 1 – 15).

**Two subgroups from the same group not permitted.**

First Place: Irish Silver Medal £6;  
Second Place: Irish Bronze Medal £4;  
Third Place £2

## **FLORAL CLASSES: DIVISION B cont'd**

**Basket Class:** Basket will be provided by the Society and must be used, basket supplied complete with handle.

### **Class 100 Basket of Dahlias**

To contain not less than twelve blooms, to be staged for frontal effect, any foliage may be used.

Oversize rule does not apply.

Entries to be staged by the exhibitor.

### **Class 101 The "KEN FIELDER" Dahlia Picture Frame Challenge**

One DAHLIA bloom in 8 x 6 inch Frame

( Frame supplied by Society)

Flower and foliage to remain within the confines of the frame.

Only dahlia foliage allowed. Size limits on blooms will not apply.

### **Class 102 One vase of Three Garden Dahlias.**

One vase, 3 Garden Dahlias, arranged for frontal effect, other foliage and grasses can be used.

Oversize rule does not apply.

## **SPECIAL AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED ON SHOW DAY**

### **The "HERBERT BROWN" PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP**

Presented by the late Mr J. Brown in memory of Herbert Brown

To the winner of The Affiliated Societies Championship

### **The "TERRY CLARKE" PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP**

Presented by Mr T Clarke

To the winner of The Individual Championship



**The “D. B. CRANE” CUP**

Presented by Mr Howard H Crane

The Most Meritorious Exhibit by a Society Member

**The “J. W. MONTAGUE” CUP**

Presented by Mr J W Montague

The Best Vase in the Novice Division C. Classes 82 to 97

**SPECIAL AWARDS**

**AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY** Gold Plated Medal to be awarded to Novice Class 98.

**IRISH DAHLIA SOCIETY** Silver Medal to be awarded to Best Exhibit in Class 99

**IRISH DAHLIA SOCIETY** Bronze Medals to be awarded to Runner-up to Best Exhibit in Class 99

**THE SPECIAL AWARDS listed below will not be presented at the show but arrangements for collection can be made via the General Secretary**

**The “G. F. DRAYSON” TROPHY**

Presented by the Executive Council

The Best Giant or Large Decorative bloom in the Show

**The “CORONATION 1953” CUP**

Presented by The Executive Council

The Most Meritorious Exhibit of Pompon or Large Pompon in the competitive classes.

**The “BRISTOL” TROPHY**

Presented by Mr F. Newbery & Miss A. Newbery

The Best Vase of Pompons or Large Pompon in the Show

**The “DAVE SPENCER” Cup**

Presented by Mr David Spencer

To the winner of The Small Ball, Miniature Ball and Pompon Championship

**The “STELLYVONNE” TROPHY**

The Best Vase of Fimbriated Dahlias (Group11) in the Show

**The “VIV and TIVY DALE” AWARD**

The Best Vase in Show

**The “DEREK HEWLETT” MEMORIAL AWARD**

The Best Vase of Open Centre dahlias in the Show

**The “TERRY GILLAM” BIKINI VASE TROPHY**

The Best Vase of Small Cactus or Semi-Cactus in the Show

**“The JIM MILLS” AWARD**

The Best Large/Giant exhibit in the Novice Classes

**SILVER MEDAL**

The Society's Silver Medal will be presented with all Perpetual Cups and Trophies ie: Division A Championship and Trophy Classes, Class A 'The Wisley Challenge', Class B The 'Ted Collins Memorial', and the Special Awards.

The Society's Silver Medal will also be awarded to:

Division C, Winner of Montague Cup

The best vase of Cactus or Semi-Cactus blooms in the Show

The best vase of Medium, Small or Miniature Decorative blooms in the Show.

The best vase of Waterlily blooms in the Show

The best vase of Ball blooms in the Show

The best vase of Open Centre blooms in the Show

The Most Meritorious Exhibit in classes 38 – 81

Silver Medal Card to the Best Exhibit in Trophy Seedling Classe

**BRONZE MEDAL**

The Society's Bronze Medal will be presented to the runners-up for all Perpetual Cups and Trophies ie: Division A Championship and Trophy

Classes, Class A 'The Wisley Challenge', Class B The 'Ted Collins Memorial', and the Special Awards.

Excluding the Derek Hewlett Award

The Society's Bronze Medal will also be awarded to the runners-up to:

Division C, runner up to Montague Cup

The best Vase of Cactus or Semi-Cactus blooms in the Show.

The best Vase of Medium, Small or Miniature Decorative blooms in the Show.

The best Vase of Ball blooms in the Show

The best Vase of Waterlily blooms in the Show

The best Vase of Open Centre blooms in the Show

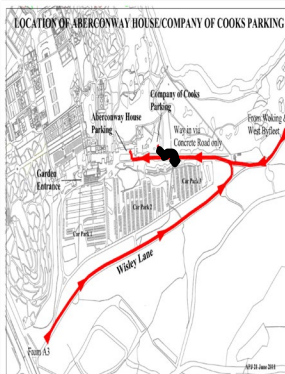
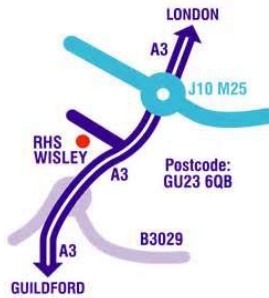
The Most Meritorious Exhibit in classes 38 – 81

Bronze Medal Card to the Runner-Up to Best Exhibit in Trophy Seedling Classes

# RHS GARDEN WISLEY WOKING, SURREY GU23 6QB

M25 Junction 10, Turn South onto A3 Portsmouth Road  
follow the Brown Garden Flower signage onto  
North bound carriageway for the entrance to Wisley Gardens

**Wisley Site Map use  
'Company of Cooks Gate'  
Arrow shows overnight  
entrance to Car Park 3**



**NATIONAL DAHLIA SOCIETY ENTRY FORM 2023**

**Annual Show: Tuesday 5th September to Friday 8th September**

**RULES:**

- 1 Closing date for entries: Wednesday **23rd August 2023**  
**Website: [www.dahlia-nds.co.uk](http://www.dahlia-nds.co.uk) by midday, or by sending the paper entry form by first post on 23<sup>rd</sup> August to the General Secretary, 'Woodside', Warwick Road, Chadwick End, Solihull, West Midlands, B93 0BP**
- 2 Entries will not be accepted from any Member whose subscription is in arrears, nor unless accompanied by the correct entry fee

For additional information see Show Regulations

**FIXED ADMINISTRATIVE FEE: £5.00**

**If you are bringing helpers with you, please supply their names for exhibitor passes to be allocated to gain entry to the garden. Number required:**

**LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO SPACE AVAILABLE.**

**NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED IN ANY DIVISION A CLASSES.**

Tick if you are entering Novice Section C :.....


Cheques and postal orders should be crossed and made payable to the National Dahlia Society.

Administrative fee: enclosed: £

ONLY ONE EXHIBITOR PER ENTRY FORM

BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE

NAME OF SOCIETY: (Classes 1 & 2 only)

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Initials:.....SURNAME:.....

Full Postal

Address:.....

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### SEEDLING CLASSES

Exhibitors entering the Seedlings or Sports Classes ( 27 to 34 inclusive) must certify that their entries conform to the rules stated in the Schedule by signing here:

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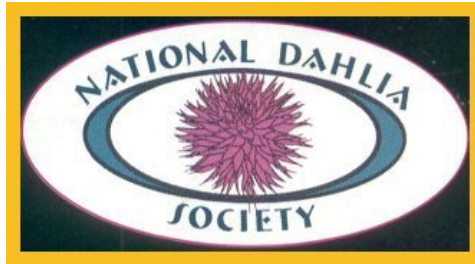
Exhibitors in Class 27 must provide Name and Address of Overseas raiser:

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