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.

www.naplesorchidsociety.org

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Come to the next meeting Thursday,
September 3, 2015,
At the Moorings Presbyterian Church
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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 program will have Segundo & Yolanda Cuesta,
Quest Orchids
Miami, FL
www.questorchids.net
"Pollinating Orchids"
This will be a hands on lecture. See pg. 5 for more information
ALL ARE WELCOME!

The Mini Culture Class will have AOS Judge Bill Overton doing Orchid Doctor. Bring your questions (& a plant if you would like.)
The class starts at 6 PM.
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SEPTEMBER 2015 NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 1, 2015
NOS monthly meeting
Dan Cristensen
Dan & Margie Orchids,
Ft. Lauderdale, FL
damorchid@aol.com
(Postponed from our July meeting.)

NEXT NOS BOD MEETING & SHOW COMM. MTG.
September 24, 2015
Moorings Presbyterian,
6:30 pm
Classroom B upstairs
All are welcome.

AOS JUDGING
WPB Judging Center next judging date is September 26,
Flamingo Gardens
3750 S. Flamingo Rd.
Davie, FL 33330
Info: www.wpbjudging.org

Deadline for entries in the Newsletter are due the 15th of each month, 3 pm.
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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, DICK PIPPEN, RPIPPEN@COMCAST.NET

Greetings Orchid Lovers—Our orchids should be turned over to the worms—no, no, that is not what the featured speaker at our August meeting, Jerry Meola of Pelican Coast Farms said—he said that Worm Tea is one of the best things that you can do for your orchids!! The "extract" of earthworm excretion is not only a great fertilizer but an excellent natural insecticide. Jerry also had good "hints" about how to care for your orchids, as well as some very nice plants for sale. Sixty three people braved the heat (the air conditioner is still not working properly in the gym) for our meeting. Hopefully we will be back in air conditioned splendor by September.

In the "for what it's worth department" have you ever noticed how the older canes in many dendrobiums turn yellow? Well, apparently in a number of species this yellow color of the old dried canes can be intensified by heating and many of the "natives" in the Pacific Islands, including New Guinea strip these yellow canes and use them in making baskets, arm bands, wrapping arrows, and other decoratives. Just thought you'd like to know. ☺

Speaking of September, our featured speakers will be Yolanda and Segundo Questa of Quest Orchids, Miami. Segundo is a good speaker and they always have excellent orchids. Hope you can all make it. Until then—stay cool and enjoy your orchids. ***Dick***

AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING ATTENDANCE: 64 AUGUST RAFFLE PROCEEDS: $164

CARE AND CONDOLENCE: A SYMPATHY CARD WAS SENT TO NOS MEMBER BARBARA CRIST FOR THE LOSS OF HER HUSBAND KIRK. GET WELL CARDS WERE SENT TO HAROLD DAVISON, RICHARD MORGAN AND LOLA MONCSKO.

PHOTOS FROM OUR AUGUST 2015 MONTHLY MEETING

Photos by Dick Pippen

Speaker Jerry Meola, Pelican Coast Farm, Orchids Amore

PHOTOS FROM OUR AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING, CONT.

By Dick Pippen

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The August issue of Orchids magazine is loaded with great articles. This month's *Grower Profile* is about Orchids Limited in Minnesota. And I can say I have been there. Many years ago while visiting my brother, I made him take me there on our way to the Mall of America. I remember many neat Paphs & Phrags and thinking how difficult it must be to grow orchids in such a cold winter environment.

Continuing the articles on First Ladies having Cattleyas named for them by the Chadwicks, who are renowned for their beautiful Cats, this month's is Nancy Reagan.

There is also an extensive article on ways to clean clay pots. And another on the moderately rare species of Catasetum sanguineum written by Greg Allikas.

If you are a member of the American Orchid Society, you would be receiving this great magazine every month !

At our August meeting 31 plants were brought in for judging and 34 of you voted.

Minutes of the NOS Monthly Meeting
August 6, 2015
Submitted by Cynthia Carlson, Secretary

President Dick Pippen called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.
He reviewed the emergency exits and emergency procedures and announced and thanked the refreshment providers.
Dick welcomed the guests and new members. Laura Stacell filled in for Veronica at the new member table and provided name tags for all.
Board meeting and Show Committee meeting is at 7pm on Sept 24th in Classroom B in the main building.
Dick reported that we have 2 new members and several guests. Membership is 215.
Treasurer had no report.
Norm Dolder (subbing for Director David Orr) introduced our speaker, Jerry Meola, from Pelican Coast Farms.
Plant Table winners were announced and raffle winners were drawn.

We need volunteers to assist with the green tag plant registration, vote tallying and ribbon awards, along with assisting at the raffle table each month. This is a great way to learn more about orchids and support NOS and the members. Please see Sheila at the next meeting if you would like to help out.

Jade Orchids of Collier, Inc.
285 Morgan Road
Naples, FL 34114
Tuesday to Saturday **Owners:**
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM **Dave & Judy White**

Email: JadeOrchids@embarqmail.com
Offering 10% discount on plants for NOS members.

Thank you to: **Refreshment volunteers Ralph Brand, Carolyn Booker, Helena Kent, Joylette Davis, Sharron Abrams & Jan Cabana. Please contact Michelle Suppes at justsaynoalways@me.com if you wish to bring refreshments for our October-November monthly meetings.**
Raffle table workers: Sue Roehl and Marilyn Moser.
Plant table workers: Lanelle Bishop, Mike Brewer, and Rose Anthony.

Our monthly meeting September 3 will feature Segundo & Yolanda Cuesta, Quest Orchids, Miami Florida. They will discuss pollinating orchids. It will be a "hands on" lecture. Everyone will have a chance to pollinate an orchid. Bring a plant if you want to "self it" or bring two in the same genus if you would like to make a cross!

Oct. 3-4: FL West Coast Orchid Society Show, St. Petersberg, FL
Oct. 3-4: S. FL Orchid Society "Orchid Fiesta," Coral Gables, FL
Oct. 10-11: Ft. Pierce Orchid Society Show, Ft. Pierce, FL
Oct. 16-18: East Everglades Orchid Society Show & Sale, RF Orchids, Homestead, FL
Oct. 24-25: SW FL Yard & Garden Show, Collier Co. UFL Ext., Naples, FL
Oct. 30-Nov. 1: Delray Beach Orchid Society Show, Delray Beach, FL

Please welcome new NOS member Shahla Ardalan. And welcome back to Ruthann Marleaux.

AND NOS MEMBER KIT KITCHEN-MARAN RECEIVED THIS EMAIL & FORWARDED IT TO THE NOS BOARD

From: Lawrence W. Zettler <lwzettle@mail.ic.edu>
To: kachinusa <kachinusa@aol.com>
Sent: Thu, Jul 30, 2015 9:19 pm
Subject: Thanks for your support

Hi Kit. Ernesto was taken to Miami airport today, and Justin and Shannon are headed back to Illinois Sunday. This closes a wonderful chapter that would not have been possible without your support, and I just wanted to thank you and the other members of the Naples Orchid Society. FYI – the Naples newspaper story is now national via AP and gaining momentum. It's also on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oYy5_nRfb4k
I was unable to open the Naples Daily News story today, but I hope that they mentioned you and the Naples Orchid Society. Some of the news services did so, however, and this pleases me. Well deserved.
Dr. Kane, his PhD student, my former student, Ellen Radcliffe, and I are about to submit a manuscript to a major journal describing (in part) Ellen's NOS-sponsored research from last year. The Naples Orchid Society is aptly listed in the acknowledgments, and I'll keep you informed.
Shannon, Justin and Ernesto have collected some very significant data, and I expect that this will also culminate in another scientific manuscript to come.
Last but not least, Dr. Dennis Whigham at the Smithsonian may be contacting you soon regarding your involvement – past, present, and future – in S Florida with orchid conservation in mind. Just wanted to let you know in advance should this happen.
Thank you again,
Larry

Dr. Lawrence W. Zettler
Professor and Chair
Department of Biology
Illinois College

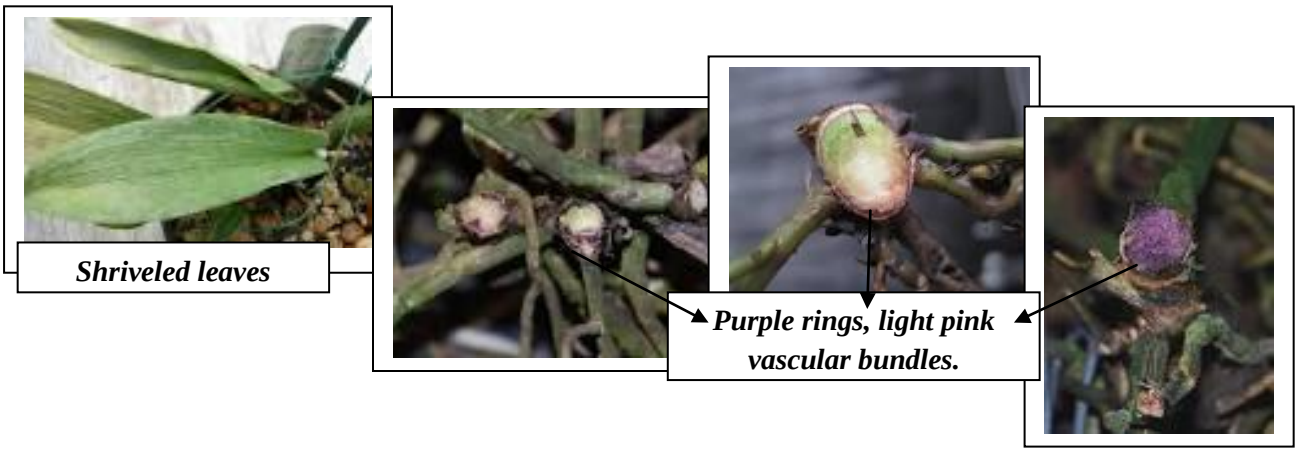
http://www.ic.edu/OrchidRecoveryZettler

TASKS FOR SEPTEMBER (*FROM MARTIN MOTES*)

- **Space plants to permit more air circulation.**
- **Trim trees to permit more light & lessen wind load on them.**
- **Clean up growing area removing any dead leaves or organic material.**
- **Apply snail bait lightly & frequently.**
- **Spray disinfectants (such as SA-20, Physan) on plants. Can be done on wet plants no more than every 7-10 days. (Some growers substitute pool algicide which contains the same active ingredient. Home Depot sells a brand called "Pool Time" which could be purchased legally to disinfect walks & pathways at rate of 1-2 tsp./gal. of water.**

OH NO!!! I HAVE THE DREADED PURPLE RING!!!!!!!

Fusarium wilt **can be a big problem in your orchid collection – especially during these wet days of summer. The disease/fungus may infect a plant through roots or by invading the plant through cut ends of rhizomes on plants recently divided. Spores may also spread by the splashing of rain or watering system. It is important to watch out for this & isolate a plant as soon as possible. Severely infected plants may die 3-9 weeks following infection. Generally, however, the plants live a year or longer in state of continuing decline. Watch for yellow, thin shriveled leaves & pseudobulbs that are somewhat twisted. Remove from pot to examine the roots & rhizomes for a circle or band of purple discoloration or light pink vascular bundles. Cut out ALL infected areas (with sterilized clippers or disposable razor blade) & dispose of in trash. Spray roots with a disinfectant such as SA-20/Physan & paste the cut area with cinnamon or some type of fungal paste. Be sure to sterilize pot & clippers thoroughly! Below are some photos (from *Orchid Board & SAOS)* that might help you ID this problem…**



FROM "A REVISED GLOSSARY FOR ORCHIDISTS' - *BY ELAINE CANTWELL*

Award quality: **The plant may receiven an FCC, AM, HCC, CBM or other honor. If not it might qualify for the PAA (Pest Appeal Award,) AWF (Absolutely Won't Flower,) DLC (Dropped-Leaves Certificate) or GC (Garbage Can.)**

An Orchid Vignette--A Double Dose of Joy

Cattleytonia Joy Bassin and *Ctna*. Hawaiian Joy are "mother and daughter." You can certainly see the resemblance in the vivid pink-rose-lavender flowers with "a touch of white toward the center. Cattleytonias are traditionally a combination of a species of *Broughtonia* (usually *Bro. sanguinea*) with a species of *Cattleya*, and both of these plants fit that description.

Cattleytonia Joy Bassin (photo 1) was created by R. Perrira of Perrira Orchids in Hawaii, and registered in 1980. Joy Bassin is a cross between *Bro. sanguinea* and *C. amethystoglossa.* Interestingly, the flowers of *Ctna*. Joy Bassin did not inherit either the large plant size or the spots so typical of the flowers of its *C. amethystoglossa* parent. Joy Bassin has received only one AOS award, an AM in 1981 and the cultivar was called 'Lea' (which is the one that I have). It has been used as a parent in five registered crosses, one of which is our other "featured plant," *Ctna*. Hawaiian Joy.

Ctna. Hawaiian Joy (photo 2) is a cross between *Ctna*. Joy Bassin and *Cattleya* Hawaiian Variable. It was created by R. Takafuji of the Orchid Center in Hawaii and registered by Alan Koch of Gold Country Orchids in California in 1983. *Ctna*. Hawaiian Joy is the recipient of one AOS award, a HCC back in 1987. Unfortunately the cultivar I have, named 'Hihimanu' has not received any awards. Maybe . . .

You may recall that *C*. Hawaiian Variable is one of the parents of *Ctna*. Maui Maid. It is very interesting to me how dominant the *Broughtonia* parent is in these crosses. *C*. Hawaiian Variable and *C. amethystoglossa* both have heavily spotted flowers, but none of the spots appear in either of these two Cattleytonias.

Both of my plants of these greges are still small divisions and I have them currently growing in a west-facing pool cage where they receive filtered sunlight, in four inch plastic pots in sphagnum. Once they are better established I will repot them in a lava rock, charcoal and Hydroton mixture.

These Cattleytonias are very rewarding plants because they are compact plants and bloom at least twice a year. The spikes are usually tall enough to extend well above the foliage so even though the flowers are small (about 2 – 2.5 inches across), they are easy to see. Usually several are borne on each spike and they last for a month or longer.

Contributed by Dick Pippen

AUGUST 2015 FIRST PLACE PLANT TABLE WINNERS

Photos by Marilyn Moser

Large Cattleya
Ctt. Isle of Skye 'Nereid'

Small Cattleya
***Enc.* Lorraine Smith**

Large Vanda
***V.* Robert's Delight**

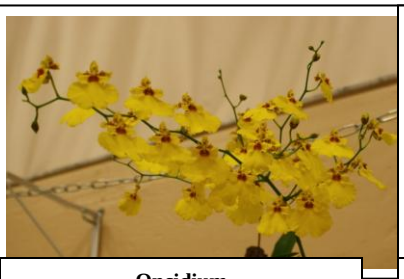
Dendrobium
***Den.* Habiki 'Pink Elephants'**

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

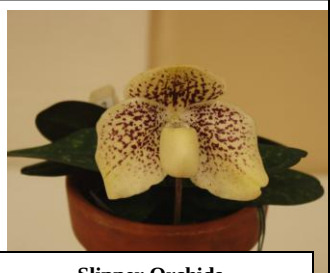
Large Species
Miltonia spectabilis v. moreliana

Medium Species
E. phoenicea

Small Species
Cirr. umbellatum

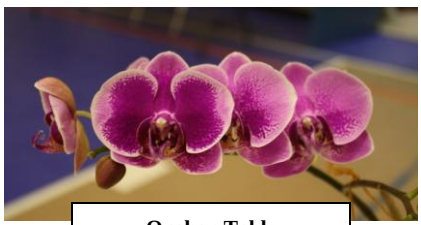


Oncidium
***Onc.* Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar'**



Slipper Orchids
***Paph.* Psyche 'Krull Smith'**

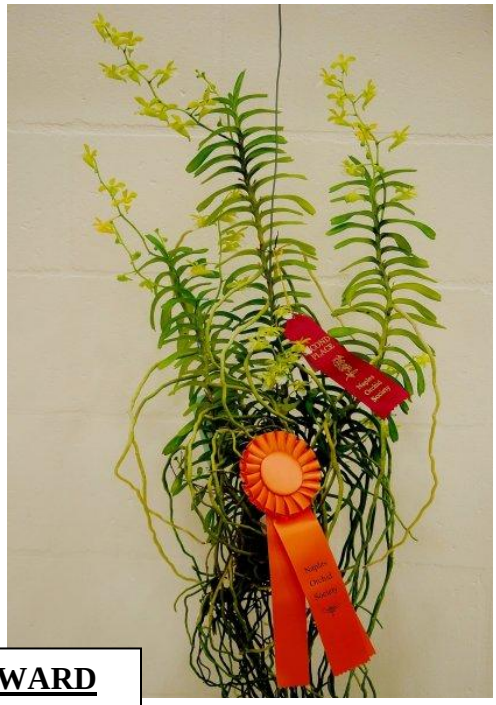
Other Tribes
***Clowesetum* Sandy Kasner**



Orphan Table

PLANT TABLE AWARDS AUGUST 2015

Photos by Sue Roehl



SPECIAL SPECIES AWARD
V. vietnamica
Owner: David Genovese

SPECIAL HYBRID AWARD
***V.* Lou Sneary**
Owner: David Genovese

Naples Orchid Society Monthly Plant Table Results—August 06, 2015

Large Cattleyas
First Place: Ctt. Isle of Skye 'Nereid'
Owner: Karen Davenport

Small Cattleyas
First Place: Enc. Lorraine Smith
Owner: Eunice Walker

Large Vandas
First Place: V. Robert's Delight
Owner: Karen Davenport
Second Place: Ascda. Ken Slump
Owner: Eunice Walker

Small Vandas
First Place: V. Lou Sneary
Owner: David Genovese
Second Place: Ascda. Tim Brooks
Owner: Eunice Walker

Dendrobiums
First Place: Den. Habiki 'Pink Elephants'
Owner: Mary Southall

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

Large Species
First Place: Miltonia spectabilis v. moreliana
Owner: Eunice Walker
Second Place: C. aclandiae
Owner: Gayle Dorio

Medium Species
First Place: E. phoenicea
Owner: David Genovese
Second Place: V. vietnamica
Owner: David Genovese

Small Species
First Place: Cirr. umbellatum
Owner: Barbara Crist

Oncidium Alliance
First Place: Onc. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar'
Owner: Eunice Walker

Slipper Orchids
First Place: Paph. Psyche 'Krull Smith'
Owner: Gayle Dorio

Other Tribes
First Place: Clowesetum Sandy Kasner
Owner: Eunice Walker

Orphan Table
First Place: Phalaenopsis
Owner: Rose Anthony

Special Species Award
Plant Name: V. vietnamica
Owner: David Genovese

Special Hybrid Award
Plant Name: V. Lou Sneary
Owner: David Genovese

Green Tag Winner:
Plant Name: Gram. scriptum v. citrinum
Winner: Rose Anthony

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.