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Our 50th anniversary Show was absolutely fantastic and probably one of our best ever shows.

Thank you to everybody that volunteered to help on the day - without you it would not have been possible.

Nearly 200 people came through the door and because of the hourly raffle they bought multiple tickets through the various hours including the last hour for that wonderful Cymbidium. In all the raffle raised £277 which was awesome - thanks to all the raffle sellers who did a fantastic job.

On top of that the refreshments made an amazing £278 so another big thank you to all those that donated food and to those who served our many hungry guests on the day. The tombola once again proved popular so well done to all the helpers and I am sure Heike and Kerstin were very happy to go home with a lot less than when they came.

The hall was busy throughout the day with only short lapses when a large number of visitors were attending the repotting demonstrations but when they were in the main hall they had the opportunity to feast their eyes on the wonderful displays put up by Hinckley, Birmingham, Central and East Midlands and, of course, the beautiful array of plants down the centre of the hall entered by our members in the various classes.

As a result of all of these wonderful plants the trophies were spread around 8 different members - well done.

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| Chris Gibbs | Bedlam Trophy | Best Monopodial |
| Chris Gibbs | Dendrobium Trophy | Best Dendrobium |
| Peter Hudson | Harris Challenge Cup | Best Windowsill grown Orchid |
| Peter Hudson | Rene Osborne Memorial Trophy | Floral Art |
| Janet James | Gloria Cotton Cup | Best Cymbidium |
| Janet James | Shirley Goblet | Best Pleione |
| John Clarke | Margaret Turton Cup | Best Phalaenopsis |
| Stan Taylor | Durant Cup | Best Laeliinae |
| Stan Taylor | Vandaville | Best Species |
| Malcolm Moodie | Society Cup | Most Points in the Show |
| Malcolm Moodie | Society Challenge Cup | Best Group Display |
| Malcolm Moodie | Founders Shield | Best Orchid |
| Malcolm Moodie | Trevor Turton Cup | Best Cypripedioidae |
| Malcolm Moodie | The Challenge Cup | Best Phragmipedium |
| Malcolm Moodie | Peter White Trophy | Best Pleurothallidinae |
| Martin Mitchell | S A Jarrett Cup | Best Oncidiinae |
| Rita Cordwell | Harry Wilshaw Goblet | Best Novice |



In addition, Monica Johnson won the Bedlam Trophy for the Best Hybrid at our Monthly Table Displays and Malcolm Moodie won the Committee Trophy for the Best Species.

East Midlands Orchid Society won the Janet James Trophy for Best Visiting Display.

Thanks to the Traders who all had a good day offering us and our visitors a wonderful choice of orchids, accessories, jewellery, cards and books.

When 6 o'clock came we were all rather tired but relieved that our show was such a great success.

Well done to everyone for making our show such a wonderful event.

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