



## WHITACRES & SHUSTOKE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

SUMMER SHOW 25<sup>th</sup> July 2026

Grounds open to the Public at 10.00 a.m.

Non-Members Welcome – Anyone can enter.

ORGANISER - EMMA TAYLOR. PRE ENTRY REQUIRED BY POST, DROP OFF OR BY EMAILING –  
horticulture@whitacresandshustokeshow.co.uk

### RULES FOR THE HORTICULTURAL SHOW. Please read carefully as certain items and rules may have changed.

1. Entries in a sealed envelope containing the entry fee (cheques payable to Whitacres & Shustoke Horticultural Society, and must be above **£10.00** in value, **(less amounts in cash only please)** can either be posted to the Horticultural Secretary (**SEE NOTE ON ENTRY FORM**) or handed in by **5-00pm on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026** to the centres listed on the entry form. **Whilst it is preferred that all entries are received by the Thursday, entries may be accepted on the Show Day if absolutely necessary. Additional entries from those already entered in other classes will be accepted on Show Day in the usual way.**
2. The Marquee will be open from **7.30-10.00 am** for the staging of exhibits. This timing will be strictly enforced. **All exhibitors, assistants and cars must leave the Show Ground by 9:45am**  
**Judging of classes will commence at 10.00am prompt and the Marquee will re-open as soon as possible after 2.00 p.m. when judging has been completed.**
3. No exhibit may be altered or removed, except by permission of the Horticultural Secretary, before 4.45 pm when the marquee will be closed and only Exhibitors will be admitted.
4. All exhibits must be staged by the Exhibitor, who must provide suitable plates, dishes, and vases. All vegetables must be free from dirt and placed on paper plates where appropriate. Class and Exhibitor number cards issued by the Society must be placed on each exhibit prior to judging.
5. The Committee reserves the right to refuse entries if, in its opinion, such action is justified in the interests of the Society and the Show.
6. Prize Money may be collected from the Horticultural marquee after 4.45 pm on production of Exhibitor's card and Prize Cards. Prize money not collected on Show Day will be put towards the cost of putting on the show.
7. The Judges have the power to withhold prizes in cases of insufficient entries or merit. Generally, only one prize will be awarded for fewer than three entries, except at the discretion of Judges, who can also award extra prizes. The Judge's decision is final.
8. All Classes are open except where otherwise stated.
9. All exhibits must be the produce or work of the Exhibitor unless otherwise stated. The Committee reserve the right to visit and inspect any Exhibitor's garden or allotment before or after the Show. Any prize money may be withheld until after any such inspection. Any Exhibitor disqualified under this rule will forfeit all prize money he or she may have won.
10. Objections or protests must be made in writing to the Secretary before 3.45 p.m. on Show Day and **must** be accompanied by a deposit of £20 which will be refunded if the objection or protest is upheld, but not otherwise. Any exhibit objected to might be detained. Any objection will be dealt with as soon as possible.
11. The Committee will not be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits or accessories, but every care will be taken to avoid any such loss or damage. All property is displayed at the owner's risk.
12. The Committee whose decision shall be final will decide any case arising and not provided for in the above rules.
13. **The number of entries made by one exhibitor is restricted to one per class.**

Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize - £3.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - £2.00

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – £1.00

### Horticulture Section Trophies and Prizes

The **Albert Butler Rose Bowl** for the most points gained overall.

The **Chairman's Cup** for the Best Exhibit in the Show. Judged by the chairman.

The **Norman Hawthorne Trophy** will be awarded to the senior citizen residing in Nether Whitacre, Over Whitacre or Shustoke who gains the most points in Classes 1-102 inclusive. Ladies or gentlemen aged 65 years or over who are resident in the parishes listed are asked to indicate this on the entry forms (in the box provided) to ensure that they are considered for this trophy.

The **Horticultural Challenge Cup** for the most points in the Vegetable & Fruit Classes.

The **Horticultural Challenge Cup** for the most points in the Flower Classes.

The **President's Trophy – Jeanne Cantor Memorial** – for the Best Exhibit in the vegetable, Fruit or flower Classes

The **Howard Rumble Memorial Cup** for the longest Runner Bean in the show.

The **Sheila Kings Floral Art Trophy** for the most points in Floral Art Classes.

The **Domestic Challenge Rose Bowl** for the most points in the Domestic Classes.

The **Domestic Challenge Cup** for the 2nd highest points in the Domestic Classes.

The **Pat Dean Wine Trophy** for the most points in the Home-made Wine & Beer Classes.

The **Lockhart Handicraft Cup** for the most points in the Handicraft Classes.

The **Lamb Trophy** for the most points in the Junior Section.

The **W Spare Trophy** for the most points in the Art Exhibition.

The **Stitch Trophy** for the most points in the Photographic Exhibition.

The **Sainsbury's Perpetual Egg Cup** awarded for the best exhibit in the Egg Classes

The **Jackie Page Trophy** for an outstanding piece of artwork (Junior Art- children aged 11 or under on 1st September 2024)

The **Coleshill Ladies Circle Trophy** for Best Designed Scarecrow. Junior & Adult.

The **Dugdale Trophy** for the group of five or less people getting the most points in the show. Please indicate on the entry form if you are part of a group.

All trophies will be on display in the Horticultural marquee. Winners will be presented with trophies at 4.30 pm. on Show Day. All trophies, shields and cups are held in trust as the property of the Society and must be returned to the Trophy Secretary one month prior to Show Day.

Enquiries regarding trophies should be made to Emma Taylor.

## VEGETABLES & FRUIT CLASSES

Judge: Mr Bob Carr

If you would like to sponsor these classes email [horticulture@whitacresandshustokeshow.co.uk](mailto:horticulture@whitacresandshustokeshow.co.uk)

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| 1) Dwarf French Beans: five pods                      | 16) Cucumber; one, any variety              |
| 2) Broad Beans: five pods                             | 17) Tomatoes: four, red                     |
| 3) Runner Beans: five pods                            | 18) Tomatoes: four any other colour         |
| 4) Peas: five pods                                    | 19) Tomatoes: eight cherry, any colour      |
| 5) Beetroot Round: three specimens tops trimmed to 3" | 20) Longest Runner Bean                     |
| 6) Beetroot Baby: three specimens tops trimmed to 3"  | 21) One Marrow                              |
| 7) Carrots: three specimens with tops trimmed to 3"   | 22) A vase/container of four culinary herbs |
| 8) Potatoes: five, coloured                           | 23) Rhubarb: four stems, trimmed            |
| 9) Potatoes: five, white                              | 24) Gooseberries: nine, any colour          |
| 10) Courgettes: two, any variety                      | 25) Raspberries: nine                       |
| 11) Garlic Bulbs: three                               | 26) Blackcurrants: one dish                 |
| 12) Onions: three, trimmed                            | 27) Any other Fruit not listed above        |
| 13) Onions: three, as grown                           | 28) Any other Vegetable not listed above    |
| 14) Shallots: five, red or yellow                     | 29) Collection of five distinct vegetables  |
| 15) Lettuce: two, with roots                          | 30) 'A Vegetable Disaster'                  |

## FLOWER CLASSES

Judge: Mrs Jo Hollis

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| 31) Display of cut garden flowers, one vase                 | 43) Sweet Peas, one vase                                  |
| 32) Annuals: one vase                                       | 44) Vase of Grasses, one vase                             |
| 33) Perennials: one vase                                    | 45) Flowering Shrub 3 stems any variety                   |
| 34) Dahlias: five stems, any variety                        | 46) Variegated cut foliage one vase/container any variety |
| 35) Marigolds: three stems                                  | 47) Hosta leaves one vase/container                       |
| 36) Any flower, one specimen                                | 48) Fern Fronds one vase/container                        |
| 37) Clematis: three blooms                                  | 49) Lavender: five sprigs/stems                           |
| 38) Five stems of pinks/dianthus                            | 50) Planted pot of geranium/geraniums                     |
| 39) Pansies and/or Violas: 5 blooms                         | 51) Flowering Pot Plant, any size                         |
| 40) Rose, three single blooms (grown within 10 mile radius) | 52) Foliage Pot Plant, any size                           |
| 41) Rose, one single specimen (grown within 10 mile radius) | 53) Flowering Orchid, any size                            |
| 42) Rose, one stem spray (grown within 10 mile radius)      | 54) Succulent/Cactus: one pot any size                    |

- 55) One Rose Bloom floating in a Jar/Dish, Entry for all **Exclusive with the National Rose Society**

## FLORAL ART

Judge: Penny Johnson

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*The Exhibitor need not have grown the flowers used unless specified. Competitors' property is displayed at owners' risk. Sizes given are max width x depth x height.*

- 56) A petite arrangement in a teacup- "**Sparks of Light**" not to exceed 25 cm wide, 25 cm deep and 37 cm high
- 57) **Floral Symphony** up to 46cm x 46cm (18" x 18").
- 58) **'Football World Cup' encompassing a nations colours** up to 46cm x46cm (18"x18")

## DOMESTIC CLASSES

Judges: Ms Anita Filmer & Ms Vicky Farmer

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**Note:** Exhibitors are asked to place cakes, etc in a clear plastic bag or covering. In cookery classes remember that some ovens may need slight variation in time and temperature. Jam jars must have plain lids and must be labelled with the date made, Day, Month, and Year.

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| 59) Blackcurrant Jam: one jar         | 63) Lemon Curd: one jar                       |
| 60) Raspberry Jam: one jar            | 64) Marmalade: one jar                        |
| 61) Strawberry Jam: one jar           | 65) Chutney: one jar, any variety             |
| 62) Any Other variety of Jam: one jar | 66) Jelly: one jar Mint, Apple or Bramble etc |

- 67) **Victoria Sandwich:** Ingredients: Three eggs, their weight (in shells) in margarine, caster sugar and self-raising flour; pinch of salt; 3-4 drops vanilla essence or grated rind of half a lemon.  
Method: Cream margarine; add the sugar and essence or rind. Beat until light and fluffy. Add eggs one at a time together with a tablespoon of sieved flour and salt. Beat well after each addition. Stir in remaining flour. Put mixture into two lined 8" (approx.) sandwich tins, smooth level and bake at 180C Gas Mark 4 for 25 minutes. When cold, sandwich together with jam and dust with castor sugar
- 68) **Fruit Cake:** Ingredients 9oz/250g self-raising flour, 6oz/175g margarine, 6oz/175g caster sugar, 3 large eggs, pinch of salt, 6oz/175g sultanas, 6oz/175g currants, 2oz/50g glace cherries.  
Method: Grease and flour an 8"/20cm (approx.) cake tin. Use creaming method, adding eggs, one at a time together with a tablespoon of sieved flour and salt, beating well after each addition. Add remaining flour in several portions, mixing well to give a smooth dropping consistency. A little milk may be needed. Blend in fruit. Bake for 85-100 minutes at 350F/180C, Gas Mark 4 lowering heat slightly after 50 minutes if needed.
- 69) Make a Show Stopper Cake in true "Bake Off" style to be judged on the decoration only (can be decorated on dummy cake)
- 70) **Fruity Tray Bake (Men only Class) :** Six slices on a plate  
Ingredients: 4 eggs, 9oz(250g) soft margarine, 9oz(250g) caster sugar, 12oz(350g) s/r flour, 4 tablespoons milk, 12oz(350g) mixed dried fruit.  
Method: Heat oven to 180C, Gas mark 4. Line a roasting tin with foil & grease well. Measure all ingredients into a bowl and beat well for 2 minutes. Spread evenly into tin and bake for about 30 minutes. (Makes 30 slices so you can halve the quantities and bake for 20 mins).
- 71) **Bake your favourite cake** (any other cake not listed above). Please provide a label indicating type of cake and detailing the ingredients and recipe.
- 72) Shortbread: one round 7" sprinkled with castor sugar
- 73) Six Scones, plain, or fruit
- 74) Six Cheese Straws
- 75) Six slices of your favourite traybake
- 76) Six Chocolate Brownies
- 77) Six Jam Tarts
- 78) Hard-boiled egg: shelled (to be cut by judge)

## EGG CLASSES

Judge: Ms Julie Sharp

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- 79) Three Brown hens' eggs
- 80) Three Cream hens' eggs
- 81) Three White hens' eggs
- 82) Three hens' eggs, any other colour
- 83) Three any other eggs (not to include any hen eggs)
- 84) Three duck eggs
- 85) Three Bantam eggs

## HOMEMADE WINES, BEERS AND SOFT DRINKS

Judges: Ms Anita Filmer & Ms Vicky Farmer

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- 86) Any non-alcoholic drink
- 87) Bottle of Wine
- 88) Any other Alcoholic beverage.

## HANDICRAFTS

Judge: Ms Rita Poulson

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- 89) Cross Stitch, Embroidery or Tapestry— any item
- 90) Knitted or crochet item
- 91) An item of needlework
- 92) A soft toy – any material
- 93) A handmade greetings card (with envelope)
- 94) You've made it, let's see it – Any other craft

## ART AND PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITIONS

Judge: Mr Alec Benwell

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*Your name and address must be fixed to the back of each picture. Pictures, of any size, must be framed complete with hanging wire/cord. One entry from each exhibitor is permitted per class. All pictures/paintings must be the exhibitors own work and not from a commercial kit.*

- 95) Oil or Acrylic painting: Any subject
- 96) Watercolour painting: Any subject
- 97) Painting - Any other medium Any subject

**Photographic Exhibition.** All photographs must be mounted on thick card. Only one entry from each exhibitor under each title is permitted in this class. All photographs must be as taken

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| 98) 'Friendship'         | 101) Your Favourite Photograph |
| 99) 'Patterns in Nature' | 102) 'By Moonlight'            |
| 100) 'A Close Up'        |                                |

## JUNIOR SECTION

Judge – Rosemary & Lynn

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*The exhibitors' age must be on the exhibit, which must be their own unaided work.*

### Children school year 2 and under on 1<sup>st</sup>. Sept, 2025

- 103) Four jam tarts
- 104) A painted or decorated hard-boiled egg
- 105) A necklace of sweets.
- 106) A crayon, coloured pencil or felt tip pen drawing entitled 'My Family' (A4)

### Children school years 3, 4, 5, and 6. on 1<sup>st</sup>. Sept, 2025

- 107) Six Cookies
- 108) A Model using Recycled Material.
- 109) A painted or decorated Hard Boiled Egg; Accessories may be used.
- 110) Design a birthday card

### Open Class to all Children 16 and under on 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2025

- 111) **You made it lets see it**
- 112) A Victoria sandwich using the recipe in class 69.
- 113) "The Brightest Flower in My Garden". Displayed in a Vase.
- 114) Photograph entitled 'My Summer Holiday'
- 115) Miniature Garden in a seed tray - maximum size 9" x 15" (23cm x 38cm)
- 116) Decorate a Show Stopper cake in true "Bake Off" style, to be judged on decoration only.
- 117) Acrostic poem using 'SUMMER'

## BEST DESIGNED SCARECROW

Judge: TBC

- 118) This Class is open to either an Individual or a Group i.e. W.I., Allotment Assoc., Scouts, Girl Guides, Beavers, Schools, Playgroup, Shop, Nursery, Village, Street, Road, or Community Assoc. etc., from the neighbouring Villages.

Entry Fee: £1.00 (Can be paid on the day)

A Trophy will be awarded for the best entry.

## POST-BOX TOPPERS

Time to get creative and knit or crochet a post box topper to be displayed on specially made posts in front of the Horticultural Tent. The theme is Football World Cup and the class is open to all. Enter as a team or enter as an individual. However, please submit your entry to Emma Taylor by 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026 either by using the entry form below or posting to the address shown on the form, or by email [horticulture@whitacresandshustokeshow.co.uk](mailto:horticulture@whitacresandshustokeshow.co.uk) to ensure that we have enough posts to display the toppers! Please note the posts will have a top with a diameter of 560 mm (approx. 22 inches) - standard post box size.

They will be judged by the handicraft and art judges and there will also be a "public vote" for their favourite topper!!!

Entry fee £1-00 (Can be paid on the day).

Rosettes will be awarded for the judges' 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and a trophy for the public's favourite.

## INTER WI COMPETITION

Local Women's Institutes have been invited to place an exhibit in this competition. They have been asked to submit a variety of handicrafts for judging. Marks out of 20 will be awarded to each item and the exhibit is to be judged for staging too. The W.I. gaining the most points overall will be awarded the Inter W.I. Trophy to be held for one year.

The INTER W.I. TROPHY: - This will be awarded to the Women's Institute gaining the most points in the 'Inter WI' competition.

The W.I. ROSE BOWL: - This will be awarded to the Women's Institute whose members gain the most points in the whole of the show.

ENTRIES: Each W.I. to enter 7 items of craftwork from the list below. There will be no theme this year, however this is keen to be explored for future shows.

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| 1) Embroidery                        | 8) Soft toy                 |
| 2) Machine Made Item                 | 9) Greeting Card any medium |
| 3) Any other craft not listed above. | 10) Crochet                 |
| 4) Hand Knitting any medium          | 11) Beadwork                |
| 5) Quilting                          | 12) Patchwork               |
| 6) Dressed Doll (6" – 16")           | 13) Cross Stitch            |
| 7) Painting or Drawing               |                             |

A Flower arrangement to suit the theme is also requested and will be judged.

ONE EXHIBIT **ONLY** FROM ANY ONE CRAFT ON THE SCHEDULE.

NOTE: Members are warned that knitted baby clothes or knitted doll's clothes entered may be marked down if they contain ribbon trimmings or ribbon ties. The table will be approx. 6-foot length. You should supply your own tablecloths.

Backing boards are at your discretion.

Entry Fee: £5.00

Entries to be received by the 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026



# ENTRY FORM

## HORTICULTURAL & DOMESTIC & CHILDREN'S CLASSES & ART EXHIBITION & PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

**ONLY ONE EXHIBITOR PER FORM PLEASE (photocopy or use plain paper as necessary)**

NAME .....

TEL NO. ....

EMAIL: .....

Tick here to receive communication about future shows & direct distribution of the schedules of future shows.

Is your entry part of a GROUP ENTRY? Yes/No If yes please give Group Name: .....

SENIOR CITIZEN: Please tick box.

CLASSES 1-118 (Please list in boxes below)

**£1-00 per entry for Adult Classes**      **Entry free for children's classes**      **Children must pay for entering adult classes**


TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSES ENTERED:

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: £.....

Please state size and class for any large items that are to be exhibited.

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Place form in a sealed envelope, and **POST** to

- ❖ Miss Emma Taylor, 17 Pickerings Avenue, Measham, DE12 7SB
- ❖ Or email to horticulture@whitacresandshustokeshow.co.uk
- ❖ **IF NOT PAYING BY CHEQUE, (only cheques over £10.00 acceptable) CASH CAN BE PAID ON THE DAY, BUT ENTRIES MUST BE REGISTERED IN ADVANCE BY THE DUE DATE.**

- Or HAND IN TO:
- ❖ The Library, off High Street, Coleshill
  - ❖ The Dog, Dog Lane, Nether Whitacre
  - ❖ Planters Garden Centre, Freasley, Tamworth
  - ❖ Every Occasion, Long Street, Atherstone

**NO EXHIBITS SHOULD BE POSTED OR LEFT AT THE COLLECTION POINTS.**

**Entries forms should arrive no later than 5-00pm on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026.** Whilst it is preferred that all entries are received by the Thursday entries will now be accepted on Show Day if necessary. Additional entries from those already entered in other classes will be accepted on Show Day in the usual way.

**Staging of Exhibits strictly limited to between 7.30am-10.00am on Show Day**

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL EXHIBITS AND CONTAINERS ARE COLLECTED AFTER THE SHOW. ANY ITEMS NOT COLLECTED WILL BE DISPOSED OF.