



# Newsletter



## APRIL 2022

# Spring Show 2022

**The Spring Show took place on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March at a new venue – Bentley Heath Community Centre and was a great success. Although we only had 70+ paying guests the hall looked well filled all day long.**

Spicesotic our plant trader had a good day and when we added up the monies, we made a good profit of just over £200.

A big improvement over Arden School where the extra cost of the venue meant we seldom made much more than a marginal profit.

The room looked superb with 3 visiting Societies putting on wonderful displays with many specimen plants that were of a very high standard. Our own table looked full with some very nice plants and as it turned out the trophies were shared between 4 members.

Many thanks to all those members that donated Tombola prizes and various cakes, sandwiches etc which were enjoyed by all.

We couldn't run a show like this without all of the help that was provided by members.

Your contribution is very much appreciated.

As this was the first time that we have used this venue we soon realised that space was at a premium so next year we will have to be a bit more creative in order to provide extra space for our visitors to sit and enjoy the ample refreshments.

Overall, it was lovely to have a show after two years of cancellations and to welcome back our visiting societies from Central, Hinckley and the East Midlands and to have the opportunity of seeing everybody in person. Let's hope the Society is still thriving in 2023 so that we can build on the success of this years Spring Show.

**Malcolm Moodie**

## The winners of the Trophies are as follows:

Society Trophy	Most Points in Show	Malcolm Moodie
Founders Shield	Best Orchid	Malcolm Moodie
Bedlam Trophy	Best Monopodial	Pat Bussy
Durant Cup	Best Laeliinae	Malcolm Moodie
Harris Challenge Cup	Best Windowsill Plant	Graham Jones
Gloria Cotton Trophy	Best Cymbidium	Janet James
SA Jarrett Cup	Best Oncidiinae	Malcolm Moodie
Margaret Turton Cup	Best Phalaenopsis	Malcolm Moodie
Trevor Turton Cup	Best Cypripedioideae	Malcolm Moodie
Challenge Cup	Best Phragmipedium	Malcolm Moodie
Dendrobium Trophy	Best Dendrobium	Janet James
Vandeville Trophy	Best Species	Pat Bussy
Shirley Goblet	Best Pleione	Janet James
Peter White Trophy	Best Pleurothallidinae	Malcolm Moodie
Rene Osborne Trophy	Floral Art	Janet James
Banksian Medal		Malcolm Moodie
Janet James Trophy	Best Visiting Display	East Midlands OS

## Malvern Show

After two years of cancellations Malvern Show is back and will take place between 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June.

As before special discounted tickets are available for members of Orchid Societies priced at an incredibly low figure of £8 and this gives you entry to the show on any one of the 3 days.

The big change for 2023 is that we will no longer be in a marquee as we will now be in the Severn Hall (where the food hall used to be). This is a much more central position plus no wind, rain, or wet feet to worry about.

The consolidated order on behalf of the Society needs to be placed earlier than usual due to health & safety requirements related to Covid, so please let me know asap how many tickets you would like to order.

We will sort out the money at the next meeting.

This show is, not only, the premier Orchid Event in the UK but also provides a great day out at a bargain price so look forward to receiving your orders.

Please send your requirements to me at [laeliam@aol.com](mailto:laeliam@aol.com)

## Next Meeting

Our next meeting is on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May when we welcome Jean Barker who will give us a talk on "Growing Miniature Orchids".

Jean is a well-known excellent grower based in the North East and is a member of the RHS Orchid Committee. No doubt, her husband Chris, who is the organiser for the orchid elements at Malvern will also be with her.

We look forward to welcoming them to our meeting and trust we will have a good attendance.

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# Spring Show Pictures



**Pleione Piton - Janet James**



**Paph Fumis Delight "Bob Moodie" CCC - BEST IN SHOW - M. Moodie**



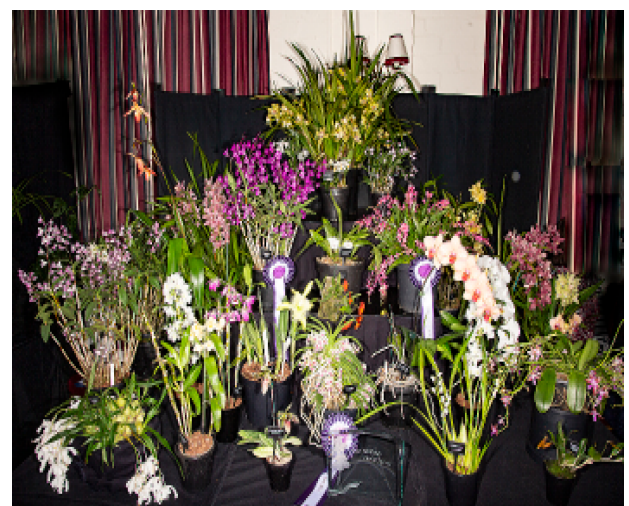
**Floral Art - Janet James**



**Phal Lady Violet Ann - Graham Jones**



**Schoenorchis gemmata - Pat Bussy**



**East Midlands Orchid Society - Best Display**



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**Phragmipedium Bouley Bay Amanda**  
AM RHS - M. Moodie 2022



**Masdevallia ignea** - Malcolm Moodie



**Dendrobium speciosa** Janet James



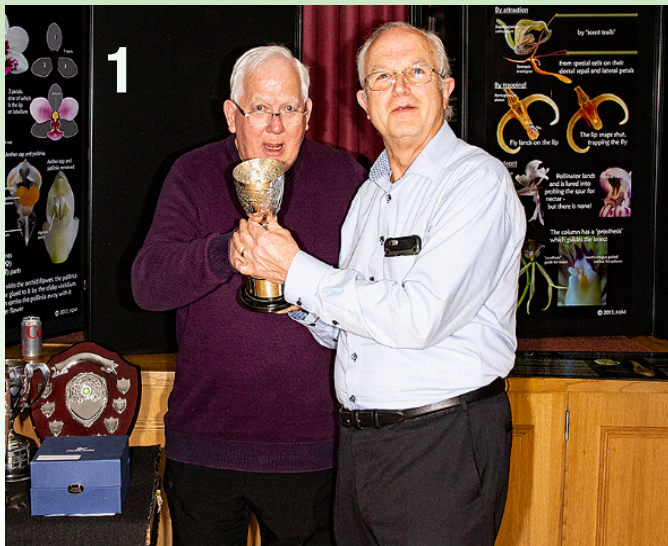
**Doritonopsis Apoya** - Malcolm Moodie



**Spiceotic Plants**



# Trophy Winners



**1. Pat Bussy**

**2. East Mids - Steve Pask**

**3. Graham Jones**

**4. Malcolm Moodie**

**5. Janet James**



# March Show Table



**Coelogyne Memoria Wilhelm Mocholitz**  
- 32pts - Pat Bussy



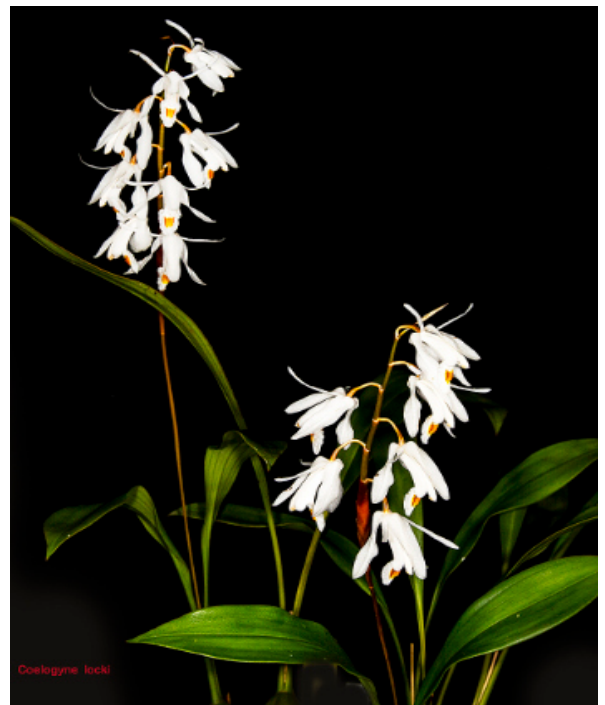
**Coelogyne Unchained Melody** - 23 pts -  
Pat Bussy

## And a late bloomer for Malcolm

Pan of Pleione formosana which opened a  
few days after the show - ironic for sure



**Coelogyne mossiae Mendelhall** -  
31pts Pat Bussy



**Coelogyne locki** - 30pts - Pat Bussy

