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Best Cymbidium Species or Hybrid in Show at the Durham Orchid Show: Barry's **Cymbidium munronianum** with 10 spikes.

Durham Orchid Show



Thank you to all the members who contributed to the Society being represented at Durham – the show team, those who transported plants to the North East and those who lent plants for the fine display you see above: Richard and Dorothy Rhodes, Antonia Black, Barry Openshaw, Pete and Philippa Illsley, George Barnes, Judith Glover, David and Lynda Crook, Phil and Lindsay Howard.

Our plants gained 4 rosettes and a number of 'Highly Commended' certificates – see the photos below.

Those who used the hotel's postcode for finding the Premier Inn Durham North will be able to explain to you why 'Pity Me' is an appropriate name for the village.

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Richard's **Paph. helenae** took the rosette for **Best Paphiopedilum Species** and his **Phrag. Carol Kanzer** (below) the rosette **for Best Phragmipedium Hybrid**





Winning the rosette for **Best Laeliinae Hybrid**: Philippa's **Brassavola Jimminey Cricket**



Highly Commended: David's **Neofinettia falcata**



Highly Commended: Dorothy's Vanda Black Magic



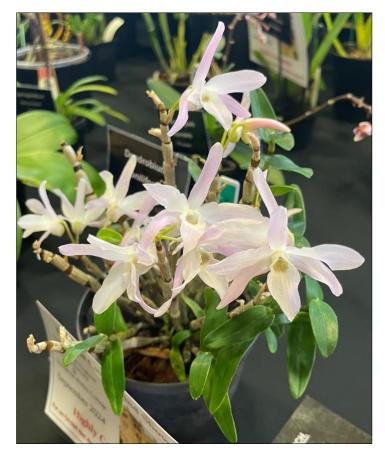
Highly Commended: Richard's **Paphiopedium armeniacum x Isobel**



Highly Commended: Phil's **Oncidopsis Anquetil**



Highly Commended: George's Vanda Blue Magic



Highly Commended: Philippa's **Dendrobium moniliforme**



Highly Commended: Richard's Paphiopedilum Transvaal Highfield



Highly Commended: Both of Barry's plants of **Cymbidium ensifolium.** The plant above had 7 spikes.





Antonia's Phalaenopsis Papagayo



Best Hybrid in Show: Vanda Sansai (Scottish)



Best Species in Show: Gomesa crispa (Hinckley)

Other Society Displays



Our hosts: North East of England



Darlington



Harrogate



Hinckley



East Midlands



Scottish

Saturday 7th September 2024 North of England Show at Hoghton



At Hoghton, visitors had the privilege of viewing some of the Society's rare books, including pages from Lindenia, which contains magnificent illustrations.

One week after the Durham show, we met at Hoghton for our September show which was well-attended.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the show: from setting up the hall to clearing away at the end, for the refreshments, the raffle, the judging and, of course, for bringing your orchids for us all to admire and enjoy.

The strong fragrance of some of the orchids on display created much interest. (In the afternoon, Mike Armstrong would comment on fragrance in his talk on Cattleyas, and this in turn reminded members of past fragrance competitions at shows. George proudly told us that <u>he</u> once won a fragrance competition...!)

We are grateful to Trevor Crook who displayed a small number of rare books from the Society's library which was a special treat.

We welcome new member Vichea Balch who joined the Society at Hoghton and who threw himself in at the deep end by joining the lunch-time dining party at the Boar's Head.

After lunch, we had a presentation on Cattleyas from Mike Armstrong, Chairman of East Midlands Orchid Society, one-time holder of the National Cattleya Collection, ex-marine engineer, photographer, railway enthusiast, and self-confessed 'control freak'.

Mike presented photographs of numerous Cattleya species, telling us which conditions they prefer and which, in his experience, are easier or more difficult to cultivate successfully. **Cattleya labiata** is his personal favourite. He has long been a great believer in the use of organic feeds.





Phoenix Orchids

Below, Dorothy holds up one of the large leaves of **Bulbophyllum phalaenopsis**. Apparently, the leaves can grow much longer, to nearly 2 metres. This superb specimen has more spikes developing. There were other more pleasantly fragrant orchids in the show; this one had a smell of dead mice but, luckily, it wasn't too strong on Saturday!





Hoghton Judging results

Class	Plant	Grower
1	Large Group	John Gay
3	Group of 6 orchids	Trevor Crook
4	Maxillaria variabilis	Eddie Oates
5	Maxillaria hematoglossa	Trevor Crook
9	Phragmipedium Carol Kanzer	Eddie Oates
10	Cattleya Love Knot 'Sato'	Philippa Illsley
11	Oncidium Tsiku Chian - Tzy Yearning	Heather Balmer
12	Odontoglossum tigroides	Phil Howard
13	Phalaenopsis bellina	Andrew Bonney
14	Dendrobium moniliforme	Philippa Illsley
15	Encyvola Jairak Treasure 'Kakapo Bird'	Ian Eastwood
17	Miltonia Queen Anne	Trevor Crook
19	Vanda Blue Magic	George Barnes
21	Miltonidium Troubled Red	Phil Howard
23	Phalaenopsis hybrid	Robyn Gee

Class Winners



Class 3. Group of 6 orchids



Class 1. Large Group, containing some lovely new Onc. (Odm.) naevium hybrids, and Phragmipediums of greatly differing heights!





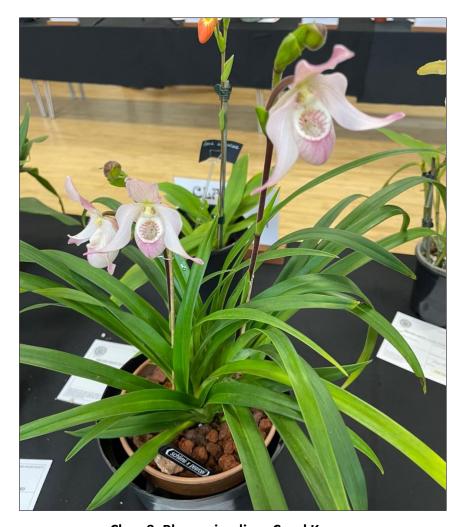
Two differently shaped clones of Phrag. Jersey



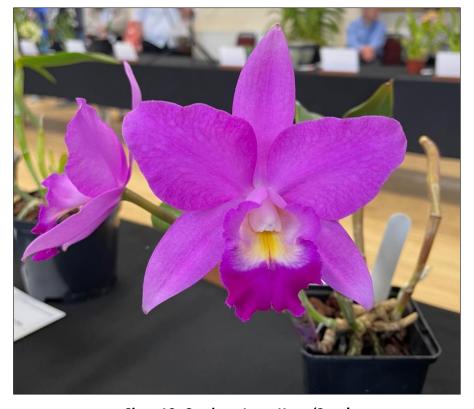
Class 4. Maxillaria variabilis



Class 5. Maxillaria hematoglossa



Class 9. Phragmipedium Carol Kanzer



Class 10. Cattleya Love Knot 'Sato'



Class 11. Oncidium Tsiku Chian - Tzy Yearning



Class 12. Odontoglossum tigroides



Class 13. Phalaenopsis bellina



Class 14. Dendrobium moniliforme



Class 15. Encyvola Jairak Treasure 'Kakapo Bird'



Class 17. Miltonia Queen Anne



Class 19. Vanda Blue Magic



Class 21. Miltonidium Troubled Red



Class 23. Phalaenopsis hybrid

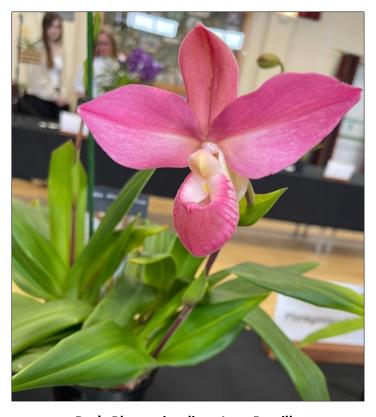
A few others...



Antonia's Phalaenopsis Colmar



David's Cattleya bicolor



Pat's Phragmipedium Ivan Portilla

Since the show at Hoghton, we have received this message from the Hoghton Village Hall treasurer regarding fundraising for improvements to the facilities at the hall. For any member wishing to donate, a link is provided.

Hi,

Hope you don't mind my contacting you regarding fundraising but as you may know we are shortly having works at the Village Hall to make a new entrance and new toilets to include full disabled facilities. The new entrance means there will be separate entrances for each room. This allows a couple of events to go on at the same time if necessary.

Would you, your colleagues or the club be prepared to help by making a pledge? If so, the information is set out below.

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To help raise funds we are looking for support through Crowdfunding. Anything raised will be matched by Lancashire County Council from a specific fund. Please follow the link to back our project 'New Entrance and Toilets' at Hoghton Village Hall.

https://www.spacehive.com/vh-new-entrance-and-toilets



New Entrance and Toilets

To improve the use of the Village Hall building for the users, by providing a new independent entrance that accesses each room separately.

Also providing new toilets including disabled facilities,

www.spacehive.com

Pledges can be made from as little as £2, as a guest and no need to sign up for anything. It would be appreciated if you could spread the word with friends and colleagues who may wish to support us. All you need to do is forward the link via email, text or WhatsApp. Your help is much appreciated.

Joan Houghton

Treasurer