NAPLES Orchid SOCIETY since 1962

APRIL 2022 NEWSLETTER

Cover Worthy!

Karen Davenport's *Cattlianthe* Fire Dance putting on a show!

NOS Events

Next Monthly Meeting
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Moorings Presbyterian Church, Baker Gym
Orchid Doctor starts at 6:30
Kit Kitchen-Maran
Collecting Species Ethically-Can I Bring Orchids Home From Another Country?
Plant Registration ENDS at 6:55 pm
Meeting begins at 7:30 pm
Speaker: **Phillip Hamilton, Bredren Orchids**
Pre-order Plants for a 10% discount and pick up at this meeting. See details on page 4 or the meeting blast already sent.

Refreshments: Water Provided
RAFFLE PLANTS for SALE

Next Board of Directors Meeting and Show Committee Meeting
Date: April 25 2022 6:30
See pg 3 for details
All Members are Welcome to Attend

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Submit articles for the Newsletter by the 15th of each month to: NOSNews@Naplesorchidsociety.org

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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.

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President's Letter

April 2022

Richard Davenport
President, Naples Orchid Society, Inc.
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First and most importantly, some of you may have heard our President Emeritus, Dr. Dick Pippen, was ill and in the hospital. We are pleased to report he is doing much better and has moved to a rehabilitation facility he says is "really luxurious". He hopes to come home and resume normal activities soon. We wish him well and a quick recovery. In the meantime, Dick's almost full time hobby, the NOS Orchid Culture classes at the Naples Botanical Gardens on Saturday mornings 09:30 to 12:30 are all being taught by longtime NOS members. We are pleased that the classes attracted an all-time high membership.

The annual Orchid Show at the Naples Botanical Garden was a great success! We had approximately 7,250 guests over the three days of the Show and Sale. The Show had more blooming orchid plants and cut orchid arrangements, displays, sponsors, raffle prizes, and AOS juried awards than ever. The event was profitable for the vendors, with all reporting excellent sales. The Show was also profitable for both NOS and our co-sponsor, the Naples Botanical Garden. We will report actual financial results to the membership as soon as the accounting is completed and reviewed. Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance members accepted the NOS invitation to join in our annual Show events and they contributed both orchid entries and many volunteer hours to help make the Show a success.

NOS members accepted the reciprocal GCOA invitation for NOS members to participate in the annual GCOA orchid show at the North Naples Regional Park. Their Show is in process as I write this update for our monthly online newsletter. The orchids look (and smell) great! It's fun to work together with our neighbors who also love orchids and learn different approaches to common opportunities and concerns plus tips and tricks for better orchid culture.

"Looking forward by looking back." That is not a typo, but a summary of what your Show Committee, led by Chair Jim Rawson, hoped to accomplish by meeting with the NBG officers liaising with your Show Committee earlier this week. We reviewed the Show foot traffic, parking, preliminary financial measures, ways we can improve certain aspects of the show (such as even better signage, lighting, vendor mix, parking, etc.) and ways we may further our partnership, such as extending the term of the show agreement and working together on orchid conservation, restoration, and education.

Most importantly, a heartfelt "Thank You!" to all who volunteered their time and talents planning, organizing, setting up, feeding (one of my favorites…), hosting, answering questions, giving culture advice, taking down, folding, storing, teaching. running errands, seeking sponsors, designing and creating raffle baskets, data entry, raffle barkering (is that even a word?), resolving issues - the thousand things you all did, seen and unseen, to make the Show the success it was. And NOS your place for all things Orchid!

Watch out for lubber grasshoppers and thrips and enjoy Spring in Southwest Florida.
Happy Orchiding!

Richard Davenport
President

Monthly Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2022

Respectfully submitted by Lanelle Bishop, 2nd Vice President

Orchid Doctor was Joylett Davis at 6:30. Thank you Joylett.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

President Richard Davenport reviewed the emergency exits and welcomed all the new members and guests.

The Show reports ensued:
David Orr reported results of the Raffle. 8000 tickets were sold. After expenses $ 2800 profit. Our CD's total $34,741.22, and our Regions Account has $ 21,000 currently.

Joan Planta, Membership Chair, reported 25 new members from the show. Our Membership was 110 and now 167 with renewals and new members.

Kris Morton reported she is passing on Volunteer Chair to Stu Rubin. We are Volunteering at the Gardens for the Naples Garden Show upcoming.

Jim Rawson, Show Chair, reported from NBG record breaking crowds for 3 days of the show. 7,250 entered the Gardens and 4900 entered our exhibits. The Vendors were expressing good Profits. Jim proceeded to thank each person that helped make the show a Success.

Elaine Gates spoke about the GCOA upcoming show March 25-27 at N.Collier Park. Volunteers recruited and Galaxy of Orchids Rack Cards were passed. She expressed the gratitude of NOS and GCOA coming together to express the joy of Growing and displaying their Orchids together for Both Shows.

Speaker Mac Rivenbark and Helen(wife) presented a great lecture of all the orchids they sold us during the show and repeated how to care and grow them. Raffle plants and Green Tag plant was donated and many plants were for sale.

Plant awards were announced by Dr. Pippen. The Green Plant raffle was won by Charles Ferber. The raffle was held.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12.

In-Person Board of Directors Meeting for APRIL 2022

Thursday April 25 2022
Time: 6:30 pm

All are welcome!

If you are interested in attending this meeting, please email Lanelle Bishop
lbishop52@gmail.com

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***Program:* Phillip Hamilton, Bredren Orchids**

"All About Broughtonias"

Our April speaker will be Phillip Hamilton from Bredren Orchids. Phillip's topic will be "All about Broughtonias." Here's an opportunity to pre-order, enjoy a 10% discount, and pick up your purchases at our meeting in April.

Instructions for ordering online:
- Go to website: www.bredrenorchids.com
- Select items to purchase and proceed to Check out page
- In "Order Options" (step #2 in checkout) select "Pickup"
- Then select "Naples Orchid Society Meeting...."
- In step 3 enter the discount code, and payment info. Discount code is **NAPLES2022**
- Complete remaining checkout steps
- Pick up order at meeting.

Cut off time for pre-orders is 11:59PM on Tuesday, April 5, 2022.

For questions, please contact Jim Rawson, jenoswar@aol.com

Plants for Sale

RAFFLE

March 2022 MONTHLY MEETING

Attendees: 80

Plant Raffle: $289 + Orchid Book: $15 + Hat Sales:$30 = $334.00

Care and Condolence

Cards were sent to NOS Members Don Payne and Dick Pippen

Many Thanks

to our Plant Table Volunteers Susan Roehl and Karen Davenport,
Raffle Table Volunteer Rae Jean Walker and Welcome Table Greeter Joan Planta

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR REPORT

Submitted by Joan Planta, Membership Chair

2022 Members: 183

You may pay by **check** mailed to Naples Orchid Society, PO Box 7998, Naples, FL 34101,
or by **credit card** at https://naplesorchidsociety.org/join-us/
NEW RATES for 2022: Single membership $40, Family membership $50
Add $10.00 for a magnetic engraved nametag
Question about Membership?
Email **Membership@Naplesorchidsociety.org**

NOS Plant competition Rules and Instructions

Plant Competition at Monthly Meeting

1) All plants must be registered and in place by 6:55 p.m. Voting will begin at 7:00 p.m.
2) You must take a number to register plants to avoid congestion at the plant registration table.
3) The corrected Monthly Plant Table Rules form on the website has been updated to reflect the time changes.
4) There is a white entry tag with no hole printed to be used for plant registration. The Green Tag will still be placed on the plant.

These instructions have been updated on the NOS website Monthly Plant Table Rules form.
See the Rules Document on our website here: https://naplesorchidsociety.org/monthly-meetings/

Do You *Smile* When You Order From Amazon?

If you order from Amazon, did you know that you could also support Naples Orchid Society with your purchase at no cost to you? Go to **smile.amazon.com,** it's the same company, same prices, same account and same everything, except Amazon will let you name a non-profit organization and donate 0.5% to it. NOS has already been registered and linked, but you will need to go to this website and name us as the organization you have chosen for the donation to go to. Remember to go to smile.amazon.com to order using your same account login and password for your Amazon account. Bookmark it so you will have a reminder. And **THANKS** for supporting your Society!

$14.29

For the period October 1 – December 31, 2021

Upcoming Events

April 16-17, 2022: Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society Show, Flamingo Gardens, 3750 S. Flamingo Road, Davie, FL Contact: Antonio Torres, 954-913-1628; ajtorresp@gmail.com

April 23-24, 2022: Vero Beach Orchid Society Annual Show "Orchid Rainbow," Riverside Park, 3001 Park Drive, Vero Beach, FL Contact: Carolyn Greene, 321-506-3909; vbosnewsletter@hotmail.com

April 29-May 1, 2022: Platinum Coast Orchid Society Show "A Rainbow of Orchids," Kiwanis Island Park Gymnasium, 951 Kiwanis Island Park Road, Merritt Island, FL Contact: Laura Blackmon, 321-745-9046; leblackmon@bledsoe.net

May 13-15, 2022: Tamiami International Orchid Festival 2022 https://tamiamiorchidfestival.com/tiof/public/about

IX INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ORCHID CONSERVATION "SOROA 2022"

NEW DATES

The Soroa Botanical & Orchid Garden & the University of Artemisa IX International Conference on Orchid conservation "Soroa-2022," has been postponed from February 2022 to NOVEMBER 2022 with exact dates to be determined soon.

This second postponement has become necessary due to damage caused by a recent tropical weather system as well as the COVID-19 pandemic situation in Cuba. Vaccinations are underway in Cuba but February will be too soon to safely hold the Conference.

For Sale by Member

4 gallon, pump sprayer that attaches to your back or can be mounted on a small table/stand on wheels. Brand is Husqvarna. Very handy item. Paid $90, will sell for $50.
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757-620-5635.

YOUR AOS REP
Marilyn Moser
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AOS WEBINARS – COMING ATTRACTIONS

(registration required: www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx - webinars are available to view at your leisure from the same page if you are not available at that time.)

When: April 19, 2022, 8:30 pm EST, Tuesday. Topic: "More on Modern LED Lighting." Answering Your Questions. Presenter: Kelly McCracken, Owner High Desert Orchids, Miniature Orchid Specialist.

When: April 27, 2022, 8:30 pm Wednesday. Topic: Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) – send in your questions. Presenter: Ron McHatton, Chief Education and Science Officer.

Recorded Webinars at your convenience:

Culture, Judging, Pests & Diseases, Greenhouse Chats indexed by topic. AOS Members, Judges, Concerned Conservationists, Scientists & more.

Webinar announcements pre-posted to Facebook, Instagram and in the AOS Corner of your affiliated society's newsletter. Send your Greenhouse Chat questions and photos to: greenhousechat@aos.org.

West Palm Beach Judging Center News

https://www.wpbjc.org/what-s-happening

In-Person Judging continues.
The location will be in the Flamingo Gallery.
No food or drink will be provided
(though you are welcome to bring or buy your own)
Guests/Exhibitors will not be allowed to sit at the judging tables.
Judging tables will be spaced accordingly.
If you are bringing plants for judging and wish to
complete entry paperwork ahead of time.
If you plan to attend judging and need more information,
please contact either
Jackie Wood *(bocaorchidlady@aol.com)* or
Sandi Block-Brezner *(sblockfl@bellsouth.net)*

WPBJC Monthly Education Sessions
Education Topics 2022
If you are interested in attending any upcoming education sessions, contact
Jackie Wood WPBJC Chair
bocaorchidlady@aol.com
for topics and additional information.

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FROM AOS "GROWING ORCHIDS' MONTH-BY-MONTH CHECKLIST

By Robert M. Scully Jr.

- *Cattleya aclandiae & Cattleya forbesi* produce flowers in the first half of the month that usually last for weeks. *Cattleya mossiae &* it's hybrids, well-known for their spectacular, long-lasting heads of 6", fragrant blossoms, flower later, sometimes in May. These make excellent cut flowers.
- Begin repotting this month by shifting & dividing (if necessary) those cattleyas that flowered earlier this year & are beginning to produce new growth. Repot only when the new growth is emerging to take advantage of the plant's tendency to make new roots when it is forming new pseudobulbs. Fertilize twice a month, with longer days & warmer temperatures, the plants can use more food.
- *Encyclia cordigera (syn. Epidendrum atropurpureum)* should be blooming profusely. The spicy fragrance will last for several weeks. *Encyclia cordigera* makes an excellent specimen. Consider shifting this epiphyte to a log cabin-style wood basket when flowering is completed.
- Inspect the flower stems of *Phalaenopsis* for scale. Look for signs of a honey-like substance at the nodes & also on the back sides of the flowers; these are favorite haunts for armored & soft scale. If these pests are present, you may spot-treat with an alcohol swab or wipe on a light application of an insecticidal soap; again, it is not advisable to spray when the flowers are open or damage may result. Check the undersides of the leaves for scale or developing mite infestations near the mid-vein. The scale may be treated as suggested above. For mites, however, application of a carefully directed miticide spray may be necessary to halt the increasing population.
- Maintain a monthly fertilizer schedule for flowering plants. Fertilize more often as new leaves emerge.

TASKS FOR APRIL

From Florida Orchid Growing Month by Month by Martin Motes, PhD

- Full speed ahead with re-potting.
- Water heavily and well.
- Don't forget to fertilize.
- Spray for mites and *Thrips.*

Naturalize excess divisions in the garden.

FROM MARTIN MOTES March 2022 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Progress of the Season

After a very wet start, February came to a very dry finish. The wet start exposed our plants to disease pressure when they were most vulnerable with short days and lower temperatures. The dry weather that followed has provided some relief but problems can persist. Keen observation and careful watering will be especially important this spring to insure that any lingering disease is extirpated before the onset of the rainy season in May. Ensuring that our plants have the highest light that they will tolerate and the greatest air circulation possible will be more important than is usual in the dry season. One effect of climate change may well be an earlier start to a longer rainy season. We must err on the dry side in watering because it is always possible to add water but more difficult to take excess water away.Our vandas are loving the wide swings of day to night temperatures and are rooting up a storm. Be sure to feed them by substituting fertilizer for water at every fifth or sixth watering. New research beyond the Michigan State study indicates that fertilizer with a ratio of 3-1-3 is best for most orchids. Happily, Peter's XCell, which is widely available, fits this formula and has the extra calcium and magnesium our orchids require.

With winter almost officially over for us in S. Florida, an early start can be made on top cutting terete vandas and reed stem epidendrums. It's not too early this year to remove offshoots from strap leaf vandas. Just be sure they get plenty of water.

Catasetums are breaking growth early this year and will require water and fertilizer starting in a few weeks when their roots have developed sufficiently. The same is true of dormant dendrobiums where care should be taken to avoid prolonged moisture on their emerging new growths.

Some of the most pleasant weather of the year is in the offing. A great time to be with our plants.

Sign up for Martin Motes Newsletter here:
https://www.motesorchids.com/

2022 Orchid Culture Pogram in Full Swing!

https://naplesorchidsociety.org/culture-class/

The 2022 Orchid Culture Program is held in the **Buehler Auditorium** at the Naples Botanical Garden, 4820 Bayshore Drive, Naples, Florida, for **six consecutive Saturdays**. A Handbook with over 100 pages containing Culture sheets and other valuable information plus a guidebook is provided for each registrant, as well as some blooming size orchid plants.

Information on our 2023 Orchid Culture Program will be posted on our website later in this year.

Photos by Mary Lane

Thank you for attending our 2022 Orchid Show!

Hope to see you next year at our 49th Annual Orchid Show at Naples Botanical Garden.

Save the Dates!

NAPLES Orchid SOCIETY since 1962

Orchid Show and Sale

Friday, February 24, 2023 – 9:00AM – 5:00PM
Saturday, February 25, 2023 - 9:00AM – 5:00PM
Sunday, February 26, 2023 - 9:00AM – 5:00PM
Naples Botanical Garden
4820 Bayshore Dr Naples, FL 34112

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

To All OUR Bakers! We Called and You Answered!!! The Cookies, Brownies, Donuts, Vienna Bars, Magic Bars, Blueberry Crumb Cake, Cherry Sour Cream Coffee Cake, Cranberry Orange Bread, Banana Bars, Mini Red Velvet muffins, Breakfast Casseroles,Chocolate Chip Bread, Homemade Gluten Free Cookies, Deviled Eggs, and Cornbread with Honey and Jam. Did We miss anything? Did we gain any weight?

Carolyn Booker and Lanelle Bishop thank you for keeping all of us nourished for 5 full days!

See more 2022 NOS Orchid Show photos here:
https://naplesorchidsociety.org/annual-orchid-shows/

EDUCATION UPDATE

Kit Kitchen-Maran
Education Chair and Life Member

Happy Hundredth (and first) Year American Orchid Society!!!

And by the way, our Naples Orchid Society is **sixty** this year. It was founded in 1962, while AOS was founded in 1921. Due to covid19, however, AOS has had to delay its celebration until April 6-9, this year. On Saturday, the program includes speaker sessions. Roger Hammer, Ph.D., will be presenting the Native and Naturalized Orchids of Florida, Larry Zettler, Ph.D., will be discussing Orchids on the Edge: Conservation in a Changing World and Dennis Whigham, Ph.D., Director of the North American Orchid Conservation Center, will talk about Ecological Principles and Orchid Conservation—The NAOCC model.

Dr. Zettler has asked for photos of some of the NOS interns and a run-down of the eleven years of our NOS intern program. He plans on speaking about the research carried on by the interns in the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge which NOS has helped fund.

Dr. Whigham will talk about the Center, which is part of the Smithsonian Institution. NOS is an affiliate with this organization that offers a wonderful amount of information on most North American orchids. If you aren't familiar with NAOCC, check out its website at https://northamericanorchidcenter.org. While you are at that site, check out **Go Orchids** and see over 200 orchids found in North America, along with a lot of information about them.

NOS is also affiliated with the American Orchid Society at AOS.org. Here, you can find culture sheets and much, much more. If you join, you receive many benefits, including a beautiful monthly magazine with lots of information, and webinars about many topics.

Happy orchiding!

Kit

R-L: Sheila Demkovich, Shan Wong and Carolyn Booker

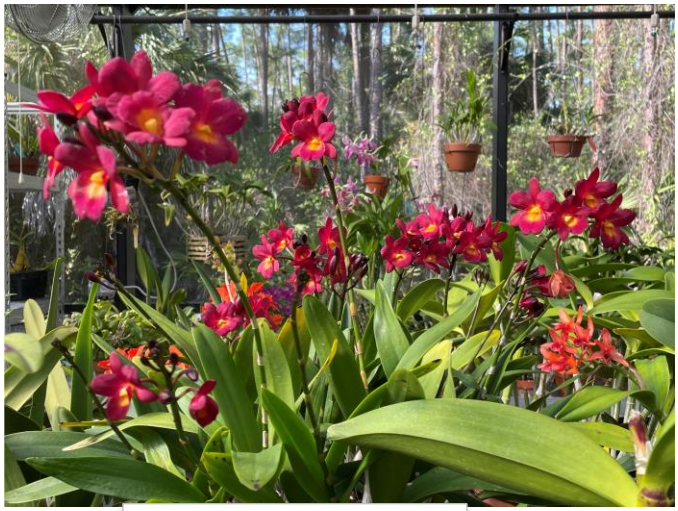
Shan was an NOS Intern in 2015. Her internship was funded by Sheila and Carolyn. Shan is now in a Ph.D. program, one of about a half dozen of our interns who have gone on to study orchids at that level!

Orchid Doctor for March 2022

"As Me Anything About My Orchids" was Joylett Davis' theme for Orchid Doctor this month.

What's Blooming in My Collection?

Den secundum
Karen Davenport



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Karen Davenport

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Karen Davenport

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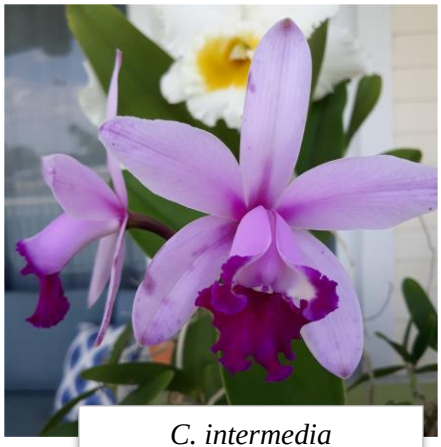
Karen Davenport

Blc. Burdekin Wonder
'Lake Land' AM/AOS



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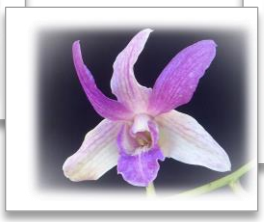
Veronica Catrombon

Naples Orchid Society
Monthly Plant Table Results

March 3, 2022

Submitted by Dick Pippen



Large Cattleyas
First Place: *Rl* Aristocrat
Owner: Ann Marie Fox
Second Place: *Ctt* Busy Bev
Owner: Mary Lane
Third Place: *Blc* Oprah Winfrey
Owner: Patricia Shapiro

Small Cattleyas
First Place: *Lc* Gold Digger 'Orglades Mandarin'
Owner: Karen Davenport
Second Place: *Rth* East Texas Sunset 'Bountiful'
Owner: Ann Marie Fox
Third Place: *Cattlianthe* Fire Dance
Owner: Karen Davenport

Large Vandas
First Place: *V* Pimsai x V Jin Dewat
Owner: Karen Davenport
Second Place: *Renantanda* Kirk Hoo
Owner: Karen Davenport
Third Place: *V* Nancy Brown x V Dr. Anek
Owner: Karen Davenport

Small Vandas
First Place: *Ren* Scarlet Yuka 'Karen's Delight' AM/AOS
Owner: Karen Davenport
Second Place: *V* Loke
Owner: Karen Davenport
Third Place: *V* Motes Adorbs
Owner: Steven Burdette

Dendrobiums
First Place: *Den* Goden Aya
Owner: Eunice Walker
Second Place: *Den* Lucky Bird
Owner: Chuck Ferber
Third Place: *Den* Lucky Bird
Owner: Karen Davenport

Small Phalaenopsis
First Place: *Phal* Timothy Christopher
Owner: Mary Lane

Large Species
First Place: *C amethystoglossa*
Owner: Karen Devenport
Second Place: *C skinneri* var *coerulea* 'Cornado Ortego'
Owner: Karen Davenport
Third Place: *Psh cochleata*
Owner: Stu Rubin

Medium Species
First Place: *Epi stamfordianum*
Owner: Karen Davenport
Second Place: *Den x delicatum* 'Junka Bear'
Owner: Eunice Walker

Small Species
First Place: *Den speciosum*
Owner: Rae Jean Walker
Second Place: *Den faciferum*
Owner: Marilyn Moser

Oncidium Alliance
First Place: *Psychopsis mariposa* 'Green Valley'
Owner Mary Southall
Second Place: *Onc* Lemon Chocolate 'Denis Junka'
Owner: Joylett Davis

Slipper Orchids
First Place: *Paph* Rosy Dawn
Owner: Lisa & Richard

Other Tribes
First Place: *Grastophaius* Micro Burst 'Orchtoberfest'
Owner: Mary Lane
Second Place: *Cymbidium* Gero's Gem 'Emerald Fire'
Owner: Seven Burdette

Best Species Award
Plant Name: *Den* speciosum
Owner: Rae Jean Walker

Best Hybrid Award
Plant Name: *Cymbidium* Gero's Gem 'Emerald Fire'
Owner: Steven Burdette

Green Tag Winner:
Plant Name: *Den* Lorrie Mortimer
Winner: Chuck Ferber

Gold Ribbon Winners March 3, 2022

Photos this page by Susan Roehl, NOS Webmaster

Best Hybrid Award
Plant Name: *Cymbidium* Gero's Gem 'Emerald Fire'
Owner: Steven Burdette

Best Species Award
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Owner: Rae Jean Walker

First Place Winners March 3, 2022

Plants Entered: 56 Members Voted: 33
Photos this section Marilyn Moser

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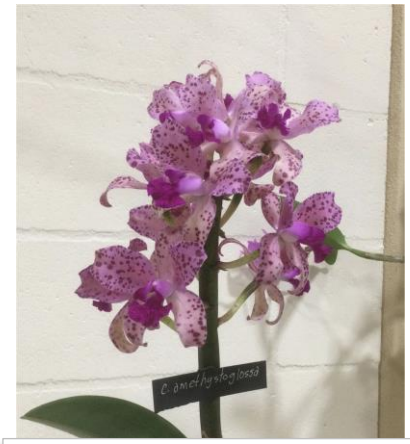
SMALL VANDA
Ren Scarlet Yuka 'Karen's Delight' AM/AOS
Owner: Karen Davenport

PHOTO MISSING and REQUESTED

SMALL PHALAENOPSIS
Phal Timothy Christopher
Owner: Mary Lane

DENDROBIUM
Den Goden Aya
Owner: Eunice Walker



LARGE SPECIES
C amethystoglossa
Owner: Karen Devenport

MEDIUM SPECIES
Epi stamfordianum
Owner: Karen Davenport

ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE
Psychopsis mariposa 'Green Valley'
Owner Mary Southall

SMALL SPECIES
Den speciosum
Owner: Rae Jean Walker

SLIPPER ORCHIDS
First Place: *Paph* Rosy Dawn
Owner: Lisa & Richard

OTHER TRIBES
Grastophaius Micro Burst 'Orchtoberfest'
Owner: Mary Lane