Naples Orchid Society NEWSLETTER

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Our June monthly meeting is Thursday,
June 1, 2017,
At the Moorings Presbyterian Church Baker Gym
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Flower Registration 6:30 p.m.
Flower Judging 7:10 p.m.
Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Program 7:45 p.m.
Our speaker will be Nick Ewy
Associate Director of Horticulture
Naples Botanical Garden
"Mounting Orchids"
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Bill's Mini Culture Class will return in July.

Deadline for entries in the Newsletter are due the 15th of each month, 3PM.
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The Naples Orchid Society is a non-profit organization, devoted to the promotion of, interest in, and the appreciation of orchids and the preservation of our native orchids. It is also our aim to disseminate information pertaining to their culture and hybridization.

JUNE 2017 NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

OUR JULY 6 MONTHLY MEETING WILL FEATURE OUR 2017 NOS SCHOLARSHIP INTERNS UNDER DIRECTION OF DR. LARRY ZETLER, PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY & DIRECTOR OF THE ORCHID RECOVERY PROGRAM AT ILLINOIS COLLEGE & DR. ERNESTO MUJICO, FROM CUBA'S MINISTERY OF SCIENCE, & GHOST ORCHID EXPERT.

NEXT NOS BOD MTG.
June 22, 2017
6:30 PM
All are welcome.

AOS JUDGING
WPB Judging Center next judging date is June 24,
Flamingo Gardens
3750 S. Flamingo Rd.
Davie, FL 33330
Info: www.wpbjudging.org

NEXT NOS SHOW COMMITTEE MTG.
September 28, 2017
(following BOD mtg. at 6:30 PM)
All are welcome.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, DICK PIPPEN, RPIPPEN@COMCAST.NET

Greetings Orchid Lovers—At our May meeting, John Budree, from the Miami area, treated us to some of the "inside-scoop" on how the growers in Taiwan get those long trailing columns of Phalaenopsis flowers—as well as some nice photos of Phalaenopsis from the Taiwan International Orchid Show. Just beautiful!! He also told us about some of the newer trends in hybridizing Phalaenopsis. John also had some nice plants for sale. There were 96 people at the meeting to learn all about these long-blooming orchids, and to enjoy the amazing array of orchids plants brought in for the Plant Table competition—over 60 plants. Thanks to those of you who brought in your blooming plants. I know that is not always easy, but we certainly appreciated seeing all the variety.

A special thanks goes to Veronica Catrombon, our Membership Officer, who brought in a delicious cake to celebrate that we have over 200 "likes" on our Facebook page. Thanks to all of you for "liking" us. Keep "liking" and maybe we will soon get another cake ☺! We are also updating our Website, again thanks to Veronica and Jeannie Bold. This was made possible, in part, from a grant from the Community Foundation of Collier. The "new look" is not up and running yet, but will be soon, so look for it on your nearest computer!

Remember last month I told you that we had a special speaker coming for our June meeting, but that he couldn't make it on the first Thursday, so we were moving the meeting to the second Thursday? Well—forget all about that!!! The speaker is not going to be able to make it!! So—we have moved the meeting back to the regular date of the first Thursday in June, which happens to be June 1st, and our speaker will be Nick Ewy from the Naples Botanical Garden who will tell us all about how to use orchids in the landscape (that is mounting them in trees). That is one of Nick's jobs at NBG. I am sure it will be an instructive presentation. Hope you all can make it. Until then—keep your orchids happy and pray for rain! *Dick*

MAY MONTHLY MEETING ATTENDANCE: 96 RAFFLE TABLE PROCEEDS: $222 PROCEEDS FOR SCARF RAFFLE (BENEFITTING SCHOLARSHIP FUND) ON BUS TRIP TO REDLANDS, MAY 20: $61; CONGRATS TO WINNER OF SCARF, RAE JEAN WALKER

BILL OVERTON'S VERY POPULAR MINI CULTURE CLASS WILL RETURN IN JULY.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR NOS 2017 SHOW SPONSORS:

Expanded e-version will have more information about our sponsors.

Jade Orchids of Collier, Inc.
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TASKS FOR MAY

From Florida Orchid Growing – Month by Month by Martin Motes, Ph.D.

- **Careful watering this month often means no watering at all. Arise early to enjoy the cool & water only when truly necessary.**
- **Space plants amply. Good air circulation is essential across the coming months.**
- **Re-pot Phals & re-set Vandas. Make sure that plants are firmly set in their new abodes.**
- **Begin or continue a disease prevention program with the prophylactic application of thiophanate methyl (Cleary's 3336) and Aliette or Banrot.**
- **Clean up growing area & plants. Remove dead leaves from plants & the ground. Pull weeks.**
- **Prune trees & shrubs to increase light & air circulation.**
- **Apply snail bait lightly early in the month & again lightly mid-month.**
- **Set air conditioning thermostat at 80 degrees & enjoy living in the tropics.**

Thank you to our May refreshment providers: Bill Overton, Diana Lee, Veronica Catrombon, Lanelle Bishop, Rae Jean Walker, Janet Cabana, Karen Davenport, John Thorne & Cheryle Daniel to our Raffle Table worker: Marilyn Moser; to our Plant Table workers: Karen Davenport & Sheila Demkovich. Please contact Mary Jo Shively @ maryjoshively@gmail.com if you would like to bring refreshments for our June or July monthly mtgs.

Please welcome our newest NOS members Arturas & Amy Ulozas.

Care and Condolence: A sympathy card was sent to NOS member David Junka for the loss of his brother.

June 10-11: Central Florida Orchid Society Show "Out of this World Orchids," National Guard Armory, 2809 S. Ferncreek Ave., Orlando, FL; Contact: Chad Brinkerhuff, 904-386-7743; chadbrinkerhuff@gmail.com.

NOTES FROM YOUR AOS REP. AND THE ORCHID DOCTOR

Bill Overton

Growing Orchids Is Never About Short Cuts

During my monthly Beginners classes I am always fielding questions involving the taking of short cuts. Do I really have to repot my orchids? Can I simply mist my orchids? And my personal favorite, can I use ice cubes to water my orchids? All three of these questions are all about taking short cuts when it comes to good orchid culture. If a grower utilizes any or all of these short cuts, good orchid health is NOT going to be the result!

When you water your orchids, WATER your orchids. Don't spray a little water on them. Spraying water on your orchids does have some beneficial aspects to it but it is no substitute for truly watering your plants. The water applied needs to completely soak the media, not just the leaves! If your doctor advises you to drink plenty of water each day, do you drink 8 glasses of water a day or do you mist your head once or twice a day from a spray bottle? Perhaps if I pour some water in my ears twice a day that will be enough water for me to grow and thrive? There is no substitute for drinking 8 glasses per day!! None!!!

When the orchid books and literature say to repot your orchid every two years, repot them every two years. Repotting every year is better for some orchids. But when you decide that you are NEVER going to repot your orchid that is not an acceptable short cut! When you gain in orchid experience, you might utilize different growing methods such as mounting your plant or putting them in baskets so you will not have to repot them so often. However, baskets and mounts are good ways to successfully raise orchids. Never repotting them is not.

Growing orchids requires some effort. Sometimes it might feel like a lot of work. But my response would be that it is so worthwhile! The rewards are tremendous! If you cannot make some small degree of commitment I suggest that you do not grow orchids! Buying orchids with little or no growing experience and banishing them to the trees is not a great idea to my way of thinking either. I feel that the plants are being punished for your lack of commitment. You want to have beautiful flowers that appear month after month but you are selfish. You want the beauty but somebody else to do the work. You think that Mother Nature will take care of them. For my money there is no greater reward then to see a plant that you have grown for a few months or years suddenly burst into bloom.

If you are going to have orchids, then GROW orchids!!! But what is the old adage," if you can't do the time, don't do the crime?" You can always save time and cut back your workload by buying some silk orchids from Michaels. They do not require any care at all! …….. *Bill*

Minutes of the NOS Monthly Meeting
May 4, 2017
Submitted by Cynthia Bock, Secretary

President Dick Pippen called the meeting to order at 7:38 pm and reviewed the emergency exits and procedures.
He thanked Mary Jo Shivley and all those who made and brought in the refreshments.
He announced that our June meeting will be on the first Thursday, June 1 instead of June 8. The speaker will be Nick Ewy from Naples Botanical Garden.
Membership chair Veronica announced that we got 208 Facebook likes and total membership of 210.
Nanett Boerner, Treasurer, reported that we have $10,260 in checking and $15,000 in money market and savings. We still have not received money from the Naples Botanical Garden for our show.
Lanelle Bishop reported that there are 22 riders on the bus and there is room for more for the May 20th Redlands Orchid Festival trip.
Mike Brewer, assistant manager at Orchard Hardware, spoke to the membership about their new store. He spoke about their nursery and their orchid supplies. Mike brought some plants for the raffle table and included some gift cards. A second store will be opened on Immokalee Rd. in July.
David Orr introduced our speaker, John Budree, speaking on Phalaenopsis.
Plant Table winners were announced and raffle winners were drawn.

<u>PHOTOS FROM REDLANDS ORCHID FESTIVAL, MAY 19, 2017 (more in e-version)</u>

Photos by Dick Pippen

PHOTOS FROM OUR MAY MONTHLY MEETING

Photos by Dick Pippen

AND THIS FROM NORM DOLDER:
Looking for someone to care for your orchids while you are away on vacation? Need help with repotting? This gal is available, reliable and knowledgeable: Gloria Restrepo can be reached at 239-293-8083.

And NOS member Wendy Mazuk is offering orchid care, repotting, watering, clean up, fertilizing & trimming. She can be reached at 561-309-1010 or wmazuk@gmail.com

An Orchid Vignette—Cattleya Heathii

I was recently gifted a delightful plant by a couple of very good friends and excellent orchid growers! I have not had it long enough to really know how well I will be able to grow it, but it is such a neat orchid that I just have-to tell you about it. It is *Cattleya* Heathii which is a primary hybrid between two most excellent species: *Cattleya loddigesii* and *Cattleya walkeriana*. But first, a few words about the parents.

Cattleya loddigesii (photo left) was named for a famous 19th Century British collector and nurseryman, George Loddiges. The species is a native of Brazil, but also grows in Argentina and Paraguay. It has been used as a parent in 439 crosses and has over 8,000 grandkids!!!! The species has also earned 147 AOS and international awards. That is understandable when you look at the beautiful flower.

Cattleya walkeriana (photo right) is an equally great species (that has always been one of my favorites). It was also named for an 19th Century British collector, E. Walker, and it is also a native of Brazil. It has been used as a parent in 374 crosses and has over 2000 grandkids!! It is of great significance as a parent in hybridizing because of its compact plant size, but large flowers. The species has earned 445 AOS and international awards! I really love the lip on this species which, unlike most Cattleyas is quite narrow instead of broad. It also has the most "heavenly" fragrance!!

And now to the main feature—*Cattleya* Heathii. This grex was created and registered in 1907 by a man named Heath. He also created and registered a second *Cattleya* Heathii (*Cattleya schroederae* X *Cattleya coccinea*) the same year, but that one is not as widely recognized. In addition to these two greges he registered 8 other hybrids and that, folks, is all I know about Mr. Heath! But, I want to thank him for his contribution. Now, most likely this cross has been made by others since then, but even so, the credit always goes back to the first person to do the registering with the Royal Horticultural Society. As you can see from the photo (right), *C*. Heathii flower is a nice combination of both parents, though the walkeriana lip does predominate—and it has a most delightful "walkeriana fragrance." The plant is a medium sized plant with each pseudobulb producing two leaves at the top, reaching a height of about 10 inches, but the plant is a "walker" and spreads out and about as you can see in the photo left. This grex has been used as a parent in 15 crosses and has earned nine AOS awards, one of which deserves special mention because it, an AM, was awarded to one our NOS members, David Junka, at our 2016 NOS Orchid Show (photo right above)!! Congratulations David!!

I am sure you will agree this is a "must have" for the orchid collector!! And you can see why I just had to tell you about it!

Contributed by Dick Pippen

MAY 2017 FIRST PLACE PLANT TABLE WINNERS

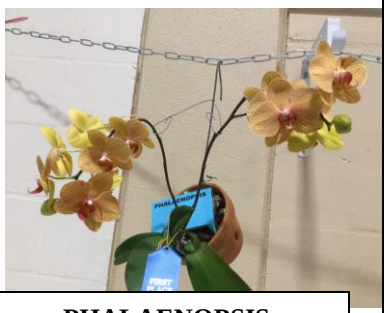
Photos by Marilyn Moser (with 68 plants brought in & 53 voting)

LARGE CATTLEYA
***C.* Korat Spots**

SMALL CATTLEYA
***Encyclia* Gail Nakagiki**

SMALL VANDA
***V.* Caroline Coffey**

DENDROBIUM
***Den.* Little Green Apples**



PHALAENOPSIS
***Dtps.* Little Gem Stripes x Ching Ann Kitty**

LARGE SPECIES
Den. cucullata

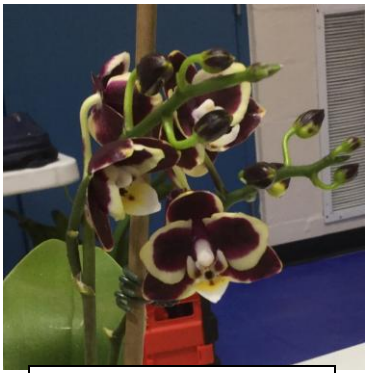
MEDIUM SPECIES
Onc. spacelatum

SMALL SPECIES
Bulb. falcatum
'Standing Tall'

ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE
***Odbrs.* Fangtastic Bob Henley**

SLIPPER ORCHIDS
***Paph.* Hsin;ying Alien**

OTHER TRIBES
Grammatophyllum
Jumbo Grand

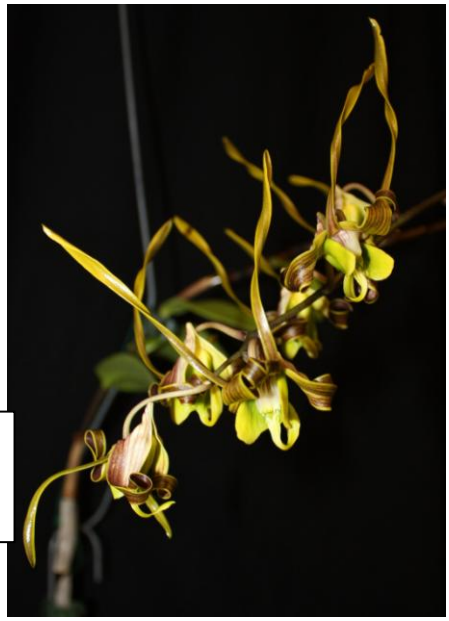


ORPHAN TABLE
Mini *Phal.*

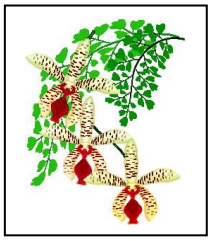
PLANT TABLE AWARDS MAY 2017

Photos by Jim Rawson

BEST SPECIES
Den. sutiknoi
Owner: Kit Kitchen-Maran



BEST HYBRID
***Vanda* Redland Black Magic 'Oxblood' AM/AOS**
Owner: Jim Longwell



Naples Orchid Society
Monthly Plant Table Results
May 4, 2017

Large Cattleyas
First Place: Cattleya Korat Spots
Owner: David Genovese
Second Place: Blc. Ports of Paradise 'Emerald Isle' FCC/AOS
Owner: Karen Davenport
Third Place: Blc. Goldenzelle 'Lemon Chiffon' AM/AOS
Owner: Jim Longwell

Small Cattleyas
First Place: Encyclia Gail Nakagiki
Owner: Jim Longwell
Second Place: Pot. Lisa Taylor Gallis 'Nora'
Owner: Erich Herath
Third Place: Jackfowlieara Apple Blossom 'Eunice'
Owner: Eunice Walker

Large Vandas
First Place: Vanda Redland Black Magic 'Oxblood' AM/AOS
Owner: Jim Longwell
Second Place: Vanda Adisak x V. Katsuelea
Owner: Karen Davenport
Third Place: Vanda Pure's Wax 'Blue'
Owner: Karen Davenport

Small Vandas
First Place: Vanda Caroline Coffey
Owner: Barbara Crist
Second Place: Vanda Yellow Butterfly 'Yellow Tutone'
Owner: Elaine Gates
Third Place: Vandochostylis Viboon Velvet
Owner: Kathryn Romine

Dendrobiums
First Place: Den. Little Green Apples
Owner: David Genovese

Phalaenopsis
First Place: Dtps. Little Gem Stripes x Ching Ann Kitty
Owner: Kathryn Romine

Large Species
First Place: Den. cucullata
Owner: Jim Longwell
Second Place: Cattleya aclandiae
Owner: Gayle Dorio

Medium Species
First Place: Onc. sphacelatum
Owner: Barbara Crist
Second Place: Phal. cornu-cervi
Owner: Elaine Gates
Third Place: Maxillaria tenuifolia
Owner: Alice Thorne

Small Species
First Place: Bulb. falcatum 'Standing Tall'
Owner: Kit Kitchen-Maran

Oncidium Alliance
First Place: Odbrs. Fangtastic Bob Henley
Owner: Kit Kitchen-Maran
Second Place: Wils. Bouley Bay x Wils. Liz Marple
Owner: Jim Longwell
Third Place: Onc. Wild Wille 'Wantia'
Owner: Kathryn Romine

Slipper Orchids
First Place: Paph. Hsinying Alien
Owner: Demetri Kitromilis

Other Tribes
First Place: Grammatophyllum Jumbo Grand
Owner: David Genovese
Second Place: Chiloschista Siaw Niang
Owner: Elaine Gates

Orphan Table
First Place: Mini Phalaenopsis
Owner: Mary Southall
Second Place: Catasetum
Owner: Mary Southall
Third Place: Orphan
Owner: Jane Peterson

Green Tag
Plant Name: Paph. Julius
Owner: David Genovese

Best Species
Plant Name: Den. sutiknoi
Owner: Kit Kitchen-Maran

Best Hybrid
Plant Name: Vanda Redland Black Magic 'Oxblood' AM/AOS
Owner: Jim Longwell

ABOUT OUR JUNE 1 MONTHLY MEETING SPEAKER, NICK EWY, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF HORTICULTURE AT NAPLES BOTANICAL GARDEN

Nick mounting orchids at NBG

MOUNTING ORCHIDS

With Nick Ewy

Ever since he was a boy growing up in Ann Arbor, Michigan, Nick Ewy has had an interest in rare and tropical plants. Throughout his childhood, Nick was an avid plant grower, collector, and gardener. Nick started working at a rare plant nursery in high school, and then went on to obtain a degree in botany and plant pathology from Michigan State University. When Nick moved to Florida, he was employed at the American Orchid Society Botanical Garden in Delray Beach and worked as lead horticulturist at the International Polo Club in Wellington. In July 2013, Nick joined Naples Botanical Garden as Associate Director of Horticulture. - See more at: https://www.naplesgarden.org/calendar/tour-behind-scenes-native-orchid-tour-nick-ewy-associate-director-horticulture/#sthash.TLW8P1Yw.dpuf

MORE PHOTOS FROM REDLANDS ORCHID FESTIVAL MAY 19, 2017

Photos by Dick Pippen

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