

DORKING ALLOTMENT HOLDERS
ASSOCIATION

10th ANNUAL MOLE VALLEY SQUASH AND PUMPKIN SHOW
2017

Saturday 14th October, Christian Centre, Church St. Dorking RH4 1DW



Show Schedule and Rules

NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS

Do not be put off by the rules but do read them! They are there to help you and make things fair.

Pumpkins are known as mature fruits, ripening to orange and with a hollow seed cavity which are often used for carving.

Winter squash are generally varieties whose fruits are eaten at the fully mature stage and which can be stored for winter use.

Summer squash are fruit eaten and shown at the immature stage but can still be entered for the show if available towards the end of the growing season.

Gourds are inedible fruits grown for their ornamental value.

Our judges will take account of form, maturity, colour and uniformity. The stalk or peduncle should be retained and all exhibits should be clean.

Weighing scales will be available at the Show to help Exhibitors decide which Classes to enter and the Show Organisers are happy to offer further help and advice.

TROPHIES AND PRIZES

Rob Arthur Trophy; awarded to the biggest pumpkin or squash by weight (class 13).

Mole Valley District Council 'Best in Show' Trophy; awarded to the best exhibit in categories A-E.

Arts Alive Trophy; awarded to the best exhibit in the Arts Alive Category

Boothole Trophy; awarded to the child with the most points in the Junior Category.

Pumpkin Pie Trophy; awarded to the person with the most points in the Culinary category.

Alaster Calder Gourd Bowl; awarded to the person with the most points in the Gourds Category.

School's Trophy; awarded to the school with the best display.

Butternut Trophy; awarded to the person with the most points in this *NEW* category.

Banksian Medal; for the highest total number of points awarded in categories A - E.

(Please note that except for the Banksian Medal the above Trophies are awarded for one year and must be returned by the Pumpkin Show next year)

PROGRAMME

Friday October 13th - Halls open from **6-9pm** for exhibitors and helpers only.

Saturday 14th - Halls open **9-11am** for exhibitors to bring entries.

Judging - 11-12.30

13.00 - 5.00pm Show will be open to the public.

The café will be open to all for teas, coffees and meals linked to the versatility of pumpkins from **10.00am**.

RULES

1. The Show is open and free to all members of the Dorking Allotment Holders Association, Community Gardens, Schools (category F) and Arts Alive (category H). For non-members there is a £1 fee for each entry.
2. The rules wherever possible, will be based on the RHS 'Horticultural Show Handbook' (classes A-E)
3. Exhibits are limited to pumpkins, squashes (both summer and winter) and gourds and must have been grown by the Exhibitor for at least 3 months prior to the Show.
4. Exhibitors may enter only one Exhibit per Class. No two persons may compete in the same Class with produce from the same garden or allotment (except Sections G & H).
5. An Exhibit may only be moved at the discretion of the Show Organiser.
6. The Judges' decision shall be final in respect of the merits of the Exhibits. The Committees decision shall be final regarding the organization of the Show.
7. Each Exhibit must be accompanied by an entry card (available on the day) with the entry class clearly identified. Exhibitors are responsible for the delivery and collection of their Exhibits. Exhibits may be brought to the show between **18.00** and **21.00** on Friday 13th October and between **09.00** and **11.00** on the day of the Show.
8. Exhibits must remain in the hall until **17.00**. Exhibits may be collected from the hall between **17.00** and **18.00**. Any exhibits remaining after this time will be assumed to have been donated to DAHA for sale.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

A: SMALL CATEGORY (each pumpkin or squash up to 3lb)

1. Single pumpkin or squash.
2. Three pumpkins or squash - same variety.
3. Three pumpkins or squash - mixed varieties.

B: INTERMEDIATE CATEGORY (each pumpkin or squash 3lb to 7lb)

4. Single pumpkin or squash - any variety.
5. Three pumpkins or squash - same variety.
6. Three pumpkins or squash - mixed varieties.

C: LARGE CATEGORY (each pumpkin or squash 7lb and over)

7. Single pumpkin or squash.
8. Pair of pumpkin or squash - same variety.
9. Three pumpkin or squash - mixed varieties.
10. Three pumpkin or squash - same variety.
11. Biggest pumpkin or squash (by weight).
12. Ugliest pumpkin or squash.

D: BUTTERNUT SQUASH CATEGORY

13. Single butternut squash.
14. Two butternut squash.
15. An arrangement of three butternuts - any size or weight.

E: GOURDS CATEGORY

16. Single gourd.
17. Pair of gourds - same variety.
18. Three gourds - same variety.
19. A basket of 7 gourds - any variety.

F: JUNIOR CATEGORY (12 years or under)

20. A diorama of Alice's Pumpkinland in a standard seed tray.
21. A carved pumpkin of Alice's head. (or similar)
22. A drawing or painting from the Alice in Wonderland story.

G: SCHOOLS CATEGORY (any age group)

23. An arrangement of pumpkins squash or gourds grown at school or at home by the pupils incorporating a idea from Alice in Wonderland to fit on a table approximately 900x780mm.

H: CULINARY CATEGORY

24. The Mock Turtles pumpkin soup.
25. The Queen of Hearts tarts (sweet cakes and puddings)
26. The Knave of Spades savoury pumpkin dish.
27. Mad Hatters choice pumpkin jam, chutney or preserve.

I: ARTS ALIVE CATEGORY (inspired by the show's theme of Pumpkin and Squash in Wonderland)

28. A single photograph.
29. A decorative arrangement incorporating three pumpkins, squash or gourds.
30. A single painting or drawing using any medium.
31. A sculpture or creation using any materials.
32. A carved or decorated pumpkin, squash or gourd (inspiration on [Pinterest](#))

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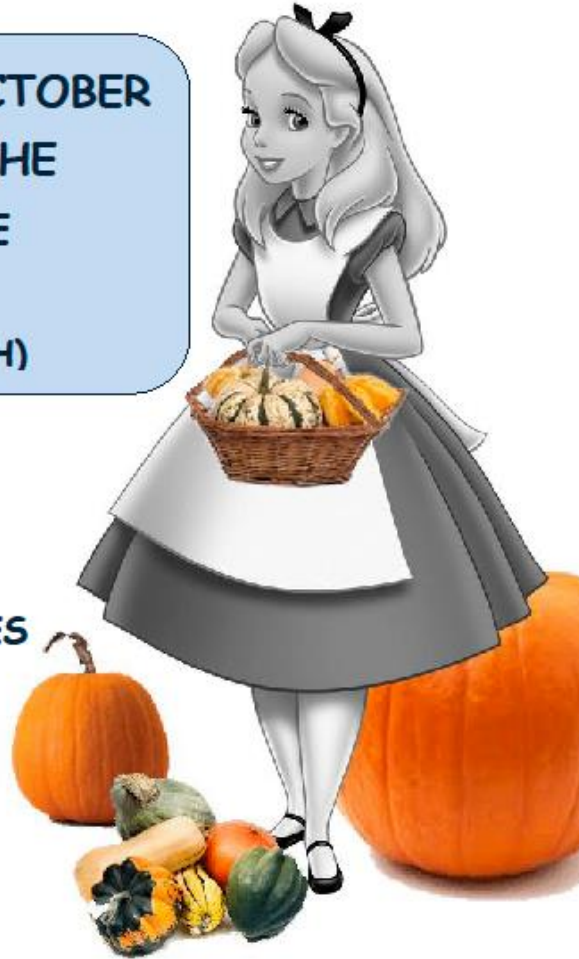
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**SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER
1PM TO 5PM AT THE
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(NEXT TO THE CHURCH)**

**TEA, COFFEE, CAKE
SWEET & SAVOURY
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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES
FREE ENTRY**



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