

YEOVIL & DISTRICT CHrysanthemum & DAHLIA SOCIETY

Schedule of Classes 2026



63rd OPEN EARLY CHrysanthemum & DAHLIA SHOW

Saturday 19th September, 2–4.30pm

Sunday 20th September, 2–4.30pm

80th OPEN LATE CHrysanthemum SHOW & DAHLIA TUBER SALE

Saturday 14th November, 2–4.30pm

Sunday 15th November, 2–4.30pm



MARSTON MAGNA VILLAGE HALL
Yeovil Road, Marston Magna, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 8BY

Admission £1 Refreshments Free Parking

Yeovil & District Chrysanthemum & Dahlia Society wish to offer their thanks and sincere appreciation to the following for their sponsorship of our shows.

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CHAIRMAN'S LETTER



Ladies & Gentlemen,

The Society held its Annual General Meeting in February of last year at the Marston Magna Village Hall.

At the Meeting the Committee were informed that the North Somerset Chrysanthemum & Dahlia Society had decided to cease as a Society. It is always sad to hear of another Society calling it a day after so many years.

On a brighter note, I was asked by Terry Porter from the Western Group if they could join us at our Late Show in November now that North Somerset had decided to no longer hold any more of their Shows, which would give our Late Show a much needed boost as its usually quite on the Sunday.

Coming on to our Early Show in September, the entries were slightly down in both the Chrysanthemum & Dahlia Classes, but then that was to be expected what with the weather of 2025.

Hottest Spring on record and hottest Summer for 200 Years.

All credit though to the Growers in what was surely the most trying of Seasons yet.

Our Late Show was well supported with some exceptional Blooms on display and it was nice to see Dave & Val Thorrington after an absence of a couple of years.

On a sadder note, Brian Pople informed me that last year was to be his last as an Exhibitor, so on behalf of all of us at Yeovil, we would like to thank you and Maureen for your continuous support over many many years, and as you reminded me, they go back many years.

At our Early Show, in case nobody noticed, all the Committee were suitably Suited & Booted in our New Society Polo Shirts, which we have Neal to thank for.

Our Dahlia Tuber Sales at our Late Show is as popular as ever so thank you to everybody that donate the Tubers and to the Exhibitors who each year donate their Flowers which are delivered on Monday to our Sponsors.

Also a huge thank you to our small but dedicated Committee & helpers for making the Shows such a success, to our sponsors, and to Marston Village Hall Committee for allowing us to hold our Shows there.

Sincerely

Manny Roper (Chairman)

President

THE WORSHIPFUL MAYOR OF YEOVIL

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Manny Roper

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Roger Downting

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EARLY SHOW JUDGES

Chrysanthemum Classes

Gary Dando & Colin Parkes

Dahlia Classes

Ian Clemens & Nick Toogood



LATE SHOW JUDGES

Chrysanthemum Classes

Richard Patrick & Mike Hancock

SHOW RULES

- 1 ENTRIES** should reach the Show Secretary by the end of the **Thursday** prior to Show. (See how to enter on pages 11 & 12.) Only one entry allowed in Chrysanthemum Classes, except Early Show Class 21 & Late Show Classes 35 & 36 where unlimited entry is permitted. Unlimited entry in single vase Dahlia Classes 47-67. Entries may be taken on the day of the show (at the Committee's discretion) for single bloom classes.
- 2 STAGING.** Exhibits may be staged from **8.30pm to 10.30pm** on the Friday evening before the show. (Please let us know if you intend to stage on Friday evening, when submitting your entry.) Staging continues from **7am to 11am** on the Saturday morning of the Show.
- 3 SHOW OPEN 2-4.30pm Saturday & Sunday.**
Presentation of awards takes place on Saturday afternoon.
- 4 JUDGING** commences at **11am** Saturday and is conducted under N.C.S. and N.D.S. rules. Judges may withhold or modify any award if entries do not merit any such award. The decision of the judges shall be final.
- 5 OWNERSHIP OF EXHIBITS.** All exhibits must have been grown by, and been the property of, the exhibitor for at least three months prior to the Show.
- 6 ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRIES.** The Committee reserve the right to refuse any entry without stating the reason.
- 7 EXHIBITS.** Every reasonable care will be taken, but the Committee will not be responsible for any damage or loss which may occur. No exhibits may be removed before the close of the show. It is recommended that all cultivars/varieties be named on cards provided by the Society.
- 8 VASES** are provided by the Society for all exhibits except Early Show Class 44 & Late Show Class 33 & 34 and must remain on the staging at the conclusion of the show.
- 9 PROTESTS.** If any dispute shall arise other than the judging, protests must be made in writing and delivered to the Chairman not later than two hours after the opening of the Show, accompanied by a fee of £1. The decision of the Committee shall be final.
- 10 EXHIBITORS** may become members of the Society on payment of £4 Annual Membership Fee payable in September and will be eligible for entry in the members draw in November.
- 11 TROPHIES** are the property of the Society, to be held for one year only and returned to the Show Secretary in time for presentation at the show. The Committee will hold the winners responsible for the safe custody of the Cups. The Committee does not have trophies engraved but winners may do so at their own expense. Prize money not claimed by 4pm on the final day of the show will be put back into society funds.
- 12 POINTS VALUE**

	1st	2nd	3rd
Early Show Classes 1, 2, 3, 15, 38, 39, 41	7	4	2
All other Classes	4	2	1
(Except Classes 21, 62, 63- 67 where no points will be allocated)			
Late Show Classes 1, 2, 3, 8, 12, 20, 21, 26, 28, 30	7	4	2
All other Classes	4	2	1
(Except classes 35, 36 where no points will be allocated)			

EARLY SHOW: CHRYSANTHEMUMS

It is recommended all cultivars be named.

Class		1 st	2 nd	3 rd	
1.	ROUS CUP SOUTH WEST OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP 3 Vases 5 blooms Medium or Large, one cultivar per vase.		£20	£10	£5
2.	STEPHENS TROPHY SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIP 3 Vases 3 Large blooms per vase, one cultivar per vase.		£20	£10	£5
3.	COOK TROPHY MEDIUM CHAMPIONSHIP 3 Vases 3 Medium blooms per vase, one cultivar per vase.		£20	£10	£5
4.	2 Vases 3 blooms per vase, one vase medium, one vase large 1 cultivar per vase.	£5	£3	£1	
	<u>LARGE, MEDIUM, OR SMALL</u>				
5.	1 Vase 5 blooms INCURVED	£3	£2	£1	
6.	1 Vase 3 blooms INCURVED	£3	£2	£1	
7.	1 Vase 5 blooms INTERMEDIATE	£3	£2	£1	
8.	1 Vase 3 blooms INTERMEDIATE Large	£3	£2	£1	
9.	1 Vase 3 blooms INTERMEDIATE Medium or Small	£3	£2	£1	
10.	1 Vase 5 blooms REFLEXED	£3	£2	£1	
11.	1 Vase 3 blooms REFLEXED Large	£3	£2	£1	
12.	1 Vase 3 blooms REFLEXED Medium or Small	£3	£2	£1	
13.	1 Vase 5 blooms INTERMEDIATE not less than 2 cultivars	£3	£2	£1	
14.	1 Vase 5 blooms REFLEXED Not less than 2 cultivars.	£3	£2	£1	
	<u>SPRAYS</u>				
15.	WESTLAND TROPHY SPRAY CHAMPIONSHIP 3 Vases Exhibition Sprays, 3 sprays per vase one cultivar per vase		£20	£10	£5

16.	1 Vase 5 stems Exhibition Sprays – single or anemone	£3 £2 £1
17.	1 Vase 5 stems Exhibition Sprays – doubles	£3 £2 £1
18.	1 Vase 3 Stems Exhibition Sprays	£3 £2 £1
19.	2 Vases 3 blooms or 3 Exhibition sprays in each. Only one Vase from any one section to be staged tiered, one in front of the other.	£5 £3 £1

20.	1 Vase 3 blooms any one cultivar	£3 £2 £1
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SINGLE BLOOM OR STEM

Unlimited entry, prize cards only. Entries may be taken on the day of the show

21.	1 vase 1 bloom or 1 stem exhibition spray
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NOVICE CLASS

22.	1 Vase 3 Blooms or 3 Stems of Sprays. Any Cultivar or Cultivars. Open to any exhibitor who has not won a First Prize in any Early Chrysanthemum Show judged under N.C.S.Rules before this year.	£3 £2 £1
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EARLY SHOW: DAHLIAS

It is recommended all varieties be named

Please stage tiered for multi-vase classes 38-43

38.	LEN ALLEN MEMORIAL TROPHY: SOUTH WEST OF ENGLAND DAHLIA CHAMPIONSHIP	£20 £10 £5
	3 Vases. Only one vase allowed from each N.D.S Subgroup. Giants may be staged singly. Number of blooms per vase as follows:	
	3 Blooms Giant, Large or Medium	
	5 Blooms Small or Miniature	
	6 Blooms Pompon	
	5 Blooms Any other type	
39.	CHRIS BURNETT TROPHY	£15 £5 £3
	3 Vases. One vase from each of the following three categories:	
	3 Blooms Small or Miniature Decorative	
	3 Blooms Small or Miniature Ball	
	3 Blooms Small or Miniature Cactus/Semi-Cactus	
40.	WALTER BURROUGHES MEMORIAL SHIELD	£5 £3 £1
	2 Vases from those described in Class 38. Two vases the same allowed.	
41.	SHASTON POMPON CUP	£5 £3 £1
	3 Vases Pompon. 3 Distinct varieties. 6 blooms of one variety in each vase. Pompon vases only please.	
42.	THE RED CHALLENGE	£5 £3 £1
	2 Vases. RED coloured only. One variety per vase. Giants may be staged singly. Any combination of vases may be used, from the following four categories:	
	3 Blooms Giant, Large or Medium	
	5 Blooms Small or Miniature	
	6 Blooms Pompon	
	5 Blooms Any other type	
43.	THE TWO VASE CHALLENGE	£5 £3 £1
	2 Vases. Choose two of the following three categories:	
	5 blooms Small or Miniature Decorative	
	5 blooms Small or Miniature Cactus/Semi-cactus	
	5 blooms Small or Miniature Ball	
44.	CONTAINER OF MIXED DAHLIAS	£4 £2 £1
	Any cultivars, number of blooms optional. Quality of blooms taken into account.	
45.	THE BOND NOVICE CUP	£3 £2 £1
	1 Vase 3 Blooms. Any variety or varieties. Open to any exhibitor who has not won a FIRST PRIZE in any show judged under N.D.S. rules prior to this year.	
	BEGINNERS CLASS	
46.	1 Vase 3 Blooms. Any variety or varieties. Open to any person who has not shown at a show judged under N.D.S rules.	£3 £2 £1

47.	3 GIANT/LARGE CACTUS/SEMI-CACTUS, to be staged singly please	£3 £2 £1
48.	1 Vase 3 Blooms MEDIUM CACTUS/SEMI-CACTUS	£3 £2 £1
49.	1 Vase 3 Blooms SMALL CACTUS/SEMI-CACTUS	£3 £2 £1
50.	1 Vase 3 Blooms MINIATURE CACTUS/SEMI-CACTUS	£3 £2 £1
51.	3 GIANT/LARGE DECORATIVE, to be staged singly please	£3 £2 £1
52.	1 Vase 3 Blooms MEDIUM DECORATIVE	£3 £2 £1
53.	1 Vase 3 Blooms SMALL DECORATIVE	£3 £2 £1
54.	1 Vase 3 Blooms MINIATURE DECORATIVE	£3 £2 £1
55.	1 Vase 3 Blooms SMALL BALL	£3 £2 £1
56.	1 Vase 3 Blooms MINIATURE BALL	£3 £2 £1
57.	1 Vase 6 Blooms POMPON, pompon vase only	£3 £2 £1
58.	1 Vase 3 Blooms COLLERETTE	£3 £2 £1
59.	1 Vase 3 Blooms WATERLILY	£3 £2 £1
60.	1 Vase 3 Blooms FIMBRIATED	£3 £2 £1
61.	I Vase 3 Blooms ANY OTHER TYPE	£3 £2 £1
62.	1 Vase 1 Bloom SEEDLING – any variety not previously shown at a YDCDS Show	£2 £1 50p

SINGLE BLOOM CLASSES

Unlimited entry, prize cards only. BEST EXHIBIT voucher. Entries may be taken on day of the show.

63. 1 Bloom GIANT or LARGE
64. 1 Bloom MEDIUM
65. 1 Bloom SMALL or MINIATURE.
66. 1 Bloom POMPON
67. 1 Bloom ANY OTHER TYPE (eg WATERLILY etc)



EARLY SHOW AWARDS

Rous Cup	South West of England Championship. Class 1
Anne & Mike Stephens Trophy	Supreme Championship, Class 2.
Cook Trophy	Medium Championship, Class 3.
N.C.S. Silver medal	Best Chrysanthemum vase or exhibit of most merit in show.
N.C.S. Bronze medal	Second best Chrysanthemum vase or exhibit of most merit in show.
Lionel Park Trophy	Best vase of incurved Chrysanthemums in show.
Westland Trophy	Best exhibit of spray Chrysanthemums in Class 15.
Hart Cup & Voucher	Most points awarded to exhibitors in Chrysanthemum classes.
N.C.S. Certificates of Merit	Awarded at the Judges discretion excluding Silver & Bronze Exhibits.
Len Allen Memorial Trophy	South West of England Dahlia Championship, Class 38.
The Chris Burnett Trophy	Best Exhibit in Class 39.
Walter Burroughes Memorial Shield	Best Exhibit in Class 40.
Shaston Cup	Pompon Championship Class 41.
N.D.S. Silver medal	Best Dahlia vase in show.
N.D.S. Bronze medal	Second best Dahlia vase in show.
Bond Cup	Dahlia Novice Class 45.
Single Bloom Classes Voucher	Best Exhibit in Classes 63 to 67.
Members Shield & Voucher	Most points awarded in Dahlia Classes.

EARLY SHOW ENTRY FORM & ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP
YEOVIL & DISTRICT CHRYSANTHEMUM & DAHLIA SOCIETY

SATURDAY 19th SEPTEMBER AND

SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2026

Closing date for entries – Thursday 17th September 2026

Please pay when staging. We regret we are unable to accept cheques.

My contact details

Name.....

Address.....

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Tel (mobile preferred in case we need to contact you on show day)

Email address:

I would like to stage on Friday evening Saturday Morning (please tick)

Membership Renewal/Application

Please enrol me as a member of Yeovil & District Chrysanthemum & Dahlia Society

Annual Subscription £4 Yes...../No..... (please tick)

Entry Fees

Championship Classes 50p, all other classes 30p

CLASSES ENTERED (and number of entries where applicable)

Total amount due (inc. membership).....

Please send this form to:

One of our Committee Members

or email your entry to: yeovil.dahlia.chrysanthemum@gmail.com

or use the online form on our website: <https://www.ycds.org/>

Please note submitting entries confirms that you are happy for your data to be held for the purposes of administering the show.

LATE SHOW ENTRY FORM & ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP
YEOVIL & DISTRICT CHRYSANTHEMUM & DAHLIA SOCIETY

SATURDAY 14th NOVEMBER AND

SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2026

Closing date for entries – Thursday 12th November 2026

Please pay when staging. We regret we are unable to accept cheques.

My contact details

Name.....

Address.....

Tel (mobile preferred in case we need to contact you on show day)

Email address:

I would like to stage on Friday evening Saturday Morning (please tick)

Membership Renewal/Application

Please enrol me as a member of Yeovil & District Chrysanthemum & Dahlia Society

Annual Subscription £4

Yes...../No..... (please tick)

Entry Fees

Championship Classes 50p, all other classes 30p

CLASSES ENTERED (and number of entries where applicable)

Total amount due (inc. membership).....

Please send this form to:

One of our Committee Members

or email your entry to: yeovil.dahlia.chrysanthemum@gmail.com

or use the online form on our website: <https://www.ycdcs.org/>

Please note submitting entries confirms that you are happy for your data to be held for the purposes of administering the show.

LATE SHOW: CHRYSANTHEMUMS

It is recommended all cultivars be named

Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
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1. **SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIP** £20 £8 £4

LUSH CUP

Any three vases, only one cultivar in each

Vase from:

1 Vase 1 Bloom – Sections 1 or 2

1 Vase 3 Blooms – Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 10

1 Vase 3 Stems – Section 9

Any combination of sections may be used, but not more than two vases from any one section. Section 10 may be staged singly.

LARGE & MEDIUM EXHIBITION

2. **ALDON CUP**

6 Blooms LARGE EXHIBITION £15 £5 £3
To be staged singly.

3. **DENING CUP**

6 Blooms MEDIUM EXHIBITION £15 £5 £3
To be staged single

4. 3 Blooms LARGE EXHIBITION £3 £2 £1

To be staged singly

5. 3 Blooms MEDIUM EXHIBITION £3 £2 £1

To be staged singly

6. 1 Bloom LARGE EXHIBITION £1 75p 50p

7. 1 Bloom MEDIUM EXHIBITION £1 75p 50p

INCURVED

8. **DIMENT ROSE BOWL**

3 Vases 3 blooms per vase INCURVED
one cultivar per vase £15 £5 £3

9. 1 Vase 5 Blooms INCURVED. £3 £2 £1

10. 1 Vase 3 Blooms INCURVED White, Cream or
yellow £3 £2 £1

11. 1 Vase 3 Blooms INCURVED excluding white, cream or
yellow, not less than two cultivars. £3 £2 £1

REFLEXED/INTERMEDIATE

12. BRIGHAM CUP

3 Vases 3 Blooms per vase, REFLEXED or INTERMEDIATE, one cultivar per vase Large, Medium or Small	£15 £5 £3
13. 1 Vase 5 blooms REFLEXED	£3 £2 £1
14. 1 Vase 3 blooms REFLEXED	£3 £2 £1
15. 1 Vase 5 blooms INTERMEDIATE	£3 £2 £1
16. 1 Vase 3 blooms INTERMEDIATE Large	£3 £2 £1
17. 1 Vase 3 blooms INTERMEDIATE Medium	£3 £2 £1
18. 1 Vase 5 Blooms INTERMEDIATE excluding white, cream or yellow, not less than two cultivars.	£3 £2 £1

19. ARTHUR BICKNELL MEMORIAL TROPHY

2 Vases 3 Blooms in each Vase,
from incurved, reflexed, intermediate and single.
Not more than one vase from any one Section.
To be staged tiered, one in front of the other.

SINGLES

20. BATTEN CUP

3 Vases SINGLES, 3 Blooms of one cultivar in each vase. Large Flowered	£15 £5 £3
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21. O. A. WILES BUILDERS TROPHY

3 Vases SINGLES. 3 Blooms of one cultivar in each vase. Medium flowered and/or Small flowered.

22. 1 Vase 5 Blooms SINGLES. Any one colour. Large flowered.	£3 £2 £1
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23. 1 Vase 5 Blooms SINGLES. Not less than two cultivars. Large flowered.	£3 £2 £1
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24. 1 Vase 5 Blooms SINGLES. Any one colour Medium or small flowered.	£3 £2 £1
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25. 1 Vase 5 Blooms SINGLES. Not less than two cultivars. Medium or Small flowered.	£3 £2 £1
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SPRAYS

26. **VINCENT CUP**
3 Vases EXHIBITION SPRAYS £15 £5 £3
3 Stems of one cultivar in each vase.

27. 1 Vase 3 Stems EXHIBITION SPRAYS £3 £2 £1

ANEMONE

28. 3 Vases ANEMONE, 3 Blooms of one cultivar in each vase £15 £5 £3

29. 1 Vase 5 Blooms ANEMONE, £3 £2 £1
Any cultivar or cultivars.

FANTASIES

30. **DERICK HOOPER MEMORIAL TROPHY**
6 Blooms FANTASIES £10 £4 £2
Any cultivar or cultivars to be staged singly.

31. 3 Blooms FANTASIES £3 £2 £1
Any Cultivar or Cultivars to be staged singly



IMPROVERS

32. 1 Vase 3 blooms or 3 stems exhibition sprays. One cultivar. £3 £2 £1

Open to any exhibitor who has not won more than three first prizes in any Late Chrysanthemum Show judged under N.C.S. Rules before this year.

ALL ROUND EFFECT

33. Container of Chrysanthemums £4 £2 £1

Arranged for all round affect.
Quality of blooms taken into account.

POT PLANT

34. 1 Charm, Cascade or Specimen Chrysanthemum Pot Plant £3 £2 £1

SINGLE BLOOM OR STEM

Unlimited entry, prize cards only. Entries may be taken on day of show

35. 1 Vase any cultivar or cultivars from:

1 Bloom – sections 1, 2 or 10;
3 Blooms – sections 3 to 7;
3 Stems – section 9

36. 1 Vase 1 bloom or 1 stem exhibition spray

Excluding sections 1 & 2



LATE SHOW AWARDS

Hamblett Trophy	Best Vase in show.
The Joyce Trophy	Best vase of Singles in show.
N.C.S. Silver Medal	Best vase or exhibit of most merit in show.
N.C.S. Bronze Medal	Second best vase or exhibit of most merit in show.
Lush Cup	Best exhibit in Class 1, Supreme Championship.
Aldon Cup	Best exhibit in Class 2, Large Exhibition.
Dening Cup	Best exhibit in Class 3, Medium Exhibition.
Diment Rose Bowl	Best exhibit in Class 8, Incurved.
Brigham Cup	Best exhibit in Class 12, Reflexed.
Arthur Bicknell Memorial Trophy	Best exhibit in Class 19.
Batten Cup	Best exhibit in Class 20, Large Singles.
O.A. Wiles Builders Trophy	Best exhibit in Class 21, Medium Singles.
Vincent Cup	Best exhibit in Class 26, Sprays.
Derick Hooper Memorial Trophy	Best exhibit in Class 30, Fantasies.
Hawes Cup	Best exhibit in Anemone classes.
Show Committee Cup & Voucher	Most points gained by an exhibitor in the show.
N.C.S. Certificate of Merit	To be awarded at the Judges' discretion, excluding Silver & Bronze Exhibits.

See our website for photos of past shows and more!

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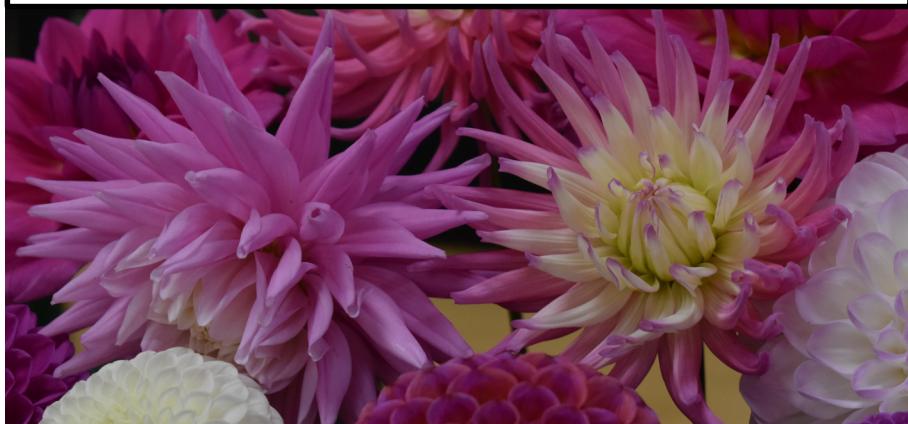
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