Naples Orchid Society

NEWSLETTER

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.

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Come to the September Meeting Thursday September 4, 2014 At the Moorings Presbyterian Church

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Flower Registration 6:30 PM
Flower Judging 7:10 p.m.
Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Program 7:45 p.m.
Our program will be Alan Koch Gold Country Orchids Lincoln, CA Speaking on "Cattleyas, 365, 24/7"

And please join us for our Mini Culture Class starting at 6 PM. Orchid Doctor Bill Overton will be talking about mounting your orchids. All are welcome!

Deadline for entries in the Newsletter are due the 15th of each month, 3 pm.
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SEPTEMBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events

October 2, 2014
Jim Roberts
FL SunCoast Orchids
Myakka City, FL
"Orchid Hybridizing"

OPEN HOUSE
September 5-7, 2014
October speaker Jim Roberts, FL SunCoast Orchids, is having his 1st annual Open House & Greenhouse Sale
8211 Verna Bethany Road
Myakka City, FL
Flyer with directions & map will be attached to email version of September Newsletter.

NEXT NOS BOD & SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING
September 18, 2014
Moorings Presbyterian, 7 pm
Classroom B upstairs
All are welcome.

AOS JUDGING
WPB Judging Center next judging date is September 27,
Flamingo Gardens
3750 S. Flamingo Rd.
Davie, FL 33330
Info: www.wpbjudging.org

(See page 5 for more events)

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

Greetings Orchid Lovers—Shorter plants with more flowers—that is the "Modern Trend in Cattleyas" according to our August speaker, John Budree who also included some helpful hints about growing them. It was a good way to spend a "hot August night." When you look at the photos of our August Gold Ribbon winners toward the end of this Newsletter you will see a picture of *Vanda* Eduardo Marcellini, a magnificent plant grown by Elaine Gates. Elaine told me, before the meeting, that this was a "scrawny" little plant that she bought at one of our Fall Orchid Sales a few years ago—and look at it now! So, it's time to start thinking about our Fall Orchid Sale which is coming up on November 8th. Sheila Demkovich, our Orchid Sale Chairperson, told us at the August meeting that we are still accepting donations for our sale, so if you have some plants that need dividing and you would like to donate, bring them to the next meeting or call Sheila or Norm Dolder. And, you won't want to miss our September 4th meeting when Alan Koch, Gold Country Orchids, California, will be our featured speaker. Alan has been with us a couple of times before and we are excited to have him back again this year. He will talk about "Cattleyas 365 24/7." That should be a very interesting topic and I hope all of you can make it. Below is a brief biographical sketch of Alan.

Alan owns and operates Gold Country Orchids where he specializes in miniature and compact Cattleyas. Alan started growing orchids in 1969 with 3 Cymbidiums given to him by an aunt. While in college, he became interested in other orchids and discovered many would grow outdoors in Southern California. He has moved five times as his orchid obsession has led to the need for more growing space. With the last move, he purchased 10 acres of land in Lincoln, California for his 300,000 orchids. He is recognized as an expert in the Brazilian Cattleya alliance and a trend setter in miniature Cattleya breeding. Alan has been published in the Orchid Digest, and the American Orchid Society magazines. He has also been published in the proceedings of the World Orchid Conference. He is an internationally known speaker. He is a past member of the AOS Judging Committee, and the Research Committee, as well as an Accredited Judge and is Vice-chair and Training Coordinator for the California Sierra Nevada Judging Center. Alan also served two terms on the Orchid Digest Executive Committee and Board of Directors, and is one of the current directors, as well as a Trustee for the AOS. (*Borrowed from the Coalition of Orchid Species July 2014 Newsletter, from the website*.)

Until then—keep your orchids happy.

Dick

PHOTOS FROM OUR AUGUST 2014 MEETING

Photos by Dick Pippen & Marilyn Moser

AOS CORNER

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I encourage all of you to plan to attend the AOS Fall Members' Meeting Oct. 29 through Nov. 2 in conjunction with the 16th International Slipper Symposium. It will include special meetings and events for the International Phalaenopsis Alliance, the Pleurothallis Alliance and the Slipper Orchid Alliance. There will be 8 world famous speakers, vendors from around the world and excellent panel discussions. It will be held at the Sheraton Orlando North. Not only is it a great function for learning, it is also an excellent time to visit with old friends and to meet new orchid friends! You can register online at www.aos.org.

At our August meeting members brought in 19 plants for judging and so many were quite beautiful. 31 of you voted. Please remember to save those divisions for our November plant sale !

AUGUST ATTENDANCE: 79 ***RAFFLE PROCEEDS: $170***

Minutes of the NOS Monthly Meeting
August 7, 2014
Submitted by Cynthia Carlson, Secretary

President Dick Pippen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. He then reviewed the emergency exit procedures, thanked the refreshment coordinator and providers and read a thank you note from Ellen Radcliff, the intern working in the Fakahatchee from Illinois College.

Next month's speaker will be Allan Koch from Gold Country Orchids in California. He specializes in mini-cattleyas.

Membership Chair Nanette Boerner reported that we now have 208 members.

Treasurer Bill Overton reported that we have $8,774.08 in checking and $14,898.98 in investments.

Plant sale Chair Sheila Demkovich reported that the sale is on Nov. 8 from noon to 3pm. We need plant donations. If you have a plant to donate, please contact Sheila or bring the plant to the next meeting. Sheila circulated clipboards for volunteers to sign up.

Ralph Brand announced his annual sale is on August 16th at his home from 9am to noon.

Norm Dolder introduced the speaker, John Budree, Sunrise, FL, who spoke about "Growing Modern Cattleyas."

The Plant Table winners were announced.

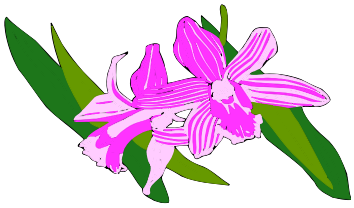
Raffles winner were announced.

Thank you to: **Raffle Table worker Sue Roehl & Laura Stacell; Plant Table workers: Dave Orr & Sheila Demkovich; Refreshment volunteers: Patrece Remmel, Michelle Suppes, Amanda Borro, Barbara Crist, Karen McLean & Marilyn Moser. Please contact Michelle Suppes at justsaynoalways@me.com if you wish to bring refreshments for our September or October monthly meetings. We need small water bottles too!**

Please welcome our new NOS members: Janice Lanfare, MaryJo Shively & Jim Rawson.

September 5-7: Jim Roberts, FL SunCoast Orchids Greenhouse Sale, 1st Annual Open House, 8211 Verna Bethany Rd., Myakka City, FL. ***See additional attachment with this Newsletter for their flyer & map with directions.***

September 19-21: Ridge Orchid Society Show, Lakeland, FL.
October 3-5: South Florida Orchid Society Show & Sale, Coral Gables, FL.
October 4-5: FL West Coast Orchid Society Show, St. Petersburg, FL.
October 11-12: Ft. Pierce Orchid Society Show & Sale, Ft. Pierce, FL.
October 24-26: Delray Beach Orchid Society Show, Delray Beach, FL.
October 24-26: East Everglades Orchid Society Orchid Show & Sale.
November 15-16: Deerfield Beach Orchid Society 3rd Annual Show & Sale, Pompano Beach, FL.



And our NOS annual orchid sale will be held on Saturday, November 8. We need donations from members to increase the number of orchids on our sales tables. We will be collecting your orchid donations at our September thru October monthly meetings. This is our only fund raiser for the year & helps us cover the benefits of belonging to the NOS including rent, raffle plants, speakers, storage unit, trailer, insurance, greenhouse expenses & end of year Christmas Party with orchids for members. Contact orchid sale chair Sheila Demkovich at sdemkovich@aol.com or 239-598-9647 for more information.

REPOTTING FOR OUR UPCOMING NOVEMBER ORCHID SALE

Photos by Dick Pippen

A few weeks ago some of our members assisted with repotting orchids at the NOS greenhouse. Looks like they all had a barrel of fun! Thank you to those members!!!

Orchid Vignette—The Magic Flute

I'm excited! One of the orchids that I acquired from the NOS April 2013"Potting Exercise" bloomed for me in December 2013 with three spikes, and very nice flowers! And it bloomed again in July 2014 with two, two-flowered, spikes!!

This is *Blc*. (*Brassolaeliocattleya*) Lawless Zauberflöte. What a weird name, you say—well, it means Magic Flute in German. This is a cross between *Blc*. Hawaiian Lightning X *Blc*. Chyong Guu Chaffinch. It was created by Gerrit Takasaki of Carmela Orchids, Hawaii and registered by Gerald M. Lawless of Hampton, Virginia in 2001. I am fascinated by the grex name Zauberflöte—Magic Flute. I tried to find out a little more about Gerald M. Lawless but I can find little except that he is apparently a long time orchid grower and founder of the International Oncidiinae Alliance. All-together, according to OrchidWiz, Mr. Lawless has registered 271 orchid greges including about 31 *Cattleya* alliance, 18 *Myrmecophilia*, 20 *Oncidium*, 177 *Paphiopedilum* and 19 *Phalaenopsis*. Lawless apparently is an opera fan and has named many of his greges using opera names such as: Lohengrin, Meistersinger, Rheingold, Tannhaüser (he is particularly fond of Wagner), and Mikado. In fact he has registered three different Lawless Zauberflöte—*Blc*., *Oncidium*, and *Paphiopedilum*—three Lohengrin, Meisersingers and Rheingolds, as well as a number of saints, other religious names, presidents, and family members. Apparently he has not bred any of these himself, but registered un-registered crosses that he has acquired from a variety of sources.

Blc. Zauberflöte has not earned any AOS or other awards but the plant I have has a clonal name of 'Apricot.' As the clonal name implies, the sepals and petals have a very lovely apricot color with a little fuchsia flare at the tips of the petals. The lip is fuchsia with gold "eyes" and "striations" in the throat. The plant is a medium sized Cattleya-type with pseudobulbs and their single leaves about a foot tall. The flowers are four + inches across. My plant is growing in a plastic pot in a mix of lava, charcoal, sponge rock and Hydroton in a west-facing pool cage.

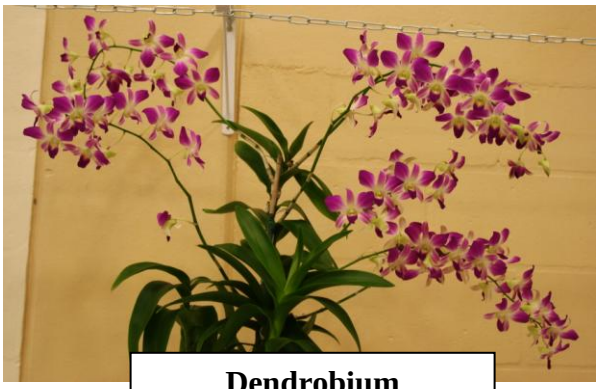
Zauberflöte is a nice blend of the two parents-- *Blc*. Chyong Guu Chaffinch (photo left) left and *Blc*. Hawaiian Lightning (photo right)—although Chyong Guu Chaffinch's colors do dominate. Chyong Guu Chaffinch has earned three AOS awards and four from the Brazil Orchid Association. In addition to Zauberflöte, Chyong Guu Chaffinch has been a parent in 39 other crosses. (The photographs of Chyong Guu Chaffinch and Hawaiian Lightning are courtesy of OrchidWiz.)--*Contributed by Dick Pippen*

AUGUST 2014 FIRST PLACE PLANT TABLE WINNERS

Photos by Marilyn Moser

Large Cattleya

Small Cattleya



Dendrobium

Large Species

Medium Species

Oncidium

PLANT TABLE AWARDS AUGUST 2014

Photos by Sue Roehl

SPECIAL HYBRID AWARD
***V.* Eduardo Marcellini**
Owner: Elaine Gates

SPECIAL SPECIES AWARD
Den. wasselli
Owner: Gayle Dorio

Plant Table Results
August 07, 2014

Large Cattleyas
First Place: Blc. Fort Watson 'Mendenhall'
Owner: Gayle Dorio
Second Place: Blc. Fort Watson 'Mendenhall'
Owner: Kris Morton
Third Place: Recchara Frances Fox
Owner: Kit Kitchen-Maran

Small Cattleyas
First Place: Encyclia Lorraine Smith
Owner: Eunice Walker

Large Vandas
First Place: V. Eduardo Marcellini
Owner: Elaine Gates

Dendrobiums
First Place: Den. Sonia
Owner: Eunice Walker

Phalaenopsis
First Place: Phal. Hsinying Shotgun x Ching Hau Fair
Owner: Lorraine Thomas

Large Species
First Place: Bulbophyllum basisetum
Owner: Barbara Crist

Medium Species
First Place: Gram. scriptum v. citrinum 'Hihimanu'
Owner: Mike Brewer

Small Species
First Place: Den. wasselli
Owner: Gayle Dorio

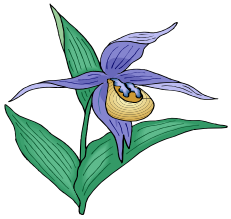
Oncidium Alliance
First Place: Bllra. Marfitch 'Howard's'
Owner: Barbara Crist

Special Species Award
Plant Name: Den. wasselli
Owner: Gayle Dorio

Special Hybrid Award
Plant Name: V. Eduardo Marcellini
Owner: Elaine Gates

Green Tag Winner:
Plant Name: Phalanopsis Sunny Surf
Winner: Mary Southall

SPECIAL NOTE TO PEOPLE ENTERING PLANTS FOR MONTHLY COMPETITION:
Please be very careful to enter your plant in the proper category AND to complete the green entry tags as accurately as possible, especially the Number assigned to your plant. This will assist the Plant Table People to accurately assign ribbons to the correct plant. Thanks.



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