

The National Vegetable Society

The National Vegetable Society (NVS) is a nationwide group of vegetable growing enthusiasts. We are a mix of abilities and ages and include those who grow for the table as well those whose passion is growing “for show”.

Our principle aim is to help growers produce better quality vegetables and by sharing tips and advice, we hope to encourage and support those new to vegetable growing.

In 2019, the New Forest & Hampshire County Show will be hosting The National Vegetable Society’s “National Championships”. Only held in the South once every five years and the first time to be held at The Showground, it promises to be a very special event.

Visitors to our National Championships will witness a showcase of beautifully grown vegetables. Even those without green fingers will be inspired by what they see and perhaps a little in awe at the quality of vegetables on exhibit. However, developing better vegetable growing skills is well within the grasp of anyone and most growers delight in improving the standard of their produce.

We have a website www.nvsuk.org.uk containing a wealth of freely available information on growing vegetables, plus articles on fruit and even herbs. There is also a link to regular blog “**It’s Sow Simple**” which takes the mystery out of vegetable growing and inspires even the most novice grower.

NVS members receive quarterly issues of ‘Simply Vegetables’ magazine packed full of information and advice as well as access to a members only forum to share tips and ideas. They also benefit from discounted seeds and sundries from a variety of horticultural suppliers and seed merchants.

There are five NVS branches around the country, each of which has a number of local groups holding meetings, events and local shows. Close to The Showground is NVS Hants DA who meet at Wellow Village Hall, West Wellow, SO51 6BR. Information on events is available on the NVS website www.nvsuk.org.uk

We look forward to welcoming you to the NVS vegetable tent in the Floral Marquee in 2019 where you can see the exceptional standard of vegetables our members have produced. We hope it will inspire you to enter your own vegetables into the New Forest Open Show in 2020 or even to become a member of the National Vegetable Society.

We would like to thank the New Forest & Hampshire County Show for hosting our inspirational National Vegetable Society 2019 National Championships.

NVS Show Secretary 2019

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