



October 2024

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1st place in Class 19 (Vandaceous): Peter Barker's **Vanda Blue Magic**

Saturday 5th October 2024
North of England Show at Barton

This being the day of the auction, we had the pleasure of seeing a larger than usual number of members on show day.

We were delighted to see again David Redmore who gave a presentation on 'Mabsoot' at Hoghton in April. David joined members for lunch at the Roebuck and we repeated our request that he come and give us another talk sometime.

Thank you to the team providing refreshments (that includes Antonia's mum) and to Ian for the raffle.

Congratulations to Peter Barker whose plants took first place in Classes 19 and 23.

As for the auction, some said that we had never had one like it. Over 40 members filled the room and there were strong bidding contests for the large number of plants up for auction.

The auction requires a great deal of preparation and organisation, and it all ran extremely smoothly. We are grateful to Philippa, Pete, John and George for their hard work which resulted in an entertaining and highly successful event.



Barton Judging results

Class	Plant	Grower
1	Large Group*	John Gay
4	Dendrochilum magnum	George Barnes
5	Brassia arcuigera	Heather Balmer
7	Cymbidium erythrostylum	Nick Gilliam
8	Paphiopedilum Maudiae 'Femma'	Ian Eastwood
9	Phragmipedium Sorcerer's Apprentice	Nick Gilliam
10	Cattleya Siam Jade	David Crook
11	(Oncidium varicosum x Gomesa Moon Shadow) 'Little Panda'	Phil Howard
13	Phalaenopsis Yaphon Perfume 'Yellow'	Chas Field
15	Encyvola Jairak Treasure 'Kakapo Bird'	Ian Eastwood
17	Miltoniopsis Malitoine	Phil Howard
18	Stenoglottis longifolia	Philippa Illsley
19	Vanda Blue Magic	Peter Barker
21	Miltonidium Troubled Red	Phil Howard
23	Beallara Marfitch	Peter Barker
*Silver Medal		

Class Winners



Class 1. Large Group



Class 4. *Dendrochilum magnum*



Class 5. *Brassia arcuigera*



Class 7. *Cymbidium erythrostylum*



Class 8. *Paphiopedilum Maudiae* 'Femina'



Class 9. Phragmipedium Sorcerer's Apprentice.

A very tall flower spike but Nick put it down on the floor for the photo on the right.



Class 10. Cattleya Siam Jade



Class 11. (*Oncidium varicosum* x *Gomesa Moon Shadow*) 'Little Panda'



Class 13. *Phalaenopsis* Yaphon Perfume 'Yellow'



Class 15. Encyovola Jairak Treasure 'Kakapo Bird'



Class 17. Miltoniopsis Malitoine



Class 18. *Stenoglottis longifolia*



Class 21. *Miltonidium Troubled Red*



Class 23. Beallara Marfitch

A few others...



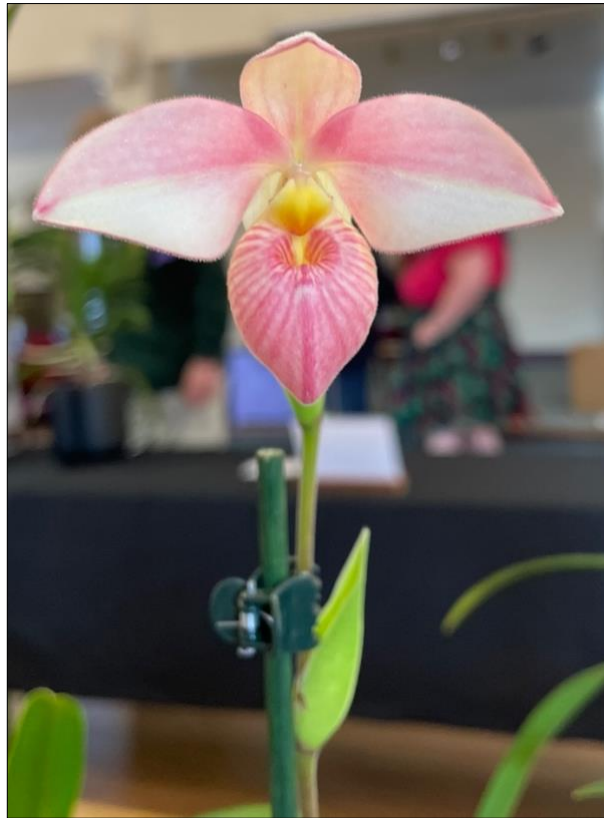
Antonia's Class 23 Phalaenopsis



Alan and Barbara's Class 23 Phalaenopsis



Liz's Class 13 Doritaenopsis An Tai Pixie



Pat's Class 9 Phragmipedium Hanne Popow



Sheila's Class 4 Stenoglottis longifolia



Eddie's Class 19 Angraecum Crestwood



Robyn's Class 23 Phalaenopsis

The October Plant Auction

Many thanks to everyone who made our plant auction a considerable success: the buyers, our auctioneer John and his assistant George, the staff collecting the plants in the kitchen and the treasurer collecting/paying out the money. Special thanks go to our sellers without whom we would have no auction. Looking forward to next year!

We took approx. £230 on the auction and something in the region of £130 on the raffle, refreshments, and bark sales. We also had a near 50% turnout in terms of members so all round a success!

Thank you.
Philippa



Members may be interested to know that The Mathers Foundation, holders of several National Collections of orchids, have published the dates of their 2025 guided tours.

Bookings to visit the Foundation, which is located in Pulborough, West Sussex, can be made through the Foundation's website :

<https://orchid.foundation/open-days-and-events>

Dates for your diary



Saturday 9th November 2024

North of England show at Plumley

**PLUMLEY VILLAGE HALL, Plumley Moor Road,
PLUMLEY, Nr Knutsford, Cheshire WA16 0TR**

11.00 am Judging

2.00 Presentation. Ian Eastwood: 'Porroglossums'

Saturday 7th December 2024

North of England show at Broughton

**Broughton & District Tennis Club
Whittingham Lane, Broughton, Preston. PR3 5DA.**

11.00 am Judging.

Followed by:

**Christmas Lunch at Barton Manor Hotel,
746 – 768 Garstang Road, Barton, PR3 5AA – MEMBERS ONLY**



North of England OS monthly and annual show dates 2025

**Please note that external shows are still to be added.
External shows have not all been confirmed yet.**

Jan. 11th Plumley Village Hall, Plumley

Feb. 8th Barton Village Hall, Barton, Lancs. **Annual General Meeting**

Mar. 8th Rixton Community Centre

Apr. 12th Hoghton Village Hall

May 17th Rixton Community Centre

June 7th Hoghton Village Hall

July 5th (Set-up 4th July) **North of England OS Annual Show** Barton Village Hall, Barton

Aug. 9th Rixton Community Centre

Sep. 13th Hoghton Village Hall

Oct. 11th Rixton Community Centre

Nov. 8th Plumley Village Hall, Plumley

Dec. 13th Barton Village Hall, Barton, Lancs. **Christmas lunch – Members Only**



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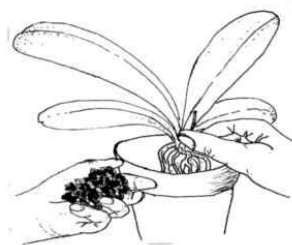
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Repotting?

If you would like to purchase the Society's medium grade (10-15mm) orchid bark, contact Chris Burrows, tel: 01772 431442 (answerphone)

And finally...

The Star of the Show. (Philippa reports)

I was invited to bring one of our trophies to a local history talk given, on Thursday 17th October at 'The Sale' hotel /restaurant in Sale Moor, by George Coswell who is a member of 'The Friends of Walkden Gardens.'

The talk took the audience through the ownership of the Sale Moor land and its eventual ownership by the Walkden Family. The surviving member of this family and an Orchid enthusiast to boot was Annice Walkden, after whom our silver trophy was named in 1957. The Walkden Gardens are across the road from where the talk was hosted.

Every year we award the trophy (which is called the Annice Walkden Perpetual Challenge Trophy) to someone who has contributed to the Society and made a significant impact on what we do.

By the time I held up the trophy and explained this link to the audience, it was looking beautifully shiny and 'dent free.' This lovely finish and the fact that it now fits and stays attached to its base was thanks to Trevor Crook who worked his magic on the 77- yr old Silver Trophy. This was just as well as there were at least forty people in the audience!

The talk was particularly good but, at the risk of **Spoiler Alerts**, I will not go into more detail, as I have invited George to come to our May meeting and do his presentation for us.

