

# American Primrose Society National Show Divisions, Classes, Awards and Rules New England Chapter Version

## General Show Rules

*Benching MUST be completed by 8:30AM Saturday, May 4*

1. All plants entered in the show must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for at least 6 months prior to the show date.
1. 2. Inconspicuous staking is permitted on Auriculas and Exhibition Plants. Any plant may be top-dressed with peat, small stone, grit or other natural material.
3. Entries are the property of the show during show dates and must not be removed from the bench until after 4:00 PM, Sat. May 4.
4. Exhibitors shall furnish their own circular pots, which must be of clean pottery or plastic in green or terra cotta color, with no designs or printing except in Division J - Grower's Exhibit. Pots should bear the name of the exhibitor on the bottom.
5. All Divisions and Sections are open to both amateurs and commercial growers and no difference in judging will be shown. Exhibitors do not need to be members of APS.
6. All exhibits shall be judged by the standards of excellence established by the American Primrose Society. Plants are judged as shown. Judges may award more than one ribbon of any color in any Class if plants are of award quality. If no plant in a given Section is deemed worthy, no award need be given.
7. The New England Chapter of the American Primrose Society and/or its members will not be held responsible for personal injury, or loss or damage to any property.
8. Plants not being judged may be shown in the Display Area.
9. Exhibitors should bench their plants according to the attached schedule. If the judges determine a plant to be in the wrong class, it may be moved to the appropriate class by a Show Clerk.

## DIVISION A- POLYANTHUS

Section 1 – Polyanthus

Section 2 – Jack-in-the-Green

Section 3 – Hose-in-Hose

*\*Wesley Bottom Award for Best Hose-in-Hose*

Section 4 – Cowichan

*\*John Kerridge Memorial Award for Best Cowichan*

Section 5 – Hybrids of *P.Veris* or *P.Elatior*

Section 6 – Any other polyanthus, including pin-eyed or multi-truss Gold-Laced or Silver-Laced Polyanthus

## DIVISION B – ACAULIS (vulgaris hybrids)

*\*Etha Tate Award for Best Acaulis*

Section 7 – Single Primrose Hybrids

Section 8 – Double Primroses

Section 9 – Anomalous Primroses (Jack-in-the-Green, etc.)

Section 10 – Any other

## DIVISION C – JULIAE HYBRIDS

*\*Ivanel Agee Award for Best Hybrid Juliae*

Section 11 – Stalked form

Section 12 – Cushion form

Section 13– Stalked/Cushion Combined

Section 14 – Any other (e.g. Anomalous)

## DIVISION D – AURICULAS

Section 15 – Garden / Border Auricula

Section 16– Semi-Double Auricula

Section 17 – Double Auricula

*\*Ellen Page Haydon Award for Best Double Auricula*

*\*Herb Dickson Award for Best Picotee Auricula*

## DIVISION E – EXHIBITION PLANTS

(Minimum three open pips, thrums only)

Section 18– Show Auricula

*\*Frank Michaud Award for Best Named Show Auricula*

Class a – White, Gray, or Green Edged

Class b – Self Colored

*\*Mary Zach Award for Best Show Self Auricula*

Class c – Fancies and Stripes

Section 19 – Alpine Auricula

*\*John Shuman Award for Best Show Alpine Auricula*

Class a – Light Center

Class b – Gold Center

Section 20 – Gold-Laced Polyanthus

*\*Captain Comley Hawkes Award for Best Exhibition Gold-Laced Polyanthus*

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Minimum of two open pips. Must be true species, not hybrids.

*\*Rae Berry Memorial Award for Best Species*

*\*John Kerridge Award for Most Species in Bloom*

Section 21– Auriculastrum

Class a – Marginata

Class b – Auricula

Class c – Any other

Section 22 – Aleuritia (Farinosae)

Section 23 – Primula (Vernales), *P.elatior*, *P.veris*, *P.vulgaris*

Section 24 – Denticulata

Section 25 –Oreophlomis (*P. rosea* etc.)

Section 26 – Cortusoides (*P.kisoana*, etc.)

Section 27 – Any species not otherwise listed

## **DIVISION G – GREENHOUSE, Non-Hardy Primulas**

## **DIVISION H – FOLIAGE PRIMULA**

Buds may be showing, but no open pips allowed. Flowering stems may be pinned and hidden under foliage.

## **DIVISION I– OTHER GENERA IN PRIMULACEAE**

Androsace, Cyclamen, Cortusa, Dodecatheon, etc.

## **DIVISION J – GROWER’S EXHIBIT**

Display of ANY FIVE Primula plants in one container

## **DIVISION K– OTHER PRIMULA HYBRIDS**

Originating in the wild or in cultivation, including allionii, marginata, and small pubescens hybrids

## **DIVISION L– DECORATIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

Arrangement in which Primula must predominate.

Accessories and other flowers and foliage permitted.

## **Division M - SIEBOLDII or SAKURASOH**

Named and un-named cultivars, any number of crowns appropriate for the selected pot

## **New England Chapter Trophies**

*Richard Redfield Trophy for Best of Show*

*Elaine Malloy Trophy for Best Garden-Grown Primula*

*Rodney Barker ‘Judges’ Choice’ award*

*Additional APS National Show Awards*

*Novice Award* for Highest Points for an exhibitor who has never won a blue ribbon in a previous APS show

*Dorothy S. Dickson Bronze Medal for Outstanding Service to the APS*

The following should be benched in the appropriate divisions and classes to which the individual plant belongs.

**Seedling Award:** Any Primula grown by the exhibitor from seed, showing its maiden spring bloom, at least two open pips, not more than three crowns. Maximum of four entries per section per exhibitor.

*\*C.F. Hill / John Haddock Award for Best Alpine Auricula Seedling*

*\*Bamford Award for Best Edged Show Auricula Seedling*

*\*Ivanel Agee Award for Best GLP Seedling*

**Indicate on the entry card by an “S” in the top right corner.**

**Junior Award:** Any plant of the Primulaceae Family grown and exhibited by a person under the age of 18.

**Indicate on the entry card by a “J” in the top right corner.**

**Hybridizer Award:** Must be grown from seed produced by the exhibitor. Maximum of three entries per exhibitor.

*\*Peter Klein Hybridizing Award* **Indicate on the entry card by an “H” in the top right corner.**