



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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October 2019

President's Message

Autumn has arrived on Monday, September 23rd and lasts until Saturday, December 21st. It is time to clean up your orchids and soon move them back into the greenhouse or indoors to protect them from extreme weather.

We also need to prepare our outdoor orchids for dry Santa Ana winds. Our members have experience and know how to take care of orchids. Talk to other members at the meeting to learn what they are doing to care for their plants.

Fascination of Orchids at South Coast Plaza Village was another amazing show with all the beautiful displays, vendors and lectures. Hope our members enjoyed the show and had a chance to collect more plants.

The Huntington International Orchid Show and Sale is Friday, October 18th through Sunday, October 20th in San Marino.

Many vendors and exhibitors will be there. It's time to look for **more** orchids for your collection.

Our Society is putting in a display at the Huntington show, organized by **Ha Bui, Richard Hara, Joe Rupp, Rick Wells** and their team. Please bring your blooming plants to the NHOS monthly meeting on October 15th, so Ha can collect your plants and set up our display.

Because we are putting in a display, NHOS members will have a great opportunity to visit the Library and Botanical Gardens for free. Just remember to wear your NHOS badge for a **FREE** entry pass. It was very nice of **Brandon Tam** to arrange this special deal for our members.

Our September speaker, **Paul Tuskes**, very generously waived his speaker fees to our society. We also learned valuable culture information about Schomburgkia, Laelia and Myrmecophia from his presentation.

Culture Class

7:00 p.m.

Our speaker, Russ Nichols, will conduct the culture class at 7:00 p.m., right before the general meeting. Please join us.

We are looking forward to hearing the October speaker that **Julie Ford** has booked, **Russ Nichols**, who will speak about greenhouses.

We are planning for our NHOS Orchid Expo on February 7th, 8th and 9th. The theme is "Orchids on Parade". **Rosemary Krumme** is coordinating volunteers; please sign-up at rosegk@verizon.net. We will have the forms at the society monthly meetings also.

See you all on October 15th at the meeting.

Winn Winmaw
NHOS President

October Speaker

Russ Nichols

"How I Built My (Way Too Fancy) Greenhouse"

My introduction to orchids began before I knew their name. My mother would buy "exotic" plants and eventually wound up at Zuma Canyon Orchids, buying orchids from Dr. McPherson and Amado Vasquez. Further excursions to Armacost and Royston and The Huntington must have had their influence.

About 1991, I began in earnest to collect orchids, first as a challenge to see if I could grow them outdoors, then as an expanding collection of species and varieties, always looking for something new. This has continued for more than 25 years. I am a member of the South Coast Orchid Society, where I have held various offices. I

make regular pilgrimages to the local orchid shows and vendors, and occasionally buy by mail.

In an effort to provide the right amount of light, I first built orchid benches with covers (think Conestoga Wagon). Later, in Long Beach on a small lot near the ocean, we constructed a shade area on the east



side of the house. It is 30 feet long and narrow (from a width of 8 feet to 5 feet). Shade cloth (50%) rests on top of closely spaced 2 x 3 lattice. On the east facing side, we custom built shades to protect the

plants from hot morning sun on summer days, and we put a rollup screen (Coolaroo) on the south end entrance.

After years of growing orchids in Long Beach near the ocean, I decided I needed to give my plants more light for more of the day, and more heat at night. That and other factors led to my dream building a greenhouse. For various reasons, the location of choice became Murrieta, about 12 miles inland and 2,000 feet in altitude, with hot, often dry summer days and cold, occasionally snowy winter nights.

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Meetings are held on the **third Tuesday** of each month.

Culture Class at 7:00 p.m.
General Meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Dinner with the Speaker

Dinner will be Basil Mediterranean, 1907 Newport Blvd., Costa Mesa.

Parking in the front and rear of the restaurant or across 19th Street at the shopping center. Reservations are at 5:30 p.m. Please be prompt so we can get the speaker to the meeting on time.

RSVP to Julie Ford by Monday, October 14, if you plan to attend. Questions and RSVP: peacefuljourneyllc@gmail.com.

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For this meeting, I'll share my experiences in planning, building, operating, and maintaining a greenhouse, using mine as an example for what others might (or might not) do.

I built a rather large greenhouse, perhaps more than my modest orchid collection required, and it took a rather longer time than I planned, but it is operating now and I am seeing good results.

I am still meeting challenges and making changes, but I can enjoy seeing orchids that struggled to produce a single new growth now produce several, and those that had trouble keeping flowers in good form for a week, now put up blooms that last several weeks.

Refreshments

Members from **Thelma Miyashiro** through **James Stuart-Riley** are asked to provide refreshments for the meeting. Thank you!

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Correction

In the August Judging Results grid in the September issue of *Orchids Aweigh*, the Cultural Award winner was misidentified. It should have been listed as *Dendrobium amabile*, owned by Dave & Judy Smith, judged by Tim Culbertson. Our apologies for the error.



"Orchids on Parade" NHOS Orchid Expo Is Coming Up February 2020

Newport Harbor 2020 Orchid Expo is in the planning stages. It is scheduled February 7, 8 and 9, 2020, at the Westminster Mall. The hours are:

Friday: 10 am to 9 pm

Saturday: 10 am to 9 pm

Sunday: 11 am to 6 pm

Parking and admission are free.

This year's theme is "Orchids on Parade". We need all of you great volunteers to help make it a success. Volunteers who work at least six hours will receive a free t-shirt with our theme on back, designed by Ron DeWilde.

We need volunteers as follows:

Wednesday 2/5 6 pm - 8:30 pm
For set up.

Thursday 2/6 8 am - 8 pm
For set up of displays and vendor booths (three-hour shifts).

We also need volunteers to work three-hour shifts at the info desk, plant hotel, and display rooms, on
Friday 2/7 10 am - 9 pm
Saturday 2/8 10 am - 9 pm
Sunday 2/9 11 am - 6 pm

Volunteers are needed for clean-up
Sunday 2/9 6 pm - 9 pm

If you are able to volunteer, please contact **Rosemary Krumme** at **714-892-2278, 714-269-8877** or Rosegk@verizon.net.

You may also sign-up at Society Meetings (3rd Tuesday of every month at the Costa Mesa Senior Center, 7-10 pm).

Members who wish to sell their plants in the Member Sales Booth are asked to work a three-hour shift in the booth. **If you bring more than four plants to sell, you must work in the booth.** Please contact **Ann Rupp at 714-329-5155.**

A big thank you in advance to everyone who is a vendor, attends, works in a booth or volunteers in any way.

Rosemary Krumme
NHOS Show Committee



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Meeting
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2019 September Judging Results

GENUS	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE	JUDGES
POINTS	5 points	3 points	1 point	
CATTLEYA	C. leopoldii X C. bicolor Bill Mac Corkell	Slc. Lana Coryell 'Forevermore' AM/AOS X Lc. Jupiter Drops 'SVO PPYL' Glenda Urmacher	Nageliella purpurea Lynn Wiand	Judy Smith
CYMBIDIUM	Cym. dayanum Kayoko Nebrig	Cym. ensifolium 'Shi Zhang Hong' Yan Zhou	No Entry	Roberta Fox
DENDROBIUM	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry	
EPIDENDRUM	Psh. Radia-Cochlea Gen Gundersen	Epi. Tiny Red Espie Quinn	No Entry	Valerie Sanders
MAXILLARIEAE	Lyc. Alan Salzman Espie Quinn	Zygo. intermedium Van Anne Pham	Max. ringens Espie Quinn	Dave Smith
ONCIDIUM	Milt. candida Lynn Wiand	Milt. spectabilis var. moreliana Espie Quinn	Onc. Alosuka 'Claire' Kay Firebaugh	Barbara Livingston
PAPHIOPEDILUM	Paph. Angel Hair (from seedling) Lynn Wiand	Paph. Umatilla 'All-a-Row' Lynn Wiand	No Entry	Marilyn Bauer
PHALAENOPSIS	Phal. OX Madonna 'OX1712' Glenda Urmacher	Phal. Liu's Cute Angel 'Wilson' Glenda Urmacher	Phal. P.K. Beauty Michael Miranda	Lynn Wiand
PLEUROTHALLID	Masd. floribunda Barbara Livingston	No Entry	No Entry	Dave Smith
VANDA	Vanda 'Robert's Delight' Dave & Judy Smith	Holcoglossum kimballianum Lynn Wiand	Asc. Wanna 'Galaxy' Kira Dobritsa	Cesar Mora
MISCELLANEOUS	Dendrochilum magnum Lynn Wiand	Lockhartia oerstedii Glenda Urmacher	Dendro. Pangasinanense Espie Quinn	Roberta Fox
POINTS	3 points	2 points	1 point	
NOVICE	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry	
CULTURAL AWARD WINNER—7 points	Miltonia candida	Lynn Wiand		Paul Tuskes

Mark Your Calendars...



October 5 | Saturday | 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Bus trip to Sunset Valley Orchids, Vista, CA! Long Beach AOS invites you to come along with them on their bus trip to SVO. Bus leaves from Lowe's Parking Lot, 2840 Bellflower Blvd., Long Beach 90815, at 7:30 a.m., and returns around 5:00 p.m. \$45 for members; \$50 for non-members. Please RSVP by September 25 with Leslie Smith (562) 490-0850 and send checks to Long Beach Amateur Orchid Society: Leslie Smith, 4215 Maury Ave., Long Beach, CA 90807.

October 18-20 | Saturday - Sunday

The Huntington Botanical Gardens 5th Annual International Orchid Show. The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens. 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA 91108. More information: <https://www.huntington.org/orchid-show>.

October 28 | Monday

South Coast Orchid Society Annual Auction. Preview & Registration 6:30 p.m. Auction begins 7:00 p.m. Whaley Park Community Center, 5620 E. Atherton St., Long Beach, CA. More information: www.southcoastorchidsociety.com.

November 2-3 | Saturday - Sunday

Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Fall Open House. 1250 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara, CA. More information: www.sborchid.com.

November 2-3 | Saturday - Sunday

Cal Orchid Fall Open House. 125 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara, CA. More information: www.calorchid.com.

Check out the NHOS website for the latest information on orchid and other botanical events: <http://nhosinfo.org/events/>.



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