



NEW ZEALAND ALPINE GARDEN SOCIETY [INC].

P O Box 2984, Christchurch.

SPRING SHOW 21 - 22 SEPTEMBER 2024

LINCOLN EVENT CENTRE, 15 MEIJER DRIVE LINCOLN

WHERE IS IT ? & HOW TO GET THERE.

Drive through Prebbleton, and turn left at the Lincoln sign [Birches Road], continue until you reach Lincoln and turn right at the school [opposite the Church], right into Meijer Drive [after the Liffey stream dip] . Parking behind the Events Centre. The #80 Parkland bus goes to the main street.

Do you fancy showing plants?

Are you in the mood to show a plant or two for the first time and afraid that you may be embarrassed by your lack of experience? Well don't be. The rewards of seeing your plants do well on the show bench far outweigh that little bit of courage needed by the novice exhibitor.

Here are a few simple thoughts which may help to make it a bit less fraught.

You can show any plant you like, flowers, bulbs, shrubs, foliage etc. and the plants may be flowering or not, dug up from the garden or grown in a pot.

If you like a plant, there is every chance the judges and fellow competitors will like it too.

Try to observe one or two very simple rules on presentation.

- (a) Use a nice clean pot.
- (b) Make sure the pot is the right size, not too big and not too small. A nice balance will set off the plant to its best advantage.
- (c) All poor flowers and damaged foliage must be removed. It may seem that half the plant is disappearing, but the difference in appearance will surprise you.
- (d) Cover exposed soil with grit or a piece of rock or stone to give a more natural look.
- (e) Label the plant – if you know its name-or ask for advice. Don't leave the plant at home just because you cannot remember its name.

If you are in doubt, or simply nervous about taking the risk, talk to any member of our group who shows, an exhibitor or steward at the show, they will be delighted to help with advice in choosing which class to enter and preparing your plants on the day.

Be in no doubt the "buzz" from getting a result with one of your plants is well worth the effort.

p.s There's a novice class for beginners, so you are not competing with the experienced members.

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New Zealand Alpine Garden Society (Inc) Spring Show Classes 2024

Class 1:	NZ Native Species - Cushions and Mat Plants
	Grade A, Grade B
Class 2:	NZ Native Species - Any Other Type
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 3:	NZ Native Hybrid
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 4:	Cyclamen
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 5:	Ericaceae (excl. Rhododendron)
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 6a:	Rhododendron (Alpine Species)
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 6b:	Rhododendron (Alpine Hybrid)
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 7a:	Any Other Dwarf Woody Shrub
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 7b:	Bonsai
	Grade A, Grade B
Class 8:	Conifer
	Grade A, Grade B
Class 9:	Erythronium
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 10:	Fritillaria
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 11:	Iris
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 12a:	Narcissus. Miniature Type
	Single Flower per Stem (incl. Trumpet Cyclamineus, Bulbocodium Group)
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 12b:	Narcissus. Miniature Type
	More than One Flower per Stem
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 12c:	Narcissus. Intermediate
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 13:	Orchidaceae (incl. Pleiones)
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 14a:	Primula excl. Auricula Type
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 14b:	Primula Auricula Type only
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 15:	Saxifraga
	Grade A, Grade B
Class 16a:	Trillium (Sessile growth type only)
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 16b:	Trillium Rivale & Nivale
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 16c:	Trillium (all other types)
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 17:	Tulipa
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C

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Class 18:	Araceae
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 19:	Any Other Bulbous-Type Material
	(to include Rhizome, Tuber, Corm etc)
	Collectively known as Geophytes.
	<u>Section 1 - Plant up to 30cm measured from top of pot</u>
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
	<u>Section 2- Plant over 30cm measured from top of pot</u>
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 20a:	Any Other Non-Bulbous Type Plant
	<u>Section 1- Plant up to 30cm measured from top of pot</u>
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
	<u>Section 2- Plant over 30cm measured from top of pot</u>
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 20b:	Ranunculaceae
	<u>Section 1- Plant 30cm in height and under</u>
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
	<u>Section 2- Plant over 30cm in height</u>
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 21Aa:	Mini Gardens
	(Up to 38 cm with accessories)
Class 21Ab:	Mini Gardens
	(Up to 38 cm with no accessories)
Class 21Ba:	Trough
	(Up to 45 cm)
Class 21Bb:	Trough
	(Over 45 cm)
Class 22:	Potted Plant out of Bloom Judged on Foliage
	Grade A, Grade B
Class 23a:	Plant Grown from Seed by Exhibitor
	Grade A, Grade B, Grade C
Class 23b:	Plant Grown from Seed by Exhibitor
	3 Pots, all different
	Grade A
Class 24a:	Cushion Plant
	Grade A, Grade B
Class 24b:	Cushion Plant
	3 Pots, all different
	Grade A
Class 25a:	Succulents
	Grade A, Grade B
Class 25b:	Cacti
	Grade A, Grade B
Class 26a:	Decorative Arrangement of Alpine Flowers and Foliage -Grown in Exhibitor's Garden
	(May include dwarf shrubs. No accessories)
	(Plants to be named)
Class 26b:	3 of 3
	3 vases of 3 different species, each vase to contain 3 flowers

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Class 27:	Novice
	Members who have not previously won more than 12 points from previous shows are encouraged to enter this Section.
	A - Potted Plant - (a) Native, (b) Exotic, (c) Bulbous, (d) Woody, (e) Seed Raised
	B - Cut Flower - (a) Exotic, (b) Bulbous, (c) Woody, (e) Seed Raised
	C - Planted Container
Class 28a:	Children's Section (Primary School age)
	Potted Plant- Child's own
Class 28b:	Local School Section
	Year 1 & 2
	Sand Saucer
	Vegetable Animal
	Coloured in Picture
	Year 3 & 4
	Sand Saucer
	Vegetable Animal
	Coloured in Picture
	Year 5
	Sand Saucer
	Vegetable Animal
	Coloured in Picture
Class 29:	Colour Photograph (Print)
	Up to a maximum A4 size (30x21cm)
	Class A - Foliage of single Plant
	Class B - Flower of single Flower/Truss
	Class C - Plant/s in Natural Environment
	Class D - Panoramic view of Garden

Non-Competitive Display- For exhibits you may like to share with others that do not fit any of the above Classes i.e: Plants owned for less than 6 months, not up to competition standard or any other reason.

2024 Spring Show Schedule changes.

New Class 26b Three of three. 3 of 3 vases of 3 different species, each vase to contain 3 flowers.

Note 5 Staging - All exhibits must be staged for judging by 9.30am on Saturday morning.

Note 8 Allocation of points.

Success in cultivation (plant health and appearance)	60 points
Skill in cultivation (known difficulties)	30 points
Presentation	10 points
	=100 points

Note 16 Rectangular pots will be measured at the widest point.

NEW ZEALAND ALPINE GARDEN SOCIETY (Inc)
SCHEDULE - Show Notes and Regulations
(Effective from 2024)

Definitions

Alpine and / or rock garden plants are eligible, including woody shrubs suitable for cultivation in a rock garden

Bulbs include corms, tubers, tuberous roots and rhizomes, collectively known as Geophytes

Container means pot, pan, bowl or trough.

Different means "different genus, species or varieties". Obvious colour variants or sufficiently different forms are distinct varieties for this purpose

Grades:

A: potted plant up to and including 15cm (measured **inner** diameter or width)

B: potted plant more than 15cm.

C: cut bloom, no additional foliage, up to 3 stems per vase.

1. Ownership of Exhibits

All exhibits must be the property of the exhibitor and must have been in his/her possession for at least 6 months (except annuals)

2. Number of Plants in a Container

Except for troughs, a container should have only one species, one cultivar (variety) or a clone of a hybrid, but may include more than one individual plant. However a large plant will usually score higher than several smaller plants.

3. Lifting of Plants

A plant need not have been grown in the container in which it is exhibited. It may be lifted and potted for the competition, subject to the conditions in (1).

4. Novice Classes

This section is for exhibitors who have not won more than 12 points from previous shows

5. Staging

All exhibits must be ready for judging by 9.30am on the Saturday

The Stewards provide help where possible and direct the placing of exhibits. Each exhibit needs a completed Entry Card. This should be placed with the side identifying the owner **face down** in front of each exhibit.

6. Labelling

All sections on the entry cards must be completed, including plant name. Errors in plant naming will not penalise the exhibitor. Stewards or Judges may correct the errors.

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE COMPETITION BENCHES AFTER 9.30 AM.

ANY ARRIVING AFTER THIS TIME WILL BE DISPLAYED ON THE NON COMPETITIVE TABLES.

THIS WILL APPLY TO ANY ENTRIES NOT COMPLYING WITH THE SHOW REGULATIONS

7. Dwarf Woody Shrubs

Judges will give most importance

to:

- Shape - should be characteristic of the variety or form.
 - Plants must not be artificially dwarfed or clipped (e.g. except in Class 7b Bonsai class)
- Mature plants will score higher than immature.
- The plant being "in character" and not obviously forced.
 - The plant being well grown and healthy.
 - The plant being in flower, if primary grown for flowers.
 - Success in overcoming known difficulties of cultivation.
 - Eligible berried plants will be judged on the same basis as flowering plants.
 - Only in close contest will a species be preferred over a natural or garden hybrid.

8. Allocation of Points

Success in cultivation (plant health and appearance)	60 points
Skill in cultivation (known difficulties)	30 points
Presentation	10 points
	=100 points

9. Planted Container

Judges must give most importance to:

- Visual appeal and presentation.
- Composition and variety of plants used.
- Exhibits with well-established plants.

10. Narcissus Classes 12a, 12b, 12c

Entries to be as per the approved list, or other such cultivars which fall inside the size range of those listed.

11. Photographic Class 29

All entries to be exhibitor's own work.

The foliage, flower or plant need to be the main feature of the photograph.

May be mounted on black card with no more than a 20mm border.

Hook Style Velcro to be on the back to stick to display boards.

Size of photo is exhibitors choice.

Artistic photo can be black/white or edited to create an image.

12. Alteration of Exhibits

Once judging has taken place, no exhibits may be altered or removed until the close of the show.

13. Protests

Any protest about the judging must be made to the Head Steward before 1.00pm on the first day of the show.

14. Closing

All exhibits and other goods must be removed from the hall at the end of the show.

15. Liability for Loss

The New Zealand Alpine Garden Society (Inc) takes every effort to ensure the items exhibited are cared for but will not be liable for compensation for loss or damage by theft, fire, accident, water or any other cause, to exhibits or other property. Final responsibility lies with the exhibitor.

16. Measuring Pots and Plants

In classes where there is a height restriction, the plants height is measured from the top of the pot using the ruler provided.

Section 1 is for plants over 30cm and under.

Section 2 is for plants over 30cm.

Rectangular pots will be measured at the widest point.

SHORT BOTANICAL LIST

NOTE: The inclusion of a genus in this list does not mean that all members of that genus will be suitable for exhibition.

Definitions: "Alpine or rock garden plant": The term covers all plants, including shrubs, suitable for cultivation in a rock garden of moderate size or in an unheated frame or alpine house. Includes many plants which do not necessarily grow in mountainous regions.

Apiaceae (was **Umbelliferae**): *Astrantia*, *Azorella*, *Bolax*, *Hacquetia*, etc.

Asteraceae (was **Compositae**): *Achillea*, *Anacyclus*, *Antennaria*, *Artemisia*, *Carduncellus*, *Celmisia*, *Crepis*, *Erigeron*, *Euryops*, *Helichrysum*, *Inula*, *Leontopodium*, *Leucogenes*, *Raoulia*, *Serratula*, *Solidago*, *Tanacetum*, etc.

Berberidaceae: *Berberis*, *Bongardia*, *Epimedium*, *Gymnospermium*, *Jeffersonia*, *Mahonia*, *Podophyllum*, *Ranzania*, *Vancouveria*.

Boraginaceae: *Eritichium*, *Lithodora* (was *Lithospermum*), *Mertensia*, *Moltkia*, *Myosotis*, *Omphalodes*, *Onosma*, *Pulmonaria*, etc.

Brassicaceae (was **Cruciferae**): *Aethionema*, *Alyssum*, *Arabis*, *Aubrieta*, *Draba*, *Iberis*, *Matthiola*, *Morisia*, *Petrocallis*, *Thlaspi*, etc.

Cactaceae: *Maihuenia*, *Mammillaria*, *Opuntia*, *Rebutia*.

Campanulaceae: *Adenophora*, *Campanula*, *Codonopsis*, *Cyananthus*, *Diosphaera*, *Edraianthus*, *Hypsela*, *Isotoma*, *Lobelia*, *Physoplexis*, *Pratia*, *Wahlenbergia*, etc.

Caryophyllaceae: *Arenaria*, *Dianthus*, *Gypsophila*, *Lychnis*, *Minuartia*, *Petrohragia* (was *Tunica*), *Saponaria*, *Silene*, *Vaccaria* (was *Melandrium*) etc.

Commelinaceae: *Weldenia*.

Coniferae: now consists of **Cupressaceae**, **Pinaceae**, and **Taxaceae**. The term **conifer** includes all of these:

Cupressaceae: *Chamaecyparis*, *Cupressus*, *Juniperus*, *Thuja*.

Pinaceae: *Abies*, *Cedrus*, *Larix*, *Pinus*, *Tsuga*.

Taxaceae: *Taxus*

Crassulaceae: *Chiastophyllum*, *Cotyledon*, *Crassula*, *Jovibarba*, *Rosularia*, *Sedum*, *Sempervivum*, *Umbilicus*, etc.

Diapensiaceae: *Diapensia*, *Galax*, *Shortia* (incl. *Schizocodon*), etc.

Epacridaceae: *Cyathodes*, *Leucopogon*, *Pentachondra*, etc.

Ericaceae: *Andromeda*, *Arctostaphylos*, *Bryanthus*, *Calluna*, *Cassiope*, *Chimaphila*, *Epigaea*, *Erica*, *Gaultheria* (incl. *Perettya*), *Kalmia*, *Leiophyllum*, *Loiseleuria*, *Moneses*, *Pieris* (incl. *Arcterica*), *Phyllodoce*, *Pyrola*, *Rhododendron* (incl. *Ledum*), *Rhodothamnus*, *Vaccinium*, etc.

Fumariaceae: now included in *Papaveraceae*.

Gentianaceae: *Centaurium*, *Gentiana*, *Swertia*, etc.

Geraniaceae: *Erodium*, *Geranium*, etc.

Gesneriaceae: *Haberlea*, *Jankaea*, *Petrocosmea*, *Ramonda*, etc.

Glaucidiaceae (was **Podophyllaceae**): *Glaucidium*, etc.

Globulariaceae: *Globularia*.

Hydrangeaceae: *Deinathe*, *Kirengeshoma*.

Hydrophyllaceae: *Hesperochiron*, *Phacelia*, *Romanzoffia*, etc.

Lamiaceae (was **Labiatae**): *Ajuga*, *Calamintha*, *Dracocephalum*, *Horminum*, *Lavandula*, *Mentha*, *Micromeria*, *Origanum*, *Prunella*, *Salvia*, *Satureia*, *Scutellaria*, *Stachys*, *Teucrium*, *Thymus*.

Lobelaceae: now included in *Campanulaceae*.

Onagraceae: *Chamaerion*, *Epilobium*, *Fuchsia*, *Oenothera*, *Zauschneria*, etc.

Orchidaceae: *Calanthe*, *Cephalanthera*, *Cypripedium*, *Epipactis*, *Goodyera*, *Habenaria*, *Listera*, *Ophrys*, *Orchis*, *Pleione*, etc.

Oxalidaceae: *Oxalis*.

Paeonaceae: *Paeonia*

Papaveraceae: *Chelidonium*, *Corydalis*, *Dicentra*, *Eomecon*, *Hylomecon*, *Meconopsis*, *Papaver*, *Pteridophyllum*, *Sanguinaria*, *Stylophorum*, etc.

Papilionaceae (was **Leguminosae**): *Anarthrophyllum*, *Anthyllis*, *Astragalus*, *Cytisus*, *Erinacea*, *Genista*, *Lupinus*, *Ononis*, *Oxytropis*, *Parochetus*, etc.

Parnassiaceae: *Parnassia*.

Plantaginaceae: *Hebe*.

Plumbaginaceae: *Acantholimon*, *Armeria*, *Ceratostigma*, *Dictyolimon*, *Limonium*, etc.

Polemoniaceae: *Phlox*, *Polemonium*, *Gilia*, etc.

Polygonaceae: *Eriogonum*, *Persicaria*, *Polygonum*, etc..

Portulacaceae: Calandrinia, Claytonia, Lewisia, etc.

Primulaceae: Anagallis, Androsace, Cortusa, Cyclamen, Dionysia; Dodecatheon, Lysimachia, Omphalogramma, Primula, Soldanella, Trientalis, Vitaliana.

Ranunculaceae: Anemone, Aquilegia, Callianthemum, Clematis, Eranthis, Helleborus, Paraquilegia, Pulsatilla, Ranunculus, Semiaquilegia, Thalictrum, Trollius, etc.

Rosaceae: Alchemilla, Dryas, Fragaria, Geum, Kelseya, Potentilla, Rosa, Rubus, Sorbus, Spiraea, etc.

Rubiaceae: Asperula, Coprosma, Houstonia, Mitchellia, Nertera, Phuopsis, etc.

Saxifragaceae: Astilbe, Boykinia, Chrysosplenium, Heuchera, Mitella, Parnassia, Saxifraga, Tellima, Tiarella, etc.

Scrophulariaceae: Antirrhinum, Asarina, Calceolaria, Chionohebe (was Pygmaea), Cymbalaria, Linaria, Mimulus, Penstemon, Remannia, Synthyris, Verbascum (incl. Celsia), Veronica etc.

Thymelaeaceae: Daphne, Pimelea, Stelleria, etc.

GEOPHYTE GENERA CONTAINING SPECIES CONSIDERED TO BE SUITABLE FOR BULBOUS CLASSES.

Alliaceae: Allium, Bessera, Bloomeria, Brodiaea, Caloscordum, Dichelostemma, Ipheion, Leucocoryne, Muilla, Nothoscordum, Tristagma, Tritoleia, Tulbaghia.

Amaryllidaceae: Cyrtanthus, Galanthus, Habranthus, Haylockia, Hessea, Hippeastrum, Lapiedra, Leucojum, Narcissus, Nerine, Pancratium, Rhodophiala, Sternbergia, Strumaria, Tapeinanthus, Zephyranthes (incl. Argyropsis, Cooperia).

Araceae: Arisaema, Arisarum, Arum, Biarum, Eminium, Pinellia.

Colchicaceae: Androcymbium, Bulbocodium, Colchicum, Merendera, Wurmbea.

Hyacinthaceae: Albuca, Bellevalia, Brimeura, Camassia, Chionodoxa, Daubenya, Dipcadi, Eucomis, Hyacinthella, Hyacinthoides, Hyacinthus, Ledebouria, Massonia, Muscari (inci, Leopoldia, Muscarimia, Pseudomuscari), Ornithogalum, Polyxena, Puschkinia, Scilla.

Hypoxidaceae: Empodium, Hypoxis, Rhodohypoxis, Saniella.

Iridaceae: Alophia, Babiana, Crocus, Cypella, Freesia, Gladiolus, Gynandiris, Herbertia, Hermodactylus, Hesperantha, Iris, Lapeyrousia, Moraea, Romulea, Syringodea, Tritonia.

Ixioliriaceae: Ixiolirion.

Liliaceae: Calochortus, Cyclobothra, Erythronium, Fritillaria, Gagea, Lillum, Lloydia, Nomocharis, Notholirion, Tulipa (incl. Amana).

Melanthiaceae: Zigadenus.

Tecophilaeaceae: Conanthera, Odontostomum, Tecophilaea, Zephyra.

Themidaceae now included in Alliaceae.

Trilliaceae: Paris (incl. Daiswa), Trillium (incl. Trillidium).

If there is doubt as to whether a plant belongs to one of the above families, enquiry should be made to the show judges, stewards and other exhibitors who will endeavour to assist.

DONATION OF PLANTS FOR SALES TABLE.

This is an important part of the show and our fundraising efforts. Thank you to those who have already potted up plants as they will have had time to settle in and recover. It is not too late to pot up items for sale. Plants can be brought to the September meeting, or on Friday 20th after 2 pm or Saturday 21st morning.