

ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

2013 LONDON ORCHID SHOW

CULTURE TALKS

FRIDAY 12TH APRIL

12 Noon JIM DURRANT McBeans Orchids “Orchids are difficult----a’int they?”

GROWING ORCHIDS IN SIMPLE STEPS

Jim takes us through requirements needed to be successful in orchid culture

1 pm JEFF HUTCHINGS Laneside Hardy Orchids GROWING HARDY ORCHIDS

The talk will give an overview of what terrestrial orchids can be grown in a British garden or in an unheated greenhouse. Genus covered will include Cypripedium with a few flowering examples of Calanthe, Bletilla, Dactylorhiza and a range of native orchids. For each a brief outline of where they should be grown and the cultivation techniques will be included.

2pm LAURENCE HOBBS Laurence Hobbs Orchids PLANTS SUITABLE FOR BEGGINERS

Laurence will discuss in detail the requirements needed by the best varieties suitable as houseplants.

3pm FRANK ROELLKE Roellke Orchideen GROWING ORCHIDS

Frank looks at seedling culture and how to improve your collection

4pm SARA RITTERSHAUSEN Burnham Nurseries ORCHID CULTURE FOR BEGINNERS

Lots of simple tips and hints on how to start orchid growing in the home and get the best from your plants

SATURDAY 13TH APRIL

11 am ANDY PHILLIPS Justin Glass/Ratcliffe Orchids SOME PITFALLS TO AVOID!

Andy highlights dos and don'ts regarding orchid care and how to avoid casualties whether in the home or conservatory.

12noon HELEN MILLNER RHS Gold Medallist NO GREENHOUSE? NO PROBLEM!

Fewer people today have the luxury of a heated greenhouse. They may live in an apartment or do not have room for one. Added to this, the running cost can be prohibitive. Fortunately a greenhouse is not needed in order to grow orchids successfully.

Home orchid growing need not be confined to the well known varieties, even the more delicate miniature species can be grown if care is taken to provide them with adequate constant humidity.

This is most easily achieved by keeping them in growing cases and enclosures.

These may be as simple as a cover over the plant, or an elaborate growing case.

Although orchid greenhouses are dwindling there are more ways than ever now to enjoy orchids at home .

2pm PETER WHITE Orchids by Peter White WHAT'S BEST IN POT PLANTS

Peter discusses the best varieties in the pot plant market and how to care for them

3pm ANDY PHILLIPS Justin Glass/Ratcliffe Orchids THE SAGA CONTINUES

Andy adds further to his remarks on culture. His enthusiastic style makes his one of the most popular talks