

Wilsden Village Show

Sunday 20th September 2026

The show will be open to the public from 2.00pm



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WELCOME TO THE 2026 WILSDEN SHOW

Dear Friends

On behalf of **Wilsden Gardening Association** I welcome you all to the **49th Annual Village Show**. We are nearly at our 50th!

Since my introduction to the Show world of Wilsden in 1986 and becoming Show Secretary in 1987, I have seen the best that Wilsden can offer, and it never ceases to amaze me. We still see many other similar events sadly go by the wayside, yet Harden, Eldwick, Baildon, Worth Valley, and Keighley still strive and survive. This is with a big thank you to so many of the small groups and enthusiasts who remember the old days and enjoy still being a part of what was once the main attraction of the year.

Of course, the sight of plenty of exhibits on display helps to make a good show but it is still the sight of old friends and relatives making their annual visit to the village hall that completes the day.

Talking of old friends, this year, we say and massive thank you and farewell to our Secretary and treasurer, Pat Gurney. Pat has served as this role at the Wilsden Garden Association for over 20 years. We wish him well in his retirement from this role but no doubt he will still be present on show day.

We welcome new friends for 2026 and committee members. Thank you to Keith, Craig, Rose and Sandra for joining the team. Wilsden has the privilege, of hosting the West Yorkshire NATIONAL VEGETABLE SOCIETY SHOW 2026! The TOP growers will display their exhibits and it will be a sight to see! This is an honor for Wilsden to be part of the Nationals and we have many talks on how to grow, even in our garden, coming up so please keep Talk to the best and learn so all shows can continue.

Looking around the Bingley area it has been a pleasure this year to walk down Wilsden Main Street, again, and admire the magnificent floral displays. With the support of the Parish Council and Carlton Nurseries over 40 hanging baskets have been placed around the Village. A big thankyou to the Wilsden in Bloom team for enhancing certain green areas and continuing to bring joy to the village. It is not an easy task for all.

At last years' Show we had plenty of competition in the bakery and handicraft sections, no doubt because of members of the Women's Institute and this year I am looking forward to more of the same. Please encourage everyone, especially the children to enter the Show. There are plenty of classes in the Schedule to participate in.

I look forward to seeing you all. Let us hope for a good show and more importantly, have an enjoyable day.

Roger A Golton

Chairman and Show Secretary



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SHOW SPONSORS

The Society would like to say a **BIG 'THANK YOU'** to the following for sponsoring the prize monies, raffles and tombola prizes for our show,

Flowers, Vegetables & Fruit

Albert Pratts
Committee Members of WGA
Mr & Mrs Golton
Mr Ketley
The Malt Shovel

Bakery & Preserves

Miss Laycock
The W.I.
Mr Blackburn
Miss J Golton
The Malt Shovel

Childrens Classes Master

Laycock
The Ling Bob
Wilsden In Bloom
Longleys

Arts & Crafts

Wilsden Gardening Ass.
Mr & Mrs Bartle



PLUS EVERYONE WHO HAS KINDLY PLACED ADVERTS IMPORTANT NOTE TO EXHIBITORS

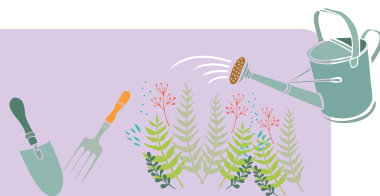
- 1 All Dahlia and Chrysanthemum exhibits may be named
(*blank name cards are available on requests*)
- 2 In all classes where two exhibits of equal merit and one is named,
the named exhibit will be awarded first preference.
- 3 Please note: any class that is not well supported may be removed
in future years.

***Please ensure that you collect your staging tickets before staging
your entries.***

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Roger Golton
Lucy Golton
David Blackburn
Peter Ketley
Debbie Ellison

Andrew Ellison
Craig Bartlett
Rose Bartlett
Sandra Naylor
Keith Woodthorpe



W.G.A. always WELCOME new committee members

Please ask for details

Visit us: www.wilsdengardeningassociation.com

WILSDEN ALLOTMENTS

The Wilsden allotments were established in 1976 and are managed by Wilsden Gardening Association on behalf of the Wilsden Parish Council.

The allotments are let on an annual basis either in halves or full plots. The current cost is £45 per year for a full plot and £22.50 a year for half a plot. We also expect allotment tenants to be members of Wilsden Gardening Association at an annual cost of £5. This is a very competitive cost compared with other allotments across our Local Authority and also includes access to water.

All the allotments are let for this season, we have a total of 33 tenants across 25 full plots (*some let as halves*). We keep a waiting list and at the moment we expect this list to be exhausted at the start of the next season.

If you are interested in renting an allotment, now is the time to get your name on the waiting list! We are more than happy to show people around the plots and give information on how we manage the plots on behalf of the parish council.

If you are interested you can find more information on our website wilsdengardeningassociation.com or alternatively contact Andy and Debbie Ellison our allotment secretaries on debbieellison1405@gmail.com





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The committee would like to thank the Judges for both their very generous time and effort in judging the Show.

Vegetables:Mr Steve Ryan
Flowers:Mr Steve Ryan
Baking & Preserves:Mr Langley
Children's Classes:Ms K Kent
Painting, Knitting & Embroidery:Ms K Kent
Novice Section:All above Judges



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RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1 All entries **MUST** be staged before 11.00am on Show Day ready for judging by 11.15am.
- 2 All entries **MUST** be made on the entry form provided by the Show Secretary.
- 3 All exhibits become the property of the Society for sale by auction at the close of the show unless clearly marked 'NOT FOR SALE' with stickers provided.
- 4 The Society will not be responsible for any damage to the property of the Exhibitor, normal care will be taken at all times.
- 5 All exhibits must be grown and produced by the exhibitor personally, except where otherwise stated. Any exhibitor not conforming to this rule will forfeit all prize money that they may have been rewarded and will be debarred from exhibiting in any future shows.
- 6 NO exhibit may be removed before 4.00pm on show day. Exhibits NOT removed by 4.15pm will be auctioned off by the committee after the awards.
- 7 The Judge's decision on the merits of the exhibits shall be final.
- 8 The Show Committee as a collective reserve the right to refuse any entries.
- 9 An exhibitor may make more than one entry in one class
- 10 All Judging will be to NDS, NCS and NVS rules.
- 11 Prize money will be paid on Show day from 3pm and presentation of the medals will be from 3.30pm.
- 12 Commercial growers are not allowed to show.
- 13 Artificial flowers and foliage are not allowed in any exhibit at the show.
- 14 All dahlias, chrysanthemums, gladiola, roses and vegetables exhibited in a competitive class must be qualified for the class in which they are shown. I.e: Classification and/or formation and size.
- 15 All baking exhibits must be produced by the exhibitor. (NOT SHOP BOUGHT).

ENTRY FEES

All Classes (*excluding Children's Classes*) – 30p each exhibit





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PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

8.00am to 11.00am

EXHIBITS RECEIVED FOR STAGING

Class entrant fees are 30p per entry

CHILDREN ARE FREE

11.15am

ENTRIES CLOSED

11.30 to 1.30pm

JUDGING OF ENTRIES

2.00pm

SHOW OPENS

3.00pm

PRIZE MONEY AVAILABLE

3.45pm

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES

4.00pm

ALL RESERVED PRODUCE MUST HAVE BEEN TAKEN

4.15pm

DONATIONS OF REMAINING EXHIBITS WELCOME

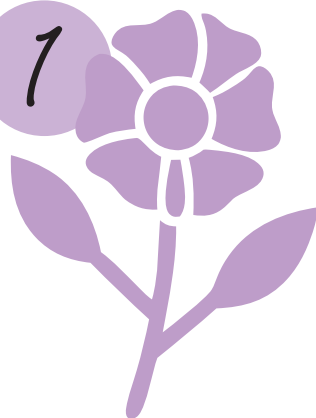
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Section

1



FLORAL SECTION

Class No:

- 1 One dahlia any variety
- 2 1 vase, 3 pom dahlia
- 3 1 vase, 3 ball dahlia
- 4 1 vase, 3 small or miniature cacti dahlia
- 5 1 vase, 3 medium or large cacti dahlia
- 6 1 vase, 3 small or miniature decorative dahlia
- 7 1 vase, 3 medium or large decorative dahlia
- 8 1 vase of roses from your garden
- 9 A fresh flower arrangement miniature (6 inches in width & height)
- 10 1 Vase, 3 chrysanthemums sprays
- 11 1 vase, mixed or one variety flowers raised from seed during 12 months preceding show
- 12 1 vase, mixed or one variety perennials
- 13 One spike gladioli
- 14 1 vase, gladioli – 3 spikes
- 15 House plant in bloom
- 16 House plant foliage

*** back by popular demand***

THE W.I. TROPHY

BEST IN CLASS of the Victoria Sponge

and

THE WILSDEN IN BLOOM CHILDRENS CLASS

"A painted pebble maximum size 6".

Entry can be in any medium and any design

UP TO 13 YEARS OF AGE

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A CLASS OR INTRODUCE A NEW CLASS TO THE SHOW PLEASE LET THE COMMITTEE KNOW

Section 2



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VEGETABLE & FRUIT

Class No:

- 17 5 potatoes – white
- 18 5 potatoes – coloured
- 19 3 beetroot with 3" tops
- 20 2 swedes with 3" tops
- 21 3 carrot – stump with 3" tops
- 22 3 parsnips with 3" tops
- 23 One cauliflower – (*any variety leaves trimmed*)
- 24 One cabbage – (*any variety*)
- 25 6 french beans
- 26 6 runner beans
- 27 6 pods of peas
- 28 3 onions dressed from seed
- 29 3 onions from seed (*no exceeding 250 gms*)
- 30 3 onions dressed from set
- 31 6 shallots – (*any size*)
- 32 2 leeks blanched with tops
- 33 1 cucumber
- 34 4 tomatoes
- 35 6 cherry or plum tomatoes
- 36 1 marrow not exceeding 40cm
- 37 1 pumpkin
- 38 1 sweet corn on the cob
- 39 Heaviest marrow with 1 inch stem
- 40 1 flower and 1 vegetable (*any variety*)
- 41 Wonky vegetable
- 42 Basket of vegetables OR fruit
- 43 Any other Vegetable
- 44 Heaviest onion as grown

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Section 3

NOVICE CLASS

Class No:

- 45 Dish of 3 vegetables – 1 kind of each
- 46 Any single vegetable
- 47 Spray of flowers plus 1 vegetable/fruit, any variety

Section 4

FRUIT

Class No:

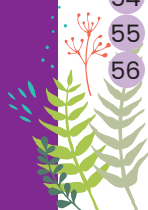
- 48 Plate of 4 apples – dessert
- 49 Plate of 4 apple – cooking
- 50 Plate of 5 plums
- 51 Any other fruit

Section 5

PRESERVES

Class No:

- 52 Jar of Raspberry Jam
- 53 Any other jar of Jam
- 54 Jar of Marmalade
- 55 Jar of Lemon Curd
- 56 Jar of chutney



Section 6

BAKERY

Class No:

- 57 One loaf of white bread
- 58 One loaf of brown bread
- 59 4 decorated cup cakes
- 60 6 Butterfly buns
- 61 Apple pie, on a flat plate **NOT IN A TIN** to be sampled
- 62 Chocolate cake to be sampled
- 63 6 plain scones
- 64 Six jam tarts

THE WILSDEN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE TROPHY CLASS

- 65 The Victoria Sandwich – 2 cakes in 7" tins, 6oz flour, 6oz sugar, 6oz butter and 3 eggs. Raspberry jam middle and icing sugar topping

Section 7

HANDICRAFT

Class No:

- 66 Any article of hand knitting
- 67 Any article of embroidery
- 68 Painting – any medium
- 69 Handmade greeting card
- 70 Handmade piece of jewellery



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Section 8

CHILDREN'S SECTION (upto 13 years)

Class No:

- 71 Animal made from vegetable and/or fruit
- 72 Miniature garden arranged in a seed tray
(available from the W.G.A.)
- 73 Decorated Egg
- 74 Edible Necklace
- 75 4 Decorated buns
- 76 Largest Sunflower head
- 77 LEGO MODEL of your own design not exceeding 45cm x 45cm

THE WILSDEN IN BLOOM TROPHY up to 13 years

- 78 A painted pebble maximum size 6".
Entry can be in any medium and any design

PRIZE MONIES

ALL CLASSES	1st £3.00	2nd £2.00	3rd £1.00
Children's Class	1st £3.00	2nd £2.00	3rd £1.00
Baking Class	1st £3.00	2nd £2.00	3rd £1.00

An individual sponsor or Judge may wish to award extra money for their 'best in class'. This is their option and will be left with the place card





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TROPHIES

FLOWERS & VEGETABLES:

- R. ALDEN CUP:MOST POINTS OVERALL FLOWER SECTION
LEO HEAP TROPHY:MOST POINTS OVERALL VEG. SECTION
N.D.S. SILVER MEDAL:BEST DAHLIA EXHIBIT – ALL CLASSES
ALF ROGERS CUP:BEST IN CLASS 8
ELIZABETH GUEST TROPHY:BEST IN CLASS 9
N.V.S. MEDALLION:BEST IN SHOW VEGETABLES
W,G,A, ALLOTMENT TROPHY:BEST ALLOTMENT 2023
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PRESERVES & BAKERY:

- W.G.A. TRAY:BEST EXHIBIT IN CLASSES 52 TO 65
W.G.A. ROSE BOWL:MOST POINTS IN CLASSES 52 TO 65
THE WOMENS INSTITUTE TROPHY:BEST VICTORIA SPONGE
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HANDICRAFT:

- W.G.A. HANDICRAFT TROPHY:BEST HANDICRAFT EXHIBIT
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CHILDREN'S CLASSES:

- W.G.A. VICE PRESIDENTS TROPHY:BEST EXHIBIT IN CHILDREN'S SECTION
W.G.A. CHILDRENS MEDALLION:WILSDEN PARISH COUNCIL TROPHY
MOST POINTS IN CLASSES 71 TO 78
WILSDEN IN BLOOM TROPHY:BEST EXHIBIT IN CLASS 78

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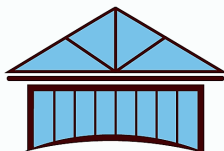
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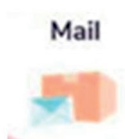


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Wilsden Gardening Association

I claimed my little square of land with grand and noble schemes,
Of giant prize-winning tomatoes dancing in my dreams.
I bought a shiny, silver spade, a kneeling pad of foam,
And told the local supermarket I'd grow my own at home.

But nature has a wicked wit, and nature loves a joke,
And what I thought was fertile soil was cursed by tiny folk.
For overnight, a hidden army marched upon my turf,
To prove that on this patch of earth, I'm nothing but a serf.

The slugs arrived in armored squads, a slimy, silent crew,
They didn't care for strictly organic, they ate the copper too.
I put out beer to drown them, a lovely micro-brew,
They drank the lot, threw up on the chard, and invited neighbours too.
My marigolds are skeletons, my hostas look like lace,
A single, smug, nocturnal slug is laughing in my face.

And then we have the wicked weeds, the demons of the dirt,
Whose main ambition in this life is causing emotional hurt.
The bindweed acts like razor wire, a strangulating vine,
It wraps around my runner beans and snaps them by the spine.
The dandelions have taproots that reach the earth's warm core,
I pull one up, it alerts its friends, and up pops twenty more.

Couch grass creeps like a burglar's hand beneath the wooden shed,
While stinging nettles guard the path to the strawberry bed.
I spend my weekends on my knees, a weapon in my hand,
A desperate, muddy warrior defending stolen land.

Yet next year will be different, I tell my aching bones,
As I clear away the plastic nets and throw away the stones.
I'll buy some stronger netting, I'll wage a fiercer fight,
But for now, the weeds are winning, and the slugs own the night

The words from - 'The battle of plot 4b'

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