



# Sheffield FlowerFEST 2025

## *Program and schedule*

February 1-2, 2025  
10am-3pm daily  
Sheffield Town Hall,  
High Street, Sheffield

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**WELCOME TO SHEFFIELD FLOWERFEST 2025**

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Since the early 1900s, a local show has been staged in Sheffield. Those first shows were typical of a country fair showcasing local produce, animals, arts and crafts and a great deal more. In the early days, the highlight of the event was a dinner dance held on the Saturday night. The dance is celebrated in the Kentish Garden Club mural in Main Street, Sheffield.

In 2018 the show switched from spring to late summer and today FlowerFEST focuses on floral displays. It is held in the Sheffield Town Hall on the first weekend in February. As well as flowers there are potted plant displays, plant and produce stalls, a gardening bookstall and a mega raffle. Specific flower and plant exhibits include:

1. Flower and foliage displays (page 5)
2. Hydrangea displays (page 5)
3. Rose displays (page 5)
4. Dahlia displays (page 6)
5. Containers, potted plant and bonsai displays (page 6)
6. Flower and novelty arrangements (page 7)
7. Vegetable and fruit competition (page 8)

**ENQUIRIES FOR FLOWERFEST**

Everyone is welcome to take part in FlowerFEST as an exhibitor, volunteer, stallholder or as a visitor. To find out more about the event or to take part as an exhibitor, contact Kentish Garden Club:

**Exhibitor information and exhibitor numbers:** call Paul Robinson on 0417 337 287.

**General enquiries, requests for stalls, sponsorship, volunteers:**

Call Jennifer Stackhouse, Kentish Garden Club President on 0488 047 011  
or email [jenniferrstackhouse@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferrstackhouse@gmail.com).

**THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS, JUDGES AND SPONSORS**

A sincere vote of thanks to each and every one of our dedicated helpers, who all contribute in many and varied ways to the success of FlowerFEST. Thanks too, to our esteemed judges. We would also like to thank our wonderful sponsors whose support helps to ensure the success of this important annual event. See page 10 for a full list of sponsors for 2025.

*The Kentish Garden Club*

## AWARDS AND PRIZES

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### BEST FLOWER AND FOLIAGE EXHIBIT AWARDS

1st prize \$20; 2nd prize \$10

Best exhibit – Flower (excluding rose and dahlia)

Best exhibit – Rose

Best exhibit – In a container (flowers)

Best exhibit – Foliage

Best exhibit – Grown in a pot

Best exhibit – Flower arrangement

Best exhibit – Vegetable or fruit basket

### KENTISH GARDEN CLUB DAHLIA CHALLENGE AWARD (MEMBERS ONLY)

\$50 in prize money.

### JUDGE'S CHOICE DAHLIA AWARD

\$50 in prize money sponsored by Joyann Bramich, Mt Myrtle Dahlias.

### GRAND CHAMPION

Best exhibit in show as decided by the judges.

Perpetual trophy and \$100 in prize money.

### PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

The presentation of prizes and raffle draw takes place Sunday, February 2 at 2.30pm in the Sheffield Town Hall.

### SPONSORS

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A huge thank you to our generous sponsors for 2025, who make Sheffield FlowerFEST such a success. Donations are used as raffle prizes and prizes and awards for exhibitors.

#### Gold sponsor

**Hadley's Orient Hotel**, 34 Murray Street, Hobart  
[www.hadleyshotel.com.au](http://www.hadleyshotel.com.au)

#### Major sponsors

**Flame N Plasma**, Kaydale Garden, Nietta

**Kentish Council**, High Street, Sheffield

**Plump Berries**, Devils Gate Road, Barrington

#### Sponsors

**Ampol Service Station**, Sheffield

**Bossimi's Bakehouse & Café**, Sheffield

**Bunnings Hardware**, Devonport

**Du Coeur**, Sheffield

**Hair on Main**, Sheffield

**IGA**, Sheffield

**Mt Myrtle Dahlias**, Yolla

**Sheffield Fruit and Vegetables**, Sheffield

**Sheffield Post Office**, Sheffield

**Sheffield Shed**, Sheffield-

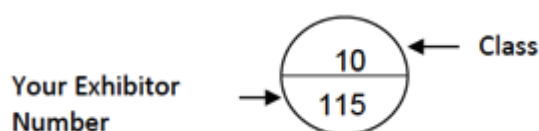
**Slaters Country Store**, Sheffield

**Turnbulls Pharmacy**, Sheffield

## SHOW RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

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1. Floral and vegetable exhibits to be staged between 3pm–6pm on **FRIDAY, JANUARY 31** or 7.30am–8.30am on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1**. Late entries are not accepted for judging but may be exhibited at the Stewards' discretion.
2. Judging commences at 9am on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1**. The judges' decision is final. Awards are made on merit and the judges reserve the right to not make an award in any category.
3. All floral exhibits must be the property of, and be grown by the exhibitor, except in Flower Arrangements where the exhibit **MUST** be designed and arranged by the exhibitor.
4. Displays in the flower and foliage section (including 'In a Container') may not be wired for support but can use materials such as cotton wool to stage blooms but it must not show above the container.
5. Stewards will direct exhibitors on staging and are on hand to assist. Exhibits **MUST** have a white 'dot' attached, showing *Class number* on top, and *your exhibitor number* (see diagram below). Exhibits must have an exhibitor number as they are judged anonymously.



Exhibitor numbers can be obtained from: Paul Robinson on 0417 337 287 (call or text your details); Jennifer Stackhouse on email: [jstackho@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jstackho@bigpond.net.au); at January 2025 Kentish Garden Club meeting (see page 8); during the staging period (Friday afternoon or Saturday morning).

6. Exhibits may not be removed until after the presentation of awards and prizes on Sunday, February 2 without the consent of the Stewards.
7. All exhibits not removed by 4pm on Sunday, February 2 will be disposed of.

## FLOWERS AND FOLIAGE SHOW RULES

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1. All exhibitors to supply own containers.
2. Entrants need an exhibitor number (see Show Rules and Conditions of Entry, see above).
3. Please NAME plants if possible or leave a label BLANK for naming.
4. Entries are judged primarily on the condition of flowers and foliage as well as their arrangement.

## DISPLAYING POTTED PLANTS AND CONDITIONING FLOWERS AND FOLIAGE

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Water potted plants well and allow to drain before displaying. Make sure pots are free of weeds, pests and pots are clean. Provide a saucer for the pot while it is on display. To ensure that floral and foliage exhibits last in good condition for the two days of the show, not just for judging, it is important to prepare cut stems in advance. Here are some tips for success:

- Water plants to be picked thoroughly in the days leading up to the show.
- Pick stems early in the morning.
- Immediately after cutting, put cut stems into a bucket of water to keep well hydrated. Remove lower foliage from stems.
- If stems wilt, recut the base on a slight angle and return to water.
- Keep picked stems in a cool spot out of direct sun.

**FLOWERS**Class No.

1. 1 single stem of flowering annual
2. 1 single stem of flowering perennial
3. 1 single stem of flowering bulb, corm, rhizome or tuber (excluding dahlia, liliium)
4. 1 single stem of native flowering climber
5. 1 single stem of flowering shrub or tree (excluding hydrangea)
6. 1 single stem of flowering Australian native shrub or tree

**FOLIAGE**Class No.

7. 1 stem of foliage (no flowers or buds)
8. 1 stem of fruit tree (may be with or without fruit)
9. 1 single stem of foliage, may be with buds, seeds, new growth
10. 1 single stem of native foliage
11. 4 distinct stems of foliage (no flowers or buds)

**LILIUMS**Class No.

12. Single stem

**HYDRANGEAS**Class No.

13. Single stem of a mop-head hydrangea
14. Single stem of a lace-cap hydrangea
15. Single stem of any other species of hydrangea

**ROSES**Class No.

16. 1 single stem of rose (white or cream) – 1 flower only
17. 1 single stem of rose (pink) – 1 flower only
18. 1 single stem of rose (red) – 1 flower only
19. 1 single stem of rose (orange-apricot) – 1 flower only
20. 1 single stem of rose (yellow) – 1 flower only
21. 1 single stem of rose (bi-colour) – 1 flower only
22. 1 single stem of rose (any other colour) – 1 flower only
23. 1 single stem of multi-headed rose (white or cream)
24. 1 single stem of multi-headed rose (pink)
25. 1 single stem of multi-headed rose (red)
26. 1 single stem of multi-headed rose (yellow, orange, apricot)
27. 1 single stem of multi-headed rose (bi-colour)
28. 1 single stem of multi-headed rose (any other colour)
29. 1 single stem of fragrant rose (any colour, single or multi-headed)

## DAHLIAS

### Class No.

30. Best bloom 'Wine and Roses' dahlia  
**Special Kentish Garden Club member dahlia challenge**  
**(open to KGC members only)**

### Class No. (By variety (can be any colour))

31. Anemone - 1 bloom
32. Ball - 1 bloom
33. Large Cactus - 1 bloom (210mm diameter and over)
34. Medium Cactus - 1 bloom (160-210mm diameter)
35. Small Cactus - 1 bloom (120-160mm)
36. Collarette - 1 bloom
37. Large Decorative - 1 bloom (210mm diameter and over)
38. Medium Decorative - 1 bloom (160-210mm diameter)
39. Small Decorative - 1 bloom (120-160mm diameter)
40. Miniature dahlia - 1 bloom (Cactus or Decorative variety, 80-160mm diameter)
41. Pom Pom - 1 bloom (50mm or under)
42. Pom Pom - 3 blooms (50mm or under, displayed in one container)
43. Any other variety - 1 bloom

## IN A CONTAINER

*Note: a container can be a vase, basket or any vessel with either water or florist foam*

### Class No.

44. An arrangement of annuals in a container
45. An arrangement of perennials in a container
46. An arrangement of flowers from bulbs, corms, rhizomes or tubers (excluding dahlias) in a container - not more than 24 stems
47. An arrangement of roses in a container - not more than 10 stems
48. An arrangement of dahlias in a container - not more than 10 stems
49. An arrangement of herbs in a container
50. An arrangement of natives in a container

## GROWN IN A POT - FOLIAGE

*Note: a pot can be any type of container filled with soil or potting mix*

### Class No.

51. Pot of indoor foliage (not flowering)
52. Pot of cacti or succulents

**GROWN IN A POT – FOLIAGE continued**

*Note: a pot can be any type of container filled with potting mix*

Class No.

- 53. Pot of ferns
- 54. Pot of herbs
- 55. Foliage begonia in a pot
- 56. Bonsai
- 57. Pot plant (not flowering) – any kind not mentioned above

**GROWN IN A POT – FLOWERING**

*Note: a pot can be any type of container filled with potting mix*

Class No.

- 58. Pot of flowering annuals
- 59. Pot of flowering perennials
- 60. Indoor potted plant in flower
- 61. Outdoor potted plant in flower (includes succulents)
- 62. Pot of orchids
- 63. Begonia
- 64. Fuchsia
- 65. Pot plant with flowers – any kind not mentioned

**FLOWER, FOLIAGE AND NOVELTY ARRANGEMENTS**

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**Rules:**

- 1. Artificial plant material may NOT be used.
- 2. Wiring is permitted. Plant material requiring water MUST be in water or florist foam.
- 3. Exhibits will be judged on originality, creative design and visual appeal and on the condition of flowers and foliage. Please read the Show Rules and Conditions of Entry (see page 4).
- 4. For novelty arrangement in a frame, maximum frame size 50cm x 50cm.

Class No.

- 66. Summer inspiration
- 67. Pretty in pastel
- 68. Posy of any type (for example flower, foliage or herbs)
- 69. Arrangement using weeds only
- 70. Arrangement in a frame (may include flowers, foliage, vegetables, fruit)
- 71. Children's garden – an arrangement of flowers, foliage and decorative items by a child under 16

## VEGETABLE AND FRUIT COMPETITION

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### Rules:

1. Entries must **only** contain produce from your garden or allotment. No purchased fruit or vegetables can be included.

### Class No.

72. Basket of vegetables (may include commonly grown vegetables such as tomato or zucchini, which are the fruit of the plant)
73. Basket of fruit (any fruit grown in your garden)

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## ABOUT KENTISH GARDEN CLUB

Kentish Garden Club meets once a month on Thursday evenings from September to April, and Saturday afternoons in May, June, and July. Meetings include a guest speaker. We also answer garden problems, look at what's in flower and discuss what to do in the garden. The formal meeting is followed by supper (or afternoon tea for daytime meetings), which is a great time to talk with fellow garden club members.

Throughout the year, the Club also arranges workshops and demonstrations, along with garden visits to areas such as the North West coast and Launceston. There's also a Harvest Supper (April) where members contribute food based on local harvests, and an annual dinner for the August meeting. The annual Christmas Party is a weekend lunch in a local hall.

Annual membership, which is due on July 1, is \$20.00 per year per person. We welcome new members, so why not join the Kentish Garden Club and meet those in the community with a common interest in gardening? Membership forms are available to download from the Kentish Garden Club's website at [www.kentishgardenclub.com.au](http://www.kentishgardenclub.com.au) or see page 9.

For meeting dates and times, see the Kentish Garden Club's website at [www.kentishgardenclub.com.au](http://www.kentishgardenclub.com.au) where there is also a membership form to download. Recent issue of *The Kentish Voice* also have information about meetings and speakers. New members are always welcome to attend a meeting before joining.

To keep up to date, follow Kentish Garden Club on Facebook. For any questions, contact KGC President, Jennifer Stackhouse, on 0488 047 011.



## Save the date...

### Kentish GardenFEST 2025

Visit Kentish Garden Club website ([www.kentishgardenclub.com.au](http://www.kentishgardenclub.com.au)) for more details of our open garden weekend, Kentish GardenFEST, over the weekend of November 29-30, 2025; 10am-4pm.

Tickets are \$10 (covers all gardens all weekend).

Available over open garden weekend from  
The Epicurean Café, 72 Main Street, Sheffield.

## Kentish Garden Club membership form

Annual membership for the Kentish Garden Club is \$20 per person. Membership is due by June 30 each year and can be paid by direct debit (preferred) or by cheque mailed to our mailbox with this completed form. To arrange cash payments, contact the Treasurer, Sue Hopkins, directly on 0407 026 742.

**Online payment details:** Membership can be paid by direct deposit to the Club's Bendigo Bank account: **BSB 633000 Account number 170 174 593**

Use your surname and initial to identify your payment. Email the receipt number to Treasurer Sue Hopkins ([sx7000s@gmail.com](mailto:sx7000s@gmail.com)) and send this form to Sue noting your payment details and contact details for our records. On-line receipt number: \_\_\_\_\_.

**Mailing address** PO Box 338, Sheffield TAS 7306

### YOUR DETAILS

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAL ADDRESS (if different from above):

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby agree to abide by the constitution, bylaws and rules of the Kentish Garden Club INC

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_