

WANSFORD TOP VASE

FOR SOCIETY MEMBERS ONLY

Rules:

1. The Top Vase Class is for a vase of mixed flowering stems containing a total of between 5 and 10, taken from a minimum of two different kinds of plants. Please note that it is two different KINDS of plants, two varieties of the same plant are NOT two kinds.
2. The display is judged out of a total of 35 points, split into 25 points for the colour, form, condition, quality and freshness of the flowers on display, and 10 points for the overall presentation and effects of the flowers in the vase. The vase will be viewed from all directions. Judging of the flowers should be to the normal rules used for other classes.
3. Stems used in the display must be showing flowers only, no seed heads or berries will be allowed.
4. The vase can be any shape and size and made from any material, but must be in proportion to the display. No marks are awarded for the vase itself.
5. No accessories, such as bows and additional foliage will be allowed. Foliage which is growing naturally from the flowering stem, and still attached to that stem, is allowed. Packing material - including florists' foam - to keep the stems in place, is allowed.
6. The winner of the Top Vase Class will receive a Certificate plus a Garden Voucher.

Notes: Flowering stems can be taken from ANY flowering plant. The different kinds of plants need to be taken from different genera. For instance, pinks, carnations and sweet williams - which are all dianthus - would not be classed as different kinds. Use only fresh, home-grown flowers. No dried or silk flowers allowed. A vase, by definition, is any vessel that can be used to hold cut flowers and which is taller than it is wide at its widest point. The Top Vase class is open for any society member to enter and is not intended purely for growers who regularly display in single species classes at shows. Judges should use their discretion when judging the Top Vase class bearing in mind that the entries may come from inexperienced exhibitors. Please note that the display has to be viewed all round. The points awarded should be clearly marked by the judges on the exhibitors' cards

N.B. The money prizes for this Class do NOT qualify for the Banksian Medal