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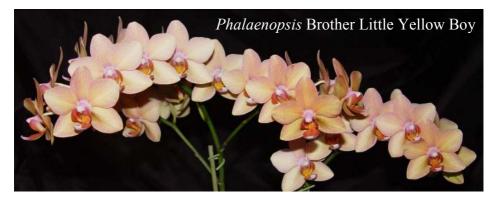
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Front cover: *Phragmipedium kovachii*, the species that has created a great deal of excitement in recent years. This one was exhibited by John Gay and won 'Best Phragmipedium' at the EMOS Show in September. For most people it was their first chance to see the real thing. I have seen many photographs, all big but not always beautiful. I thought this one was outstanding.



There is a digital version of this Yearbook online. Contact Details and the Diary of Events will be updated during the year.

Look for the link on the BOC Database at -

http://www.british-orchid-council.info

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The British Orchid Council

The British Orchid Council brings together amateurs, commercial growers and the scientific community in a single forum. Membership currently comprises the fifty or so British Orchid Societies, the British Orchid Growers' Association, National Botanic Gardens maintaining significant orchid collections at Kew and Glasgow, the Eric Young Orchid Foundation in Jersey and the Royal Horticultural Society, with its major collection at Wisley.

The Council is a registered charity, the main objectives of which may be summarised as promoting and broadening the knowledge of orchids and encouraging excellence in their culture. It organises British Orchid Congresses in different parts of the country every eighteen months, maintains a training programme for internationally recognised show judges, represents its members on both European and International bodies and has a strong commitment to conservation.

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CULTURE ORCHIDS AS HOUSEPLANTS

The types of orchids that we grow in our greenhouses, conservatories or in the home would naturally grow in rainforests all over the world. We try to recreate these conditions to get the best from our plants and this need not be as hard as you think!

TEMPERATURE: Orchids usually fall into 1 of 3 categories - **cool**, **intermediate** or **warm** - here is a guide to the temperatures:

Cool: winter minimum 10°C (50°F) summer maximum 22°C (75°F)

Intermediate: winter minimum 12°C (55°F) summer maximum 25°C (80°F)

Warm: winter minimum 18°C (65°F) summer maximum 27°C (85°F)

The winter minimum temperatures are more vital for night-time and it is natural for there to be a rise and fall between day and night and between the seasons.

LIGHT: Orchids do not like bright, in the rainforests only dappled light will reach them through the leafy canopy. Direct sun, especially in summer, can burn their leaves quite easily so keep them in dappled shade during the warmest months. In winter when the sun is not so strong, full light is fine and indeed necessary to help them to flower well the following season.

WATERING & HUMIDITY: Rainforests are naturally humid places so to create this at home you can grow other suitable companion plants such as ferns and air plants with your orchids. Misting the foliage and aerial roots several times a week, especially in warmer conditions will help the humidity. Take care when misting Phalaenopsis however that the water does not collect in the crown of the plant. Stand the pots on damp pebbles and the moisture will evaporate around the plants. When it comes to actually watering the plants, do not rely on them taking up water from underneath the pot as this can lead to the compost becoming too wet. Instead take your plant to the sink and water from above, letting it run through the open bark-based compost. This is usually done 1-2 times a week with a little orchid fertiliser every 2-3 waterings.

Avoid standing your orchids anywhere too hot and dry in the home. Directly above a radiator or television can provide a lot of dry heat, which simply dehydrates the plants more quickly. A bathroom or kitchen can often be the best places as these naturally are a little more humid.

Many houses now have conservatories attached to them and these can make ideal orchid growing areas. Shade, ventilation and humidity for summer and insulation and heating for winter are necessary though, so a few adjustments are usually required to make the conservatory "orchid friendly". If these changes are not made then a conservatory can be quite desert-like with hot, bright and dry summers and cold winters, far from ideal for orchids

Clean your orchids as well as your furniture! Household dust will collect on their leaves so wipe them regularly to keep them healthy and looking good.

By Sara Rittershausen, Burnham Nurseries www.orchids.uk.com

Masdevallia Culture

Light During the winter months, end of October until March, I do not use any shading on my greenhouses. I use the 50% aluminium shade cloth which is fixed to a central ridge bar about 12 inches from the glass, this allows me to pull the shading up or down as required; i.e. down when the sun is out and up when it's cloudy, it only takes a few minutes.

Temperature I aim for a minimum night temperature of 10°C and daytime 15°C. This is not always possible in the summer months and I do the best I can using extractor fans and aluminium shade cloth.



Water I only use reverse osmosis water because I live close to two power stations and my rainwater is very acidic. I water the larger pots about every two weeks depending on the weather, and the smaller pots are watered every week, again depending on the weather. I do not grow many plants on tree fern slabs; the ones I have get sprayed twice daily and soaked once a week. My plants are checked regularly and extra water is provided if needed.

Humidity I have an automatic system that sprays under the benches and is controlled by a sensor. I aim to keep the humidity at 80% but this is not possible during hot summer days when a 12 inch extractor fan is working; even then it usually stays above 50%. I also use net screens that fit the door frames, this allows me to leave the doors open day and night from April through to November, weather permitting. All pleurothadinae love fresh air.

Fertiliser I recently started to use Akerne's Rain Mix fertiliser at 300ppm from March until the end of May, increasing it to 600ppm in the longer summer days and then I drop down to zero feed from the end of October to the end of February. I also flush the pots with clean R.O. water about once a month.

Potting My potting mix at the moment is 60% New Zealand sphagnum moss, 20% sponge foam, and 20% sponge rock. I have stopped using my normal mix of 40% small bark, 20% foam sponge, 20% sponge rock, and 20% chopped sphagnum moss; although it worked for me, I am always trying to get a better growing medium. I am also experimenting with another couple of mixes will hopefully report back on their success in a later article.

Pests and diseases

I aim for early intervention when controlling pests and diseases and spend a lot of time checking each individual plant and quickly deal with any problem before they become serious. Being constantly vigilant keeps any damage to my orchids to an absolute minimum.

by Ellis Eyre

Oncidium Culture - Dancing Ladies Warm Section

There are several hundred recognised oncidium species, plus a large number of hybrids. The most common oncidiums grow well under normal indoor conditions as well as intermediate to warm greenhouse conditions. They have large pseudobulbs that arise from a mass of thin white roots. The large leaves (up to 2 ft.) emerge from the pseubobulbs. Most species generally flower in autumn although modern hybrids flower all year round.

Light: Oncidiums are much more forgiving of bright, even direct, light than other popular orchids, they can handle direct morning light and prefer bright to very bright conditions. The leaves should be bright green as opposed to dark green or reddish green. Reddish green indicates too much light and dark green too little light.

Water: During the growing season, water every few days, they should however be moderately dry between watering. Be careful, though, drainage is an absolute



priority, and the potting media must be perfectly free draining. Since oncidiums have large, fleshy pseubobulbs and masses of roots, they are very prone to rot. If you see a psuedobulb beginning to rot, cut it out with sterile secateurs and reduce the amount of water. In the winter, reduce watering to monthly or less. They can withstand considerable drought because of their large pseudobulbs. Wrinkled pseudobulbs generally indicate a lack of water.

Fertiliser: During the growing season, feed with a weak orchid fertiliser every 2nd or 3rd watering. Although there are many species and hybrids, in general, the larger the plant, the more heavily it will feed.

Temperature: Warm growing oncidiums can be found in many habitats, from semiarid subtropical lowlands to high mountain region cloud forests. Generally, the most popular oncidiums, which feature small yellow flowers, large pseudobulbs and strappy leaves, are intermediate to warm orchids with minimum temperatures ranging from 13°C, to 25°C.

Humidity: Oncidiums enjoy moist air, requiring a minimum of 40-50% humidity in the immediate vicinity of the plant. Humidity should be increased with higher temperatures. The ideal humidity is between 55 and 75%, with as much ventilation or air movement as possible without any cold drafts.

Flowering: Oncidiums are magnificent in flower. A large, well grown plant may send out six or seven branched sprays of yellow flowers. The effect is very much like a cloud of butterflies each flower resembling dancing ladies.

Potting: Oncidiums do not like root disturbance and should only be repotted when either the compost becomes broken down or the pot becomes too small for the new growth. They like to be slightly under potted in a very free draining bark based potting media. In general only repot when necessary but every two years is ideal when the new growth is 2-3 inches long.

By John Gay

Oncidium Culture - (Syn. Odontoglossum) Cool Section

Oncidium Cambria type hybrids are widely available and relatively easy to grow. Species Oncidium are more challenging and suitable for enthusiasts only.

Light: Oncidiums (cool growing types) grow under filtered subdued light; in the home they do best in a North or North-East



facing window. However, do not place them in the middle of the room as they need to be close to a certain amount of light to do well. In the greenhouse, they need shade from late March until the end of September. We do not recommend putting Oncidiums outside during summer due to the risk of wind and sun damage to the leaves.

Fertiliser: Most hybrids grow continuously all the year round and so feeding should match. From February until August, feed with high nitrogen (20:10:10), using it at half strength at every second watering. From September until February, feed with high potash (4:4:8), using it at half strength at every second watering. Occasionally a foliar feed can be used as a tonic.

Watering and Humidity: Water every 5-7 days, all the year round if they are being grown as house plants. In the greenhouse, water every 4-7 days from the end of February until September, depending on weather conditions. During October and November when not much heat is needed and light is reduced, they may go 10- 14 days between watering. From December until the end of February when heating is on, you will need to water every 7-10 days. The ideal humidity is between 60%-70%, but do not worry if this falls in summer while the ventilators are open. This can be remedied by floor damping in the early evening.

Temperature: Cool growing Oncidium, mainly from the high Andes need a minimum night temperature of 52°F (11°C). This should rise in the daytime by 10°F (6°C) during Autumn and Winter and by 20°F (11°C) during Spring and Summer. Temperatures a little outside these extremes can be tolerated; ventilation should be used from March to September. Oncidiums love fresh, airy conditions and it is a good idea to install a circulating fan, running all the time.

Flowering: Most Oncidiums flower once each year when mature, the blooms lasting six weeks or more. The main flowering time used to be late winter and spring, but modern breeding has given us plants in flower at any time of the year.

Potting: Repotting is best carried out from February to April or late August to early October. The timing depends on the young shoot being between 1 inch and 3 inches in height.

Cultivation - Hardy Orchids

(From the Heritage Orchids Website with permission by Maren Talbot)

Definitions: Hardy orchids are those that grow in the ground in temperate climates similar to our own. They are deciduous, i.e., lose their leaves prior to a period of dormancy and they are able to withstand frost provided their roots are not water logged. By this definition, Pleiones are not hardy orchids, as they require a minimum winter temperature of +2°C and therefore would not normally survive winters in the British Isles. British orchids have either **tubers** (like potatoes) or **rhizomes** (an underground, horizontal stem of a plant that often sends out roots and shoots from its nodes, like the Lily of the Valley).

Cultivation - in a Nutshell (quote from the Hardy Orchid Society Website) use an open compost, do not allow plants to dry out, feed them with weak fertiliser, shade them on hot summer days, protect them from slugs and snails.

And a little more detail...

Prepare the ground, ensuring that the soil is not too heavy and does not dry out in the summer. On heavy soil, incorporate large quantities of compost, grit and other materials that promote drainage. Or you could grow them in a raised bed or in a large pot or tub where you can give them more personal attention. Plant them with 3 - 5 cm (1½ inches) of soil above the growing tip. Cover with a layer of mulch. In nature, they would be among grasses and wild flowers, which would protect from direct sunlight that may burn the young shoots, also from wind which would dry out the soil surface. It is therefore best to plant them facing east, west or even north, so that they don't get scorched by the midday sun. Inspect the soil regularly and water

if it appears dry. Hardy orchids must never dry out at the roots or they will die. Most hardy orchids grow happily on any soil, but some require acid soils. If you live in an area with chalky soil, the acid lovers should be potted in large pots or tubs or in specially prepared beds containing ericaceous compost, mixed with horticultural grit, 1 part per volume soil to 1 part per volume grit. In the spring, protect from slugs and snails. As plants increase, you can divide them in late summer, if needed, taking care not to damage the new underground shoots which will be next year's leaves and flowers.

(www.HeritageOrchids.co.uk)

Phragmipedium Culture

These orchids come mostly from Ecuador and Peru live in a wide range of habitats. This means that they are subjected to varying light, temperatures and humidity and therefore these notes only provide a general guide to cultivation.

Watering: All of these plants like their "Feet Wet" and should be kept moist at all



times. As a guide you should water every two or three days in summer and once a week in winter, with something in between for Spring and Autumn. Rain, or reverse osmosis water is preferred with a pH between 6.2 and 6.8 if possible. The only exception is *kovachii* which seems to like harder water at a pH of 7.0+.If you are brave you can stand the plants in trays of water during the summer, which is a death warrant to most other orchids.

Fertiliser: Like most orchids they do require feeding to get good growth, but generally you should not exceed 300ppm for species and hybrids. The exception to this is any plant of *longifolium* and its hybrids which will take 500ppm without burning the roots. A good balanced feed works well as too much nitrogen makes for soft growth in many of the species.

Temperatures: Success can be achieved in a wide range of temperatures, but most phragmipediums like a minimum night temperature of 13/15°C, with a daytime rise of 10°C if possible.

Humidity: A range of between 50% to 70% relative humidity should be maintained. More than this can cause significant problems with fungal disease in new growths and buds rotting away. Less than this can cause issues with bud drop and red spider mite.

Light: Moderate levels seem to work well for these plants. Around 1500 to 2500 foot candles provides strong growth; it is essential to look at your plants to check if the leaf colour is a mid green and move as necessary.

Repotting: Because of the frequency of watering they require regular repotting as the compost breaks down or becomes tainted with the build-up of salts. Annual inspection is recommended, repotting into a moisture retentive but free draining compost. Success is achieved with mixes based on bark or rockwool cubes and plastic pots to retain the moisture.

Paphiopedilum Culture Ian Dorman

Paphiopedilum species come from subtropical areas of South East Asia and are essentially humus epiphytes rather than terrestrials which has significant implications for their culture either in a greenhouse or in the home. They are a diverse genus of orchids with a widespread geographic range, from the mountains of the Himalayas to the steaming jungles of Borneo, so any cultural advice can only be given in general terms. It is important to obtain as much information as possible about habitat conditions of individual species. Understanding the recent parentage of some of the hybrids will be useful in ensuring optimum culture of these truly exotic plants.

Growing Media or Compost: Experienced growers experiment with a range of composts; for the novice a good quality bark based compost will give the best chance of success. A good quality mix is as follows: 60% good quality medium grade fir bark, 20% large perlite or sponge rock, 10% medium grade horticultural foam, 10% good quality sphagnum moss. Additionally crushed dolomite lime can be added at the rate of one teaspoon per litre of compost

Potting and Re-potting: If plants are purchased in pots then it is important to check the quality of the root system relative to the size of the pot. Gently ease the plant out of the pot, retaining as much of the compost as possible around the roots. Where the plant comes easily out of the pot with only a few roots being evident then it is likely that the plant has been over potted and it should be transferred to a smaller pot without delay and kept a little drier for a few weeks until evidence of new root growth becomes apparent. Paphiopedilums should never be overpotted and it is important to err on the side of caution when selecting the correct size of pot. Clear pots are now available which enables growers to monitor root development more easily. Re-potting should normally be required every 2 years but other cultural factors such as feeding regimes could affect the re-potting cycle.

Watering, Water Quality and Feeding: Preferably use rain water or Reverse Osmosis water (RO) with a pH approaching neutral for Paphiopedilums. Tap water should only be used where the dissolved salts are very low otherwise the plants will not thrive. It is important that a balanced fertilizer is used with the necessary trace elements for good healthy growth. There are many balanced fertilizers on the market for orchids, however those fertilizers with high levels of urea should be avoided as it is difficult for orchids to take up this type of nitrogen. Watering should normally take place early in the day and plants should always be kept moist and never be allowed to become dry at the roots. Paphiopedilums have no mechanisms for storing water other than plant tissue including roots. Frequency of watering will depend on cultural conditions; usually once a week for mature plants, however plants in smaller pots may need watering every other day.

Light levels/Shading: Paphiopedilums should never be subjected to direct sunlight but good quality indirect light is essential to achieve optimum growth and regular

flowering. If growing in a greenhouse 60% shade cloth should normally be applied in February and remain in place until late September depending on location and presence of large overhanging trees. In the home, plants can be placed in a north facing window all year round. Paphiopedilums can benefit from additional artificial lighting either to extend the day or provide better quality light during the darker months of the year. There are many different types of artificial lighting on the market. Grow Lux tubes with the correct spectrum for plant growth and flowering have become very popular in recent years.

Heating, Temperature Control & Ventilation: Paphiopedilums generally thrive within an average temperature range from a minimum of 14 °C in winter to 30°C in summer depending on where they come from in the wild. Consequently growers usually divide their plants into intermediate and warm sections to facilitate optimum growth. Temperatures are usually controlled by good quality electronic thermostats and efficient ventilation in summer. Plants can benefit from air movement and ventilation fans are useful in creating a gently breeze throughout the growing area.

Humidity: Humidity levels in the range of 70% are vital in order to grow good quality Paphiopedilums. This can be maintained by a variety of methods such as foggers or sprayers. For individual plants grown in the home gravel trays can be useful to provide local humidity, however care should be taken to avoid placing plants near to radiators.

Pests & Diseases: Fortunately there are few pests which are a problem for Paphiopedilums with the exception of mealy bug which can be difficult to eradicate if well-established within a large collection. In this case regular spraying with a systemic insecticide will be necessary; however preventing these pests entering the growing area in the first place is the preferred option. For individual plants several applications of methylated spirits applied by a tooth brush usually has the desired effect. Disease on Paphiopedilums is of much more concern as bacterial or fungal infections can quickly spread throughout a collection. Prompt attention to control the spread of the disease is important by removal of infected leaves and spraying of affected areas with a good quality fungicide. Cinnamon is extremely useful in

treating localised areas of rot.

Flowering: Flowering will normally occur when a plant has at least 2 mature growths and has completed the latest growth. Flower spikes should be staked as soon as possible to avoid kinking so that the flowers are presented in the correct attitude. It is important not to tie the opening flower too early otherwise it may hang its head. When exhibiting plants it is important to ensure the foliage is clean and healthy with any detritus and decaying leaves removed.

Phalaenopsis culture

(from www.phalaenopsisandmore.co.uk)

Phalaenopsis (moth orchids) are found mostly in Asia, from India to the Philippines, and to the north of Australia. They are monopodial epiphytes (growing on trees), with thick, leathery leaves and showy flowers



produced on long inflorescences. Their ease of care makes them the ideal orchid for growing on a bright, shaded windowsill in your home.

Light: *Phalaenopsis* like to be grown in bright shade conditions, but their leaves will burn quickly if exposed to strong sunlight. Generally a bright north windowsill, or an east or west windowsill, with a short amount of either early morning or late afternoon sun will be the ideal spot for growing your moth orchid.

Temperature: Most *Phalaenopsis* species and hybrids are warm growers, and need temperatures between $22 - 28^{\circ}$ C during the day, with a nightly drop in temperature to around $15-18^{\circ}$ C, although they can tolerate temperatures outside this range for short periods of time without any problems. In winter, when growth rate slows down, a drop temperature difference of about 5°C between day and night will encourage your plants to initiate flowering.

Water and humidity: *Phalaenopsis* do not have pseudobulbs to store water, neither do they have a rest period. This means that they need to be watered consistently all year round. Water your plants thoroughly once a week during Spring and Summer, and reduce this to once every 10 to 14 days between Autumn and Summer. Ensure good humidity around your plants by standing them on a tray with pebbles filled with water, or by having foliage plants around them. Never allow water to sit in the crown of your plants, and do not let the roots sit in water. A dilute, balanced fertiliser applied every other watering is recommended for strong growth and flowering.

Potting: *Phalaenopsis* can be repotted at any time of the year, although it is best done in early Spring. Use a mixture of coarse bark with charcoal and perlite, although some species are better grown in pure *Sphagnum* moss. Do not overpot, and replace your potting medium every two or three years if using a bark-based medium, or every year if using *Sphagnum* moss.

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Dendrobium Culture

The genus *Dendrobium* is one of the largest in the orchid family and includes more than 1000 species. Dendrobiums occur naturally from India to Japan, south to Australia and east to some of the Pacific islands. Their altitudinal range is from sea-level to more than 3000m. Plant size covers the full gamut from true miniatures to monsters more than 5m tall. With their mostly colourful and attractive flowers, dendrobiums have always



been popular in cultivation and although commonly available plants tend to be hybrids, many fine species are also propagated and grown.

In general terms dendrobiums like plenty of light and air movement, and when actively growing, a lot of water. At one extreme are those plants such as D. aphyllum which are fully deciduous and thus kept mostly dry for part of the year and at the other are those like D. cuthbertsonii which come from high altitudes and must never be dry for more than a day or two. As a general rule, plants which bear leaves throughout the year will appreciate regular watering but much less frequently when growth slows down or stops during the winter months.

Small plants may be mounted or grown in free draining pots whereas larger ones whose natural habit is pendulous are better mounted or planted in hanging containers to allow better root development. Most other plants will form compact upright clumps which are most easily accommodated in pots.

Suitable temperatures will depend on the origins of particular plants. Those from tropical montane habitats or temperate regions of Australia will prefer a winter minimum of around 10 C but will tolerate less but with a rise during the day and a few degrees warmer during the growing season. Plants from monsoon climates will experience dry days for part of the year but night time humidity is high as are light levels during the day so some water is required even in winter just to avoid shrivelling.

Popular hybrids derived from D. nobile, a monsoon plant, need to grow strongly after spring flowering so that new growths are fully formed by the time winter comes with cooler and drier conditions. These will encourage the formation of the next flower buds which appear in clusters on stem nodes. Hybrids derived from D. bigibbum produce sprays of long lasting flat phalaenopsis-type blooms from the upper stem nodes but are truly tropical in their needs which means a winter minimum of 15° C with a day rise and 18° C minimum during growth.

For those who would like to know more, 'Dendrobium and its relatives' by Lavarack, Harris and Stocker and published by Timber Press in 2006 cannot be too highly recommended.

By David Menzies

Orchid Pests and Diseases

Pests and diseases cause serious damage to orchid plants and plants do not thrive.

Prevention Optimum culture: good greenhouse hygiene (sterile tools, pots, etc.), avoid overcrowding of plants, morning watering, dry nightfall, segregate new plants, vigilance, early detection and treatment, quarantine or dispose of infected plants.

Common pests

Scale insect is the most damaging pest of orchids. Boisduval scale from tropical America is the most serious and is widespread in collections. It can seriously debilitate or kill if

Yellow patches from Boisduval scale



not controlled quickly. The insects mainly attack cattleyas, phragmipediums, dendrobiums and oncidiums. Early detection is difficult as they hide under sheaths, leaves and pseudobulbs. The first indication is yellow patches on the leaf caused by the adult female feeding, with corresponding circular cream coloured scale on the underside of the leaf. Eggs are laid under the scale which

protects from insecticides and predators. They hatch into nymphs/crawlers which are very mobile and vulnerable to sprays. The immature males form a cottony mass, often mistaken for mealy bugs, although quite different appearance - white, narrow and elongate. Brown scale also attacks orchids but is easier to eradicate The main problem rapid reproduction, producing overlapping and multiple generations which makes control difficult. Control methods are most effective against crawlers for about two weeks.



Boisduval scale developmental stages: 1. crawlers, 2. mature females, 3. immature males, 4. mature males

Light infestation – remove visible scales with methylated spirit and cotton wool bud. Remove all sheaths to check for scale underneath.

Severe infestation – spray with a systemic insecticide at 7 - 14 day intervals, at least three times, to eliminate nymphs as they hatch. Repot and isolate.

Available insecticides are -

Bug Clear Ultra (Acetamiprid),

Provado Ultimate Bug Killer concentrate (Thiacloprid),

and Provado Ultimate Bug Killer aerosol (Imidacloprid and Methiocarb).

(Please note: The laws for insecticides are changing rapidly and some may be banned.)



Despite regular scheduling of control methods eradication is often unsuccessful, and the only option is disposal of the plant.

Mealy Bug - adults and immatures

Mealy bug

Is a serious pest resembling a small white

woodlouse. It attacks all orchids, especially phalaenopsis and paphiopedilum. They penetrate the plant tissue and cause considerable cell damage. Signs of infestation are yellow patches on the leaf, sooty mould and brown patches caused by secondary bacterial or fungal infections. It has a white waxy protective coating and hides under leaves, sheaths, flowers and in compost.

Treatment: as for Boisduval scale but easier to eradicate.

Spider Mite

Very small sap sucking mite. Not visible to the naked eye, but can be seen with a magnifying glass. Causes mottled leaves and a silvery appearance underneath. Progresses to webs if severe, particularly affects cymbidiums and oncidiums.

False Spider Mite

Produces similar symptoms to the above. Affects especially phalaenopsis and paphiopedilums.

Treatment Increase humidity. Mites like hot, dry conditions. Wipe leaves with soapy solution, plant oils, Plant Vitality Plus or spray with Vitax Organic 2 in 1 Pest & Disease Control. If persistent, spray with a systemic insecticide containing Bifenthrin (Scott's Bug Clear gun). Biological control, Phytoseiulus, is variably effective.

Aphids

Not a serious pest except on masdevallias where they can spread virus. Treat with contact insecticide.

Thrips

Very small sap sucking insects that cause orange/brown marks on leaves. Treat with a systemic insecticide.

Diseases caused by Bacteria and Fungi.

Black rot (Pythium ultimum and Phytophthora cactorum).

Fungal rot affects all orchids especially cattleyas. Infected areas are black and watery.

Bacterial soft rot (Erwinia carotovora) affects most orchids. Erwinia chrysantheii and Pseudomonas cattleya particularly affect phalaenopsis. Bacterial brown rot (Erwinia cypripedii) – affects phalaenopsis, paphiopedilums and phragmipediums.



Bacterial rot caused by *Erwinia carotovora* pv. *carotovora* and *Erwinia chrysanthemi* on a phalaenopsis.

These infections spread rapidly and if they reach the crown or stem can kill the plant. If treated early plants can be saved, so vigilance is essential. Rot appears brown/black, watery and may smell. Bacteria can become systemic and therefore incurable

Prevention and Treatment

Good air movement, ensure leaves and growths are dry at night. Remove infected leaves, or the whole growth for basal rot.

Fungal infection – spray with fungicide

Bacterial Infection – treat with cinnamon or yellow sulphur. If unsure of the cause of infection use both treatments. Keep plant drier until the infection is under control. Repot if the infection is severe.

Slugs and snails

Treatment - Slug pellets or Slugit. Search for and remove after dark. Copper tape can be used around pots.

Virus

Common in collections. Cymbidium mosaic affects 1 in 5 plants and Odontoglossum ringspot 1 in 100. Appearances include brown/black mosaic pattern or chlorotic streaks on leaves. You cannot diagnose by appearance alone, there are many other causes for these symptoms. Plant appears to be in poor condition. Diagnosis is confirmed by an Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay test (ELISA). Many orchids that carry virus, show no symptoms but can infect other plants. There is no effective treatment, discard or isolate. Virus is not spread by insects (except in masdevallias - infected by aphids). Virus is spread by infected cutting tools, pots etc. Sterilisation of all tools and good greenhouse practice and hygiene is essential. Avoid overcrowding; assume all plants could be infected.

By Hilary Hobbs

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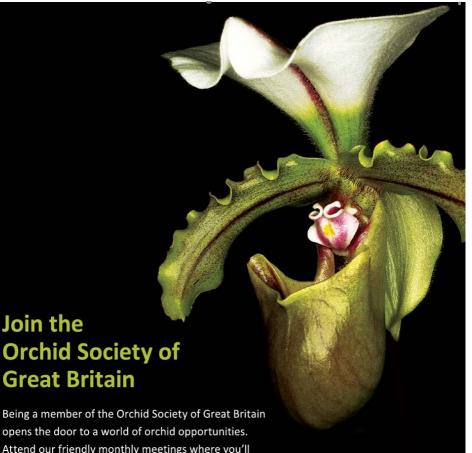
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Importing Plants into the UK from Europe

Many members holiday within the EU and see orchids for sale; both tropical and wild; it was suggested that it might be useful to have a layman's guide to the pitfalls of importing orchids into the UK. I will try to clarify the situation.

Within the EU bringing back orchids should not be a problem; there are no borders for trade within the EU. Sadly, there is always a danger that you might meet a customs officer who says - "I've been on a course and I know about orchids. I shall have to confiscate your plants!" This may happen because imports from countries outside of Europe work to a totally different set of rules.

Non-European Imports

- 1. Orchids need a CITES import permit for the UK which can be purchased from DEFRA (Animal Health) at a cost of £74 per genus. This involves a problem because your application to DEFRA needs to include a CITES export permit issued by the country of origin. This needs to be organised before you go on holiday and naturally before you know what you might be tempted to buy.
- 2. If that is not enough to put you off then next you need a phytosanitary document from the exporting country to show that the orchids have been treated to prevent bugs, viruses and diseases coming into the UK. This document needs to be faxed /emailed to DEFRAs phytosanitary department in York with details of when and where you will return about two days before you land. This will be checked and you will be charged about £40 for the service.

I would guess by now you will not want to bring in plants from outside of the EU. Does all this apply to flasks? CITES is still needed; seedlings are orchids. Phytosanitary for seedlings grown in sterile conditions can be a grey area.

Importing from the EU

As stated at the start this should not be a problem but customs officers may mistakenly choose to apply the above regulations to plants already legally imported into Europe. There is no simple answer if this happens, but there are a few steps that you take that might help when buying plants.

- a) Make sure that you have a receipt for your purchases.
- b) Ask for a copy of the CITES import permit if they are tropical orchids.
- c) Ask for a copy of the phytosanitary documentation.

Finally, having bought them in the EU, you have done nothing wrong so go through 'Nothing to Declare' and have your receipt etc. and argument ready in case you are stopped. **Good Luck!**

Chris Barker

PS Heathrow has a reputation of being the worst place for problems to occur.



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Diary of Events 2014

★ Please visit the BOC website for diary updates during 2014.
 ★ Including an indication of which trade will be at each show.

This will only work if societies and trade communicate the details! http://www.british-orchid-council.info

Mar. 1st Wessex Orchid Society Annual Spring Show 11.30 am - 4.30 pm, Porchester Community School

Contact: Grahame Coleman 02380760509, lazybones36@hotmail.co.uk

Trade: Burnham, Ratcliffe, Laurence Hobbs

Mar. 1st Cheltenham & District Orchid Society Annual Show, 10.30 - 16.00 Churchdown Community Centre, Parton Rd, Churchdown, Gloucester, GL3 2JH Contact: Jan Broadway 01452 616387 showsec@cheltenhamorchids.org

Trade: Burnham, Chantelle, Laneside, Writhlington School

Mar. 8th Suffolk Orchid Society Spring Show, 10am - 4pm St Michaels Church Centre, The Drift, Martlesham, Nr Ipswich, IP5 3UY Contact: Mrs Jenny Gage 01473 822569 roystongage@btinternet.com Trade: Laurence Hobbs; Tom Hart Dyke + sundries for sale

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Trade: Peter White, Orchid Alchemy

Mar. 9th BOGA Orchid Show, Ye Olde Belle Hotel, Barnby Moor, Retford, DN22 8QS

Trade: Ray Creek, Orchid Alchemy, Burnham

Mar. 16th Darlington & District Orchid Society Darlington OS Annual Show Sadberge Village Hall 11.00am - 4.00pm

Contact: Maurice Local 01642 566761 maurice.local@ntlworld.com

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Mar. 23rd Birmingham & Midland OS Spring Show, Birmingham Botanical Gardens.Westbourne Rd, Edgbaston B15 3TR. 1100hrs - 1630hrs Contact: Helen Millner 01384 379 729 hjmillner@tiscali.co.uk

Trade:

Mar. 29th Orchid Society of Great Britain OSGB Open Spring Show The Glasshouse, RHS Wisley. 7:30 for exhibitors - 10:30 public

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Trade: Burnham

Mar. 29th The Bristol & West of England Orchid Society Annual Show Town Hall, Chipping Sodbury, South Gloucestershire 11.00 am - 4.00 pm Contact: Brian Tomlinson 01454 883415 jt007f1810@blueyonder.co.uk **Trade:** Burnham,

Mar. 29th Hinckley & District Orchid Society Midlands Largest Orchid Show St Johns Church, 351 Coventry Rd, Hinckley, Leicestershire LE10 0NP 10.00am - 4.00pm

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Apr. 5th Solihull and District Orchid Society Spring Orchid Show Arden School, Knowle, West Midlands, B93 0PT 11.00am - 16.00pm Contact: Janet James 01564 822897 solihullorchids@blueyonder.co.uk **Trade:** Peter White, Roy Barrow, Orchid Supplies,

Apr. 5th Thames Valley Orchid Society Spring Show All Saints Hall, The Causeway, Marlow SL7 2AA 11.00am - 4.00pm Contact: Barry Cook 0118 958 0448 barrycookdesign@talktalk.net Trade: Ratcliffe, Heritage, Just-in-Glass

Apr 6th North East of England Show, Bowburn Community Centre, Durham Road, DH6 5AT 11.00am - 4.00pm

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Trade: Laurence Hobbs

Apr. 11th - 12th RHS London Orchid and Botanical Art Show RHS Halls, Vincent Square, London Preview Evening: 10th April 6.30 - 8.30 Trade: Akerne, Burnham, Chantelle, Ecuagenera, Equatorial Plants, Heritage, Joseph Wu, K J Orchids, Laneside, Laurence Hobbs, McBean's, Nudlinger Orchideenladen, Orchideen Kopf, Orchis Floriculturing, Orquideas del Valle, Pazuzu Extreme Flora, Peruflora, Ratcliffe Orchids, Roellke Orchideenzucht, Ryanne Orchidee, Vacherot & Lecoufle, Yih Cheng Orchids

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Apr. 26th Central Orchid Society Spring Show 11.00 am - 4.00 pm Perton Civic Centre, Church Rd., Perton, Wolverhampton, WV6 7PD

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May 3rd - 5th Darlington & District Orchid Society Raby Castle Orchid Show

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May 4th Fenland Orchid Society Annual Show, Terrington,

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May 11th Sheffield & District Orchid Society Annual Orchid Show

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May 11th Galashiels Orchid Show, Netherdale, Galashiels Rugby Club 11:00 am - 04:00 pm

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May 17th The Devon Orchid Society 39th Annual Show 10.30am - 4.00pm

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May 17th - 18th The Glasgow Orchid Fair. Glasgow Botanic Garden,

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May 18th Cambridge Orchid Society Show 10.30am - 4.30pm Harston Village Hall, High Street, Harston, Cambridge CB22 7PX.

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Trade: Heritage

June 8th North of England Orchid Society Annual Show

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July 12th - 13th Harrogate Orchid Society Orchid Exhibition Weekend in the Bramall Learning Centre, RHS Gardens Harlow Carr Harrogate HG3 1QB 10.00am - 4.00pm Contact: Malcolm White 01535 661616 wmalcolmwhite@gmail.com

Aug. 17th Scottish Orchid Soc. Florence Woolward Paintings and Orchid Show. Marquis of Lothians Residence, Monteviot House, near Jedburgh. TD8 6UQ. 11:00 am - 04:00 pm Contact for more info: The Administrator 01835 830380 **Trade:** Ray Creek, Roy Barrow

Aug 23rd—24th BOGA Summer Orchid Fair, Roots Garden Centre, Priors Court Road, Hermitage, Thatcham, Berks, RG18 9TG 9am Saturday 10pm Sunday - 5pm Saturday 4pm Sunday Contact: Jeff Hutchings 01995 605537 jcrhutch@aol.com

Sept. 6th -7th Orchid Study Group Welsh Orchid Festival 10.00am - 6.00pm Sat. National Botanic Garden of Wales, Carmarthenshire 10.00am - 4.00pm Sun. Contact: Lynne Harrendence 01558 668492 lynne.harrendence@resqnet.co.uk Trade: Alphabet Orchids, Kingston Port Orchids, Orchid Alchemy, Phalaenopsis & More, Orchid Supplies, Ray Creek, Trey Sanders

Sept. 7th Durham City Orchid Show organised by Darlington OS, University Botanic Garden, OSGB and Durham University. Josephine Butler College, Durham City 10.00am - 4.00pm Contact: Chris Barker 01642 654748 cjbandjb@ntlworld.com

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Sept. 20th Somerset, Wiltshire & Dorset Orchid Society Annual Show Gillingham Primary School, Gillingham, Dorset. 10.30 - 16.00 Contact: Geoff Hobson 01747 853475 m5eay.geoff@btinternet.com **Trade:** Burnhams, Bush Orchids, Writhlington School

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Sept. 27th Bournemouth Orchid Society Autumn Show

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Sept. 28th East Midlands Annual Orchid Show, Village Hall,

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Contact Melvyn Stephen 01159198124.

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Oct. 4th Lincolnshire Orchid Group Autumn Show 10.00am - 4.00pm Leasingham Village Hall, near Sleaford

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Oct. 11th Wessex Orchid Society Annual Autumn Show 11.00a.m. - 4.30p.m. Porchester Community School, White Hart Lane PO16 9BD

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Oct 12th The Orchid Society of East Anglia Autumn Show, 10am - 4.30pm Eaton Parish Hall, Colman Rd, Norwich, NR4 7AW

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Oct. 17th -19th Devon Orchid Society Orchid Weekend Langstone Cliff Hotel, Dawlish Warren, Devon EX7 0NA

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Oct. 26th Birmingham & Midland Orchid Society Autumn Show. Birmingham Botanical Gardens.Westbourne Road, Edgbaston. 1100hrs - 1630hrs

Contact: Helen Millner 01384 379 729 hjmillner@tiscali.co.uk

Nov. 1st Orchid Society of Great Britain Open Autumn Show

Wraybury Village Hall, The Green, TW19 5NA

Contact: Francis Quesada-Pallares 020 8777 2904

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Trade:

Nov 29th BOGA Pre-Christmas Orchid Fair, Arden School, Station Road, Knowle, B93 0PT. 10.00am - 4.00pm.

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Date	Venue
Tues. January 14 th 11.00am	Jodrell Laboratory
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Tues. April 1 st 11.00am	RHS Great London Plant Fair Vincent Square
Friday April 11 th 1.30pm	London Orchid & Botanical Art Show
Mon. May 19 th Time tbc	Chelsea Flower Show
Sat. 14 th June 1.30pm	Malvern Royal Three Counties Show (13 th to 15 th June)
Sat. July 12 th 2.00pm	Harlow Carr with Harrogate & North of England OS
Tues. August 19 th 11.00am	Wisley
Sat. October 18 th 2.00pm	Devon Orchid Society Weekend at Dawlish Warren, Devon
Tues. October 21 st 11.00am	RHS London Shades of Autumn Show
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Saturday 12th April London Orchid & Botanical Art Show Sunday 19th October Devon Orchid Weekend, Dawlish Warren, Devon

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Bournemouth Orchid Society

Mr Ken Griffiths

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Christchurch, Dorset BH23 7AD

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Venue: Bournemouth Natural Science Society, 39 Christchurch Road
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Mr Brian Tomlinson

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Website: www.boga.org.uk

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Website: www.cambridgeorchidsociety.org.uk

Venue: Great Shelford Memorial Hall, Wollards Lane,

Great Shelford, Cambridge CB22 5JZ

On: First Friday of each month at 19.30 hrs (except January and August)

Cardiff & Vale of Glamorgan Orchid Society

Mrs Jean Lewis

74 Pontypridd Road, Barry, The Vale of Glamorgan CF62 7LS

Tel: 01446 403970 Email: jeanmarian.lewis@ntlworld.com

Website: cardiffandthevaleorchidsociety.co.uk
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On: First Saturday in the month at 2.30pm to 4.30pm

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Venue: The Wrottesley Room, Perton Library, Severn Drive

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On: Last Saturday of the month at 2.00pm

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On: 4th Tuesday of each month at 19.30hrs (except December)

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On: Last Friday of the month at 19.30 - 10.00pm (except Dec. and Aug.)

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24 Annerley Road, Annnan, Dumfriesshire, Annerley Road DG12 6HF

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Mrs Sue Lane

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Tel: 01884 32430 Email: sue@laneroger1.orangehome.co.uk

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Keith Bates

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Website: http://hinckleydistrictorchidsociety.com

Venue: Constitutional Club Chapel St., Barwell, Leicestershire

On: 1st Weds in the month except July & Aug. Start time 20.00 hrs

Lea Valley Orchid Society

Tel:

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Mrs Gillian Radley

3 Burleigh Road, Hertford, Hertfordshire SG13 7HA 01992 550897 Email: gillian.radley@yahoo.co.uk

Website: www.wix.com/leavallevos/lvos

Venue: Waterford Village Hall, Waterford, nr. Hertford,

A602 - Stevenage to Hertford.

On: Third Wednesday of each month at 7.30 pm.

Lincolnshire Orchid Group

Tony Taylor, 10 Stone Lane, Sutterton, Boston, Lincolnshire, PE20 2JZ

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Website: log-on.org.uk Venue: Leasingham Village Hall Nr Sleaford

On: 1st Friday of every month except January 7.30pm

Mid Sussex Orchid Society

Dr Maria Firth

9 Harlands Close, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH16 1PS

Tel: 01444 413626 Email: drmfirth@gmail.com

Venue: Town Hall, 40 Boltro Rd, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH16 1BA

On: Second Sunday each month at 2.30pm

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Ms Fiona Miles

46 Westcroft, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 8HF **Tel:** 01568 614489 **Email:** fiona.miles4@btinternet.com

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On: Second Tuesday of each month at 19.30hrs

North Bucks Orchid Society

Mrs G Bramham, 25 Leon Avenue, Bletchley,

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Venue: Rectory Cottages, Church Green Rd, Bletchle MK2 2HL

On: First Wednesday each month at 19.45hrs. No Meeting in August

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On: Last Tuesday of the Month, 19.00-21.30

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On: Third Sunday at 1400 (with exceptions, see website for details)

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Venue: Variable, monthly meetings usually on the Saturday of the 2nd weekend of the

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Mrs Val Micklewright

103 North Road, Three Bridges, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 1SQ

Email: val@micklewright.com Website: www.osgb.org.uk Venue: Napier Hall, Hide Place, Westminster, London SW1P 4NJ

On: On the first Saturday of each month, 13.30 - 16.30 **Further Information**: 13.45 - 14.15 Introductory beginners session.

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On: 1st Tuesday Monthly at 19.30 NO MEETINGS in January

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On: 2nd Saturday Monthly at 1.30pm to 4.00pm

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Venue: RHS Orchid Committee meets at most RHS flower shows, the

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Mrs Janet Halcrow

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Venue: Klondyke Garden Centre, Mortonhall, Edinburgh

On: Last Wednesday monthly at 19.30, NO MEETINGS in July or August

Scottish Orchid Society GLASGOW

Ms Lillian Johnstone

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Venue: Hopkirk building, Glasgow Botanic Gardens, Glasgow

On: 3rd Monday Monthly at 19.30 NO MEETINGS June, July, or August

Scottish Orchid Society PERTH

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Venue: Village Hall, Pitcairngreen, Nrth Perth

On: 4th Wednesday Monthly at 19.30, NO MEETINGS June or July

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Venue: Ranmoor Parish Centre, Ranmoor Park Road, Sheffield S10 3GX **On:** Usually Second Sunday of each month, 10.00am to 12.30pm

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Mrs Janet James

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Website: www.solihullorchidsociety.org

Venue: St George and Teresa Parish Centre, Knowle

On: First Saturday of the Month 1.00pm. No meeting in August

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Mrs Karina Sellers

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South Wales Orchid Study Group

Mrs Lynne Harrendence

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Website: www.orchidstudygroup.org.uk
Venue: National Botanic Garden of Wales

On: Saturday, once a month 11.00am to 1.00pm. Check website for details.

The South West Orchid Society

Mrs Marian Saunders

105 Wembdon Hill, Wembdon, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 7QB **Tel:** 01278 - 455170 **Email:** msaunders1@mail105.co.uk

Venue: West Monkton Village Hall, Monkton Heathfield, N, Taunton TA2 8N

On: 2nd Sunday of the month 2:30 to 5:00 pm

Southern Counties Orchid Society

Mr Peter Mottershead

33 Kingston Lane, Southwick, Brighton, East Sussex BN42 4SJ

Tel: 01273 597921 Email: pp.mottershead@ntlworld.com

Website: www.SouthernCountiesOrchidSociety.com

Venue: Lancing Leisure Centre, Brighton Road (A27) Lancing West Sussex

On: Second Wednesday each month at 19.30

Suffolk Orchid Society

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Mrs Jenny Gage

Honeysuckle Cottage, Church Lane, Aldham, Suffolk IP7 6NP 01473 822569 Email: roystongage@btinternet.com

Website: http://suffolkorchid.co.uk

Venue: St Michaels Church Centre, The Drift, Martlesham, Nr Ipswich, IP5 3UY
On: Last Wednesday of month (not Dec, July, or August) 7.30pm to 9.45pm

Sussex Orchid Group

Mrs Val Micklewright

103 North Road, Three Bridges, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 1SQ

Email: val@micklewright.com

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On: 3rd Sunday in the month at 2.30. (May and June meetings on 2nd Sunday)

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Venue: Shawford Village Hall, nr Winchester

On: Second Sat of month (except March & Aug), 2.00 p.m. for 2.30 p.m.

West Cornwall Orchid Society

Mrs Kit Lindsay

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Tel: 01209 717947 Email: r.lindsay672@btinternet.com

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Venue: Camborne Community Centre, Pendarves Rd, Camborne **On:** 2nd Sunday of month at 2.00pm except August and December

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Mr Peter Jones

19 Algarth Rise, Pocklington, York YO42 2HX

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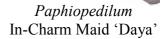
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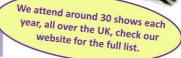
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