

RAMSEY IN BLOOM 2023 APPLICATION FORM



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Please	write X in the appropriate bo	x to i	ndicate	e which section(s) you wish to en	ter.
1.	Public Building Section (incl. schools)		6.	Wildlife Garden	
2.	Small Commercial Premises		7.	Special Prizes	
3(a).	Private Gardens - small		8.	Children's Section	
(b)	Private Gardens - large		8(a).	Felton's Challenge Competition	
4.	Little Gems		9.	Fruit and Vegetable Garden	
5.	Community Project		10.	Ramsey Garden Tour	

There are 18 trophies for presentation to winners within the main categories together with 37 voucher prizes overall.

NB: Entries must be received no later than 4 p.m. on Friday 23rd June, 2023.

The prizes for each category are vouchers for goods or services from a local business/trader, of your choice.

Ramsey in Bloom judging will be undertaken on 6^{th} & 7^{th} July, 2023. The Judges' decision will be final. No correspondence or further discussion concerning the judging or results of the competition will be entered into.

The presentations will take place at the Ramsey Town Hall. All entrants will be notified of the date and formal invites issued. To enter this Competition, you must be a Ramsey rate payer.

Entries to be sent to:- Ramsey in Bloom Competition, Town Hall, Parliament Square, Ramsey IM8 1RT (or emailed to: enquiries@rtc.gov.im)



RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS RAMSEY IN BLOOM COMPETITION 2023



- (1) PUBLIC BUILDING SECTION This section welcomes applications from Schools, Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Sheltered Housing Complexes, Church Properties, Bus Station, Tram Station, Youth and Social Clubs, etc.
- (2) **COMMERCIAL PREMISES** This category is open to all small commercial premises e.g. shops, estate agents, public houses, lawyers, accountants etc.
- (3) **PRIVATE GARDENS** to include **both** Private and Public Sector Housing.
 - a) Small Garden
 - b) Large Garden

All premises will be considered in this category, but recognition will be given to the way in which the overall effect has been created, for example, the use of water features, paving, hedging, lawns, good quality husbandry and other special features.

- (4) **LITTLE GEMS** (First, Second & Third). Very small garden or no garden, but use of limited frontage, including balconies, patios etc., which must be easily seen from the public highway or pavement.
- (5) COMMUNITY PROJECT A voucher for £100.00 and the John Green Memorial Shield to be awarded for work carried out by any organisation, neighbours (3 or more properties), group of friends to improve any site by landscaping or the planting of flowers, trees and shrubs or making a water garden or pond, etc. to the benefit of the whole or part of the community.
- (6) WILDLIFE GARDEN A voucher for £50.00, the Maureen Ball Wildlife Trophy and a certificate to the winner of this section. There are no second or third categories. The use of bird feeders, variety of foods available, special plantings to attract wildlife, diverse habitat, thought to be given to insects nesting or hibernating in the garden, bird and bat boxes, arrangements for hedgehogs and natural foods available from plantings and good garden husbandry i.e. composting and recycling measures.
- (7) **SPECIAL PRIZES** There are seven trophies/vouchers to be won in this category.

• THE KEN BARNES CUP

For best containerised plants.

• THE ANNE SKINNER MEMORIAL TROPHY

For a special feature (pond, fountain, rockery, hedge, topiary, woodland area, cottage garden, alpine house, cacti collection etc.

• THE ANN MARTIN MEMORIAL SHIELD

For special effort. Open to persons or establishments anywhere in Ramsey who have made the best use of a limited space e.g. balcony, patio, conservatory, indoor garden etc., by using pot plants, hanging baskets, window boxes/tubs (despite difficulties of terrain, location, aspect, limited financial resources or a physical disability).

THE RICHARD RADCLIFFE CUP

For best newcomer in the Competition. This includes someone who has entered before, but is entering a different property.

THE BOOILUSHAG CUP

Best newcomer in Ramsey Town Commissioners housing projects.

• THE RAMSEY TOWN CUP

Best garden in a Ramsey Town Commissioners property.

• THE BERYL QUINE MEMORIAL ROSE BOWL

For best hanging baskets.

(8) CHILDREN'S SECTION for under 16's – (First, Second & Third).

The Ramsey Garden Centre Trophy, a voucher for £50.00 and a certificate to the winner of this section. Second and third places will receive a voucher and a certificate.

A section or small plot of garden containing flowers, shrubs etc., containerised pots or hanging baskets, which are maintained primarily by school-age children, usually under adult supervision.

An ideal way to introduce children to gardening and for families to get together in the fresh air, learn about sustainability, growing plants and their uses, and share ideas and knowledge - all whilst having fun.

(8a) CHALLENGE COMPETITION (Sponsored by Feltons, Ramsey)

Ramsey Town Commissioners are again running the Felton's Challenge Competition and this year the challenge is 'Jack and the Beanstalk!!

A favourite bedtime story for many years, this is a GIANT of a challenge for 2023. Plant and watch your beanstalk grow – and don't forget to water regularly. Before you can say FEE FI FO FUM, your beanstalk will start to grow but the question is – will your beanstalk grow to be the tallest, reach the Giant's castle and take the Golden Eggs?

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each class (junior and senior) and the Felton's Challenge Trophy will also be awarded for Best Overall Exhibit.

There will be a limit of one entry per child.

Application forms/packs (which includes the magic beans) are available from Ramsey Library.

(9) FRUIT AND VEGETABLE GARDEN SECTION – (First, Second and Third).

The Farmers Combine Trophy, a voucher for £50.00 and a certificate to the winner of this section.

(10) RAMSEY GARDEN TOUR

DEPNDING ON THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES, THE RAMSEY GARDEN TOUR MAY BE HELD OVER TWO DAYS - SATURDAY 15TH & SUNDAY 16TH JULY, 2023. UPDATES WILL BE PROVIDED VIA OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE.

The Ramsey Town Commemorative Cup will be awarded to the winner which will be voted on by the public who follow the trail. Tour booklets will be available prior to the Tour from the Town Hall & Library, Feltons Ironmongers, Farmers Combine, Ramsey Garden Centre, Ellan Vannin Fuels and Mannin Ramsey/Spar.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS FRIDAY 23RD JUNE, 2023