

THE NATIONAL DAHLIA SOCIETY
**NORTHERN NATIONAL
SHOW**



SCHEDULE 2026
18TH to 20th SEPTEMBER

HARROGATE FLOWER SHOW
NEWBY HALL, HG4 5AE

**Please read the schedule carefully as
there have been some changes**

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Welcome to the 2026, Harrogate National Show Schedule
PLEASE USE BIO-DEGRADABLE OASIS WHERE POSSIBLE

**All exhibitors are respectfully reminded to clear the staging tables
of plant and staging materials and to return unused vases.
Dustbin sacks/waste bins are distributed around the hall for
rubbish and are available from the show desk.**

REGULATIONS FOR EXHIBITORS, STEWARDS AND JUDGES

1. Only current members of the National Dahlia Society may exhibit at this show.
2. All entries must be made either via the National Dahlia Society website or by post to The Show Secretary, Lynette Sturzaker, 164 Cop Lane, Penwortham, Preston, Lancs. PR1 9AD. NDS Website: www.dahlia-nds.co.uk
To be received by 3rd September 2026. Online entries close Midday 3rd September 2026.
Intending exhibitors must state on the entry form the classes in which they intend to exhibit. All entries must be accompanied by a non-returnable Administrative fee as detailed on the entry form.
3. Entries received after the closing date, or not accompanied by the correct Administrative fee will not be accepted.
4. An Exhibitor's Number will be sent where possible by email with an acknowledgement of receipt of entries. Exhibitors are requested, if for any reason an acknowledgement has not been received by two days before the show to telephone the Show Secretary on 07483896234 for verbal confirmation of Exhibitor Number or Email: lynette.sturzaker@dahlia-nds.co.uk
5. Additional Entries may be accepted in Divisions B to G only, from exhibitors already holding an Exhibitor Number and provided sufficient space and vases are available. A substitution of classes for those previously entered is not permitted without informing the Show Secretary or night steward.
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 if they do not exhibit in the same class.
8. No more than one entry per class except where otherwise stated in the schedule.
9. All exhibits must 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. Cultivar cards for naming exhibits will be available in the hall and it is a requirement that these be used on each vase. The varieties entered MUST also be written on the reverse of the entry card in the spaces provided.
10. Vases, baskets, and bowls 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. Please use only the vases provided.
11. No exhibitor may interfere in any way with exhibits, which are not his or her own without the permission of the Show Organiser or nominated person. Failure to comply with this rule will render the exhibitor liable to disqualification.
12. Exhibitors may commence staging from 3pm on the day preceding the exhibition and all exhibits must be ready by 7am on the morning of the exhibition when exhibitors must leave the hall unless officially retained by the Show Organiser. Judges to meet for briefing at 7.30am and judging to commence at 7.45am.
13. 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 Northern Show Secretary before 1:00pm 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, Judging Rules & Exhibitors Guide.

14. Where a member has been reported of using internal support of blooms, the matter will be dealt with by the Northern 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 Northern Committee shall submit a report to the first following meeting of the Executive Council.
15. 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.
16. The exhibition will close at the times advertised by the show organisers in their programme. Exhibitors wishing to retain their exhibits must remove them at the close of the show.
17. All prize monies will be paid by cheque unless indicated on the entry form that the exhibitor will waive any prize money awarded.
18. All exhibits, whether competitive or non-competitive, private 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.

GUIDANCE NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS

- A. Exhibitors are advised to refer to the current 36th Edition "Classified Directory, Judging Rules & Exhibitors Guide" before completing entry forms and note recent changes and subsequent updates in NDS publications.
- B. The Show Organiser will be in attendance from 10:30am on the day prior to the show then the overnight Steward will be in attendance, for information, direction, or advice as and when required.
- C. For the sake of appearance during the three days of the show, the Show Committee may carry out any necessary support of blooms, leaving a signed note.
- D. It is the responsibility of all exhibitors to check their entries against those on the acknowledgement sheet sent from the Show Secretary.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

DIVISION A: CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

Class A1 - The "Arthur Luck" Award

(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 sub-groups 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
- (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

Class A2 - The "NEVILLE WEEKES" Award

Three blooms GIANT and/or LARGE DECORATIVE, CACTUS or SEMI-CACTUS together with any four categories from the following:

No cultivar to be used for more than one classification

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 MEDIUM 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, five blooms, LARGE POMPON
- (k) One vase six blooms, POMPON
- (l) One vase, five blooms, ANY OTHER CLASSIFICATION

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A3 - The "T W MAWSON" Award

GIANT DECORATIVE, twelve blooms, not less than ten distinct cultivars each cultivar in one vase, and not more than two blooms of one cultivar to be used.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A4 - LARGE DECORATIVE Championship

Six blooms, not less than three distinct cultivars in two vases.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A5 - The "GLADYS COLLIER" Award

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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

Class A6 - The "J F BARWISE" Award

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

Class A7 - The "ALAN DUNLOP" Award

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

Class A8 - The "V L EDMINSON" Award

GIANT CACTUS and/or SEMI-CACTUS, six blooms in separate vases.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A9 - The "D & J LYNAM" Award

LARGE CACTUS and/or 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

Class A10 - The "R GREGSON" Award

MEDIUM SEMI-CACTUS, three distinct cultivars, three blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A11 - The "A K GRAYSON" Award

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

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A12 - THE SMALL SEMI-CACTUS Championship

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

Class A13 - THE SMALL BALL Championship

SMALL 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

Class A14 - The OSCROFT Award

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

Class A15 - The JW KIDD Memorial Class

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

Five blooms SMALL BALL

Five blooms MINIATURE BALL

Six blooms POMPON

No cultivar to be used more than once.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A16 - The "N WILLIAMS" Award

POMPON, six distinct cultivars, six blooms of each, each cultivar in one vase.

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A17 - THE OPEN CENTRE Championship

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

Class A18 - The JOHN BOTTOMLEY Memorial Class

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

Class A19 - The "F LANCASTER" Award

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

Six vases of dahlias as follows:

Two distinct cultivars POMPONS six blooms of one cultivar in each vase.

Together with four vases, four 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

Class A20 - The "TED COLLINS" Memorial Class Fimbriated Championship

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

Class A21 - THE MINIATURE CACTUS/SEMI-CACTUS CHAMPIONSHIP.

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

Class A22 - The DAVID BOYD Memorial Class

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

Class A23 - The FRANK AND ALICE NEWBERY Championship

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

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A24 - LARGE POMPON CHAMPIONSHIP

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

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class A25 - NEWBY HALL CHALLENGE

Can only be entered if no entry in Class A2 Neville Weeks.

Four vases of three blooms, not less than four separate subgroups from two classifications. One vase must contain three MEDIUM or LARGE or GIANT

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

DIVISION B: THREE AND SIX VASE CLASSES

Class B1 - GIANT DECORATIVE

Six blooms, not less than three distinct cultivars, to be shown in separate vases

Class B2 - GIANT DECORATIVE

Three blooms, one or more cultivars to be in separate vases

Class B3 - GIANT CACTUS or SEMI -CACTUS

Three blooms, one or more cultivars, to be shown in separate vases

Class B4 - SMALL DECORATIVE

Three vases of three blooms, with at least two distinct cultivars, each in a separate vase

Class B5 - SMALL BALL

Three vases of three blooms, with at least two distinct cultivars, each in a separate vase

Class B6 - MINIATURE DECORATIVE

Three vases of three blooms, with at least two distinct cultivars, each in a separate vase

Class B7 - MINIATURE BALL

Three vases of three blooms, with at least two distinct cultivars, each in a separate vase

Class B8 - SMALL CACTUS

Three vases of three blooms, with at least two distinct cultivars, each in a separate vase

Class B9 - SMALL SEMI-CACTUS

Three vases of three blooms, with at least two distinct cultivars, each in a separate vase

Class B10 - MINIATURE CACTUS or SEMI- CACTUS

Three vases of three blooms, with at least two distinct cultivars, each in a separate vase

Class B11 - WATERLILY

Three vases of three blooms, with at least two distinct cultivars, each in a separate vase

Class B12 - COLLERETTE or STAR

Three vases of three blooms, with at least two distinct cultivars, each in a separate vase

DIVISION C: TWO VASE CLASSES

Class C1 - SMALL DECORATIVE

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C2 - SMALL BALL

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C3 - MINIATURE DECORATIVE

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C4 - MINIATURE BALL

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C5 - SMALL CACTUS

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C6 - SMALL SEMI-CACTUS

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C7 - MINIATURE CACTUS/SEMI-CACTUS

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C8 - MEDIUM SEMI-CACTUS AND MEDIUM DECORATIVE

Two vases, one vase of each classification, three blooms per vase

Class C9 - MEDIUM SEMI-CACTUS

Two vases, two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C10 - MEDIUM DECORATIVE

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C11 - WATERLILY

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C12 - COLLERETTE OR STAR

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

Class C13 - POMPON

Two distinct cultivars, six blooms per vase

Class C14 - LARGE POMPON

Two distinct cultivars, five blooms per vase

Class C15 - Bi-Colour

Two distinct cultivars, three blooms per vase

DIVISION D: SINGLE VASE CLASSES

All of the following classes call for one vase only and one distinct cultivar per vase

Class D1 - Single GIANT DECORATIVE or SEMI-CACTUS

Class D2 - LARGE DECORATIVE

Three blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D3 - LARGE CACTUS/SEMI-CACTUS

Three blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D4 - MEDIUM DECORATIVE

Three blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D5 - MEDIUM CACTUS/SEMI-CACTUS

Three blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D6 - FIMBRIATED

Three blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D7 - SMALL DECORATIVE

Five blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D8 - SMALL BALL

Five blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D9 - MINIATURE DECORATIVE

Five blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D10 - MINIATURE BALL

Five blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D11 - SMALL CACTUS

Five blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D12 - SMALL SEMI-CACTUS

Five blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D13 - MINIATURE CACTUS/SEMI-CACTUS

Five blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D14 - WATERLILY

Three blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D15 - COLLERETTE or STAR

Three blooms, one cultivar in one vase

Class D16 - Pompons

Six blooms, one distinct cultivar

Class D17 - Large Pompons

Five blooms, one distinct cultivar.

Class D18 - Bi-Colour

Three blooms, one distinct cultivar

DIVISION E: INTERMEDIATE CLASSES

Class E1 - The Earl of Harwood Award for the Intermediate Championship

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

Not open to previous winners. Seedling and Sport classes exempt.

Any three 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 GIANT and/or LARGE (excluding LARGE POMPON) in one vase, or in three separate vases, any cultivars
- (b) Three blooms MEDIUM DECORATIVE in one vase
- (c) Three blooms MEDIUM CACTUS or SEMI-CACTUS in one vase
- (d) Five blooms SMALL or MINIATURE DECORATIVE in one vase
- (e) Five blooms SMALL or MINIATURE CACTUS or SEMI-CACTUS in one vase
- (f) Five blooms SMALL BALL in one vase
- (g) Five blooms MINIATURE BALL in one vase
- (h) Six blooms POMPON or five LARGE POMPON in one vase
- (i) Five blooms ANY OTHER CLASSIFICATION

First Place: Society's Silver Medal

Second Place: Society's Bronze Medal

Class E2 - TWO VASES, THREE BLOOMS PER VASE

One vase MEDIUM DECORATIVE and one vase MEDIUM CACTUS or SEMI CACTUS or FIMBRIATED, any cultivars

Class E3 - TWO VASES, THREE BLOOMS PER VASE

One vase MINIATURE or SMALL DECORATIVE, one vase MINIATURE or SMALL BALL, any cultivars

Class E4 - TWO VASES, THREE BLOOMS PER VASE

Two vases of MINIATURE or SMALL CACTUS and or SEMI CACTUS, any cultivars

Class E5 - TWO VASES, THREE BLOOMS PER VASE

Two vases of WATERLILY, any cultivars

Class E6 - TWO VASES, 3 THREE BLOOMS PER VASE

One vase POMPON, one vase LARGE POMPON any cultivars

DIVISION F: NOVICE CLASSES

Qualification to enter the Novice Division of the National Shows: The Novice Division is only open to exhibitors who have not won a first price at National Shows, winners of the Montague Cup for the best vase in the Novice Division at the National Show or the Silver Medal for the best vase at the Northern National Show, will no longer be eligible to enter in the Novice Division. (excluding seedling and sport classes).

Class F1 - AMERICAN MEDAL CHALLENGE

Two vases, three blooms each vase, any variety, or varieties excluding Giant and Large, other than Large Pompon

First Place: £6: and American Medal

Second Place £4: Third Place £2

Class F2 - IRISH DAHLIA SOCIETY MEDAL CHALLENGE

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

Class F3 - GIANT and/or LARGE DECORATIVE

Three blooms, one or more cultivars, in separate vases

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F4 - MEDIUM DECORATIVE

Three blooms one or more cultivars, in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F5 - SMALL and/or MINIATURE DECORATIVE

Five blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F6 - GIANT and/or LARGE CACTUS or SEMI-CACTUS

Three blooms one or more cultivars, in separate vases

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F7 - MEDIUM CACTUS and/ or SEMI CACTUS

Three blooms one or more cultivars in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F8 - SMALL and/or MINIATURE CACTUS and/or SEMI-CACTUS

Five blooms one or more cultivars in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F9 - SMALL and/or MINIATURE BALL

Five blooms one or more cultivars in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F10 - LARGE POMPON

Five blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase.

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F11 - POMPON

Six blooms, one or more cultivars, in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F12 - WATERLILY

Five blooms, one or more cultivars in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F13 - COLLERETTE

Five blooms, one or more cultivars in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F14 - FIMBRIATED

Three blooms, one or more cultivars in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

Class F15 - Bi Colour.

One cultivar, three blooms, in one vase

First Place: £6, Second Place: £4, Third Place £2

DIVISION G: SEEDLING AND SPORT CLASSES

For Classes G1 to G6, cultivars must not have been in commerce for more than 18 months prior to the Show, nor exhibited in a Seedling or Sport Class at an 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.

All entry forms must be made in the name and address of the raiser with 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 G1 to G6. Exhibits must be judged for exhibition potential, with consideration being given for the cultivar's ability to compete in its relevant group or section.

The Silver and Bronze Medal may be awarded to the raiser only, the exhibitor to receive Medal Cards only.

The "S and M BOWCOCK" Award will be awarded to the Best seedling exhibit (Classes G1 to G4 inclusive).

Class G1 - The J PARKINSON Award

One vase of a new British seedling, containing three blooms of any type of a SMALL, MINIATURE or POMPON cultivar (including Groups 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 or 15).

Class G2 - The NORTHERN COMMITTEE Award

One vase of a new British seedling, containing three blooms of any type of a MEDIUM flowered cultivar.

Class G3 - The RON NELSON MEMORIAL Award

One vase of a new British seedling, containing three blooms of any type of a GIANT or LARGE-flowered cultivar. Separate vases may be used if the exhibitor so requires.

Class G4 - The ERNEST CAWKWELL Memorial Class

One vase of a new British seedling, containing three blooms, to be judged for cut flower potential. (Not to be judged to exhibition standards)

Class G5 - The NOEL BRACEWELL Class

One vase of a new Overseas-raised seedling that has not been exhibited at a NDS Show in previous years. Any number of entries can be made. All entry forms must be made in the name and address of the raiser with name and address of the exhibitor who must be a member added if different.

Exhibitors must show three blooms of SMALL, MINIATURE, LARGE POMPON or POMPON cultivars or three blooms of GIANT, LARGE or MEDIUM flowered cultivars. GIANTS may be staged singly.

Class G6 - SPORTS CLASS

One vase of three blooms, to include two blooms of the sport and one bloom of the parent cultivar up to and including GIANTS. GIANTS and LARGE may be staged in separate vases.

DIVISION H: BASKET AND BOWL CLASSES

BASKET CLASS

Class H1 - Basket of Dahlias

Basket of Dahlias, to contain not less than twelve blooms and to be staged for frontal effect. Any foliage may be used. The oversize rule does not apply. Freshness to be considered, but the predominant factor to be the appeal, effect and vibrancy of the colour.

(Basket will be provided by the Society and must be used, basket supplied complete with handle, no other baskets accepted).

Entries to be staged by exhibitor.

COLOUR CLASS

Class H2 - A Bowl of Dahlias

(Bowls will be provided by the Society and must be used, no other bowls accepted). To contain not less than twelve blooms, to be staged for frontal effect. Any foliage may be used.

This class will be judged by the Public between 12 noon and 3.00pm on the first day of the show, based on colourful impact. Freshness to be considered, but the predominant factor to be the appeal, effect and vibrancy of the colour. Oversize rule does not apply.

Entries to be staged by exhibitor.

Class H3 - A galvanised vase of flowers

Predominantly dahlias. A galvanised vase or similar will be provided by the Society and must be used, no other containers accepted. To contain not less than twelve blooms, to be staged for all round effect. Any foliage may be used.

PERPETUAL SILVER CHALLENGE AWARDS

The “DONALD CAMPBELL” Perpetual Challenge Award

Presented by D Campbell Esq

To be awarded to the Best exhibit in Divisions B, C and D

The “CROSSFIELD” Perpetual Challenge Award

Presented by W Summerscales Esq

To be awarded for the Best Vase of Pompons in the Show

The “NORMAN GRATRIX” Perpetual Challenge Award

Presented by the late Norman Gratrix Esq

To be awarded to the Best exhibit by a member

The “HARRY STREDWICK” Perpetual Challenge Award

Presented by the late Harry Stredwick VMH

To be awarded for the Best Giant or Large Decorative bloom in the show

VIV AND TIV DALE Award

To be awarded to the best vase in the show

THE DEREK HEWLETT MEMORIAL SILVER MEDAL

To the best vase of Fimbriated dahlias in the Show

THE VIV and TIV DALE BIKINI VASE AwardY

To the best vase of Small Cactus or Semi-Cactus in the show

IRISH DAHLIA SOCIETY SILVER MEDAL

To the Best Exhibit in Class F2

IRISH DAHLIA SOCIETY BRONZE MEDAL

Awarded to the runner-up to Best Exhibit in Class F2

SILVER MEDALS

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Waterlily dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Open Centre dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Miniature Ball dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Small Ball dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Miniature Decorative dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Medium Decorative dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Small Decorative dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Giant Semi Cactus dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Large Cactus or Semi Cactus dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Medium Cactus or Semi-Cactus dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Miniature Cactus or Semi Cactus dahlias in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best vase of Large Poms in the show.

SILVER MEDAL to the best exhibit in the Novice Division.

The SILVER MEDAL may be awarded to the raiser only (in the seedling and sport classes), the exhibitor to receive a Medal Card only.

IRISH DAHLIA SOCIETY SILVER MEDAL to the Best Exhibit in Class F2

BRONZE MEDALS

BRONZE MEDALS to the runners-up to the "Donald Campbell", "Crossfield", "Norman Gratrix" and "Harry Stredwick" Awards, the Viv and Tiv Dale Award and to the seven Silver Medal awards detailed above.

BRONZE MEDALS to be awarded to all Classes A1 - A25, including all the above Silver Medal Awards, excluding the Derek Hewlett Memorial.

BRONZE MEDAL CARD to the runner-up to best exhibits in the Seedling Classes.

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IRISH DAHLIA SOCIETY BRONZE MEDAL to the runner-up to best exhibit in Class F2.

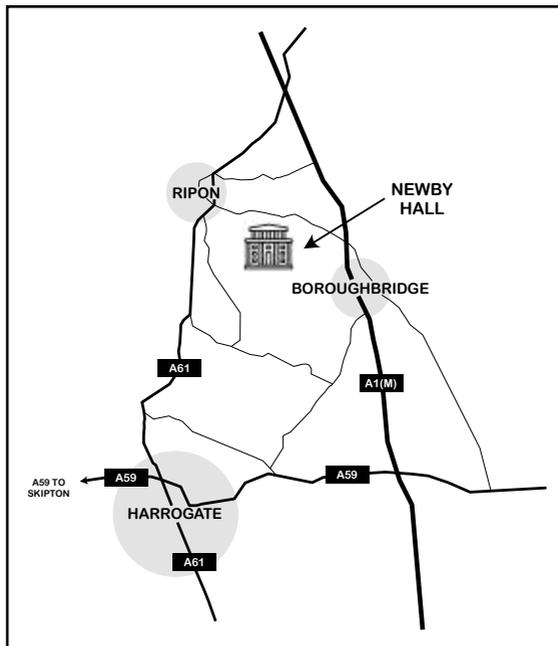
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NORTHERN NATION SHOW ENTRY FORM 2026

ANNUAL SHOW: FRIDAY 18TH TO SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

Closing date for entries: Thursday 3rd September 2026. Entries to be made on the NDS website: www.dahlia-nds.co.uk by midday, or by sending the paper entry form by first post on 3rd September to the Show Secretary, Lynette Sturzaker, 164 Cop Lane, Penwortham, Preston, Lancs. PR1 9AD. No entries will be accepted after this date.

FIXED ADMINISTRATIVE FEE: £5.00

The administration fee will not apply to Classes A1 and Division G.

No late entries will be accepted in Division A, G, H and Class E1. Late entries will be subject to space available in remaining divisions (between 5am and 6am Friday).

NOVICES: Please tick if you wish to receive prize monies:

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SEEDLING CLASSES

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