

# **Flower Show Schedule**

## **Saturday 15th August**

### **Vegetable Section**

- 1) Three onions each to be 250g or Under, dressed
- 2) Dish of six shallots
- 3) Dish of four potatoes, white
- 4) Dish of four potatoes, other than white
- 5) Dish of four potatoes, 2 white, 2 other than white
- 6) Six Tomatoes, cherry or other small cultivar
- 7) Three Tomatoes, Medium sized
- 8) Dish of Nine pods of peas
- 9) Dish of six runner beans
- 10) Dish of six french beans
- 11) Three Globe beetroot
- 12) One Sweetcorn cob
- 13) One Cucumber
- 14) Three sticks of rhubarb
- 15) Three carrots short
- 16) Three carrots long
- 17) One Lettuce, Butterhead type with clean roots
- 18) One Lettuce, Cos type with clean roots
- 19) One Cabbage with clean roots
- 20) One Dish of Soft Fruit
- 21) Three Herbs, Named in Water
- 22) Vegetable Tray, A selection of 3 types of vegetables from the following list, quantities of each in Brackets  
Potatoes (3) Onions (3) Carrots (3) Runner Beans (6) Cauliflower (1) Tomatoes (6) Pods of Peas (6) Cabbage (1)
- 23) Heaviest Onion, with roots & foliage

### **Dahlia Section**

- 24) One Vase Giant or large Dahlia, One Bloom
- 25) One Vase Medium/Small Decorative Dahlia, Three Blooms One Variety
- 26) One Vase Medium/Small Cactus Dahlia, Three Blooms one Variety
- 27) One Vase Pompon Dahlia, 5 Blooms any Variety or varieties

### **Flower Section**

- 28) One vase of annuals, mixed, maximum of 15 stems
- 29) One vase of sweet peas, mixed, 12 stems
- 30) One vase, one spike of Gladioli
- 31) One vase of Chrysanthemums. 3 sprays, any variety/varieties
- 32) One pot plant, fuchsia, any variety, max 6" pot
- 33) One pot plant flowering, max 6" pot (excluding fuchsias)

### **Novice Section**

- 34) Three potatoes, any variety
- 35) Three tomatoes, any Variety
- 36) Three onions each to be 250g or under
- 37) Three vegetables not previously mentioned, one variety
- 38) One vase of flowers, any variety or varieties

### **Baking and Preserves Section**

- 39) Three Shortbread Biscuits
- 40) One Jam-filled Victoria Sandwich Cake
- 41) One Chocolate Cake
- 42) One plate of 5 Scones
- 43) One Jar of Homemade Chutney
- 44) One Jar of Homemade Jam, berry fruit
- 45) One Apple Pie

### **Children's Section (Under 16 years old, free entry)**

- The Childs aged to be shown on the exhibits
- 46) A pot of growing radish. Max pot size 15cm
  - 47) A miniature garden grown in a tray max size 40cm by 30cm. To consist mainly of live plants but can contain some artificial decorative material
  - 48) A model animal made from vegetables/flowers/fruit
  - 49) A painting or drawing of any subject - max size A4 - children under 10 yrs
  - 50) A photograph of a wildlife Scene - max size A4



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### **Liverpool Allotments Awards Presentation**

At the Liverpool & District Allotment Councils Annual General Meeting in October we were presented with an award for winning the best overall allotment site. Congratulations go to all ploholders lets hope that we can win again next year.

*Pictured LDAC Secretary Graham Mallanaphy, Ashfield Chairman Daniel Barrington & LDAC Committee Member Barbara Rigby*

### **New Chairman and Secretary**

After the resignation of the Chairman John Byrne in October Daniel Barrington was appointed to take over as Chairman. Teresa Wilson was then appointed to take over from Daniel as Secretary. The Committee would like to thank John Byrne for the hard work he carried out as Chairman.

**Rents are now due** - There has been no increase in the fees  
Full Plot - £42 (Rent £32, Water £8, NSALG £2)  
Half Plot - £26 (Rent £16, Water £8, NSALG £2)  
Over 60, Full Plot - £26 (Rent £16, Water £8, NSALG £2)  
Over 60 Half Plot - £18 (Rent £8, Water £8, NSALG £2)  
Rents must be paid by the 11th February. We will be collecting rents in the site office every Sunday 11.30am– 1.00pm from Sunday 4th January. If you have not paid your rent by 11<sup>th</sup> February it will be assumed that you no longer want your plot, and it will offered to the next person on the waiting list.

### Green Pennant Award & Northwest In Bloom Award

Next year we will be entering both the Green Pennant & Northwest in Bloom Awards as well as the Liverpool Allotments Competition. The Green Pennant award is a national award that recognises high quality green spaces, we're hoping that we can be the first allotment site in Liverpool to win a Green Pennant award. Northwest in Bloom rewards communities making improvements in green spaces for the benefit of local people. We meet the criteria for both awards but we will need the help and support of all ploholders.

You can help by keeping your plot fully cultivated & tidy, don't store rubbish on your plot, make sure you have composting areas and water butts on your plot. You could also consider putting a border of flowers in front of your plot or put up a hanging basket. We will also be carrying out regular activities throughout the coming months to tidy and improve the site that all members can get involved with. Information about any activities will be in the site notice boards and on our website [www.ashfield-allotments.btik.com](http://www.ashfield-allotments.btik.com).

### Site Development Report

We have now put up another polytunnel on the Communal Allotment and thanks got George Holmes and Jeff Frost for their hard work. We are now working to get groups using the site. In January weekly activities will be taking place for children aged 5-15 this has been organised by Liverpool Play Services.

Our Application to the Councillors Community Initiative fund has been successful. We have been awarded £400 to purchase seeds, plants, willow, pond liners and fruit trees to help develop the vacant area at the back of the site.

We have also received £500 from Liverpool City Councils Community Health Fund to create a pathway inside and around the new polytunnel and build a raised bed in front of the car park area. Since December 2005 we have been awarded 13 grants totalling at **£23,709**.

### April Open Day— Date to be confirmed

We will be holding another Open Day this year in April. We plan to sell plants, bric-a-brac, have a raffle, sell tea, coffee and cakes. We will be looking for volunteers to help out on the day. You could help by donating plants, baking cakes, donating bric-a-brac and by being around on the day to lend support.



### Tallest Sunflower Competition

Can you Grow the tallest Sunflower at Ashfield Allotments.

Enter our Competition, Entry Fee is 50p and entries must be received by 31st March. Sunflowers entered will be measured while growing on a persons plot on Friday 14th August and the winner will be announced at the Open Day on Saturday 15th August.

### Keys

The committee have agreed that is in the best interests of all that there is a limit of two keys issued to each allotment. Details of secondary key holders will be taken and will be signed for by both the ploholder and secondary Key holder.



### Special General Meeting Sunday 1st March at 11.00am

At the AGM in October it was decided to hold a Special General Meeting on Sunday 1st March to discuss how well information is being made available to plot holders. We would again like to remind people that their is a lot of information available to ploholders in the Notice Boards that are near to both Site Entrances, in the office (specifically grants and site development work), Newsletters (which will now be published in January, April, July & October) and on our website – [www.ashfield-allotments.btik.com](http://www.ashfield-allotments.btik.com). We have ten times more information available to plot holders than other allotment sites in Liverpool but you do need to take the time to look at it .

### We are now selling seed Potatoes and Onion Sets

Potatoes—First Early- Pentland Javelin

Second Early- Kestrel

- Nadine

Maincrop -Desiree

- King Edward

Onion Pirsoka Red

Onion Stuttgarter

Shallot Golden Gournmet



### PLOT INSPECTIONS

Liverpool City Council have now requested that allotment Committees carry out plot inspections every few weeks. Teresa is asked to write to people who don't appear to work on their plots. This system operates throughout the city, so please don't blame the Committee if you get a letter, they are just carrying out the rules of the system. Committee members, are UNPAID VOLUNTEERS, and are here to help and advise members.

**NOTE** – are you experiencing any difficulties?

Anyone having difficulty with their plot may speak to a committee member for advice, or if you have a full plot and feel that you would be better able to cope with a smaller area, then arrangements may be possible to split your plot in half. A confidential chat with a committee member may result in your being able to enjoy working your 'reduced size' plot.

### REMINDERS

The gates must be locked at all times

Plot holders should not park their cars on the main pathway. A car may be taken down to deliver items but **MUST** be returned to the car park area.

You must not water your plot with a hose

Please show consideration to other plot holders, do not go on to another person's plot without their permission.

### STORES

Please use our Stores—the prices are competitive with a wide range of items. Any Small Profit we make is helpful to our funds. See Notice board for details and price list.

### NOTICE BOARDS

Please read the notice boards they are updated regularly with important information that all plot holders should know.