

**Cromar and District
Horticultural and Industrial Society**

Open Show 2025



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The Show will be held in the
MacRobert Memorial Hall, Tarland on
Saturday, 9th August 2025

Doors Open 2pm
Presentation of Trophies at 3pm

Scottish Charity Number SCO23060

❖ Sale of Produce ❖



Immediately after the Show there will be a sale of produce. Come along at 5.30pm for a chance to buy lots of fabulous fruit, veg, flowers etc. from our stalls

Any exhibits left at 5.15pm will be deemed as presented and will be sold in aid of Society funds



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Judges

Our thanks to:

Mr C Wardle, Mr J Hannaford,

Ms A Christie, Ms L Stevenson (Horticulture)

Mr S McCallum, Mr S Pittendreigh (Gardens)

Mrs D Smith (Floral Art)

Mr T Pryke (Painting & Photography)

Mrs E Law, Mrs K Brander (Knitting, Sewing, Crafts)

Mrs M McCombie, Mrs A Bain (Cookery &
Preserves)

Mrs Y Davidson (Honey Exhibits)

Mr G Muir (Wine)

Mrs M Murdoch, Mrs L Littlejohn (Children's
Crafts & Paintings)

Thanks

The show is only possible because of the distinguished patronage of:

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Horticultural and Industrial Society

The society was founded to promote an interest in horticulture and rural handicrafts in the community. The highlight of the calendar is the Open Show held in the MacRobert Hall, Tarland, on the second Saturday in August.

Mr Marcus Humphrey is the Society's President and a small committee of volunteers organises the show, as well as a fundraising plant sale in May.

The Horticultural Society is always keen to welcome new volunteers. If you would like to help, either on the committee or as a helper on Show Day, please get in contact via committee members (see below) or via our 'Community Groups' entry on the 'Visit Tarland and Cromar' website at www.tarland.org.uk. We are also on Facebook: search for **Cromar Horticultural and Industrial Society** and ask to join. Or find us on Instagram **@cromarhorticultural** and share your news. The next AGM will be held in the Upper Hall, The MacRobert Memorial Hall, Tarland on Wednesday, 12th November 2025, 7.30pm.

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Show Planner 2025

Logo design by Nathan Thow



Sunday 20th July

- Deadline to submit entries for Amateur Gardening Competition. Judging will take place on **Thursday 24th July**

Thursday 7th August

- Deadline to inform Show Secretary of intention to enter Floral Art Classes 97 – 101

Friday 8th August 7.00pm - 9.00pm

- Exhibitors are encouraged (where possible) to submit entry forms and exhibits to ease congestion on Saturday morning*

Saturday 9th August

- 7.00am-9.30am – Submit entry forms and exhibits in The MacRobert Memorial Hall*
- 9.45am – Exhibitors leave hall
- 2.00pm – Show opens to general public
- 3.00pm – Presentation of trophies followed by payment of prize monies. Any prize money totalling less than £10 that is not collected by 5pm, will be considered a donation to Society funds
- **5.00pm – Exhibitors may remove exhibits.** Any exhibits left at 5.15pm will be deemed as presented and will be sold at 5.30pm in aid of Society funds. The Raffle and public vote for Class 95 will be announced as soon as possible after 5.00pm.

* *We would be grateful if preparation of exhibits in vases is confined to outside the hall or the basement*

Trophy List

1. Murdoch Trophy for most points in Open Classes 1-7 (Pot Plants)
2. Mitchell Trophy for most points in Open Classes 1-52 (Pot Plants and Flowers)
3. Price Trophy for best display of Sweet Peas in Open Class 11
4. Society Trophy for most points in Open Classes 54-93 (Fruit & Vegetables)
6. Humphrey Silver Cup for most points in Open Classes 50, 62 and 88
7. Tillypronie Challenge Bowl for most points in Open Classes 1-93
9. Davidson Memorial Trophy for most points classes in Amateur Classes 110 -118 (Pot Plants)
10. Fowlie Trophy for most points in Amateur Classes 122-165 (Flowers)
11. Miss Miller Silver Challenge Cup for best display of Sweet Peas in Amateur Class 122
13. Graham Thomson Silver Cup for best display of Roses in Amateur Classes 133 -135
14. David Murdoch Cup for best display of Gladioli in Amateur Class 152
15. June Barr Cup for most points in Amateur Classes 166-174 (Fruit)
16. Marcus Humphrey Cup for most points Amateur Classes 175 - 202 (Vegetables)
18. Lady MacRobert Challenge Bowl for most points in Amateur Classes 110 - 202
19. The MacRobert Trust Perpetual Cup for best display in Amateur Classes 110 - 202
20. Lord Astor of Hever Trophy for best display in Have-a-Go Class 207
21. Smith of Leys Cup for best display of Roses in Have-A-Go Class 136
22. Dr. MacRoberts Trophy for best Herbaceous Exhibit in Classes: 47,51,149 &150
23. Schweppes Trophy for best exhibit of Dahlias, Classes: 29-35, & 139-145
24. Lawson Trophy for most points in Open & Amateur classes: 54-63 & 166-174 (Fruit)
25. Hopewell Challenge Cup for Winner of Amateur Cottage Garden Competition, Class 219
26. Wine Casket for Runner-up in Amateur Cottage Garden Competition, Class 219
27. Lawrie Challenge Cup for Winner of Amateur Flower Garden Competition, Class 220
28. Greer McRoberts Cup for Runner-up of Amateur Flower Garden Competition, Class 220
29. Bruce Shield for Winner of Have-A-Go Garden Competition, Class 218
30. Society Shield for Runner-up of Have-a-Go Garden Competition, Class 218
31. Blackhall Memorial Trophy for best exhibit in Floral Art, Classes 97-101

32. Sheila Ross Cup for most points in Floral Art, Class 97-100
33. Buchan Trophy for best novice in Floral Art, Class 101
35. Cantlie Silver Cup for most points in Industrial Classes 231-256 (Knitting, Sewing, Crafts)
37. MacRobert Farms Trophy for most points in Industrial Classes 257-272 (Cookery, Preserves)
39. Evelyn Smith Trophy for most points in Industrial Classes 276-281 (Wine)
40. George Low Memorial Cup for best Wine Exhibit, Classes 276-281
41. Meadowley Trophy for most points in Children's Horticulture P1 - P7, Classes 347 - 354
42. Erskine Rooser Trophy for most points in Children's Horticulture S1 - S4, Classes 358 - 365
43. Smith Shield for Winner of Small Garden Competition, Class 221
44. Mitchell Trophy for most points in Children's Arts and Crafts, Primary 1 - 4, Classes 285 - 292
45. Price Cup for most points in Children's Arts and Crafts, Primary 5 - 7, Classes 295 - 303
46. Ross Trophy for most points in Children's Arts and Crafts, Secondary 1-4, Classes 307-313
47. Donald Trophy for the best Specimen of Handwriting, Class 311
48. Air Commodore & Mrs RW Joseph Trophy for most points in Children's Cooking, Primary 1-7, Classes 326-329
49. Graham Trophy for most points in Children's Cooking, Secondary 1-4, Classes 333-336
50. Tarland Tearoom Special Prize for most points in Cooking, Secondary 1-4, Classes 333-336
51. RHS Banksian Medal for most points in Horticultural Classes 1-230, excluding classes 94 & 95 (Winners from previous 2 years are not eligible)
52. Moira Anderson Memorial Trophy for best exhibit in Knitting, Classes 231-235
53. Society Special Prize for 'Freshly picked this morning' Class 95
54. The Krafty Neuk Special Prize for most points in Crafts, Secondary 1-4, Classes 307-313
56. Tarland Bee Group Award for best exhibit in Honey, Classes 273-275
57. Tarland Bee Group Junior Award for best exhibit in Honey, Classes 380-382
58. Baikie 'Butterfly and Bee' Award (all gardens entered in classes 218-230 are automatically considered; previous winners excluded)
59. Jan Joseph Memorial Trophy for best exhibit in Sewing, Classes 239-245

Horticultural Section

Guidance for New Entrants

General

Read the rules of the schedule and allow plenty of time to prepare and stage exhibits. Count the number of blooms, fruit or vegetables for each exhibit and ensure that they comply with the show schedule for that exhibit. If in any doubt, consult the convener or Show Secretary to avoid disqualification. **Please fill in a membership/entry form (at back of schedule) and report to the Show Secretary desk to receive your entry cards (to be filled in and placed under each exhibit). Ensure you submit your entry form and membership fee to the Show Secretary once you have finished laying out your exhibits, otherwise your entries will not be eligible.** Please ask any committee member or steward, who will be wearing a badge, if you need any help.

Vegetables

Clean vegetables by running under a cold water tap or using a sponge to remove soil. Do not use a brush. For white root vegetables it is best to leave lifting until the last moment to prevent any discolouration. Consider size when showing vegetables and try to select vegetables with similar sizes and shape, free from blemishes. When showing a collection of vegetables, arrange them in the box with consideration to colour and size to present the best result. Present vegetables with their best side to the judge.

Flowers

Flowers should be shown in the Society's vases, when they are at their peak. Pick the day before the show, place the stems in a full vase of water to make sure the stems are filled and unlikely to wilt on show day. Present the vase so that as much of the flower as possible can be seen by the judge and avoid over-filling the vase with flowers. Ensure that you remove any damaged petals and leaves.

Pot Plants

Show in the correct size of pot and ensure the pots are clean.

Judges will place equal emphasis on foliage as well as flower.

If using stakes place to show plant to best vantage but conceal stakes as much as possible.

Fruit

Select fruit with good colour and condition. Fruit should be firm and not past its best.

Horticultural Section Rules

1. Competition is open to Professional Gardeners and Amateurs.
2. The Annual Subscription is £5.00 and must be paid on submission of Entry Form. Members are admitted free to the Exhibition. Exhibitors aged 18 and under are not required to pay the Annual Subscription, **although they should complete a membership/ entry form.**
3. All exhibits to be bona fide property of the exhibitor, and be in his or her possession two months before the Show.
4. The Committee may empower any of its members to inspect any intending competitor's garden after receipt of Entry Form.
5. The prizes or awards to be decided by the Judges, who shall be practical gardeners and, in the event of a dispute arising, the Committee's decision shall be final and binding upon all exhibitors.
6. Competitors will receive, from the Show Secretary, a card for each exhibit. The card should be placed by the exhibit with the name downwards and the class number displayed.
7. **No specimen or article to be removed by member, exhibitor or others, until 5.00pm.** All exhibits remaining after **5.15pm** will be deemed as presented and will be sold at 5.30pm in aid of Society funds.
8. Exhibits and entry forms will be received on Friday from 7.00pm - 9.00pm, and on Saturday from 7.00am - 9.30am. Judging will begin at 10.00am. The exhibition will be open to the public from **2.00pm – 5.00pm**. Presentation of Trophies at 3.00pm. Admission by member's ticket, or on payment of £3.00 at entrance. Those aged 18 years and younger will be admitted free of charge.
9. The Society will not be responsible for damage to plants etc. during the Exhibition.
10. Power is given to the Judges to withhold a prize if they deem the exhibit is not worthy and to award an extra prize in cases of outstanding merit.
11. Exhibitors may enter two exhibits in any class, unless otherwise stated, full points will be given, and prizes awarded.
12. Anyone may lodge a protest with the Show Secretary, in writing, before 4pm on the day of the Show. Each objection or protest to be accompanied by a deposit of £5.00 which will be refunded if the objection is sustained.
13. Exhibitors who are professional gardeners or employ full-time outside or professional labour can compete only in the Open Classes. Community / cooperative gardens may only enter the Open classes, unless the member is showing produce from their personal raised beds.
14. All Challenge Trophies must be left with the Trophies Convener on the day of the Show for inscription.
15. Payment of Prize Money will be in the MacRobert Memorial Hall, Tarland, on Show Day after the presentation of trophies. Any prize money totalling less than £10.00, not collected before 5pm, will be considered a donation to Society funds.
16. The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th November 2025, 7.30pm in the MacRobert Memorial Hall, Tarland. All welcome.

Amateur Gardening Competition - Judging Criteria

Ornamental Gardens or Elements

Maintenance is of course important, but your flower garden, perennial border or patio is not judged primarily on how well weeded it is. The layout and design is important. The judge will consider whether the design is sympathetic to its surroundings and fit for purpose. Are there seating areas where the garden can be enjoyed in summer, or borders that can be easily viewed from the house in winter? If there is hard landscaping, does the choice of materials complement the planting, and add to the general aesthetic appeal? A colourful garden is appealing, but the garden judge will also look for planting that provides harmony, a long season of colour, form and interest, and for plants that are healthy and suited to their planting location. Patios should have appropriate furniture, with a good selection of plants for scent and colour; containers and hanging baskets should be well fed and watered. Bedding displays are usually a traditional display of annuals.

Productive Elements

Including raised beds

In productive areas, design is less important. The judge will look for a wide range of vegetables and fruit and a long productive season. Do you have cloches to protect early or late crops of lettuce and herbs; are there vegetables that crop during winter such as parsnips, winter cabbages or Brussels sprouts and do you grow fruit that can be bottled or preserved? Maintenance is a little more important in these categories: weed-free plots, plants that are adequately supported, and well pruned fruit trees and shrubs will give greater yields and impress the judge.

Cottage Garden

A cottage garden is both ornamental and productive, so the judge will look for the attributes mentioned in the two preceding paragraphs. The cottage garden is usually a looser style of planting with perennials, annual flowers, vegetables and fruit often intermingled.

Small Garden

This new award recognizes that gardens may be more compact but still have a huge amount of design, impact and appeal. Typical gardens for this award should be approx. 100m² or smaller.

Wildlife Element and Wildflower Area

For wildlife, diversity of habitat is important and this part of your garden should provide shelter for a wide range of birds, mammals and insects. A good range of food sources is also important; early and late flowering plants provide nectar for insects, decomposing woody material provides food and habitat for invertebrates, and food and water put out for birds will help to ensure their survival over the winter. A wildflower area is not simply judged on its size – it may be a meadow in a large garden, but a small, otherwise unused, piece of marginal land might offer an area of beauty and be of vital importance to insects.

‘Highly Commended Award’

The judges recognize that, at times, a garden (or an aspect of a garden) may be exceptional but not fit clearly into the judging criteria for specific types of gardens and displays. The judges reserve the right to award a special ‘Highly Commended’ certificate and award for gardens which demonstrate a high standard of original design and quality planting. This award will not necessarily be awarded each year.

‘Freshly picked this morning’ Class 95

Maybe you weren’t intending to enter anything from your garden.

Maybe you walked outside at 7am on the morning of the Open Show and something lovely in your garden caught your eye.

Maybe you thought you would just give it a go.

In this class you can enter *ANYTHING*– fruit, flowers, veg – that you picked on the morning of the show just because it looked so tempting.

Special Prize £5.00

**To be judged by the public between 2pm and 5pm
on Show Day**

Horticultural Section

PRIZES: 1st £2.00, 4pts; 2nd £1.50, 3pts; 3rd £1.00, 2pts;
unless otherwise specified.

ENTRY FORMS AT END OF SCHEDULE

Flowers, vegetables and fruit to be displayed on plates and in vases supplied by the Society unless otherwise specified. **Exhibitors should provide their own florist oasis, if required.**

OPEN CLASSES

Exhibitors may enter two exhibits in any class unless otherwise stated

Plants in Pots - Not to exceed 23cm, unless otherwise specified

1. 2 Geraniums, 1 single and 1 double
2. 2 Fuchsias, 1 single and 1 double
3. 2 tuberous Begonias
4. 1 Fuchsia either single or double
5. 2 foliage plants
6. Any pot plant in bloom, different from other classes
7. 1 Pelargonium

Sweet Peas - A vase of Sweet Peas to contain 11 spikes, unless otherwise specified

11. 6 vases of 6 named varieties (1st £3.50, 7pts; 2nd £2.50, 5pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)
13. 1 vase of white variety
14. 1 vase of pink or cerise variety
15. 1 vase of crimson or scarlet variety
16. 1 vase of lavender variety
18. 1 vase blended for effect

Roses

23. 1 vase of a single variety, 4 blooms
24. 1 vase of single or mixed variety, 8 blooms
25. 1 vase of Rambler, Floribunda or Climber

Dahlias

- 29. 1 vase of medium or large Cactus variety, 3 blooms
- 30. 1 vase of small Cactus variety, 5 blooms
- 31. 1 vase of medium or large Decorative variety, 3 blooms
- 32. 1 vase of small Decorative variety, 5 blooms
- 33. 1 vase of Ball variety, 5 blooms
- 34. 1 vase of Pom-Pom variety, 4 blooms
- 35. 1 vase of Bishop's Dahlias, mixed or single variety/colour

Cut Flowers

- 37. 1 vase of Lilies, 1 stem
- 38. 1 vase of Chrysanthemum, 3 sprays
- 39. 1 vase of Gladioli, 3 spikes
- 40. 1 vase of double Asters, 6 blooms
- 41. 1 vase of Antirrhinums, 6 spikes
- 42. 1 vase of Stocks, 6 spikes
- 43. 1 vase of mixed annuals
- 44. 1 vase of 1 species of flowering shrub
- 45. 1 vase of French Marigolds, 6 blooms
- 46. 1 vase of Carnations, 6 blooms
- 47. 1 vase of herbaceous perennials
- 48. 4 Pansies displayed in a box
- 49. 4 Violas displayed in a box
- 50. 1 vase of any species, different from above, 4 stems
- 51. 1 vase of 1 species herbaceous perennials
- 52. 1 vase of grasses, may be ornamental or native grasses

Fruit

- 54. 4 cooking Apples
- 55. 4 dessert Apples
- 56. 18 red or green Gooseberries
- 57. 12 Blueberries
- 58. 12 Strawberries with husks
- 59. 18 Raspberries with husks
- 60. 1/2 pint picked Blackcurrants
- 61. 12 hangers of Redcurrants
- 62. Any fruit different from above, 6 specimens of a large variety or 12 of small
- 63. 1 tray of any 3 fruits from classes 54-61 (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)

Vegetables

67. 2 Cauliflowers in a container
68. 4 Leeks
69. 2 Cabbages in a container
70. 4 Onions from sets or seeds
71. 2 Garlic bulbs
72. 12 Shallots
73. 6 Tomatoes
74. 8 cherry Tomatoes
75. 1 truss of Tomatoes (not necessarily ripe)
76. 4 Beetroots
77. 6 Carrots of any matched colour
78. 6 Runner Beans
79. 1 vegetable Marrow
80. 2 Cucumbers
81. 9 Peapods
82. 6 Broadbean pods
83. 2 Lettuces in a container
84. 3 pots of herbs (pots not to exceed 15cm)
85. 3 Turnips
86. 4 coloured Potatoes
87. 4 white Potatoes
88. Any vegetable different from above, 1 specimen of large varieties or 5 of small
89. 3 heaviest Potatoes
90. Collection of 4 named Potato varieties, 4 of each in a box (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)
91. Box of 6 varieties of vegetables, backs optional, not to exceed 75cm x 60cm leafy greens may be used as garnish or background (1st £2.50, 5 pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3 pts)
92. The Alfie Bruce Collection of kitchen garden produce, sponsored by Dr M Cuthbert: see special feature
93. Basket of rainbow coloured edible garden produce, no bigger than 45cm square or diameter (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)
94. A platter of locally foraged edibles
95. 'Freshly picked this morning' See special feature page 13

The Alfie Bruce Collection of Kitchen Garden Produce Class 92 Sponsored by Dr M Cuthbert

This class is to encourage the exhibition of a range of kitchen vegetables and fruits. The produce should be clean, appetising and ready for the kitchen. Salads, herbs and edible flowers are permitted, and presentation should be attractive.



The collection should be displayed on a tray 60cm x 45cm x 5cm

Judges will look for variety, cleanliness, freshness, quality of produce and presentation. In other words, it should look tempting, tasty, and good enough to take straight to the kitchen.

Prizes awarded for this class are:

- ❖ **1st** £5 and 10 points
- ❖ **2nd** £3 and 6 points
- ❖ **3rd** £2 and 4 points

Floral Art

Exhibits should be composed of natural plant material with or without accessories. Backgrounds, bases, containers, drapes and mechanics may always be included unless otherwise stated. Where sizes are given, this refers to maximum width and depth; there is no height restriction. To help ensure sufficient space is allocated, potential exhibitors in classes 97-101, should notify the Show Secretary (Tel: 07741 248921 or email: cdhisshowsec@gmail.com by Thursday 7th August. Entries that are not notified will be accepted on Show Day, space permitting; it may not be possible to place a late entry alongside other exhibits in the same class. Please note that only one entry per class is permitted.

- 97. 'A Midsummer Night's Dream': (60cm x 60cm max) (1st £3.50, 7pts; 2nd £2.50, 5pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)
- 98. 'A Tapestry of Leaves': a foliage arrangement (45cm x 45cm max)
- 99. An Ikebana arrangement
- 100. A hanging door wreath to celebrate an engagement (30cm outer diameter max)
- 101. An arrangement in a recycled container (Novice: previous winners of Buchan Trophy may not exhibit in this class)

Hanging Basket/Patio Container – one entry per class

Prizes: 1st £5.00, 10pts; 2nd £3.00, 6pts; 3rd £2.00, 4pts

- 105. Flowering hanging basket
- 106. Flowering patio container not to exceed 45cm square or diameter
- 107. Colourful hanging basket or container using productive, edible plants, not to exceed 45cm square or diameter

AMATEUR CLASSES

Exhibitors may enter two exhibits in any class unless otherwise stated

Plants in Pots - Not to exceed 23cm, unless otherwise specified

- 110. 1 foliage plant
- 111. 1 Begonia in flower
- 112. 1 Fuchsia
- 113. 1 Geranium
- 114. 1 Pelargonium
- 115. Growing bottle garden (bottle not to exceed 30cm diameter)
- 116. Any pot plant in flower, different from other classes
- 117. Collection of 6 pot plants (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)
- 118. Cactus

Sweet Peas - A vase of Sweet Peas to contain 6 spikes, unless otherwise specified

- 122. 3 vases of 3 named varieties (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)
- 123. 1 vase of any single colour
- 129. 1 vase, 9 spikes blended for effect (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)

Roses

- 133. 1 vase, any variety or mixed, 6 blooms
- 134. 1 vase of 1 variety, 3 blooms
- 135. 1 vase of Rambler, Floribunda or Climber
- 136. 1 vase, 1 stem with 1 rose bloom (previous winners of Smith of Leys Cup may not enter)

Dahlias

- 139. 1 vase of medium or large Cactus variety, 3 blooms
- 140. 1 vase of small Cactus variety, 3 blooms
- 141. 1 vase of medium or large Decorative variety, 3 blooms
- 142. 1 vase of small Decorative variety, 3 blooms
- 143. 1 vase of Ball variety, 3 blooms
- 144. 1 vase of Pom-Pom variety, 4 blooms
- 145. 1 vase of Bishop's Dahlias, mixed or single variety/colour

Cut Flowers

- 147. 1 vase of lilies, 1 stem
- 148. 1 vase of Carnations, plain or picotee, 4 blooms

149. 1 vase of mixed flowering herbaceous perennials
150. 1 vase of 1 species of herbaceous perennial
151. 1 vase of 1 species of flowering shrub
152. 1 vase of Gladioli, 1 spike
153. 1 vase of Stocks, 4 spikes
154. 1 vase of Asters, 4 blooms
155. 1 vase of Phlox, 4 spikes
156. 1 vase of Antirrhinums, 4 spikes
157. 4 Pansies displayed in a box
158. 4 Violas displayed in a box
159. 1 vase of Scotch Marigolds, 4 blooms
160. 1 vase of French Marigolds, 4 blooms
161. 1 vase of African Marigolds, 4 blooms
162. 1 vase of mixed annuals
163. 1 vase of 1 species of annuals
164. 1 vase of Clematis, 4 blooms
165. 1 vase of 1 species, different from above, 4 stems

Fruit

166. 1/2 pint of picked Blackcurrants
167. 8 hangers of Redcurrants
168. 9 Strawberries with husks
169. 12 Raspberries with husks
170. 9 Gooseberries, red or green
171. 3 cooking Apples
172. 3 dessert Apples
173. Any fruit different from above, 3 specimens of large, 6 specimens of small
174. Plot to Plate: see page 22 for more information (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)

Vegetables

175. 3 Runner Beans
176. 3 Tomatoes
177. 6 cherry Tomatoes
178. 3 Onions from sets or seeds
179. 1 bulb of Garlic
180. 3 Carrots any matched colour
181. 6 French Beans
182. 3 Turnips
183. 6 Peapods
184. 3 stalks of Rhubarb
185. 3 Beetroots
186. 2 Leeks

187. 1 Lettuce in a container
188. 2 Brassicas in a container
189. 1 vase of mixed herbs
190. 6 Shallots
191. 3 coloured Potatoes
192. 3 white Potatoes
193. Collection of 3 named Potato varieties, 3 of each in a box (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)
195. Box of 6 varieties of vegetables, backs optional, not to exceed 75cm x 60cm, leafy greens may be used as garnish/background (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)
196. Herb plant in a pot (pot not to exceed 15cm)
197. Productive vegetable plant in a pot (pot not to exceed 30cm square or diameter)
198. Truss of Tomatoes (not necessarily ripe)
199. 2 Courgettes
200. 1 Cucumber
201. Any vegetable different from above: 1 specimen of large; 3 specimens of small
202. Plot to Plate: see page 22 for more information (1st £2.50, 5pts; 2nd £2.00, 4pts; 3rd £1.50, 3pts)

HAVE-A-GO CLASS

Previous winners of Lord Astor of Hever Trophy may not exhibit in class 207



Have-a-Go Class 207

**A basket or small trug of mixed kitchen
garden produce,
plus a vase of flowers (own vase)**

CROMAR AND DISTRICT AMATEUR GARDENING COMPETITION 2023

Within 12-mile radius of Tarland. All entries must be received by Sunday 20th July 2025; gardens will be judged on Thursday 24th July 2025. Entry form at end of schedule.

A garden may be entered once in classes 218 – 221. Previous winners of Bruce Shield may not enter class 218. Garden Elements are restricted to one entry per class, unless otherwise stated.

Gardens - Prizes: 1st £10.00, 20 pts; 2nd £7.50, 15 pts; 3rd £5.00, 10 pts

- 218. HAVE-A-GO garden (any style); previous winners of Bruce Shield may not enter
- 219. Cottage garden
- 220. Flower garden
- 221. A small or courtyard garden (max size 100m²)

Garden Elements - Prizes: 1st £5.00, 10pts; 2nd £3.00, 6pts; 3rd £2.00, 4pts

- 224. Ornamental perennial border
- 225. Wildlife area
- 226. Patio
- 227. Bedding or annual display
- 228. Productive plot (Exhibitors may enter class 228 or 229)
- 229. A productive raised bed (Exhibitors may enter 228 or 229)
- 230. A wildflower area

Plot to Plate



Class 174 - Fruit

Two classes which recognize the growing popularity of growing fruit and vegetables that are your own family favourites.



Class 202 - Vegetables

Display your produce attractively and include your recipe

Your recipe should use all the home-grown produce displayed but may have additional ingredients

Industrial Section

Guidance for New Entrants: always read the schedule carefully

Sewing

Make sure threads are trimmed on inside of work. Corners are better mitred or stitched.

Cushion covers should open for removal of pad.

Baby clothes should have flat seams - especially in armholes.

Knitting

Make sure threads are trimmed on inside of work. All baby or premature baby knits should not have any ribbons or poppers.

Greetings Cards

Should have message on inside, which can be computer generated.

Painting and Drawing

Paintings can be in watercolour, oil, acrylic or collage.

Drawings in pencil, pen and ink, oil pastel or soft pastel.

Industrial Section Rules

1. All entries must be bona fide work of the exhibitor in whose name the entry is made and not previously exhibited at Tarland Show.
2. Competitors can exhibit two entries in all Classes, unless otherwise stipulated.
3. Exhibitor's name and address written or printed on a piece of paper and enclosed in a sealed envelope must be firmly attached to exhibit with Section and Class No. on outside.
4. The Annual Subscription is £5.00 and must be paid on submission of the Entry Form. Members are admitted free to the Show. Exhibitors aged 18 and under are not required to pay the Annual Subscription, **although they should complete a membership/ entry form.**
5. The prizes or awards to be decided by the judges and in the event of a dispute arising the Committee's decision shall be final and binding upon all exhibitors.
6. Power is given to the judges to withhold a prize if they deem the exhibit not worthy, and to award an extra prize in cases of outstanding merit.
7. Anyone may lodge a protest with the Show Secretary, in writing, before 4 pm on the day of the Show. Each objection or protest to be accompanied by a deposit of £5.00, which will be refunded if the objection is sustained.
8. Exhibits and Entry Forms will be received by the Stewards on Friday evening from 7.00pm to 9.00pm and on Saturday from 7.00am to 9.30am. Judging will begin at 10.00am. **Exhibits may not be removed before 5.00 pm**
9. Entries in classes 276-282 (wine & liqueur classes) must be labelled with brown envelopes with class number as supplied by Society (Exhibitor details inside envelope). Clear wine bottles are preferred, 0.75 or 0.70 litres for classes 276-281, corks to be flange type or screw top. One entry allowed in each class.

INDUSTRIAL SECTION

PRIZES: 1st £2.00, 4pts; 2nd £1.50, 3pts; 3rd £1.00, 2pts;
unless otherwise specified

ENTRY FORMS AT END OF SCHEDULE

Exhibitors may enter a maximum of two exhibits in each class 231-282

Knitting and Crochet

- 231. A Fair Isle jumper
- 232. A knitted baby toy
- 233. A crocheted baby blanket
- 234. A pair of knitted socks
- 235. An Aran beanie hat
- 236. A crocheted shopping bag

Sewing

- 239. A toy animal made from fabric scraps
- 240. An embroidered motif on a sweater
- 241. A fabric baby's sleeping bag
- 242. A baby's floor mat
- 243. A fabric spectacle case
- 244. A table runner
- 245. A draught excluder

Crafts

- 246. An item of jewellery
- 247. A wooden item
- 248. A moulded beeswax candle
- 249. A block of processed beeswax
- 250. A cover for a notebook or tablet
- 251. A birthday card (with insert)
- 252. A sewn picture, any medium, framed (maximum size 60cm x 60cm)
- 253. Needle-felted picture (maximum size 30cm x 30cm)
- 254. A photograph: 'Farming'
- 255. A painting, unsigned, in a frame or mount: 'Seascape' (maximum size 60cm x 60cm)
- 256. A drawing, unsigned, in frame or mount: 'Insect(s)' (maximum size 60cm x 60cm)

Cookery

- 257. 2 savoury muffins
- 258. 2 slices of carrot cake
- 259. 4 cheese straws
- 260. 2 blondies
- 261. 2 cinnamon swirls
- 262. 2 individual glasses of lemon posset
- 263. 3 oatcakes
- 264. 4 squares of coconut ice

Preserves - (Label jar with type of preserve and date made)

- 268. A jar of strawberry jam
- 269. A jar of blackcurrant jelly
- 270. A jar of marmalade (any flavour)
- 271. A jar of beetroot chutney
- 272. A small bottle of raspberry vinegar

Honey

- 273. A piece of cut comb honey
- 274. A jar of extracted clear honey
- 275. A jar of extracted creamy honey

Wines - (One entry allowed in each class)

- 276. Sweet white wine
- 277. Dry white wine
- 278. Sweet red wine
- 279. Dry red wine
- 280. Rosé wine
- 281. Sparkling wine
- 282. A small bottle of non-alcoholic cordial (please state flavour)

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS' SECTION

ALL ENTRIES FREE

Age/School Class as at 31st May 2025. You may only enter your own age group in this section.

PLEASE HAND IN YOUR ENTRY FORM (AT END OF SCHEDULE)

Exhibitor's name, written or printed on a piece of paper or cards provided, must be attached or placed under the exhibit with class number showing.

Only one exhibit in each class is allowed, unless otherwise stated.

PRIZES: 1st £2.00, 4pts; 2nd £1.50, 3pts; 3rd £1. 00, 2pts

Pre-School

- 283. A drawing of a person
- 284. A hand or footprint picture

Arts & crafts for Primary 1-4

- 285. A miniature garden in a lid
- 286. A decorated specimen of handwriting - 4 lines P1 & P2
- 287. A decorated specimen of handwriting - 6 lines P3 & P4
- 288. A picture, any medium. P1 & 2. 'An animal'
- 289. A picture, any medium. P3 & 4 'My home'
- 290. A junk model
- 291. A decorated jar for a tealight
- 292. A photograph of a flower

Art & crafts for Primary 5-7

- 295. A picture, any medium. 'A shop'
- 296. A decorated jar for a tealight
- 297. A decorated bracelet
- 298. An article in patchwork
- 299. A kitchen in a shoe box
- 300. A decorated specimen of handwriting, 8-10 lines
- 301. A greetings card
- 302. A photograph of a relative, with a humorous caption
- 303. Design a cover for the 2026 Open Show schedule

Arts & crafts for Secondary 1-4 (Two entries allowed in each class)

- 307. Design an outfit to wear at a music festival
- 308. An article in patchwork
- 309. A model of a bird or animal made of recycled materials
- 310. A gift-wrapped parcel
- 311. A specimen of handwriting, 10-12 lines: A poem
- 312. A photograph of an animal, with a humorous caption
- 313. Design a robot for a specific use (specify)

Cookery for Primary School pupils

- 326. 2 rock cakes
- 327. 2 truffles
- 328. 2 uncooked traybakes
- 329. 2 decorated digestive biscuits

Cookery for Secondary 1-4 pupils (Two entries allowed in each class)

- 333. 2 fruit scones
- 334. A jar of jam, any flavour
- 335. 2 traybakes, cooked or uncooked
- 336. 2 decorated cupcakes

Gardening for Primary School pupils

- 347. 3 vegetables (homegrown)
- 348. 1 misshapen vegetable
- 349. 1 vase of flowers
- 350. 1 pot of herbs, pot not to exceed 15cm
- 351. 3 pressed and labelled tree leaves
- 352. A plant grown from a cutting
- 353. Mr Cresshead in an eggshell
- 354. A Citrus fruit seedling

Gardening for Secondary 1-4 pupils (Two entries allowed in each class)

- 358. A selection of homegrown fruit displayed in a small basket or trug
- 359. The home-grown ingredients for a salad (name the salad eg green, mixed, Waldorf, coleslaw)
- 360. A vase of perennial flowers
- 361. A selection of homegrown vegetables in a small trug or basket
- 362. A horticultural arrangement in a recycled container

363. A productive plant in a pot (pot not to exceed 30cm)

364. A vase of annual flowers

365. A pot of culinary herbs (pot not to exceed 15cm)

Junior Honey - 16 years & under

380. A piece of cut comb honey

381. A jar of extracted clear honey

382. A jar of extracted creamy honey

Society Fundraising Event

Plant and Produce Sale

MacRobert Memorial Hall,

Tarland

Saturday 10th May 2025

10 am - 12 noon

Entry £5 includes Tea, Coffee & Home Bakes

All plant and produce donations
gratefully accepted!

*With thanks to the MacRobert Trust
for their valuable support
of this event*

Cromar and District Horticultural and Industrial Society Amateur Gardening Competition Entry Form

**12-mile radius of Tarland. All entries must be received by
Sunday 20th July 2025. Judged on Thursday 24th July 2025
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION £5.00. (18 years and under free)**



Please send entries to the Show Secretary at Longfold Steading, Tarland, AB34 4UR (07741 248921) or email: cdhisshowsec@gmail.com. All garden classes must be entered on the form overleaf. The Show Secretary will contact you prior to judging.

Have you previously been a member? YES / NO
If YES, have any of your details changed? YES / NO

PLEASE NOTE:

Your membership data is held by Cromar and District Horticultural and Industrial Society. It is used by the Society in order to manage the Flower Show, distribute schedules and for occasional contact by mail or email and will not be disclosed to any outside parties.

Name.....

Address

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Postcode Telephone

Email

A garden may be entered once in classes 218 – 221. Previous winners of Bruce Shield may not enter class 218. Additionally, you may enter Garden Elements, which are restricted to one entry per class, unless otherwise stated. Please tick the classes you wish to enter.

Gardens		
Class 218	Have-a-go Garden (any style)	
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Class 220	Flower Garden	
Class 221	A Small or Courtyard Garden	
Garden Elements		
Class 224	Ornamental perennial border	
Class 225	Wildlife area	
Class 226	Patio	
Class 227	Bedding / annual display	
Class 228 OR	A productive plot OR	
Class 229	A productive raised bed	
Class 230	A wildflower area	



**Cromar and District
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AGM 2025

**Upper Hall, MacRobert
Memorial Hall, Wednesday 12th
November 2025**

*The MacRobert Trust
are delighted to be opening their
gardens once again under
Scotland's Gardens.*

**Open Day
Douneside Gardens, Tarland
Sunday 13th July 2025
2pm – 5pm**



***Seed Swap and Potato Day
22nd February 2025
MacRobert Hall, Tarland
1000 - 1230***

A great start to the growing season - different varieties of heritage and/or organic potato seed, shallot/onion and garlic sets for sale - FREE locally saved seed available to take away. Entry £2 – Children FREE

Why not bring some of your own to swap?

*Tarland Community Garden
And the Tarland Food and Music
Festival*

**Look out for announcements
about events
19th – 21st September 2025**

Thanks for supporting us



Hope you have fun!