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# 73<sup>rd</sup> VILLAGE SHOW & CAR BOOT HANLEY SWAN VILLAGE HALL

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**August Bank Holiday Weekend  
Saturday 29th August 2026**

**PAPER ENTRIES CLOSE : TUESDAY 25th AUGUST 5pm**

**ONLINE ENTRIES CLOSE : WEDNESDAY 26th AUGUST 5pm**

**Enter Online at: <https://www.hanleysvillageshow.org>**

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**HANLEY SWAN VILLAGE HALL, WELLAND ROAD WR8 0EQ**

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## SECTION 1 FLOWERS

Sponsored by Grange Farm Nursery



**PLEASE NOTE:** Cut flowers must be displayed in a single container.

1. **Annuals**, 3 stems, with foliage
2. **One specimen bloom**, excluding roses
3. **Container of mixed perennial flowers**
4. **Cactus Dahlias**, 3 blooms
5. **Large Ball/Decorative Dahlia**, 3 blooms
6. **Fuchias- 5 individual blooms**, mixed kinds allowed
7. **One Rose Stem or Spray**
8. **Outdoor pot containing 1 or more plants**
9. **Miniature garden in a seed tray**
10. **Container of ornamental grass stems**, mixed kinds allowed
11. **Hydrangea**, 1 stem
12. **Flowering Pot Plant**
13. **Indoor Pot Plant**
14. **Cacti / Succulent (s)**

### TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Condition and uniformity are key for an attractive exhibit.
- An exhibit is in 'good condition' when free from damage.
- Uniformity requires items to match in age, size, and form.
- Avoid foliage unless specified in the schedule.
- Prioritize blooms that match in color, size, and form if multiple are needed.
- Check for any specified dimensions if using a container.

## SECTION 2: VEGETABLES & FRUIT

Sponsored by Nuyard Garden Centre



**Class 15** is sponsored by Black Swan Windows, with a first prize of £15, second £10 and third £5! This is to encourage people to have a go and grow their own. Good Luck!

**15. Tray of fruit and vegetables, exhibitor's choice** displayed in 60x60 cm tray provided.

## **SECTION 2: VEGETABLES & FRUIT** continued...

16. Onions, 4 up to 8ozs (227g)
17. Onions, green salad/spring—3, with foliage and roots attached
18. Shallots, 6 matching, any shape
19. Any 3 peppers including chillies— please name variety. immature but fully formed chillies are accepted.
20. Carrots, 3 (trimmed tops to approx. 75mm)
21. Beetroot 3 (trimmed tops to approx. 75mm)
22. Tomatoes, 6
23. Tomatoes, Cherry type, 1 truss (not all fruits need be ripe)
24. Any other greenhouse veg, 1
25. French Beans, 3
26. Runner Beans, 3
27. Radishes, small salad —3, with foliage trimmed to approx. 30mm
28. Potatoes, 4 coloured
29. Potatoes, 4 white
30. Courgettes, 3 (10cm –15cm length)
31. Collection of any 3 Squashes
32. Marrow, heaviest
33. Collection of any 3 Vegetables
34. Fresh Garden Herbs, collection in a container up to 30cm diameter
35. Rhubarb -3 stalks, tops of foliage cut to approx. 75mm from start of leaf stalks
36. Dessert Apples, 5 fruits
37. Cooking Apples, 5 fruits
38. Plate of fruits, 6 fruits of the same variety
39. Collection of 3 different kinds of fruits
40. A container of salad vegetables (min 3 varieties)
41. Vegetable Sculpture— please see guidance on website

### **TIPS FOR SUCCESS**

The main criteria are condition; size; colour and uniformity. Points are awarded for each of these attributes but generally condition counts more than size. All specimens should be alike in size, form and colour. In classes for the heaviest/longest vegetable, size is most important.

**FRUIT:** Judges are looking for ripe, but not overripe fruit with an attractive, naturally produced colour. If possible, fruits should be above average size for the cultivar, but enormous specimens are not necessary or desirable. Raspberries, strawberries and gooseberries should be shown with stalks attached.

**VEGETABLES:** Judges are looking for cleanliness, freshness, tenderness with no coarseness or blemishes. Large vegetables are best but only if accompanied by quality, as the production of large specimens requires more skill.

- In the case of potatoes shape and eyes are also taken into account.
- Root vegetables must be free of soil (but cleaning or washing should not damage the skin) tops cut off, except beetroot and carrots (see above). Leaf stalks should be neatly tied.

## SECTION 3: FLORAL ART

Sponsored by Albion Meadows

Exhibits can be modern or traditional, with classes 42 to 46 and 48 limited to a 60cm x 60cm base and no height restriction. You can arrange flowers at home and stage them at the Hall. In line with RHS and NAFAS guidelines, please do not use floral foam.



- 42. An arrangement of flowers and foliage from your garden.**
- 43. An arrangement using an economy bunch of supermarket flowers, with or without accessories.**
- 44. An arrangement just using foliage, using fresh plant material.**
- 45. An arrangement** using fresh, dried or artificial plant materials and accessories.
- 46. An arrangement in a teapot** using fresh plant material.
- 47. A small exhibit of flowers not exceeding 12cm in diameter,** using fresh plant material, with or without accessories.
- 48. A corsage/buttonhole,** using fresh plant material, with/without accessories.

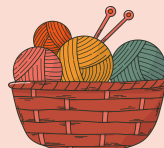
### TIPS FOR SUCCESS

Judging in these categories focuses on artistic interpretation and skill, with good quality flowers and plants being essential.

## SECTION 4: HANDICRAFTS

Sponsored by AJB Joinery

Handicrafts must be original and never previously submitted to this show.



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| <b>49. A quilted or patchwork item</b> | <b>54. A Painting or Drawing</b>          |
| <b>50. Embroidery or cross stitch</b>  | <b>55. A Handmade Toy of any material</b> |
| <b>51. An item of metalwork</b>        | <b>56. Any Item using Wood</b>            |
| <b>52. A sewn item of clothing</b>     | <b>57. Any item made from felt</b>        |
| <b>53. Any Knitted or Crochet Item</b> | <b>58. A Greetings Card</b>               |
|  | <b>59. Any other Handcrafted item</b>     |

### TIPS FOR SUCCESS:

- Fold large exhibits for easy examination.
- Remember that both the inside and outside of exhibits will be judged.

## SECTION 5: HOME COOKERY



Sponsored by Hanley Swan Village Post Office and Shop

60. Carrot Cake (follow recipe below)

61. Cheese and onion tart (please supply a copy of your recipe)

62. Cherry Madeira cake

63. Lemon cup cakes x6

64. Madeleines x6

65. Muffins x4

66. Focaccia (not using a bread maker).

67. A plate of 6 eggs

### Carrot Cake Recipe (Class 60)

#### Ingredients

##### For the Cake:

- 4 free-range eggs
- 200 ml vegetable or sunflower oil
- 250 g carrots, coarsely grated
- 100 g raisins or sultanas (optional)
- 100 g walnut pieces (plus a few for decorating)
- Zest of 1 orange
- 200 g self-raising flour
- 2tsp mixed spice
- 1tsp bicarbonate of soda

- ¼ tsp fine salt
- 200 g light brown sugar

##### For the Frosting:

- 150 g unsalted butter, softened
- 3 tbsp caster sugar
- 250 g–300 g full-fat cream cheese, at room temperature

1. Preheat and Prep: Preheat your oven to 180°C (160°C Fan/Gas 4). Grease and line the base of a 20cm/8-inch deep round cake tin with baking paper.
2. Mix Dry Ingredients: In a large bowl, mix together the flour, mixed spice, bicarbonate of soda, and salt.
3. Mix Wet Ingredients: In a separate large bowl, whisk together the eggs, vegetable oil, and light brown sugar.
4. Combine: Stir the dry ingredients into the wet egg-and-oil mixture until fully combined. Fold in the grated carrots, walnuts, raisins, and orange zest.
5. Bake: Pour the batter into your prepared cake tin and bake for roughly 1 hour to 1 hour 15 minutes, until golden brown and firm to the touch. Check with a skewer inserted into the centre—if it comes out clean, it is done.
6. Make the Frosting: While the cake cools, beat the softened butter and caster sugar together until pale and fluffy. Gradually beat in the cream cheese until smooth and creamy.
7. Assemble: Once the cake is completely cool, cut it horizontally into two equal sponges. Sandwich the layers together and cover the top with your cream cheese frosting. Decorate with extra walnut halves.

## SECTION 6: DRINKS & PRESERVES

Sponsored by The Three Kings

68. A jar of jelly

69. A jar of jam

70. A jar of marmalade

71. A jar of chutney (labelled spicy, hot, or mild)

72. A jar of honey

73. A jar of lemon curd

74. A bottle of homemade wine, labelled with type



75. A bottle of homemade flavoured gin or vodka, labelled with type.

76. A bottle of homemade non-alcoholic drink e.g. juice, cordial, lemonade. Labelled with type and date.

### TIPS FOR SUCCESS for sections 5 and 6

- Judges will be looking for a well-presented entry, properly cooked, of the correct taste and texture and as described in the schedule, i.e. size, recipe, etc.
- All food items should be covered or wrapped and presented on a plate, bread-board, dish or other suitable display item and not placed direct onto the table.
- Preserves should be labelled with the name of contents and full date of making. Jars must be sealed; chutney should be in a twist top jar, lemon curd with a cellophane cover and waxed disc. If a twist top or plastic covers are used for jams a waxed disc is not required. All should have a good seal and lids should be new.
- Bread should be cooked at least 24 hours before showing (for ease of cutting for judging).

## SECTION 7: PHOTOGRAPHY

Sponsored by Albion Lodge Retirement Home



Prints taken by the exhibitor, no larger than 20cm x 15cm. Digital photos are welcome. This year's themes are:

77. 'Light and shadow'

78. "Looks like a painting"

79. "Wildlife"

80. "This Country Life"

81. "Nostalgia"

## SECTION 8: CHILDREN'S SECTION

Sponsored by Warners Supermarkets



### 82. A Floral Arrangement, up to 16 years

**Miniature Garden**, made with plant material in a seed tray

83. Up to and including 8 years

84. 9 to 16 years

### 85. Animal made from Fruit & Veg.

Exhibit to be named, up to 16 years

#### Handicrafts

Any handcrafted item

86 Up to and including 8 years

87. 9 to 16 years

### A constructed model using lego

88. Up to and including 8 years

89. 9-16 years old

### A constructed model NOT using Lego

90. Up to and including 8 years

91. 9-16 years old

### Design and Make a "Bug Hotel"

Max size 40cm x 40cm

92. Up to and including 8 years

93. 9 to 16 years

### 94. "Flowers in my garden"

A photograph you have taken, up to 16 years.

#### Children's Art

Please do not put the name on the front of the pictures to allow for independent judging.

95. Under 5

96. 5 to 7 years

97. 8 to 10 years

98. 11 to 16 years

### A computer-generated poster promoting the village show 2027.

Maximum size A4.

99. Up to and including 8 years

100. 9 to 16 years

### Decorated cup cakes x6

101. Up to and including 8 years

102. 9 to 16 years



# This Year's Show 2026

Our long-standing Show Secretary, Hilary Fowler, has retired from the show this year. Hilary has done an outstanding job in the running of the show, as well as being a talented Floral Art exhibitor. We will miss her.

Besides the usual updates to some classes, the main changes this year include a new section - **'Drinks and Preserves'**. Also, we've **tightened the rule for Class 15**, to ensure both fruit and veg are included. We've taken another look at the distribution of cups and prizes and decided that the **Gilbert's End Trophy will now go to the 'best drink' in Section 6** and to **stop giving out vouchers** along with cups to help with the show's budget and keep in line with other shows.

**IMPORTANT NOTE** we have also decided to:

1. **Set an earlier deadline for the submission of entries** to allow more time for administration,
2. **Close the hall for staging entries half an hour earlier, at 10am** to allow more time for judging. Remember that you can also stage your entries on Friday afternoon.

## New Website

We now have our own website. For all you need to know about the show and hints and tips on making the most of your entries, go to <https://hanleysvillageshow.org>

## How to Enter

Please enter online via the website – this is quickest option and helps reduce administration. You can still complete a paper entry form, but this should be emailed to [hanleyshow@gmail.com](mailto:hanleyshow@gmail.com) or delivered to Grange Farm Nursery or Albion Lodge. Entry fees can be paid when you bring in your exhibits.

## Sponsors

We are grateful to local sponsors who have generously donated both cash and raffle prizes.

## Car Boot

Car booters must now pre-register on our website and note new guidance on selling.

## The Market Place

Weather permitting, there will be chairs and tables outside for refreshments, entertainment by Single Reeds and stallholders offering various goods.

## Teas and Cakes

Delicious homemade cakes, bacon butties and drinks supplied by Hanley Castle WI will be served from 13:00.

## Can you help?

We are always grateful for help running the show, from helping us to set up before and taking down after, stewarding, selling raffle tickets, or car park assistance. Please get in touch if you can help, even for an hour or so on – it all counts!

# IMPORTANT TIMINGS FOR ENTRIES

**DEADLINE FOR *PAPER* ENTRY FORMS: 5PM TUESDAY 25TH AUGUST 2026**

**DEADLINE FOR *ONLINE* ENTRY FORMS: 5PM WEDNESDAY 26th AUGUST 2026**

Entries can be passed to any of the committee members or handed in to:

**Grange Farm Nursery, Guarlford Road, Guarlford**

**A Box left at Reception of Albion Lodge and Meadows, Roberts End, Hanley Swan.**

## **STAGING OF EXHIBITS:**

**Friday 28th August 2026 3-5pm**

**Saturday 29th August 8.30-10 am**

### **Saturday 29th August 2026**

- Doors open at 08.30 and all entries must be staged by 10.00 on the morning of the show. They then cannot be removed until the conclusion of the prize giving at 16.00.
- At 10.00 the Hall will be closed to the public for judging.
- The Hall will open again to the public at 13.30.
- Exhibitors **MUST** remove their entries by 17.00. The committee cannot take responsibility for uncollected items.
- Prize money may be collected from the back of the hall from 15.00 onwards.

**Please get in touch with any of the Committee Members below if you have any questions.**

### **Village Show Committee**

Nicky Carless—Magstones, Westmere, Hanley Swan WR8 0DG. (07946 296543)

Sarah Darwent—Greenways, Roberts End, Hanley Swan, WR8 0DL, (01684 310309)

Jane Jordan – 4, Brinkley Drive, Hanley Castle (07879 606714)

Carol Nicholls—Holly Cottage, Gilberts End, Hanley Castle WR8 0AS (01684 310337)

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Julie Timmins - The Forge, Gilberts End, Hanley Swan ( 07767 742970)

# TROPHIES

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## Adult Classes

**The Connie Wilson Challenge Bowl** - for the most points in Section 1.

**The Peggy Wilson Challenge Bowl** - for the most points in Section 2.

**The Gilbert Lea Cup** - for the Best Collection of Fruit and Vegetables (Class 15).

**The Owen Evans Trophy** - for the Best Vegetable Exhibit in the Show (excluding Class 15)

**The George Sharpe Salver** - for the Best Floral Art in Classes 42-45.

**The Mr P Clutterbuck Cup** - for the Best Exhibit in a Teapot (Class 46).

**The Mr P Clutterbuck Cup** - for the Best Small Exhibit of Flowers (Class 47).

**The Alfred & Constance Wilks Memorial Cup** - for the best Adult's Handicraft (Section 4).

**The Oakmere Cup** - for the most points gained in Cookery (except Class 67-Eggs).

**The WI Salver "Best Cook"** - for the Best Exhibit from Classes 60 –66.

**The Miss Wilson Cup** - for the Best Cake (Class 60).

**The Doug & Barbara Chadd Memorial Plate** - for the Best Pastry (Class 62).

**The Mr C Adeney Bowl** - for the Best Preserve Class 68 to 73.

**The Gilbert's End Trophy** - for the Best Drink in classes 74-76.

**The Thompson Cup** - for the Best Photograph in Section 7.

**The Stainforth Cup** - for the most points in Photography, Section 7.

**A Rose Bowl (The Bert Appleby Trophy)**-“Best in Show” – Adult Classes.

## Children's Classes

**The Miniature Cup** - for the Best Miniature Garden (children's Classes 83 or 84).

**The Mr P Clutterbuck Cup** - for the Best Floral Arrangement by a child (Class 82).

**The Mrs A Sturt Cup** - for the Best Cupcake by children (Class 100 or 101)

**The Mr P Hedges Cup** - for the Best Children's Picture (Classes 95-98)

**The "Parish Link" Dendy Cup** - for the Best Children's Handicraft (Classes 86 & 87).

**The Hanley Show Children's Cup** - for the most points in the childrens Section 8

**Cafe Market Bowl** - "Best in Show" - Children's Classes

***These cups cannot be won outright except for  
The Hanley Show Children's Cup.***

# SHOW RULES

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1. Entry is open to all amateurs.
2. You may enter as many classes as you wish, with a maximum of two entries per class.
3. Paper entry forms must be submitted by 5pm on the Wednesday before the show. Online entries can be submitted up to 5 pm on the Thursday before the show. We won't accept late entries.
4. Adult entry fees - 50p per class. Children's entry fees - 20p per class.
5. All exhibits must be the exhibitor's own work, except pot plants (which must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least three months), classes 41-47 and class 74 (for which floral material may be purchased), and eggs, which must be from the exhibitor's own hens.
6. No adult help is allowed for juniors over five years of age.
7. If insufficient entries are received in a class, the class may be cancelled.
8. Points are awarded at the judge's discretion and their decision is final.
9. Points are awarded as follows: 1st place - 3 points; 2nd place - 2 points; and 3rd place - 1 point. In the event of a tie, the exhibitor with the most 1sts will win the cup.
10. The first prize in any class may be withheld if there are no more than three entries or at the judge's discretion.
11. Trophies will be presented at 4pm: exhibits may be removed at 4.30pm.
12. Prizes
  - For all sections: First - £2, Second - £1, Third – 50p.
  - For Class 15 only : First - £15, Second - £10, Third - £5.00.
12. Any cash prizes uncollected by 5 pm on the day of the show will be donated to charity or put towards show running costs.
13. With the exception of the Hanley Show Children's Cup, cups may be held by the winner for twelve months and must be returned to the committee in good, clean condition at least three weeks before the show. Any damage must be notified to the committee in time for it to be repaired for the next recipient.
14. Any complaint must be made to a committee member before 3 pm on show day.
15. The committee, while exercising reasonable care, will not be responsible for the loss of, or damage to, any entry or other personal property at the show.

## **Please Remember:**

- Follow the instructions for the class in the schedule; failure to do so may exclude your exhibit from being judged
- Don't put your name on any exhibit that is visible to the judges.
- Allow time to set up your entry to its best advantage on the day - we have to close the hall for judging at 10am.
- Collect your prize money from the back of the hall from about 15.00 onwards.



Exhibitor Number (Office use Only)

# Hanley Village Show Entry Form



## ONE PARTICIPANT PER FORM

**Name:** .....

**Address:** ..... **Post Code:**.....

**Tel:** ..... **Email:**.....

**If junior, please give age:**

Please clearly circle the class numbers you wish to enter.

If you wish to enter a class twice, write x2 next to the class number. No more than 2 entries per class.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
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92	93	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	

Fee: 50p for adults, 20p for children per Entry. Fee total : £ \_\_\_\_\_

Email completed **Paper** forms to [hanleyshow@gmail.com](mailto:hanleyshow@gmail.com) or drop off by **5pm** on **Tuesday 25th August** to Grange Farm Nursery, Guarlford or Albion Lodge, Roberts End.

**Online** forms may be submitted by **5pm Wednesday 26th August 2026**.

I have read and understand the important notes below:

Signed:..... Parent/Guardian? YES/NO

**IMPORTANT, PLEASE NOTE:** If you win a prize do you consent to you/your child being photographed & the image put up on the website? **YES/NO** If YES, do you want the name published with the photo? **YES/NO**

Our Privacy Policy is available on our website. You can opt out at any time by emailing us.

NOTE: ENTRY IS SUBJECT TO SHOW RULES