



2025 RCHS Autumn Show Report

Well, what a day! The weather may not have been on our side, but that certainly didn't dampen spirits – we had a fantastic turnout and the hall was buzzing with chatter and colour.

It was such a treat to see so many new entries this year, bringing even more variety and vibrancy to the show benches. A real star of the day was **Chris Carse's stunning Begonia 'Glowing Embers'**, which quite rightfully caught plenty of admiring glances and walked away with the coveted *Best in Show* prize. Congratulations, Chris!

The **General Floral and Pot Plant** displays were outstanding – so lush and colourful, no doubt helped along by all that recent rain. The **Dahlia** classes also didn't disappoint, with their usual high standard and some lovely new entries giving our long-standing members a real run for their money.

It wasn't just about flowers, though. The **Domestic, Handicrafts and Photography** classes showed off the hidden talents of our members, with a wonderful mix of creativity and skill on display. Thank you to everyone who took part – it really adds so much variety to the show.

We were also delighted to welcome the **Mayor Phillip Corthorne and Councillor John Riley**, who joined us on the day and kindly presented our prizes.

A special mention must go to **Lady Banks Primary School**, who once again wowed us with another fabulous display. Their creativity and enthusiasm always bring a smile to everyone's face. It's also brilliant to see children's classes and school entries represented again – a real glimpse of the next generation of growers and makers.

Finally, a huge thank you to our **helpers, exhibitors** and our **corporate supporters**. Without all of your time, effort and generosity, none of this would be possible – we're very appreciative!

Here's to another wonderful year of gardening, growing and showing. Roll on 2026! 🌸 🌿

Dates for your diary:

- **Summer Show:** Sunday 28th June 2026
- **Autumn Show:** Sunday 13th September 2026



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