

#### Welcome to the 2019 Show!

help to make this year's Show a great success.

Our Garden Club Show is a friendly, fun occasion which welcomes anyone to celebrate their achievements in the garden—whether you are an expert, a complete beginner or someone in between. All we need is enthusiasm! There are about eighty classes to choose from, so there should be something for everyone. If you like growing your own produce, have a look at the Fruit and Vegetables classes or select some beautiful flowers from your garden. Perhaps you enjoy photography, cookery or handicrafts? Maybe you could bring a jar of jam or a bottle of homemade beverage to enter in the Preserves & Produce classes and don't forget to bring your hen or duck eggs! Just have a go and

If South West Shropshire Gardening Club is new to you, have a look on the inside back pages of this schedule to see the exciting range of talks and outings which are organised for 2019. We welcome visitors anytime, so do come along and find out about the Club—either from other members, anyone on the committee or by visiting the website:

www.gardeningshropshire.co.uk.

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#### **Committee Members of South West Shropshire Gardening Club:**

Sandy Burton (Chairman)

Annie Frost (Vice Chairman & Bookings Secretary)

Liz Moran (Treasurer) Eileen Mattey (Secretary)

Sandra Bailey (Membership Secretary)

Angie Salmon (Show Organiser)
Sara Metcalf (Publicity Officer)

Pauline Owens

Avril Dickinson

Allison Walter (Website)

#### Hints & Tips to help you with your Show entries:

- Please don't show food that is still warm; preferably cook the day before.
- Where necessary, vegetables should be washed & soil carefully removed before exhibiting.
- Preserves should be made within the last year & labelled with the name and date made (day/month/year).
- Jars & bottles can be from recycled sources but should have a new twist top lid or use wax disc cut to size and cellophane cover to ensure true seal. Traditional honey or coffee jars are not airtight therefore will not preserve well.
- Jars should be filled to the top to allow for natural shrinkage.
- Use a new vinegar proof lid for pickles and chutneys to avoid stale flavours and rusting of lid. Fill jars to the top to ensure vegetables are covered with pickling liquid.
- Curd should be presented with a wax disc and cellophane as it has a shelf life and is not a true preserve.
- Chutneys improve with keeping, consistency should be spreadable.
- Wax disc and cellophane are not suitable covers for pickles or chutneys.
- Be careful not to over-boil as those with good pectin will set after a few minutes.

We're grateful to all our judges—who give up their spare time to help the Show—for these helpful hints and tips.

#### www.gardeningshropshire.co.uk

**ALL MEETINGS AT** 

#### LYDBURY NORTH VILLAGE HALL

(WEDNESDAYS, 7.30pm unless stated)

FREE TO MEMBERS: Annual membership currently £15 for 2019/20 NON-MEMBERS WELCOME: £5 inc tea/coffee

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## SOUTH WEST SHROPSHIRE GARDENING CLUB 2019 PROGRAMME

24th July 2019	Five centuries of Women and Gardens: A Talk by Richard Rallings	
15th August 2019	Visit to Stockton Bury and Hampton Court garden	
31st August 2019	Annual Club Show	
25th September 2019	Collecting and Sowing Seed A Talk by Amanda Potter	
23rd October 2019	Diluted: A Gardener and their relationship to Water A Talk by Darren Lerrigo	
27th November 2019	The wildflowers of South Shropshire A Talk by Fiona Gomershall (Shropshire Wildlife Trust)	
18th December 2019	A Natural History of Christmas A Talk by Mike Leach	

#### **South West Shropshire Gardening Club**

Set up over 30 years ago, SWSGC is a friendly club for all those interested in gardening and related topics. The club meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at Lydbury North Village Hall. There are talks and demonstrations by visiting speakers and the chance to chat to other members about gardening, plant ideas and problems.

The club arranges outings to some really amazing gardens, often as private visits; there are plant sales and discounts on seeds and garden items. The club is affiliated to the RHS which entitles members to free horticultural advice, plus other offers which the RHS advises us of from time to time.

Come along as a visitor for £5.00 to one of our meetings or why not join us today— current annual membership is £15 (including refreshments)

#### **Show Day Timetable**



9.30—10.45 am	Village Hall open for delivery
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& staging of exhibits

9.30-2.00pm Donations received for plants,

preserves & produce stalls

and refreshments

11.00 am Judging commences

(the Hall will be closed during judging)

2.00pm Hall open to visitors

Stalls and refreshments open

4.00 pm Presentation of Awards

4.20pm Raffle drawn

4.30pm Show closes

#### **New Award for 2019**

Every entry to the Show earns a point! The person with the most points scored across all classes in the Show will receive a Trophy and £5 cash prize.

So more entries, means more points!

#### Section 1: Flowers & Plants

Trophy (kindly donated by Mr & Mrs G Bryan Jones) for most points scored in section & £5 cash prize Best in Show Award for best overall exhibit & £5 cash prize

#### Any size or style of container (unless otherwise stated) can be used

- 1. 5 annual sweet peas—mixed or single colours
- 2. 5 stems of "Perennial or Everlasting" peas
- 1 specimen rose with foliage (additional buds allowed on floribunda varieties)
- 4. 3 Hydrangea heads (single variety)
- 1 specimen rose judged on scent not appearance (additional buds allowed on floribunda varieties)
- 6. A container of mixed or single variety dahlias
- 7. A specimen gladioli spike
- 8. A single specimen stem, spray or bloom, any variety
- A single indoor plant in a container
- 10. An outdoor planted container (one or more plant)
- 11. 5 displayed fuchsia flowers (no stems, just flowers)
- 12. 5 stems of a single variety of an herbaceous perennial
- 13. An unusual plant, cut stem or rooted, named variety
- 14. A single pot grown begonia (any variety)

# NB: All Classes are open to anyone: members and non-members of South West Shropshire Gardening Club

#### **RECIPE FOR SPICED APPLE CAKE**

CLASS 66

#### **Ingredients**

400g cooking apples

225g soft margarine

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

 $225g\ light\ muscovado\ sugar\ or\ soft$ 

light brown sugar

3 large eggs

100g chopped walnuts

100g sultanas

225g self raising flour

2 level teaspoons baking powder

#### Method

- Grease & line a 23cm (9 in), deep, loose-bottomed or spring-form, round cake tin with greaseproof paper.
- Peel, core and grate the apple and mix in the cinnamon. Set aside.
- Mix all the remaining ingredients together in large bowl; beat well until thoroughly blended.
- Spoon half the mixture into the prepared tin, then spread the grated apple in an even layer on top.

- Carefully spread the remaining cake mixture on top and level the surface.
- Bake in a pre-heated oven for about 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4-</sub>1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hrs, or until the cake is well risen and golden brown.
- If using a spring-form tin, loosen the spring and remove the outer ring of the tin immediately. If using a loosebottomed tin, ease the side away from the cake as soon as you are able to handle it. Do not attempt to remove the cake from the base of the tin until completely cool.
  - Note: You may wish to place a baking tray on the shelf below the cake, to catch any apple juice that may leak out of the tin during the cooking process.

## See page 15 of the Schedule for useful hints and tips to help your Show entries

#### Section 6: Fruit

Trophy for most points scored in section & £5 cash prize
Best in Show Award for best overall exhibit & £5 cash prize

#### SEE SPECIAL NOTE ON PREVIOUS PAGE

- 60. 5 cooking apples (any one variety)
- 61. 5 dessert apples (any one variety)
- 62. 5 pears (any one variety)
- 63. 5 soft fruits on a plate (can be mixed or single type)
- 64. 5 plums, damsons or greengages
- 65. Any fruit, not in above classes (can include a bunch)

#### Section 7: Cookery

Trophy (kindly donated by Rachel Owen)

for most points scored in section & £5 cash prize

Best in Show Award for best overall exhibit & £5 cash prize

#### ALL items must be homemade.

- 66. A Spiced Apple cake: (see recipe on next page)
- 67. 5 chocolate Florentines
- 68. A multi-grain home-made loaf (machine made acceptable)
- 69. A cheese & tomato quiche, any size
- 70. A ginger biscuit family of 5 different members
- 71. 5 pieces of vanilla fudge

#### Section 8: Preserves & Produce

Trophy (kindly donated by Mr & Mrs H Spencer)

for most points scored in section & £5 cash prize

Best in Show Award for best overall exhibit & £5 cash prize

#### ALL items must be homemade.

- 72. A jar of any flavour jam
- 73. A jar of any flavour marmalade
- 74. A jar of any flavour jelly
- 75. A jar of any flavour chutney
- 76. A jar of piccallili
- 77. A jar of any flower curd
- 78. A bottle of fruit gin
- 79. A container of flavoured oil (not basil)
- 80. A bottle of any flavour homemade cordial
- 81. Six eggs from your own hens or ducks

#### Section 2: Floral Displays

Trophy (kindly donated by Mrs Anne Shepherdson) for most points scored in section & £5 cash prize Best in Show Award for best overall exhibit & £5 cash prize

- 15. A container of mixed perennials
- 16. A container of mixed annuals
- 17. A container of nectar-bearing flowers
- 18. A display, in any container, of edible produce from your garden
- 19. A container of foliage and berries
- 20. A bowl of 5 same variety flower heads, floating in water (max bowl size 10"/25cm)
- 21. A container of ornamental grasses
- 22. A container of seed heads
- 23. A display of alpine plants
- 24. A display of herbs
- 25. A container of scented flowers (judge on scent not appearance) single or mixed varieties

#### Section 3: Photography

Trophy (kindly donated by Mrs J Goodman) for most points scored in section & £5 cash prize Best in Show Award for best overall exhibit & £5 cash prize

- 26. An exquisite bloom
- 27. Winter in your garden
- 28. Reflections
- 29. Webs
- 30. Tools of the trade
- 31. **Fun Category:** My beloved shed ...

NB: Maximum size photograph 7" x 5" approx. 18 x 13 cms (unmounted, borders permitted); please write your name on the back of each photograph

#### Section 4: Handicrafts

Trophy for most points scored in section & £5 cash prize Best in Show Award for best overall exhibit & £5 cash prize

- 32. 2 metres of home-made bunting
- 33. A needle-felted item
- 34. A Drawing or painting of an individual flower
- 35. An upcycled garden item
- 36. A hand knitted or crocheted item
- 37. A homemade piece of jewellery

#### The small print

- 1. The judge's decision is final.
- 2. SWSGC is not responsible for loss, damage or injury to anyone.
- 3. The Show is open to members and non-members.
- 4. You can enter a maximum of 2 different items in any one class.
- 5. All exhibits should have been grown, nurtured or produced by you and been in your possession for at least 3 months before the Show
- 6. Preserves & produce must have been made by you in the last 12 months.
- 7. Entry fees are 30p per class ; Entries on the day: 50p per class.
- 8. Please don't touch or move other people's exhibits.
- 9. If you win a trophy, you must look after it and return it to us before next year's show.
- 10. PLEASE DON'T REMOVE EXHIBITS UNTIL THE END OF THE SHOW.

#### Section 5: Vegetables

Trophy (kindly donated by Mr D Redge & Mrs S Rowson) for most points scored in section & £5 cash prize  $\,$ 

Best in Show Award for best exhibit overall & £5 cash prize

- 38. 5 potatoes, any one variety
- 39. 5 radishes, any variety
- 40. 5 standard tomatoes
- 41. 5 small or cherry tomatoes
- 42. One cucumber, any variety
- 43. 3 onions—over 250g/8oz in weight
- 44. 3 onions—under 250g/8oz in weight
- 45. 5 shallots
- 46. 3 garlic heads
- 47. 3 beetroot, any one variety
- 48. 5 runner beans
- 49. 5 beans of any other variety
- 50. 3 carrots with foliage trimmed to 6"
- 51. 3 leeks, trimmed with roots left on
- 52. 5 culinary cut herbs, individually displayed (not as a bunch)
- 53. 3 chillies
- 54. 3 courgettes, any one variety
- 55. 5 pea or mange tout pods, any one variety
- 56. 3 of any vegetable not in above classes
- 57. A whole brassica
- 58. The longest bean: any variety
- 59. A strange-shaped vegetable

#### **Special Note for Vegetable and Fruit classes:**

If possible, please name the varieties of fruit and vegetables you are showing.

This is for interest only and won't affect judging.

CLASS NO.	DESCRIPTION	ENTRY FEE
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Entry fees can be paid in advance or on the day by cash or cheque (made payable to SWSGC).

Advanced Entry fees: 30p per class; Entries on the day: 50p per class

Post to: Angie Salmon, The Old Church House, 18, Clunton, Craven Arms, Shropshire SY7 0HP

POSTAL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE THURS. 29th AUGUST 2019

### **ENTRY FORM**

This middle section of the schedule can be detached as your entry form—please retain the remainder of the schedule for your reference.

#### How to enter the Show

#### It's easy ...

- POST: Complete the entry form in the middle pages of this schedule; post your completed entry form to the address given on the form to arrive before Thursday 29th August 2019 enclosing a cheque (payable to SWSGC) for your entry fee or you can pay on the day of the Show. Classes are 30p to enter.
- 2. **EMAIL:** your entries to Angie Salmon: angiejsalmon@btinternet.com. Acknowledgement of your email by 8pm on Thursday 29th ensures 30p per entry. Please phone Angie (01588 661025) if you have not received an email acknowledgement, in order to avoid paying 50p per entry on the day. Bring cheque (payable to SWSGC) or cash and pay on the day of the Show.
- 3. Enter on the day of the Show before 10.00am; please note that entries on the day cost 50p each.

#### Also on the day ...

There will be a plant and produce stall, refreshments with home-made cakes, and a raffle. If you can donate anything for these stalls, or can help on the day, please let any member of the committee know.

Any offers of help on the Friday evening before the Show will be much appreciated. Please let Angie know if you can help.

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