



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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July 2014

President's Message

The 2013-2014 cycle of speakers and events has come to a close and with it so is my two years as President. It really has been great fun and a privilege to serve the NHOS in this capacity for a second time. To say the least, I am also relieved to pass on the job to **Tom Harrison** for the coming year. He will do a great job. Together with the board I am pleased that we have accomplished a number of goals that I set out to do two years ago; not everything, but that is okay.

My main goal was to get more members involved with the operations of the NHOS to insure both the future of the leadership and the infusion of fresh ideas into the operations of the society.

We hear that so many orchid societies are losing membership, operating without officers, shrinking their budgets. Yet, the NHOS has maintained its numbers, the budget is extremely sound, and our meetings and events are so much fun. Why the difference? The secret lies, first, in the generosity of our members and fabulous growers who share in their love of orchids and bring to the group the collective energy and dedication to the hobby.

Secondly, we have a very dedicated and responsible group of officers and board of directors, who guide the society. Thirdly, the untiring and tenacious members of the Orchid Expo and Summer Plant Festival Organizing Committees who plan and carry out two huge orchid shows and sales each year. And let me not forget **Phil Duke**, orchid chef extraordinaire, who spices up the refreshment table each and every month with his soups and other dishes. No one goes away hungry, that's for sure! Thank you all.

Meetings are held on the
third Tuesday of each month

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

Now that summer is officially here, we have some very fun activities to look forward to over the next few months. First we have the NHOS booth at the OC County Fair the weekend of Friday, July 11, through Sunday, July 13. All volunteer slots are filled. Thank you, **Valerie Sanders** and volunteers. That same weekend the Santa Barbara Orchid Estate and Cal Orchid will have their annual open house.

In conjunction with these events is a guest lecture by Philip Cribb, Kew Gardens, on Friday, July 11, at the Santa Barbara Orchid Society meeting. He is also the guest author at the SBOE all weekend long. If you have not heard him speak, take this opportunity to do so. He is one of the world's top orchid authorities and a very classy speaker.

Let's not forget that Tuesday, July 15, is the annual NHOS Awards and Installation Banquet chez **Michael Miranda**—lots of surprises, good cuisine and wine. Please join us—new and old members alike, and guests, of course. Make your reservations by calling or sending an RSVP to me (ndbenay@cox.net) and/or Phil Duke (paintduke@hotmail.com). Give your check to Richard Hara (\$15/per person). Payment will also be collected that evening, but we will need a count for the caterer by Saturday, July 12.

Finally, mark your calendars for the NHOS Exotic Plant and Orchid Festival the weekend of Friday, August 22 - Sunday, August 24, 2014. And remember volunteers will be needed for set-up, the information table, and tear down. There will be more in the August newsletter on this.

Happy summer and happy growing,

Nancy Benay
President, 2012-2014

No speaker or Culture Class in July. Join us for the Annual Awards Banquet!

C'est la fête!

Venez fêter le 15 juillet
avec nous!

**Annual Installation
And Awards Banquet**

Tuesday, July 15, 2014

Chez

Michael Miranda
356 Costa Mesa St.
Costa Mesa, CA 92627
949 650-5142

6:30 p.m. Cocktails & Appetizers

7:00 p.m. Buffet Dinner

The Specialties of France

Boeuf bourguignon

{Beef Burgundy}

Poulet à la normande

{Chicken Normandy}

Purée de pomme de terre

et chou-fleur

{Mashed potatoes and cauliflower}

\$15.00 per person

Bring a dish to share for 8 people:

Last name A-I: Dessert

Last name J-R: Appetizer

Last name S-Z: Salad or Side Dish

The NHOS will provide water
and soft drinks. Please bring
your own beer and wine.

*Au plaisir de vous voir
le 15 juillet*

{see you there!}



NHOS Garden Club Booth at the OC Fair, July 11-13!

The Garden Clubs will be located in Centennial Farm. There will be one eight foot table and two chairs. Duties will include, but are not limited to: greeting the public, promoting NHOS membership, discussing orchids and their culture - no selling.

Although all shifts are currently filled, a secondary list is being compiled for "on call" use in case of sickness or emergency.

Volunteers will receive Fair admission and a parking pass for each day they work.

Please respond to Valerie Sanders at valeriesanders4444@yahoo.com or (714) 847-9852.

Thank You,

Valerie Sanders

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Membership Corner

My thanks to all of you who parted with your dues dollars at or before the last meeting. One nice man didn't want to part with his green so he could buy more raffle tickets. I promise you; he didn't get away with that. Chuckle. Anyway, the search goes on.

Please consider sending me your dues at Laura Perry, 1412 Priscilla Lane, Newport Beach, CA 92660. Renew at \$20.00 per single and \$25.00 for two people at the same address. It is an additional \$5.00 for a paper newsletter. Please make checks to NHOS.

Thanks much and have a great summer.

Laura Perry
Membership Chairman

NHOS Summer Exotic Plant and Orchid Festival

The Summer Exotic Plant and Orchid Festival will take place August 22-24 at the Westminster Mall.

We will need volunteers!

To help set up:

Wednesday, August 20, 8:00 p.m.

To register vendors:

Thursday August 21, 8:00 p.m.

For the plant hotel/information booth:

Friday, August 22, 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

(some clean-up time will be involved)

Saturday, August 23, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 24, 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

We also need volunteers on Sunday for clean-up starting after the close of the festival.

If you would like to help make the Festival a big success, please contact the following members to volunteer:

Tina Coombe

949-759-1464

tinacoombe@gmail.com

Rosemary Krumme

714-892-2278

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Catacetus Culture in a Nutshell

Benchmark Dates

November 15: Leaves are yellowing. Reduce water.

January 15: Leaves have dropped. Stop watering.

May/June: Begin watering again when roots are 3-5" long.

And remember: Summers are wet with monsoon rain, so when you water, water and fertilize like a monsoon.

Take indoors/greenhouse when night temps dip below 55°.



Theme... Theme... Theme

Feeling creative? Submit your suggestions for the February 2015 Orchid Expo and Sale to Richard Hara, worknut49@aol.com, no later than Monday, July 14, 2014.

We will vote on the theme at the July 15th summer banquet.

June Meeting Photos: No Gloom, just Blooms!



2014 June Judging Results

GENUS POINTS	FIRST PLACE 5 pts	SECOND PLACE 3 pts	THIRD PLACE 1 pt	JUDGES
CATLEYA	L. purpurata v. Schuster Espie Quinn	L. purpurata v. carnea Espie Quinn	C. Summer Joy Kayoko Nebrig	Lynn S. Wiand
CYMBIDIUM	Ctm Frilli Doris x Susan Fuchs Rick Wells	NA	NA	Janice Krause
DENDROBIUM	D. capituliflorum Merle Robboy	D. mutabile Lisa Humphreys	D. wallisii Barbara Livingston	Roberta Fox
EPIDENDRUM	Enc. Guatemalensis Kayoko Nebrig	Enc. Cochleata Tina Coombe	Epi. Ferrugineum Winn Winmaw	Joyce Nugent
MAXILLARIEAE	M. tenuifolia Joyce Nugent	NA	NA	Jim Miller
ONCIDIUM	Tol. Buck Hollow 'Orange Mist' x Red Hills Rick Wells	O. phymatochilum Nancy Benay	Odont. Unk Gen Gunderson	Janice Krause
PAPHIOPEDILUM	P. Magic Lantern Dick Hess	Phrag. besseae 'Dorothy' Lynn S. Wiand	P. delenatii v. alba Bill MacCorkell	Winn Winmaw
PHALAENOPSIS	P. speciosa v. vitetrapsis Nico Goossens	Dtps. King Shiong's Beauty Lisa Humphreys	NA	Joyce Nugent
PLEUROTHALLID	Physosiphon tubatus Lynn Wiand	NA	NA	Bill MacCorkell
VANDA	Renanthera monachica Lynn Wiand	Ascda SW Starlight Bill MacCorkell	V. rothchildiana Nico Goossens	Rose Nakabaro
MISCELLANEOUS	Spathoglottis gracilis Dick Hess	Lchs. orstedii x acuta Winn Winmaw	Stenoglottis woodii Lisa Humphreys	Kayoko Nebrig
POINTS	3 pts	2 pts	1 pt	
NOVICE	Dend. Purple Wendy Austin	NA	NA	Lynn Wiand
CULTURAL AWARD WINNER—7 points		Lchs. orstedii x acuta	Winn Winmaw	Phyllis Prestia



Mark Your Calendars...

Friday-Sunday, July 11-13: Cal-Orchid Open House, 1251 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara, CA. More information: www.calorchid.com.

Friday-Sunday, July 11-13: Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Open House, 1250 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara, CA. More information: www.sborchid.com.

Friday-Sunday, August 22-24: NHOS will hold its second annual Summer Exotic and Orchid Festival at the Westminster Mall. More information to come!



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