

SPECIAL AWARDS

GEORGE FORREST MEMORIAL MEDAL

May be awarded at each club show, to the most meritorious plant or pan of rock plant(s) (one variety) exhibited in the scheduled classes.

Plants eligible for the award should come from the following:

- a. a plant that has won its class outright
- b. a plant from a multi-pan entry (the entry need not have won the class)
- c. a plant from the non-competitive classes

A Forrest medal shall not be awarded to the same individual plant more than once in any one year at the shows.

To members who have previously won this medal an award card will be presented instead of another medal.

SILVER GEORGE FORREST MEMORIAL MEDAL

Is presented to any member winning a total of ten Forrest medals, to mark the achievement. Thereafter members winning subsequent Forrest medals will receive an award card only.

CERTIFICATES OF MERIT AND BOTANICAL INTEREST

The judges shall have the power to award a **Certificate of Merit** to any exhibitor for a plant. The number of such certificates in any one show shall not be limited, but the standard must be kept high. A **Certificate of Botanical Interest** may be awarded for an exceptional plant that is of botanical merit. This may be the plant's particular morphological character(s), its novelty, and/or its taxonomical, educational or conservational value.

BRONZE MEDAL

May be awarded at each Club show to the competitor with the highest aggregate of points in Section II. A Bronze medal shall not be awarded unless an exhibitor obtains 20% of the total points available in Section II of the show, except where, in the opinion of the show secretary and judges, the entries of that exhibitor are of outstanding merit. 'Points available' are calculated by totalling the points available from first prizes in the section. The exhibitor's aggregate of points must be at least 20% of the total; but may have been obtained from any prize placings. In the case of a 'tie' two Bronze medals will be awarded. To members who have previously won a Bronze medal an award card will be awarded instead of another medal.

PROFESSIONAL MEDAL CARD

May be awarded to a plant, exhibited on a trade or professional display, which in the opinion of the judges is of the same standard as expected for the Forrest medal.

GOLD, SILVER or BRONZE MEDAL CARDS (Honorary)

May be awarded in each of the following categories:

- (i) Built-up rock garden
- (ii) Rock garden plants in pans
- (iii) Floral display

- (iv) Display of photographs
- (v) Display of paintings or drawings

THE ALPINE GARDEN SOCIETY SALVER

Is awarded annually to the Plantsman of the Year, the exhibitor gaining the highest aggregate of first prize points in Section I of Club shows in the calendar year.

THE RUTLAND SALVER

Is awarded annually to the exhibitor in Section II who gains the highest aggregate of first prize points in the calendar year.

MERIT MEDALS

Will be awarded for first prizes gained in Section I. The only exceptions are that no 'firsts' awarded for cut flowers or floral arrangements will be eligible. One medal only of each will be awarded as follows:

Bronze merit medal after gaining 10 first prizes

Silver merit medal after gaining 25 first prizes

Gold merit medal after gaining 50 first prizes

Subsequent gold merit medal winners will receive an award card only.

Bronze, Silver and Gold **Art merit medals**, distinct from the above, will be awarded respectively for 10, 25 and 50 first prizes gained in the annual photographic competition (see page 12). First prizes gained since 2017 will be included.

GOTHENBURG TROPHY

This trophy was funded from the sale of seed from Gothenburg Botanic Garden and rotates between the competitive shows in date order. The Club's association with Gothenburg should be considered by the host show committee in selecting the award designation. If shows change position in date sequence, the trophy moves in such a way as no show has the trophy for two consecutive years and no show misses a year.

ALPINES 2001 TROPHY

Awarded for the best cushion plant in the show, this trophy rotates between the competitive shows in date order. If shows change position in date sequence, the trophy moves in such a way as no show has the trophy for two consecutive years and no shows miss a year.

ALPINE GARDEN SOCIETY – ULMSTER GROUP QUAICH

Presented by the AGS Ulster Group to commemorate the 75th SRGC anniversary.

This trophy rotates between the competitive shows in date order. If shows change position in date sequence, the trophy moves in such a way as no show has the trophy for two consecutive years and no shows miss a year. The designation of the award is chosen by the host show committee.

REIVERS TROPHY

Previously awarded at the Discussion Weekend for the best photograph of a plant native to Scotland, this trophy will be presented at the AGM for the best photograph in the annual competition (see page 12).