

THE 130th SOMERFORDS & DISTRICT SHOW

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SATURDAY 8th AUGUST 2026

Brook Farm, Great Somerford
In a field kindly lent by Mr. T. Sturgis

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES FOR THE HORTICULTURAL & AGRICULTURAL SECTIONS



Entries to:

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or

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TIP FOR 2026:

Don't top and tail spring onions and
leeks, keep roots
If you find yourself with a bumper crop
why not enter them in both Divisions 1
& 2, you have to be in it to win it!

NEW FOR 2026:

Borlotti Beans
*See our simple staging tips at
the end of this schedule*

**ENTRIES CLOSE @ 8 PM
ON THE THURSDAY BEFORE THE SHOW**

10.00 am	Horticultural judging commences
1.00 pm	Agricultural judging commences
1.00 pm	Marquee open to the public
4.30 pm	Raffle and prize giving
5.00 pm	Entries can be removed from tent

RULES

1. The Somerfords and District **Division 2 LOCAL** invites exhibitors from Somerfords, Brinkworth, Christian Malford, Cleverton, Corston, Dauntsey, Draycot, Grittenham, Hullavington, Kington Langley, Langley Burrell, Lea, Malmesbury, Rodboume, Seagry, Startley, Sutton Benger
2. The Agricultural, Horticultural Division 1, Floral and Fun only Classes are open to all. With Childrens classes open to exhibitors 16 and under.
3. **Members of the Committee will attend at the Volunteer Inn at Great Somerford on the Monday before the Show between the hours of 7 pm and 8 pm to receive entries. Entries can be emailed, posted or delivered to the Committee, to arrive on the Thursday before the show.**
4. Class Cards to be secured to exhibits wherever possible.
5. All produce shown must have been grown in the gardens or allotments of the exhibitors and a declaration to this effect is included in the Entry Form.
6. Any objections must be made to the Committee before 3 pm on the day of the Show.
7. No exhibitor will be allowed to take more than one prize in any class, but can make more than one entry in a class.
8. Exhibitors must not remove entries until after the draw at approximately 5.30 pm.
9. The decision of the Judges will be final and they will deal with matters arising from Rule 6.
10. Exhibits marked 's' must be staged in or on suitable receptacles. The Judges will pay special attention to this.
11. Leaves of carrots, beet, turnips and parsnips must be cut off within 2 inches of the crowns.*
12. Prizes will be paid on SHOW DAY in the tent from 2 pm.
13. **All items for exhibition must be brought to the tent between 8 – 10 a.m. after which the tent will be closed for judging. Agricultural entries must be brought to the tent by 12.30pm, as judging will commence at 1pm.**

After the success of last year when **we raised £340** for the shows charity, we will again be inviting exhibitors to **donate** their flowers and produce at the end of the show. These will be shared between boxes and the boxes auctioned off at the end of the show. **We do not** include the receptacle you are using to display your exhibit in this. You will be given stickers on the day. If you do not want to donate, please put the sticker on your entry card.

SUPPLEMENTARY PRIZES

Points will be awarded as follows:

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Collection of Vegetables	12 points	6 points	3 points
Other Classes	6 points	3 points	1 point

The Colonel Sir Hugh Brassey Memorial Cup	presented for the highest total points in Division 1
The Brig. A W A Llewellyn Palmer Cup	presented for the highest total points in Division 2
Floral Cup	presented for the highest total points in Floral Section
The Davies Cup	presented for the best new exhibitor
The Bob Hinwood Memorial Cup	presented for the best entry in show
The Agricultural Cup	presented for the highest total points in Agricultural

The Banksian Medal offered by the Royal Horticultural Society will be awarded to the Exhibitor gaining the most prize money in the Horticultural Classes 1 - 115 inclusive, but exhibitors who won the Medal in either of the previous two years will not be allowed to compete. In the event of a tie, the winner will be the person whose surname is first in alphabetic order.

Schedule of Classes for Vegetables, Fruit & Eggs

DIVISION 1 Open to All

DIVISION 2 Open to Residents in the Society's District (see Rule 1)

Entry fee Classes 1 - 2, 44 - 45 = 50p Other Classes = 20p

Prize money Classes 1 - 2, 44 - 45 1st £1 2nd 60p 3rd 40p

All other classes 1st 50p 2nd 30p 3rd 20p

Staged = Exhibits must be arranged in or on suitable receptacles. Judges will pay special regard to this. Leaves of carrots, beet, turnips and parsnips must be cut off within 2 inches of the crown

Division 1 OPEN to all	Classes	Division 2 LOCAL See Rule 1
Class 1	6 kinds of vegetables arranged for effect (staged)	Class 44
2	4 or more kinds of salad vegetables arranged for effect (staged)	45
3	Apples - Culinary 4 (staged)	46
4	Apples - Dessert 4 (staged)	47
5	Beans - Broad 5 pods	48
6	Beans - French/dwarf 5 pods	49
7	Beans - Runner 5 pods	50
8	Beetroot - round or long* 3	51
9	Cabbage 1	52
10	Carrots - any variety* 3	53
11	Cauliflower 1	54
12	Borlotti Beans 5 pods NEW CLASS	55
13	Courgettes 2	56
14	Cucumber - not ridge 2	57
15	Cucumber - ridge 2	58
16	Eggs - hens any breed 4 (staged)	59
17	Figs 4 (staged)	N/A
18	Garlic – any variety 3 (staged)	61
19	Greengages 4 (staged)	62
20	Herbs arranged for effect	63
21	Leeks 3	N/A
22	Spring Onions 6	65
23	Marrow - large 1	66
24	Marrows - table 2	67
25	Onions - from seed 4	68
26	Onions - from sets 4	69
27	Onion Giant - seed or set 1	70
28	Sweet Peppers 2	71
29	Pears - Dessert 4	72
30	Peas 5 pods	N/A
31	Chilli Peppers 2	74
32	Berries of any type 8	75
33	Plums 4 (staged)	76
34	Potatoes - coloured 4	77
35	Potatoes - white 4	78
36	Rhubarb 4 sticks	79
37	Shallots 6 (staged)	80
38	Shallots – pickling 9 (staged)	81
135	Squash 1	136
39	Sweetcorn 2	82
40	Tomatoes 5 (staged)	83
41	Tomatoes – small, not exceeding 35mm in diameter 5 (staged)	84
42	Any vegetable not in schedule	85
43	Any fruit not in schedule	86

Floral – Open to all				
Entry fee		20p per class		
Prize money		1st 50p	2nd 30p	3rd 20p
Class 87	One Pot plant in bloom			
89	One Pot plant in foliage			
90	Antirrhinums		4 spikes	
91	Cosmos		5	
92	Cactus or succulent		1	
94	Dahlias - cacti		3	
95	Dahlias - decorative		3	
96	Dahlias – pompom - max 52mm		3	
137	Dahlias – not in any other class		3	NEW CLASS
97	Fuchsia - standard or bush			
98	Geranium in pot - max 8"			
99	Gladioli		4	
100	Marigolds - African		5	
101	Marigolds - French		5	
102	Orchid in pot			
103	Violas		4	on a board
104	Phlox - Perennial		3	stems
105	Pinks - Garden		5	stems
106	Rose - Specimen		1	
107	Roses - Floribunda		3	sprays
108	Roses - H.T		3	
109	Specimen cut bloom		1	(any variety)
110	Hydrangea		1	head
111	Sweet Peas - annual		6	
112	Vase of annuals			arranged for effect
113	Vase of mixed flowers			arranged for effect
114	Vase of herbaceous perennials			arranged for effect
115	Zinnias		5	
Agricultural – Open to all				
kindly sponsored by A. Nichols (Cow Mills)				
Entry fee		50p per class		
Prize money		1st £1.50	2nd £1.00	3rd 50p
116	Sample of Barley)			
117	Sample of Oats) please put in plastic container			
118	Sample of Wheat)			
119	Sample of this season's Meadow Hay			
120	Sample of this season's Seeds Hay			
121	Sample of grass silage			
122	Sample of maize silage			
123	A whole plant of maize			
Children - 16 years & under				
Entry fee		20p per class		
Prize money		1st 50p	2nd 30p	3rd 20p
124	Longest Bean			
125	Heaviest Potato			
126	Arrangement of flowers in a jam jar			
127	One Special Flower			
128	Cress Head			
Fun – Open to all				
Entry fee		20p per class		
Prize money		1st 50p	2nd 30p	3rd 20p
NOT ELIGIBLE FOR POINTS OR CUPS				
130	Weirdest Looking Fruit or Vegetable			
131	Largest Sunflower Head			
132	Scarecrow			

STAGING TIPS FOR A SELECTION OF THE HORTICULTURAL CLASSES:

TOMATOES



Aim for five regular shaped and the same sizes, fully ripe fruits (showing true colour), unblemished skin, and a fresh green calyx, arrange the tomatoes neatly on a paper plate or similar vessel.

POTATOES



Focus on selecting four uniform tubers with shallow eyes, keeping them in the dark until the show, and presenting them neatly on a white or black plate. Clean potatoes but be careful not to remove the skin.

CARROTS



Focus on showing three uniform, similar size, healthy roots, with no sign of carrot fly, ensuring they are clean and tops trimmed to within 2 inches.

ONIONS



Select four uniform size, high-quality bulbs. Display them on a plate of clean, dry sand or rice, with at least 2cm of stalk attached with neat, raffia tied tops.

PLUMS

Don't polish your plums they need to have the bloom

FLOWERS

Be sure to stick to the number of stems specified for each class