THE 1980 RHS CHELSEA FLOWER SHOW
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The world famous Chelsea flower show held during the third week in May, attracts thousands of people from all over the world. It is one of the most spectacular horticultural events that any lover of plants can visit.

For the last two years, the Carnivorous Plant Society have exhibited a display of CP in the great marquees at the show. Last year was a tremendous success for the society, and the exhibit drew the attention of many people. This year was also very successful and the combined efforts of some of the society members created an attractive display. Once again the many fine plants attracted the general public and a rota of members were on hand every day to answer questions. Classic remarks from the public like “When is feeding time?” and “Can you find a fly so that we can see them work?” were common enough events during the show, and we had to exercise extreme patience when making attempts to answer some of the public’s questions. It is so amusing to hear some of the remarks made by the public. I well remember the clever fellow who went to great pains to explain to his family and friends how the flower of the pitcher plant consumed flies into its petals.

Once again the society were awarded for their efforts by the Royal Horticultural Society, and a silver-gilt Lindley medal became yet another possession.

Public reaction to CP exhibit at Chelsea Flower Show
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The Lindley Medal
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PREPARATION OF STAND BY MEMBERS OF BRITISH CP SOCIETY

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THE FINISHED STAND WHICH WON THE LINDLEY MEDAL