

BRITISH CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY - MACCLESFIELD & EAST CHESHIRE BRANCH
COMPETITION RULES

- (1) Judging will be in accordance with the British Cactus and Succulent Society's 'Handbook of Shows' 11th Edition 2021. Exhibitors are not required to be members of the above Society and may enter any number of exhibits in a class, and win more than one prize in any class. Where given in the schedule, the pot size should be read as "up to and including the stated size".
- (2) All exhibitors must complete an entry form and send it by post to the BCSS Show Secretary to arrive not later than 25th August 2026. Any queries please email the Show Secretary dj.rose@virginmedia.com before 23rd August 2026.
- (3) Entry fees:-
 - (a) 50p each entry
 - (b) 10 entries or more - £5
 - (c) If an entrant has 10 entries or more they will be entitled to an exhibitor pass which will gain them free entry to the show, on show day.
 - (d) Any entrant with less than 10 entries (excluding Beginners & Juniors) and wishes to visit the show will have to pay £6 for an Exhibitor Pass.
 - (e) Any Beginner or Junior entrants who have less than 10 entries and wish to visit the show will have their show entry fee paid for by the BCSS should one be required.
 - (f) If an entrant just wishes to collect their exhibits they may do so after 5pm without paying a show entry fee.
 - (g) Macclesfield & East Cheshire Branch of the British Cactus and Succulent Society will pay the £5 parking pass for any member of their Branch who has 10 entries or more.
 - (h) Entry fee cheques to be made payable to BCSS – Macclesfield & East Cheshire Branch and must be sent along with their entry form.
- (4) Prize money for each class:- 1st - £2, 2nd - £1, 3rd - £0.50
- (5) An exhibitor may stage any number of entries in each class.
- (6) Exhibits may be taken to the showground between 2pm and 9pm on Friday 28th August 2026. Exhibitor cards will be available from the BCSS Show Secretary in the horticultural marquee and these should be placed face down beside the exhibit so the exhibitor's name is not visible.
- (7) Judging commences at 9am on Saturday 29th August 2026.
- (8) The following Cups will be awarded to members of the Macclesfield & East Cheshire Branch of the British Cactus and Succulent Society. *NB If the winner is not a member of the Macclesfield & East Cheshire Branch of the British Cactus and Succulent Society, they will be awarded a Branch Diploma and given a BCSS booklet 'The Simple Guide to Growing Cacti and Succulents'.*
 - The WORMALD CUP for the member gaining most points in Classes C1 to C10.
 - The PETER CUPIAL-JONES TROPHY for best exhibit in Echinopsis group Class C7.
 - The DAVID ROSEBLADE CUP for best exhibit in the New Ideas Class C11.
 - The S.F. TAYLOR CUP for the member gaining most points in Classes C12 to C22.
 - The TOM WILLIAMSON CUP & BCSS DIPLOMA for the member exhibiting the best Cactus in the show.
 - The WILBRAHAM CUP & BCSS DIPLOMA for the member exhibiting the best Succulent in the show.
 - The ALASDAIR GLEN MEMORIAL CUP for the member exhibiting the best Mammillaria in the show.
 - The LEN ROWBOTHAM CUP for the Beginner gaining most points in Classes C23 & C24.
 - A BRANCH DIPLOMA for the Junior exhibitor gaining most points in Class C25.
 - A BRANCH DIPLOMA for the Junior exhibitor gaining most points in Class C26.
- (9) No exhibit may be removed until after 5pm on show day and exhibitors are urged to collect their exhibits at this time. Whilst every care will be taken, the Macclesfield & East Cheshire Branch of the BCSS does not accept responsibility for any loss or damage from any cause to exhibits.
- (10) The BCSS Show Secretary is the sole authority in arranging how or where exhibits are to be shown and reserves the right to refuse an entry.
- (11) The judge has the power to award additional prizes or to withhold prizes. Any disputes will be settled by the committee of the Macclesfield & East Cheshire Branch of the BCSS.
- (12) All exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor.
- (13) Prize money will be distributed from 3pm to 5pm by the BCSS Show Secretary in the horticultural marquee on show day. Uncollected prize money may be claimed by phoning or emailing the BCSS Show Secretary not later than 31st October 2026.

SHOW SCHEDULE

- C1 CACTUS - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C2 CACTUS - one plant - pot size unlimited
- C3 CACTUS - four plants - four different groups - pot size up to 15cm
- C4 ASTROPHYTUM group - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C5 CEREUS group - one plant - pot size unlimited
- C6 GYMNOCALYCIUM group - two plants - pot size up to 20cm
- C7 ECHINOPSIS group – one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C8 MAMMILLARIA group - one plant - pot size unlimited
- C8A THELOCACTUS group - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C9 PARODIA group - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C9A MATUCANA group - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C10 REBUTIA group - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C10A ECHINOCEREUS group - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C11 NEW IDEAS - One Cactus or Succulent exhibited in an aesthetically pleasing container of any size, made, designed or adapted from any material
- C12 SUCCULENT - two plants - pot size up to 20cm
- C13 SUCCULENT - one plant - pot size unlimited
- C14 SUCCULENT - four plants - four different groups - pot size up to 15cm
- C15 AGAVE group - one plant - pot size unlimited
- C16 ALOE group (including hybrids) - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C17 ECHEVERIA subgroup - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C18 EUPHORBIA group - one plant - pot size unlimited
- C19 GASTERIA group - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C20 HAWORTHIA group (including hybrids) - one plant - pot size up to 20cm
- C21 LITHOPS subgroup – one plant - pot size up to 10cm
- C22 SEMPERVIVUM subgroup - one plant - pot size up to 20cm

All SUCCULENT classes above are to be read as excluding CACTI

BEGINNERS

A Beginner is someone of any age who may or may not be a member of the British Cactus and Succulent Society. Entrants to the Beginners Section may compete for three years before being obliged to enter the open section.

- C23 CACTUS - one plant - pot size unlimited
- C24 SUCCULENT - one plant - pot size unlimited

JUNIORS

A Junior must be 18 years or under on Show Day. Age to be stated on entry form.

- C25 CACTUS - one plant - pot size up to 11cm
- C26 SUCCULENT - one plant - pot size up to 11cm

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ENTRY FORM
BRITISH CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY
MACCLESFIELD & EAST CHESHIRE BRANCH
 Saturday 29th August 2026 at Poynton Show

Class number	Class number	Class number	Class number	Class number	Class number

Total number of entries

DECLARATION BY EXHIBITOR

I wish to enter the classes indicated on this form, and I certify that I will conform to the competition rules of the Macclesfield & East Cheshire Branch of the British Cactus and Succulent Society. I confirm to the best of my knowledge and belief that none of the plants exhibited have been collected from habitat.

Signature.....

(If aged under 18 on the day of the show this must be signed by a parent/guardian).

Full name (Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss, Master)

Address

Town

Postcode

Telephone Number

Email

The completed form should be sent by post to the Show Secretary: Mrs J Roseblade
 26 Denbigh Close,
 Hazel Grove,
 Stockport,
 Cheshire,
 SK7 5NJ

ENTRIES TO ARRIVE NOT LATER THAN TUESDAY 25th AUGUST 2026

