



MEDSTEAD
GARDENERS'
Club

ANNUAL **O**PEN **F**LOWER &
VEGETABLE **S**HOW

MEDSTEAD VILLAGE HALL

Saturday 1st July 2017

Open for public viewing from 2.15pm

Refreshments available

Prize presentation 3.30pm

Prize Raffle Draw

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

08.45 – 10.15 am

Entries

08.45 – 10.45 am

Staging of Exhibits

staging must be finished by 10.45am to ensure hall is ready for judging

11.15 – 1.15 pm

Judging of Exhibits

2.15 pm

Show open to Public

Refreshments will be available including homemade cake

3.30 pm

Award Presentation

3.45 pm

Prize Raffle Draw followed by
Removal of Exhibits

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GENERAL HINTS & TIPS FOR EXHIBITORS

We would like to encourage as many people to exhibit as possible – club members and non-members. It does not require great expertise or special knowledge. These notes have been included to help and encourage those who have not exhibited before and to serve as a useful reminder to the more experienced exhibitor. Please remember that ALL exhibits, whether they win a prize or not, go to make up the Show and are valued and appreciated accordingly.

READ THE SCHEDULE IN FULL

- Please note the RULES are key to your success. Make sure you exhibit exactly what is described, eg. placing the correct number of flowers in a vase, using the supplied vase or your own container as specified.

TO ENTER THE SHOW

- Bring your exhibits to the Hall between 8.45am and 10.15am, together with your completed entry form (extra copies are available at the Show). You will be given exhibitor's entry cards to place beside each entry, with your name face down. After judging, cards will be turned face upwards by the Stewards.
- **** NEW **** Exhibitors with 10 or more exhibits should submit their Entry Form to Sue Jeffrey on 01420 563618/Christine Webb 01420 563920 by noon Friday 30th June 2017, so that exhibit cards can be prepared in advance.
- Arrange your exhibits in the appropriate space on the display tables. The Steward may re-arrange exhibits if he/she deems it necessary in order to accommodate all exhibits. Staging of exhibits *must* finish by 10.45am

GENERAL

- Evenness, freshness and freedom from disease are more important than size.

END OF SHOW

- Take tea and cake, enjoy your successes and admire the success of others!

Please remember to take your exhibits AFTER the presentation of awards. Any remaining will be auctioned in aid of Club funds.

Everyone is welcome to enter. There is no charge and you don't have to be an expert. Have a go ... It's intended to be a fun social occasion!

If you're not in it – you can't win it!

GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. Entry Form to be completed – next page
2. **** NEW**** *Exhibitors with 10 or more exhibits should submit their Entry Form to Sue Jeffrey on 01420 563618/Christine Webb 01420 563920 by noon Friday 30th June 2017, so that exhibit cards can be prepared in advance.*
3. Entry Forms (less than 10 exhibits) can be submitted from 8.45am and will not be accepted later than 10.15am on the day of the Show. Any entries after that will not be accepted.
4. A separate entry form is required for each exhibitor, including the Open Children Categories (85,86,87,88).
5. No exhibitor may make more than one entry in any one class. No staging will be allowed until exhibit cards have been given.
6. The Hall will be open from 8.45am until 10.45am on the day of the Show for the staging of exhibits. Staging must be finished by 10.45am so that the Hall can be made ready for judging. Entries after 10.45am will not be accepted.
7. The Stewards may, at their sole discretion, adjust any staging if required for the proper presentation of all exhibits.
8. The decision of the Judges regarding the relative merits of the exhibits shall be final and the decision of the Show organisers shall prevail on all other matters.
9. The Banksian Medal is awarded to the exhibitor who has obtained the most points in the horticultural classes and has not won the Medal in either of the previous two years.
10. Exhibits may not be removed before the presentation of awards, but may be removed immediately after. Exhibits remaining at the time of the Auction will be sold, whether or not the card is marked NFS. The proceeds of the sale will be the property of the Club.
11. While every endeavour will be made to protect exhibits, the Club cannot accept any liability for loss or damage to any person or property.



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OPEN FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SHOW - Entry Form 2017

NAME: _____

TEL NO: _____

AGE if under 18: _____

Please circle the classes below that you wish to enter:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90

TOTAL number of classes entered: _____

- Only one person may enter on each Entry Form. There is no entry fee
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- Entry forms (less than 10 exhibits) may be submitted up to 10.15am on the day of the Show
- Staging of exhibits *must* finish by 10.45am.

VEGETABLES

Rules: All horticultural exhibits in Classes 1-45 must be grown by the exhibitor.

Judges recommendation: Varieties may be named on exhibitor's card.

Botanical fruits classified as vegetables for the purpose of the Show: Aubergines, Beans, Capsicums, Chilli Peppers, Courgettes, Cucumbers, Marrows, Mushrooms, Peas, Pumpkins, Sweetcorn, Tomatoes.

Within each class, Judges allow for the difficulty of cultivating a particular variety

CLASS & DESCRIPTION

QUANTITY

1. Collection of three different vegetables displayed in a seed tray	Max 3 of each
2. Potatoes	3
3. Peas	5 pods
4. Broad beans	5 pods
5. Cherry tomatoes (max 35mm dia)	5
6. Tomatoes (calyces attached)	3
7. Lettuce (with 2.5cm of root, washed)	1
8. Beans – French	5
9. Cucumber	1
10. Courgettes (max length 15cm)	3
11. Display of any salad items from your garden (in a basket/box/tray)	
12. Onions (tied and trimmed)	3
13. Garlic (tied and trimmed)	3
14. Rhubarb	3 stems
15. Culinary Herb(s) (one or more varieties)	1 display
16. Any other vegetable	Max 3 of same variety
17. Most amusing/odd shaped vegetable	1

Hints and tips for showing Vegetables on next page

FRUIT

Rules: All horticultural exhibits in Classes 1-45 must be grown by the exhibitor.

Judges recommendation: Varieties may be named on exhibitor's card.

All fruit exhibited in Classes 23 – 28 must be displayed on a plain white plate (to be provided by exhibitor) and must have their stalks intact.

Within each class, Judges allow for the difficulty of cultivating a particular variety

CLASS & DESCRIPTION

QUANTITY

23.	Redcurrants	75g approx.
24.	Blackcurrants	75g approx.
25.	Gooseberries	9
26.	Raspberries	9 with calyx
27.	Strawberries	9 with calyx
28.	Any other fruit	3 single fruits of 1 variety

HINTS AND TIPS FOR SHOWING FRUIT

- Exhibit on white paper plates (not provided by the Club)
- All fruit (except peaches and nectarines) should be shown with stalks
- Redcurrants and blackcurrants should be shown on the strig if possible

HINTS AND TIPS FOR SHOWING VEGETABLES

- Exhibits should be cleaned using appropriate means
- It makes for better presentation if tops are trimmed and bound with raffia or equivalent
- Be careful when lifting root vegetables not to break the long 'tail'.
- Carrots, cabbages, beans and beetroot are usually just laid on the table.
- Potatoes, tomatoes, shallots and peppers are best exhibited on a white paper plate (not provided by the Club)
- Shallots should be mounted on a dish of dry sand and onions on cardboard rings, ie, slices from kitchen roll tubes.
- Brassicas should have less than 75mm of stump left.
- All varieties of peas and beans should have stalks attached.

FLOWERS

Rules: All horticultural exhibits in Classes 1-45 must be grown by the exhibitor.

Vases and containers will be provided in all Classes, except 41, 42 and 45.

Exhibitors to provide their own containers for classes 41, 42 and 45.

CLASS & DESCRIPTION

QUANTITY

30. Three different flowers	2 stems of each in 1 vase
31. A flowering shrub	1 stem (excluding roses)
32. Lilies	1 stem in a vase
33. Herbaceous perennials	3 stems in 1 vase
34. Sweet peas	9 stems in 1 vase
35. Pansies or Violas	5 blooms in 1 box (supplied)
36. Roses – large flowered rose	1 stem
37. Roses – floribunda or cluster rose	1 stem
38. A flower bloom of your choice	1 single bloom in a vase
39. A stem of flowers	1 single stem in a vase
40. Clematis – single variety	3 heads displayed on a box (supplied)
41. Vase of 6 flowers	2 stems of each variety
42. Cactus or Succulent	1 in a pot
43. Hosta leaves	3 stems of 1 or more variety in a vase
44. Mixed foliage	7 stems in a vase
45. Planted container (Flower pot or hanging basket - sitting on a pot)	1 item max 30cm diameter

HINTS AND TIPS FOR SHOWING FLOWERS

- Make sure that stems are firmly in the vase and drawing up water.
- Kitchen roll will help to wedge the stems in the vase.
- If three blooms are asked for, arrange two above and one below, or vice versa

FLORAL ART

Rules: For classes 50-55 artificial plant material should not be used.

Drapes and accessories may be used, with discretion, in all but classes 50 & 51. However, plant material should dominate.

50. Miniature arrangement of flowers and foliage
– no drapes or accessories (max size 10cm x 10cm x 10cm)
51. Petite arrangement of flowers and foliage
– no drapes or accessories (max size 25cm x 25cm x 25cm)
52. Table arrangement for Afternoon Tea.
- max width/depth 24cm
53. Arrangement to celebrate a Platinum Wedding Anniversary
- max width/depth 45cm
54. Woodland Floral Arrangement
- max width/depth 45cm
55. A posy of flowers

HINTS AND TIPS FOR FLORAL ART CLASSES

- Please note the maximum dimensions in some classes. Keep well within the allotted space.
- You do not need to fill the whole space.
- Height should be complementary to the width and depth of the exhibit.
- For miniature and petite arrangements flowers and foliage should be in proportion to the size of the arrangement.

PRODUCE

Rules: All produce exhibited in classes 60-70 must be home-made by the exhibitor.

To comply with hygiene regulations all food exhibited should be plated and covered with cling-film.

Be aware that food will be displayed in a warm hall for a number of hours. Please consider food safety.

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| 60. | One jar of Jam | } | Please do not over tighten lids. |
| 61. | One jar of Jelly | } | Jars should be labelled and not |
| 62. | One Jar of Marmalade | } | exceed 454g/1lb in size |
| 63. | One jar of Chutney | } | |
| 64. | Teabread – made in 2lb loaf tin | | |
| 65. | Five cheese scones | | |
| 66. | Chocolate Brownies – 4 pieces | | |
| 67. | Traditional Victoria Sandwich – max 8”/20cm diameter | | |
| 68. | Lemon Drizzle cake – using recipe below | | |
| 69. | Biscuits for tea – Five biscuits of your choice | | |
| 70. | ** NEW ** Five gluten free biscuits of your choice | | |

Lemon Drizzle Cake

Cake

100g (4oz) caster sugar
100g (4oz) butter or margarine
2 large egg
150g (5oz) self-raising flour
Juice and zest of 1 lemon

Drizzle Topping

Juice of 1 lemon
100g/4oz caster sugar

Method

- Preheat oven to 160C, Fan oven 150C, gas mark 3 (for Aga refer to manufacturer's instructions)
- Grease and line 500g/1lb loaf tin.
- Cream together the butter or margarine with the sugar and the lemon zest
- Beat in the eggs
- Fold in the flour gently until well combined
- Spoon mixture into the tin
- Bake for 55 minutes or until golden in colour and a skewer comes out clean
- Whilst the cake is cooling, mix together the lemon juice and sugar and warm over a low heat to dissolve the sugar
- Remove the cake from the oven, leave it in the tin, and slowly pour the drizzle mixture over the cake evenly
- Leave to cool in the tin for a while, then turn out onto a wire rack to cool completely

CHILDREN'S CATEGORIES

Rules: All items in Categories 80-88 to be exhibitor's own work and must be labelled with first name, last name, age and category to be entered.

Entries from Medstead School should include a class name: For example: John Smith, Aged 8, Category 82, Class Maple.

Section A – Categories 80, 81, 82, 83, 84 - Through Medstead School only

Section B - Categories 85,86,87,88 – All children and an Entry Form must be completed for each child. Contact details are required in order for any Certificates to be awarded. All Awards at Judges' discretion.

SECTION A - CATEGORIES (80-84) THROUGH MEDSTEAD SCHOOL ONLY

80. **PRE-SCHOOL** - Design and make a collage (2 or 3D) of a character found from a Beatrix Potter story
81. **KEY STAGE 1** - A painting or drawing of a bird
82. **KEY STAGE 2** - A painting or drawing of a bird
83. **KEY STAGE 1** - Big Writing
A hand-written piece entitled "Memories of a special day"
For example: A day out, a family occasion or a festive event
- 84 **KEY STAGE 2** - Big Writing
A hand-written piece entitled "Memories of a special day"
For example: A day out, a family occasion or a festive event

SECTION B – CATEGORIES (85-88) OPEN TO ANY CHILD EACH CHILD MUST COMPLETE AN ENTRY FORM-SEE PAGE 21


85. **KEY STAGE 1**
Design and make a collage of a tree (max 30cm x 30cm)
86. A photograph taken by you of any plant
87. **KEY STAGE 2**
Design and make a collage of a tree (max 30cm x 30cm)
88. A photograph taken by you of any plant



MEDSTEAD GARDENERS' CLUB

WHETHER YOU SIMPLY ENJOY GARDENS OR ARE A KEEN GARDENER WHY NOT JOIN US?

Medstead Gardeners' Club meets on the first Tuesday of every month except January and August at 7.30 pm at Medstead Village Hall.

-  Guest Speakers
-  Demonstration Evenings
-  Monthly Competitions
-  Annual Flower and Produce Show
-  Garden Visits and Excursions
-  And Much More!

We are a friendly club always happy to welcome new members and visitors from Medstead and surrounding areas.

Whether you are looking for ideas for your own garden or simply want to meet new people Come and join us.

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