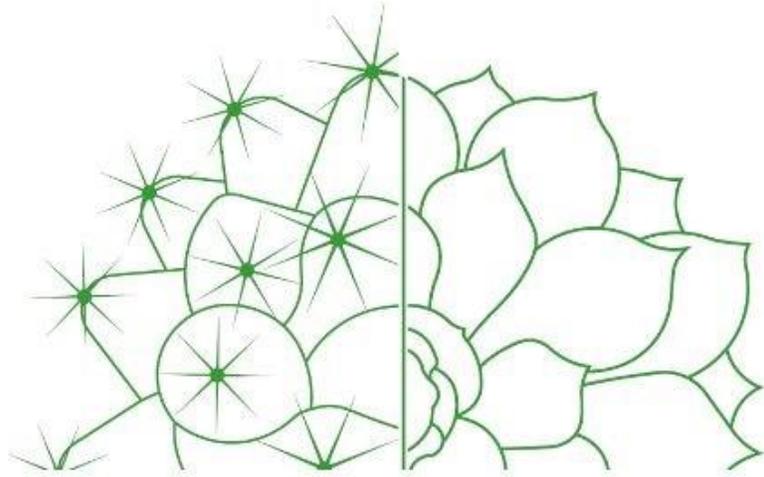


THE BRITISH CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY

CAMBRIDGE & DISTRICT BRANCH

Inaugurated in 1947



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SUCCULENT SOCIETY

Let's Grow Together

PROGRAMME AND SHOW CLASSES 2026

All meetings at 7 pm for 7:30 pm start at the Great Shelford Memorial Hall,
Woollards Lane, Great Shelford, Cambridge, CB22 5LZ

ENTRY FEE £3.00

(First meeting free to new members)

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MEETING – 11th MARCH

Hazel Taylor Ecuador & Galapagos

Table Show Classes

Open

1. Peperomia Group
2. Pelargonium Group
3. Echeveria Subgroup
4. Othonna Group
5. Echinocactus Group
6. Eriogyne Group
7. Cactus in flower
8. Succulent in flower

Junior / Novice

9. One Cactus
10. One Succulent

MEETING – 8th April

John Hughes

**Harri Lorenzo and the Jardim Botânico
Plantarum**

Table Show Classes

Open

1. Haworthia Group
2. Dorstenia Group
3. Astrophytum Group
4. Agave Group
5. Rebutia Group
6. Turbinicarpus Group
7. Stenocactus Group
8. Cactus in flower
9. Succulent in flower

Junior / Novice

10. One Cactus
11. One Succulent

MEETING – 13th May

Mike Partridge

A Few Days in Patagonia - the Deep South

Table Show Classes

Open

1. Argyroderma Subgroup
2. Matucana Group
3. Rhipsalis Group
4. Sempervivum Subgroup
5. Cleistocactus Subgroup
6. Aloe Group
7. Kedrostris Group
8. 3 Cacti in flower
9. Succulent in flower

Junior / Novice

10. One Cactus
11. One Succulent

MEETING – 10th JUNE

Julian Cooke Thelocactus

Table Show Classes Open

1. Didierea Group
2. Adenia Group
3. Thelocactus Group
4. Pachypodium Group
5. Coryphantha Group
6. Crassula Subgroup
7. Mammillaria Group
8. Cactus in flower
9. Succulent in flower

Junior / Novice

10. One Cactus
11. One Succulent

MEETING – 8th JULY

Ian Woolnough Argentina 2005

Table Show Classes

Open

1. Echinocereus Group
2. Echinopsis Group
3. Mammillaria Group max. 120 mm
4. Ceropegia Group
5. Melocactus Group
6. Anacampseros Group
7. Euphorbia Group
8. Cactus in flower
9. Succulent in flower

Junior / Novice

10. One Cactus
11. One Succulent

SUNDAY – 9th AUGUST

SUMMER CACTUS & SUCCULENT SHOW
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**SCHEDULES FOR SUMMER CACTUS & SUCCULENT
SHOW TO BE AVAILABLE AT A LATER DATE**

**All BCSS members are encouraged to enter, and for
visitors it is an opportunity to see well-grown plants.**

**Our shows are judged according to the National
Society's "Handbook of Shows, 11th edition, 2021".**

You can order a printed copy here

www.bcsc.org.uk/product/handbook-of-shows/.

You need this if you are thinking of entering!

MEETING – 9th SEPTEMBER

Paul Hoxey

Cacti of the Caribbean

Table Show Classes

Open

1. Gymnocalycium Group
2. 3 Cacti max 90mm pots
3. Parodia Group
4. Cheiridopsis Subgroup
5. Stapelia Group
6. Lithops Subgroup
7. Pediocactus Group
8. Cactus in flower
9. Succulent in flower

Junior / Novice

10. One Cactus
11. One Succulent

MEETING – 14th OCTOBER

Trevor Wray

The Gardens of the Western Cape

Table Show Classes

Open

1. Echeveria Subgroup
2. Faucaria Subgroup
3. Espostoa Subgroup
4. Haworthia Subgroup
5. Gymnocalcyium Group
6. Thelocactus Group
7. Opuntia Group
8. Cactus in flower
9. Succulent in flower

Junior/Novice

10. One cactus
11. One succulent

MEETING – 11th NOVEMBER

James Tucker

Favourite Plants: the common, the captivating and the curious.

Table Show Classes

Open

1. Euphorbia Subgroup
2. Copiapoa Group
3. Faucaria Subgroup
4. Conophytum Subgroup
5. Sedum Subgroup
6. Lophophora Group
7. Adromischus Subgroup
8. Cactus in flower
9. Succulent in flower

Junior / Novice

10. One Cactus
11. One Succulent

MEETING – 9th DECEMBER

A.G.M and Christmas Social Evening

Table Show Classes

Open

1. Nananthus Subgroup
2. Opuntia Group
3. Pachycereus Subgroup
4. Aeonium Subgroup
5. Ariocarpus Group
6. Gasteria Group
7. Sansevaria Group
8. Cactus in flower
9. Succulent in flower

Junior / Novice

10. One Cactus
11. One Succulent

A.G.M. AGENDA

Wednesday 9th December 2026

YOU WILL RECEIVE NO OTHER WRITTEN NOTIFICATION

1. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
3. MINUTES OF LAST A.G.M.
4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
5. HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT
6. HON. TREASURER'S REPORT
7. HON. PLANT SALES OFFICER'S REPORT
8. HON. SHOW SECRETARY'S REPORT
9. REPORTS FROM ANCILLARY ORGANISERS
10. PRESENTATION OF CUPS AND CERTIFICATES
11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS
12. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2027.

At previous A.G.M.s, light refreshments have been provided by members. It is hoped that those of you who will be attending will once again be kind enough to bring along a few biscuits, sausage rolls, or light snacks. As all BCSS branches must be financially self supporting, members are encouraged to support the raffle by purchasing tickets and supplying prizes.

COMPETITION RULES

Please read carefully

1. Entries must have been owned by Competitors for at least 8 weeks and comply with the BCSS Policy on habitat plants 2024. (See notice displayed at all Shows/Meetings).
2. Two entries allowed in each class.
3. All judging in accordance with the Handbook of Shows 11th Edition 2021.
4. Novices. Members who have scored not more than 50 points, or who have not won the Novices' / Juniors' Trophy, in any previous season.
5. Novices and Juniors are eligible to enter in all open classes.
6. Judging. In absence of outside judges, classes will be judged by non-competing members, basing their decision on the BCSS points system.
7. Entry fee per exhibit is 10p

Class	Points			
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	H.C.
All meetings	5	3	2	1

Please contact the Show secretary for further information on the Table Show

SPECIAL AWARDS

(Branch Members Only)

The MRS E.M McKAY CUP

Major Trophy

Awarded for the highest aggregate number of points scored in the open classes.

Minor Trophy

Awarded for the highest aggregate number of points among members who have never scored 100 points in any previous year in open classes.

THE LADY DRURY TROPHY

Awarded for the highest number of points in combined Flowering classes in the open section.

THE MARGARET TAYLOR TROPHY

Awarded to the Minor trophy competitor with the highest number of points in combined Flowering classes in the open section.

NOVICE OR JUNIOR TROPHY

Awarded to the Novice or Junior with the highest number of points in the Novice or Junior classes.

Handicaps for MRS E.M. McKAY CUP and NOVICE OR JUNIOR TROPHY

Members who have scored 50 or more points in their previous year of showing, a handicap of 50% of 50% of the actual points scored.

OTHER AWARDS

B.C.S.S. Award of Merit

Awarded for the highest number of points in the classes for

- (i) Cacti
- (ii) Other Succulents

In the event of a tie, the highest number of Firsts gain the award. In any other matter arising from the schedule, the decision of the Committee shall be final.

ADVISORY AND NAMING SERVICE

Branch Officers and Committee will be pleased to assist members, and any ideas, suggestions or constructive criticisms regarding our activities will be welcome.