



British Orchid Council

....promoting orchid growing...

The pictures are now all in, the first round of the judging is more or less complete and the final round of voting is about to start early next week.

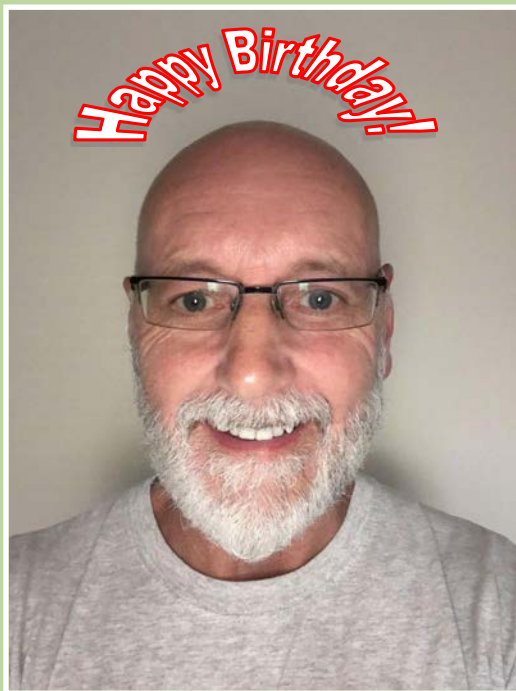
So by this time next week we will know who the winners are. But everyone who entered and took part in any way, are really the winners.

We took on something, that to start with, we had no idea if it would work and whether or not it would be a success, but the interest has been there and there has been a wonderful response from everyone. So just to let you know, here are some of the figures for the entries-

86 growers entered, representing 27 societies. This includes some entries from Australia and some non-society members. There were just under 400 plants which resulted in about 800 images to process and enter onto the website. So far more than 42 judges, both trainees and qualified, have joined in the judging process. This is brilliant!! Especially when you consider that some people who entered had never taken photographs, certainly never renamed files, let alone attach them to an email!! We all went through a very steep learning curve.

So well done everyone! Full results and pictures next time

Helen



Hi Everyone,

I don't usually write things but this is just from the heart, impulse, I just wanna say hello to all my Orchid Friends

The nursery is still closed but getting by with mail order it's helping us survive.. Can't see the cafe opening anytime soon.. but we live in hope..

Of course this weekend would have been The Malvern Orchid Show, Which I have to say is my favourite orchid event of the calendar year. I've always loved the feel of this show and the camaraderie of all the Orchid world getting together and the friendly rivalry between the Orchid societies when assembling their exhibits! So far it's been a difficult 2020, but I expect next year to be a fantastic year especially with all the extra time invested in your orchid hobbies, your collections I'm sure will be amazing and judging is going to be very difficult for those involved.. I feel that many of you are not only customers of mine but very good friends too, So I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all well, and stay safe and I look forward to seeing you all again when possible!

The new look Arthur Bell - in honour of his 60th birthday three weeks ago!!

Love & Regards - Arthur, Burnham Nurseries



Our featured trader this time is Laurence Hobbs, who is so popular at orchid shows up and down the country.

Hope you all notice the Wolves logo on his shirt

- I was a bit worried about putting it next to Leeds supporter Arthur!!!!

If you come across any interesting items let me know, so that I can post them in the bulletin for others to enjoy!



How many people recognised Arnold Chieveley ?

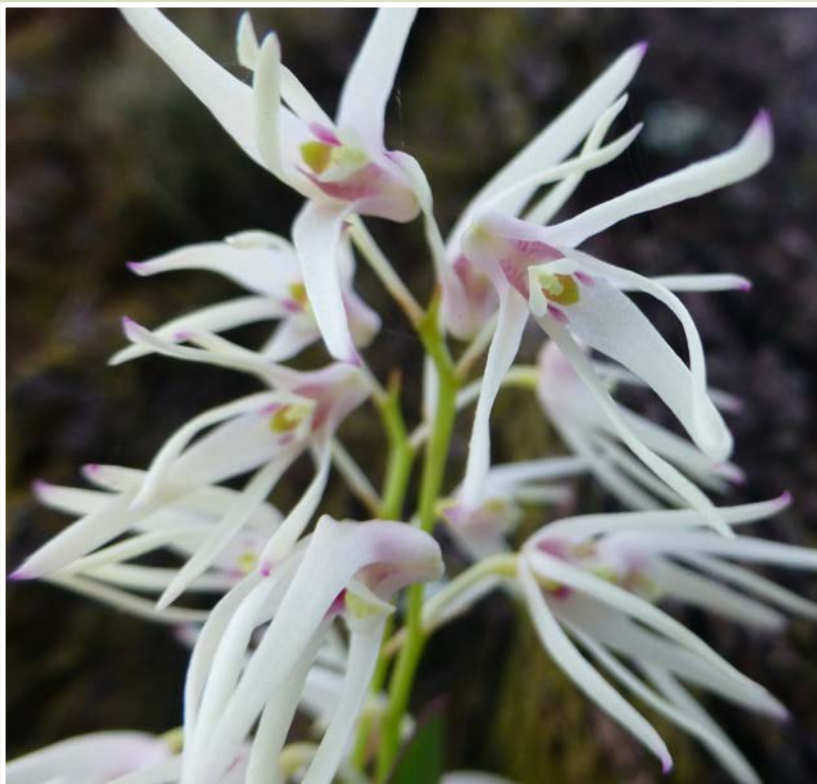
He hasn't really changed that much (second picture) especially if you consider that the picture was taken over 20 years ago at the London Orchid Show!



He grew some beautiful plants then as well as now!

These pictures were sent from Australia, as it was thought we might be interested to see *Dendrobium aumulum* growing in the wild.

The plant was found adjacent to a 'bushwalk' on the outskirts of the Port Macquarie on the Pacific shore of Australia .



“My cousin sent me photographs of the plant early last year when she saw that flower spikes were just beginning to show and sent these photographs when the plant was in full flower. She managed to contact the local Orchid Society who identified it for her, but in the meantime I had contacted several of my colleagues in East Midlands Orchid Society who also found an identity. It is interesting that one Australian East Coast Orchid website identified it as *Dendrobium speciosum* - which it definitely is not - alongside several photos of *speciosum* on the same webpage.”

D.W.Lawson,

East Midlands Orchid Society

Laurence and Sandra at one of the many shows they attend



A couple of Laurence's award winning show displays.



A different angle - showing details of the colourful orchids he always includes in his displays



Laurence Hobbs Orchids Ltd.

Managing Director, Laurence Hobbs, gained an honours degree in plant biology and worked for several years at Stonehurst Orchid Nursery before setting up his own business as an orchid grower and establishing his orchid nursery in Sussex in 1987.

The nursery is situated close to junction 10 of the M23/M25 motorway near to Gatwick airport.

The greenhouses have a fantastic variety of orchids on offer. Many different species and hybrids are available including Phalaenopsis, Paphiopedilum, Dendrobium, Cattleya, Vanda, Oncidium and Coelogyne. If you have been searching for a specific plant, we will endeavour to find it for you.

We also operate a mail order service; black and white lists are available on request. No order is too small and next day delivery is used wherever possible.

Please include telephone and address contact details when ordering. Payment may be made by phone or by post.



The nursery is open by appointment Monday to Thursday. There are also several open weekends each year with discounts and free refreshments, or one day plant sales. Visits from societies are welcomed and the nursery can cater for both lunches and teas.

Please email if you wish to be added to our Open Weekend updates list

Telephone or email to arrange a visit, don't forget to include a contact number.

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