

# THEALE SHOW 2026

(formerly Theale Fruit & Flower Show)

## Show Information & Schedule of Competition Classes



2026 Cover design adapted from the winning entry in 2024 Competition by Poppy Stevenson

## September 5<sup>th</sup> 2026

Theale Village Hall BS28 4SX

*An event for ALL the family*

**Tesa Munt will open the Show at 2:30pm**

Find out more & enter our Competition ONLINE at

**[www.thealeshow.com](http://www.thealeshow.com)**

(from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2026)

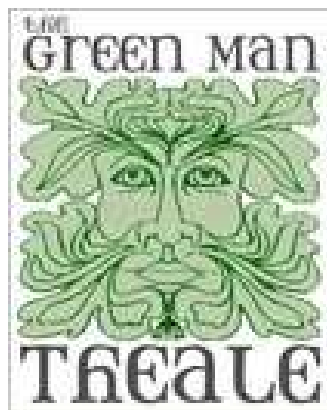
Or use the Entry Form inside this Schedule

# Events & Attractions

**Let the Show begin!**  
**Afternoon 2.30 to 6.00pm**

*Entry to the Show for adults £4, under 16s free*

- **2:30pm: Official Opening of the Show by Tessa Munt**
- See all the **Competition entries** covering a wide range of classes - home grown fruit, vegetables and flowers, arts and crafts, food and beverages
- **Throughout the afternoon** enjoy a programme of events, stalls and activities for all the family.
- **Children's Activities for all ages!**
- **Tea, coffee, squash and delicious cakes** on sale during the afternoon
- **3.15pm: Companion Dog Show** – bring your (well behaved!) dog and enter him/her into the Dog Show. There is a separate entry fee for this fun Competition. See separate information in this Schedule.
- **5pm: 'The Big Dig' - Ted's Taters** in a Tub Competition – see who can grow the most potatoes in a container!
- **5:30pm: Presentation of cups and trophies for all Classes:-** flowers, plants, produce, arts and crafts and more!!



**The Green Man licensed Bar  
will be open throughout the Show**

*Dear Friends, Supporters, Participants and Visitors,*

Welcome to the competition schedule for this year's Theale Show!

With over 100 competition classes, there's definitely something for you, your family, children and friends. Whether it's grown, baked, crafted, brewed, or simply laid by your chickens, we are hoping you feel inspired to join the fun. Who will be Star Baker... or Star Gardener? We remember our children having a last-minute dash to get their entries in!

Even if you don't get round to entering anything, do come and join us in our beautiful Theale orchard for the afternoon. The novelty dog show is huge fun, your family pet will be a star! Don't just admire the quality (and quantity!) of your friends' and neighbours' home produce, but also enjoy a variety of activities, children's entertainment, food options, and Green Man bar which will be open during the show.

The show will be opened officially at **2:30 by Tessa Munt** our local MP.

Thanks as always to our group of Friends of the show who generously help and support this event, in particular our sponsors. We look forward to seeing you all for a very special celebration of all things local, at an annual summer event that brings together friends, neighbours and newcomers together in our community.

Thanks are also due to the many helpers who pile in to help and organise events, catering and bar on the day and in the months leading up to this event. Without them this show could not take place.

*Richard Atkin, Chair*

# How to make a Competition Entry in Theale Show

Each exhibitor must complete a separate Entry Form. This can be found in the centre of this Schedule, or it can be downloaded from [www.thealeshow.com](http://www.thealeshow.com). You can enter in one of three ways:

## 1. By Post

Send your entry to The Show Secretary, c/o Cathy Butterworth, Bennetts Cottage, Latcham, Wedmore, BS28 4SD enclosing:-

- An entry form from this Schedule fully completed and the appropriate fees calculated
- A cheque made payable to Theale Flower Show for the total amount of the entry fees
- To be received no later than first post on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026
- Collect your labels from Theale Village Hall on the morning of the Show

## 2. In Person

- Entries can be taken to Theale Village Hall on the following days and times:-
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026, 7.00pm to 9:00pm
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2026, 7.00pm to 9:00pm
- Please bring a fully completed entry form and appropriate fees.

## 3. Online

- Online entries may be made from 1 August 2026 on [www.thealeshow.com](http://www.thealeshow.com).
- You can pay your online entry fees on the Show Day to the Show Secretary or deputy in Theale Village Hall.
- Collect your labels from Theale Village Hall on the morning of the Show.

## 4. No entry form or online entry will be accepted after 9pm on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2026

- Each exhibitor may enter only one exhibit per class.
- Children must only enter in the classes which relate to their age group on 1 September 2026.
- For Children's Classes, only their age can be shown on the entry, **no name to be shown**.
- Entry money is not refundable.
- For guidance on flower and vegetable exhibits, you may find it useful to consult the RHS The Horticultural Show handbook.

# Theale Show Official Rules

(Effective 2026)

1. All exhibits must be staged in the Show areas **between 8.30am and 10:30am** on the Show Day. The Show areas will be **closed at 10:30am** precisely and no further exhibits will be accepted whilst judging takes place. The Show areas will re-opened at 2.30pm.
2. All exhibits must be the work of the Exhibitor and must not have been entered in previous Theale Flower Shows.
3. Children's exhibits must be arranged by their own hands **and must be marked to show the exhibitor's age only – no name.**
4. The Committee reserves the right to cancel any class. Entries may be refused at the sole discretion of the Show Secretary.
5. Each exhibit must be clearly marked with its Entry Number using the marker supplied by the Show Secretary. No other distinguishing mark may be used, except for Children's Classes, where the age may be shown. Wines, ciders, beverages and preserves should be labelled to show the variety.
6. No person except Show Officials will be allowed in the Show areas whilst judging takes place.
7. The Theale Show Committee shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to exhibits howsoever caused during the Show Day or at any time thereafter.
8. No exhibits or prize cards may be removed until after the Cups have been presented at 5.30p.m. Perpetual Challenge Cups (held for one season only) will be awarded to individuals with the highest number of points or according to the Judge's decision.
9. The Judge's decisions are final.
10. Any complaint must be made in writing to the Show Secretary before 4:00pm on the Show Day.
11. All Cups awarded in the previous year are to be returned to the Secretary at least 2 weeks before the Show or as requested by the Show Secretary.
12. All Prizes are paid out immediately following the presentation of Cups on Show Day. The Committee reserves the right to return prize monies to Show funds not claimed on Show Day.
13. All accounts and expenses are to be settled with the Treasurer no later than 31<sup>st</sup> October following the Show Day.
14. For the purposes of the Show and those cups to be awarded to exhibitors residing in the Parish of Theale, this area includes the villages of Panborough, Mudgley, Bagley, Latcham, Newtown, and both sides of Blakeway Road.
15. Cash Prizes are awarded for each place in a class and are subject to Judge's sole discretion
  - a. **1<sup>st</sup> place = £4.00**
  - b. **2<sup>nd</sup> Place = £2.00**
  - c. **3<sup>rd</sup> place = £1.00**
16. Maximum entry fees charged to any one entrant for Adult Classes is **£15.**

# Children and Young People's Classes

## Age 5 and below - free entry

Class	<i>Please mark your exhibit with age only. Do not show name</i>
1	Decorated paper plate
2	A picture made with leaves and flowers.
3	A Lego® model, not from a kit (state size)
4	Painting or drawing - "A farmer"
5	A collage with the theme "My home".
6	A 'butterfly' painting

## Children Age 6 to 10 - free entry

Class	<i>Please mark your exhibit with age only. Do not show name</i>
7	Handwriting – copy a song or poem and decorate your page (max. size A4)
8	A Lego® model, not from a kit (state size)
9	Best Dressed Wooden Spoon
10	Design your own treasure map. (max. 35cm square)
11	Home-made greetings card to celebrate "Christmas"
12	Miniature garden, playground or farmyard (max. 35cm square)
13	Coloured picture drawing (max. size A4) "My family"
14	Monster made from vegetable matter
15	Photograph on the subject of "Nature" (max. size A5) <b>Please print your own</b>
16	Two decorated cupcakes.
17	Make a bug hotel

## Children Age 11 to 16 - free entry

Class	<i>Please mark your exhibit with age only. Do not show name</i>
18	Home-made jewellery
19	Cover design for the Theale Show 2027 Schedule (max. size A4)
20	Design a T shirt you would like to wear. (On A4 paper)
21	A photo of "The weather" (max. size A5) <b>Please print your own</b>
22	A list of your top five ideas for Children's Classes for the 2027 Theale Show
23	6 homemade biscuits

# All Adult Classes

Anyone of any age can make one entry in each Class- £1.00 per Entry

## Preserves/Baking - £1.00 per entry

Class	
24	Homemade jam - 454g (1lb) Jar
25	Homemade fruit jelly (preserve) eg bramble jelly - 454g (1lb) Jar
26	Homemade marmalade - 454g (1lb) Jar
27	Homemade chutney – fruit-based 454g (1lb) Jar
28	Homemade chutney – vegetable-based 454g (1lb) Jar
29	Plate of 5 biscuits – any recipe
30	Apple cake (Include a list of your ingredients)
31	Fruit cake - any recipe
32	Victoria sandwich ( <i>recipe 6ozs SR flour, 6ozs caster sugar, 6ozs margarine, 3 eggs &amp; jam filling</i> )
33	Gluten-free cake, any flavour, maximum 8 inch diameter or square. ( <i>Include a list of your ingredients</i> )
34	Sweet Scones - plate of 5
35	Savoury Scones - plate of 5
36	Apple pie (double crust – pastry at top and bottom) - maximum 8inch diameter
37	Brown bread – any recipe
38	White bread - any recipe

## Handicrafts - £1.00 per entry

Class	<i>(Please state size on entry form for all Handicraft Classes)</i>
39	Any hand-crafted item for baby - knitted, sewn, crochet
40	Homemade soft toy
41	Hand crafted item in knitting or crochet ( <i>not for a baby</i> )
42	Hand crafted item ( <i>needlework, cross-stitch, felting or similar</i> ) ( <i>not for a baby</i> )
43	A homemade quilted or patchwork item
44	Something you've made, not covered by other Handicraft classes or in the Art Classes.

## Art & sculpture - £1.00 per entry

Class	(Max size 50x50cm/20x20ins exc. frame)
45	An oil or acrylic or watercolour painting, entitled "Landscape"
46	A drawing (pastels, pen, pencil or charcoal), entitled "Landscape"
47	Homemade greetings card
48	Hand crafted item in wood or metal
49	Hand crafted item in pottery or other medium

## Flower Arrangements - £1.00 per entry

Class	
50	Arrangement of flowers using a jug (max 40cm(15.5") in any direction)
51	A decorative arrangement of mixed herbs
52	Flowers in footwear – max 40cm(15.5") in any direction
53	Miniature arrangement - max diameter 11.5cm (4.5")
54	Flower arrangement in a teacup and saucer
55	Flowers and/or herbs for a kitchen table in a jam jar - 454g (1lb) Jar
56	An arrangement of dried flowers, fruit and berries- max 40cm(15.5") in any direction

## Flowers/Plants - £1.00 per entry

Class	
57	The best flower in my garden
58	3 flowering stems from a perennial (same variety)
59	One specimen Rose - any variety
60	Geranium plant, <b>only</b> those plants provided by Theale Show - <i>see below*</i> .
61	Fuchsia plant
62	A house plant, including cactus and succulent (state size)
63	3 blooms of Dahlias of one variety
64	Vase of mixed Dahlias - 7 blooms
65	5 stems of any variety of marigold (can be mixed)
66	5 stems of any other cut flower
67	The tiniest flower in your garden

*\* Geranium plugs were available from April for collection*

Thank you to **Sweet Acre Nursery** for their contribution to the geraniums.

Visit them at Godney Road, Glastonbury, Somerset BA6 9AF. [01458 834602](tel:01458834602) [sweetacre@btconnect.com](mailto:sweetacre@btconnect.com)

## Vegetables - £1.00 per entry

Class	
68	<b>Ted's Taters in a tub</b> (see below for details)
69	5 Potatoes – all the same variety
70	5 Runner beans
71	1 Cucumber
72	3 Onions – all same variety
73	5 Tomatoes with stems (same variety)
74	5 cherry tomatoes with stems (same variety)
75	A truss of tomatoes
76	5 French Beans
77	3 Carrots
78	3 Beetroots
79	3 Capsicum Peppers
80	3 Courgettes
81	Chillies, 5 any variety
82	Single Marrow
83	Single Pumpkin
84	Longest Runner Bean
85	A Vegetable that isn't anywhere else!
86	A Collection of vegetables - (2 of each type) <i>max of 6 types – can include tomatoes</i>

## Fruit - £1.00 per entry

Class	
87	Dish of 12 Raspberries
88	5 Cooking Apples
89	5 Dessert Apples
90	5 Pears
91	5 Plums or stoned fruit, eg damsons, gages
92	Bowl of fruit from the garden

## Eggs - £1.00 per entry

Class	
93	6 hens eggs all one colour

## Wine, Cider and Beverages - £1.00 per entry

Class	Please use a clear bottle, label variety and seal with an air-tight top, which does not need a corkscrew to remove.
94	Fruit flavoured spirit or liqueur (for example 'sloe' gin)
95	Homemade Wine - any colour, age or variety - including kits
96	Home-made beer or ale, (all grain brewing or from a kit)
97	Home-made cider – any
98	Homemade lemonade
99	Any fruit or flower cordial (not diluted, non-alcoholic)

## Photography – £1.00 per entry

Class	Max size 20x15cm/8.25x6 ins to include mount. Please print out yourself and bring along for display.
100	Photograph "Animals close-up!"
101	Photograph on the subject of "A Somerset landmark"
102	Group of photographs - "Families!" - 4 photos, (max size 20x15cm / 8.25x6ins each to include mount)
103	Photograph of "Clouds"

## Vehicles - £1.00p per entry

Class	You must create an entry online or using the paper Entry Form to register. Please arrive between 1 and 2pm with your vehicle. Follow signs for 'Vintage Vehicles', park up and go to Main Show tent for further information
104	Best vintage or classic car, pre 1990
105	Best vintage or classic tractor or any other vintage vehicle, pre 1990
106	Best vintage or classic motorbike, pre 1990

## Ted's Taters in a Tub Competition (Class 68)

*Prize of £5 & Novelty Trophy*

### The Rules

1. Potatoes to be grown in a maximum of 25 litres of soil / compost
2. Any variety or number of seed potatoes may be used
3. Changing or replacing the growing medium is not permitted
4. Haulms to be cut

### What to do on the day of the Show:

- Each competitor will be required to turn out the container when asked to do so by the judge
- The judge will weigh the crop of potatoes
- The prize is for the competitor with the heaviest crop of potatoes in the container

Thank you to **Mary Hatch**, a long-standing Theale Show supporter, for donating the prize for the 'Teds Taters' Competition.

# Companion Dog Show Information

If you have a dog and you would like to show him/her off, then bring them along to the famous Theale Companion Dog Show. Once the main Show is open, come along to the Dog Show arena.

You can register your dog to take part in the Dog Show for £1.00. This will include entry into one Class. Entry into each additional Class will be 50pence.

- 1) *Most like their owner*
- 2) *Best trick*
- 3) *Best looking youngster (under 1 year of age)*
- 4) *Most awesome eyes*
- 5) *Golden oldie (over 10 years)*
- 6) *Most waggiest tail*

Rosettes will be awarded, for your dog to show off!

The Dog Show itself will start at **3.15pm**.

A polite reminder – you are responsible at all times for your dog. For the safety and comfort of others, please keep your dog under control and on a lead at all times. Please scoop, bag and remove any poop! Thank you!

## Honorary Members of Theale Show

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Drew, Mr. & Mrs. D Tyrrell, Mrs. A. Bodley, Mr & Mrs P Drew

## Friends of Theale Show

Mr & Mrs K Graham  
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Mrs J Wright

## Theale Show - useful contacts

For all enquiries, please call **01934 806157** and leave a message. We will contact you as soon as possible.

<i>Chairman</i>	Richard Atkin
<i>Treasurer</i>	Lesley Chir
<i>Show Secretary</i>	Cathy Butterworth

# Theale Show – a great afternoon out!

