



Aerangis
Mystacidii
Zimbabwe
(Mounted)

Photo
from
Andy's
green-
house

South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.

“Orchids for Amateurs”

Founded July, 1957

The

INFLORESCENCE

October, 2007

Friday, October 26

South Coast Botanical Gardens

26300 Crenshaw Blvd

Palos Verdes Peninsula

General Meeting Speaker starting at 8PM

“MOUNTED ORCHIDS FACT AND FANTASY”

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Our speaker this month will be Harry Phillips of Andy's Orchids. He will be speaking to us about growing orchids outside in Southern California. If you have ever been to an orchid show in our area, you undoubtedly have seen the Andy's Orchid booth. There you will find almost anything from traditional favorites to the rarest

exotic species of orchid available. Harry likes to grow epiphytic orchids the way he has seen them growing in the wild and that is why you see Harry working with orchids that are mounted. He is always eager to dispel the idea that growing mounted orchids is difficult. The first time I heard him speak, he was embellishing on taking care of the roots of an orchid in order to get those sought after blooms we all want. His talk made instant sense to me and in part because of that talk my ability to reach my blooming goal got considerably better.

Harry worked with his brother Andy for over 10 years on a part time basis, before switching to working with orchids full time in 1986. He now lives with his family and his brother in Encinitas, California where he over sees the greenhouses and the vast collection of orchids.

You can expect a fantastic plant table and talk tailored to our growing environment, so please join us at our next meeting. Harry is a very approachable expert and gladly entertains all questions. He will also bring in pre-orders for our members. If we can get together an order over a certain dollar amount, we will receive an additional discount, to be shared by all. Check out www.andysorchids.com if you are interested.

President's Message

Fall has arrived and we are seeing the changes all around us. The days are getting shorter and the nights are getting cooler. I've even seen a few trees changing colors. There are also some changes taking place in our society. The vote to change our tax status to 501.c.3 was overwhelmingly passed at our last meeting and Ned has filed the necessary paperwork with State of California to make the change. He will file with the IRS after the state records the change and gives us a filing number. We will be seeing some new smiling faces at the membership table. Josephine Balboa and Laura Ciampaglia will be assisting Olga. Kayo (*pronounced Ki-yo*) Nakamura has also volunteered to be our new librarian and we are hoping to have the library open for lending at our October meeting. On the down side, Saul Miller has resigned, and we are again looking for a newsletter editor. If you would like to learn more about what is required of the newsletter editor, talk to Ned or Susann. Lastly please remember that we will be meeting on the fourth Friday or October 26. Marla

Fall Show Review

What a great Fall Show we had! The weather was great, the orchids were beautiful and the show was well attended. The show ran smoothly thanks to the hard work of our committee chairs and everyone who came to help.

Sue Estes, Karen Low, and Kathy West recruited and organized the hosts and hostesses. Our hosts/hostesses did an excellent job of keeping an eye on the showroom, answering questions the public might have about our plants and our society, and staffing the plant hotel.

Ron Henry and his crew brought all of our show supplies from storage and returned them. They also had the job of putting up the shade cloth over the patio and hanging the light over the trophy table and taking them down.

Nick Braemer provided us with informative and well-spoken orchid growers for our Featured Speakers series. Thanks also to our members who volunteered to give Orchid 101 talks. People come to our show not only to buy orchids, but also to learn how to grow them.

Carolyn Gould and May Dobratz kept the kitchen organized and the coffee hot. Thank you to everyone who brought food to feed our hungry workers. Our society has become well known for our good food and hospitality.

Bob Streeter recruited the judges for our ribbon judging and for CSA and AOS judging. He and **Polly Kinsinger** made sure all the plants were in the right categories on the judging tables.

Ann Rogers, Eunce Ellestad, and Charlie Jackson did an efficient job of getting all the plants registered for judging.

Don Goss, our web-master and publicity chair, made sure everyone knew about our show. Publicity is the key to a successful show and Don organized an effective campaign that included posters, flyers, newspapers, and e-mail notifications. He also kept our website up to date on all the show information.

Olga Cutting and her assistants were busy greeting the public, answering questions about our society and signing up new members. Thanks to their efforts we have eighteen new members!

Gloria Streeter again shared her collection of Orchid pins, some of which she has designed over the years. A spectacular collection. Gloria was also a great help at the membership table taking over so others could have breaks. Unfortunately I think we may have wore her out a bit, but she continued to give to the end.

And of course a big thank you to everyone who took the time to clean up their blooming orchids and bring them in for judging in our show. There were not as many orchids in bloom the weekend of the show so every plant was appreciated. Congratulations to all the winners. Marla

Cultural Session starting at 7PM

For your learning enjoyment we proudly present Jim Rowley. He will be repotting his Dias that has been multiplying over the summer and are now in need of repotting. Dias are an orchid from South Africa and produce some of the most brilliant flowers in the orchid world. They are a cool growing orchid, but tolerate higher temperatures, which makes them great for growing in our area. Jim has been growing his plants semi-hydroponically for several years now with success. Come and see how an expert handles an unusual orchid and learn more about the semi-hydroponics system of growing orchids.

Ribbon Judging Results September Meeting

Advanced Amateur – Judged by Ted Johnson

Cattleya

1 st	Pot. burana Beauty ‘Burana’ AM/CST HCC/AOS	Tom Renger
2 nd	C. Caudebec ‘Carmela’ HCC/AOS	Tom Renger
3 rd	C. bowringiano coerulea x sibling	Bobby Ignacio

Other – Judged by Nick Braemer

1 st	Aerangis splendida	Steve Moeschler
2 nd	Phal. Yu Pin King	Bobby Ignacio
3 rd	Sobralia Rosa	Ted & Jackie Johnson

Amateur – Judged by Polly Kinsinger

Cattleya

1 st	Ctna. Why Not	Nancy Larsson
2 nd	C. Tropical Pointer ‘Amethysto	Lorena Cruz
3 rd	C. Volcano Blue ‘Datsun’	Lorena Cruz

Phalaenopsis

1 st	Phal. bellina	Jerri Larsson
2 nd	Phal. Unknown	Kayo Nakamura

Other

1 st	Colm. Wild Willie ‘Pacific Plunge’	Josephine Balboa
2 nd	Den. Unknown	Bobbie Davison
3 rd	Paphiopedilum fairrieanum x Ruby Leopard	Nancy Larsson

FLOWERS AND MORE LISTEN UP~ THIS IS IMPORTANT. We will be having a extra large assortment of orchids for sale and for the raffle table at this months meeting. Here’s Why:

Harry Phillips will be supplying a plant raffle table for us from Andy’s Orchids. Andy’s Orchids are well known for their expertly grown orchid species. This is a chance to get something a whole lot more interesting than what you usually see at Home Depo or the smaller orchid shows.

Len Judaken is removing his greenhouses. For this month all- of his warmer growing plants, (i.e. Phalaenopsis) will be available at the silent auction. All proceeds are being donated to our society. Len has some great plants, so don’t miss this opportunity. I understand we may be talking of up to a hundred plants in all. See page 7 for dismantled greenhouse parts.

As is the case sometimes the vendors from our shows will donate plants to our society. We have a couple flats of plants that were donated to us from Kawamoto’s Orchids. We will be adding these to the raffle table. Here is a change to win some nice orchids. The more plants available, the higher our odds of winning.

Dave DeYoung, has been busy dividing his orchids this fall and finds he is out of room. Dave has some really great plants in his collection and this is a unique opportunity for us.

Ann McNeeley’s family will be selling Ann’s plants to our society and the Torrance Cymbidium Society on October 27; 9-12AM. A portion of the proceeds are to be donated to the South Coast Botanical Gardens in Ann’s name. Ann had a great collection, and now they need new homes. For info call Mac McNeeley at 310-375-7750. Maps to the home are available at the meeting.



CLOSING COMMENTS ON HS (Horse Manure).

The experiment I started 2 years ago was disrupted by an unforeseen move coupled with some physical problems I had resulting in a surgery. Things are back on track, however the comparison I had hoped for did not materialize as all the plants got mixed up, tags were lost and some plants themselves got lost.

I have, however formed some definite conclusions about the road apples

!) As a potting media I think it is not suitable as it tends to disappear. As one waters and with the winter rains, everything other than the undigested hay or grass washes away. The plant ends up in yellowish, clean, hay with little else, the surface of the planting mix drops 50% as the manure washes away and the undigested plant material remains. One would have to re-pot at least once a year or more often.

2) For what its worth, it probably provides a fertilizer of sorts. I still keep some around and throw it on the pots or even in the saddle of mounted plants periodically. As I water the beneficial part gets leached unto the root system. I make a special point of doing this at the beginning of the growing season in the spring. My regular fertilizing schedule is not altered by this. Is it doing some good? I cannot help but believe it is although I have no hard facts to prove it. I use the same 20/20/20 fertilizer year around and add odds and ends to the mix as they become available. Sea weed extract, Miracle growth, Rose fertilizer, Epsom salts and even Birth Control Pills are added to the 5 gallon bucket from which I siphon the water using the 1/16 reducing Syphonex. If steroids made Ahnold win 6 Mr Universe titles, helped win Olympic medals, Home Run records and Tour The France titles, they can't be bad for my plants. At least there are no unwanted pregnancies to report, I have however been contacted by the Bushies who insisted that instead of giving them the pills I should just teach them to say "No". The plants are doing well but if the HS improves them over what they would be anyway I really cannot tell. My gut feeling is that it is of some benefit but certainly not necessary considering all the other stuff I'm giving the plants.

3) Finally, I can report that storing and using the stuff is totally un-offensive. I keep a covered garbage can full of it and use it in planting mix for Epiphyllums, Cacti and other plants besides adding it to the top of orchid pots or in the saddle of mounted plants as previously mentioned. It does not smell and does not attract flies.

4) It has attracted politicians though. As I seem well versed in the subject I have been contacted for advice by the major presidential campaign organizations who intend to use a lot of it during the next year.

Good growing, Nick

A shot of the Fall Show Sept 07. Some really great looking flowers. Shot by Ron Henry



Steve Moeschler's *Dendrobium cuthbertsonii*.

Steve not only won Best in Show, but also was given AM/AOS awards for this plant
Photo by Ron Henry



The Fall Show of 2007

Ribbon Judging

Best in Show and awarded AM/AOS

Dendrobium cuthbertsonii

Steve Moeschler

Cattleya Alliance – Bifoliate Type – Best in Section

Slc. Marcia Streeter ‘Streeter’s First’

David Streeter

Cattleya Alliance – Labiata Type – Best in Section

C. maxima

Bernadette Nazareno

Phalaenopsis & Doritis – Best in Section

Phal. Sogo Moon ‘Freckles’

Dave & Henrietta DeYoung

Vanda & Allied Genera – Best in Section

Angraecum comorense ‘Zuma Canyon’

David Streeter

Paphiopedilum & Phragmipedium – Best in Section

Paph. Magic Lantern

Dave & Henrietta DeYoung

Other Genera – Best in Section

Dendrobium cuthbertsonii

Steve Moeschler



Sue Estes and Vaille McCray were greeting visitors and gathering information provided by these visitors coming to our show. The information they gather is used to send out information about upcoming shows to those who sign up for it and we gather feedback on how our publicity is working. It's a lot of fun greeting these visitors.



C. maxima

Best in Cattleya Alliance—Labiata Type

Grown by Bernadette Nazareno Photo by Ron Henry



Our own MC, Don Goss.
Are we havin' fun yet?



Victor Lee from Divine Orchids
A vendor having a good time.
Photo by Ron Henry

People, Places and Things

South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.

Meets on the third Friday of each month
Culture Session at 7:00 p.m.
General Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
South Coast Botanic Garden
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.
Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA

Next Board Meeting October 30 , 2007

The Board Meetings will be held at the
South Coast Botanic Garden



Welcome New Members

Olga's Corner

We have 18 new members from the Fall Show. As they appear at the meetings I will be sure to give them a proper introduction. It is up to us, to make all our new members feel welcome, so when you see somebody new — be sure to walk over and make a new friend.

Laura Ciampaglia — Olga — Josephine Balboa
Our membership committee

Laura and John Ciampaglia joined us at the Fall Show. They grows cymbidiums outdoors and want to learn more about growing orchids. As noted above Laura has signed up to help out with membership so be looking for her!

Ann McNeeley

Ann joined the South Bay Orchid Society in April of '01 after having recently retired from her career in business. She not only wanted to learn how to grow orchids, she was also looking for a volunteer position where she could apply her business skills and make new friends. John Jaacks, who was president at that time and had known Ann and her husband for many years, seized upon this opportunity and recruited Ann to become treasurer. Ann immediately became an integral part of our society and served as treasurer for four years. During this time she used her merchandising skills to organize a boutique that sold orchid related merchandise at our shows. Ann was a tireless and energetic worker who made many good friends in the orchid growing community. I have many fond memories of the fun times I had with my dear friend, Ann. She will be missed.

Marla Corey



The family of Ann McNeeley wishes to extend a warm and heart felt THANK YOU to our Society for our support at their time of need. Tom Renger picked up donated Phalaenopsis flowers from George Vasquez, and added his own Cattleya flowers for the floral piece atop her casket. Chuck did the arrangement using the donated flowers. Don and Tom were both supportive for the family spirituality. Marla and May helped at the home so the family could be all together after the funeral. Many other society members offered the family spiritual support at this time and it was appreciated.

**The Refrigerator Door
Orchid Show Calendar**

Nov 2007—Dec, 2007

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Don Goss.....310-316-3595
orchids at south bay orchid society dot com

**Blow out sale—everything
must go.....**

Len Judaken is dismantling all his green houses and has some very high tech equipment for sale which includes heating and cooling systems. All kinds of greenhouse parts and pieces are available. You will need some tool knowledge to put it together again. He got an offer he couldn't refuse and will be starting over at a new location. He is donating many plants to our society as well as giving the Society the proceeds from all his plants sold to our members. Please call Len at 310-838-4818. He is located in Los Angeles. Some plants will be available at the Friday meeting. First come, first served at his location for plants. All of the proceeds go to the society as a donation.

November 3 & 4

**48th Annual Fall Santa Barbara
Orchid Estate Open House**

Sat 8AM-5PM

Sun 9AM-4PM

www.sborchid.com

December 8 & 9

**Orchid Society of Santa Barbara
Fall show & Sale**

Theme "The Friendly Addiction"

www.soborchid.com

SBOS Annual Holiday Dinner DEC 14 at South
Coast Botanical Gardens.

NOV Speaker—Tom Biggard “Dendrobiums-the
four main groups”. He would like to stay with a
member overnight at their home. Please see Ned if
you can help. Thanks

Thanks to you:

We want to thank Ron McHatton for his informa-
tive fireside talk with us last month. Anybody
wanting to get in touch with him may reach him at
ronmchatton@aol.com. We would also like to
thank Norman at Norman's Orchids. He not only
brought Ron to the meeting but also supplied us
with the plants for the opportunity table. You may
reach Norman at Orchids.com which is his website
for ordering orchids.

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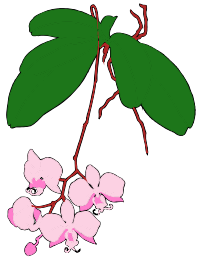
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ADRIAN

Page 34 (aphid eradication) of the 1955 edition of the
Orchid Growers Manual

“The Inflorescence”

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7:00 P.M.
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