

Naperville Community Gardeners

36th Annual Flower & Garden Show

Saturday, August 20, 2016

at

Alfred Rubin Riverwalk Center

305 W. Jackson Avenue, Naperville

Northwest corner of Eagle and Jackson

Naperville, IL 60540

SHOW DAY SCHEDULE

- **7 a.m. to 10 a.m. –**
Staging and display of entries/exhibits
Show open to exhibitors and staff only
- **10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. –**
Judging
Show CLOSED to all but judges and staff
- **1:30 p. m. to 3 p.m. –**
SHOW OPEN TO PUBLIC FOR VIEWING

OBTAINING EXHIBIT TAGS IN ADVANCE:

Avoid congestion on the morning of the show! Exhibit tags will be available in advance at our August 1st club meeting (see page 4 of this guide for details).

Welcome and Good Luck!

About the Naperville Community Gardeners

NCG was founded in 1980 as the “Naperville Men’s Garden Club” with membership from Naperville and the surrounding communities. Membership was restricted to men for the first few years, but is now open to anyone interested in gardening, regardless of gender or age. The objectives of the club are:

- To stimulate interest in and increase knowledge of amateur gardening.
- To provide the opportunity for those interested in gardening to learn and to work together with others to share their knowledge and experience in a spirit of fellowship.
- To promote civic interest and pride in private gardens, community plantings, and local beautification.

Annual membership dues are currently \$20 per person.

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Schedule of Club Events For Remainder of 2016

Regular meetings on the 1st Monday of each month, with some exceptions, begin at 7:00 p.m. at:

Knox Presbyterian Church
1105 Catalpa Lane
Naperville IL 60540

A brief club business meeting is followed by a refreshment and conversation break. After chatting and sharing tips and stories from our gardens, we have a guest speaker program. Topics are varied and fascinating!

Always check the club website for information on programs and events!

www.napervillecommunitygardeners.org

Please note that typically there are no meetings in November or December of each year, but we usually have a Harvest Banquet for members in November.

While the annual banquet is a member event, all are welcome to our traditional pot-luck during our regular October meeting. Everyone brings a dish to share, which takes us beyond our typical meeting snack break!

***Feel free to come and join us, even without “joining” us!
Members and non-members alike are welcome
at NCG meetings!***

Annual Club Activities

Plant Sale

This sale is traditionally held on the Saturday prior to Mothers' Day and is the club's major fundraiser. Funds raised go to support club events and programs, but also to help across the community where and when possible.

Summer Picnic

The summer picnic follows a tour of selected gardens or green spaces. This picnic typically takes place in July, when we have no regular club meeting scheduled.

Flower & Garden Show

Participation is open to the public with accredited judging, ribbons, and cash awards. The show is generally held the 3rd Saturday in August.

Harvest Banquet

The fall dinner features light entertainment and prizes.

NCG also has a tradition and history of community involvement and contribution, including but not restricted to:

College of DuPage – annual horticultural student scholarships

Naper Settlement – planting of annuals and care of rose beds

Ogden Avenue Post Office - native garden planting and care

Naperville Riverwalk Foundation – annual donation

Naperville Park District - mulching and care of selected Riverwalk beds

Naperville Demonstration Gardens - sponsorship, planting, and care of the gardens including the Sensory Garden

2016 Officers/Executive Board

President.....	Rod Beary
Vice President (Programs)	Barbara Bozek
Secretary.....	Betty Ference
Treasurer	Jan Gricus
Past President.....	Jan Gricus

2016 Committee Chairs

Correspondence.....	OPEN
Email List Moderator	Eleanor Holt
Facebook Page	OPEN
Flower & Garden Show Guide	Vicky Polito
Flower & Garden Show	Vicky Polito
Harvest Banquet	Gail Butler
Historian	OPEN
Idea Gardens, West Street.....	Ron Ory
Meeting Refreshments	Cricket Cressman
Membership	JoAnn Monge
Mini-Show	Angel Whitt
Naper Settlement Gardens	Pat Thompson
Newsletter Distribution	Mary Wright
Newsletter	Eleanor Holt
Photography.....	Ron Ory
Picnic/Garden Walk Coordinator	Betty Ference
Plant Sale.....	Bob Elvert
Plant Sale-Members' Plants.....	Linda Allison
Publicity.....	Gloria Pollack
River Walk Clean Up/Gardens	Bob Elvert
T-Shirt Sales	OPEN
Web Site	Peter Klassen

**Charter Members of the Naperville Men's Garden Club
(Established 1980)**

Dick Bickhaus
George Bruce
Ben Calvert
Dean A. Davis
Alfred Fink
B.T. Gillis
Charles Gorski
Joseph Janczak
Francis Kellogg
Charles Lange
B.W. Michel

Charles Moeller
Eugene Morris
Wayne Nestander
Floyd Neuen
Richard O'Connor
Art Pagnini
Charles Schmidt
Earl Schultz
Joe Spina
Bill Van Cleaf
Charles Weber

Past Presidents

1980	Dick O'Connor	1998	Bartosiewicz Charles
1981	George Bruce	1999	Linda Hickok
1982	Ben Calvert	2000	Roy Huckabay
1983	Earl Schultz	2001	Ron Ory
1984	Thell Gillis	2002	Brian Bell
1985	Charles Gies	2003	Jeri Huckabay
1986	Wendell Jones	2004	Eleanor Holt
1987	Colin Blanchflower	2005	Tom Campbell
1988	Robert McLean	2006	Mary Wright
1989	Tom Graham	2007	Linda Thompson
1990	Duane Wilson	2008	Rod Beary
1991	Joe Pope	2009	Bob Elvert
1992	Thomas Lehr	2010	Patti Thompson
1993	Brian Bell	2011	Arup Bhuyan
1994	Terry Pilz	2012	Betty Ference
1995	Terry Pilz	2013	Jan Gricus
1996	Joe Pope	2014	Mark Mayszak
1997	Ben Calvert	2015	Mark Mayszak

General Rules

1. The general public is eligible to exhibit and entry is free of charge with no limit on number of exhibits per exhibitor.
2. Entries in the specimen classifications (flowers, plants, vegetables, and fruits) must be grown by the exhibitor. Houseplants must have been in the exhibitor's possession for **at least** three months.
3. Exhibits may be entered between 7:00 and 10:00 a.m. on the day of the show. **Doors will close to new entries at 10:00 a.m. and exhibitors must leave the show floor by 10:30 a.m.**
4. Exhibitors must register at the entry desk and **obtain a registration number** that must appear on each exhibit tag. **Tags must be filled out completely, top and bottom.** See page 12 for instructions.
5. Vases or bottles are recommended for exhibiting specimen flowers and must be provided by the exhibitor. The club will furnish plain paper plates for vegetable and fruit specimens. All containers and decorative elements for arrangements must be supplied by the exhibitor.
6. Correctly label all entries with the type and variety. **Mislabeled or wrongly classified entries may be reclassified or disqualified.** If the exhibitor is in doubt, he or she should consult a member of the Show Committee. **Follow the instructions in the show guide for each class and section, for examples on how many stems or blossoms are required and if foliage is required.**
7. Place specimens in the appropriate designated area for their class. The Show Committee will make the final placement on the display tables of all exhibits, except the arrangement classes.
8. The Show Committee or judges may subdivide any section when, in their opinion, the entries are sufficiently numerous and/or varied in character, and the judges shall make separate awards as merited.
9. During the judging, **only** the judges, clerks, and Show Committee personnel will be permitted in the show area.
10. Exhibits will be open for public viewing upon completion of the judging, estimated to be from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
11. First, second, and third place ribbons will be awarded in each section where the quality warrants. The decisions of the judges are final.
12. **No exhibits may be removed nor any part thereof be given away by an exhibitor prior to 3:00 p.m. on the day of the show.**

13. Dismantling of the show will begin at 3:00 p.m. Disposition of any exhibits not claimed at that time will be at the discretion of the Show Committee.
14. While due care will be taken of the personal property of all exhibitors, no responsibility will be assumed by the Show Committee, the Club, or the Naperville Park District for any loss or damage.

Awards

1. **First, second, and third place** ribbons will be awarded in each section. Awards may be given for variety and/or colors within each section provided the number of entries justify.
2. **Best of Class Awards** will be granted to the best entry in Classes 100 to 1100 and 1300 to 1400. A cash prize of \$5.00 will be awarded for Best of Class.
3. The award for **Best Flower** will be chosen from the Best of Class awards from classes 100 to 600. A Cash prize of \$10.00 will be awarded for Best Flower.
4. The award for **Best Vegetable** will be chosen from the Best of Class awards from classes 1000A to 1100. A cash prize of \$10.00 will be awarded for Best Vegetable.
5. The award for **Best of Show** will be chosen from the Best Flower and the Best Vegetable by written ballot. A cash prize of \$20.00 will be **awarded for Best of Show.**
6. **The Ben Calvert Award** will be given to a member of Naperville Community Gardeners. A member must exhibit in a **minimum of five classes** (excluding Classes 1200, 1300 and 1400). The member who accumulates the highest number of points based on the following scoring will be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize.

Best of Show	25 points
Best Flower	20 points
Best Vegetable	20 points
Best of Class	10 points
First Place	3 points
Second Place	2 points
Third Place	1 point

Preparing Flowers for Exhibition

1. Don't insist on perfection; bring as many good specimens as you have.
2. Don't bring specimens that are past their prime. Flowers which are not quite mature when cut may be at their best at judging time. Nice, uniform, upstanding specimens with balance between bloom size, stem length, and foliage have most appeal.
3. Decorative containers are permitted but they do not influence the judge's scoring of the exhibit (unless noted as part of the exhibit in the Class description). Clear, inexpensive bottles or vases are recommended. NCG is not responsible for any damages to or loss of exhibitors' containers.
4. Exhibitors are especially encouraged to properly and effectively support exhibits. Maintain a proper proportion between the size of the specimen and the size of the container as this helps with support. The specimen may be wedged with Styrofoam, plastic wrap, aluminum foil or other material.
5. If the schedule calls for blooms to be a certain size, please measure carefully. You can be sure the judges will!
6. To be at their best at the time of judging, flowers should be cut the afternoon or evening before the show. Avoid wetting the blooms. For most flowers, hardening overnight in a cool, dark, draft-free room with stems deeply immersed in cold water will maintain the blooms in good condition for the show.
7. Groom your entries for the show carefully. Remove all insects and spray or dust residues. Don't oil or wax the leaves - clean them with a damp cloth and rub gently with your fingers to bring out the natural gloss of the foliage.
8. Potted plants are judged including the pot, so be sure the pot is clean. The quality of the overall presentation—how it was placed in the container, which way the flower faces, etc. is important to judges.
9. Carefully handle and transport all entries. Keep the flowers separated to avoid breaking, tearing, or bruising the bloom or foliage. This takes a little time, but it's the difference between winners and the also-rans.
10. When completing your entry tags, **include the cultivar or variety name**. It's a help to everyone and many judges will not award a ribbon without this.

Preparing Vegetables and Fruits for Exhibition

1. Vegetables for exhibition must be mature and edible! Choose vegetables that are pleasing to you. If they are not, skip entering them, unless due to seasonal or other unusual conditions, merely having a specimen is a triumph.
2. By all means, clean, trim, prune, and otherwise improve appearance and symmetry by natural means. Wash, but don't scrub. Torn, loose, brown, spotted, and otherwise unpleasing material should be removed. Remove all insects.
3. If the rules specify three tomatoes, don't exhibit two. If the onion tops are to be trimmed, don't leave them on. Where necessary, please measure the vegetables to ensure they are entered into the correct class. Rules may vary, so be sure to read and follow the Show Schedule carefully.
4. Uniformity is important. If six string beans are exhibited, try to have six pods similar in size, color, and shape. One of the most important elements in winning a prize is an overall pleasing appearance.
5. Like flower exhibits, the vegetable specimens are seldom first prize winners solely because of a large size. Moderate to good size is your best bet and will rate highest with the Gardeners of America accredited judges.
6. Take care - even the finest specimens may be damaged in harvesting, cleaning, storing and transporting.

How to Enter an Exhibit

A completed entry tag must be submitted with each exhibit entered. You may obtain and fill out tags in advance. Tags are available at club meetings prior to the show.

**Naperville Community Gardeners
Flower & Garden Show
Entry Tag**

Class _____ Section _____

Variety _____

Reg. No. _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

1st	2nd	3rd	Hon. Men.
1st	2nd	3rd	Hon. Men.

Class _____ Section _____

Variety _____

Reg. No. _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____

Enter the class and section numbers from the Show Classification Schedule.

Enter variety. (Rose varieties must be named correctly.)

Obtain registration number from entrance clerk at show and enter here.

Print your name, address and city. (Rule 4, page 8.)

Fill in bottom section the same as the top section.

Fold up at dotted line and tuck bottom edge under cut-out flap.

The completed tag should be **attached**, if possible, to your exhibit. **If necessary, tape your tag to your exhibit. If attachment is not possible, tag may be laid in front of or slightly tucked under your display.**

REMEMBER:

The bottom portion of tag will be removed after judging for tallying points, so it has to be accessible and detachable.

Classification Schedule

Flowers and Foliage

CLASS 100 - ANNUALS AND BIENNIALS

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Flower, and Best of Show.

The committee will subdivide similar varieties and colors. Multiple entries should be of the same variety, color and size, except where noted.

Unlimited number of blooms, unless otherwise noted.

Section and Variety

- 101 Angelonia - One (1) stalk
- 102 Asters - Three (3) blooms
- 103 Begonias - Three (3) stems
- 104 Cleome – One (1) stalk
- 105 Coleus - Three (3) stalks, without flowers
- 106 Cosmos - Three (3) stems
- 107 Datura/Brugsmania - One (1) bloom
- 108 Dianthus
 - 108 A Pinks - Three (3) stems
 - 108 B Sweet William - Three (3) stems
- 109 Dusty Miller - Three (3) stems
- 110 Flowering Kale or Cabbage - One (1) head
- 111 Geranium (pelargonium) - One (1) stem
- 112 Hollyhock - One (1) stalk
- 113 Impatiens - Three (3) stems
- 114 Lantana - Three (3) stems
- 115 Marigolds, with foliage
 - 115 A Large - Three (3) blooms, over 3"
 - 115 B Small, single or double - Three (3) blooms under 3"
- 116 Nasturtium - Three (3) blooms
- 117 Nicotiana - Three (3) stalks
- 118 Ornamental Grass - Three (3) stems
- 119 Pansy - Three (3) blooms
- 120 Petunia - Three (3) stems
- 121 Salvia - Three (3) stems
- 122 Snapdragons - Three (3) stalks
 - 122 A Dwarf
 - 122 B Standard
- 123 Sunflower
 - 123 A Flower less than 4" - One (1) head
 - 123 B Flower between 4" and 8" - One (1) head
 - 123 C Flower larger than 8" - One (1) head
- 124 Verbena - Three (3) stems

Section and Variety

- 125 Vinca - Three (3) stems
- 126 Vining Annual –all vines must be supported
 - 126 A Flowering - One (1) spray or bloom
 - 126 B Flowering - Three (3) sprays or blooms
 - 126 C Non-flowering – One (1) stem
- 127 Zinnias
 - 127 A Small - Three (3) blooms under 4”
 - 127 B Giant - One (1) bloom over 4”
- 128 Other
 - 128 A One (1) stalk
 - 128 B Three (3) stems

Annuals - Decorative attributes

- 129 Gourds One (1)
- 130 Decorative seed head – One (1) to three (3)

CLASS 200 - PERENNIALS AND TENDER PERENNIALS

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Flower, and Best of Show

The committee will subdivide similar varieties and colors. Multiple entries should be of the same variety, color and size, except where noted.

Unlimited number of blooms, unless otherwise noted.

Section and Variety

Hostas

- 201 Hostas (measured across the width of the leaf)
 - 201 A Leaves under 4” - One (1) leaf
 - 201 B Leaves 4”-8” - One (1) leaf
 - 201 C Leaves larger than 8” - One (1) leaf
 - 201 D Hosta Flowers - One (1) stem

Flowering Perennials

- 202 Asters (hardy) - Three (3) stems
- 203 Bellflower (Campanula) - Five (5) stems
- 204 Black-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia) - Three (3) blooms

Section and Variety

- 205 Blanketflower (Gaillardia) - Three (3) blooms
- 206 Butterfly Bush (Buddleia) - One (1) spray
- 207 Chrysanthemums
 - 207 A One (1) spray or bloom
 - 207 B Three (3) sprays or blooms
- 208 Coreopsis - Three (3) blooms
- 209 Daylily (Hemerocallis) - One (1) scape
- 210 Coneflower (Echinacea) - Three (3) blooms

Section and Variety

- 211 Cranesbill (Geranium) - Three (3) blooms
- 212 Hibiscus - One (1) branch
- 213 Larkspur (Delphinium) - One (1) spike
- 214 Lily (Lillium) - One (1) stem
- 215 Phlox - One (1) stalk
- 216 Pinks (Dianthus), perennial type - Three (3) stems
- 217 Russian Sage (Perovskia) - Three (3) stems
- 218 Sage (Salvia), perennial type - Three (3) stems
- 219 Shasta Daisy (Leucanthemum) - Three (3) blooms
- 220 Stonecrop (Sedum) - Three (3) stems with blooms
- 221 Yarrow (Achillea) - Three (3) stems
- 222 Any other perennial or tender perennial not listed
 - 222 A One (1) stalk
 - 222 B Three (3) blooms

Perennials - Decorative attributes

- 223 Foliage/Other
 - 223 A Brunnera - One (1) leaf
 - 223 B Coral Bells (Heuchera) - Three (3) leaves
 - 223 C Lungwort (Pulmonaria) - One (1) leaf
 - 223 D Other (except vines) - One (1) leaf
- 224 Decorative seedhead – One (1) to three (3)

Perennial Grasses, Shrubs, and Trees

- 225 Ornamental Grasses
 - 225 A 18 inches or less - Three (3) stalks, same length-cut at ground
 - 225 B Over 18 inches - Three (3) stalks, same length-cut at ground
- 226 Flowering Shrub
 - 226 A One (1) spray
 - 226 B Three (3) sprays
- 227 Hydrangea - One (1) bloom
- 228 Rose of Sharon (Hibiscus syriacus) - One (1) stem
- 229 Any other Shrub or Tree Foliage - One (1) stem

Perennial Vines

- 230 Vining Perennial –all vines must be supported
 - 230 A Flowering - One (1) spray or bloom
 - 230 B Flowering - Three (3) sprays or blooms
 - 230 C Non-flowering – One (1) stem

CLASS 300 - GLADIOLUS AND SUMMER BULBS

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Flower, and Best of Show.

Section and Variety

- 301 Gladiolus individual flowers under 3-1/2"
 - 301 A One (1) spike
 - 301 B Three (3) spikes
- 302 Gladiolus individual flowers over 3-1/2"
 - 302 A One (1) spike
 - 302 B Three (3) spikes
- 303 Caladium - One (1) leaf
- 304 Calla - One (1) flower
- 305 Canna - One (1) spike (foliage optional)
- 306 Elephant Ear - One (1) leaf
- 307 Eucomis (Pineapple Lily) - One (1) stem
- 308 Lycoris (Summer Amaryllis) - One (1) stem
- 309 Tuberous Begonias
- 310 Other summer bulbs/corms/tubers - One (1) stem

CLASS 400 - ROSES

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Flower, and Best of Show.

One stem per entry. Must be correctly named and follow American Rose Society (ARS) color classification. A copy of *The Handbook for Roses* will be available at the show for color verification.

Section

- 401 Climbers - One (1) spray
- 402 Shrubs - One (1) bloom or one (1) spray
- 403 Carpet - One (1) spray
- 404 Miniature - One (1) spray
- 405 Tea - One (1) bloom or one (1) spray

CLASS 500 - DAHLIAS

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Flower, and Best of Show.

One stem per entry. Foliage not required. Must be correctly named and follow The American Dahlia Society (ADS) size and form classification. A copy of *The Classification and Handbook of Dahlias* will be available at the show for section verification.

Section and Variety

- 501 Over 8 inches - One (1) bloom
 - 501 A Formal Decorative
 - 501 B Informal Decorative
 - 501 C Semi-cactus

Section and Variety

501 D Cactus

502 Over 4 and up to 8 inches - One (1) bloom

502 A Formal Decorative

502 B Informal Decorative

502 C Semi-cactus

502 D Cactus

503 Up to 4 inches - Formal Decorative, Informal Decorative, Semicactus or Cactus

503 A Three (3) blooms, same named variety

503 B Six (6) blooms, each a different named variety

504 Up to 4 inches. Single, pompon, ball and other types.

504 A Three (3) blooms, same named variety

504 B Six (6) blooms, each a different named variety

CLASS 600 - POTTED PLANTS

Eligible for Best of Class

Section and Variety

601 African Violets - Single crown plants in bloom

602 Begonias

602 A Tuberous rooted

602 B Fibrous rooted

602 C Rex type

602 D Angel wing type

603 Bonsai

604 Cacti

604 A Single plant

604 B Collection of different cacti in one container

605 Coleus

606 Foliage Plants

606 A Single species

606 B Mixed

607 Geraniums (Pelargonium)

607 A In bloom

607 B Fancy leaf (not necessarily in bloom)

607 C Scented leaf (not necessarily in bloom)

608 Gesneriads - in bloom

609 Orchids

610 Succulents

610 A Sedums

610 B Sempervivums

610 C Other types

611 Terrariums (no artificial material permitted)

Section and Variety

612 Vines

612 A Flowering vines - in bloom

612 B Foliage vines

613 Any other potted plant not listed above

613 A Singles species

613 B A collection of different plants in one container

CLASS 700 – n/a in 2016

CLASS 800 – n/a in 2016

CLASS 900 – HANGING PLANTS

Eligible for Best of Class

Section

901 Flowering – must be in bloom

902 Foliage

903 Succulent

904 Mixed – foliage/succulent and flowers, in bloom

Classification Schedule

Vegetables and Fruits

CLASS 1000 A - VEGETABLES - BUSH TYPES

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Vegetable, and Best of Show

Section and Variety

- 1001 Beans
 - 1001 A Green - Six (6) pods
 - 1001 B Lima - Six (6) pods
 - 1001 C Wax - Six (6) pods
 - 1001 D Dried - One (1) cup
 - 1001 E Others - Six (6) pods
- 1002 Broccoli
 - 1002 A One (1) head, trimmed
 - 1002 B Three (3) side shoots
- 1003 Brussels Sprouts - Six (6) heads
- 1004 Cabbage - One (1) head with 3 to 4 guard leaves
- 1005 Cauliflower - One (1) head, leaves trimmed level with head
- 1006 Celery - One (1) plant, roots neatly trimmed, staged in water
- 1007 Corn - Three (3) ears, unhusked with one side exposed
- 1008 Eggplant
 - 1008 A Regular, over 4 inches in length - One (1)
 - 1008 B Miniature, under 4 inches in length - Three (3)
- 1009 Endive - One (1) head with roots staged in water
- 1010 Kale - One (1) stalk, may be staged in water
- 1011 Lettuce
 - 1011 A One (1) head with roots staged in water
 - 1011 B One (1) bunch with roots staged in water
- 1012 Peppers - stems trimmed from 1/2" to 3/4"
 - 1012 A Hot - green - Three (3)
 - 1012 B Hot – yellow or red - Three (3)
 - 1012 C Hot - other - Three (3)
 - 1012 D Sweet - green - Three (3)
 - 1012 E Sweet – yellow or red - Three (3)
 - 1012 F Sweet - other - Three (3)
- 1013 Rhubarb - Three (3) stalks
- 1014 Swiss Chard - One (1) stalk with leaf, may be staged in water
- 1015 Okra - Three (3) pods with 1/2" stems
- 1016 Other bush type vegetables not listed - Three (3)

CLASS 1000 B - VEGETABLES - ROOT TYPES

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Vegetable, and Best of Show

Section and Variety

- 1031 Beets - Three (3), trim leaves to 1-1/2"
- 1032 Carrots - Three (3), trim leaves to 1-1/2"
- 1033 Garlic
 - 1033 A Soft neck - Three (3) bulbs
 - 1033 B Hard neck - Three (3) bulbs
- 1034 Kohlrabi - One (1), roots trimmed to 1/2", large leaves trimmed
- 1035 Leeks - Three (3), trimmed to 6" above white
- 1036 Onions
 - 1036 A Dry - Three (3), do not peel
 - 1036 B Green - Six (6), trimmed to 6" above white
- 1037 Parsnips - Three (3) roots
- 1038 Potatoes - Three (3) tubers
- 1039 Radishes - Three (3), trim tops to 1"
- 1040 Shallots
 - 1040 A One (1) clump
 - 1040 B Six (6) individual bulbs
- 1041 Any other root types
 - 1041 A One (1)
 - 1041 B Three (3)

CLASS 1000 C - VEGETABLES - VINES (except tomatoes)

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Vegetable, and Best of Show

Section and Variety

- 1061 Cucumbers, stems not removed
 - 1061 A Slicers - Three (3)
 - 1061 B Pickling - Six (6)
 - 1061 C Miscellaneous - Three (3)
- 1062 Squash, stems not removed
 - Summer Squash (soft shelled, not suitable for winter storage)
 - 1062 A Under 8" - Three (3)
 - 1062 B Over 8" - One (1)
 - Winter Squash (hard shelled, suitable for winter storage)
 - 1062 C Under 8" - Three (3)
 - 1062 D Over 8" - One (1)
- 1063 Pumpkins, standard, stem not removed - One (1)

CLASS 1000 D - VEGETABLES - TOMATOES

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Vegetable, and Best of Show.

Section and Variety

- 1064 Tomatoes, by variety, stems removed. Plum, cherry and grape tomatoes must be entered under their specific categories.
 - 1064 A Red or pink - under 3" - Three (3)
 - 1064 B Red or pink - over 3" - One (1)
 - 1064 C Yellow or orange - under 3" - Three (3)
 - 1064 D Yellow or orange - over 3" - One (1)
 - 1064 E Other colors (green, black, striped, etc.) - under 3" – Three (3)
 - 1064 F Other colors (green, black, striped, etc.) - over 3" - One (1)
 - 1064 G Plum, any color - under 2" - One (1) branch
 - 1064 H Plum, any color - over 2" - One (1)
 - 1064 I Cherry or Grape, any color - One (1) branch, uniformly or progressively ripe
 - 1064 J Cherry or Grape, any color, ripe - Six (6)
 - 1064 K Tomatillos - Three (3)

CLASS 1000 E - HERBS

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Vegetable, and Best of Show.

Not in flower unless stated otherwise.

Section

- 1065 Basil - staged in container, may be in water - Three (3) stems
- 1066 Chives - staged in water - no limitation on the number of stems
- 1067 Dill - 12" overall, staged in container, may be in water - Three (3) heads
- 1068 Lavender - staged in container, may be in water - Three (3) stems
- 1069 Mint - staged in container, may be in water - Six (6) stems
- 1070 Oregano - staged in water - no limitation on the number of stems
- 1071 Parsley - staged in water - no limitation on the number of stems
- 1072 Rosemary - staged in container, may be in water - Three (3) stems
- 1073 Sage - staged in a container, may be in water - Three (3) stems
- 1074 Tarragon - staged in container, may be in water - Three (3) stems
- 1075 Thyme - staged in water - no limitation on the number of stems
- 1076 Other herbs not listed - staged in water - Three (3) or more stems
- 1077 Potted Herb - single species - attractively displayed, flowers allowed
- 1078 Collection of Herbs - potted and/or not potted, attractively displayed in a container, flowers allowed - Six (6) varieties or more

CLASS 1100 - FRUITS, NUTS and MELONS

Eligible for Best of Class, Best Vegetable, and Best of Show.

Entries must be edible.

Section and Variety

- 1101 Apples - with stems - Three (3)
- 1102 Crabapples - with stems - Three (3)
- 1103 Grapes - Two (2) bunches
- 1104 Peaches - Three (3)
- 1105 Pears - Three (3)
- 1106 Plums - Six (6)
- 1107 Raspberries
 - 1107 A Red - Six (6)
 - 1107 B Black - Six (6)
 - 1107 C Other - Six (6)
- 1108 Strawberries - Six (6)
- 1109 Melons, stem off
 - 1109 A Cantaloupe - One (1)
 - 1109 B Other types such as Honeydew or Crenshaw - One (1)
- 1110 Watermelon - One (1)
- 1111 Nuts – Three (3)
- 1112 Other
 - 1112 A Greater than 3” in size - One (1)
 - 1112 B Less than 3” in size - Three (3)

CLASS 1200 - LARGEST/ODDEST

Entries for Sections 1201 and 1202 will be judged mainly on weight; however, condition and edibility will also be considered.

Section

- 1201 Largest Vegetable - One (1)
- 1202 Largest Flower head - One (1) head
- 1203 Ugliest/Oddest/Misshapen Fruit or Vegetable - One (1)
- 1204 Ugliest/Oddest/Misshapen Flower head - One (1)

Classification Schedule

Miscellaneous Classes

CLASS 1300 - ARTISTIC ARRANGEMENTS AND ART

Eligible for Best of Class.

Horticultural materials, but no artificial plant materials, are to be included in an arrangement. The exhibitor need not grow materials used. Exhibitors shall furnish their own containers. **Only one entry permitted per section by the same exhibitor.** Accessories are permitted only in the sections specified - bases are permitted. Arrangements are to be viewed from all sides. No backgrounds are permitted. Exhibitors are asked to place a 3" x 5" card with their entry listing the significant plant material used.

Section

- 1301 Arrangement featuring one or more kind of flower
- 1302 Arrangement featuring foliage, ornamental grasses or reeds
- 1303 Monochromatic arrangement - one hue including foliage and container
- 1304 Small arrangements, 8" x 8" x 8" or smaller
- 1305 Miniature arrangements, 3" x 3" x 3" or smaller
- 1306 Arrangement featuring fruits and/or vegetables
- 1307 Collection of genus, minimum of 3 types
- 1308 **NCG MEMBERS ONLY** - featuring the nemesis - WEEDS
Accessories acceptable, weeds may be fresh, cut or dried - weeds *must* predominate
- 1309 **NCG MEMBERS ONLY** - "My Favorite Hobby"
No restrictions, no plant material required, accessories permitted.
- 1310 **Garden Art** - Art for use in the garden. Must be designed and created by the submitter.

CLASS 1400 - YOUTH CATEGORY

Eligible for Best of Class.

Anyone who is a high school senior or younger may enter in this category. Youth are also welcome to exhibit in any other category. This class will be judged by club members. One, two or three specimens may be included in each exhibit.

Section

- 1401 Vegetables
- 1402 Flowers
- 1403 Fruit
- 1404 Artistic arrangements using natural materials

NOTES
