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Our September monthly meeting is Thursday,
September 7, 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
Roy Krueger
Sarasota, FL
"Orchids we all should grow."
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Bill's Mini Culture Class in September will be "The Orchid Doctor." 6 pm. All are welcome!

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.

Deadline for entries in the Newsletter are due the 15th of each month, 3PM.
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SEPTEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 5
MONTHLY MEETING
Dr. Karen Uthus, New World Orchids, Manchester, MI
"Neofinetias"

NEXT NOS BOD MTG.
Sept. 28, 2017
6:30 PM
NOS SHOW COMM. MTG. will follow after the BOD mtg.
All are welcome.

AOS JUDGING
WPB Judging Center next judging date is September 23,
Flamingo Gardens
3750 S. Flamingo Rd.
Davie, FL 33330
Info: www.wpbjudging.org

NAPLES YARD & GARDEN SHOW
October 21-22,
UF/IFAS Collier Ext.
14700 Immokalee Rd.
http://collier.ifas.ufl.edu

October 27-29: East Everglades Orchid Society Show & Sale, RF Orchids, 28100 SW 182 Ave., Homestead, FL.
valda.900@hotmail.com.

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

Greetings Orchid Lovers—At our August meeting Jim Roberts, Florida SunCoast Orchids talked about problems, pests and diseases of orchids and showed some very compelling photos—as a result, I think I found all of those problems in my orchids (just kidding, just kidding, I hope ☺). His presentation was, as usual, both informative and entertaining. It is always a delight to have Jim (and wife, Mary) visit us.

It was also very exciting to have our two Illinois College interns, Adam Herdman and Conner Melton present again and they brought along Dr. Ernesto Mujica and Dr. Elaine Gonzales, from Cuba. We supported not only the interns but also Drs. Mujica and Gonzales to continue their study of the Ghost Orchid in the Panther Preserve and Fakahatachee. So much rain this year made their work a little more challenging as did a 13 foot long alligator—ah the joys of working in the Everglades!! ☺

As you know the "Plant Table" is an important part of each of our monthly meetings. Plants are brought in by our members for display and friendly competition, and ribbons are awarded for best plants in each category as determined by the "popular" vote of those people attending the meeting. This is always so much fun to see what plants people are blooming each month—and we really have some beauties every month! However, as you know the green tags have to be cataloged and the votes tallied and the ribbons put on the winning plants. I don't know if you ever notice but this work is done by just a few dedicated people, coordinated by Lanelle Bishop and Sheila Demkovitch. Every month they "slave away" at the back-corner table, unable to enjoy the speaker. I have noticed that they have recruited a couple of volunteers recently to help them but it would really be nice if there would be others who would volunteer to help in this project each month. It would be nice for Lanelle and Sheila to "occasionally" sit in the audience and enjoy the speaker as the rest of us do. So, please, find some time to help out at the plant table. You can learn a lot there. AND—as you go by that table thank Lanelle and Sheila for their excellent work!!

I am looking forward to our September speaker, Roy Kreuger, a hobby grower from the Sarasota area. Jim Roberts says he has known him for a long time and that he is a very knowledgeable orchidist. Roy will tell us about some orchids that we can't "live without." Should be fun. Hope to see you all there. Until then—keep your orchids happy. ***Dick***

PS…I have just heard back from the administrators at Moorings Presbyterian Church that they have "fixed" the air conditioning in Baker Gym so we should no longer have to swelter. I keep my fingers crossed that it works. So, hopefully it will be cooler inside from now on.

AUGUST MONTLY MEETING ATTENDANCE: 79 RAFFLE PROCEEDS: $177

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Thank you to our August refreshment providers: Karen Davenport, Eunice Walker, Ralph Brand, Barbara Crist, Kris Morton, Rae Jean Walker, Carolyn Booker, Sheila Demkovich & Lanelle Bishop; to our Raffle Table worker: Sue Roehl; to our Plant Table workers: Sheila Demkovich, Lanelle Bishop & Roz Cassar. Please contact Mary Jo Shively @ maryjoshively@gmail.com if you would like to bring refreshments for our September or October monthly mtgs.

September 9-10: Florida West Coast Orchid Society Sale & Exhibition, 4951 78th Ave. N, Pinellas Park, FL; Contact: Stuart Fraser, 727-7420461; sfraser0326@aol.com.

September 16-17: Ridge Orchid Society Show "Orchid Jamboree," IFAS Stuart Center, 1702 US Highway 17-96 South, Bartow, FL; Contact: Glen Gary, 863-686-3590; glengary54@yahoo.com.

October 13-15: South Florida Orchid Society Show "Melody of Orchids," University of Miami, Watsco Center, 1245 Dauer Dr., Coral Gables, FL; Contact: Dan Christensen, 954-252-8116; damorchid@aol.com.

October 21-22: Naples Yard & Garden Show, UF/IFAS Collier Extension Office, 14700 Immokalee Rd., Contact: 239-252-4800 or http://collier.ifas.ufl.edu.

October 27-29: Delray Beach Orchid Society Show "Orchids on the Square," Old School Square Fieldhouse, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach, FL; Contact: Annette Jackson, 561-573-2422; aojax@comcast.net

October 27-29: East Everglades Orchid Society Show & Sale, RF Orchids, 28100 SW 182 Ave., Homestead, FL. Contact: Valerie Leonard, 305-903-0603, valda.900@hotmail.com.

Member Mark Hudak will be making up hand colored AOS Culture Sheet packets & will be offering them to NOS members on request. Contact him @ 239-682-4921 or mark.hudak@comcast.net if interested.

PHOTOS FROM OUR AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING

Photos by Dick Pippen and Jim Rawson

More photos will be found in the e-version of this Newsletter

Guest speaker Jim Roberts from FL SunCoast Orchids

Drs. Ernesto Mujica & Elaine Gonzales from Cuba

Mark Danaher, FL Panther National Wildlife Refuge

PHOTOS FROM OUR SEPTEMBER 2017 MONTHLY MEETING

Photos by Dick Pippen & Jim Rawson cont.
More photos in e-version of this Newsletter

Interns Adam Herdman & Connor Melton

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

TASKS FOR SEPTEMBER

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

- ***Space plants to permit more air circulation.***
- ***Trim trees to permit more light and lessen the wind load on them.***
- ***Clean up growing area removing any dead leaves or other organic matter.***
- ***Tidy up old pots or other objects on the ground.***
- ***Apply snail bait; lightly, frequently.***
- ***Spray quaternary ammonium chloride.***

Minutes of the NOS Monthly Meeting
August 3, 2017
Submitted by Veronica Catrombon, substituting for Cynthia Bock, Secretary
Attendance: 79

President Dick Pippen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and reviewed the emergency exits and emergency procedures. He thanked the refreshment organizer, Mary Jo Shively, and all those who contributed to the table this month.

Our meeting Guests were introduced: Dr. Ernesto Mujica; Dr. Elaine Gonzalez; Donna McGinnis, CEO Naples Botanical Garden; Adam Herman and Conner Melton, interns; Larry Richardson; Mark Danaher.

Beginning in January 2018, our plant table Phalaenopsis category will be split in to two categories—Large Phalaenopsis and Small Phalaenopsis, to better showcase these orchids.

There will not be a 2017 Fall Orchid Sale.

The program for our September 2017 meeting will be "Orchids We Should All Grow" presented by Roy Krueger of Sarasota, FL.

Veronica Catrombon, Membership Chair, announced that we now have 216 members, including two new members tonight, Tom and Christine O'Donnell.

Our Facebook page has 230 followers. Veronica reminded all that by Liking our Page and sharing an NOS Facebook post helps advertise our events and Society. Our newly designed website is live. New ways to help NOS through our website, Facebook, and Amazon Smile will be announced soon.

Nanett Boerner, Treasurer, reported on the financial status of the Society.

Kit Kitchen-Maran, Education Chair and Past President, explained the Donation Match Program for the 2018 Intern Program. Currently the total stands at $252.

Dr. Ernesto Mujica expressed his sincere thanks to the Society for continuing interest in native orchid research.

David Orr, Vice President, introduced Jim Roberts, of Florida SunCoast Orchids, who has been a vendor at NOS Annual Orchid Shows and presenter at NOS meetings for 18 years. His presentation, "What's Wrong with This Picture?" was taken from his vast experience with the 30,000 orchids he grows. His closing advice was "Observation is your best defense."

Plant Table winners were announced and awarded. Raffle tickets were drawn.

An Orchid Vignette—A Trumpet Trio

All I can think of when I see these flowers (besides how pretty they are) is trumpets!! Look at those lips!! Ah what sweet music they make! All three of these flowers are about four to five inches across and the trumpet-lip is about three inches long (yeah, I know the lip is really "lop-sided," but use your imagination). You would think that these would at least be in the same genus, but would you believe that each of them is in a different genus! What they do have in common is that all three share *Brassavola nodosa* somewhere in their ancestry.

Trumpet number one (photo 1) is *Potinara* Richard Young. This is a cross between *B. nodosa* and *Slc*. Naomi Kerns. It was created by Richard Young and registered by Richard Capen, of Norfolk, Virginia, in 1980. One HCC and two AMs have been awarded by AOS (all in the '90s). This plant has been a very "stubborn" one for me. I purchased it in 2009, in flower. If produced one flower in 2010, none in 2011 (after a repotting), but again in 2012 it produced one bloom. Maybe it will stay in the habit of blooming now. It is a very pretty flower.

Trumpet number two (2) is *Reccharia* Frances Fox. Its parents are *Blc*. Polka Dot and *Schomburgkia tibicinis*. A *Schomburgkia*, no less!! But where is the *B. nodosa* you say? Well, *Blc*. Polka Dot is a cross between *B. nodosa* and *Lc*. Autumn Yellow. The originator of this neat trumpet is unknown, but it was registered by Florida Native Orchids of St. Petersburg, Fl. in 1985. It has been used as a parent in six crosses, but alas has been overlooked for any AOS awards. I know that it at least blooms in the Spring. When I acquired the plant it had recently been planted in a basket in bark and I left it that way, growing it outside hanging from a tree. For some reason it was never happy that way, so I have brought it back in the pool cage and in a 6" pot with a bark mix. It is now flowering again for me.

Alas, as you might guess in these complex genera there have been name changes. *Potinara* Richard Young is now a *Brassocattleya* (because *Slc*. Naomi Kerns is now a *Cattleya*). And *Reccharia* Frances Fox is now a *Myrmecatavola* (Mcv.) (where do they get these names!!) because *Schomburgkia tibicinis* is now a *Myrmecophilia*. Oh well, they are still nice flowers!

An Orchid Vignette—A Trumpet Trio *continued*

Trumpet number three (3) is *Brassocattleya* Saint Andre, a cross between *Brassavola nodosa* and *Cattleya dowiana*. What a great cross! Combining the star-shaped flower of *B. nodosa* with the large *C. dowiana* lip that has striations radiating out from the center. This cross was originally made by Sanders at St. Albans, UK in 1923. It has been recreated at least once, but by whom we know not because the credit for the cross goes back to the first person to register it. The grex has won one AM/AOS for RF Orchids to the cultivar 'Crownfox'. It is not widely encountered, and I was lucky to get my plant David Scott's (a former NOS member) plant. *B. nodosa* dominates the character of the plant and flower, with narrow somewhat rounded leaves and the "typical" star-shaped flower. Unfortunately this plant was not happy with me and now it resides in "Orchid Heaven."

Both *Pot*. Richard Young and *Bc*. Saint Andre are relatively compact plants, the pseudobulbs and leaves together less than a foot tall. However, *Recc*. Frances Fox, with the *Schomburgkia* in the background, tends to be a little taller, with the flowering spike extending beyond the leaves. So if you want a little trumpet music in your orchid collection, give one or more of these a try. I think you will like them.

Contributed by Dick Pippen

Update on the 2018 $cholarship Fund Challenge

Contributions in July = $126 + $126 Match = $252
Contributions in August = $220 + $220 Match = $440
TOTAL so far = $692

You can contribute to NOS's most important education and research program and have your gift doubled! We are holding a Matching Contributions Challenge so that the critical 4th year of the Ghost Orchid research data will happen. For each donation you give to this restricted fund for 2018 scholarships, it will be matched, dollar for dollar, until the matching funds are gone. Think BIG! The Challenge will run through December, 2017. Please send your checks to NOS, P.O. Box 7998, Naples, FL 34101 and mark on the envelop and your check: for the 2018 Scholarship Fund. Or give your donation in a marked envelope to Nanett Boerner, treasurer or Dick Pippen, president. You can also donate by credit card on our website at www.naplesorchidsociety.org.

Bill Overton's "AOS Corner" articles will return in the October issue of the Newsletter

AUGUST 2017 FIRST PLACE PLANT TABLE WINNERS

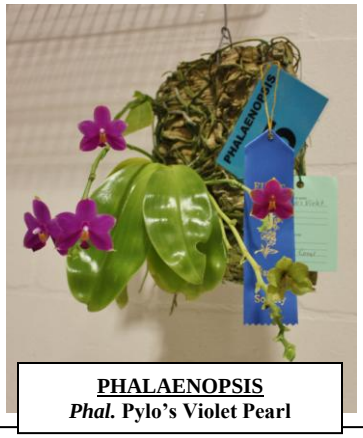
Photos by Jim Rawson (with 40 orchids entered & 29 voting)

LARGE CATTLEYAS
***Blc.* Ft. Watson 'Mendenhall'**

SMALL CATTLEYAS
***Lc.*Maui Plum**

LARGE VANDAS
***V.* Robert's Delight 'Rosa'**

DENDROBIUMS
***Den.* Hibiki 'Tiny Bubbles'**



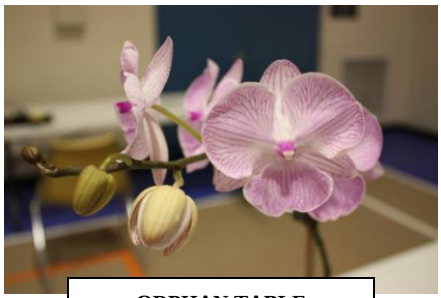
PHALAENOPSIS
***Phal.* Pylo's Violet Pearl**

LARGE SPECIES
Bulb. carunculatum 'M'

SMALL SPECIES
Comparettia macroplectron

ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE
Trichocentrum Ollie Palmer

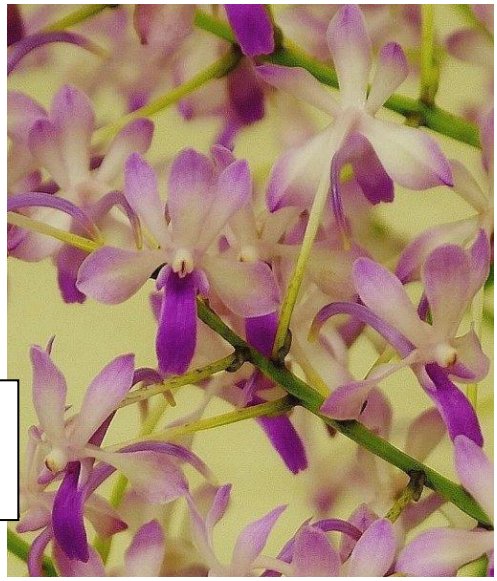
SLIPPER ORCHIDS
***Paph.* Makuli Curtisii Maudiae**



ORPHAN TABLE

PLANT TABLE AWARDS AUGUST 2017

Photos by Sue Roehl



<u>Best Hybrid Award</u>
Vanda **Lou Sneary**
Owner: David Genovese

<u>BEST SPECIES AWARD</u>
Grammatophyllum scriptum v. cintrinum
Owners: Tom & Christine O'Donnell

Naples Orchid Society
Monthly Plant Table Results
Aug 3, 2017

Large Cattleyas
First Place: Blc. Fort Watson 'Mendenhall'
Owner: Eunice Walker

Small Cattleyas
First Place: Lc. Maui Plum
Owner: Mark Hudak

Large Vandas
First Place: V. Robert's Delight 'Rosa'
Owner: Karen Davenport
Second Place: Vanda Adisak x V. Katsuelea
Owner: Karen Davenport

Small Vandas
First Place: Vanda Lou Sneary
Owner: David Genovese
Second Place: Vanda coelestris
Owner: Kris Morton
Third Place: Rhynchovanda Sri Siam x Rhynchovanda gigantea
Owner: Michael Cassar

Dendrobiums
First Place: Den. Hibiki 'Tiny Bubbles'
Owner: Lanelle Bishop

Phalaenopsis
First Place: Phal. Pylo's Violet Pearl
Owner: David Genovese

Large Species
First Place: Bulb. carunculatum 'M'
Owner: Barbara Crist

Medium Species
First Place: Grammatophyllum scriptum v. citrinum
Owner: Tom & Christine O'Donnell

Small Species
First Place: Comparettia macroplectron
Owner: Sheila Demkovich

Oncidium Alliance
First Place: Trichocentrum Ollie Palmer
Owner: Eunice Walker
Second Place: Brassidium Fangtastic Bob Henley 'HOF Octopus'
Owner: Mary Southall
Third Place: Onc. Wildcat 'Carmela'
Owner: Barbara Crist

Slipper Orchids
First Place: Paph. Makuli Curtisii Maudiae
Owner: Corrie VanCaulil

Other Tribes
First Place: Clowesetum Manny Tavarez
Owner: Kris Morton

Orphan Table
First Place: Phalaenopsis
Owner: RaeJean Walker

Green Tag
Plant Name: Cattleya South Esk 'Catherine'
Owner: David Genovese

Best Species
Plant Name: Grammatophyllum scriptum v. citrinum
Owner: Tom & Christine O'Donnell

Best Hybrid
Plant Name: Vanda Lou Sneary
Owner: David Genovese

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