

2026 SUMMER FLOWER SHOW REVIEW

Gardening has been part of mankind since Adam and Eve discovered the apple tree!

Irrespective of their outcome, we are all so fortunate they left us with a pastime that is therapeutic, relaxing and enjoyable.

What is more rewarding than seeing a new flower, plant or vegetable produce the outcome we all hope for, irrespective of the time and effort we have devoted to the exercise.

Our weather in recent months, has been typical of our wonderful state; what and when is around the corner.....?

Despite all the difficulties our garden lovers experienced prior to the show, the outcome was again outstanding with exhibits providing a rainbow of colours and perfumes, produced through a wide and varied display of flowers, all of which were of the highest quality, some very unusual, but all capturing the imagination of our show patrons.

This aspect completely over-shadowed the sections that received minimal support due to the unusual weather we have experienced over many months.

From our five garden clubs to the individual exhibitor, everyone should be congratulated on their hard work and commitment in supporting our show.

The wonderful display highlighting the stage was again undertaken by committee members Anne Burleigh and Chris Goggins, which received wonderful tributes from patrons over both days.

The Pedestal Section in Floral Art, a revival from bygone years, not only attracted numerous entries, but were of such a high standard, containing so many flower varieties and colours, and certainly added to the stage presentation.

In addition to this, we saw more first-time exhibitors whose work certainly attracted the judge's eye, resulting in awards going to some of these exhibitors, all of whom have committed to return again in the Spring. This speaks volumes for our ever-growing interest in this class.

I think it should be noted there are the occasional mistakes when the information is recorded onto the winning Certificates, and as explained at Sunday's presentation, this is only an over-sight. If, by chance, this

happens to your entry in the future would you please advise any official and we will rectify the error, ASAP.

Volunteers are the backbone of our external support, giving up their valuable time to help the show run successfully. This show they were members from the Claremont Garden Club and individuals. We again thank you for your commitment to assist when and where necessary.

The Glenorchy Garden Club conducted the Trade Table for the show, providing plants that were presented in a quality manner, containing a wide range of variation, from natives, perennials alstroemerias, liliiums, ground covers and the like, all of which well received by all those gardeners looking to increase their existing garden display at acceptable prices.

Further interest was provided by those growers operating outside the hall, (whose stock was completely different from inside), many of which were of the rarer variety and not previously seen at our shows.

Our regular sponsors, who continually provide their support towards our shows, this Summer Show being no exception.

On behalf of the C.F.S.G. Inc., I would like to express our appreciation to Craig Farrell and his Electoral Officer, Melinda who generously donated the printing of show Schedules, while Craig officially opened the event.

Steve Gavalis and staff from Horticultural & Landscape Supplies, (HALS) for their generous container full of garden products, Luke Faulks, General Manager of Tibball's Nursery for their varied and generous contributions of flower seedling and herbs.

Berriedale Service Centre's manager, Rob Harris and staff for their vouchers provided as prizes.

The Glenorchy CWA provided the very enjoyable refreshments during the show, which were very much appreciated by all who experienced their offerings.

Remember, our next show is the Daffodil, Camellia & Spring Flower Show, to be held over the weekend of September 12 and 13, 2026 and we look to see as many dedicated gardeners join in this very popular event.

Stan Walker,

Show Manager.