



## **The Ferny Creek Horticultural Society Inc.**

Incorporated No. A 0002252X

# **Autumn Show 2025**

to be conducted at the Society's hall

**100 Hilton Road (east end)  
Sassafras, Vic 3787**

Saturday 3rd May 2025

12:00 noon - 4:00 pm

and

Sunday 4th May 2025

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

## **Show Schedule**

### **Show Manager**

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*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather and garden, the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.*

## **NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS**

1. Read the Rules at the back of the Schedule.
2. All classes are open to everyone unless stated otherwise. Membership of the Society is not required to enter the Show.
3. Exhibitors may submit any number of entries in any number of classes.
4. Entries can be submitted as follows:
  - a) By email to [showentries@fchs.org.au](mailto:showentries@fchs.org.au) before 10:00am Thursday 1st May, or
  - b) By phone to 0455 531 911 Wednesday 30th April 7:30pm - 8:30pm, or Thursday 1st May 9:00am - 10:00am, or
  - c) In writing in the Entries Box at the Society's hall Thursday 1st May 8:30am - 10:00am
5. Entries close at 10:00am Thursday 1st May. Late entries may be accepted at the Show Manager's discretion.
6. Only the Class number is required when submitting entries. The section letter is not required. If entering by phone, make a list of your entries before calling so you can check them as they are read back to you.
7. Some classes require the size of the exhibit and/or container to be specified at the time of entry.
8. Entries are to be staged in the Society's hall:
  - a) Friday 2nd May 1:00pm - 9:00pm, or
  - b) Saturday 3rd May 7:00am - 10:00am
9. **NEW EXHIBITORS**: Feel free to ask a Steward or other experienced Society members for help and advice when staging exhibits. First time exhibitors should mark their bench cards with "N" in red.
10. Judging starts at 10:15am Saturday 3rd May.
11. Exhibitors must maintain their exhibits for the duration of the Show (until 4:00pm Sunday 4th May).

## SECTION A - AUTUMN & EVERGREEN FOLIAGE, BERRIES, FRUITS AND SEED PODS

Awards: Blue Ribbon for Best Exhibit

**FCHS Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points in  
Classes A1 to A16 (ie excluding Novice class)

**Connie and Vern Axup Perpetual Trophy (\$30)** for  
Best Exhibit in Class A4

### **FOLIAGE (AUTUMN COLOURED)**

- A1 1 container Acer (Maple), 1 species or cultivar
- A2 1 container Cornus (Dogwood), 1 species or cultivar
- A3 1 container Quercus (Oak), 1 species or cultivar
- A4 1 container autumn foliage, 1 species or cultivar (**Trophy**)
- A5 1 container autumn foliage, mixed species or cultivars

### **FOLIAGE (NOT AUTUMN COLOURED)**

- A6 1 container Conifer, 1 species or cultivar
- A7 1 container evergreen foliage, 1 species or cultivar,  
other than specified
- A8 1 container deciduous foliage, 1 species or cultivar,  
other than specified
- A9 1 container variegated foliage, 1 species or cultivar
- A10 1 container foliage with red colouring, 1 species or cultivar
- A11 1 container foliage with golden colouring, 1 species or cultivar
- A12 1 container foliage with silver or grey colouring,  
1 species or cultivar
- A13 1 container Rhododendron foliage, no flower buds or flowers

### **AUTUMN BERRIES, FRUITS AND SEED PODS**

- A14 1 container berries, 1 species or cultivar
- A15 1 container fruit or seed pods, 1 species or cultivar
- A16 1 container mixed berries, fruits and/or seeds

### **NOVICE**

Award: FCHS Best Novice Exhibit in Show Award (\$30)  
Class A17 is included for this award

- A17 1 container autumn foliage

**SECTION B - HYDRANGEAS**

**Note:** All Hydrangea exhibits to be one head on each stem

**Awards:** **Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit

**FCHS Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points in  
Classes B18 to B26 (ie excluding Novice class)

Beryl and Frank Walker Perpetual Trophy (\$30) for  
Best Exhibit in Class B19

- B18 3 containers autumn-tinted Hydrangeas, distinct species  
or cultivars
- B19 1 container autumn-tinted Hydrangea, 1 species  
or cultivar (**Trophy**)
- B20 1 container autumn-tinted Hydrangeas, mixed species  
or cultivars
- B21 1 head autumn-tinted Hydrangea
- B22 1 container Hydrangea, other than autumn-tinted,  
1 species or cultivar
- B23 1 container Hydrangeas other than autumn-tinted,  
mixed species or cultivars
- B24 1 head Hydrangea other than autumn-tinted
- B25 1 container Lace-Cap Hydrangea, 1 species or cultivar
- B26 1 container species Hydrangea, 1 species

**NOVICE**

**Award:** FCHS Best Novice in Show Award (\$30)  
Class B27 is included for this award

- B27 1 container Hydrangea

**SECTION C - GENERAL EXHIBITS**

**Awards: Blue Ribbon** for Best exhibit

**FCHS Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points

**FCHS Encouragement Award (\$30)** for  
Best Exhibit by First Time Exhibitor

- C28 1 container Leucadendron flowers, cones or foliage,  
1 species or cultivar
- C29 1 container Leucadendron flowers, mixed species  
and/or cultivars
- C30 1 container Protea flowers, species or cultivar
- C31 1 Protea flower, species or cultivar
- C32 6 Fuchsia flowers, distinct species or cultivars, S.S.,  
dishes supplied
- C33 3 Fuchsia flowers, 1 species or cultivar, S.S., dishes supplied
- C34 3 Fuchsia flowers, mixed, S.S., dishes supplied
- C35 1 flat container (plate or shallow dish) mixed Fuchsia flowers.  
Fuchsia foliage permitted. Container not more than 30 cm.  
across, supplied by exhibitor
- C36 1 container Fuchsia flowers, 1 species or cultivar
- C37 3 Sasanqua Camellia flowers, distinct species or cultivars,  
S.S., dishes supplied
- C38 3 Sasanqua Camellia flowers, 1 species or cultivar,  
S.S., dishes supplied
- C39 1 Sasanqua Camellia flower
- C40 1 container Sasanqua Camellia flowers, 1 species or cultivar
- C41 1 container Erica flowers
- C42 1 container flowering climbing or trailing plant, CVA
- C43 1 container miniature or small-flowered Roses
- C44 1 Rose flower, any type
- C45 1 stem Rose, cluster-flowered species or cultivar
- C46 1 container Roses other than specified
- C47 1 container Nerines, 1 species or cultivar
- C48 1 container Nerines, mixed
- C49 1 stem of Nerine
- C50 1 container flowering bulbs, mixed, other than specified

**Section C - General Exhibits (continued)**

- C51 1 stem Dahlia
- C52 1 container Dahlias, 1 cultivar
- C53 1 container Dahlias, mixed
- C54 1 container Button Chrysanthemums, 1 species or cultivar
- C55 1 container Chrysanthemums, 1 species or cultivar,  
other than specified
- C56 1 container Vireya Rhododendron, 1 small flowered  
species or cultivar, less than 40mm diameter
- C57 1 container Vireya Rhododendron, 1 large flowered  
species or cultivar, more than 40mm diameter
- C58 1 container flowers, 1 species or cultivar
- C59 1 container flowers, at least 6 species or cultivars
- C60 1 flower or stem, other than specified
- C61 1 container herbs, fragrant or culinary
- C62 1 container grass, 1 species or cultivar
- C63 *1 container mixed grasses*
- C64 An interesting plant from my garden (containers allowed,  
eg a pot, but must be plain)

**FRUITS AND VEGETABLES**

- C65 A collection of vegetables, 3 or more kinds, with stems
- C66 Citrus, minimum 3 pieces, with stems
- C67 1 bunch of 3 carrots, same variety, with 15cm tops
- C68 1 Brassica any variety
- C69 10 pods of legumes, same variety, with stems
- C70 3 Capsicum (including chilli), any variety, with stems
- C71 3 Apples, Pears and/or Plums in any combination, any variety,  
with stems
- C72 3 Tomatoes, any combination of varieties, with stems

## SECTION D - MIXED DISPLAY FROM YOUR GARDEN

**Note:** Rule 16 regarding width & height of exhibits does not apply to Section D

**Awards:** **Tindale Perpetual Trophy (\$30)** for Best Exhibit

D73 A display from your garden (**Trophy**)

- Maximum dimensions 100cm x 90cm, 3 tiers.
- May include potted plants
- To be judged on quality, variety of material and overall presentation

## SECTION E - AUSTRALIAN NATIVE PLANTS

**Awards:** **Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit

**FCHS Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points in Classes E74 to E84 (ie excluding Novice class)

- E74 1 container Banksia  
 E75 1 head of Banksia  
 E76 1 container Correa  
 E77 1 container Grevillea  
 E78 1 stem Grevillea  
 E79 1 container flowers, 1 species or cultivar, other than specified  
 E80 1 container flowers, mixed species or cultivars  
 E81 1 container seed pods, 1 species or cultivar  
 E82 1 container seed pods, mixed species or cultivars  
 E83 1 container foliage, 1 species or cultivar (no flowers, but seed pods allowed)  
 E84 3 containers foliage, distinct species or cultivars (no flowers, but seed pods allowed)

### **NOVICE**

**Award** FCHS Best Novice in Show Award (\$30)

Class E85 is included for this award

- E85 1 container flowers, 1 species or cultivar

## SECTION F - ROCK GARDEN AND ALPINE PLANTS

**Note:** Clear glass containers supplied, but exhibits will be accepted in exhibitor's own clear (colourless) glass containers

**Awards:** **Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit in Cut Flowers and Foliage  
**Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit in Pans and Pots  
**Reg & Veni Scoborio Perpetual Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points in Classes F86 to F98 and F100 to F112 (ie excluding Novice class)

### **CUT FLOWERS AND FOLIAGE**

- F86 1 container flowers, mixed, not more than 5 genera
- F87 1 container flowering shrubs, 1 genus
- F88 1 container fruiting shrubs, 1 genus
- F89 1 container flowering non-woody perennials, 1 genus
- F90 1 container Crocus flowers
- F91 1 container Cyclamen flowers
- F92 1 container flowering bulbs, rhizomes or corms for the rock garden, 1 genus, other than specified
- F93 1 container flowering bulbs, rhizomes and/or corms, mixed genera
- F94 1 container Cyclamen hederifolium foliage
- F95 1 container Cyclamen foliage, other than hederifolium
- F96 1 container foliage, mixed, not more than 5 genera
- F97 1 container foliage, 1 genus, other than specified
- F98 1 container Australian Native flowers, 1 genus

### **NOVICE**

- Award FCHS Best Novice in Show Award (\$30)  
 Class F99 is included for this award
- F99 1 container flowering bulbs, rhizomes or corms, 1 genus.

### **PANS AND POTS**

- Notes:**
1. Rule 16 regarding width & height of exhibits does not apply to Pans & Pots
  2. Size of exhibit must be advised when placing entry
  3. Saucers or equivalent must be provided



**Section F - Rock Garden & Alpine Plants (continued)**

One pan or pot of the following:

- F100 Cyclamen foliage, no flowers
- F101 Cyclamen hederifolium, in flower
- F102 Cyclamen other than hederifolium, in flower
- F103 Crocus in flower
- F104 Rock garden bulbs, rhizomes or corms, 1 genus, other than specified, in flower
- F105 Dwarf Conifer
- F106 Saxifraga
- F107 Mat or cushion plant
- F108 Sempervivum, 1 species or cultivar
- F109 Sempervivum, mixed
- F110 Rock Garden shrub, other than specified
- F111 Rock Garden plant/s, 1 genus, other than specified
- F112 Miniature Garden of Rock Garden plants, mixed

**NOVICE**

**Award FCHS Best Novice in Show Award (\$30)**

Class F113 is included for this award

F113 Rock Garden plant/s

## SECTION G - BONSAI

- Notes:**
1. Rule 16 regarding width & height of exhibits does not apply to Section G
  2. Size of exhibit must be advised when placing entry
  3. All exhibits must have been owned and trained by the exhibiter for 5 or more years (except Novice).

**Awards: FCHS Trophy (\$30) for Best Exhibit**

- G114 1 Bonsai
- G115 3 Bonsai S.S.
- G116 1 Penjing (miniature landscape)

**NOVICE**

**Award Best Novice Exhibit (Bonsai starter kit)**

This class is not included in the FCHS Best Novice in Show Award

G117 Novice – 1 Bonsai owned & trained for less than 5 years

## SECTION H - POT PLANTS AND HANGING CONTAINERS

- Notes:**
1. Rule 16 regarding width & height of exhibits does not apply to Section H
  2. Size of exhibit must be advised when placing entry
  3. Saucers or equivalents must be provided

**Awards:** **Blue Ribbon** for Best Exhibit

**FCHS Trophy (\$30)** for highest aggregate of points in Classes H118 to H132 (ie excluding Novice class)

### **POT PLANTS**

- H118 1 pot fern/s
- H119 1 pot climbing or trailing plant/s
- H120 1 pot plant/s in flower, 1 species or cultivar
- H121 1 pot succulent, 1 species or cultivar
- H122 3 pots succulents, distinct species or cultivars
- H123 1 pot Cactus, 1 species or cultivar
- H124 3 pots Cacti, distinct species or cultivars
- H125 1 pot succulents and/or Cacti, mixed
- H126 1 foliage plant
- H127 1 pot bulbs in flower, 1 species or cultivar
- H128 1 Vireya Rhododendron in an appropriate container
- H129 1 pot flowering shrub, other than Vireya Rhododendron

### **HANGING CONTAINERS**

- H130 1 hanging container fern/s
- H131 1 hanging container foliage plant/s, other than ferns
- H132 1 hanging container flowering plant/s

### **NOVICE**

Award FCHS Best Novice in Show Award (\$30)

Class H133 is included for this award

- H133 1 pot flowering plant, 1 species or cultivar

**SECTION J - YOUNG PEOPLE**

**Awards: Judy Austin Encouragement Award (\$5)** for Best Exhibit in each age group

**15 YEARS AND UNDER**

- J134 A container of autumn foliage from your family garden
- J135 3 vegetables from your family garden - labelled
- J136 Something I have grown myself - labelled
- J137 A dish garden (made of mostly plant material)
- J138 A creature made only from plant material

**10 YEARS AND UNDER**

- J139 A container of autumn foliage from your family garden
- J140 3 vegetables from your family garden - labelled
- J141 Something I have grown myself - labelled
- J142 A dish garden (made of mostly plant material)
- J143 A creature made only from plant material

**6 YEARS AND UNDER**

- J144 A container of autumn foliage from your family garden
- J145 3 vegetables from your family garden - labelled
- J146 Something I have grown myself - labelled
- J147 A dish garden (made of mostly plant material)
- J148 A creature made only from plant material

**SECTION K - NON-COMPETITIVE ENTRIES**

**ALL ENTRIES APPRECIATED**

Please do not stage exhibits until the Show Manager has allocated an area

## RULES

### **THE SOCIETY ACCEPTS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PROPERTY OF EXHIBITORS IN ALL CASES THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE CONSIDERED FINAL**

These Rules are in accordance with those of the Australian Horticultural Judges' Association Inc.

1. Any exhibit not in accordance with the Schedule will be disqualified and marked N.A.S. by the Judge.
2. Exhibitors must use containers supplied by the Society unless otherwise stated or prior arrangements have been made with the Show Manager. No advantage can be gained by using a non-Society container.
3. All exhibits must have been grown by the exhibitor and have been in their possession for at least three months prior to the Show.
4. Cut flower exhibits become the property of the Society (unless otherwise arranged with the Show Manager by the exhibitor) and may be sold or destroyed after the Show.
5. Exhibits in other classes are considered the property of the Society until the Show's close and must not be removed without the permission of the Show Manager.
6. Exhibits considered by the Judge to be not worthy of the prize allotted in the Schedule shall have the prize withheld or reduced in value.
7. The Show Manager reserves the right to refuse any entry.
8. EXHIBITORS ARE REQUESTED TO NAME EXHIBITS ON THEIR ENTRY CARDS. This will be taken into consideration in cases of close competition. Entrants wishing to have an entry named should leave a card with Name Please on it.
9. Abbreviations: C.V.A. Colour Variation Allowed  
N.N.D. Not Necessarily Distinct  
S.S. Staged Singly
10. Flowering Shrubs include Trees and Climbers.
11. Own foliage is permitted in all exhibits.
12. Wiring of flowers is prohibited.
13. A container holds any number of stems.
14. A vase consists of at least three stems and not more than six.
15. **Novice Classes.** Open only to those who have not won a first prize or Blue Ribbon in that section at any Horticultural Show, or FCHS Novice awards in three or more FCHS shows. There will be a Best Novice in Show award across all classes designated as included for the Award.
16. Exhibits must not exceed 75 cm in width and height above the bench unless otherwise stated.
17. Self-watering pots and hanging baskets may be used.