

BRITISH CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY
OXFORD BRANCH OPEN SHOW
with
The Mammillaria Society



Saturday 13th July 2024
Old Mill Hall, School Lane, Grove OX12 7LB
Open from 10.00 to 15.30 – FREE ENTRY
Light refreshments and plant sales

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The Mammillaria Society

For the cultivation, conservation and study of the genus Mammillaria and allied genera.



Mammillarias have long been popular plants with cactus growers due to their interesting spines and showy flowers. It is the largest genus in the Cactus family with about 250 species and subspecies so there are plenty for the enthusiast to grow. Mammillarias are from Mexico with some species also found in southwest USA, the Caribbean and as far south as Colombia. Several species are endangered or critically endangered in the wild.

The Mammillaria Society was founded in 1960 to promote and study this genus. Over the decades, the scope has been extended to include the allied genera *Coryphantha*, *Escobaria*, *Neolloydia*, *Thelocactus* and most recently *Turbinicarpus*. Today, the emphasis is also on the cultivation and conservation of these plants.

The Society has a world-wide membership. Members range from professional botanists to enthusiastic amateurs. All share a common love of the genus and a wish to increase their own knowledge and share this with fellow members.

Membership is £13 per year for UK members.

What are the benefits to Members?

- Quarterly illustrated Journal.
- Quarterly Zoom presentations.
- Annual seed list (GB members only).
- Biennial show in conjunction with Oxford branch BCSS.
- A separate 2 day show in conjunction with Sheffield branch BCSS
- Members' Area on our website which includes access to Journals from the last 10 years.
- A discount on digitised journals covering 60 years.
Three DVDs are available with search contents.

See the website for more information –
<https://mammillaria.net>

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SHOW OFFICIALS

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Programme

Staging	08.00-09.30
Show open	10.00-15.30 – FREE ENTRY
Judging	10.00
Mr David Neville and Mr Simon Snowden (Open Section)	
Mr Ian Woolnough (Mammillaria Society Classes)	
Presentation of Awards and Raffle	15.30 (approx)
Close of Show	16.00 (approx)

Plant Sales

Plant Life • Woodside Cacti • Eau Brink Cacti
Branch Plant Sales

Cover: *Mammillaria/Dolichothele longimamma*.
Illustration opposite by Gareth Darbon

RULES

1. The show is **open** to all members of the British Cactus and Succulent Society and members of The Mammillaria Society. **All entries are Free.**
2. Exhibitors should read the Schedule carefully. Please note that the decision of the show committee is final in all matters.
3. Judging and classification of plants shall be in accordance with the 11th Edition of The BCSS Handbook of shows. Judges reserve the right to withhold any award of a prize in any particular class if in their opinion an exhibit does not merit such award. Any plant that in the opinion of the judges is infested by pests or disease will be removed from the show and NOT be eligible for any award.
4. All entry forms **MUST** be completed and returned to the show secretary **no later than Thursday 11th July 2024**. Any late entries may be disqualified unless authorised by the show secretary.
5. Entries will be **limited to TWO** per exhibitor per class and only one plant is permitted per pot. **Exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor** and are staged at the owner's own risk. The Committee accept no responsibility for any loss or damage to exhibits, but all reasonable care will be taken. All personal property and belongings are the owner's own responsibility.
EXHIBITORS SHOULD NOTE THAT ANY ILLEGALLY COLLECTED PLANT DISPLAYED WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM ANY AWARD AND REMOVED FROM THE SHOW.
6. All staging **MUST** be completed by 09.30 on the day of the show. The Show Manager or the stewards reserve the right to re-position any exhibit for reason of space or aesthetic presentation
7. Any appeal against the judges' decision **MUST** be lodged with The Show Secretary in writing within one hour of the completion of judging together with a complaints fee of £2 which will be refunded if the complaint is upheld.
8. Points will be awarded for each class as follows;
First 5 pts Second 3 pts Third 2 pts Highly Commended 1 pt
All points will be counted towards trophies and awards
10. Cups and trophies are perpetual awards and are the property of the BCSS Oxford Branch. Winners must undertake to return them in good condition in time for the next show.
11. **Entry to the show constitutes acceptance of the above rules.**
12. The Branch will accept plants for sale on the Branch sales table. Each plant should have a label indicating the sale price and the seller. The Branch will deduct 10% from the cost toward expenses.

TROPHIES AND AWARDS

All Trophies are the property of the Oxford Branch

Ron Ginns Medal & Marwood Cup	Most points in open classes
Bicester Goblet (Crassulaceae Group)	Classes 4, 28 & 29
Abingdon Cup (Euphorbia Group)	Classes 5, 30 & 31
Leslie Cook Trophy (Mesembryanthemum Group)	Classes 8, 35 & 36
Astrophytum Trophy	Classes 12 & 41
Gymnocalycium Cup	Classes 19 & 45
Mammillaria Cup	Best Mammillarias in Show (either section)
BCSS Silver Medal	Class 39
BCSS Silver Medal	Class 52
Dudley Cup	Class 54
Oxford Challenge Cup (Floral)	Plant with best display of flowers in show
Bruton Cup	Best Cristate or Monstrose plant in show
Oxford Challenge Cup	Most Points gained in Section 1
Premier Cup	Most points gained in Section 2
Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup	Most points gained in Section 3
Novice Cup	Most points gained in Section 4
George Bowl & BCSS Diploma	Best Cactus in the show (except Section 5 Mammillaria Society classes)
Oriel Bowl & BCSS Diploma	Best Other Succulent in the show
Pryke Howard Trophy	Most Points gained in Section 5 (Mammillaria Society Classes)
BCSS Diploma and Silver Medal	Best Plants in Section 5 (Mammillaria Society Classes)
BCSS Silver Medal	Most points in classes 66, 67 & 68
BCSS Silver medal	Most points in classes 71 & 72
BCSS Bronze Medal	Most points in classes 58 & 59
BCSS Bronze Medal	Most points in classes 77 & 78

BCSS Awards of Merit will be awarded at the judges' discretion



Above: *Gymnocactus horripilus* Below: *Mammillaria/Mammilloidia senilis*



SHOW SCHEDULE

OPEN CLASSES

Section One – Succulents

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| 1 | Agave Group | One Plant |
| 2 | Adenia Group | One Plant |
| 3 | Crassulaceae
(excluding plants eligible for class 4) | One Plant |
| 4 | Crassulaceae - Echeveria Sub Group | One Plant |
| 5 | Euphorbia Group | One Plant |
| 6 | Gasteria Group | One Plant |
| 7 | Haworthia Group | One Plant |
| 8 | Mesembryanthemum Group | One Plant |
| 9 | Pachypodium Group | One Plant |
| 10 | Succulent Plant (other than Cactus) | One Plant |

Section Two – Cacti

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| 11 | Ariocarpus Group | One Plant |
| 12 | Astrophytum Group | One Plant |
| 13 | Cereus Group | One Plant |
| 14 | Copiapoa Group | One Plant |
| 15 | Echinocactus Group | One Plant |
| 16 | Echinocereus Group | One Plant |
| 17 | Echinopsis Group | One Plant |
| 18 | Eriosyce Group | One Plant |
| 19 | Gymnocalycium Group | One Plant |
| 20 | Melocactus Group | One Plant |
| 21 | Opuntia Group | One Plant |
| 22 | Parodia Group | One Plant |
| 23 | Strombocactus Group or Pediocactus Group | One Plant |
| 24 | Thelocactus Group | One Plant |
| 25 | Cactus | One Plant |

Section Three – Limited Pot Size Classes

26 Agave Group – max pot size 18cm	One plant
27 Ceropegia Group or Stapelia Group – max pot size 18cm	One plant
28 Crassulaceae Group – max pot size 14cm (except plants eligible for class 29)	Two plants
29 Crassulaceae Group – Echeveria Sub Group – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
30 Euphorbia Group – max pot size 18cm	One plant
31 Euphorbia Group – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
32 Gasteria Group – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
33 Haworthia Group – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
34 Haworthia Group – max pot size 10cm	Three plants
35 Mesembryanthemum Group – max pot size 18cm	One plant
36 Mesembryanthemum Group – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
37 Succulent Plant (other than cactus) – max pot size 18cm	One plant
38 Succulent Plants (other than cactus) – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
39 Succulent Plants (other than cactus) – max pot size 10cm	Four plants
40 Ariocarpus Group – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
41 Astrophytum Group – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
42 Cereus Group – max pot size 18cm	One plant
43 Copiapoa Group – max pot size 18cm	One plant
44 Eriosyce Group – max pot size 14cm	One plant
45 Gymnocalycium Group – max pot size 18cm	Two plants
46 Opuntia Group – max pot size 18cm	One plant
47 Parodia Group – max pot size 18cm	One plant
48 Rebutia Group – max pot size 18cm	One plant
49 Strombocactus Group or Pediocactus Group – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
50 Cactus – max pot size 18cm	One plant
51 Cactus – max pot size 14cm	Two plants
52 Cactus – max pot size 10cm	Four plants
53 Cristate or Monstrose Cactus or Other Succulent Plant	One plant
54 Cactus or Succulent Plants contained within a seed tray not exceeding 38cm × 23cm containing at least nine plants each in individual pots (NOT JUDGED ON ARTISTIC MERIT)	

Section 4 – Novice or Junior Section

A Novice is a person who has not gained a first prize in any open section of a BCSS Show. A Junior is a person who is currently paying his or her subscription at Junior rate.

55 Cactus	One plant
56 Succulent Plant (other than cactus)	One plant
57 Cactus and or Succulent Plant – max pot size 14cm	Two plants

Approximate guide for conversion of imperial pot sizes

10 cm = 4"	14 cm = 5½"	16 cm = 6¼"	18 cm = 7"
30.5 cm = 12"	38 cm × 23 cm = 15" × 9"		



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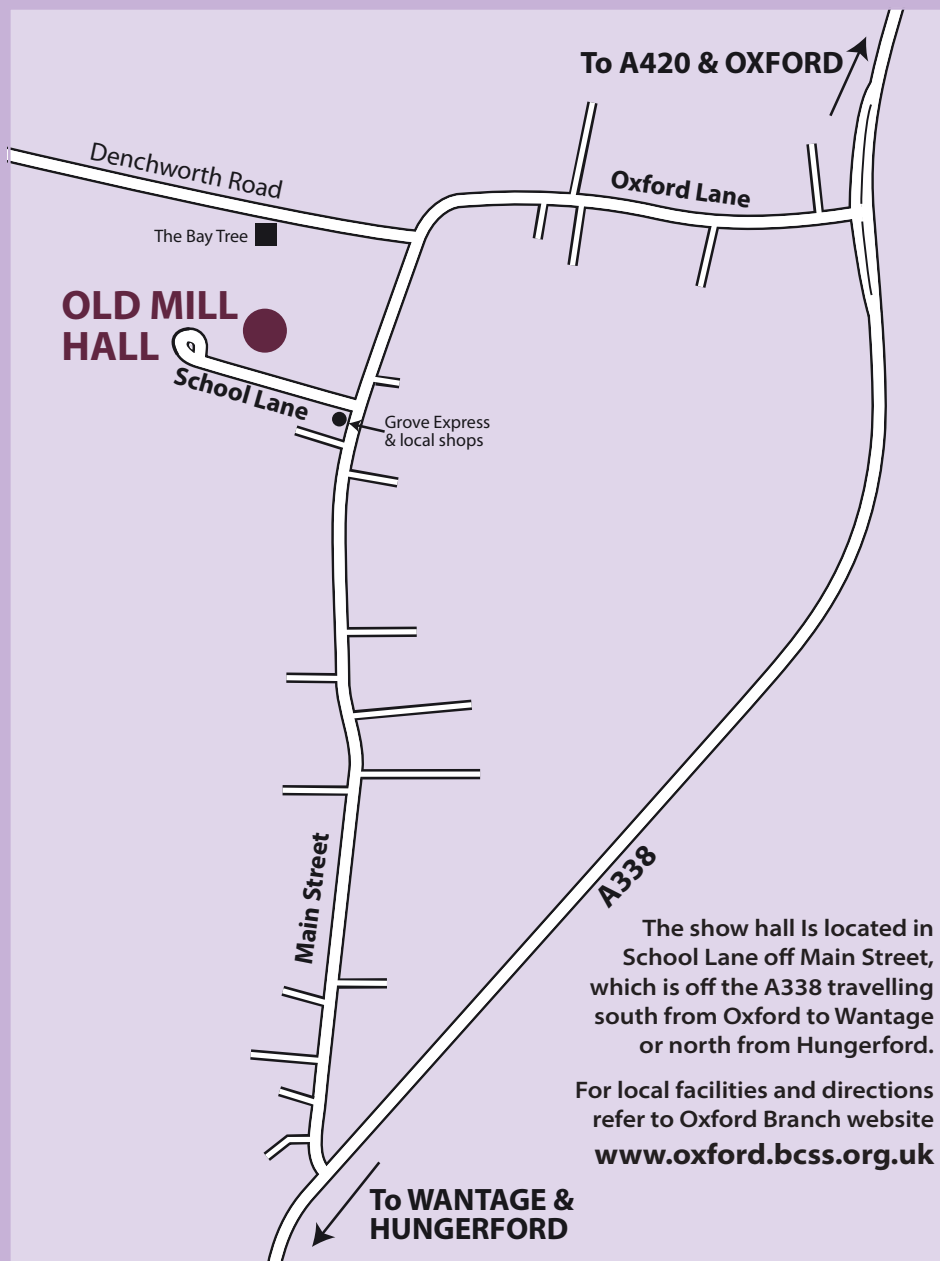
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Section Five – Mammillaria Society Classes

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| 58 | Coryphantha Group | One plant |
| 59 | Coryphantha Group – max pot size 18cm | Two plants |
| 60 | Mammillaria Group – Ancistracanthae Group
(Tetrancistra, Guelzowiana, Barbarta, Zephyranthoides,
Grahamii and Dioica Sub Groups) – max pot size 18cm | One plant |
| 61 | Mammillaria elongata, densispina, echinaria,
microhelia or mieheana | One plant |
| 62 | Mammillaria schiedeana, carmenae, plumosa, dumetorum,
giselae or aureilana | One plant |
| 63 | Mammillaria humboldtii, lauii, lenta, dasyacantha or subducta | One plant |
| 64 | Mammillaria (Cochemiea Sub Group)
pondii, maritima, setispina, halei or poselgeria | One plant |
| 65 | Mammillaria (Dolicothele Sub Group)
baumii, carretii, longimamma, melaleuca or surculosa | One plant |
| 66 | Mammillaria Group – no pot limit | One plant |
| 67 | Mammillaria Group (multi-headed plant) – max pot size 30.5cm | One plant |
| 68 | Mammillaria Group (multi-headed plant) – max pot size 18cm | One plant |
| 69 | Mammillaria Group (single growing head only) | One plant |
| 70 | Mammillaria Group (single growing head only) –
max pot size 18cm | Two plants |
| 71 | Mammillaria Group – max pot size 18cm | Three plants |
| 72 | Mammillaria Group – max pot size 10cm | Four plants |
| 73 | Coryphantha Group, Mammillaria Group or
Thelocactus Group (one from each group) – max pot size 18cm | Three plants |
| 74 | Mammillaria Group – Cristate or Monstrose plant | One plant |
| 75 | Thelocactus Group – no pot limit | One plant |
| 76 | Thelocactus Group – max pot size 18cm | Two plants |
| 77 | Turbinicarpus Group – no pot limit | One plant |
| 78 | Turbinicarpus Group – max pot size 16cm | Two plants |
| 79 | Coryphantha Group, Mammillaria Group, Thelocactus Group or
Turbinicarpus Group: display of six plants, each in individual pots,
each pot max pot size of 18cm
(NOT JUDGED ON ARTISTIC MERIT) | |

SHOW VENUE: OLD MILL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, GROVE OX12 7LB



The show hall is located in School Lane off Main Street, which is off the A338 travelling south from Oxford to Wantage or north from Hungerford.

For local facilities and directions refer to Oxford Branch website
www.oxford.bcass.org.uk