



Our 38th Show

ELSENHAM FLOWER SHOW 2025 (Including Vegetable, Fruit, Produce, Baking, Flower Arranging, Handicrafts and Photography Classes)

**SATURDAY, 16th AUGUST
IN THE MEMORIAL HALL & MARQUEE (ON THE PLAYING FIELD)**

TROPHIES

Class:

1. Boughton Trophy
2. The Johnson Cup
3. John Claydon Memorial Cup
6. Claydon Bowl
7. St. Mary's Church Shield
8. Elsenham Old Folks Club Rose Bowl
10. Newland Salver
25. EFSS Heaviest Marrow Cup
26. EFSS Heaviest Onion Cup

Class:

32. Walker Cup
39. George Sandford Cup
40. Freda Powell Trophy
45. Budden Trophy
47. Hackett Shield
49. Gladys Hudson Memorial Cup
50. Shirley Scutt Shield
53. Hilda Collett Memorial Cup

Chapel End Nursery Cup - awarded to the exhibitor gaining the most points in the Flower Section

Moat Farm Perpetual Cup - awarded to the exhibitor gaining the most points in the Vegetable Section

Oldacre Landscaping Cup - awarded to the winner of the best exhibit in the Flower Section

George Powell Trophy - awarded to the winner of the best exhibit in the Vegetable Section

EFSS Produce Cup - awarded to the exhibitor gaining the most points in the Produce Section

Elsenham WI Centenary Trophy - awarded to the winner of the best exhibit in the Baking Section

Super Cook Cup - awarded to the exhibitor gaining the most points in the Baking Section

Jubilee Cup - awarded to the exhibitor gaining the most points in the Flower Arranging Section

Woollvin Trophy - awarded to the exhibitor gaining the most points in the Handicraft Section

EFSS Photography Cup - awarded to the exhibitor gaining the most points in the Photography Section

Options Trophy - awarded to best exhibit in Photography class

Richards Salver - awarded to the exhibitor gaining most points overall who has never won a trophy at a previous EFSS show

Elsenham Parish Council Shield - awarded to the exhibitor gaining the most points overall in the Flower Show

ELSENHAM FLOWER SHOW 2025

RULES OF THE SHOW

1. Competition is open to all living in the Parish of Elsenham. Outside exhibitors are at the discretion of the Committee.
2. Staging from 8.30 a.m. to 10.45 a.m. on the morning of the show.
3. Judging is from 11.00 a.m. (Public not admitted to this.)
4. Open to the public 2.30 p.m. Admission £1.00
Accompanied children are Free.
5. Entry money - Each exhibit charged at 50p. For 10 or more entries (total) equals £5.00.
6. Upon arrival, competitors will be given class cards, each one to accompany each article exhibited. Each competitor will be given an exhibitor's number. Vases, paper plates and saucers will be made available.
7. All exhibits must be grown or made by the exhibitor (with the exception of the Flower Arranging Classes).
8. Only one exhibit allowed in each Class per person. Please note that only entries with one name per exhibit will be accepted.
9. Certificates will be awarded to the first three placings in each Class.
10. Each exhibitor must complete an Entry Form. Entry Forms, together with appropriate fees, must be submitted to Sue Waite or Lynda Jolly by Saturday, 9th August 2025 -see entry form for details.
11. Additional copies of the Entry Form can be obtained from Sue Waite, 1 Sant Road or Lynda Jolly, 2 Purcell Close Elsenham. Copies also available at the Post Office and Ticket Office Railway Station
12. The Society will not accept responsibility for any damage caused to exhibits before, during or after the Show.
13. Points for each Class will be awarded as follows: 4 points for a 1st; 3 points for a 2nd; 2 points for a 3rd and 1 point for Highly Commended. The Parish Council Shield will be awarded to the exhibitor gaining most points overall.
14. The judge's decision is final. Awards/points may be withheld from any exhibit of insufficient merit.
15. Trophy winners are responsible for loss or damage to the Society's trophies whilst in their possession. Please ensure that our trophies are covered by your household insurance.
16. No exhibitors' entries can be moved without the permission of stewards.

Any queries to: Sue Waite (Treasurer), 1 Sant Road.

Email: suewaite2003@yahoo.co.uk

EFSS TOP TRAY & TOP VASE RULES 2025

CLASS 11. EFSS TOP VASE

- 1 The Top Vase class is for a vase of mixed flowering stems containing a total of between 5 and 10 stems, taken from a minimum of two different kinds of plants. Please note that it is two different KINDS of plants - two varieties of the same plants are NOT two kinds.
- 2 The display is judged out of a total of 35 points, split into: 25 points for the colour, form, condition, quality and freshness of the flowers on display; and 10 points for the overall presentation and effect of the flowers in the vase. The vase will be viewed from all directions. Judging of the flowers should be to the normal rules used for other classes.
- 3 Stems used in the display must be showing flowers only; no seed heads or berries will be allowed.
- 4 The vase can be any shape or size and made from any material but must be in proportion to the display. No marks are awarded for the vase itself.
- 5 No accessories such as bows and additional foliage will be allowed. Foliage, which is growing naturally from the flowering stem, and still attached to that stem, is allowed. Packing material - including florists' foam - to keep the stems in place is allowed.

Notes for Exhibitors:

- Flowering stems can be taken from ANY flowering plant.
- The different kinds of plants need to be taken from different genera. For instance, pinks, carnations and sweet william, which are all dianthus – would NOT be classed as different kinds.
- Use only fresh, home-grown flowers. No dried or silk flowers are allowed.
- A vase, by definition, is any vessel that can be used to hold cut flowers and which is taller than it is wide at its widest point.

CLASS 31. EFSS TOP TRAY

- 1 The Top Tray class is for a collection of three types of vegetables taken from the following list of fifteen. The quantity of each vegetable required for the collection is given in brackets: Carrots (3) Cauliflower (2) Onions (3) Parsnips (3) Peas (6 pods) Potatoes (3) Runner Beans (6 pods) Tomatoes (6) French Beans (6 pods) Sweetcorn (2) Pepper (3) Cucumber (2) Courgettes (3) Red Beet (3) Aubergines (2). Each type of vegetable will be judged out of a total of 20 points. This is split into three sections, as follows: 7 points for size, shape and colour; 7 points for condition; 6 points for uniformity. The overall mark will be out of a total of 60.
- 2 All vegetables are to be displayed for effect. The vegetables must be displayed within an area measuring 45cms x 60cms (18" x 24"), without bending any part of them. No part of any exhibit may exceed the size of the tray. A tray or board measuring 45cms x 60cms (18" x 24") will be provided by the Society.
- 3 Parsley is allowed for garnishing, but no other foliage or accessories such as plates, sand, rings and so on, will be allowed. Onion tops may be tied or whipped, using raffia or string.

Notes for Exhibitors:

- Carrots and parsnips must have foliage trimmed back to 7.5cm (3ins)
- Peas and beans must be displayed with some stalk attached.
- Tomatoes must be displayed with calyces (the green flower-bud case).
- Judges may handle exhibits, open pods, etc. to check for quality.

The winners of the Top Vase and Top Tray classes will receive a gift voucher.

**ELSENHAM FLOWER SHOW SOCIETY
SHOW SCHEDULE 2025**

(* Trophy Classes)

FLOWER Classes:

1. A Vase of Roses no more than 5 stems *
2. 3 Cactus, Ball or Pompom Dahlia Blooms *
3. 5 Stems (each one a different flower) *
4. Flower Heads floating in a saucer of water
5. A Vase of Foliage – 5 kinds
6. My Best Bloom *
7. Flowering Pot Plant *
8. Foliage Pot Plant *
9. Succulent/Cactus in container - Max 20cm diameter
10. Fuchsias - 6 Flower heads (mounts supplied) *
11. EFSS TOP VASE

VEGETABLE/FRUIT Classes:

All vegetables and fruit shall be of the same cultivar, unless otherwise specified.

12. Herbs - one vase
13. 6 Hot Chilli Peppers (with some stalk attached)
14. 4 Carrots (with 7.5cm tops)
15. 4 Potatoes
16. 6 Pods of Runner Beans (with some stalk attached)
17. 6 Pods of French Beans (with some stalk attached)
18. 4 Tomatoes, not Cherry (ripe with stalk)
19. 6 Cherry Tomatoes (ripe with stalk) not exceeding 3.5cm
20. 1 Cucumber
21. 2 Courgettes (10-20cms long, or if round, 7.5cm dia. Approx.)
22. 3 Beetroots (with 7.5cms (3") tops)
23. 2 of the same kind of Vegetable not already listed
24. 3 Bulbs of Garlic
25. Heaviest Marrow *
26. Heaviest Onion *
27. Heaviest Potato

28. Longest Runner Bean
29. Longest Stick of Rhubarb
30. Plate of Fruit, one variety
31. EFSS TOP TRAY CLASS

PRODUCE Classes:

Jars to be filled and covered with clear cellophane tops except for Classes 37 and 39.

32. 1 Jar Marmalade *
33. 1 Jar Strawberry Jam
34. 1 Jar Raspberry Jam
35. 1 Jar Stoned Fruit Jam
36. 1 Jar Lemon Curd
37. 1 Jar Chutney
38. 1 Jar of Preserve, not already listed
39. Bottle of Home-made Liqueur (e.g. Sloe Gin) *

BAKING Classes:

40. Children's Birthday Cake *
41. Fruit Loaf
42. Battenberg Cake – Recipe Available in Elsenham News – or on request
43. Sausage Plait
44. Fruit Pie

FLOWER ARRANGING Classes:

All arrangements in the classes must use fresh flowers and foliage. Boards 60cms x 60cms (24" x 24") will be available upon which arrangements must be displayed, with the exception of Class 46. For classes 47, 48 and 49, arrangements must be displayed within the area of the board. No part of the arrangement may exceed the size of the board.

45. A Miniature Arrangement (max. 10cms (4") overall) *
46. 'Mother of the Bride' Corsage
47. A Dinner Table Arrangement in Purple and Pink *
48. A Musical Show

HANDICRAFT Classes:

No exhibit will be accepted which has been exhibited at a previous show or is more than three (3) years old.

49. An Article of Crochet *

50. A Hand Knitted Article *

51. An Article in Cross Stitch using Embroidery Silks

52. A Picture in Any Medium (max. size 45cms (18") square)

53. A Handwritten Limerick - 'There was a young woman called Nellie....' *

(to be mounted on card measuring 15cms x 20cms (6" x 8"))

PHOTOGRAPHY Classes:

Photographs should measure 15cms x 20cms (6" x 8") and labelled, and be mounted on stiff card, measuring no more than 18cms x 23cms (7"x 9"). Entries must be original photographic images; no computer created pictures will be accepted.

54. An Historic Building

55. Forest View

56. Wet and Wild

57. Shades of Blue

ELSENHAM FLOWER SHOW 2025 SHOW ENTRY FORM

Please tick carefully each class you wish to enter.

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EXHIBITOR'S CONTACT DETAILS

TOTAL NUMBER OF ENTRIES ENTRY MONEY ENCLOSED

NAME:

TEL. NO

ADDRESS:

ENTRY MONEY - Each exhibit charged at 50p. For 10 or more entries total equals £5.00

Completed Entry Forms should be placed **IN AN ENVELOPE, TOGETHER WITH YOUR ENTRY FEES** and delivered to either:

Sue Waite, 1 Sant Road, (off Franklin Drive) Elsenham (07956 899326); or
Lynda Jolly, 2 Purcell Close (off Sant Road), Elsenham (07885258771)

BY SATURDAY 9TH AUGUST. LATE ENTRIES MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED.