

## Welcome to the Village Show 2026

At the heart of the Village Weekend is the Stapleford Village Show. A community run home produce and flower show, that's evolved to include a variety of classes with something for everyone to enter; from delicious baked goods and freshly grown vegetables to stunning photography, intricate crafts, beautiful plants, carefully arranged floral displays and children's classes.

Every year the Village Show committee choose a theme for the show. In light of the football World Cup this year, the theme 'Sporty Stapleford' has been chosen. Celebrating and encouraging sporting activity in our village.

### How do I enter the Village Show?

1. Select the classes you'd like to enter using the schedule of classes on pages 12 and 13.
2. Make sure you have familiarised yourself with the rules & guidelines of entry on pages 14 & 15.
3. Fill out the entry form (page 15) listing your classes (If you'd like to enter more than one exhibit in a class repeat the class number per number of exhibits you'd like to enter. ie. for 3 photos in class 67 write '67, 67, 67') Each entrant needs a separate form.
4. Entry forms are to be submitted with a £1 fee per person (Children free)
5. Entry forms can be submitted in 2 ways i) delivered to Julie Rayment at 43 Hawthorne Road by 12 NOON on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June **OR** ii) by taking your form and entry fee to the Church Lych Gate on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June between 9am and 11am.

### What to do on the day:

On the morning of the Village Show (27/06/2026) Bring your exhibits to the marquee on the rec between 8:30am and 9:50am.

***If you need to unload lots of exhibits from your car please access the marquee via the Haverhill Road entrance next to the tennis courts, you will be able to drive on to the rec and park next to the marquee.*** There will be stewards to guide you.

10am marquee closes for judging to commence. 1pm the marquee opens for the public to view the wonderful exhibits submitted by the village.

At 4:15pm prizes and cups will be awarded to winners (see page 14 for the full list of cups and respective classes)

Once prize giving has concluded you can collect your exhibits. To collect with a car please use the Haverhill Road entrance to be able to drive up to the marquee.

We look forward to accepting all of your fantastic exhibits this year. It doesn't matter whether you're a regular entrant or brand new to the show — everyone is warmly welcomed and encouraged to take part. This event is all about coming together, having a go, and enjoying what our community can create.

If you have any queries/questions or would like another entry form contact:  
[staplefordvillageshow@gmail.com](mailto:staplefordvillageshow@gmail.com)

See you all in June.

The Stapleford Village Show Committee

# Village Show 2026 Classes

## CLASS - VEGETABLES AND FRUIT

All exhibits must be clean, fresh and shown as grown. Quality/uniformity are more important than size. State variety (where known) on entry card.

1. 4 red or white potatoes
2. 4 onions (tops to be tied)
3. 4 beetroot
4. 2 lettuces
5. 4 pods of broad beans
6. 4 pods of french beans
7. 4 pods of peas
8. 4 pods of mangetout
9. 2 courgettes
10. 2 cucumbers
11. 4 carrots (including tops)
12. 100g currants (same kind/mixed, on stalks)
13. 5 different herbs
14. 4 sticks of rhubarb
15. 10 strawberries (with hulls left in)
16. 10 gooseberries
17. 10 raspberries (with hulls left in)
18. An exhibit of 10 fruit (18a) or 2 vegetable (18b) (not specified under classes 1-17)



## CLASS - FLOWERS

Exhibits in classes 28-36 must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least 3 months and must not have been exhibited before at this Show.

19. 9 stems of garden flowers (*same or mixed*)
20. 5 blooms of pansies (20a) or violas (20b)
21. 5 stems of sweet peas
22. 5 stems of roses (*any variety*)
23. 1 rose to be judged for fragrance.
24. 5 marigolds (*any variety*)
25. 5 stems of lavender
26. 3 different ornamental shrubs (*1 stem each*)
27. Specimen stem of any variety of flower not specified elsewhere in the schedule
28. Pot plant - flowering
29. Pot plant - foliage only
30. Fern in a pot
31. Fuchsia in a pot
32. Begonia in a pot
33. Bonsai tree
34. Geranium (pelargonium) in a pot
35. A cactus or succulent in a pot
36. A herb in a pot



## CLASS - FLOWER ARRANGING

**NO arranging allowed on Judging table.**

**Exhibitors in classes 38 & 39 may purchase British grown flowers. NO oasis to be used.**

**Use will cause disqualification.**

37. An arrangement using foliage only.
38. An arrangement – 'Going for Gold'
39. An exhibit incorporating a piece of sports
40. equipment. (30cm x 30cm)
41. An arrangement of garden flowers (home grown)
42. An arrangement of flowers in a Teapot.

**(To be judged by the public on appearance)**

## NEW THIS YEAR:

If you would like a chance to win the Rickett Cup - for the best front garden -

**THIS YEAR YOU NEED TO ENTER.**

To enter; email

staplefordvillageshow@gmail.com by 19/06/2026 with your name, address and contact number - entry is **free**.

Gardens judged prior to the show.

Points will be awarded on artistic merit and technical skill. Most points wins!

## CLASS - HOME PRODUCE

Exhibits in Classes 42-50 must be presented on a plate and covered.

- 42. 4 cheese scones
- 43. 4 rock cakes
- 44. 6 biscuits
- 45. 2 sausage rolls
- 46. A Victoria sponge (undecorated, 3 eggs, with jam filling)
- 47. 4 wholemeal or white rolls.
- 48. A lemon drizzle cake
- 49. 6 pieces of Millionaires Shortbread
- 50. A light mixed fruit cake
- 51. A jar of homemade jam
- 52. A jar of homemade chutney
- 53. A bottle of homemade (a) beer or (b) wine



## CLASS – HANDICRAFT

**Art/Craftwork should not have previously been exhibited in this Show. Jewellery must be mounted.**

- 54. A piece of homemade jewellery.
- 55. An example of tapestry
- 56. A knitted garment (a) *by hand* or (b) *by machine*)
- 57. An example of lace, crochet, or tatting
- 58. An example of embroidery
- 59. An example of patchwork
- 60. An example of cross stitch
- 61. A soft toy/toys
- 62. An example of any other craftwork
- 63. An example of calligraphy of text 'The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog'
- 64. An example of pottery/ceramics
- 65. A painting - any medium/subject
- 66. A drawing - any subject



## CLASS – PHOTOGRAPHY

**Photographs must be taken by the exhibitor and not previously been exhibited in this Show.**

- 67. A photograph – “Sport in motion”
  - 68. A photograph – “Pets in a pickle”
  - 69. A photograph – “Your favourite sport”
  - 70. A photograph – “Stapleford structures”
  - 71. A photograph – “Showing support”
  - 72. A group of 2 photographs – ‘Start and Finish’ (mounted)
  - 73. Black and white photo (any subject)
  - 74. **Children’s class (age under 16)**
- A photo from one of the above topics 67-71



## CHILDREN’S CLASSES

**Age as on 31st August 2026 No joint entries.**

### Age 6 and under

- 75. An arrangement of flowers in a sports bottle.
- 76. A handmade party invitation.
- 77. A poster to encourage sports and fitness.
- 78. 4 sports themed decorated biscuits.
- 79. A model made of Lego.



### Age 7 to 11 years

- 80. An arrangement of flowers in a sports bottle.
- 81. A handmade party invitation.
- 82. A poster to encourage sports and fitness.
- 83. 4 sports themed cupcakes.
- 84. A model made of Lego.



### Age 12 to 16 years

- 85. An arrangement of flowers in a sports bottle.
- 86. A handmade party invitation.
- 87. A poster to encourage sports and fitness.
- 88. 6 sports themed cupcakes.
- 89. A model made of Lego.

## RULES

### No entry forms accepted after 12 noon on Friday 26th June 2026

Classes are open to everyone; an entry fee of **£1** per adult entrant is made regardless of number of entries, though only one entry per class can score points (see below).

1. Exhibits will be received in the marquee on the Recreation Ground between **8.30 a.m. and 9.50 a.m.** on Saturday 27th June.
2. **NO ACCESS WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER 10.00 AM TO ALLOW JUDGING TO TAKE PLACE**
3. Judging will take place between 10.00 am and 12.30 pm during which time only officials and judges are allowed in the Marquee.
4. Exhibitors are asked to supply their own equipment; no responsibility will be accepted for loss or damage.
5. **Exhibitors must attach the entry card to their exhibit .**
6. All exhibits must be grown or made by the exhibitor.
7. Awards will be presented at 4.15 p.m. Exhibits may not be removed before 4.30 pm; exhibits left after 5.00 pm. will be disposed of.
8. The Committee reserves the right to settle any matter not covered by these rules, at its discretion.

## AWARDS

Points: First 3; Second 2; Third 1. Please note that even though you can enter more than once in a class, only the highest scoring entry can score points.

Challenge Cup for all classes Awarded to the individual obtaining the highest number of points in the entire Show.

**The Stapleford Cup**

**The Tucker Gardner Challenge Cup – Veg/Fruit.**

**Challenge Cup - Flowers**

**Roy Burman Shield**

**Rosalie Bowl**

**The Flower Show Centenary Cup**

**The St Andrews Millennium Trophy**

**Home Produce Cup**

**Cambridge Building Society Cup Best from**

**Photography Shield Best from**

**Rickett Cup Front Gardens**

**Joan Sudbury Allotment Cup**

**The Stapleford Children's Challenge Cup**

**(Awarded to the child obtaining the most points in classes 75 - 89)**

**Jessie Salter Cup**

**Joan Riley Messenger Cup**

**Marion's Cup**

**Mary Ward Cup**

**Nick Pett Cup**

**Personal Choice**

**Classes 1-18**

**Classes 19-27**

**Class 21**

**Class 22**

**Classes 28-36**

**Classes 27-40**

**Classes 42-52**

**Classes 54-66**

**Classes 67-73**

**Allotments**

**Best from classes 77, 82, 87**

**Class 74**

**Best from Classes 75, 80, 85**

**Best from Classes 78, 83, 88**

**Best from Classes 76, 81, 86**



## **2026 Village Show guidelines for classes:**

Guidelines for specific classes are given on the Schedule. Please note the following general details for classes:

### **Children may enter their own or adult classes**

**Home Produce (classes 42-50) and children's classes 78, 83 & 88:** Exhibits on a plate and covered. (this is for health & safety reasons).

**Photographs:** Photos must be taken by the entrant. Exhibits can be mounted but should not be in frames.

**Class 72:** The 4 photographs (max 7" x 5") should be mounted on a sheet not exceeding A4 in size,

**Entries may NOT be submitted after 9.50 am on the day of the show; there will be no access to the marquee after this time for judging to take place.**



## **Village Show Entry Form -**

**Name** ..... **Telephone** .....

**Address**.....

**Email** .....

**Age if 16 years or under on 31st August 2026** .....

**Class Numbers**

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☐ *By ticking this box I give consent for the Stapleford Village Show to hold this personal data for Show purposes only. Visit our page at [www.staplefordweekend.com](http://www.staplefordweekend.com) for our privacy policy.*

## **Hints and Tips for showing your exhibits**

Leave yourself plenty of time to stage your exhibits. The Marquee will close at 10am.

Read the schedule well and be careful to adhere to any specific rules relating to the class you've entered - size, covers, tops on, tops off, as grown, numbers. The judges reserve the right not to judge items not shown as per the schedule.

Place your exhibit cards with your exhibits, name side down (very important) and the right card with the right exhibit in the right class.

Fruit and veg are judged according to RHS guidelines. According to them a tomato is a fruit! Good luck!