



RADLEY FLOWER SHOW



INFORMATION ABOUT THE RADLEY FLOWER SHOW 2022

When and where will the Radley Flower Show be held?

Saturday 25th June at Radley Village Hall and Goosacre playing field, OX14 3BL.

How do I enter?

Pick up a programme and entry form from Radley Village Shop or download them from Radley Village Parish website (www.radleyvillage.org.uk/ourvillage/occasions/flower-show), decide which categories you would like to enter, and send in your completed entry form by Saturday 18th June at the latest - we need time to process the entry forms and send out competitor number cards. Bring your exhibits to Radley Village Hall between 9.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. on the morning of the show.

Do I have to live in Radley to enter?

The Radley Flower Show is open to all – it is a competition for the whole family and you don't need to live in Radley.

Who organises the Radley Flower Show?

The Radley Flower Show is run by volunteers to provide a happy, fun and enjoyable event for the local community. A small committee organises the event and volunteers join us to help set up and run the show on the day; if you would like to help, contact us at once (radleyflowershow@gmail.com). Local organisations, businesses and private individuals have provided (and continue to provide) support over many years – including Radley College, Radley Primary School and Radley Village Shop.

When does the Radley Flower Show open to the public?

The show will be open for viewing from 1.30 p.m. There will be exhibits on display in the village hall and in gazebos on the field. Viewing is free of charge, even if you are not a competitor. Prize giving will be from 3.30 p.m. approx and we expect the show to end at around 4.15 p.m.

What else will there be to do and see at the show?

There will be entertainment and activities on the field from 1.30 p.m.

The Radley Flower Show Committee will be running the Grand Raffle (please get in touch if you would like to donate a prize); a crown parade for children and adults; and the skittles competition, which is back again this year. Other things to do and see at the show will include:

- Music from Radley College
- Games for all the family by The Friends of Radley Primary School
- Activity for children by 1st Radley Guides, Rangers and Brownies
- Stall run by Radley Lakes Trust with information about Radley Lakes
- Guess the weight of the cake and guess the numbers of marbles by Radley WI
- Stall run by RSK Benefice with information about the Church and Kennington Community Larder
- Afternoon tea from the Radley Retirement Group.

How do I enter the crown parade?

The crown parade is open to children and adults and is free to enter. You do not need to fill in an entry form or enter in advance. Make your crown at home, come along to the show (we suggest you arrive wearing it), and check in at the crown parade registration desk from 2.30 p.m. The crown parade will start at 3.00 p.m. and will be accompanied to music performed by boys from Radley College; there will be a small prize for the best crown.

Will I be able to buy any refreshments?

Yes, Radley Retirement Group will be serving coffee, tea, soft drinks and cakes from the pavilion.



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Tell me more about the Grand Raffle and how do I get tickets?

The proceeds of the raffle are used to help cover the costs of running the Radley Flower Show (costs include cash prizes, engraving of trophies, etc.) and we rely on people being generous when they are purchasing raffle tickets. Tickets can be bought in advance (there is a section on the entry form) or at the show (please bring cash). We have some fantastic prizes donated by local organisations, businesses and private individuals:

- Supper for 2 by Wells Farm Shop
- 2022 limited edition Platinum Jubilee Celebration coin set
- 4 ball game of golf at Radley College
- Radley Village Shop vouchers
- Bottle of Radley College Champagne
- Signed copy of "Untold Stories – Radley College across 175 years"
- And more.

If you would like to donate a raffle prize, please contact us at once (radleyflowershow@gmail.com).

What do I need to bring on the afternoon of show?

Please bring some cash for the raffle and stalls (50p and £1 coins would be useful): card payments will not be possible. You might want to bring a pen; sun cream and sun hat or umbrella, depending on the weather; and something to sit on while you listen to the music or watch the crown parade and prize giving (a folding chair or picnic rug).

Can I bring my dog?

Please leave your dog at home – there is a bylaw which states that dogs are not allowed on the playing field.

Are there any toilets?

There are toilets in the village hall and pavilion.

Where can I park?

There is a car park at the village hall, which you can use when dropping off exhibits on the morning of the show. If you live locally and have a small number of exhibits which you can easily carry (or bring in a wheelbarrow!), we would appreciate it if you came on foot. When you are visiting the show in the afternoon, please avoid driving if possible – you could walk or come by bike. If you need to drive to the show, we would be grateful if you would only park in the village hall car park if necessary (e.g. if you are elderly, disabled, cannot walk far).

What if the weather is bad?

If there is heavy rain or strong winds, we will have to adjust how we run the show and some of the events planned for the afternoon will be need to be cancelled. We will provide an update on the Radley Village Facebook page.

What, no Oasis!

We have decided that Oasis (floral foam) should no longer be used for floral art entries. The RHS banned the use of Oasis in their shows (Chelsea Flower Show, etc.) from 2021 for environmental reasons: a block of Oasis contains the same amount of plastic as 10 plastic bags, is non-biodegradable, can't be recycled, and can release microplastics into the water supply. Alternatives to Oasis could include pebbles, sand, gravel, moss, twigs, fruit, vegetables, chicken wire or floral metal pinholders.