

## 2021 Balmoral Show Fill Your Boots Competition

### Competition Rules & Information

#### Entry Information

- The theme is to create a display showcasing **The Natural Environment** around you.
- Anyone is welcome to enter this competition and entry is free. There will be 3 categories pre school/primary school, 12-17 years and over 18 years. Entries may be limited due to display space available.
- The closing date for entry is **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021**.
- Each entrant will receive an information pack before the Show.

#### Information on making your boots

- No names/logos of the entry team/person (i.e. no school name/logo) are to be shown on the boots; this is to ensure they will be judged without bias.
- **Please put your names or initials on the bottom of the boot.**
- Please consider how your design will stand up to wind or rain as the boot may be displayed outside for up to 5 days.

#### Planting Information

- Your entry must have two boots.
- You can use any kind of boots, welly boots, football boots, riding boots etc.
- From the top of your boots your planting should not exceed 25cm.
- If using a base to display your boots on, the base must not exceed 28cm wide.
- At least half of your display should be floral/planted.
- You are free to include any plants, herbs, vegetables or other elements that you wish.
- Suggested steps;  
Step 1 – Clean up your boots  
Step 2 – Make drainage holes (Bottom of boots)  
Step 3 – Apply any exterior decoration (if applicable)  
Step 4 – Plant flowers in your new boots planter

#### Judging & Awards

- The boots will be on display in the Healthy Horticulture area of the Show for the full four days of the Show.
- The boots will be judged by members of the RUAS Horticulture Committee on the first day of the Show. Boots will be judged on the following criteria: creativity, originality and artistic/creative skills. There will be prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in each category. As below;

All Categories	
1 <sup>st</sup>	£50 (Provided by 3T Power) & £50 Hillmount Garden Centre Voucher

2 <sup>nd</sup>	£30 (Provided by 3T Power) & £30 Hillmount Garden Centre Voucher
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£20 (Provided by 3T Power) & £20 Hillmount Garden Centre Voucher

- After the Show winners will be contacted directly and announced on the Balmoral Show Facebook page.

### Getting your Boots to Balmoral Show

- The Balmoral Show runs from Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at Balmoral Park, Halftown Road, Lisburn.
- Your Boots should be delivered directly to the Healthy Horticulture area, Balmoral Park on Friday 17<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> or Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September between 9.00am – 1.00pm. No boots will be accepted after this date and time. Please contact Naomi McCullen on arrival at the RUAS/Show Office on site.

### Getting your Boots Back

- If you wish to collect your boots after the Show they will be available to collect at the times below:
- Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept 5.00pm – 6.00pm Healthy Horticulture area.
- Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 9.00am – 12 noon RUAS/Show Office
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 9.00am – 5.00pm RUAS/ Show Office

We do not take responsibility for any boots left onsite after Show close on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September.

For any further information please contact:

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