

Review of 2017 Annual Flower Show

The 145th annual flower show of the Melbury Osmond Garden and Show Society was held on Saturday 19th August 2017. The 4 new judges we welcomed last year in Floral Art, Vegetables, Fruits & Flowers Exhibits and Crafts & Children's Category returned to judge for us this year. Mrs Jo Osment (Domestic Science) is our longest-serving judge.

Despite the vagaries of this summer, the judges were impressed by the high quality and variety of the Vegetables and Floral Art as well as the continued excellence in the Photography and Crafts categories. Domestic Science category also had a sizable increase of laudable entries. The number of exhibitors (49) was slightly down from last year's 51, with a total of 442 exhibits in the adults' categories and a small increase in the number of children's exhibits (26) compared to last year's 19 entries. A total of 7 children participated this year.

The trophy winners in 2017 are as follows:

Vegetable Cup: Ray Hannam

Fruits & Flowers Cup: Carole Angel

Lady Theresa Floral Art Cup: Vicky Wells

Prince of Wales Handicrafts Cup: Janet Danks

Domestic Science Cup: - Hazel Melling

Photography Cup: Peter Preston

John Ebsworth Cup for under 8's: Liesl Merritt

William & Kate Paulley Cup for under 12's: Sophie Loi

Golden Jubilee 2000 Cup (Men's Domestic Science): Graham Melling

Evershot Cup: Ray Hannam

Eliza Maria Critchel Trophy for Best in Show: Martin Eastment

Challenge Cup for highest points in Show: Hazel Melling

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