

The Orchadian is proceeding quite well, however more contributors needed to ensure a balanced magazine, always been a struggle to get articles for the magazine. A number of contributors have retired from writing. The area where I would like to see more articles about cultivation.

Internationally, orchid magazines have similar problems. The RHS publication is now once a year while the AOS, American magazine mostly digital with the paper copy alternative is much more expensive. It is the American example that we are currently following. We hope to have a members site on the web page so members can download it as required.

The major driver the cost for The Orchadian is postage. We have changed from offset printing to digital printing which will lower the costs and make them more scalable. This has been achieved with minimal loss in print quality.

It cannot be left to the committee or myself to chase up contributors all members need to contribute and make suggestions on topics they would like to see.

It is difficult to please everyone with nomenclature, and I am publishing articles which include the writer's opinion on nomenclature and including the accepted names in the index. This way we can still recognized the "accepted" names.

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