

NORTH HAMPSHIRE ORCHID SOCIETY

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NEWSLETTER



SEPTEMBER MEETING

Before proceeding with the newsletter, please accept my apologies as I have to admit that I left my notes at the hall, so am relying on memory for some of the information and I also forgot to bring my camera, so there are no photos of the judging table.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from

- Linda Phillips
- Steve Langston
- Joan Elliott
- David Martin
- Jonathon Loose
- Maureen Spencer
- Graham Westmore
- Tricia Garner

Maureen has had an operation on her foot, so will not be able to drive for the next few months. Tricia was unwell and Graham had a nasty health scare. Our best wishes go to all for speedy recoveries.

TALK BY IAN BUTTERFIELD

PLEIONIES

There was a twist to today's talk as Ian's presentation was in 3D. He was ably assisted by Pete who handed out glasses to everyone. The photography was certainly brought to life and impressed us all. As Ian is the holder of the national collection of pleionies it was obvious that the range of specimens was going to be extensive. It was refreshing also to be shown what can go wrong with the culture of these plants even when in the care of experts.



There were lots of plants for sale and the members present did not waste the opportunity to purchase.

Ian also judged the show table. I do not have the plant information but places were as follows.

- 1st. Lawrence Gray
- 2nd. Mike Sharman
- 3rd. Norma Burgess



P. humilis



Next Meeting will be on Sunday
October 16th. Mike Buckingham will
be talking to us about masdevallia
culture.

- Please accept my and Ken's apologies as we will not be attending the next meeting.
- Lawrence has a few bags of compost left. He would like to know if the society would like him to purchase some more. Please let Lawrence know if you would be interested.

- At present it has not been possible to arrange a speaker for November's meeting. It is proposed that this could be a member's day when we can have general discussions about all subjects. However it would be extremely helpful if you would tell me if you would consider coming or not on this day. There might not be enough



members to warrant a meeting, in which case it might be advisable to cancel the meeting altogether.

- Could members who have trophies please return them at October's meeting so that they can be prepared for the presentations at December's AGM.
- Steve Langston will be bringing the committee up to date with the prospective show details and Gill will be producing the new program for next year as far as she is able. Details of both items will be announced at the AGM if not before.



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