**Gardening, plant and handicraft Show – Widnes Horticultural Society**

Remember to come and see what is growing in Widnes **the show is free** and open to **ALL!**

Upton Community Centre, Hough Green Road, Widnes

**Show open** - Sunday, 7th September 2025 2.00 pm – 4.30 pm

**Show set up** (for submission of entries)

* Saturday 6th September 2025 - 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm
* Sunday 7th September 2025 - 10.00 am – 1.00pm

**Entry is free, so please enter as many exhibits as you like**

To enter, please complete an entry form, forms are available on the Society website <http://www.widnesdistricthorticuluralsociety.com/>

If you have any problems downloading the form, please e-mail: widneshortculture@yahoo.com

Each entry form should list the category(ies) that you are entering, use as many forms as you like.

Entry forms can either be:

* E-mailed prior to the show to widneshorticulture@yahoo.com
* Submitted prior to staging your entry on 6th or 7th September 2025

Entries can be staged at the following times:

* Saturday 6th September 2025 - 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm
* Sunday 7th September 2025 - 10.00 am – 1.00pm

If you would like to enter but cannot make these times please email the society at widneshorticultural@yahoo.com to make alternative arrangements

Please remember to collect your exhibits at the end of the Show, unfortunately we may have to remove and destroy any that are left after 4.45 pm on Sunday 7th September 2025

**Full details of the show classes and rules are given below:**

**ANNUAL SHOW SCHEDULE 2025**

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| **Class No;** | **Vegetable Classes** | **Class No:** | **Flower Class** |
| 1 | 5 Tomatoes | 28 | Vase of flowers (any) |
| 2 | 1 Cucumber |  | **Container Plants** |
| 3  | 3 Beetroot with 3” tops | 29 | Hanging basket, container or pouch |
| 4 | 6 Pods of peas | 30 | 1 Pot plant (flowering or non-flowering) |
| 5 | 6 Pods of Runner Beans | 31 | 1 Begonia |
| 6 | 5 White Potatoes | 32 | 1 Geranium |
| 7 | 5 Coloured Potatoes | 33 | 1 Single fuchsia |
| 8 | 3 Onions, each over 8 ozs. | 34 | 1 Double fuchsia |
| 9 | 6 Onions, each under 8 ozs. |  | **Chrysanthemum Classes** |
| 10 | 3 Carrots with 3” tops | 35 | 1 Vase of 3 blooms, any varieties |
| 11 | 1 Truss of tomatoes, ripe or unripe | 36 | 1 Vase of sprays, show for effect |
| 12 | 3 Distinct kinds of vegetables, 1 of each |  | **Dahlia Classes** |
| 13 | 2 Leeks, any variety | 37 | 1 Vase of 3 blooms, any variety |
| 14 | 1 Cabbage |  | **Gladioli** |
| 15 | 1 Cauliflower (roots trimmed) | 38 | A vase of 3 gladioli, 3 distinct varieties  |
| 16 | 1 Specimen Onion | 39 | 1 Gladiolus, any variety |
| 17 | 6 Shallots, each over 1” diameter, 1 variety |  | **Cacti and Succulents** |
| 18 | 1 Squash < 1.5 Kg | 40 | 1 Cactus |
| 19 | 1 Squash > 1,5 Kg | 41 | 1 Succulent |
| 20 | Any single vegetable not otherwise classified | 42 | 1 cacti/succulent garden |
|  | **Fruit Classes** |  |  |
| 21 | Any tree fruit |  | **Domestic – The Widnes Horticultural Society Bake Off** |
| 22 | A dish of any other fruit – whichever the larger 200g or 6 fruits | 43 | 6 Savoury rolls |
| 23 | Pot of Herbs | 44 | Fruit cake |
| 24 | 3 Stalks of Rhubarb | 45 | 4 Scones |
|  | **Rose Classes** | 46 | 4 Bread Yeast Product |
| 25 | 1 Specimen rose  | 47 | 1 Fruit Pie |
| 26 | 3 Roses 1 or more variety | 48 | 1 Victoria Sponge (Any filling) |
| 27 | 3 stems of Cluster flowered roses one variety | 49 | 1 cake (decorated) |

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| **Class No:** |  |  | **Photography** |
| 50 | 1 Jar of homemade Jam | 61 | A Nature subject max. print size 10” x 8” colour or black and white |
| 51 | 1 Jar Chutney | 62 | A Horticultural subject, max. print size 10” x 8” colour or black and white |
| 52 | 4 Biscuits – any variety |
|  |  |  | **Children’s Section** |
|  | **Handicraft** | 63 | Item of handicraft (kits allowed) |
| 53 | 1 Crocheted and/or knitted article | 64 | A photograph – any subject |
| 54 | 1 Embroidered article | 65 | 3 Small cakes, any variety |
| 55 | Any patchwork article | 66 | A plant (any kind) in a pot |
| 56 | 1 Example of tapestry | 67 | A drawing or painting  |
| 57 | Any example of needlework or sewing | 68 | 1 Vegetable |
| 58 | Any sketch or painting, framed or unframed, ‘signature to be covered’ |  |  |
| 69 | **Wonky Vegetable/Fruit** |
| 59 | An example of woodcraft |  | Any piece of Vegetable or Fruit of character |
| 60 | Article of handicraft not otherwise classified |  |  |

**SHOW RULES**

1. Winners will be issued with certificates; no prizes will be awarded.
2. Staging to be completed by 1pm Sunday, 7th September. Exhibitors will be issued with an entry number; this must be placed with each exhibit but without the number showing. Any exhibit not identified on a complete entry form or entry number will not be judged.
3. Where applicable judging will take place under Widnes society rules and conditions
4. An exhibitor may enter any number of exhibits in one class or any number of classes.
5. Entries to the Children’s Classes should be from those aged under 16 years.
6. Exhibitors are to provide their own vases, and exhibits are to be named where applicable.
7. Where possible exhibits of shallots and onions must be dressed with natural raffia.
8. All exhibits will be at owner’s risk.
9. All exhibits must be removed by 4.45pm on 7th September 2025, any remaining after this time will be removed and may be destroyed.
10. Any objections regarding the judging must be lodged in writing before 4.00 pm on the day of the Show. All objections will be investigated by the Committee and their decision will be final. The interpretation of the rules rest with the Committee
11. Winners and information about the show will be posted on the Society web site.