NAPLES Orchid SOCIETY since 1962

JULY 2022 NEWSLETTER

Cover Worthy!

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Orchid

Dr. Larry Zettler, our speaker this month, has a royal tale to tell, which includes an orchid fit for a Queen!

See more information on page 11, and come to our July meeting to visit with Dr. Zettler.

NOS Events

Next Monthly Meeting
Thursday July 7, 2022
Moorings Presbyterian Church, Baker Gym
Orchid Doctor starts at 6:30
Steve Burdette
Plant Registration ENDS at 6:55 pm
Meeting begins at 7:30 pm
Speakers: **Dr. Larry Zettler, Adam Herdman and Tony Ruiz**
Topic: **Ghost Orchid Research Update and the Platinum Jubilee Orchid**
Refreshments: Water Provided
RAFFLE

Please note: *When attending Orchid Doctor sessions, and you have a plant that may be diseased or have insect infestations that you want to discuss, please place a sample in a sealed ziploc bag to bring to the meeting.*

Next Board of Directors Meeting and Show Committee Meeting
Date: Tuesday September 13 2022
See more information on page 2
All Current Members are Welcome to Attend
Note: Board of Director meetings will not be held in July or August.

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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

July 2022

Richard Davenport
President, Naples Orchid Society, Inc.
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Fair warning to all: My topic this month is orchid virus testing. This testing ranks right up there with the other virtues, like exercise, honesty, being a good friend, punctuality, etc. And yet, even when we know better, we sometimes fail to do the right thing. Before you can do the right thing, you need to be able to recognize potential virus infections in your plants.

Leaves: Color blotches, color bleaching or malformation. Each of these may be caused by poor growing conditions, sunburn or excessive heat , over-fertilizing, over-crowded pots and benches, under-fertilizing (especially calcium and magnesium deficiencies), or orchid viruses.

Blooms and Buds. Malformation, color breaks, bud drop or failure to mature, or missing parts. Each of these may be caused by thrips, sunburn or excessive heat, over-fertilizing, under-fertilizing (especially calcium and magnesium deficiencies), other insects and pests, genetic mutations (e.g., "pyloric" plants) or orchid viruses.

So how to tell? The oft-repeated joke here is the judge who was asked to define pornography. He could not provide a definition, but maintained he would know it when he saw it. So it is with orchid viruses versus other potential causes. Making a reasoned judgment often comes down to a process of sequential elimination. Then one can reach a point where even AOS judges and large-scale commercial growers may differ on causation.

The only way to prove your particular plant either is or is not virused is to test it. Karen and I ordered a batch of 50 test kits from Agdia, Inc. in Elkhart, Indiana online. They sell smaller quantities, but there is a large difference in delivered price per test kit if you order a bunch and share the expense with NOS friends. (Just like Monopoly, someone has to be the Banker). That reduces the cost per test from $15.00 each to $6.50 each based on buying 50.

We tested 5 suspicious plants today. Two were virused. At this point, commercial growers discard and burn the offending plants. This is really the only way to protect their inventory due to the risk of infection. We, as hobby growers, have nominated a "virus tree" in our yard away from the greenhouses and other orchids growing in trees. We hope the distance will be adequate to prevent any virus from infecting other plants.

So be vigilant. Keep your growing area and re-potting work areas clean. You may want to use Physan 20 as a general cleaner. It is a fungicide, algaecide, virucide and bactericide, all in one. Use two teaspoons per gallon once a month.

Starting this next NOS meeting: a simplified member plant registration process with HALF the prior paperwork! Just one tag. Really. And we will have a happy group of officers and directors standing by and ready to help you through the new process. This is a chance to show off your blooming orchids easily. Registration starts at 6:15. All members and guests can vote. Voting starts at 7:10.

Richard Davenport
President

In-Person Board of Directors Meeting for SEPTEMBER 2022

Date: Tuesday September 13 2022

All Current Members are Welcome

Time: 6:30 pm
Forest Glen Golf and Country Club
3855 Forest Glen Blvd
Naples, FL 34114 (at the Clubhouse)
This meeting will be held at Forest Glen Golf and Country Club and requires gate notification.
If you are interested in attending this meeting, please call Rae Jean Walker 815-791-2140 and leave a message.
No Board meetings will be held in July or August 2022. Monthly meetings will be held as usual.

Monthly Meeting Minutes

June 2, 2022

Respectfully submitted by Lanelle Bishop, 2nd Vice President

Orchid Doctor, Carolyn Booker, presented a well attended question and answer session for all levels of learners.

Registration and plant entry along with voting occurred.
Richard Davenport, President, called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.with a reminder of all exits in case of emergency evacuation. The meeting began with reports from officers:

David Orr, Treasurer, reported $17,996.45 Regions Bk and $34,880.51 in CD's.
Suzanne Fundingsland, reporting for Joan Planta, Membership Chair, 208 members.
Membership is working on new name badges for meetings. Also available the magnetic badges are ongoing.

Secretary,Karen Davenport, introduced the new registration procedures beginning at next meeting. Handouts were given to everyone. She has worked hard on this transition and thinks it simplifies the registering.

Vice President,Jim Rawson, introduced our Speaker, Carol Holdren, AOS judge who presented a slide and verbal explanation on The ABC's of Orchid Culture and the 8 orchids we should own. She gave out handouts for reference. Q and A ensued.

Plant awards were announced.
Raffle ensued. Photos taken of the winners by Sue Roehl.
The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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July 2022 MEETING BLAST

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Baker Gym

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June 2022 MONTHLY MEETING

Attendees: 55
Plant Raffle: $143

Many Thanks to Our Volunteers

Raffle Table--Rae Jean Walker; Greeters—Suzanne Fundingsland and Stu Rubin; Plant Tables—Karen Davenport and Sue Roehl; Set Up and Take Down—Richard Davenport, Jim Rawson, and Stu Rubin.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR REPORT

Submitted by Joan Planta and presented by Suzanne Fundingsland, Membership Chair

2022 Members: 214

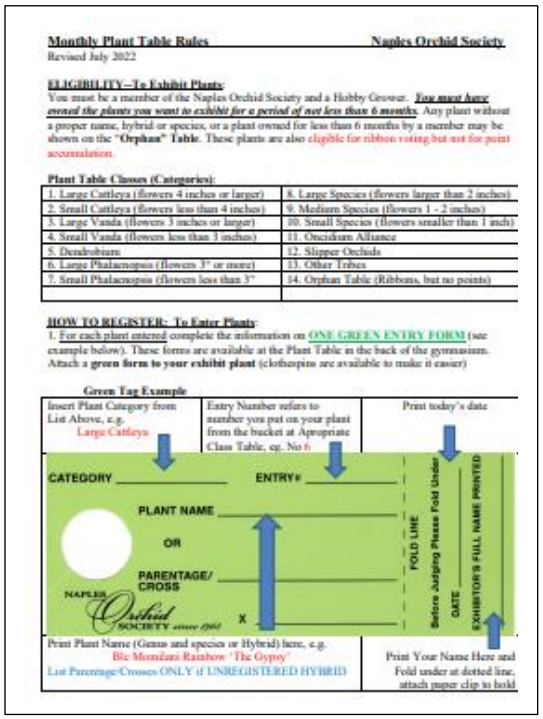
You may pay by **check** mailed to Naples Orchid Society, PO Box 7998, Naples, FL 34101,
or by **credit card** at https://naplesorchidsociety.org/join-us/
NEW RATES for 2022: Single membership $40, Family membership $50
Add $10.00 for a magnetic engraved nametag
Question about Membership?
Email **Membership@Naplesorchidsociety.org**

CARE AND CONDOLENCE

Care cards were sent to NOS members Marilyn Moser and Steve Burdette

NOS Monthly Meeting Plant competition Rules and Instructions

See the Rules Document on our website here: https://naplesorchidsociety.org/monthly-meetings/



Monthly Plant Table Rules — **Naples Orchid Society**
Revised July 2022

ELIGIBILITY--To Exhibit Plants:
You must be a member of the Naples Orchid Society and a Hobby Grower. ***You must have owned the plants you want to exhibit for a period of not less than 6 months.*** Any plant without a proper name, hybrid or species, or a plant owned for less than 6 months by a member may be shown on the **"Orphan" Table**. These plants are also eligible for ribbon voting but not for point accumulation.

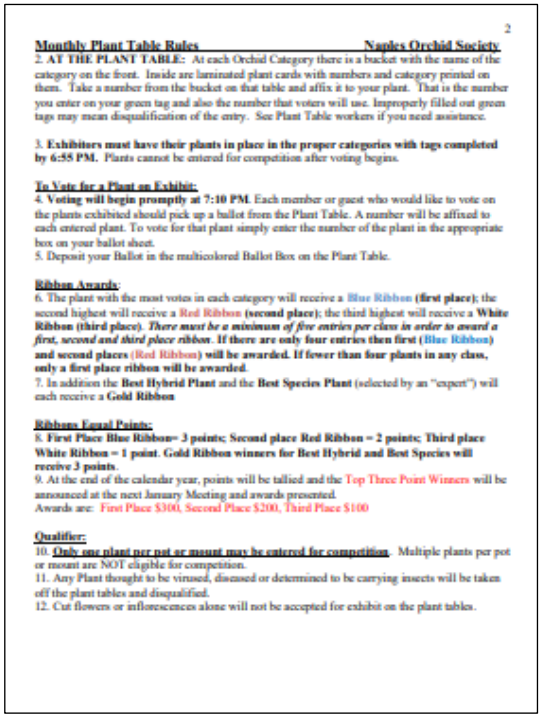
Plant Table Classes (Categories):

1. Large Cattleya (flowers 4 inches or larger)	8. Large Species (flowers larger than 2 inches)
2. Small Cattleya (flowers less than 4 inches)	9. Medium Species (flowers 1 - 2 inches)
3. Large Vanda (flowers 3 inches or larger)	10. Small Species (flowers smaller than 1 inch)
4. Small Vanda (flowers less than 3 inches)	11. Oncidium Alliance
5. Dendrobium	12. Slipper Orchids
6. Large Phalaenopsis (flowers 3" or more)	13. Other Tribes
7. Small Phalaenopsis (flowers less than 3"	14. Orphan Table (Ribbons, but no points)

HOW TO REGISTER: To Enter Plants:
1. For each plant entered complete the information on ONE GREEN ENTRY FORM (see example below). These forms are available at the Plant Table in the back of the gymnasium. Attach a **green form to your exhibit plant** (clothespins are available to make it easier)

Green Tag Example

Insert Plant Category from List Above, e.g. Large Cattleya
Entry Number refers to number you put on your plant from the bucket at Apropriate Class Table, eg. No 6
Print today's date
CATEGORY ENTRY#
PLANT NAME
OR
PARENTAGE/ CROSS
FOLD LINE
Before Judging Please Fold Under
DATE
EXHIBITOR'S FULL NAME PRINTED
Print Plant Name (Genus and species or Hybrid) here, e.g. Blc Mundara Rainbow 'The Gypsy'
List Parentage/Crosses ONLY if UNREGISTERED HYBRID
Print Your Name Here and Fold under at dotted line, attach paper clip to hold



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Monthly Plant Table Rules — **Naples Orchid Society**

2. AT THE PLANT TABLE: At each Orchid Category there is a bucket with the name of the category on the front. Inside are laminated plant cards with numbers and category printed on them. Take a number from the bucket on that table and affix it to your plant. That is the number you enter on your green tag and also the number that voters will use. Improperly filled out green tags may mean disqualification of the entry. See Plant Table workers if you need assistance.

3. **Exhibitors must have their plants in place in the proper categories with tags completed by 6:55 PM.** Plants cannot be entered for competition after voting begins.

To Vote for a Plant on Exhibit:
4. **Voting will begin promptly at 7:10 PM.** Each member or guest who would like to vote on the plants exhibited should pick up a ballot from the Plant Table. A number will be affixed to each entered plant. To vote for that plant simply enter the number of the plant in the appropriate box on your ballot sheet.
5. Deposit your Ballot in the multicolored Ballot Box on the Plant Table.

Ribbon Awards:
6. The plant with the most votes in each category will receive a Blue Ribbon **(first place)**; the second highest will receive a Red Ribbon **(second place)**; the third highest will receive a **White Ribbon (third place)**. ***There must be a minimum of five entries per class in order to award a first, second and third place ribbon.*** **If there are only four entries then first (Blue Ribbon) and second places (Red Ribbon) will be awarded. If fewer than four plants in any class, only a first place ribbon will be awarded.**
7. In addition the **Best Hybrid Plant** and the **Best Species Plant** (selected by an "expert") will each receive a **Gold Ribbon**

Ribbons Equal Points:
8. **First Place Blue Ribbon= 3 points; Second place Red Ribbon = 2 points; Third place White Ribbon = 1 point. Gold Ribbon winners for Best Hybrid and Best Species will receive 3 points.**
9. At the end of the calendar year, points will be tallied and the Top Three Point Winners will be announced at the next January Meeting and awards presented.
Awards are: First Place $300, Second Place $200, Third Place $100

Qualifier:
10. **Only one plant per pot or mount may be entered for competition.** Multiple plants per pot or mount are NOT eligible for competition.
11. Any Plant thought to be virused, diseased or determined to be carrying insects will be taken off the plant tables and disqualified.
12. Cut flowers or inflorescences alone will not be accepted for exhibit on the plant tables.

Snapshots from our June 2022 Meeting

Orchid Doctor Carolyn Booker

Please volunteer to help out at our monthly NOS meetings.

We need help with set up & take down. Please contact Richard Davenport or Jim Rawson if you would like to participate.

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

Welcome to our New Members for 2022

Gina Hoehn

Carrie & Dennis Miller

Susan Megas

Grace Hansford

Grace won an NOS family membership from a raffle at our February Show at NBG.

What's Blooming in My Collection?

Cattleya harrisoniana (left)
Bromecanthe Garnet Glory 'Juno Beach' (right)
Dick Pippen

E moebusii x E phoenicea
Marilyn Moser

Epi radiata
Marilyn Moser

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Upcoming Events

August 5-6, 2022: International Phalaenopsis Alliance, Inc. Symposium 2022, Hilton Garden Inn, 580 E. Main St., Apopka, FL 32703. Information: www.phal.org

September 17-18, 2022: Ridge Orchid Society's Diamond Jubilee "60 Years of Orchids,: WH Stuart Center, 1702 US Hwy. 17 S, Bartow, FL; Contact: Keith Emig, 863-412-4762; dkemig@gmail.com

October 7-9, 2022: Redland International Orchid Festival, Fruit and Spice Park, 10 am – 5 pm, 24801 SW 187th Ave., Homestead, 33031. Information: https://redlandfruitandspice.com/event/redland-international-orchid-festival-2/

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

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

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.

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: June 28, 2022, 8:30 pm EDT Tuesday. Topic: Greenhouse Focus. "Mounting Orchids Made Easy." Presenter: Ron McHatton, Chief Education and Science Officer.

When: July 19, 2022, 8:30 pm EDT Tuesday. Topic: Greenhouse Chat. Orchid Q & A. Send in your questions. Presenter: Ron McHatton, Chief Education and Science Officer.

August Summer Break. *Choose your topic from* RECORDED WEBINARS. Hobbyists, expert growers, AOS judges, conservationists and more.

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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
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for topics and additional information.

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

By Robert M. Scully Jr.

A root condition to avoid is the development of snow mold, a white fungus that looks just like what the name implies. Snow mold can appear on the surface of the potting medium, but more likely it will develop in the root zone. An insidious problem, the mold often escapes detection until the root mass has been smothered in a rapidly deteriorating medium. The condition is treatable. Affected plants will not be lost. However, snow mold seems to appear most frequently when media are kept too wet, causing the roots to rot and the substrate to become a soggy mess. Snow mold is a saprophytic fungus that actually works to hasten the potting medium's decomposition. Monitor watering practices to avoid the problem. Blend a small amount of redwood chips in the potting material to increase the acidity and deter snow mold. Repot affected plants, and be sure to remove all of the old medium before rinsing the roots in a weak solution of Physan.

Maintain the fertilizer regime at the highest frequency. The more growth achieved now, the more flowers the orchids can support in their blooming seasons.

Insects are most active during the warm months. Inspect the undersides of leaves for undesirable creatures in hiding. Remove dried sheathing on cattleya pseudobulbs to eliminate a hiding place.

A great resource
for orchid information
is the
St. Augustine Orchid Society's
website:
https://staugorchidsociety.org/

St. Augustine Orchid Society
Established in 2006 for Growing Orchids in North Florida

Orchidist's Word of the Month

From AOS Orchid-Gram

Homonym (HOM-oh-nim):

A scientific name that is has already been used by its earlier application to a different entity of the same type and hence untenable under the rules of taxonomic priority. For instance the use of Carria to describe a genus of orchids since the name has previously been used to describe another genus in the plant world.

TASKS FOR JULY

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

- Dry plants hard once or twice.
- Apply liquid fertilizer instead of water during dry patches.
- Watch for *Thrips* when rain has been sparse for several days.
- Finish top cutting and planting of vandaceous genera.

FROM MARTIN MOTES June 2022 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Progress of the Season

Although the heavy storms that ended the month made up much if not all of the deficit, this May was drier than usual, almost more like April. The rain coming in large doses also created a wider swing of day to night temperatures. This has been good news for our orchids, allowing them to get relief from the added disease pressure that a wetter than average year had visited upon them. The wide swings of temperature delivered by radiant escape of heat into clear night skies has encouraged vigorous rooting in all genera. Careful watering now that the rains have begun in earnest will produce vibrant growth. Usually in the rainy season if plants require water, replacing water with liquid fertilizer is the best thing to do. Peter's Excell (15-5-15) with extra calcium and magnesium is highly recommended and may prove on the long haul better than the Michigan State formula and at a much better price.

May's rains coming mostly in heavy bursts have washed away most of the *Thrips* who also were not best pleased by the lower than usual temperatures. Now that the rains have settled in, they should be less troublesome but be aware that any time that four- or five-days pass with no rain, the *Thrips* which abound in our landscapes are waiting to descend on the lush roots and tender growing tips of our orchids. Scout for them on the new roots of vandas and control them with the recommended means in *Fla. Orchid Growing*.

Successive days of rain such as we are now experiencing, provide the opportunity for snails to travel long distances from your neighbor's yards. Our plants are in tender new growth and are particularly vulnerable. Snail bait properly applied is very effective in controlling them. Remember, one pellet per square foot is plenty as the snails are irresistibly drawn to it. A five-pound bag treats our one acre plus nursery for two years. Applied judiciously one can keep both plants and pets safe.

The beginning of the rainy season is a good time to remember that because of the cooling effects of rain, S. Florida enjoys fewer days of extreme heat than anywhere East of the Rockies. Stay dry but enjoy the rain cooled air. As a very young, but very perceptive Bartholomew Motes noted "Rain sweet as honey".

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

AND A GOOD REMINDER FROM MARTIN MOTES

Vandas have thrown an abundance of roots in response to these temperature shifts. It is essential that they receive sufficient water to sustain the growing roots. With temperature in the upper eighties and relative humidity in the 50% range Vanda roots can dry exceptionally quickly. This is the time of the year when an afternoon misting of Vanda roots is of great benefit. Even a second thorough watering on alternate days is beneficial if the plants are dry by night. Getting the vandas off to a quick start also involves heavy feeding. With the abundance of water being given, fertilizer at as high a rate as 1 Tbs. per gal can be given every 5-6 days.

The Queen's Jubilee and The Platinum Jubilee Orchid

Greetings, Kit and Richard. I'm in London now and finally getting a chance to catch up on e-mails after a very busy and exciting last few days at the Chelsea Flower Show. Just a quick update from this side of the pond.

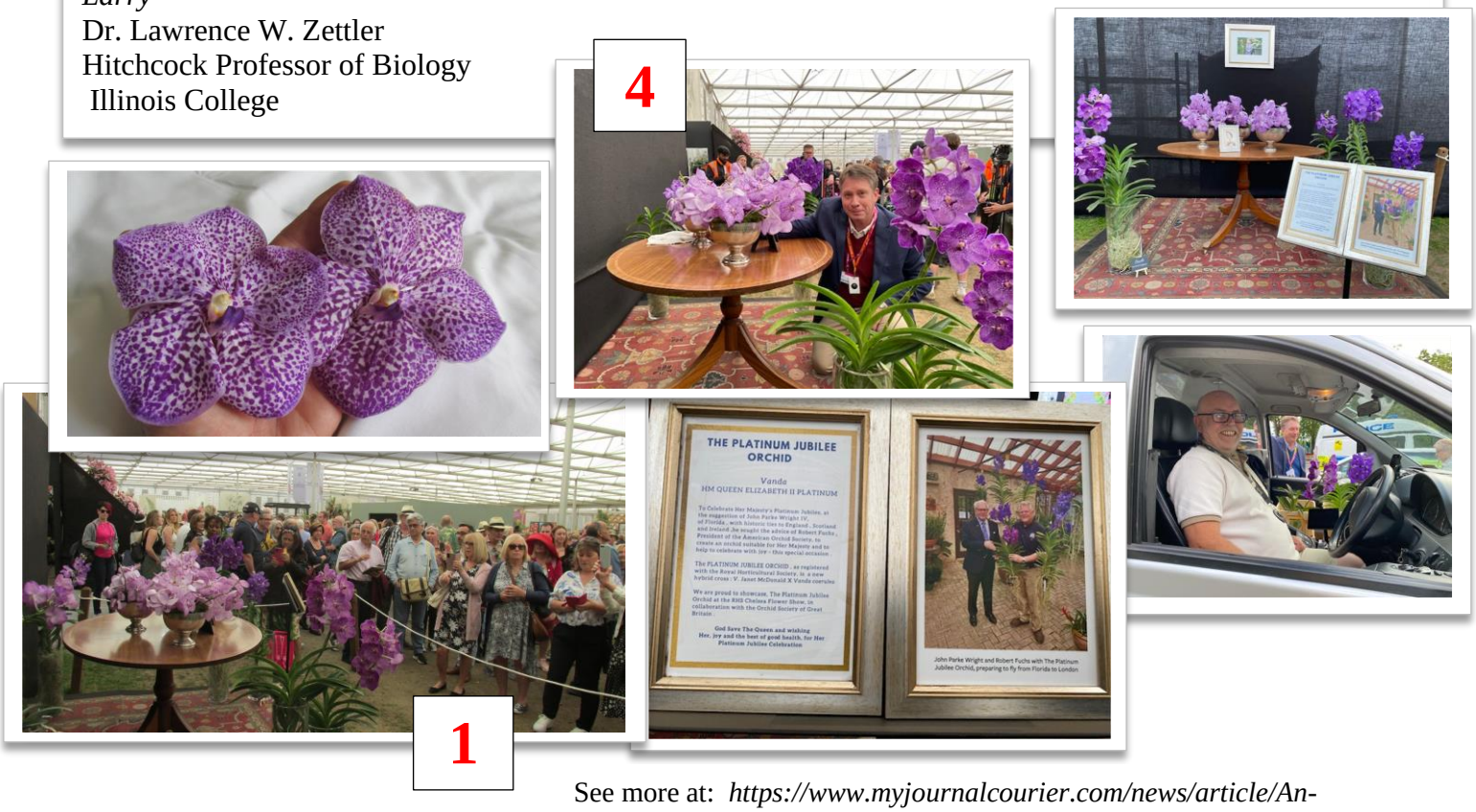
Here are pictures from the flower show. The Queen passed close to our Platinum Jubilee Orchid display where the woman in pink on the left (*first image*) is standing. She was here on Monday the day before I got here. I will be attending a small private ceremony tomorrow night at the Queen's Chapel and was told to be seated by 5:30 in time for the arrival of The Royal Party. Those I have talked to seem to think that several members of The Royal Family will be in attendance.

My colleague from NAOCC (Julianne McGuinness) and I spent the past three days 'guarding' the orchid at the display from many people seeking a closer look, dusting off the table (*4th image*), and answering many questions from the 140,000 people in attendance. The BBC was here at the display and I saw the clip on BBC TV2 later that evening. Yesterday, we took the orchids out to a waiting taxi and they were driven off to a location where the Queen will enjoy them.

A well-known journalist from Society magazine in Paris may be doing a story, along with our local paper in Illinois. I've been sending both outlets photos and updates from each day's activities. I suspect these news feeds will generate considerable publicity because I'm proving an inside glimpse of this beautiful orchid and what it take to get it here. Stay tuned.

I'll keep you updated.

Please give my best to the Naples Orchid Society for supporting our research again this year and for funding Ernesto and Elaine's trip to Florida in the fall.
Best wishes,
Larry
Dr. Lawrence W. Zettler
Hitchcock Professor of Biology
Illinois College

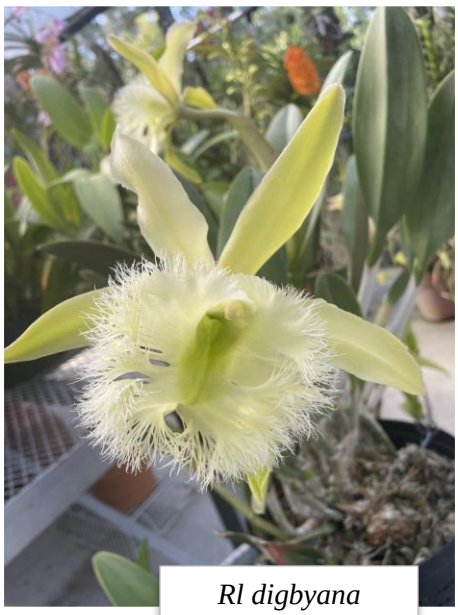


See more at: *https://www.myjournalcourier.com/news/article/An-orchid-fit-for-a-queen-IC-professor-has-hand-17210160.php*

What's Blooming in My Collection?

C tenebrosa 'Apopka'
Karen Davenport

Eplc Merry Green
Karen Davenport



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Naples Orchid Society
Monthly Plant Table Results

June 2, 2022

Submitted by Dick Pippen

Large Cattleyas
First Place: *Cattleya* Irene Finney
Owner: Jim Longwell
Second Place: *Blc*. Yen Surprise 'Seiko'
Owner: Karen Davenport
Third Place: *Bc*. Morning Glory
Owner: Jim Longwell

Small Cattleyas
First Place: *Cattlianthe* White Bridal
Owner: Jim Rawson
Second Place: *Myrmecophila e*xaltata x ???
Owner: Leah Ray
Third Place: *Brassocatanthe* Booth Lee 'Venice'
Owner: John Erwin

Large Vandas
First Place: *Vanda* Samsri Blue x V. Prah Yat Muang
Owner: Jim Longwell
Second Place: *Vanda* Pachara Delight
Owner: Karen Davenport

Small Vandas
First Place: *Vanda* October 22nd
Owner: Jim Longwell
Second Place: *Vandachostylis* Conference Gold
Owner: Karen Davenport
Third Place: *Vanda* Motes Hot Mama
Owner: Karen Davenport

Dendrobiums
First Place: *Dendrobium* Kaipu (4n) x *Den*. Blue Twinkle
Owner: Jim Longwell

Small Phalaenopsis
First Place: *Phalaenopsis* Taisuco Jasper
Owner: Jim Rawson

Large Species
First Place: *Cattleya mossiae v semi alba*
Owner: Karen Davenport
Second Place: *Cattleya mossiae v alba*
Owner: Karen Davenport
Third Place: *Cattleya leopoldii (tigrina*) 'San Bar Giant'
Owner: Jim Rawson

Medium Species
First Place*: Dendrobium amabile*
Owner: Karen Davenport
Second Place: *Encyclia tampensis*
Owner: Rae Jean Walker
Third Place: *Cymbidium aloifolium*
Owner: Karolyn Hall

Small Species
First Place*: Cleisostoma arietinum*
Owner: Elaine Gates
Second Place: *Tolumnia prionochila*
Owner: Karen Davenport

Oncidium Alliance
First Place: *Oncidium* (*Colmanara*) Sphacetante
Owner: Mary Jo Shively

Other Tribes
First Place: *Bulbophyllum* A-doribil Ring
Owner: Karen Davenport

Orphan Table
First Place: NOID but Carol said it is *Cattleya* Canhamiana
Owner: Karolyn Hall

Best Species Award
Plant Name: *Encyclia tampensis*
Owner: Rae Jean Walker

Best Hybrid Award
Plant Name: *Cattleya* Irene Finney
Owner: Jim Longwell

Green Tag Winner:
Plant Name: A nice *Vanda* from Kalapana
Winner: Some Lucky Person

Gold Ribbon Winners June 2, 2022

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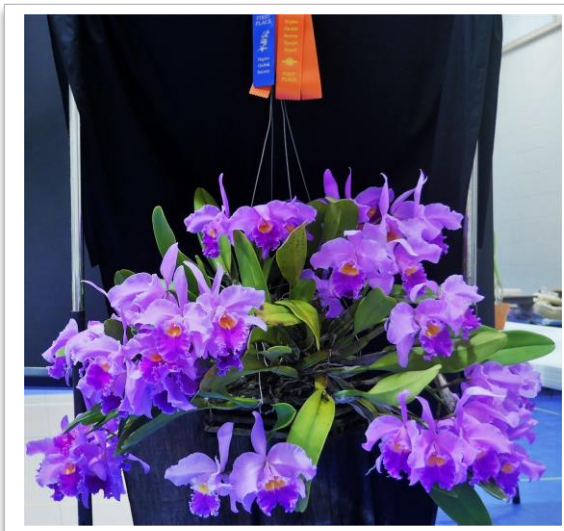

Best Hybrid Award
Plant Name: *Cattleya* Irene Finney
Owner: Jim Longwell

Best Species Award
Plant Name: *Encyclia tampiensis*
Owner: Rae Jean Walker

First Place Winners
June 2, 2022

Plants Entered: 48 Members Voted: 28

LARGE CATTLEYA
First Place: *C.* Irene Finney
Owner: Jim Longwell

SMALL CATTLEYA
First Place: *Cattlianthe* White Bridal
Owner: Jim Rawson

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LARGE VANDA
First Place: *V.* Somsri Blue x *V.* Prah Yat Muang
Owner: Jim Longwell

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SMALL VANDA
First Place: *Vanda* October 22nd
Owner: Jim Longwell

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DENDROBIUM
First Place: *Den.* Kaipu (4n) x *Den.* Blue Twinkle
Owner: Jim Longwell

SMALL PHALAENOPSIS
First Place: *Phal.* Taisuco Jasper
Owner: Jim Rawson

MEDIUM SPECIES
First Place: *Den. amabile*
Owner: Karen Davenport

LARGE SPECIES
First Place: *C. mossiae v. semi alba*
Owner: Karen Davenport

ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE
First Place: *Onc. (Colmanara)* Sphacetante
Owner: Mary Jo Shively

SMALL SPECIES
First Place: *Cleisostoma arietinum*
Owner: Elaine Gates

OTHER TRIBES
First Place: *Bulb.* A-doribil Ring
Owner: Karen Davenport

ORPHAN
First Place: NOID But Carol Said It Is Cattleya Canhamiana
Owner: Karolyn Hall

An Orchid Vignette—Real Names and Artificial Names

Contributed by Dick Pippen

At the first Fundamentals of Orchid Growing class in March 2022 (to about 60 eager "students"), I was explaining what all those strange generic names mean like *C.*, *Den.*, *Bc.*, *Blc.*, (*Cattleya*, *Dendrobium*, *Brassocattleya and Brassolaeliocattleya*). I mentioned that *Cattleya* and *Dendrobium* are naturally occurring genera, whereas *Brassocattleya* and *Brassolaeliocattleya* are "man-made" genera and that the technical name for such is "**nothogenus**.' Someone asked an intriguing question -- "who creates or determines the nothogeneric names, both the classical ones (*Brassocattleya*, *Epicattleya*, etc.), and the more recent names like *Claudehamiltonara* and *Otaara* etc.?" I was able to explain how grex (hybrid) and cultivar names are chosen and registered by RHS (Royal Horticultural Society), but got stumped on the nothogenera. I turned to Dr. Ron McHatton, Director of Education, among other titles, at the American Orchid Society, for an answer. He very graciously responded, for which I am eternally thankful. This is what he told me:

"Currently nothogeneric names involving three genera or less, the botanical code governs the nothogeneric name. Unless the combination creates an ambiguity, the nothogenus name is a combination of part of each parent genus name with the capsule (seed) parent first (there are some exceptions). For example, the first *Brassocattleya* registered would have had a *Brassavola* as the capsule (seed) parent and the *Cattleya* donated the pollen. How much of each parent genus name is used depends on creating something that can be pronounced. The genus abbreviation is some combination of letters in the name that creates a unique abbreviation - in this case easy but not always. This is why the genus abbreviation for *Angraecum* is *Angcm*. and not just *Ang*. because that's *Anguloa*.

For combinations that involve three genera the rule applies and the nothogenus name is some combination of parts of the three genera that can be pronounced and that creates no ambiguity. For example, *Rhyncolaelia x Laelia* x *Cattleya* is *Rhyncatlaelia* because *Rhyncholaeliocattleya* is *Rl x C.* For these simple combinations, the Registrar is empowered to create these names.

The suffix -ara is used for combinations of four or more genera and that's an accommodation made to avoid creating names that look like supercalifragilisticexpialidocous. The accommodation was added as a result of efforts on the part of Bowles when it became clear that you can get nothogenera that have as many as 10 genera in the background - possibly more - in orchids. Additionally, nothogeneric names that end in -ara cannot be combinations of parts of any of the genus names which is where things like *Claudehamiltonara* come from. These names may honor the first person to make the genus (*Fredclarkeara, Claudehamiltonara*, *Cloughara* for instance) but they can also honor places or things. The choice of name is up to the first person to create the genus or the Registrar if the originator chooses not to suggest a name.

The Registrar has the authority to refuse a suggested genus name if it creates something offensive or ambiguity with an existing genus."