

COHASSET GARDEN CLUB 2020
Horticulture Competitions
Knowles Cup and Golden Trowel

Wednesday, July 15
Lightkeepers Residence
Entry Times: TBD

Classes 1-28 Perennials One blooming stem unless noted; any foliage must be attached

1. *Alchemilla* (Lady's mantle)
2. *Amsonia* (Blue star)
3. *Aquilegia* (Columbine)
4. *Astilbe* (Astilbe)
5. *Baptisia* (False indigo)
6. *Campanula* (Bellflower)
7. *Centaurea* (Knapweed/bluet)
8. *Convallaria* (Lily of the valley)
9. *Dianthus* (Pink)
10. *Dicentra spectabilis* (Common bleeding heart)
11. *Dicentra eximia* (Wild bleeding heart)
12. *Dictamnus* (Gas plant)
13. *Digitalis* (Foxglove)
14. *Gaura* (Windflower)
15. *Geranium* (Geranium, cranesbill)
16. *Heuchera* (Coral Bells) – 3 stems
17. *Iris germanica* (Bearded iris)
18. *Iris sibirica* (Siberian iris)
19. *Lupinus* (Lupine)
20. *Mertensia* (Virginia Bluebell)
21. *Nepeta* (Catmint)
22. *Papaver* (Poppy)
23. *Penstemon* (Penstemon)
24. *Phlox* (Phlox)
25. *Polygonatum* (Solomon's seal)

- 26. *Salvia* (Sage)
- 27. “Posies” – 3 specimens, each of a different species or cultivar
- 28. Exhibitor’s choice

Classes 29-33 Paeonia (Peony) One blooming stem; foliage must be attached

- 29. Herbaceous, single
- 30. Herbaceous, double
- 31. Tree, single
- 32. Tree, double
- 33. Intersectional Peonies

Classes 34-48 Shrubs and Trees One flowering branch, 30” max; any foliage must be attached

- 34. *Chionanthus* (Fringe tree)
- 35. *Cornus kousa* (Kousa dogwood)
- 36. *Cornus*, other
- 37. *Kalmia latifolia* (Mountain laurel)
- 38. *Philadelphus* (Mockorange)
- 39. *Potentilla* (Cinquefoil)
- 40. *Chaenomeles* (Quince)
- 41. *Rhododendron* - Large leaf
- 42. *Rhododendron* - Small leaf
- 43. *Rhododendron* – Azalea
- 44. *Syringa reticulata* (Japanese tree lilac)
- 45. *Syringa*, other (Lilac)
- 46. *Viburnum*
- 47. *Weigela*
- 48. Exhibitor’s choice

Classes 49-56 *Rosae* (Roses) One blooming stem unless noted; must be exhibited with at least one attached leaf containing five leaflets

49. Hybrid tea
50. Floribunda – one spray
51. Grandiflora
52. Climbing
53. Fairy
54. Shrub
55. English rose, David Austin
56. Exhibitor's choice

Classes 57-59 Vines One blooming stem; any foliage must be attached

57. *Clematis* (Clematis)
58. *Hydrangea anomala* (Climbing hydrangea)
59. Exhibitor's choice

Classes 60-65 Plants Grown for Foliage

60. *Athyrium* (Fern)
61. *Hosta* (Plantain lily) – Large leaf (1 leaf)
62. *Hosta* (Plantain lily) – Medium leaf (1 leaf)
63. *Hosta* (Plantain lily) – Small leaf (1 leaf)
64. *Hosta* (Plantain lily) – Mini leaf (1 leaf)
65. Exhibitor's choice

Classes 66-73 Herbs Three Stems

66. *Lavandula* (Lavender)
67. *Pelargonium* (Scented geranium)
68. *Petroselinum crispum neopolitanum*
(Flat-leaf parsley)
69. *Petroselinum crispum* (Curly-leaf parsley)
70. *Rosmarinus* (Rosemary)

71. *Salvia officinalis* (Sage)
72. *Thymus* (Thyme)
73. Exhibitor's choice

Classes 74-75 Container-grown Plants

74. Plants grown for flowers
75. Plants grown for foliage

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Wednesday, September 23

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Classes 1-18 Annuals One blooming stem unless noted; any foliage must be attached

1. *Antirrhinum majus* (Snapdragon)
2. *Browallia* (Amethyst or sapphire flower)
3. *Cleome* (Spider flower)
4. *Cosmos* (Mexican aster) – single
5. *Cosmos* (Mexican aster) – double
6. *Helianthus* (Sunflower)
7. *Heliotropium* (Heliotrope)
8. *Nicotiana* (Flowering tobacco)
9. *Salvia* (Sage)
10. *Tagetes* (Marigold) – small
11. *Tagetes* (Marigold) – large
12. *Tropaeolum* (Nasturtium)
13. *Verbena* (Verbena)
14. *Zinnia* – small (Zinnia)
15. *Zinnia* – medium (Zinnia)
16. *Zinnia* – large (Zinnia)
17. “Posies” – 3 specimens, each of a different species or cultivar
18. Exhibitor’s choice

Classes 19-48 Perennials One blooming stem unless noted; any foliage must be attached

19. *Achillea* (Yarrow)
20. *Aster* (Aster, Michaelmas daisy)

21. *Anemone* (Windflower)
22. *Campanula* (Harebell)
23. *Ceratostigma plumbagoioides* (Plumbago)
24. *Cimicifuga racemose*, *syn. Actea racemosa*
(Black cohosh)
25. *Coreopsis grandiflora* (Large-flowered tickseed) –
3 stems
26. *Coreopsis verticillata* (Whorled coreopsis, thread-
leaved tickseed) – 3 stems
27. *Dendranthema* (Chrysanthemum)
28. *Echinacea* (Coneflower)
29. *Echinops* (Globe thistle)
30. *Eryngium* (Sea holly)
31. *Eupatorium* (Joe Pye weed, Boneset)
32. *Gaillardia* (Blanket flower)
33. *Gaura* (Windflower)
34. *Gentiana* (Gentian)
35. *Heliopsis helianthoides* (Ox-Eye)
36. *Hemerocallis* (Daylily)
37. *Hibiscus* (Rose mallow)
38. *Leucanthemum* (Shasta daisy)
39. *Monarda* (Bee balm)
40. *Perovskia* (Russian sage)
41. *Phlox paniculata* (Phlox)
42. *Platycodon* (Balloon flower)
43. *Physostegia* (Obedient plant)
44. *Rudbeckia fulgida* (Black-eyed Susan)
45. *Sedum* (Stonecrop)
46. *Veronica* (Speedwell)
47. “Posies” – 3 specimens, each of a different species
or cultivar
48. Exhibitor’s choice

Classes 49-53 Bulbs, Corms, Rhizomes and Tubers

One blooming stem; any foliage must be attached

49. *Begonia*, tuberous or rooted (Begonia)
50. *Dahlia* (Dahlia)
51. *Lilium* (Lily) – Asiatic
52. *Allium* (Allium)
53. Exhibitor's Choice

Classes 54-67 Woody Plants in Bloom or Berry

One branch, 30" max; any foliage must be attached

54. *Buddleia* (Butterflybush)
55. *Cotinus* (Smokebush)
56. *Hibiscus syriacus* (Rose-of-Sharon)
57. *Hydrangea arborescens* (e.g., 'Annabelle')
58. *Hydrangea macrophylla* (Mophead)
59. *Hydrangea macrophylla* (Lacecap)
60. *Hydrangea paniculata* (Panicle hydrangea)
61. *Hydrangea paniculata* 'Grandiflora' (Peegee hydrangea)
62. *Hydrangea quercifolia* (Oakleaf)
63. *Ilex* (Holly)
64. *Potentilla* (Cinquefoil)
65. *Spiraea* (Spirea)
66. *Viburnum* (Viburnum)
67. Exhibitor's choice

Classes 68-74 *Rosae* (Roses) One blooming stem unless noted; must be exhibited with at least one attached leaf containing five leaflets.

68. Floribunda
69. Grandiflora
70. Climbing
71. Fairy
72. Shrub

- 73. English rose, David Austin
- 74. Exhibitor's choice

Classes 75-76 Vines One blooming stem; any foliage must be attached

- 75. *Clematis*
- 76. Exhibitor's choice

Classes 77-84 Plants Grown for Foliage

- 77. *Athyrium* (Fern)
- 78. Grasses – 3 stems
- 79. *Hosta* (Plantain lily) – Large leaf (1 leaf)
- 80. *Hosta* (Plantain lily) – Medium leaf (1 leaf)
- 81. *Hosta* (Plantain lily) – Small leaf (1 leaf)
- 82. *Hosta* (Plantain lily) – Mini leaf (1 leaf)
- 83. *Coleus* (Painted Nettle)
- 84. Exhibitor's choice

Classes 85-92 Herbs Three stems

- 85. *Lavandula* (Lavender)
- 86. *Pelargonium* (Scented geranium)
- 87. *Petroselinum crispum neopolitanum* (Flat-leaf parsley)
- 88. *Petroselinum crispum* (Curly-leaf parsley)
- 89. *Rosmarinus* (Rosemary)
- 90. *Salvia officinalis* (Sage)
- 91. *Thymus* (Thyme)
- 92. Exhibitor's choice

Classes 93-95 Container-grown Plants

- 93. Plants grown primarily for flowers
- 94. Plants grown primarily for foliage
- 95. Exhibitor's Choice

Classes 96-98 Cornucopia/Fruits and Vegetables

- 96. Home-grown fruit in a basket or on a plate
- 97. Home-grown vegetables in a basket or on a plate (Large-one to a plate, Small-three to a plate.)
- 98. Cornucopia; receptacle shaped like a horn or cone, containing fruits and/or vegetables (no larger than 14" long and 10" high)

Rules and Guidelines for the Knowles Cup and Golden Trowel Horticulture Competitions

Only Cohasset Garden Club
Members may enter the competitions.

1. Members must have owned the specimen for at least 6 weeks.
2. Entries must be submitted between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on the day of the show, unless otherwise noted. To assist members with children and extraordinary situations, times may be extended up to 30 minutes for a limited number of people, with advance permission from the Horticulture Chair.
3. Members are encouraged to avoid using substances harmful to the environment in their gardens.
4. Specimens should be cut the morning before the day of the show and conditioned in tepid water up to the bloom in a cool dry place.
5. No cut specimens shall be over 30 inches.
6. Entries should be clean and free of insects, holes and disease.
7. Container plants should be in clean pots and have clean soil surfaces.
8. Underwater foliage should be stripped from stems.
9. Blooms should be shown with foliage, except when flowering stalks normally lack foliage (e.g., tulips).
10. Roses must be exhibited with at least one five-leaflet leaf stem.
11. Slightly damaged leaves may be trimmed with scissors tracing the leaf shape.
12. Members are encouraged to enter as many classes as they wish; however, no more than one specimen for each subdivision will be judged.

13. Entry cards should be filled out in advance. Each entry must be labeled with the correct botanical and common names. This is best done at home, however, there will be members available before the deadline to assist with the labeling.
14. Below is a sample 3" x 5" card to accompany entries. Cards need not be typed. Fold horizontally to display specimen information and conceal entrant's name. For the "Posies" class and Containers with multiple types of plants, key cards should be added indicating the names and placing of the various elements.
15. The Horticulture Committee reserves the right to subdivide the classes or to create a par class.
16. A member not able to cut or enter her own specimens may assign another member as her "Designated Picker." She should have entry cards done in advance.
17. Points will accumulate during the season. See Awards page for awards and scoring.

Entrants may utilize the GCA Horticulture Entry Card

(Available from Horticultural Chair)

Cohasset Garden Club

Botanical
name _____

Common
name _____

Class
name _____ # _____

***Passed (Y/N)** _____ ***Entry no.** _____

***To be filled in by passers**

Name _____

Date _____

Tips for Exhibiting Container-Grown Plants

1. Scrub pots until they are immaculate. Shine dingy pots with a little vegetable oil.
2. Containers should be in pleasing proportions to the plants.
3. Top dress specimens with wood chips, buckwheat hulls, etc.
4. Remove any dust, soil, chemicals or pollen from plants.
5. If removing a leaf would destroy a plant's symmetry, then that leaf may be inconspicuously trimmed.
6. Slightly damaged leaves may be trimmed with scissors tracing the leaf shape.
7. Plants should be as compact as possible.
8. Never use leaf shine.
9. Pruning should be precise and as close to the stem or trunk as possible. If you must remove a woody branch, cover the wound with wood ashes.
10. If staking is necessary, make sure that it is as inconspicuous as possible. Bulbs require staking in competitions when in pots.
11. Remove all damaged leaves and blooms from your specimens.

Horticulture Awards

Knowles Cup: Member who accrues the most points during the year.
(See the Knowles Cup, page 64 for the exception).

Golden Trowel: Novice member who accrues the most points during the year. (See page 65 for eligibility).

Sweepstakes

Award: Member who wins the most blue ribbons at each Horticulture Show.

Best in Show: Awarded by judges to one blue ribbon winner in each Horticulture Show.

Knowles Cup and Golden Trowel Scoring

First place (blue):	6 points plus 1 for entry
Second place (red):	4 points plus 1 for entry
Third place (yellow):	3 points plus 1 for entry
Honorable mention (white):	2 points plus 1 for entry
Entry:	1 point
Best in show:	7 points plus 1 for entry

