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- Be aware of trip hazards and uneven ground.
- Keep small children under supervision at all times.
- All vehicle movements are to be made at a slow walking pace.

TOOT HILL & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The main aim of the Toot Hill and Horticultural Society is to provide an annual country show to bring everyone together for a day of fun, laughter, and community spirit. We hope you enjoy the day.

We owe a huge debt of gratitude to **Jill and Mary Hinman** for their incredible generosity in letting us use their field for the show. A massive **THANK YOU** also goes out to every single person who helps make this event a reality – your dedication is what makes our show so special!

FIRE PRECAUTIONS



Due to the current dry conditions from the hot summer weather, we kindly ask for your cooperation to ensure everyone's safety. Please refrain from smoking and using disposable BBQs anywhere on the site. Also, remember to safely dispose of any glass bottles and remain vigilant. If you see anything concerning, please alert a member of the event team.



Welcome to the 73rd Toot Hill Country Show

A very warm welcome to you all! We are absolutely delighted you've joined us today to celebrate the 2026 Toot Hill Country Show. It promises to be an extraordinary day out for the whole family, and we are so glad you are here to share it with us.

Entertainment Awaits!

We've packed today's schedule with a fantastic variety of attractions to ensure there is something for everyone. Animal lovers shouldn't miss the Dog Show, while over in the Main Ring, you can enjoy the fantastic Sutherland Pipes and Drums alongside thrilling performances from Historia Normannis and Dangerous Steve. If you've entered our competitions, head over to the Horticultural Marquee to see our dedicated judges busy selecting the winners from this year's outstanding entries. Car enthusiasts can head over to the Classic Car Show to admire a stunning lineup of vintage vehicles. For those who love to shop, explore a wonderful array of stalls offering handcrafted goods, local produce, and unique gifts.

Supporting Our Community

Your presence today directly supports our local community. Proceeds from the BBQ help fund next year's event, while the Rotary Club's Pimm's Bar raises money for their essential work.

Please look out for the raffle in aid of the 3Food4U food bank, and note that our Dog Show proudly supports The Rehoming Animal Telephone Service. Today's brilliant soundtrack and commentary are provided by Forest Hospital Radio, raising awareness for their patient broadcasting service.

Enjoy the Show! We hope you have a truly wonderful afternoon exploring everything we have to offer. Thank you so much for coming, and we look forward to welcoming you back next year on the 7th of August, 2027!

A massive thank you from the Toot Hill Show Committee

Amélie, Caroline, Claire, Jacqueline, Julia, Linda, Maurice, Michaela, Phillipa,
Richard, Ross and Tim.



Join the Team!

Fancy mucking in and helping out with the Toot Hill Country Show? This cracking event is run entirely by brilliant volunteers, and we could really do with your help to make it happen!

Get Stuck In Behind the Scenes!

A dedicated team gets together roughly once a month, from November right through to August, to plan and organise everything for the show.

Lend a Hand on Show Day!

We also need a fantastic crew of helpers on the day itself. These legends are the ones who pitch in to set up the field, keep things running smoothly on the gate, rustle up some grub on the BBQ, man the coconut shy, and look after the Horticultural Marquee. Without them, the show just wouldn't be possible!

Why Volunteer?

Joining the event team is a grand way to boost your CV, get stuck into the local community, and it's surprisingly easy to fit around a busy lifestyle.

How to Get Involved

If you're up for lending a hand on show day or fancy joining the organising team, it's easy to get in touch. Please leave your contact details at the Horticultural Marquee on show day or drop us an email at info@toothillshow.co.uk

SHOW RUNNING ORDER:

The following times may be changed due to circumstances beyond our control.

- 07.15 am Marquee opens to receive entries
- 10.15 am Marquee closes for judging
- 12.00 pm Gates open to the public
- 12-4.30 pm Various main ring events see listing centre page
- 2.00 pm Marquee re-opens to public
- 4.30 pm Classic Car award ceremony in the Main ring
- 4.45 pm Prize Giving Ceremony and drawing of the Raffle

PLEASE NOTE

The Marquee will remain closed to the public until all judging is completed. Prize money may be collected from the Treasurer tent outside the Marquee from 2.00 pm. All exhibits and entry cards to remain in the Marquee until 5 pm.

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THE COMPETITION

Welcome to the Toot Hill Country Show!

Get ready to be amazed by the fantastic entries in our competition categories!

You can find all the details you need on our website

(<https://www.toothillshow.co.uk>) or pick up a copy at Senner's Newsagents in Ongar High Street.

What's On Show

This year, we had another whopping 136 classes for the general public to enter. These classes aren't just for prize-winning vegetables and flowers; we also have brilliant categories for domestic crafts and, creative writing for all ages. We really hope you take some time to have a good look around when the judging has finished and maybe even get inspired to enter next year!

A Huge Thanks to Our Entrants and Judges!

To all of you who regularly enter our various classes, your hard work and enthusiasm are truly appreciated – not just by us, but by our esteemed judges and the general public too. You make the show what it is!

Our judges are well renowned in their field of expertise. When it comes to our flowers and vegetables, our judging is held to the same exacting standard set by the RHS (Royal Horticultural Society) as anywhere else in the world.

Main Ring Timetable

12:00	12:20	Radio Forest
12:20	12:50	Sutherland Pipes and Drums
12:50	13:05	Radio Forest
13:05	13:35	Historia Normannis
13:35	13:50	Radio Forest
13:50	14:20	Dangerous Steve
14:20	14:30	Radio Forest
14:30	15:00	Sutherland Pipes and Drums
15:00	15:15	Radio Forest
15:15	15:45	Historia Normannis
15:45	16:00	Radio Forest
16:00	16:30	Dangerous Steve
16:30	16:45	Classic Car Best in Show
16:45	16:50	Raffle
16:50	17:00	Prizes

WHATS ON

BBQ & BAR

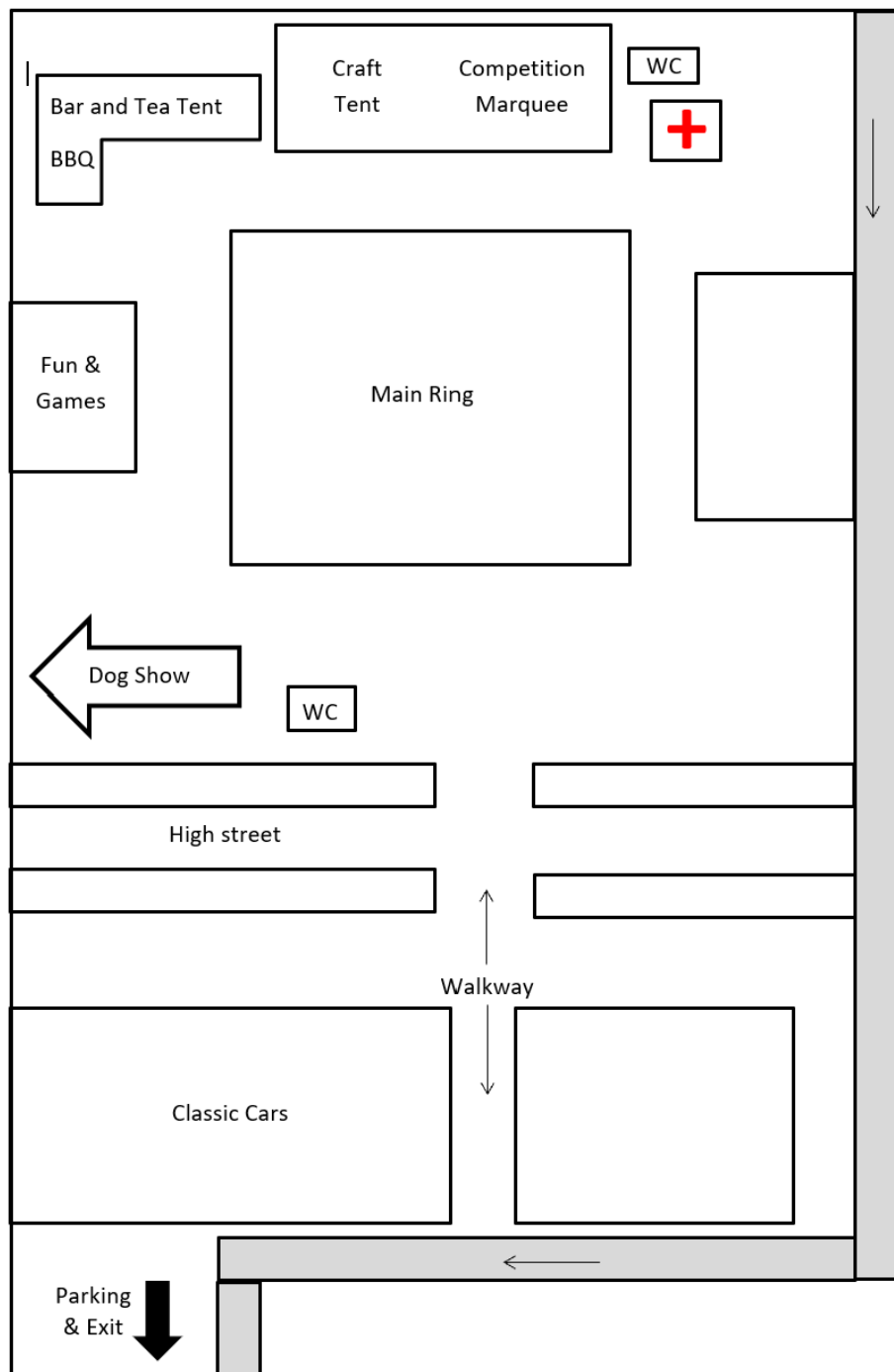
CRAFT TENT

COCONUT SHY

RAFFLE

NOVELTY DOG SHOW

DISPLAY OF CLASSIC CARS





A community surplus hub offer free food, home essentials, clothes, toys without assessment or referral to anyone that needs it. They have done vital work throughout the last year supporting people in our local community from their hub in Budworth Hall, Chipping Ongar, CM5 9JG which runs on Thursdays between 13:00-2:30pm. If you'd to find out more about how you can help visit their website: 3food4u.org



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Charity D^{aw}g Show



Entry fee £2 per category or 3 categories for £5

Registration is between 1-2pm

Categories

1. Loveliest Lady
2. Fabulous Fella
3. Cutest Puppy (6-12 months)
4. Waggiest Tail
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6. Child Handler (accompanied by an adult)
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9. Best condition



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**Please be aware, if the temperature is too hot on the day
the dog show will be cancelled.**

Main Ring Events

***SUTHERLAND PIPES AND DRUMS ON AT
12:20-12:50 & 14:30-15:00***



Get ready for a brilliant burst of Scottish energy in the Main Ring! We're absolutely thrilled to welcome the Sutherland Pipes and Drums. This isn't your sleepy, run of the mill marching band. Expect foot stomping rhythms, dazzling drum tricks, and the unmistakable, uplifting sound of the Highland pipes!

They've been entertaining crowds all over Europe (and even playing for royalty!) since 1965. Now, they're bringing their fantastic, feel good performance, complete with full traditional uniforms and tartans, right to Toot Hill.

Whether you're tapping your toes to a lively Ceilidh tune or just taking in the spectacular sights and sounds, it's a brilliantly fun and upbeat show for the whole family to enjoy. Make sure you grab a good spot around the ring!

***HISTORIA NORMANNIS ON AT
13:05-13:35 & 15:15-15:45***



Get ready to travel back to the 12th Century! The Main Ring is set to transform into a medieval battlefield with the arrival of Historia Normannis. This isn't your average history lesson. Expect the clash of swords and incredible sights and sounds of medieval life. From the brutality of the battlefield to the beauty of court music and ancient crafts, come and meet the Knights, freemen, and artisans of the past.

Experience the era of King John like never before.

A must-see for the whole family!

DANGEROUS STEVE
13:50-14:20 & 16:00-16:30



Looking for non-stop thrills? We are bringing the action to this year's show with the one and only Dangerous Steve! From Quad Bike jumps to his world-famous upside-down mono-wheel stunt (the only one of its kind!), this is a thrill-a-minute attraction you cannot miss.

Steve has been wowing crowds from Blackpool to Basildon for over 30 years, combining daredevil skills with hilarious audience participation. It's the perfect mix of comedy and adrenaline for the whole family.

Classic Car Show

Every year, the Toot Hill Show is proud to host a stunning, diverse display of classic and truly unique cars.

Whether you're rolling in as part of an owners' club or as an individual enthusiast, we love seeing the variety of incredible vehicles on display. Entry to the Toot Hill Show is completely free when you arrive in a classic car.

Be sure to stick around and head over to the Main Ring towards the end of the afternoon. Our judges will be making their final selections, and the chosen vehicles will fire up their engines for a special winners' parade.

Celebrating Last Year's Favourites

Below, are the stunning vehicles that caught our judge's eye at the 2025 show, featuring our overall winner alongside the two fantastic runners up.

Will your car be in the spotlight this year?



Find the Flowers

Look all around the field for posters of different Flowers. The first letter of each flower will reveal the answer to the sentence below. Say this word to the volunteers at the coconut shy to receive a prize.

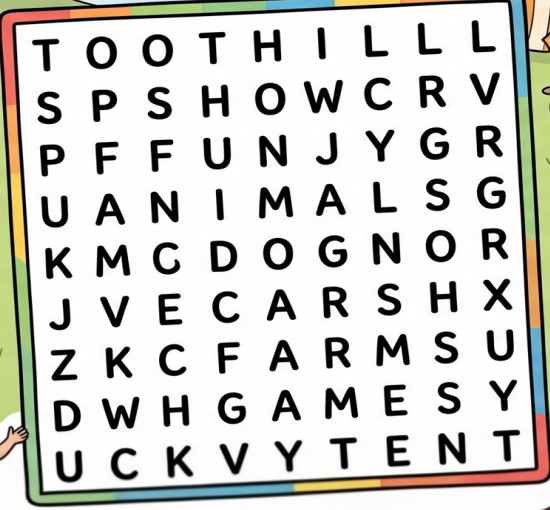


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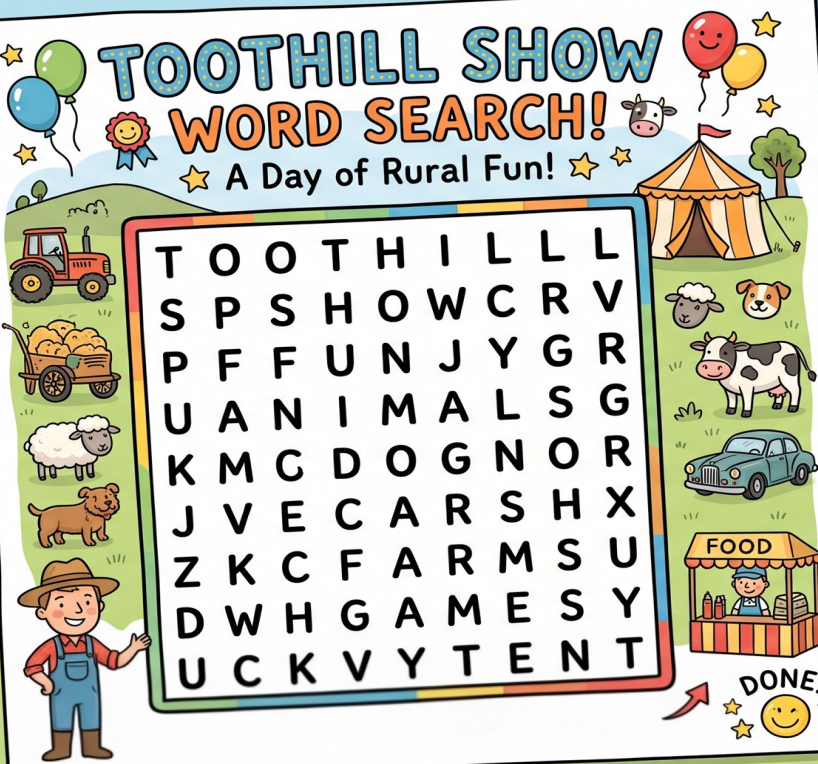
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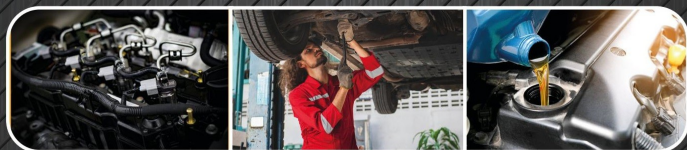
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