



# FLORAL ART

*'HAPPY DAYS'*

**SATURDAY 9 MAY 2026**

**Entry Closing Date: Friday 10th April 2026**

**Free entry other than Class 959 - £20**

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## Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society

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This event ("Show ") is organised by the Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society (the "Society") is held in accordance with the Memorandum & Articles of Association and the Regulations of the Society which are binding on all Exhibitors ("exhibitors", "competitors", "trade stand exhibitor") and others attending the Show. Copies of the Memorandum & Articles of Association and Regulations are held in the Society Office.

Exhibitors should read carefully all the documentation in relation to exhibiting at the Show including the *Exhibiting conditions and guidance*, *Show Regulations* and Information and *Exhibitors Code of Practice* which are listed in the Schedule of Classes document available on the Show website.

Where appropriate, competition schedules are issued subject to the Orders & Advice of DEFRA (The Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs) and any Local Authorities which may be operative at the time of the Show.

Traders and trade stand exhibitors should carefully read the *Trade Stand Regulations* available on the Show website or within the Stand Booking information.

By making an entry or booking a trade stand, the Exhibitor is agreeing to comply with all the Society Conditions & Regulations and is irrevocably consenting to the storage and use of the information provided in catalogues, show guides, circulation to the media and regulatory authorities such as Trading Standards.

Membership of the Society is annual from either 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December or 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> June the following year. Membership includes entry to all Society Shows on production of a valid Membership badge. Membership is not transferable for any reason and must be presented by the named individual at the time of entry. All Memberships are valid for one year and there are no pro-rata refunds should you wish to terminate membership prior to its expiry. Renewal information will be sent in the post or emailed to you ahead of the Membership year.

The Society reserves the right to postpone or cancel the Show, or any particular section or event, if the Council of the Society resolves that the holding of the Show, or section or event, is impractical or not in the interest of the Society or for any other cause beyond the control of the Society, including, but without limitation, Act of God, Governmental Act, legislation, regulation or request, fire, accident, war, riot, strikes, lock-outs, trade disputes or labour problems, or inability to obtain adequate labour or materials or sufficient number of entries.

### **Show Office:**

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**Judge:** Mrs M Rumens, Solihull

**Entry:**

FREE entry in all classes except Class 959

Class 959 (Imposed Exhibit): £20.00 entry fee

**Entry Closing Date:** 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**How to submit entries – Online only**

- Go to [www.nottinghamshirecountyshow.com/competitors](http://www.nottinghamshirecountyshow.com/competitors) and click on the relevant link that will take you to the Showing Scene system used to submit your entries. If you exhibited last year, please use your login.
- No entry will be accepted unless correct fees are paid and correct information has been submitted.

**Exhibitor Wristband Allocation**

2 entry wristbands will be issued to each exhibitor. You must wear these wristbands to gain access into the showground following checks by gate security.

**Additional Entry Wristbands**

If you require additional wristbands over and above the allocation as shown above, you may purchase these on the Showing Scene entry system before close of entries for £15.00 each, Child Wristbands (Under 16) are free. After entries are closed, you can only purchase public entry e-tickets through the show website with entry from 9am: [www.nottinghamshirecountyshow.com](http://www.nottinghamshirecountyshow.com).

**Staging:**

**Will take place between 10.00am and 8.00pm on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May.** All exhibitors are asked to be in the Lady Eastwood Centre between these times to ensure their exhibit is arranged and in place by 8.00pm, ready for judging to commence on the Saturday morning. Any Exhibitor who cannot attend Staging Day please notify NNAS by phoning 01636 705796 by Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May

**Judging:**

Will take place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May commencing at 7.30am. The building will be cleared at 7.00am and no-one, other than the Judge and stewards in attendance, will be allowed in until judging has been completed. All exhibits will be judged in accordance with the NAFAS Competitions Manual Fourth Edition 2023.

**Prizes and Awards Ceremony:**

Classes 959 - 966:	1 <sup>st</sup> £20, 2 <sup>nd</sup> £15, 3 <sup>rd</sup> £10
Classes 958 & 961:	1 <sup>st</sup> £50, 2 <sup>nd</sup> £35, 3 <sup>rd</sup> £20
Class 967 (prize money will be paid to each age group):	1 <sup>st</sup> £5, 2 <sup>nd</sup> £3, 3 <sup>rd</sup> £2

Prize money for classes 958 to 966 will be paid by bank transfer following the Show.

Prize money for class 967 will be paid in cash during the awards ceremony.

There will be an **Awards Ceremony** at approximately 4pm in the Lady Eastwood, we invite all exhibitors and their supporters to attend.

**Open to all visitors on:** Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 10.00am to 5.00pm

Measurements are given for each class and in all cases are Width x Depth x Height unless otherwise stated. All measurements are approximate.

COLOUR OF STAGING BACKGROUND, DRAPES & PLINTHS FOR ALL CLASSES WILL BE **BLACK**, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

## **BEST IN SHOW AND SPECIAL AWARDS**

### **Best Exhibit in Show**

The Newark & District Horticultural Society Perpetual Challenge Trophy  
To be competed for by the 1st prize winners from Classes 958 - 966

### **Runner-up to Best Exhibit in Show**

The Ian Buxton Cup

### **The Exhibit which emphasises the best use of colour**

The Winthorpe Perpetual Award

### **The Exhibit which best emphasises the use of garden plant material**

The Newark Flower Lovers Perpetual Trophy

### **The Exhibit winning first prize in class 958**

The Peggy Lawrence Trophy

### **The Exhibit winning first prize in class 961**

The Oaklands Nurseries Perpetual Challenge Cup

### **The Exhibit winning first prize in the Petite Class 965**

The Cicely Mould Memorial Award

### **The Exhibit winning first prize in the Novice Class 966**

The Jill Lewis Shield

### **Exhibitor gaining the most points in the Floral Art Section**

The Kilvington Perpetual Rose Bowl

### **People's Choice Award**

As voted for by the members of the public.

Points will be awarded as follows; 1st - 3 points, 2nd - 2 points, 3rd - 1 point  
Excludes classes 958 and 967.

In the event of equality of points the trophy will be shared and any accompanying prizes in kind will be withheld.

In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by establishing which exhibitor has won the most first prizes in the section, or, if necessary, by the exhibitor having won the most second prizes in the section and so on.



# THEME: HAPPY DAYS

## 958 A Grand Day Out

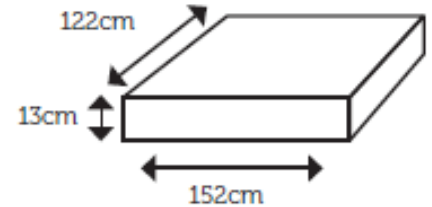
*An exhibit.*

Space allowed: width 152cm, depth 122cm, height optional.

Staging - a base - width 152cm, depth 122cm, height 13cm.

Judged from the front but viewed all round. Max number of entries 8.

Title to be displayed



This class is open to **ONE** or be shared by a maximum of **TWO** persons only. Allowance towards class expenses £30 to be given on staging day.

The winner of this class will receive **The Peggy Lawrence Trophy**.

## 959 Crazy Days

*An imposed exhibit.*

Space allowed: width 90cm, depth 75cm, height optional.

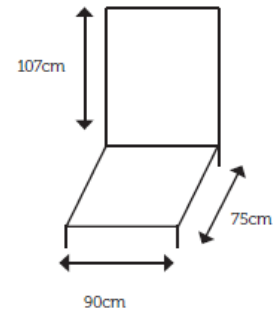
Staging – tabling with backing height 107cm.

Maximum number of entries 12.

All components will be provided. Competitors may use ALL or SOME of the components unless otherwise stated. Tools allowed - scissors/secateurs/knife ONLY. Class to commence at 3.00pm, finish 5pm on staging day Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

Exhibitors must be in place to start their exhibit at the same time.

ALL components to be taken home after dismantling on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May

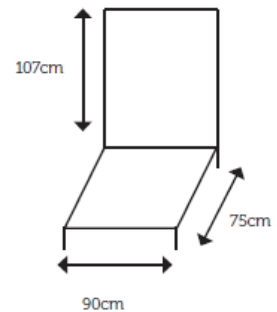


## 960 Green Day

*An exhibit featuring foliage.*

Space allowed: width 90cm, depth 75cm, height optional.

Staging - tabling with backing height 107cm



## 961 Those Were The Days

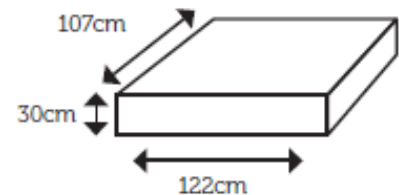
*A Steam Punk Exhibit (Inspired by Victorian era/industrialisation/mechanisation)*

Space allowed: width 122cm, depth 107cm, height 90cm.

Staging - a base - width 122cm, depth 107cm, height 30cm.

Viewed and judged all round. Max number of entries 9.

No floral foam allowed



The winner of this class will receive **The Oaklands Nurseries Perpetual Challenge Cup**

## 962 Day & Night

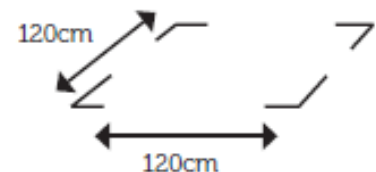
*A pedestal exhibit.*

Space allowed: width 120cm, depth 120cm, height optional.

Staging – on grey concrete floor.

The space allowed will be marked out on the floor. Competitors may provide their own floor covering or base. Competitor to provide own pedestal.

Judged from the front but viewed all round.



**963 Wedding Anniversary**

*A hand tied bouquet*

To incorporate a clear container (not provided). Collar or frame optional  
Space allowed: width 75cm, depth 75cm, height optional.

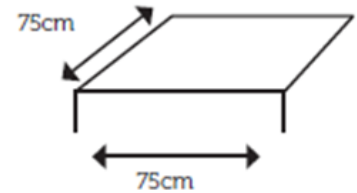
Staging – open tabling.

Viewed and judged all around.

No floral foam allowed. Title to be displayed

**NOTE** bouquets may be lifted from containers and handled during judging.

Exhibits may be brought pre-done.



**964 Lazy Days**

*An exhibit*

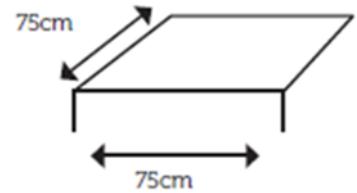
To incorporate a book/books.

Space allowed: width 75cm, depth 75cm, height optional.

Staging – open tabling

Viewed and judged all round.

No floral foam allowed.



**965 Happy Birthday**

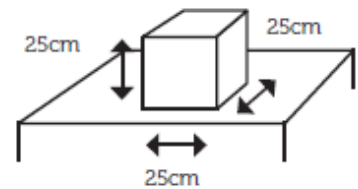
*A petite exhibit*

Space allowed: width 25cm, depth 25cm, height optional.

Staging – exhibits will be staged on 25cm display cubes on open tabling.

Viewed and judged all round. Max number of entries 18.

Exhibits may be brought pre-done.



The winner of the Class will receive ***The Cicely Mould Memorial Award***

**966 Days of Wine & Roses**

*An exhibit*

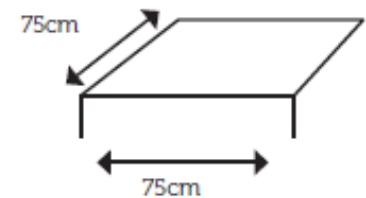
To incorporate a wine bottle.

Space allowed: width 75cm, depth 75cm, height optional.

Staging – open tabling

Judged from the front but viewed all round.

This is a NOVICE class for those who have NOT won a first prize at any show prior to date of entry.



The winner of this class will receive ***The Jill Lewis Shield***

**967 Play Days**

**JUNIOR CLASS with 3 age groups: (A)7 yrs and under, (B) 8 – 11 yrs, (C)12 – 16 yrs**

*An exhibit*

To incorporate a toy/toys.

Space allowed: width 45cm, depth 45cm, height optional.

Staging – open tabling

Judged from the front but viewed all round. **AGE MUST BE STATED ON ENTRY**

Exhibits may be brought pre-done. Entries for this class only may be dropped off on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> 7:30am until 9:30am.

## FLORAL ART RULES & CONDITIONS

1. An exhibit is composed of natural plant material in all its' forms, with or without accessories, contained within a space as specified in the show schedule. Schedule 'definitions' state that disqualification will take place for the following reasons:
  - a. Failure to comply with any specific requirement of a class as stated in the show schedule, i.e. measurements or components.
  - b. Inclusion of any fresh plant material which does not have the roots or the cut ends of stems in water or water retaining material (for exclusions see the NAFAS Competitions Manual Fourth Edition 2023).
  - c. Inclusion of artificial plant material (unless specifically allowed by the Show schedule).
2. Classes 958 - 967 will be judged in accordance with the NAFAS Competition Manual Fourth Edition 2023.  
The Show will be subject to the rules and regulations of the Newark & Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society (NNAS) where applicable. Once judging has been completed no exhibit may be touched without permission from the stewards of the Show.
3. Staging may commence from 10.00am on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May and must be completed by 8pm on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026. Exhibitors must only take spaces which have been allocated to them.
4. The Show reserves the right to substitute judges other than those announced in the Schedule and/or catalogue for any who may be unavoidably prevented from attending. All entries are accepted on this understanding. There can be no refund of entry fees where a substitution or addition has been made.
5. The Judge's decision shall be final.
6. Competitors may only enter ONE EXHIBIT per class.
8. Entry fees cannot be returned.
9. All entries must be the unaided work of the competitor and must be assembled at the Showground, except where otherwise stated in the Schedule. Many techniques, whether contemporary or traditional, require a great deal of time to complete. Pre-done work of this type is acceptable in any class, unless specifically excluded by the Show Schedule. Only one person may make each entry and must not receive any help from another person. If drapes are used they must be supported by stands provided by exhibitors. No extra skirting will be allowed over the side of tabling. Nothing may be attached to the background unless specifically permitted. The name and address of the exhibitor must be securely attached to the base of all containers.
10. Pre-Show passes will be required for admission to the Showground on the days prior to the Show and will be allocated with the exhibitor's tickets.
11. The exhibits will remain at the sole risk of the exhibitor. The NNAS cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage however caused or occasioned. It is therefore recommended that exhibitors hold an insurance policy.
12. **No exhibit may be dismantled or removed before 5.00pm on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May. No vehicle will be allowed onto the showground before 6pm**
13. Challenge Cups and Trophies are fully insured by NNAS and may be collected from the Floral Art Stewards' area situated in the Exhibition Hall. They will not be dispatched after the Show. Exhibitors are required to return cups and trophies in good condition, at their own expense when requested to do so. Engraving of winner's names has been discontinued and exhibitors are forbidden to have any cup or trophy engraved. It is regretted that anyone who ignores this ruling will be fined a substantial sum for each cup or trophy to cover the cost of restitution.
14. Public liability insurance is designed to help protect you if a claim is made against you by a third party, e.g. if something happens involving you that results in injury to a friend, a member of the public or damage to someone's property. This applies to all Shows and Events, not just the Nottinghamshire County Show. The Newark and Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society carries its own public liability insurance with a limit of £10m for protection against claims as part of this Show and at the Showground as a whole. However, we recommend that exhibitors also have their own insurance.