

## 2024 Brightling Flower Show Annual Report

The 2024 Brightling Flower Show enjoyed perfect weather, attracting a wonderful crowd of friends, families, children, and dogs from Brightling and surrounding villages. The atmosphere was filled with excitement as attendees came together to enjoy the day's festivities.

The marquee was bursting with entries, showcasing a stunning array of flowers, fruit, vegetables, crafts, produce, and culinary creations, all highlighting the incredible local talent in the area.

The event kicked off at 1:30 pm, featuring a diverse range of stalls offering local produce. Many of the vendors, including the Falconry display, face painter, The Warbleton Brass Band, and 21 Whiskey, have already confirmed their return for this year's show. The Warbleton Brass Band added a quintessentially British charm to the event, performing a delightful mix of both classic and contemporary tunes.

As always, the Dog Show was a crowd favourite, with a large number of dogs and their owners parading around the ring. Due to the overwhelming number of entries, we unfortunately ran out of time for the Scurry section of the show. To ensure this doesn't happen again, we've decided to run the Scurry after the prize giving in future, should the event run long.

The Bar and BBQ were buzzing with activity throughout the show and into the evening, keeping everyone well-fed and refreshed. Contactless payment via card readers proved to be a success, making transactions quick and easy, which helped keep queues to a minimum.

The Children's Games area was a huge hit, keeping the younger attendees entertained all day long.

After the prize giving, 21 Whiskeys took to the stage, continuing the festivities with lively music, which was enjoyed by all, especially with a well-stocked bar to keep the energy up.

Overall, the show was a tremendous success, and plans are already in motion to make this year's event even better, thanks to all our amazing volunteers.





