



The Scottish Rock Garden Club Forrest Medal - Aberdeen 2022

Cypripedium parviflorum Shown by Ian Christie



Many congratulations to Ian Christie on winning the Forrest medal with his magnificent pan pf Cypripedium parviflorum. Orchids are special. There are innumerable species and varieties and many need very special care to persuade them into flower. Ian has the nack, the skill and the patience to grow on a young plant to this fabulous specimen. With at least a dozen flowers. Of all the orchids which we see at shows, and there are not that many, Cypripediums are the most impressive and are among the most beautiful.

Cypripedium parviflorum is an American native plant which obviously grows well in Westmuir.

I was unable to get to the Aberdeen show this year so I am grateful to Stan da Prato for his pictures. The picture below shows Ian with joint show secretary Ian Chapman.

