

Newsletter

April 2022



Spring Show 2023

Once again our show took place at Bentley Heath Community Centre which is proving to be a very good venue for us and a lot more cost effective than Arden School.

We had 96 paying guests through the door which is a big increase on last year (it looks like our advertising paid off) and this doesn't include our own members or those involved in building the wonderful displays. As a result, the hall looked busy all day long with the Traders, Spicesotic and Trey Sanders both reporting vigorous sales. This was also mirrored in the takings at the Book Stall, Tombola and in the Kitchen.

This year we had a lot more space for people to sit and enjoy the refreshments which as a result meant the tables were well occupied throughout the day. This meant buoyant sales through the kitchen and a number of very positive comments from happy people who much enjoyed the wonderful selection of sandwiches, scones and cake. Not forgetting, of course, the very enjoyable bacon and sausage baps that continued to be supplied until we finally ran out of baps.

We couldn't run an event such as this without the volunteers who worked tirelessly throughout the day so a very large thank you to everybody who donated food, tombola prizes and their time in making this show a superb event.

Many Many Thanks to you all.

The summary of the financials also looks good with an overall profit of just over £300 which will go a long way to balancing the books this year.

We should all look forward to another great show at Bentley Heath in 2024.

Malvern Tickets

Malvern Show takes place between Friday 16th and 18th June and once again the Orchid Show will be in the Severn Hall. This is quite a surprise as after being in the hall in 2022 we expected to be back in a marquee for this year. For Traders and Society Displays the conditions are much better inside a permanent structure so we should look forward to a fantastic show.

The discount tickets at £10 are still wonderful value when the normal day rate is £23 and besides the International Orchid Show there is so much to keep you busy and interested at the Malvern Three Counties Show.

So far 15 have signed up for tickets but there is still time to add your name to the list. You can either let me know by email or put your name on the list at our May meeting (May 6th). Our list must be submitted and paid for by 12th May.

This is the best Orchid Show in the UK so if you are free on any of the three days make certain that a trip to Malvern is in your calendar.

Next Meeting

On Saturday 6th May we welcome Trey Sanders who is going to take us on a journey to Sumatra which is a large island in Indonesia where he will talk on "Orchid Hunting". If you have never been to Sumatra now is your chance to find out all about the wonderful orchids that grow there.

By the time you have watched the Coronation in the morning I am sure you will be keen for some orchid entertainment in the afternoon. See you on Saturday 6th May.



Malcolm Moodie

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Spring Show Winners

Society Trophy Founders Shield Bedlam Trophy Durant Cup Harris Challenge Cup Gloria Cotton Cup **SA Jarrett Cup** Margaret Turton Cup **Trevor Turton Cup** The Challenge Cup **Dendrobium Trophy** Vandaville Trophy **Shirley Goblet** Peter White Trophy Harry Wilshaw Trophy **Banksian Medal** Janet James Trophy

Most Points in Show **Best Plant in Show Best Monopodial Best Laeliinae Best Windowsill Orchid Best Cymbidium Best Oncidiinae Best Phalaenopsis Best Paphiopedilum Best Phragnipedium** Best Dendrobium **Best Species Best Pleione Best Pleurothallidinae Best Novice**

Best Visiting Display

Malcolm Moodie **Malcolm Moodie** Pat Busy Monica Johnson **Graham Jones** Malcolm Moodie Malcolm Moodie John Choong **Malcolm Moodie Malcolm Moodie Malcolm Moodie** Malcolm Moodie **Janet James** Malcolm Moodie John Choong **Malcolm Moodie Hinckley OS**



Dinema polybulbon -Malcolm Moodie



Paphiopedilum villosum -Malcolm Moodie



Schoenorchis gemmata -Pat Bussv



Pleione grandiflora - Janet James

Pictures: Malcolm Moodie

Spring Show Plants



Brassovola digbyana -**Monica Johnson**



Dendrobium Yukidarama King -**Malcolm Moodie**

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Phalaenopsis Hybrid - Graham Jones



Masdevallia Angel Heart x veitchiana -Malcolm Moodie

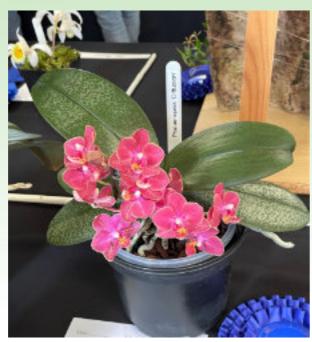


Hinckley Display

Spring Show Plants



Oncidium Caches es Demoiselle -Malcolm Moodie



Phaleonopsis Diffusion - John Choong



Phalaenopsis Leike - John Choong



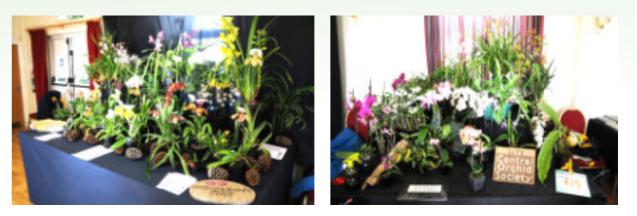
Cymbidium Latigo - Malcolm Moodie

Pictures: Malcolm Moodie

Spring Show Pictures











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