



# THE BRITISH IRIS SOCIETY

The British Iris Society is a Registered Charity No. 261896

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## EARLY SPRING [Reticulate] SHOW 2025

**Saturday, February 8th**

**at the Hilltop, RHS Wisley, Surrey GU23 6QB**

**STAGING** exhibits may take place from 7.30am until 9.45am

**All vehicles must be removed from the Garden by 9.00am**

Doors open to the public from 10.00am until 3.30pm

**N.B.** Reasonable equivalence in numbers will be applied to clumps or stoloniferous bulbs.

- Division I      RETICULATE HYBRIDS AND SPECIES CHAMPIONSHIP**
- Class 1      **PATRICIA LINNEGAR MEMORIAL TROPHY 'Iris Garden'**  
1 container 30cm or more across, with species and hybrids together with up to four other dwarf plants planted for effect. There must be at least three iris flowers for each other plant.
- Class 2      **RAY JEFFS TROPHY**  
4 pots or pans, 10-15cm diameter, each with one variety, at least 1 species and at least 1 hybrid to be included.
- Class 3      1 pot or pan not exceeding 20cm diameter with an iris or iridaceous plant in bloom, raised from seed by the exhibitor.
- Division II      RETICULATE HYBRIDS** One variety per entry
- Class 4      1 pot or pan, up to 10cm diameter.
- Class 5      1 pot or pan 10-25cm diameter.
- Class 6      **Novice exhibitors only.** 1 pot or pan, up to 15cm diameter.
- Division III      RETICULATE SPECIES** One variety per entry
- Class 7      1 pot or pan, up to 10cm diameter.
- Class 8      1 pot or pan, up to 10-25cm diameter.
- Class 9      Novice exhibitors only, 1 pot or pan up to 10cm diameter
- Division IV      PLANTS OTHER THAN RETICULATE IRISES**
- Class 10      1 pot, pan or vase of an iris (including colour forms) from any other section.
- Class 11      1 pot, pan or vase of an iridaceous plant excluding Iris.
- Class 12      Novice exhibitors only, 1 pot, pan or vase of any iris or an iridaceous plant.
- Division V      ARTISTIC SECTION**
- Class 13      An exhibit using irises. Width up to 45cm. Natural plant material and accessories are allowed.
- Class 14      An exhibit using dry seedpods of Iridaceae. Natural plant material allowed.
- Class 15      Iris emblemata. Up to 10 items including books, photographs and memorabilia in a space 150cm wide.  
Artwork, emblemata and photographic entries that are the exhibitor's own work to be stated.
- Class 16      Any food item, sweet or savoury, containing Saffron, made by the exhibitor.

POINTS – 1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Classes
12	8	4	1
9	6	3	2
6	4	2	3, 6, 15
3	2	1	4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16

The **OSBORN TROPHY** will be awarded to the most outstanding exhibit in the Show.

The **GWENDOLYN ANLEY CHALLENGE BOWL** will be awarded to the exhibitor gaining most points in the Show.

The following trophies will be awarded to the exhibitors who gain most points in the relevant classes of all the 2025 shows.

**Angela Marchant Trophy for species \***

**Bunyard Vase for Artistic Division**

**Bob Nichol Trophy for bearded hybrids \***

**E. B. Williamson Plate for most points**

**Marjorie Brummitt Trophy for beardless hybrids \***

**Olive Murrell Trophy (Novice classes only) for most novice points**

\* Classes requiring more than one type not included

## THE BRITISH IRIS SOCIETY SHOW RULES

- Only British Iris Society members may compete.
- Exhibitors are permitted unlimited number of entries in each class unless otherwise stated.
- Except in the Artistic Section, all exhibits must have been grown by the exhibitor.
- All exhibits must be ready for judging by 10.00am.
- Exhibitors unable to attend may send their entries to the venue, they will be staged by the Show Secretary.
- Pot and pan sizes must be within  $\pm 1.2\text{cm}$  of sizes indicated in the Schedule.
- Diameter measurement is taken from the top inside rim of pot or pan.
- Except in the Artistic Section, all vases used must be BIS vases.
- In classes involving more than one spike, it is necessary for each spike to have a bloom.
- A spike forming part of an exhibit judged to be NOT AS SCHEDULE (N.A.S.) will not be disqualified from Best in Show classes.
- **Judging will take into account the quality of cultivation, health and presentation of plant material exhibited.**
- Entries for Novices only classes are restricted to members who have not previously exhibited and those who have exhibited and not won a first prize.
- The award of any prize is at the discretion of the judges.
- Any complaints concerning the judges' decisions must be made in writing and lodged with the Show Secretary before 12noon on the day of the Show.