

**RULES**

**THE SOCIETY ACCEPTS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE  
PROPERTY OF EXHIBITORS  
IN ALL CASES THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE  
CONSIDERED FINAL**

These Rules are in accordance with those of the Australian Horticultural Judges' Association Inc.

1. Any exhibit not in accordance with the Schedule will be disqualified and marked N.A.S. by the Judge.
2. Exhibitors must use containers supplied by the Society unless otherwise stated or prior arrangements have been made with the Show Manager. No advantage can be gained by using a non-Society container.
3. All exhibits must have been grown by the exhibitor and have been in their possession for at least three months prior to the Show.
4. Cut flower exhibits become the property of the Society (unless otherwise arranged with the Show Manager by the exhibitor) and may be sold or destroyed after the Show.
5. Exhibits in other classes are considered the property of the Society until the Show's close and must not be removed without the permission of the Show Manager.
6. Exhibits considered by the Judge to be not worthy of the prize allotted in the Schedule shall have the prize withheld or reduced in value.
7. The Show Manager reserves the right to refuse any entry.
8. **EXHIBITORS ARE REQUESTED TO NAME EXHIBITS ON THEIR ENTRY CARDS.** This will be taken into consideration in cases of close competition. Entrants wishing to have an entry named should leave a card with Name Please on it.
9. Abbreviations: C.V.A. Colour Variation Allowed  
N.N.D. Not Necessarily Distinct  
S.S. Staged Singly
10. Flowering Shrubs include Trees and Climbers.
11. Own foliage is permitted in all exhibits.
12. Wiring of flowers is prohibited.
13. A container holds any number of stems.
14. A vase consists of at least three stems and not more than six.
15. **Novice Classes.** Open only to those who have not won a first prize or Blue Ribbon in that section at any Horticultural Show, or FCHS Novice awards in three or more FCHS shows. There will be a Best Novice in Show award across all classes designated as included for the Award.
16. Exhibits must not exceed these dimensions:
  - a) Pot: The area of a pot must not exceed 1,250 square centimetres at its widest point, eg 40cm diameter or 25cm x 50cm etc
  - b) Overall exhibit: 75 cm in width and height above the bench unless otherwise stated.
17. Self-watering pots and hanging baskets may be used.



**The Ferry Creek Horticultural Society Inc.**

Incorporated No. A 0002252X

# Flower Festival 2025

to be conducted at the Society's hall

**100 Hilton Road (east end)  
Sassafras, Vic 3787**

Saturday 25th October  
12:00 noon - 4:00 pm  
and

Sunday 26th October  
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Note new revised Rule 16  
regarding pot sizes  
for Flower Festival

## Show Schedule

### Show Manager

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*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we  
gather and garden, the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation,  
and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.*

## **NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS**

1. Read the Rules at the back of the Schedule and the Notes applying to each Section.
2. All classes are open to everyone unless stated otherwise. Membership of the Society is not required to enter the Show.
3. Exhibitors may submit any number of entries in any number of classes.
4. Entries close at 10:00am Thursday 23rd October. Late entries may be accepted at the Show Manager's discretion.
5. Entries can be submitted as follows:
  - a) By email to [showentries@fchs.org.au](mailto:showentries@fchs.org.au) before 10:00am Thursday 23rd October, or
  - b) By phone to 0455 531 911 Wednesday 22nd October 7:30pm - 8:30pm; or Thursday 23rd October 9:00am - 10:00am; or
  - c) In writing in the Entries Box at the Society's hall Thursday 23rd October 8:30am - 10:00am.
6. Only the Class number is required when submitting entries. The section letter is not required. If entering by phone, make a list of your entries before calling so you can check them as they are read back to you.
7. Some classes require the size of the exhibit and/or container to be specified at the time of entry.
8. Entries are to be staged in the Society's hall:
  - a) Friday 24th October 1:00pm - 9:00pm; or
  - b) Saturday 25th October 7:00am - 10:00am.
9. **NEW EXHIBITORS:** Feel free to ask a Steward or other experienced Society members for help and advice when staging exhibits.
10. Judging starts at 10:15am Saturday 25th October.
11. Exhibitors must maintain their exhibits for the duration of the Show (until 4:00pm Sunday 26th October).

## **SECTION H - YOUNG PEOPLE**

### **15 YEARS AND UNDER**

**Award:** Judy Austin Encouragement Award (\$5) for Best Exhibit

- H161 1 stem of a flowering shrub from my family garden, labelled
- H162 Something I have grown myself - labelled
- H163 A paper lantern decorated with plant material
- H164 An arrangement of butterfly-attracting flowers
- H165 A butterfly made mostly of plant material (minor unobtrusive non-plant support material allowed)

### **10 YEARS AND UNDER**

**Award:** Judy Austin Encouragement Award (\$5) for Best Exhibit

- H166 1 stem of a flowering shrub from my family garden, labelled
- H167 Something I have grown myself - labelled
- H168 A paper lantern decorated with plant material
- H169 An arrangement of butterfly-attracting flowers
- H170 A butterfly made mostly of plant material (minor unobtrusive non-plant support material allowed)

### **6 YEARS AND UNDER**

**Award:** Judy Austin Encouragement Award (\$5) for Best Exhibit

- H171 1 stem of a flowering shrub from my family garden, labelled
- H172 Something I have grown myself - labelled
- H173 A paper lantern decorated with plant material
- H174 An arrangement of butterfly-attracting flowers
- H175 A butterfly made mostly of plant material (minor unobtrusive non-plant support material allowed)

## **SECTION J - NON-COMPETITIVE ENTRIES**

ALL ENTRIES APPRECIATED

Please do not stage exhibits until the Show Manager has allocated an area

**SECTION G - POT PLANTS AND HANGING CONTAINERS**

- Notes:**
1. Trailing plants may be placed on a plain stand not exceeding 25cm in height
  2. Stands (if used) are to be provided by the exhibitor
  3. Height of exhibits includes the height of any stand
  4. Size of exhibit must be advised when placing entry
  5. Saucers or equivalents **must** be provided by the exhibitor

**Awards:** **Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit  
**FCHS Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points in Classes G142 to G159 (ie excluding Novice class)

**POT PLANTS**

- G142 1 pot Arisaema  
 G143 1 pot Fern, 1 species or cultivar  
 G144 1 pot Hosta, 1 species or cultivar  
 G145 3 pots Hosta, 3 distinct species or cultivars, 1 per pot  
 G146 1 pot Kalanchoe  
 G147 1 pot Orchids  
 G148 1 pot Succulent or Cactus other than Sempervivum, 1 species or cultivar  
 G149 3 pots Succulents or Cacti other than Sempervivum, 3 distinct species or cultivars, 1 per pot  
 G150 1 pot Succulents and/or Cactus, mixed planting  
 G151 1 pot climbing or trailing plant/s, 1 species or cultivar  
 G152 1 pot carnivorous plant/s  
 G153 1 pot bulbs, corms, tubers or rhizomes in flower, 1 species or cultivar, other than specified  
 G154 1 pot flowering shrub, other than Rhododendron  
 G155 1 pot non-shrub plant/s in flower, other than specified (including no bulbs etc)  
 G156 1 pot foliage plant/s, 1 species or cultivar, other than specified

**HANGING CONTAINERS**

**Note:** Rule 16 does not apply to Classes G157 to G159

- G157 1 hanging container Fern/s, may be mixed  
 G158 1 hanging container foliage plant/s, other than Ferns, may be mixed  
 G159 1 hanging container flowering plant/s, may be mixed

**NOVICE**

**Award:** **FCHS Best Exhibit in Novice Classes Award (\$30)**  
 Class G160 is included for this award

- G160 1 pot flowering plant, 1 species or cultivar (**Trophy**)

**SECTION A - RHODODENDRONS (INCLUDING AZALEAS AND VIREYAS)**

- Notes:**
1. "truss" means a stem with a single flower
  2. "spray" or "branch" means a stem with multiple branches and/or flowers

**Awards:** **Blue Ribbon** for Best Rhododendron Exhibit in Classes A1 to A57 (ie excluding Novice classes)  
**FCHS Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points in Classes A1 to A57 (ie excluding Novice classes)  
**Frank & Laurie Waghorn Perpetual Trophy (\$30)** for Best Exhibit in Classes A11 to A15 (small flowered classes)  
**Connie and Vern Axup Perpetual Trophy (\$30)** for Best Exhibit in Class A48

**SPECIES (OTHER THAN AZALEAS AND VIREYAS)**

- A1 1 truss Rhododendron, Arborea (campbelliae, cinnamomeum etc.)  
 A2 1 container Rhododendron, Maddenia (ciliicalyx, crassum etc.)  
 A3 1 stem Rhododendron, Maddenia  
 A4 1 container Rhododendron, Pentanthera (occidentale etc.)  
 A5 1 truss Rhododendron, Pontica (degronianum etc.)  
 A6 1 container Rhododendron, Pontica (degronianum etc.)  
 A7 1 container Rhododendron, Triflora (augustinii, yunnanense, concatenans etc.)  
 A8 3 trusses Rhododendrons, distinct species, in separate containers  
 A9 1 truss or spray of any species other than specified  
 A10 1 truss Yakushmanum species

**GENERAL (OTHER THAN AZALEAS AND VIREYAS)**

**Notes:** "small-flowered" means truss not exceeding 12.5cm in diameter  
 "large-flowered" means truss over 12.5cm diameter

- A11 1 container small-flowered white Rhododendron  
 A12 1 container small-flowered red Rhododendron  
 A13 1 container small-flowered pink Rhododendron  
 A14 1 container small-flowered yellow Rhododendron  
 A15 1 container small-flowered blue/mauve/purple Rhododendron  
 A16 1 container large-flowered white Rhododendron  
 A17 1 container large-flowered red Rhododendron  
 A18 1 container large-flowered pink Rhododendron  
 A19 1 container large-flowered yellow Rhododendron  
 A20 1 container large-flowered blue/mauve/purple Rhododendron

**Section A - Rhododendrons (continued)**

- A21 1 spray or branch of any Rhododendron  
 A22 3 containers Rhododendron hybrids/species, distinct  
 A23 1 container any fragrant Rhododendron  
 A24 1 container Saffron Queen  
 A25 1 container small-growing Rhododendron (maximum 100cm)  
 A26 1 container Rhododendron foliage, no flower buds  
 A27 1 container of scented Rhododendron, any species or hybrid  
 A28 1 pot Rhododendron in flower (size of exhibit must be advised)

**1 truss of:**

- A29 Blue Peter or Purple Splendour  
 A30 Any multi-coloured Rhododendron e.g. Beauty of Littleworth  
 A31 Earl of Athlone or The Hon. Jean Marie de Montague  
 A32 Any miniature truss (maximum 6 cm)  
 A33 Any Australian hybrid  
 A34 Any Yakushimanum hybrid  
 A35 Mme Cachet or Tamarindos  
 A36 Any Hachmann hybrid  
 A37 Any Williamsianum hybrid  
 A38 White Rhododendron  
 A39 Red Rhododendron  
 A40 Pink Rhododendron  
 A41 Blue, mauve, purple Rhododendron  
 A42 Yellow or orange Rhododendron

**AZALEAS**

- A43 1 container evergreen Azalea, 1 species or cultivar  
 A44 1 container evergreen Azaleas, mixed excluding Kurume  
 A45 1 container Kurume Azalea, 1 species or cultivar  
 A46 1 vase Kurume Azalea, may be mixed cultivars, max height 15cm  
 A47 3 containers deciduous Azaleas, distinct species or cultivars  
 A48 1 container deciduous Azalea, 1 species or cultivar (**Trophy**)  
 A49 1 pot of any flowering Azalea (size of exhibit must be advised)

**Section E - Rock Garden & Alpine Plants (continued)****PANS AND POTS**

- Notes:**
1. The pot size within Rule 16 does not apply to Class E136 but the overall exhibit size restriction still applies
  2. Size of exhibit must be advised when placing entry
  3. Saucers or equivalent must be provided

One pan or pot of the following:

- E127 Orchids, 1 genus or cultivar  
 E128 Primula (excluding bedding plants, e.g. Polyanthus or Primula malacoides)  
 E129 Sempervivum, 1 species or cultivar  
 E130 Sempervivum, mixed  
 E131 Australian native plant  
 E132 Bulb, corms, tubers or rhizomes, 1 genus  
 E133 Mat or cushion plant  
 E134 Rock garden plant with silver/grey foliage  
 E135 Rock garden plant, other than specified  
 E136 Miniature garden of rock garden plants, mixed

**NOVICE**

**Award:** **FCHS Best Exhibit in Novice Classes Award (\$30)**  
 Class E137 is included for this award

E137 One pan or pot of rock garden plant/s, 1 genus (**Trophy**)

**SECTION F - BONSAI**

- Notes:**
1. Rule 16 regarding width & height of exhibits does not apply to Section F
  2. Size of exhibit must be advised when placing entry
  3. All exhibits must have been owned and trained by the exhibitor for 3 or more years (except Class F139)

**Awards:** **FCHS Trophy (\$30)** for Best Exhibit  
**Best Exhibit** in Class F139 (**Bonsai starter kit**). Only exhibitors who have not previously won a Starter Kit are eligible for the award. Second place will receive the Starter Kit if First is not eligible.

- F138 1 Bonsai  
 F139 1 Bonsai owned & trained for at least 1 year and less than 3 years  
 F140 3 Bonsai S.S.  
 F141 1 Penjing (miniature landscape)

## SECTION E - ROCK GARDEN AND ALPINE PLANTS

**Note:** Clear glass containers supplied, but exhibits will be accepted in exhibitor's own clear (colourless) glass containers

**Awards:** **Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit in Cut Flowers and Foliage

**Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit in Pans and Pots

**Reg & Veni Scoborio Perpetual Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points in Classes E113 to E125 and E127 to E136 (ie excluding Novice classes)

**Otto Fauser Award** for a Rock Garden & Alpine Plants exhibit that demonstrates passion, perseverance & expertise

### CUT FLOWERS AND FOLIAGE

E113 1 container flowers, mixed, but not more than 5 genera

E114 1 container flowering dwarf Rhododendron

E115 1 container flowering shrub, 1 genus, other than specified

E116 1 container non-woody flowering perennial, 1 genus

E117 1 container Dianthus N.N.D.

E118 1 container bulbs, rhizomes or corms, South African origin, 1 genus

E119 1 container bulbs, rhizomes or corms, not South African origin, 1 genus

E120 1 container bulbs, rhizomes &/or corms, mixed, not more than 5 genera

E121 1 container foliage, 1 genus

E122 1 container foliage, mixed, not more than 5 genera

E123 1 container Australian native flowers, 1 genus

E124 1 container Orchids, 1 genus

E125 1 container annuals, 1 species

### NOVICE

**Award:** **FCFS Best Exhibit in Novice Classes Award (\$30)**

Class E126 is included for this award

E126 1 container flowering bulbs, rhizomes and/or corms, 1 genus  
**(Trophy)**

## Section A - Rhododendrons (continued)

### VIREYAS

A50 1 container 1 Vireya species

A51 1 container 1 Vireya cultivar

A52 1 truss or spray of Vireya species

A53 1 truss or spray of Vireya cultivar

A54 1 potted plant or hanging container of a Vireya species in flower

A55 1 potted plant or hanging container of a Vireya cultivar in flower

### SEEDLINGS

**Note:** Exhibit must have been grown from seed by the exhibitor but the seed may be sourced from anywhere

A56 1 truss of a non-Vireya Rhododendron

A57 1 stem or collection of stems of a non-Vireya Rhododendron

### NOVICE

**Award:** **FCFS Best Exhibit in Novice Classes Award (\$30)**

Classes A58 to A60 are included for this award

A58 1 container Rhododendron, truss or spray (may be mixed)

A59 1 container Azalea, 1 species or cultivar

A60 1 container Vireya, 1 species or cultivar

## SECTION B - GENERAL EXHIBITS

**Note:** Rule 16 does not apply to Iris.

**Awards:** **Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit

**FCFS Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points

**FCFS Encouragement Award (\$30)** for Best Exhibit by first time exhibitor

B61 1 container Lilac, 1 or more cultivars

B62 1 container Viburnum, 1 species or cultivar

B63 1 container flowering shrub, 1 species or cultivar, other than specified

B64 1 container evergreen shrub, decorative foliage, 1 species or cultivar

B65 1 container deciduous shrub, decorative foliage, 1 species or cultivar

B66 1 container Proteaceous flowers, other than Australian natives

**Section B - General Exhibits (continued)**

- B67 1 small flowered Clematis, less than 10cm (cup supplied)
- B68 1 large flowered Clematis 10cm or larger (cup supplied)
- B69 1 container flowering climbing or trailing plant, C.V.A.,  
other than specified
- B70 1 container Polygonatum (Solomon's Seal), 1 cultivar,  
not more than 10 stems
- B71 1 container cut flowers, 1 species or cultivar, other than specified
- B72 1 container mixed flowers from your garden; at least 6 species  
and/or cultivars
- B73 1 container annual flowers, 1 species or cultivar
- B74 1 stem of herbaceous peony
- B75 1 stem of tree peony
- B76 1 stem of peony other than specified
- B77 1 stem of any flower other than specified
- B78 3 Bearded Iris, distinct cultivars, 1 stem of each, S.S.
- B79 1 stem Bearded Iris
- B80 1 container Iris, mixed, other than specified
- B81 1 container Iris, 1 species, other than specified
- B82 1 container flowering bulbs, corms, tubers or rhizomes,  
other than specified, 1 species or cultivar
- B83 1 container flowering bulbs, corms, tubers and/or rhizomes,  
other than specified, mixed
- B84 3 containers herbs, fragrant or culinary, 1 species or cultivar in each  
container. Exhibits must be named.
- B85 1 container mixed grasses
- B86 1 container grass, 1 species or cultivar
- B87 1 container species or old-fashioned type garden Roses, 1 cultivar
- B88 1 container Banksia Rose
- B89 1 container Floribunda Roses
- B90 1 stem Floribunda Rose
- B91 1 container Hybrid Tea Roses, N.N.D.
- B92 1 container mixed Roses
- B93 1 Hybrid Tea Rose
- B94 1 Fully Blown Hybrid Tea Rose
- B95 1 container any Rose other than Hybrid Tea

**SECTION C - MIXED DISPLAY FROM YOUR GARDEN**

**Note:** Rule 16 regarding width & height of exhibits does not apply to Section C

**Awards:** **Tindale Perpetual Trophy (\$30)** for Best Exhibit

- C96 A display from your garden.  
Maximum space 100cm x 90cm, 3 tiers.  
May include potted plants. To be judged on quality,  
variety of material and overall presentation **(Trophy)**

**SECTION D - AUSTRALIAN NATIVE PLANTS**

**Note:** 1. Except where foliage only is specified, all entries are to be in flower  
2. Flowers and buds in their natural state to override AHJA Manual wording

**Awards:** **Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit  
**FCHS Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points  
in Classes D97 to D111 (ie excluding Novice class)

- D97 1 container Anigozanthos (Kangaroo Paw)
- D98 1 container Banksia/Dryandra
- D99 1 container Boronia
- D100 1 container Grevillea
- D101 1 container Hakea
- D102 1 container Hypocalymma, can be mixed species or cultivars
- D103 1 container Isopogon, 1 species
- D104 1 container Kunzea
- D105 1 container Leptospermum
- D106 1 container Pimelea
- D107 1 container Telopea (Waratah)
- D108 1 container flowers, not more than 5 genera
- D109 1 container flowers, 1 species or cultivar, other than specified
- D110 1 container foliage, 1 species or cultivar (no flowers, seed pods allowed)
- D111 1 container foliage, mixed (no flowers, but seed pods allowed)

**NOVICE**

**Award:** **FCHS Best Exhibit in Novice Classes Award (\$30)**  
Class D112 is included for this award

- D112 1 container flowers, 1 species or cultivar **(Trophy)**