Rackenford Gardening Club

SUMMER SHOW 2025

Saturday 5th July
part of Village Day



Show opens to the public at midday

The Village Marquee on Rackenford Common, EX16 8DU
by kind permission of the Parish Council

Tea & Cakes as part of Village Day

Judges are Bert and Margaret Jewell

Show rules

1. Entrance is free and open to all (members and non-members)
2. All floral exhibits except in the Floral Art, arrangement and children's classes must be grown by the exhibitor
3. Exhibitors may stage their exhibits as they please within the allocated space. **Staging is between 9-11am** on the day of the show. The Show will then close for judging and reopen for public viewing at midday. Trophies and prize cards will be awarded at 3pm all exhibits must be removed by 3.30
4. No person may enter more than one exhibit per class.
5. The decision of the judges shall be final on matters of merit but the Steward appointed by the Committee shall decide on eligibility of entries. Prize cards and trophies may be withheld if in the opinion of the Judge exhibits are not of sufficient merit.

   Please note that although all due care will be taken, the Club can take no responsibility for damage or loss of an exhibit.

Entries

Must be for individuals only and be submitted no later than **6pm Tuesday 1st July**. *Please note, it is easier for organisers to manage "no shows" than late entries, please tick all potential entries.*

Contact

If you have any queries or require help, please contact Amelia Joyner, Secretary on 07747 866602 or iljoyner@icloud.com

Committee Members

Frances Kelland, President
Sarah Child, Chair
Amelia Joyner, Secretary
Helen Hyland, Jason Mead, Jenny Nash, Liz Wilkinson & Maria Winterbourne

SECTION 1 – FLOWERS, PLANTS, VEGETABLES

Cut Flowers

Each exhibit must be in a single container

1. 6 sweet peas, mixed colours
2. 6 sweet peas, all of one colour
3. 5 stems of annuals grown from seed (same or varied)
4. 3 roses, single flowers
5. 3 roses, floribunda
6. 1 single rose
7. A collection of 3 different garden flowers
8. 3 hydrangea blooms

Vegetable and Fruit Section

Max display area 30 x 30 cm.

9. 3 potatoes, white
10. 3 carrots, any (tops trimmed to 3")
11. 3 beetroots (tops trimmed to 3")
12. 5 herbs
13. 5 green salad onions with tops and tails
14. 5 radishes with tops and tails
15. 3 courgettes
16. 5 French beans
17. A pair of cucumbers
18. 1 lettuce
19. 3 tomatoes – any type, with stems
20. A plate of soft fruit
21. A collection of 5 different vegetables and/or fruits in a single container
22. A collection of 4 different salad vegetables

Floral Art

An exhibit is mainly from plant material, flowers to predominate, with or without accessories. Table area allowed is 24" by 24", no maximum height is specified. Oversize entries will, sadly, be admired but disqualified.

23. An arrangement including oak leaves
24. An arrangement to include three varieties of flowers in two colours plus any foliage
25. A miniature arrangement, accessories allowed, maximum size 10 cm H x 10cm W x 10 cm D to stand on an underlay of cloth
26. A miniature arrangement using only wildflowers and foliage, maximum size 12 cm H x 12cm W x 12 cm D to stand on an underlay of cloth

SECTION 2 – DOMESTIC

Photography

Digital or roll taken since July 2024 – please add the date taken to the front or back of the photograph.
Actual size of photo not to exceed 9" x 6" (23 x 15 cm) preferably with a mount or surround (white or coloured)

27. A flowering tree
28. Rackenford Common
29. A portrait study

Crafts

Exhibit must fit within a 35cm square space, no maximum height is specified. Oversize entries will, sadly, be admired but disqualified.

30. A sewn article (may be folded to fit within the space)
31. A flower made from recycled objects
32. A painting or collage of a local scene
33. An ornament made of any material (e.g. pottery, wood)
34. A useful wooden object

Cookery

All food items must be covered (hygiene regulations) and all jars should have a waxed circle under the cover or lid

35. A jar of lemon curd
36. A jar of honey
37. A jar of chutney
38. Three scones
39. A decorated cake celebrating VE Day
40. A decorated cake celebrating gardening
41. A loaf of bread
42. 6 fresh eggs

SECTION 3 – CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Children can enter adult classes. In the children's classes age is taken into account, so please show age and name on the back

0-4 years

43. To be confirmed

Rackenford Primary School and children under 12

44. To be confirmed (please see printed insert)
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RACKENFORD SHIELD

The Rackenford Shield is awarded for "Best….", an annual in situ competition where the exhibit category changes each year.

This the category is A flowering shrub

Judging normally takes place 1-2 weeks before the show so please confirm entry by 21st June

If you would like to enter please let Amelia Joyner, Secretary know via WhatsApp (07747 866602)or email iljoyner@icloud.com.

Summer Show Trophies

The President's Cup for the highest aggregate of points in Section 1 –Flowers, vegetables, Floral Art

The Taxis Cup for the most outstanding entry in the show.

The Stag Cup for the highest aggregate of points in the Vegetable and Fruit section.

The Paxton Trophy for the most outstanding vegetable or fruit exhibit.

The Waldron Cup for the highest aggregate of points in the cut flower section.

The Sparkman Cup for the most outstanding cut flower exhibit.

The Cole Vase for the best sweet pea exhibit.

The Flower Arrangement Cup for the best Floral Art exhibit.

The Sparkman Vase for the best rose exhibit.

The Di Knowles Trophy for the best honey.

The Ferdinando Cup for the highest aggregate in Section 2 - Domestic section.

The Rackenford School Cup for the best exhibit in Section 3

The Rackenford Club Cup for the highest children's aggregate.

The Junior Cup for the best exhibit from an entrant under 7.

The Senior Cup for the best exhibit from an entrant 7 to 14.

The Rackenford Garden Club Shield. Judged on a different garden element

RACKENFORD GARDENING CLUB
ENTRY FORM

Must be for individuals only and should be submitted no later than **6pm Tuesday 1st July.**

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

Please put a cross in the relevant box for each class that you wish to enter.
It is easier for the organisers to manage "no shows" than late entries, so please tick all entries that you might make.
Total number of entries …….

Name ……

Phone Number……..

Email address……

Paper Entries may be left at **Rackenford Shop** (Entry Forms box on Shop counter)

Or

Electronic Entries – please email to Jenny@rackenfordshop.co.uk

Simply send a photograph of the completed form or list just the classes being entered. Don't forget to include your name, and telephone number in the email.