



**Yorkshire
Sweet Pea
Championships**

**St. Michael's School Room
Cherry Tree Walk, East Ardsley, Wakefield, WF3 2LJ**

Saturday 4th July 2026

Show Open from 10.30am to 4.00pm

Presentation of Prizes at 12noon

Sale of blooms 4.00pm

**Staging from Fri. 3rd July 2026 at 7.00pm – 12 Midnight
Sat. 4th July 2026 – 5am – 9.00am**

Judging from 9.00am to 10.30 am



Welcome to the schedule for our 25th Show.

The YSPS is proud to have been able to achieve such a milestone. Over the years, the Show has faced its challenges, none more so than COVID where we were unable to hold our shows in 2020 and 2021.

The YSPS was the vision of 2 men, Gary Hammerton and Ian Myers. Following the sad demise of both Wakefield and Leeds Shows, both of which had a strong Sweet Pea presence, they decided to form the Society with the view of hosting Shows within Yorkshire.

To help celebrate our 25th Show in style, we have raised funds, and we are truly thankful to those parties named below, who have donated generously.

The Show has been well supported by the Sweet Pea fraternity over the years, and exhibitors from across the North of England have provided the backbone of the Show. Without exhibitors there would be no Show. As a thank you to exhibitors, and with the help of the funds raised we have significantly enhanced the prize money for this special occasion.

As part of the celebrations we have also added a special class to commemorate the 25th Show, along with the winners of best vase and best exhibit in each division will receive a small commemorative keepsake.

Whilst we have a number of classes that are just for members, the majority of the schedule remains open to all.

We look forward to welcoming exhibitors and visitors on 4th July 2026 for what should be a show to remember.

Happy growing!

Darren Myers
YSPS Chairman

The Society wishes to thank the following for their generous donations

The National Sweet Pea Society
English Sweet Peas
Andrew Beane
Stephen Hayward
Graham Wells
Stuart Bird
Carole Tate
Graham Edwards
Barrie Eckford
Harry Richmond
Gary Hammerton
Phillippa Cooper

Plus many more.



NSPS 1900-2025

The National Sweet Pea Society celebrated its 125th year anniversary at its two shows in 2025

The details of the Early and Late National Shows are as follows:

Early National - 17-18 June at RHS Wisley, Wisley Lane, Wisley, Woking, GU23 6OB

Late National - 11-12 July at RHS Bridgewater, Manchester M28 2LJ

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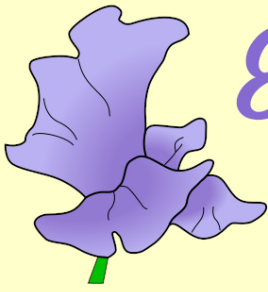
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SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

DIVISION 1

Open to ALL Exhibitors

Not more than 15 Stems per Vase

Class 1	6 Vases Distinct
	1st £54 2nd £36 3rd £22
Class 2	3 Vases Distinct
	1st £30 2nd £22 3rd £18
Class 3	1 Vase White or Cream
Class 4	1Vase Pink
Class 5	1Vase Lavender, Blue or Mauve
Class 6	1Vase Magenta, Maroon or Purple
Class 7	1 Vase Any other colour
Class 8	1 Vase mixed
	Classes 3-8 1st £8.00 2nd £6.00 3rd £4.00

DIVISION 2

Open to Exhibitors who grow no more than 400 plants

Not more than 12 stems per vase

Class 9	6 Vases Distinct
	1st £45 2nd £30 3rd £15
Class 10	3 Vases Distinct
	1st £24 2nd £15 3rd £9
Class 11	1 Vase White or Cream
Class 12	1Vase Pink
Class 13	1Vase Lavender, Blue or Mauve
Class 14	1Vase Magenta, Maroon or Purple
Class 15	1 Vase Any other colour
Class 16	1 Vase mixed
	Classes 11-16 1st £8.00 2nd £6.00 3rd £4.00

DIVISION 3

Open to Exhibitors who grow no more than 200 plants

Not more than 9 Stems per Vase

- Class 17 6 Vases Distinct
1st £30 2nd £22 3rd £15
- Class 18 3 Vases Distinct
1st £21 2nd £15 3rd £9
- Class 19 1 Vase White or Cream
- Class 20 1Vase Pink
- Class 21 1Vase Lavender, Blue or Mauve
- Class 22 1Vase Magenta, Maroon or Purple
- Class 23 1 Vase Any other colour
- Class 24 1 Vase mixed

Classes 19-24 1st £6 2nd £4 3rd £3

DIVISION 4

Open to Exhibitors who grow no more than 100 plants

Not more than 7 Stems per Vase

- Class 25 3 Vases Distinct
1st £21 2nd £15 3rd £9
- Class 26 1 vase of any colour, 1 single cultivar
- Class 27 1 Vase mixed

Classes 26 & 27 1st £6 2nd £4 3rd £3

DIVISION 5

Open to Exhibitors who grow no more than 50 plants

Not more than 5 Stems per Vase

- Class 28 2 Vases Distinct
1st £21 2nd £15 3rd £9
- Class 29 1 vase of any colour, 1 single cultivar
- Class 30 1 Vase mixed

Classes 29 & 30 1st £6 2nd £4 3rd £3

DIVISION 6

Old Fashioned Division

Not more than 7 Stems per Vase

Class 31 3 Vases Distinct
1st £21 2nd £15 3rd £9

Class 32 1 vase of any colour, 1 single cultivar

Class 33 1 Vase mixed

Classes 32 & 33 1st £6 2nd £4 3rd £3

Class 34 A bowl of Old Fashioned. Any number of stems. Any foliage allowed
(Bowl provided)
1st £15 2nd £9 3rd £6

DIVISION 7

NOVICE DIVISION

Not more than 7 Stems per Vase

Class 35 1 Vase mixed
1st £6 2nd £4 3rd £3

SPECIAL CLASSES

A THE IAN MYERS MEMORIAL CLASS

9 Distinct Varieties Not More Than 12 Stems Per Vase

1st £75 2nd £52 3rd £37

B A bowl of Sweet Peas to contain no more than 24 stems. Any foliage allowed (Bowl provided)

1st £14 2nd £10 3rd £6

C 2 vase class – 1 vase containing 7 mixed Spencer and 1 vase containing 7 mixed old fashioned

1st £10 2nd £6 3rd £4

D **A bowl of any Lathyrus Species (Exc. L. Odoratus).** (Bowl provided)

1st £10 2nd £6 3rd £4

E **An arrangement of 5 stems in a standard 2” vase** (gypsophila and any foliage allowed.) Staging material can be 1 inch above the rim of the vase. To be judged for all round effect

1st £10 2nd £6 3rd £4

F **SOCIETY CLASS**

2 Vase class – 1 vase containing 9 stems of 1 single variety and
1 vase containing 9 stems, mixed varieties.

Please note that specialist Sweet Pea societies are not permitted to enter

1st £10 2nd £6 3rd £4

MEMBERS CLASSES

G **G W PRIESTLEY MEMORIAL CLASS**

1vase of no more than 9 stems containing a minimum of 3 distinct varieties

1st £10 2nd £6 3rd £4

H **THE JIM BUTLER MEMORIAL CLASS**

1 Vase of 12 Stems of Sweet Peas containing 2 Distinct varieties

1st £10 2nd £6 3rd £4

I **SPECIMEN BLOOM** only 1 entry per member allowed

1st £4 2nd £3 3rd £2

25th ANNIVERSARY CLASS

Sponsored by the National Sweet Pea Society

3 vase class containing each of the following

- 1 Vase of Mixed 7 Stems
- 1 Vase of 5 Stems (single variety)
- 1 Specimen bloom

1st £25. 2nd £15. 3rd £10



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TROPHIES AND AWARDS

YSPS Shield – Best Vase in Division 1
M Hargreaves Memorial Trophy – Best exhibit in Division 1
Bill Ellis Shield – Best Vase in Division 2
The Secretary's Trophy – Best exhibit in Division 2
George Gaddas Memorial Trophy – Best Vase in Division 3
Gary Hammerton Trophy – Best exhibit in Division 3
Allan Swallow Shield – Best Vase in Division 4
Peter Whithead Memorial Trophy – Best exhibit in Division 4
The Ridings Trophy – Best vase in Division 5
The Chairman's Trophy – Best exhibit in Division 5
The Prendergast Trophy – winner of Special Class A
Carol Bebbington Bowl – Best exhibit in Special Class B
YSPS Junior Trophy – winner of Special Class E
G W Priestley Memorial Trophy -winner of Special Class G
Clive Turton Trophy – winner of Special Class H
The Ian Myers Award – Best vase of seedling in show
N.S.P.S Bronze medal - Best exhibit in show
Mary Priestley Trophy - Best vase in show

DIRECTIONS

FROM THE M1

From Junction 41 follow the A650 towards Morley for approx. 1/4mile.
Turn right before the Esso Petrol Station. Hall is 50 yards on the
lefthand side.

FROM THE M62

Leave the motorway at Junction 28. Follow the A650 towards Wakefield
for approximately 2 miles. Turn left just after the Esso Petrol station.
The Hall is 50 yards on the lefthand side

For Sat Nav devices, please use the Post Code **WF3 2LJ**.

Accommodation

Premier Inn Wakefield City North – approx. 1 ½ miles away. Tel. 0333
321 9107

Village Hotel Leeds South – approx. 2 ½ miles away. Tel. 0113 323
6160

RULES

1. The sweet peas shown must be grown by the exhibitor.
2. Should any single exhibit be entered in joint names, then the sweet peas must be grown in the same garden or allotment plot.
3. Entries to be made on the form provided and should be received by the show manager **no later than 3 clear days** prior to the show.
3. Entries to be confirmed and fees to be paid as early as possible but certainly before 8.30am on show day.
4. Class cards to be obtained from the Show Manager, the correct placing will be the responsibility of the exhibitor.
5. The use of wire or other supports attached to the flowers or spikes will disqualify. Reeds and other materials used to stage, should be 4mm below the rim of the vase to facilitate watering. Oasis and other staging materials allowed except for fruit and vegetable material.
6. In all classes exhibiting spikes with haulms attached will disqualify.
7. Sweet Pea foliage is only allowed unless otherwise stated.
8. All competitive classes must be staged ready for the judges by the times stated.
9. In multi-vase classes, the judge will give due consideration to colour range. Two or more vases included in such an exhibit, closely similar, will be down pointed. Distinct means recognizably different colours.
10. All exhibits, personal property etc.. shall be at the risk of the exhibitor and the Society shall not be liable for compensation for loss or damage from any cause whatsoever. Should a show, for any cause, not be held no exhibitor shall have any claim on the society.
11. The committee reserve the right to inspect the Sweet Pea plants of all exhibitors.
12. An entry fee:
 - 20p per single vase classes
 - 30p for 2 vase classes
 - 50p for 3 vase classes
 - 50p for Special Class B
 - £1.00 for 6 vase classes and Special Class A
 - Free Special classes G, H, I and 25th Anniversary Class
13. Any protests to be made in writing to the Show Manager before 1.00pm on show day, along with £5.00 per protest.
14. Members must have fully paid their membership prior to 31 May 2026 to allow entry into the members classes
15. All vases and bowls are provided by the society and remain the property of the society at all times.
16. A novice is defined as someone who has never won a first prize with Sweet Peas at any show.
17. All trophies to be retained by the winner for 12 months. The trophies are the responsibility of the trophy holder and any losses or damage will be made good by the trophy holder.
18. Stated colour classifications are based on the official NSPS colour classification and will be judged as such.

