



Solihull & District Orchid Society

Spring Show

Our show is on Saturday 31st March at Arden School (if anybody needs reminding) and let's hope that the weather is kind and we are flooded with visitors.

The hall is open from 8.00 for exhibitors and trade with the show officially opening at 11.00.

Attached to the Newsletter are the Show Schedule, Show Regulations and Entry Forms.

Many of you have volunteered to man the various rotas and to make the refreshments so look forward to seeing you all on the day.



Stan Taylor's best-in-show Dendrobium last year

March meeting cancelled

Apologies to everybody for having to cancel the meeting on Saturday 3rd March but with the amount of snow that fell especially on Friday night and the freezing temperatures it seemed prudent to call it off. We were all looking forward to John Page and his talk on the flowers of Spain + Orchids so apologies to him but we will ensure he is scheduled into the next calendar.

As I write this the temperatures are once again falling to zero and John is soon off to the Peloponnese and somewhat better weather to look at the flora including orchids. Hope that he and Kate have a lovely time and are able to pull together enough material for another talk.

Malvern International Orchid Show

The Malvern Show is once again rushing towards us and is the show to go to during the year.

It is on Friday 15th to Sunday 17th June and this year we are planning to put up a display.

Tjin Ong will be taking responsibility for the display but will need plenty of help transporting materials and plants and supporting the display throughout the show.

The concession tickets will be available again this year but at a cost of £8 which is still a bargain bearing in mind the fees are £19 if purchased in advance or £23 on the day.



Hinckley's Gold winning display last year

A list would have been distributed at the March Meeting but the list will be at the Spring Show on the 31st, so see me or Heike on the day.

Also please feel free to email me (LaeliaM@aol.com) or phone me (01295 788159) should you want to order any tickets.

The last chance to order and pay for tickets will be at the May Meeting on Saturday 5th May as the consolidated order from the Society has to be sent off on Sunday 6th.

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Cattleya Bright Winter Big Star - Peter White



Lycaste lingulla - Martin Mitchell

Members' plants on our display at the recent East Midlands show, pictures by Janet James



Maxillaria variabilis - Stan Taylor



Masdevallia Tuakau Candy - Peter White



ML/C Love Knot Blue Star - Monica Johnson

Janet has recently spoken to June Cope who wishes to be remembered to everyone at the society