



Hi everyone - I do hope this finds you still well and with neither you nor yours directly affected by the virus. By now some of you will be getting bored and fed up as you can't get out. At least we still have our orchids to keep us occupied at the moment.



Many orchid societies are now posting on line—so please check out the BOC Facebook page, feel free to join our group and to post your pictures on there. There are several societies organising virtual plant tables — so do take part! Please keep checking for orchid news and updates and don't forget to keep in touch with orchid friends around the country—all of us welcome a phone call from someone we haven't seen for a while and may not get to see at the shows this year.

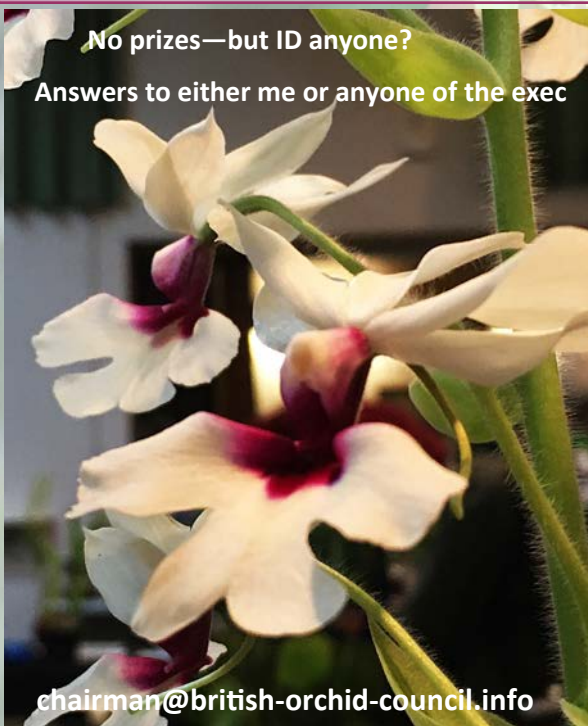
Congratulations to Harrogate OS and the OSGB who were able to hold their shows, which were a great success for both societies! These shows were both well attended, and the interest shown by the general public in the orchids and how to grow them was amazing. More on the OSBG show next time.

Keep well and safe— Helen

In this issue

1. The new BOC exec. (who don't know I've got their pictures)! That is me at the top of the page (as if you didn't know!). It's the only semi decent picture of myself that I have as I usually take the pics.
3. Results of the photographic competition
4. Memories of orchid shows—first up, are pictures from Harrogate show 2019, I was too busy talking and forgot to take any this year.
5. Chris's corner
6. Who is Victor and what is he? All will be revealed— next time!

clue: he was at the OSGB show



No prizes—but ID anyone?

Answers to either me or anyone of the exec

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Rogue's gallery aka BOC exec!

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photo: Central OS show

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Peter White's girl Friday at shows and member of Solihull OS

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Photobombing - our august Vice President - Ian Parsons



Photographic competition results -

a full list can be found on the BOC website www.british-orchid-council.info

Congratulations to everyone!



FIRST

Pleione Sabatini

Derek Armstrong

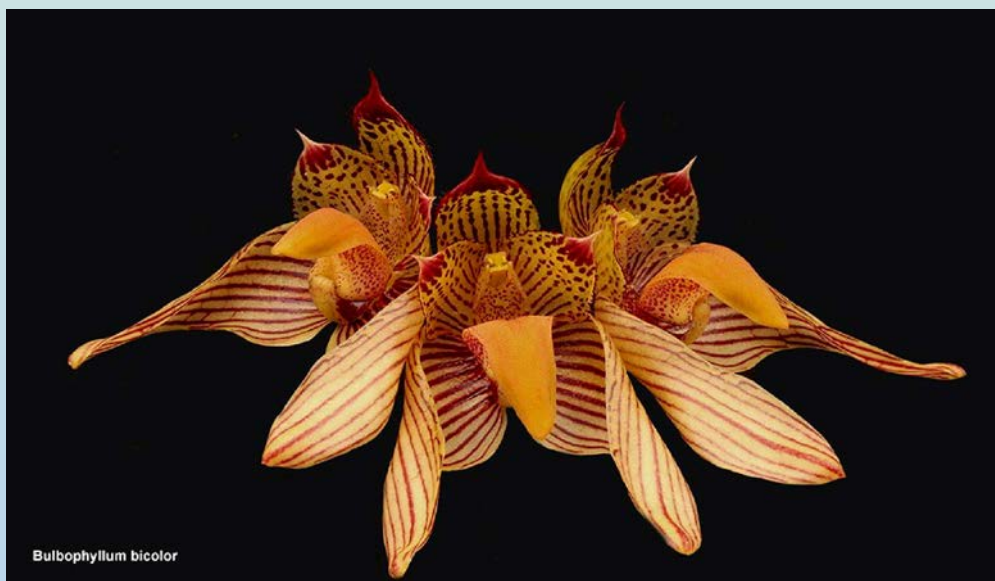
Darlington OS

SECOND

Bulbophyllum bicolor

Stan Taylor

Solihull OS



THIRD

Oncidium eliae

Stan Taylor

Solihull OS



Chris's corner

Are you feeling bored? Missing all the fascinating talks and pictures from your OS meetings?

Chris may have the answer. He has a number digitised talks and presentations which he is willing to send out to any societies who are interested.

The files, unfortunately are too big to attach to this newsletter, so for practical purposes he can only send one copy of the file to each society (ie show, social or secretaries only) It is up to you then to forward them to your members. So please do take advantage of this, it may help someone in your OS who is fed up and bored at the moment.

First offering: **Bulbophyllums by Bill Thoms**

full of wonderful photographs and with a commentary .

So, if you are interested contact Chris: cjbandjb@ntlworld.com

Couldn't understand why Dave, suddenly seemed so much more concerned than usual about missing all the shows????

Then I checked the dates -

it was really the Five Musketeers and the Dog and Hedgehog he was worried about missing!



See you soon Hinckley guys!

Don't forget-

**Your nursery
needs you!!**

Trish in action at

Burnham Orchid Weekend, 2019

She did manage to get all the plants into the car!

So don't forget mail order from your favourite nursery.



Harrogate Orchid Society Spring Show

The Pavilions, Harrogate Showground

some wonderful orchids, as you can see.

They held their show just in time to avoid the lockdown.

Next time: The OSGB show, Valentines Mansion

