



ANNUAL SHOW

A village event for everybody

Chawton Village Hall

25th July 2026

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CHAWTON GARDENING CLUB ANNUAL VILLAGE SHOW

SATURDAY 25th JULY 2026
CHAWTON VILLAGE HALL

CLUB OFFICIALS

Chairman	Tim Hook
Honorary Treasurer	Sue Ruffhead
Show Secretary	Chris Travers
Committee Members	Ann Deegan, Jenny Clarke, Jackie Pascoe, Louisa Richardson and Robert Knight

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The Chawton Gardening Club is an affiliated member of the
Royal Horticultural Society.

TIMINGS ON THE DAY

8.30 am – 11 am	Exhibits to be displayed in the Hall
11 am – 1 pm	Judging
1 pm – 3 pm	Viewing
3 pm	Announcements, exhibit and prize collection
4 pm	Show closes

We will be holding a Raffle on the day of the Annual Show with some fantastic prizes. Tickets will be available to purchase from Club Officials on the day.

*******THE SCARECROW COMPETITION IS BACK*******

Make a scarecrow in the theme of a **MOVIE CHARACTER** and display it in Chawton village.

(see rule 9 in RULES FOR EXHIBITORS for more details)

RULES FOR EXHIBITORS

1. All sections are 'Open Classes' and therefore open to everyone.
2. Vegetables, flowers, fruit and home economic exhibits must have been produced by the exhibitors in their own gardens or allotments, or be home made, with the exception of the classes in Section 5. Photography entries (Section 9), must have been taken by amateur exhibitors.
3. The Club officials do not hold themselves responsible for the loss or damage to any exhibit, but all reasonable care will be taken by the Club officials.
4. Where an entry does not conform to the rules in its class, the note N.A.S. (not according to Schedule) will be written on the card by the judge.
5. Intending exhibitors must use the entry form provided at the end of the Schedule.
6. Entry forms, with fees payable, should be sent or delivered to: **Tim Hook, Chawton Glebe, Gosport Road, Chawton GU341SH, timjhook@hotmail.com, 07775670741.**
7. Exhibitors are restricted to one entry only in any one class.
8. All exhibits should be brought to the Village Hall between 8.30 am and 11 am on Saturday 25th July (except scarecrows). Exhibitors will receive exhibit cards corresponding to their entries. Exhibitors are responsible for placing the cards in front of their various exhibits, **name side down**. All exhibits should be named by the entrant as far as possible. No alterations are permitted once the entries are received.
9. Those entering the scarecrow competition will need to enter using the entry form at the end of the schedule and display their scarecrow in and around Chawton village no later than **Thursday 23rd July**. This will enable a committee member time to photograph it before the show. An exhibit card can then be placed as above on the day of the show, next to the matching photograph in the village hall, ready for judging. All scarecrows must be placed in the village responsibly and securely and removed by Sunday 2nd August.

10. At 11 am all persons, except the necessary assistants, must leave the room by that time to enable the judges to commence punctually.
11. The decision of the judges shall be final, and they shall be at liberty to withhold the prizes where they may consider the specimens unworthy of the prizes offered.
12. The Village Hall will be open for viewing from 1 pm and exhibits may be removed from 3 pm. Prize money should be collected from the Treasurer in the Village Hall from 3 pm. The Hall will close at 4 pm.

**LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE MORNING OF THE SHOW
(except for the scarecrow class).**

If you have a large number of late entries, please email Chris Travers (cgmtravers@gmail.com) with details so that we can prepare your cards before the morning of the show.

PRIZES

The main prizes are as follows:

**THE ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY BANKSIAN MEDAL
Winner 2025 – Bella Robinson**

The medal will be awarded to the winner of the largest number of points
in the whole of the horticultural classes in the show
(excludes 2025 winner)

- 1st Prize – 4 points
- 2nd Prize – 3 points
- 3rd Prize – 2 points
- Entry in a Class – 1 point

THE KEN GRACE CUP

Will be awarded to the person
who wins the largest amount of prize money in Section 1

THE RICHARD WATTS AWARD

Section 2, Best Exhibit in Classes 200 and 201

THE PARRY CUP

For the most points in Section 2 (Classes 202 - 208)

THE GERLACH CUP

For the best exhibit in Section 3, Class 302

THE HYBRID TEA ROSE CUP

For the best exhibit in Section 4, Class 401

THE FLOWER BASKET CUP

For the best exhibit in Section 5

THE PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE CUP

For the most points in Section 8

THE RON EMM JUNIOR CUP

Children 5-12 years old – Class 700

THE GLEBE CUP

Children 0-5 years old - Class 701

THE CHAWTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY CUP

Children up to 12 years – Best exhibit in Classes 702,703,704,705

THE JUBILEE CUP FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

For Best Photograph in the Show from Section 9

THE ERNEST SKATES CUP

For the best Exhibit in Class 812

Prize Money	1st	2nd	3rd
All Classes	£1.50	£1.00	£0.50

Entry Fees: All classes cost 50p to enter

CHILDREN'S CLASSES ARE FREE

NOTE: CHILDREN ARE VERY WELCOME TO ENTER ANY OF THE OTHER CLASSES THROUGHOUT THE SCHEDULE ON PAYMENT OF THE APPROPRIATE FEE.

JUDGES - Experienced and qualified judges will judge the vegetables, flowers, floral arranging, home economics, photography and children's classes.

Geoff Hawkins	Vegetables & Flowers
Carol Knight	Home Crafts & Baking
Peter Wright	Photography, Best Exhibit in Section 9 and Ron Emm Junior Cup
Sylvia Muskett	Flower Arrangements & Children's Classes

The scarecrow competition will be judged by all judges and committee members by way of a secret ballot.

SECTION 1

KEN GRACE CUP

Winner 2025 – Bella Robinson

- 101 Five Potatoes – one variety
 - 104 Three Carrots – one variety
 - 106 Two Lettuces – one variety
 - 107 Three Beetroot – one variety
 - 108 Two Cucumbers – Not Ridge
 - 109 Two Courgettes
 - 110 Three Onions
 - 111 Six Shallots
 - 112 Six French Beans
 - 113 Six Runner Beans
 - 116 Four Ordinary Tomatoes
 - 117 Four Small Fruited Tomatoes
 - 119 Two of any Vegetables not included in this Schedule – one kind
 - 120 One Dish Soft Fruit – one kind
 - 121 One Dish Stone Fruit – one kind
 - 122 Two of any Fruit not included in this Schedule – one kind
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Tips from the Judge:

Potatoes: A good size for showing is the one that fits comfortably in the palm of the hand. A clean, uniform set does best.

Beetroot, Carrot, Parsnip: Cut the leaf stalks evenly to 3-4".

Onions & Shallots: Do not over skin; leave ripe skins on.

French & Runner Beans: Leave ¼" stalk on – cut with scissors.

Tomatoes: Firm not soft fruit.

Soft Fruit: Leave fruit stalks on, cut with scissors to avoid damaging fruit.

Stone Fruit: Keep any surface bloom intact on plums, etc. Keep stalks on.

N.B. EXHIBITORS WILL FIND SOME VERY USEFUL AND INTERESTING TIPS ON SHOWING FROM THE ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S *HORTICULTURAL SHOW HANDBOOK*.

SECTION 2

THE RICHARD WATTS AWARD

Winner 2025 – Janice Gabriel

- 200 One Flowering Pot Plant
- 201 One Foliage Pot Plant

THE PARRY CUP

Winner 2025 – Jackie Pascoe

- 202 Three Dahlias – One Variety
 - 203 Vase of Annuals – One Kind, Three Spikes
 - 204 Vase of Perennials – One Kind, Three Spikes
 - 205 One flowering spike or stem – Excluding Roses
 - 206 Vase of Flowers – Three Varieties, Two Stems of Each – Excluding Roses
 - 207 Vase of Gladioli – Three Spikes
 - 208 Vase of Sweet Peas – Six Spikes
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SECTION 3

THE GERLACH CUP

Winner 2025 – Louisa Richardson

- 302 A Selection of Home-Grown Summer Vegetables in any container
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SECTION 4

HYBRID TEA ROSE CUP

Winner 2025 – Julia Woodhouse

- 401 One Specimen Bloom (Hybrid Tea) Rose
 - 402 One Vase of Three Individual Large Flowered Roses
 - 403 Three Spikes of Cluster Flowered Roses
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SECTION 5

THE FLOWER BASKET CUP

Winner 2025 – Robina Williamson

- 502 Arrangement in a cup and saucer
 - 503 Summer in a basket
 - 504 Behind the potting shed
 - 505 Just foliage
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SECTION 6

HERBS

610. Culinary / Aromatic / Medicinal Herbs - 3 kinds, 2 stems of each

NOVELTY

- 620 Wonkiest vegetable
 - 621 The biggest root vegetable
 - 622 The longest runner bean
 - 623 The largest weed
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SECTION 7 – CHILDREN

THE RON EMM JUNIOR CUP

Open to Children 5 – 12 years

Winner 2025 – Cecily Hook

700 A painted stone

THE GLEBE CUP

Open to Children up to 5 years

Winner 2025 – No winner

701 Potato head

THE CHAWTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY CUP

Open to Children up to 12 years

Winner 2025 – Archie Travers

- 702 Flowers in a jam jar
 - 703 A space themed drawing or painting
 - 704 3 decorated cup cakes
 - 705 Object made of wood, metal or clay
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SECTION 8

PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE CUP

Winner 2025 – Sue Tupper

- 801 Six pieces of shortbread
- 802 Victoria sandwich
- 803 One Pot of Soft Fruit Jam
- 804 One Pot of Marmalade
- 805 One pot of Chutney
- 806 Six Cheese Straws
- 807 Piece of Handicraft
- 808 Greetings Card in any medium
- 809 Piece of Embroidery, Knitting, Appliqué Work, Patchwork, Crochet or Tapestry
- 810 Object/Sculpture made of Wood, Metal or Clay
- 811 Recipe - see Page 9

ALL FOOD EXHIBITS MUST BE COVERED WITH CLING FILM

THE ERNEST SKATES CUP

Winner 2025 – Robina Williamson

812 Original Picture or Drawing Framed or Unframed

THE RECIPE

Carrot Cake Recipe

Ingredients - cake

225g grated carrots
170ml sunflower oil
170g light brown soft sugar
3 medium eggs, whisked
2 tbsp golden syrup
1 tsp vanilla essence
170g plain flour
1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
1 tsp baking powder
1 tsp cinnamon
½ tsp grated nutmeg
1 tsp salt
115g walnut pieces, roughly chopped
28g bran

Ingredients – filling/topping

115g softened butter
225g icing sugar
115g cream cheese
½ tsp vanilla essence
Walnut halves to decorate

Tin: 21.5cm round cake tin, greased & lined

Oven: Pre-heat to 180°C / gas mark 4

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Mix together the grated carrot, oil, sugar, beaten eggs, syrup and vanilla essence until smooth.
2. Sift together the flour, bicarbonate of soda, baking powder, spices and salt. Mix in the chopped walnuts and bran.
3. Pour the carrot mixture into the flour mixture and beat well. Pour into prepared tin and bake for 1 ¼ hours. Remove from oven and test with a skewer to ensure cooked right through then leave to cool in tin for 20 minutes before turning out on to wire rack to cool completely.
4. Meanwhile make the filling / topping by creaming the butter and icing sugar until smooth. Beat in the cream cheese and vanilla essence until light and fluffy.
5. Cut the cold cake in half and put half the filling between the slices and half on top. Decorate with walnut halves.

**SECTION 9
THE JUBILEE CUP
AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHY**

Winner 2025 – Andrew Hunt

- 901 Doors & gates
- 902 Village life
- 903 Hampshire animals
- 904 Garden flowers

(Maximum size 7" x 5")
(Only one picture per entry and only one entry per class)

**SECTION 10
SCARECROW COMPETITION**

- 1000** Movie character Scarecrow



SAVE THE DATE

PUMPKIN
PARTY

Saturday

17th OCTOBER

6-8pm

CHAWTON VILLAGE HALL

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Entry fee: 50p per class and Children’s classes which are free. Please ring the Classes in which you wish to exhibit.

Entry Form with Remittance to **Tim Hook, Chawton Glebe, Gosport Road, Chawton GU34 1SH / timjhook@hotmail.com / 07775670741**

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811	812								
901	902	903	904						

1000 (FREE ENTRY)

I enclose the sum of _____ being the entry fees for the above ringed classes.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

For those entering Scarecrow Competition:

Title of Scarecrow: _____

Location in village: _____



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