



Framfield & Blackboys Summer Show

Saturday 15th August 2026 at 12.00pm

To be held at FRAMFIELD RECREATION GROUND and MEMORIAL HALL

**EXHIBITIONS
STALLS**

**FUN DOG SHOW
ENTERTAINMENTS**



**Admission to the Show £2 (children 50p)
Ample free parking**



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The Hare and Hounds Public House in Framfield have long supported the Summer Show in Framfield and Blackboys.

We are glad to hear they are open again from the 10th March 2026.

The Framfield and Blackboys Horticultural Society wish Pete, Jamie all the staff well in getting our local pub back on the road to success in 2026 following the recent difficulties.

Our Summer Show – Saturday 15th August 2026 – 12.00pm

Welcome to the 2026 Summer Show Schedule. I am delighted to be the new Chair of your Summer Show team.

This schedule sets out the various classes for this year's show, details of how to enter along with some tips and guidance on how to present your exhibits at the show. Whether they be fruit and vegetables, flowers, photographs or your delicious cookery products, all of these classes are now **FREE** to enter using the entry form in this schedule or online at <https://framfieldandblackboys-hort-soc.com/summer-show-2026>

NEW this year: The John Rider Cup for the winning U16's photo of a homegrown giant sunflower. See inside for details.

We would like to encourage everyone to take part. It's a lot of fun and any level of entry is encouraged. Participating is what makes the show such a great community event and we would love to see you there.

The Summer Show would not be complete without our DOG SHOW run by Leah Murray. Please see inside for all the great classes on offer.

We will have some fantastic entertainment for you in the Arena this year, culminating in our usual children's games and infamous egg throwing competition. Our array of fun games and stalls will be waiting for you to enjoy as well as all the trade stalls who attend the show.

Our tea tent will be full of delicious homemade cakes and cookies and our bar will be stocked with local brews. Hot food outlets will also be available.

And finally, a plea from us. None of this would happen without the wonderful community spirit shown each year by you and all the people who volunteer to help out. If you can spare time to help us, we would love to hear from you. It's great fun and we only ask you for an hour and a half of your time because we want you to enjoy the show as well! Please contact myself or Lin Lucas on linlucas203@btinternet.com or 07776 291446.



We hope you have a wonderful time at the show this year from midday onwards. We look forward to seeing you there!

So, ensure you keep Saturday 15th August clear in your diary. You won't want to miss it!

Caroline Harrison (Chair, Summer Show Team). cazzahazza@gmail.com 07956 453054.

SECTION 1 - FRUIT & VEGETABLES

This section is open to **everyone of any age**. For help phone Terry Everitt on **07592 604703**.

1. VEGETABLES – (In memory of John Rider) Best Collection - 5 completely different kinds. Displayed in the tray supplied by the society (max size 75cm x 60cm). Only vegetables from classes 6 to 24 plus class 29 may be exhibited. Quantities as specified for the individual classes in Section 1 below. Some combinations not permitted (6/7, 12/13, 16/17 & 20/21).
2. THE SOCIETY TRAY – (In memory of Neville Pratt) 3 types of vegetables displayed for effect on a black cloth or tray, (45cm x 60cm). Carrots (3); Beetroot (3); Runner or French beans (6); Potatoes (3); Tomatoes (5); Lettuce (1), Garlic (2); Onions (3). Each type of vegetable will be scored out of 20 points. Display rings may be used and tops may be tied where appropriate.
3. FROM MY GARDEN OR ALLOTMENT – (In memory of Maurice Malyon) A display of 2 types of vegetables (3 of each kind) and a vase of flowers (vase supplied by society) **OR** a dish of fruit. This can be an individual or family entry with points counting towards the Jeffery Victor Ludorum Family Trophy. Prize money does not count towards the Banksian Medal.

Taste Section

4. TASTY TOMATO – a class that celebrates TASTE rather than size and shape. 1 tomato, any type.
5. CLASSIC CARROT – a class celebrating the true TASTE of carrots. 1 carrot, any type, scrubbed.

Classic Classes

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| 6. POTATOES – white (5) | 21. TOMATOES – any variety (not cherry) (6) |
| 7. POTATOES – coloured (5) | 22. COURGETTES – approx. 15cm (3) |
| 8. BEETROOTS – globe – stems trimmed to 7.5cm approx. (Tying optional.) (3) | 23. FRENCH BEANS (9) |
| 9. CARROTS – one variety – stems trimmed to 7.5cm approx. (Tying optional.) (5) | 24. CHILLI PEPPERS (5) (ripeness not essential) |
| 10. PEAS (6 pods) | 25. COLLECTION OF CULINARY HERBS in a glass jam jar |
| 11. LETTUCES – any one variety (2) | 26. LONGEST RUNNER BEAN |
| 12. ONIONS – under 250g (5) (Tops tied) | 27. A BOWL OF SEASONAL FRUIT |
| 13. ONIONS – over 250g (3) (Tops tied) | 28. AN AMUSINGLY DECORATED VEGETABLE |
| 14. CABBAGES – with approx. 7.5cm of stalk (2 of any one variety) | 29. ANY OTHER VEGETABLE OR FRUIT – see note below for quantities required |
| 15. RUNNER BEANS (9) | 30. GARLIC BULBS (2) |
| 16. SHALLOTS – Pickling, small not to exceed 3cm diameter (Tops tied.) (12) | 31. A PLATE OF PRODUCE - A collection of harvested fruit and vegetables from your garden/allotment displayed to best effect on a plate of your choice. Max size 30cm. |
| 17. SHALLOTS – large – exceeding 3cm diameter (Tops tied.) (10) | 32. MY BEST THREE – 3 single vegetables and/or fruit (bunch if small) – Literally anything at all! |
| 18. SWEETCORN (2) husk partly peeled back | |
| 19. CUCUMBERS – any (2) | |
| 20. TOMATOES – cherry any type (10) (up to 3cm) | |

Note for Class 29 ANY OTHER VEGETABLE

The following quantities are required. For kinds not shown discretion should be used (minimum of 2).

Vegetables: Globe Artichokes (3); Broad Beans (6); Broccoli, Coloured Head (2); Broccoli, Sprouting (3); Cauliflowers (2); Celery (2); Kohl Rabi (4); Leeks (2); Swedes (2); Turnips (4)

Fruit: Apples (4); Blackberries (12); Currants (3 stems); Gooseberries (12); Loganberries (12); Peaches (2); Pears (3); Plums (4); Raspberries (12); Rhubarb (3); Strawberries (10)

SECTION 2 - FLOWERS AND PLANTS

All vases will be supplied by the Framfield and Blackboys Horticultural Society

33. BEST SELECTION - 1 vase of mixed flowers (more than one genus)
34. A SELECTION OF MIXED FOLIAGE - 1 vase providing interesting colour and texture - minimum of three different types
35. ANNUAL - one variety (5 stems)
36. SUNFLOWER – 3 stems, any variety
37. MARIGOLDS, FRENCH, AFRICAN or ANY TYPE (1 vase, 5 stems, mixed or 1 colour)
38. ZINNIAS (3 stems, mixed or one colour)
39. GLADIOLI (1 stem)
40. GLADIOLI (3 stems, mixed or one colour)
41. DAHLIA (single specimen)
42. DAHLIA – any single variety (3 stems)
43. DAHLIAS – three varieties (1 of each type)
44. RUDBECKIA – any single variety (3 stems)
45. AGAPANTHUS (1 stem)
46. COSMOS (3 stems)
47. ROSE (1 rose stem, any type)
48. A FRAGRANT ROSE – judged on perfume
49. ROSES (3 single blooms, each bloom on their own single stem with foliage (not multi-bloom)
50. ROSES (3 Floribunda, multiple blooms on 3 separate stems)
51. GRASSES (any 12 seed heads with their associated foliage)
52. SALVIAS (3 stems)
53. SWEET PEAS (5 stems)
54. HYDRANGEAS (3 heads in one vase)
55. WHITE FLOWERS (3 stems, any species)
56. A BEGONIA IN A POT (flowering, max. pot size 30cm)
57. A HOUSEPLANT IN A POT
58. SUCCULENT/CACTUS PLANT in a POT
59. A PLANTED CONTAINER – maximum 25cm diameter container

Children Only - (under 17 years - age to be stated)

60. A SINGLE CUT SUNFLOWER (Seeds are available at the Sow, Grow, Show event or from the Horticultural Society on fabhs.membership@gmail.com). See the advice in the downloadable full schedule. Why not enter it in The Sunflower Cup? See the page later in this schedule.

HELPING at the SHOW

We are looking for volunteers to help out at the show. Anything from helping set up in the morning, joining the team serving tea and cakes to staffing a stall. Whether you can offer an hour or longer, it all goes to making our show a success.



Would you be willing to help? Please contact Lin for more information: linlucas203@btinternet.com or on 0777 6291446

The Summer Show & The Community Fund

Did you know that by attending the Summer Show, you help support local projects around Blackboys, Framfield and Palehouse Common through the profits generated by the show.



If you would like to apply for funding in 2026, full details can be found on our website:

www.framfieldandblackboys-hort-soc.com

We are all working hard to make the 2026 show a BIG SUCCESS, and by doing so generate funds for the "Community Fund" as well as the Horticultural Society itself.

We look forward to seeing you all in August, make a note in your diary, Saturday 15th August at the Framfield Recreation Ground and Memorial Hall.

Richard Chapman – Chair, Framfield & Blackboys Horticultural Society

More information on www.framfieldandblackboys-hort-soc.com

Would You Like a Stall at the Summer Show?

With a footfall in excess of 1000 people of all ages, this is a great opportunity.

We like to have stalls of all types of local businesses or charities.

Stall Prices for 2026:

Charity **Free** but please submit a Stallholder's Form

Local Community **Free** but please submit a Stallholder's Form

Local trade **£15** before 15th July 2026, **£25** from 16th July 2026

Please note...

- All stalls are outside on the Recreation Ground in Framfield
- There is vehicle access
- We do **NOT** provide overhead cover or tables
- Payment is with return of the Stallholder's Form

Please contact Emma on fabhs.membership@gmail.com for further details and to be sent a Stallholder's Form.

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Making a Floral Exhibit – Guidance

Daunting as it may seem – and when you see those finished floral arrangements, even more daunting! – with a few tips and tricks everyone can have a go!

So we asked our floral judge for some guidance about staging an exhibit.

Firstly, Sue said don't be too ambitious

- Floral exhibits take time to produce on the day. One arrangement is a good first time entry.
- Give yourself plenty of time. This is more important if you are staging other exhibits in the show such as vegetables or handicrafts.
- An exhibit is composed of natural plant material (gathered or bought) that may be with or without non-plant accessories contained within a specified area.
- Ensure your arrangement is completed by 9.45am.

Things to be aware of when staging an exhibit

- Read the schedule document to ensure you meet the requirements. You can always ask!
- Ensure every single living plant has access to water while in the arrangement via cut stems or its roots.
- We have stipulated that floral foam is no longer allowed in the Framfield & Blackboys Summer Show when staging an exhibit. There is further advice on this aspect on the page titled “Putting The Green Into Our Summer Show”.
- Avoid artificial plant material unless specifically allowed.

Good Practice and Etiquette

Having read the schedule and had your ideas, you have your plants and staging materials ready...

- Plan your exhibit and pre-make any staging you can.
- Arrive in good time and select an area on the tables outside the marquee to prepare on.
- Please respect other exhibitors and allow yourself plenty of time to complete your arrangements.
- Ensure there is sufficient water (available from the big bins by the door) to keep your plant material in good condition.
- Place your card proudly down with your details NOT visible.
- Tidy up your work area.
- Enjoy being part of the show. Don't be afraid to ask for help and guidance.

We hope you might have a go at one or two of the classes on the 15th August. See you there!



SECTION 3 – NOVICE VEGETABLE, FRUIT, FLOWER & PLANTS

All classes eligible for Junior Award Of Merit (up to and including 16 years).

The Novice Section is for those with less experience.

A novice is an exhibitor who has not won more than three first prizes in past shows.

A novice may also enter any other classes in Section 1, 2, 4 & 5.

Exhibitors can seek help from the Stewards when staging exhibits.

Any queries prior to the show please call Terry Everitt on 07592 604703.

61. A PLATE of PRODUCE – A collection of harvested fruit and vegetables from your garden displayed to best effect on a plate of your choice.

62. WONKIEST VEGETABLE (1)
63. COURGETTES – approx 15cm (2)
64. CARROTS – tops trimmed and tied (3)
65. BEETROOTS – tops trimmed and tied (2)
66. RUNNER BEANS (5)
67. FRENCH BEANS (5)
68. TOMATOES – any cherry up to 3cm (5)
69. TOMATOES – any variety (not cherry) (4)
70. POTATOES – any one variety (3)
71. ONIONS (3) (Tying optional)
72. GARLIC – whole bulbs (2)

73. CHILLI PEPPERS (3)
74. RADISHES – with 5cm stalk, any variety (3)
75. DAHLIAS – any variety or mixed (3 stems)
76. GRASSES – 5 stems in one vase
77. SEASONAL FRUIT SELECTION (Any number)
78. ROSE – 1 rose stem, any type – single or multi bloom
79. FLOWERING POT PLANT (Max. 25cm pot)
80. MIXED GARDEN FLOWERS (1 vase, any type, or number, judged on quality, not arrangement)

SECTION 4 - FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

No floral foam is permitted to be included in any exhibit.

All classes are open to any age unless specified.

Please interpret the titles as you wish. Be creative! There are NO SPECIAL RULES!

Children's Class – Age under 17 years

81. "RECYCLE" – an exhibit of garden flowers in a decorated food can.

Novice Class – (never won an arrangement in a show before)

82. "BOTTLES" – an exhibit of fresh flowers and plant material displayed in 5 reused bottles.

Adult Classes

83. "BONFIRE" – an exhibit to include fire-coloured flowers.
84. "FIREWORKS" – an exhibit to include fresh flowers.
85. "CATHERINE WHEEL" – a handtied bouquet including garden plant materials.
86. "SOUP RECIPE" – garden flowers in a scooped-out vegetable.
87. "OLD BOOT" – a quirky exhibit in a boot.

SECTION 5 - COOKERY & PRESERVES

88. A Decorated Homemade Cookie – (U17)
89. **BONFIRE SHOW STOPPER:** A cake judged on decoration and taste.
90. A Flavoured Bread (1)
91. A Vegetable Cake (1)
92. Oat Cookies (see recipe on the Society's website) (3)
93. Jar Of Jam (Any Type) (1)
94. Jar Of Chutney or Pickle (Any Type) (1)
95. A Vegetable Pasty (1)
96. My Favourite Traybake (3 pieces)
97. A Bottle of Fruit Flavoured Gin (1)

Please cover all food. Use cling film or if required, a mesh food cover that you can borrow from us for the day. Cakes should be on doilies, Jars to be labelled with date and content and can be sealed with cellophane **OR** a screw top. No commercial jars (those with company identification or text on) should be used. Any queries, contact Terry Everitt on 07592 604703.

SECTION 6 - CHILDREN

Age to be taken as at the date of the Show and to be stated on the entry form. Children's Cups will be awarded to the child with most points in each age group with a Cup for the Best Exhibit. Age ability will be taken into consideration when judging.

Open to children 4 years and under

98. Draw an Animal
99. Make a Finger Puppet
100. Castle Drawing or Painting

Open to children aged 5 – 7 years inclusive

101. Portrait of a King or Queen
102. A Space Themed Woven Item
103. A Clay Animal or Fossil

Open to children aged 8 – 11 years inclusive

104. A Free-standing Structure
105. A Viking Boat
106. Art in the style of Eric Ravillious

Open to children aged 12 – 16 years inclusive

107. A Painting
108. A Decorated Case for a Phone
109. A Limerick

SECTION 7 - HANDICRAFTS

Open to children 8 years and under

110. A Keep Your Village Tidy poster

Open to children aged 9 – 16 years inclusive

111. A Monster (any materials) Don't forget you have to carry it in and out!

Open Section (Any Age)

112. Knitted or Crocheted Animal
113. An Item of Clothing (any material)
114. An Item Made from a Hard Material (e.g. wood, clay, glass, or metal)
115. A Painting (any medium)
116. A Quirky Craft Item

SECTION 8 - PHOTOGRAPHY

Open to children 9 years and under

117. An Animal
118. Churchyard

Open to children aged 10 – 16 years inclusive

119. Something Beginning with the Letter P
120. Churchyard

Open Section (Any Age)

121. A Special Occasion
122. Churchyard
123. A Mood or Emotion
124. Shadows

Note: All photographs must have been taken by the exhibitor. Maximum size of **10 x 15 cm** and photographs must **NOT** be mounted. Only **one** photograph may be entered by each exhibitor in **each class**.

PULL-OUT ENTRY FORM

How to Enter for Exhibition - THE IMPORTANT STUFF:

- Have a go! If you're not in it, you can't win it... and it's fun!
- Entry is **FREE**, although donations on the day are much appreciated.
- Unless an age limit is specified, anyone of any age can enter any class (except Section 3 – see below).
- Section 3 is for Novices only. If you have not won 3 first prizes in any UK Horticultural Show, then you qualify as a Novice (and you can, of course enter any of the other classes too!).
- YOU OR YOUR IMMEDIATE FAMILY **MUST** HAVE GROWN THE PRODUCE OR MADE THE ITEM ENTERED YOURSELF (except Flower Arranging classes – you can buy blooms and material for these).
- Only ONE entry per person per class.
- ENTRY FORM DEADLINE is midnight on **Weds 12th August**.
- NO LATE ENTRIES CAN BE ACCEPTED ON SHOW DAY (Sorry!)
- TIMINGS FOR STAGING YOUR EXHIBITS:
 - Sections 1- 4 to the Marquee, 6am – 9.30am
 - Sections 5 – 8 to the Hall, 8am – 9.30am
 - All exhibits **MUST** be in place by 9.45am to enable efficient judging. Please allow yourself plenty of time – it always takes longer than you think!
 - Prize giving will be at 4pm in the Marquee, after which red-dotted exhibits can be reclaimed
- ENTRY CARDS for all Classes should be collected from the Marquee entrance, and placed **NAME SIDE DOWN** with your exhibit. If you wish to reclaim your exhibit after the show, please attach a red dot sticker (provided by the stewards).
- PLEASE CHECK the Schedule carefully, particularly for vegetable and flower classes, to make sure you have the correct numbers specified and you are within any limitations of space, height etc. to avoid disappointing disqualification!
- Our Show is a Floral-Foam-Free zone. See our website for alternatives.
- PRIZE MONEY! - Can be collected from the Information Point from 2 pm.
 - Classes 1,2,3 & 61: £3, £2, £1
 - Classes 26, 27 & 28: £1 only
 - All other classes: 50p, 30p, 20p
- QUESTIONS: If you have any queries beforehand, please email Terry Everitt at terry.everitt@outlook.com. On the day, please ask our friendly marquee / hall stewards. There will always be someone on hand to help.
- FURTHER INFORMATION: Please see overleaf for general and specific guidance on staging your exhibits. Further hints and tips can be found on our website at www.framfieldandblackboys-hort-soc.com/showing-hints-%26-tips.

FURTHER GUIDANCE & TIPS on staging your exhibits:

GENERAL PRINCIPLES

- Exhibits should be displayed for maximum visual effect.
- As said overleaf, please do check the Class specifications carefully, as some exhibits have spatial limitations.
- For judging purposes it may be required to break open an entered item.

This is not Chelsea Flower Show, so have a go and have fun!

VEGETABLES & FRUIT:

- Numbers matter!
- Paper plates (and sand if required) are supplied in the marquee, unless specified.
- Exhibits should be washed and carefully cleaned with a damp sponge or soft cloth/brush (e.g. soft or paint brush) to avoid damaged skins with stems trimmed or tied if required (see below).
- Uniformity is more important than size (unless specified). Exhibits are judged on freshness and uniformity of colour and size.
- Carrots, Beetroot and Parsnips – trim foliage to approx. 7.5cm/3”, with tapering roots intact.
- Onions and Shallots – best exhibited with roots trimmed and tops neatly tied, whipped or even an elastic band. Rub off outer damaged skin only and dry to a brown colour. Exhibit in sand on the plate.
- Peas and Beans – should be full pods and displayed with some stalk.
- Runner Beans – should be as straight as possible with uniform length and tenderness.
- Cucumbers, Courgettes and Squashes can be displayed with/without flowers.
- Lettuce – best exhibited clean with roots washed and wrapped in cling film.
- Tomatoes – should be ripe and unblemished with fresh stalk attached.
- Fruit – should be exhibited with stalks and eyes attached.

FLOWERS:

- Vases and water will be supplied in the marquee, unless specified.
- Exhibits should be insect and blemish free and as fresh as possible.
- Not all buds have to be open on a multi-bloom stem.
- Pot plants should be displayed in clean pots with dead leaves removed.

FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS:

- As stated overleaf, for environmental reasons we do NOT allow the use of floral foam such as Oasis (see our website for suitable alternatives and the full Summer Show schedule).
- Any containers needed for the exhibit should be supplied by the entrant.
- You will have a measured staging area prepared for you, on open tabling covered in Hessian.
- Your exhibit should be predominantly natural plant material, with or without accessories.
- Backgrounds, bases, containers, drapes, exhibit titles, mechanics etc may be included, unless otherwise stated, as long as they remain within the specified space.

Name	Age <small>(if under 17)</small>	CLASSES ENTERED – ALL CLASSES ARE FREE – Donations welcomed Only 1 Entry per Class per Person is permitted
Example: A. N Other		1, 2, 6, 12, 16, 18, 25

To enter via Email:

Send a copy of this form (typed or as an image from a phone) with the classes added and the required details plus the completed permissions to terry.everitt@outlook.com by 12th August.

ENTRY FORM 2026

PLEASE FILL IN THE CLASS NUMBERS IN THE ROW ON THE PREVIOUS PAGE

Entrant Consent – without these permissions your entry could be disqualified

I consent to the data being used to contact me in association with the show: Email Phone

I consent to the data being stored electronically for up to 15 months after the show.

Should you wish to enter for THE FAMILY CUP please tick the grey box on the right:

I declare that the above exhibits entered are in accordance with the Show Regulations and that the entries have been grown/created by myself or my immediate family as specified in the show regulations.

Name:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone:

Signature:

Email:

Your data will not be used for any purpose other than to contact you with respect to The Summer Show. It will not be passed on to others. It may be stored electronically for up to 18 months following the date of the show for admin purposes associated with The Show. Requests to see the information being stored can be made to terry.everitt@outlook.com. The Society reserves the right to charge a £5 administration fee for this service.

FORM TO BE COMPLETED & RETURNED NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 12th AUGUST 2026

To: Terry Everitt,
Hazel Glen, Blackboys Road, Framfield, TN22 5PN – 07592 604703

Or: Image or attached file to terry.everitt@outlook.com by the same date.
This should be this page and the previous page that contains the class numbers.

Or: On the Horticultural Society's Website nearer the time of the show will be a digital entry form to complete.

The Victor Lodorum Family Cup – Who can enter?

To enter for this trophy, you must make a deliberate tick on the entry form in the grey box above. For show purposes, a family is defined as one adult and a maximum of 2 related family members. You can enter more such as 2 adults and 4 children and the best 1 + 2 combination will be selected for the trophy.

Putting The Green Into Our Summer Show

Over the last couple of years, the Summer Show Committee have been making steps towards reducing the environmental impact of the Summer Show.

This has taken place in a number of ways. Some aspects of the show have always been environmentally sustainable in that we consistently reuse as much material that is used to put on the Summer Show from year to year. However, since 2019 we have made a deliberate decision to increase our efforts.

At the Summer Show, the organising Committee now use...

- No plastic containers
- Sustainable cutlery
- Increasing use of compostable materials in the refreshment tent
- Recycled and recyclable materials

We are working to spread this message among our stallholders and caterers.

Floral Foam

One area we would like to move forwards with is the elimination of non-biodegradable and non-recyclable floral foam. This is in line with NAFAS and the RHS.

We therefore no longer allow exhibits to use floral foam.

So what can you do instead? (Do more than one of these in combination if needed.)

Pin holders	These are reusable plates with closely spaced pins to hold flower stems in place.
Chicken wire	A cage or ball inside a container that stems are inserted into, but be careful not to cut yourself!
An old flower frog	These are glass inserts for vases with holes in.
Pebbles, sand, gravel & marbles	Used in a container to about a 1/3 depth that you can then push your stems into.
Shredded wood	Sometimes called wood aspen or excelsior, this is a compostable material that is a tangle of fibres.
Pliable twigs	Twigs such as curly willow pushed inside a vase as a support for stems.

We hope you will support us in our intention to decrease our environmental footprint.

Maybe even leave the car at home if you can and wander up to the Summer Show.

See you on Saturday 15th August.

Advice on Growing and Preparing for the Show

The Summer Show is on the 15th August in 2026.

If you wish to exhibit vegetables and fruit in the show then you can just plant when you have the time and see what there is ready near the time.

However, with a little forethought you can have more choices ready.

Planting Calendar:

Crop	When to plant	Time to grow	Comment
Tomato	March	Over 15 weeks	Use a propagator to start
Potato	April	Up to 20 weeks	Leave unplanted exposed to light from Feb
Onion	March for sets	Over 12 weeks	Takes 3 weeks to dry skins
Beetroot	March onward	7 to 12 weeks	
Radish	From March	4 to 6 weeks	
Peas	May	10 weeks	
Courgettes	April	8 to 12 weeks	Protect from frost
Cucumber	From February	Over 10 weeks	Use a propagator to start
Sweetcorn	Late April	15 weeks	
Runner Beans	From April	14 to 16 weeks	
French Beans	From April	10 to 12 weeks	
Carrots	March	Over 18 weeks	
Chilli Peppers	February	Over 17 weeks	Use a propagator or indoors
Lettuces	April	10 weeks	

This is of course affected by...

- Weather (especially frost) but also heat and lack of rain
- Water levels (dry conditions hold back crops massively!)
- Sunlight is better than shade for vegetable growing
- Soil fertility
- Variety of seed chosen
- How close together and weed level

Seeds come in quite large numbers in packets. However, you do have to be quite mercenary in thinning out to give the plant spacing needed for full size growth. Use the packet instructions for guidance.

There are of course endless other tips on growing successfully but you have to just give it a try at the start!

When it comes to exhibiting, it isn't really that difficult. Just make everything clean and look the same size in the numbers stated in our schedule.

Good luck! Terry Everitt

Framfield & Blackboys Summer Show Committee present... in aid of

The Kit Wilson Trust for Animal Welfare, Charity No. 1143338



Framfield & Blackboys DOG SHOW

Saturday 15th August, 2026

FRAMFIELD RECREATION GROUND, TN22 5NR (on the B2102)

Entries from 11.00am

JUDGING COMMENCES PROMPTLY AT: 12.00pm in Both Rings

*PLEASE NOTE **EVERYONE** WILL BE CHARGED ADMISSION TO SHOWGROUND - £2 (CHILDREN 50p)

Refreshments available – Ringside Parking

Fees: £2.00 PER DOG PER CLASS

Rosettes 1st to 5th places in all classes

No bitches in season

Judging by: Victoria and Alex

RING 1

1. Pedigree Breed Class
3. Puppy Class (up to 6 months)
5. Most Handsome Dog Class
7. Best Local Dog Class (5 mile / 8 km radius)

Best in Show will now be judged.

RING 2

2. Crossbreed Class
4. Veteran Class
6. Prettiest Bitch
8. Best Young Handler Class (Handlers Under 16 years)

Best In Shows will then be awarded.

Enquiries to: Leah Murray on 07533 940712 or lea.murray17@gmail.com

Please pick up after your dog.

HAVE A LOVELY SHOW

Framfield and Blackboys Horticultural Society



Why join the Horticultural Society?

If you have any interest in gardens and gardening then this is the local society for you.

Talks Visits Discounts Advice Even a Fun Quiz!

Membership Cost: £10 for a single adult, £15 for a family

Talks and visits occur most months. Refreshments and a Raffle.

I / We are interested in becoming a member of Framfield and Blackboys Horticultural Society. (Please do not enclose any money with this enquiry.)

Name: **Contact details:**

Or join us via fabhs.membership@gmail.com or www.framfieldandblackboys-hort-soc.com

FABHS - What's On in 2026

As a friendly group we would be delighted if you could join us.

Events are often free to members. Non-members are welcome but there is a charge for events.

Programme for 2026

25 th March	Meeting	AGM plus Social Supper and Seed Swap (from 6.30pm)
25 th /26 th April	Visit	Chris Howe's farm at Eason Green (day is weather dependent)
30 th May	Visit	Highlands Garden, near Uckfield
10 th June	Visit	Brightling Down Farm Garden
8 th July	Visit	Garden visit with MNDA Craft Fair, Bonnetts Farm, Burwash
15 th August	Show	The Summer Show 2026
21 st September	Visit	Rapkyns Nursery, Broad Oak
25 th October	Visit	Bignose and Beardy's Cidery, Framfield
18 th November	Talk	Hardy Perennial Garden Plants by Graham Spencer
12 th December	W/S	Wreath Making Workshop with Tanya Lancaster
Feb 2027	Quiz	Fun Quiz with Terry and Rich

Please check on the Society's Website or email fabhs.membership@gmail.com for exact details of dates, times and any additional costs

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We Work Very Hard to Bring You a Summer Show!

We would like to work a little less hard!

So we are looking to expand the number of helpers at the Summer Show.

We would be delighted if you could return the following page.

Opportunities to help out:

- I/We would be available to help set the show up at 9 am Friday 14th August.
- I/We would be available to help set the show up at 9 am Saturday 15th August.
- I/We would be available to help staff a stall frompm topm on the 15th August. I prefer to be **seated** / I do not mind **standing** (*please delete as appropriate*).
- I would be happy to assist the people who help in the marquee / memorial hall who ensure that things run smoothly during judging.
- I am available to help clear the show away at 3.45 pm Saturday 15th August.
- I would like to join the Show Committee. We meet once a month.

Name: **Contact details:**

Please return to Lin, 2 Salem Cottage, The Street, Framfield or email a scan to linlucas203@btinternet.com or by telephone on 0777 6291446.

We always need extra hands to “make light work”.

It doesn't have to be for long.

You might like a light role or are willing to do some lifting and carrying.

You could help us out by...

- Give an hour on set-up day or more if you can. (This is Friday the 14th August.)
- Give an hour or more in the morning of the Summer Show (Saturday 15th August) itself to assist with setting up.
- Give an hour or more if you can spare it, to staff one of the show stalls or areas (some of these can be seated roles).
- Assist with the admin and running of the Dog Show part of the Summer Show.
- Give an hour on the entry gate or assisting with the parking.
- Give an hour helping pack the show away from 3.30 pm. (We always are in need of people here as this is the difficult one to find people to help with!)



U16s GIANT SUNFLOWER
GROWING COMPETITION for

THE JOHN RIDER SUNFLOWER CUP



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JUDGING & CUP PRESENTATION WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE
FRAMFIELD & BLACKBOYS SUMMER SHOW, 15th AUGUST 2026

'SOW' SIMPLE TO ENTER:

- 1 **COLLECT** YOUR FREE 'TITAN' SUNFLOWER SEEDS FROM:
 - Framfield Village Market, 10am-12 noon on Sat 28th Feb, Framfield Memorial Hall
 - At the Hort Society Seed Swap, 6.30-7.30pm on Weds 25th March, Blackboys Village Hall

Or if you have your own seeds, you can of course use those!

- 2 **SOW**, GROW & NURTURE YOUR SUNFLOWERS
(Instructions can be supplied/viewed on our website)
- 3 **PHOTOGRAPH** YOUR BEST SUNFLOWER (ideally with you next to it for scale and pride!, but not essential)
- 4 **EMAIL** YOUR PHOTOGRAPH (actual size) to terry.everitt@outlook.com (We will print for you) BY **2nd AUGUST**, with your Name, Age and the approximate Height of the Sunflower
- 5 **COME ALONG TO THE SHOW** ON 15th August to see how you got on!

You could also win a 'PEOPLE'S CHOICE' ROSETTE, so bring along family & friends to vote for your photo!!

Trophy and Award List with Current Holders August 2025

Trophy/Section/Award	For	Winner
The Hobbs Barton Cup	Best exhibit in show	Chantal Roser
The John Dann Cup	`From My Garden' exhibit	Claire Walton
The New Whyly Perpetual Challenge Cup	Most points in Section 1	Margaret Bond
The Trevor Horscroft Cup	Best carrots	Rachel Owen
The Cyril Jeffery Memorial Plate	Best runner beans	Margaret Bond
The David Hazelden Plate	Best tomatoes	Caroline Penny
The Peter Butler Plate	Best dish of fruit	Phil Day
The Dennis White Memorial Cup	Most points flower classes	Claire Walton
The Elsie Jeffery Jug	Best dahlia	Chantal Roser
The Geddes Rose Bowl	Most points for roses	Claire Walton
The Williams Cup	Best novice roses	<i>Not awarded in 2025</i>
The Frank Leeves Perpetual Challenge Cup	Best sweet peas	Claire Walton
The Gordon-Wilson Cup	Best hydrangeas	Claire Walton
The Askew Perpetual Challenge Bowl	Best novice exhibit	Rachel Owen
The Colonel Nigel Drew Cup	Novice Plate of Produce	Rachel Owen
The Whitewood Perpetual Challenge Cup	Most points (novice classes)	Rachel Owen
The Henry Cup	Most points floral arrangement	Catherine Bayman
The Don & Wilma Diplock Memorial Cup	Best floral arrangement	Chantal Roser
The Sunflower Cup (John Rider Cup)	Best Photo of Sunflower and Grower	New for 2026
The New Place Perpetual Challenge Cup	Most points cookery section	Rachel Owen
The Arthur Makepeace Cup	Best Cookery Exhibit	Rachel Owen
The Desmond Gunner Cup	Best Society Tray	Terry Everitt
The Barbara Briault Cup	Best exhibit children's section	Winter Gagola
The Moore Miniature Challenge Cups	For most points in children's section	
	4 years and under	Emily Tajsham
	5 to 7 years	Alma-Joy Morrison-Hall, Lucy Gathercole
	8 to 10 years	Mia Harvey, Arthur Miller, Winter Gagola
	12 to 16 years	<i>Not awarded in 2025</i>
The Sampson Bowl	Best handicraft exhibit	Chris Williams
The Barbara & Horace Moore Cup	Most points in photography	Susanna Tebbutt
The Burton Bowl	Best photography exhibit	Lakeshia Dennis
The Jeffery Victor Ludorum Trophy	Most successful family	Wright Family
Diploma for Excellence in Horticulture		Phil Day
Diploma for Excellence in Floral Art (Runner-up in Section 4)		Sue Rigby
Junior Competitor Award of Merit		Joni Morrison-Hall
The National Vegetable Society – Silver Medal & Diploma		Terry Everitt
Bronze Banksian Medal from the Royal Horticultural Society		Claire Walton
Best in Show		Ruby with Woody
Reserve Best in Show		Holly with Max
<u>Note on Trophies and Special Awards</u>		
<i>Trophies are kept for one year, other awards are yours to keep in perpetuity.</i>		
<i>You will be contacted about returning the trophy in July. It should be given back clean and polished please.</i>		
Prize Money:		
Classes 1, 2, 3 & 61: £3, £2, £1	Classes 26, 27, & 28: £1 only	All other classes 50p, 30p, 20p

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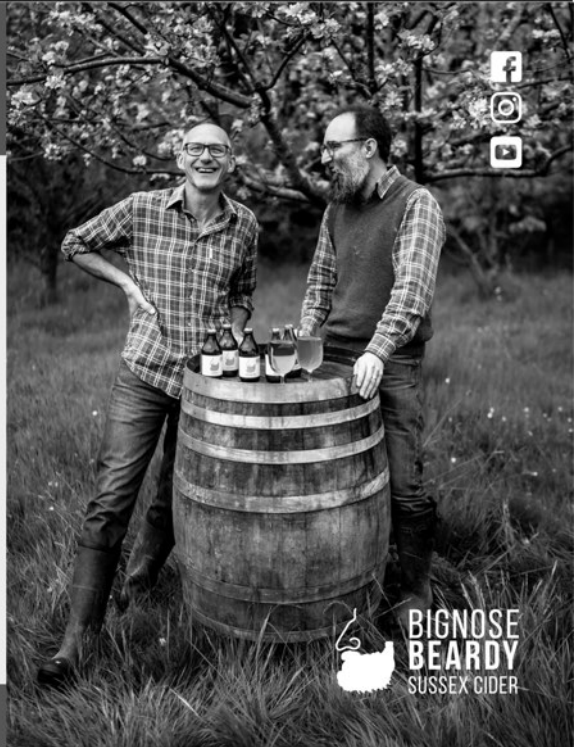
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