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## Alsager Gardens Association



## 68th Flower, Vegetable & Homecraft Show

**Civic Alsager**  
3 Lawton Rd,  
Alsager  
**ST7 2AE**

Open to the Public 2.00pm  
Official Opening at 2.30pm  
**Cheshire East Borough Mayor**  
**Councillor Sarah Pochin**

Trophies presented at approximately 3.30pm by the  
**Chair of Town Council**  
**Councillor Michael Unett**

Raffle Drawn at approximately 4.15pm

Admission :- 50p  
Members, Children & Senior Citizens :- 30p

**Saturday 4th September 2021**

# ALSAGER GARDENS ASSOCIATION

Welcomes you to our  
**68<sup>th</sup> Annual Show**

This year our show has the following sections:

**Members**  
**Open Floral**  
**Open Fruit and Vegetable**  
**Open Cakes and Preserves**  
**Open Craft**  
**Open Children's**  
**Open Adult & Children's Photography**

The entry fee to ALL classes is only 20 pence per exhibit  
(Children's classes are free)

**We regret that the Alsager Town Council best kept  
Garden  
and Allotment Competition**

**Which is a well established event has not been possible this year due  
to the Corona Pandemic.**

It is intended to revive it in future years.

**Entry forms and schedules for the Show can be obtained  
from the Show Secretary Bob Cliff**

16 Avon Court, Alsager,  
Stoke on Trent  
, ST7 2BA

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[alsagergardensassociation.org.uk](http://alsagergardensassociation.org.uk)



## Show Judges 2021

Ken Eccleston / Colin Cartledge	Vegetables
Colin Cartledge / Ken Eccleston	Flowers, Floral Art and Fruit
Gill Dinnis	Cakes and Preserves
Norma Dent	Craft
Shirley Jones	Children's
Peter Cheetham	Photography

### A Brief Guide to Staging Produce (Fruit and Vegetables)

Plums: Arranged in a line across the plate. Leave the stalks and ensure the bloom is undisturbed

Pears: Arrange around the perimeter of a plate with the stalks towards the centre

Apples: Staged on a plate with the stalk end facing downwards

Tomatoes: Staged on a plate with the stalks (calyces) uppermost

Lettuce and Cabbage: Stage on the show bench with the heart facing the front and root stalks on.

Celery: Trim off the roots

Peas: Stage on a plate in a wheel formation

Dwarf Beans: Stage in a straight line on a plate

Shallots: Stage on dry sand with the tops neatly tied and the roots trimmed to the basal plate

Onions: Stage on rings or soft collars with the tops neatly tied and the roots trimmed to the basal plate

Beetroot, Carrots and Parsnips: Tops should be cut off to 8cm and the leaf stalks neatly tied. Remove small side roots. Take care to prevent bruising.

Cauliflower: Just prior to staging trim back leaves so that they match the level of the outside of the curd.

Potatoes: Stage on a plate.

NB: Paper plates will suffice for showing purposes

**We offer our thanks to everyone connected with the  
running of the show**

**Please distribute this schedule to family and friends**

# OPEN PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

## “Open Subject”

The competition is open to all amateurs with colour and / or black & white prints

Prints should be A4 size and mounted on card with borders no larger than 2”

Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> £3.00 and the “Bill Wainwright” trophy + ACC Medal  
2<sup>nd</sup> £2.00  
3<sup>rd</sup> £1.00

## JUNIOR COMPETITION

### “Open Subject”

The competition is open to all Juniors under the age of 16  
Colour or black and white prints unmounted, any size up to A4.

Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> £3.00 and the “Booth” trophy + ACC Medal  
2<sup>nd</sup> £2.00  
3<sup>rd</sup> £1.00

The photographic competition is sponsored by Alsager Camera Club. Alsager Camera Club meets on every Thursday at 7.30 pm at Alsager Golf Club, Linley Lane from September till May. This club is a group of friendly people holding meetings comprising lectures, demonstrations and exhibitions. Competitions both Internal and External are also held with other clubs in Cheshire and Lancashire.

To contact the club please ring the club President Muriel Dale on Alsager (01270) 878281, or contact the Show Secretary for additional information.

*Photographs on the cover taken by Muriel Dale*

[www.alsagercameraclub.co.uk](http://www.alsagercameraclub.co.uk)

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## SPECIAL PRIZES

In addition to the money awarded in each class, the following are to be competed for. Cups and trophies are held for one year only and must be returned in good order prior to the next year's show.

- 1. The Alsager Gardens Association Vegetables Championship Cup**  
The Peter Barker challenge trophy is awarded to the winner of Class 1. (Members collection of vegetables)
- 2. The Alsager Gardens Association Members Cup.** This is to be held by the member gaining most points in Classes 2 - 19 inclusive.
- 3. The Wilf Henshall Memorial Trophy**  
This trophy is to be held by the Competitor gaining most points in Open Flowers, Fruit and Vegetables, Classes 27 – 74 inclusive.
- 4. The Rothwell Trophy.** This trophy is awarded for the highest number of points in the Floral Art section Classes 21 – 26 inclusive
- 5. The Dermack Dahlia Challenge Cup.**  
This cup is awarded for the best exhibit In the Dahlia Classes.
- 6. The Ben Warrilow Memorial Vase.**  
This trophy is awarded for the best Sweet Pea exhibit.
- 7. The Les Bullock Memorial Rose Bowl.** This bowl is awarded for the best Rose exhibit.
- 8. Breerton Cup.** This cup is awarded for the best exhibit in the Chrysanthemum Classes.
- 9. The Britannia Building Society Trophy.**  
To be held by the competitor gaining the most points in the Craft Section. Classes 100 – 110 inclusive.
- 10. The Frank Evans Memorial Shield.**  
This special award will be given to the best overall exhibit in Classes 2 – 19 and 27 – 74 inclusive.
- 11. Alsager Town Council Chairman's Trophy.** To be presented for the best exhibit in the Children's Section Classes 120 – 124 inclusive.
- 12. J.J. Smith Gardens Association Prizes**  
These are to be presented for the best exhibit in each of the children's Section Classes 120 – 124 inclusive.
- 13. The Dorothy Barnet Cup.** This will be presented for the best Craft exhibit from Classes 100 – 106 inclusive.
- 14. The Vernon & Avril Cooper Memorial Cup.** This will be presented for the most points in the Flower Classes 2 – 7 and 27 – 46 inclusive.
- 15. The Geoff Dalton Cup.** This will be presented for the best exhibit in the Collection of Vegetables open Class 74.
- 16. The Borough Mayor's trophy.** To be held by the exhibitor gaining most points in the Cakes and Preserves section, Classes 80 – 91 inclusive.
- 17 The Rotary Cup** To be awarded to the exhibitor gaining most points in the Fruit Classes 47 to 51

## MEMBER'S SECTION

Class	Category	Description	1st	2nd	3rd
<b>Member's Section – No 1 to 4 Sponsored by Julie Biggs</b>					
1	Collection of Vegetables	Any 2 onions, any 1 leek, any 2 carrots	£4.00	£3.00	£2.00
2	Chrysanthemum	Any variety, 1 bloom or 1 spray	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
3	Dahlia (Cactus)	Any variety, 1 bloom	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
4	Dahlia (Decorative)	Any variety, 1 bloom	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

### Member's Section – No 5 to 9 Sponsored by David Pitt

5	Gladiolus	Any variety, 1 spike	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
6	Sweet Peas	Any variety, 6 stems	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
7	Rose	Any variety, 1 bloom	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
8	Cucumber	Any 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
9	Tomatoes	Any 3	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

### Member's Section – No 10 to 14 Sponsored by Adrian Ford

10	Courgettes	Any 3	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
11	Runner Beans	Any 4 pods	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
12	Onions (from sets)	Any 2	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
13	Onions (from seed)	Any 2	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
14	Carrots	Any 2	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

### Member's Section – No 15 to 19 Sponsored by Derek Hough

15	Parsnips	Any 2	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
16	Beetroot	Any 2	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
17	Potatoes	Any 3	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
18	Sweet Corn	2 Cobs	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
19	Collection of Vegetables	3 distinct kinds to fit bench space of 60cm wide. Quantities as scheduled in classes 8 to 18	£4.00	£3.00	£2.00

## OPEN FLORAL

### Floral Art – Sponsor required

21	Flower Arrangement	<b>"75<sup>th</sup> D Day Celebrations"</b> a design of plant materials flowers and foliage & other accessories. Maximum 75cm tall x 75cm wide.	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
22	Petit Arrangement	<b>"Simply Red"</b> an exhibition of plant material & accessories not exceeding 30cm high.	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
23	Vase or bowl of flowers	Arranged to effect	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

## OPEN FLORAL

Class	Category	Description	1st	2nd	3rd
<b>Floral Art (Personal) – Sponsored by Pikemere Web Services</b>					
24	Flowers in an egg cup	Arranged to effect	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
25	Gent's Buttonhole	A buttonhole for a special occasion	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
26	Lady's Spray	A corsage or spray	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

### Flowers – Sponsor required

27	Gladioli	Any variety, 3 spikes	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
28	Chrysanthemums (Intermediate, decorative)	Any variety, 3 blooms	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
29	Chrysanthemums (Reflexed, decorative)	Any variety, 3 blooms	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
30	Chrysanthemums (Incurved and/or Incurving)	Any variety, 3 blooms	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
31	Chrysanthemums (Spray)	Any variety, 3 blooms	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
32	Dahlias (Cactus)	Any 3 blooms	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
33	Dahlias (Decorative)	Any 3 blooms	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

### Flowers – Sponsor required

34	Dahlias (2 varieties)	2 vases, 3 blooms per vase	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
35	Dahlias (Pompom)	Any 3 blooms, 5cm or under	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
36	Dahlias (Mini Decorative or Mini Ball)	Any 3 blooms, 5cm to 10cm	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
37	Sweet Peas	Any variety, 9 stems	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
38	Roses	Any variety, 3 blooms	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
39	Asters	Any variety, 5 blooms	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
40	Pot Plant (Foliage)	Any 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
41	Pot Plant (Floral)	Any 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

### Flowers - Lilies – Sponsored by Window Repair Centre

43	Lilies	Any Variety, 3 Stems	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
44	Lilies	Lily or Lilies in a pot	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

### Other Plants – Sponsor required

45	Bonsai	Any Variety	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
46	Cactus	One or more	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

## OPEN FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

Class	Category	Description	1st	2nd	3rd
<b>Open Fruit &amp; Vegetables – Sponsored by</b>					
<i>Bridgemere Garden Centre &amp; Astbury Meadow Garden Centre</i>					
47	Plums	Any 4	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
48	Pears	Any 4	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
49	Apples (Dessert)	Any 4	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
50	Apples (Cooking)	Any 4	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
51	Soft Fruit	A suitable quantity for showing	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
52	Vegetable Marrows	Any 2	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
53	Tomatoes	Any 6	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
54	Lettuce	Any 1, with root	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
55	Celery	Any 2 roots	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
56	Peas	Any 6 pods	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
57	Dwarf Beans	Any 6 pods	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
58	Runner Beans	Any 6 pods	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
59	Cucumbers	Any 2	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
60	Shallots	Any 6 trimmed	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
61	Leeks (Blanch Type)	Any 2	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
62	Leeks (Pot Type)	Any 2 (not over 15cm to tight button)	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
63	Onions (from sets)	Any 3	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
64	Onions (from seed)	Any 3	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
65	Beetroot	Any 3	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
66	Cabbage (Green)	Any 1, stem left on	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
67	Cauliflower	Any 1, stem left on	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
68	Carrots	Any 3 (intermediate or long pointed)	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
69	Carrots (stump rooted)	Any 3	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
70	Parsnips	Any 3	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
71	Potatoes (white)	Any 4	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
72	Potatoes (other than white)	Any 4	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
73	Garlic	Any 2 bulbs / cloves	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
74	Collection of Vegetables	Any 4 distinct kinds to fit bench space 70cm wide. Quantities as scheduled above except celery where one root may be shown.	£5.00	£4.00	£3.00

### Selected Vegetables – Sponsored by Hall Farm Shop, Off Crewe Road

76	Heaviest Onion	Any 1, stem not to exceed 15cm	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
77	Largest Marrow (weight)	Any 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
78	Longest Runner Bean	Any 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
79	Largest Pumpkin (weight)	Any 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

## OPEN HOMECRAFT AND CHILDREN'S

Class	Category	Description	1st	2nd	3rd
<b>Cakes &amp; Preserves – Sponsored by Chatwins.co.uk</b>					
80	Home-made pickle	any size jar	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
81	Home-made pickle Onion	any size jar	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
82	Home-made pickled Beetroot	any size jar	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
83	Home-made Jam	Soft Fruit, any size jar	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
84	Home-made Jelly	Soft Fruit, any size jar	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
85	Home-made Cake	Fruit 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
86	Home-made Cake	Decorated Sponge 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
87	Home-made Cake	Victoria Sandwich 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
88	Home-made Scones	Any 6	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
89	Home-made Pastry	Any Item	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
90	Home-made biscuit or Tray Bake	Any Item	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
91	Homemade Muffin	Any 4	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
<b>Craft – Sponsored by www.twodoorsstudio.co.uk</b>					
100	Embroidery	Any item	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
101	Tapestry	Any item	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
102	Cross-stitch	Any item	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
103	Machine or Hand sewn	Quilt, Bedspread etc. 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
104	Machine or Hand Sewn	Stuffed Toy 1	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
105	Hand Knitted or Crocheted	Article to wear	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
106	Hand Knitted or Crocheted	Soft Gift e.g. Toy, Tea Cosy Cushion cover, etc.	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
107	Hand made Painting	Any Medium	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
<b>Craft – Sponsored by www.thehandcraftedcardcompany.co.uk</b>					
108	Greeting Card	Using watercolour, paint, inks, stamps, die cuts, stickers, decoupage, embellishments, pre-made materials, markers or heat embossing	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
109	Greeting Card	Using felt, fabric, materials or any form of stitch	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
110	Greeting Card	Using free form design, any design not fitting into the categories above.	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
<b>Children's – Sponsored by Melvyn Buckingham</b>					
120	Decorated Vegetable to depict an animal (real or imaginary)		£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
121	Miniature Garden (Natural)	30cm by 30cm	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
122	Miniature Garden (Model)	30cm by 30cm	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
123	Flowers in an egg cup		£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
124	6 Decorated Cup Cakes		£2.00	£1.50	£1.00
125	Hand made Painting	Any Medium	£2.00	£1.50	£1.00

Classes 120, 121, 122, 123, 124 and 125 are open to children age 15 and under.

## RULES FOR EXHIBITORS

1. **Entrance Fees:** All classes 20p (children's classes no charge). Exhibitors paying £2 or over in entrance fees will be allowed free admission to the show.
2. All exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor except in classes 21 - 26 and 80 – 91 and 120 -124.
- 3 **All exhibits to be staged between 08.00 and 11.00 on the morning of the show EXHIBITS MUST NOT BE REMOVED BEFORE 16.30.**
- 4 In class 1 only one entry per exhibitor.
- 5 In classes 1 – 19 farmers, smallholders and nurserymen are not eligible
- 6 All exhibits must be cleaned and trimmed as necessary before delivery to the place of exhibition. All vases, bowls etc., to be provided by the exhibitor.
- 7 The height of the vase must exceed the width. The width of the bowl must exceed the height.
- 8 In classes 100 – 110 exhibits are not eligible for competition having gained a previous award in the Association show.
- 9 Any person who attempts to gain prizes by unfair means will be required to forfeit all his / her prizes.
- 10 Where there is only one entry for one class prize money may be withheld. The final decision remains with the judges.
- 11 The judge's decision relative to all exhibits will be absolutely final.
- 12 Exhibitors must leave the place of exhibition by 11.00am on the show day. Only appointed officials will then be admitted until after the judges have finished their task.
- 13 All matters of dispute to be settled by the Executive Committee.
- 14 All prize money to be paid within fourteen days of the show, or can be obtained from the treasurer between 16.15 and 16.45 in the Entrance Hall on the show day.
- 15 Officials appointed by the Executive Committee to any position will be fully authorised to carry out the committee's instructions.
- 16 Entries accompanied by the entry fee should be forwarded to the Show Secretary by 12.00noon on Thursday before the show. Late entries will only be accepted at the Show Secretary's discretion. Children's entries must show the age of the child.
- 17 The correct naming of all varieties of produce exhibited would be greatly appreciated.
- 18 Prizes will be awarded on a basis of points for pence. One point awarded for every 10p prize money won.
- 19 The association will not be responsible for any person whilst in the hall or while entering or leaving same, for personal injury, fatal or otherwise suffered by such person.
- 20 No responsibility will be taken by the Association for damage to the exhibits.
- 21 Raffle prizes to be collected within one week

## Acknowledgements

**The Show Committee acknowledge, with thanks, the following Members and Businesses who have Sponsored Show Classes.**

Mrs Julie Biggs – Classes 1 to 4  
Mr David Pitt– Classes 5 to 9  
Mr Adrian Ford – Classes 10 to 14  
Mr Derek Hough – Classes 15 to 19  
Floral Art Classes 21 to 23 *Sponsor requested*  
Floral Art Classes 24 to 26 *Sponsored by Pikemere Web Services*  
Flowers Classes 27 to 33 *Sponsor requested*  
Flowers Classes 34 to 41 *Sponsor requested*  
Flowers Classes 43 & 44 *Sponsored by Window Repair Centre*  
Other Plants 45 & 46 *Sponsor requested*  
Open Fruit & Vegetables Classes 47 to 74 *Sponsored by Bridgemere Garden Centre & Astbury Meadow Garden Centre*  
Selected Vegetables Classes 76 to 79 *Sponsored by Hall Farm Shop*  
Cakes and Preserves Classes 80 to 91 *Sponsored by www. Chatwins.co.uk*  
Craft Classes 100 to 107 *Sponsored by Two Doors Studio*  
Craft Classes 108 to 110 *Sponsored by www.thehandcraftedcardcompany.co.uk*  
Children's Section Classes 120 to 125 *Sponsored by Melvyn Buckingham*  
Photograph Competition by the **Camera Club** in memory of Lionel Talbot

**Can I remind members if you any have spare plants (the more varieties we have the better) to please bring them to the Civic on the morning of the show. These will be sold in the afternoon. If you could volunteer to help on the plant stall it would be appreciated. Please contact Hilary Robinson.**

**Thanking you in anticipation of your support**

*The Association's Sales Hut in Cedar Avenue is open to members*