

DEEP SOUTH ORCHID SOCIETY

Newsletter

April 2017

April Meeting

Date: Sunday, April 9th

Place: Coastal Georgia

Botanical Gardens

Time: 2:00PM

An enchanting harmony of fuchsia, purple and pink undertones, Radiant Orchid inspires confidence and emanates great joy, love and health. It is a captivating purple, one that draws you in with its beguiling charm.

Leatrice Eiseman



The President's Column

Show & Tell and Plant Tags

Now that we've gone through a number of monthly meetings with our categorized table and judging, I wanted to recap and make a few requests for the future.

First and foremost, I and many other members have been very pleased to see the upswing in the number of plants at meetings with the switch to informal judging. I encourage folks to keep bringing in their plants and, if you have not done so, join in the fun! The point of an orchid society is not just to listen to our invited speakers or to pick up plants from a vendor or through a raffle, but to be an active participant and one way to participate is to share your own successes. Don't be shy! Now, if someone would actually KEEP one of their Best-In-Show medals, that would be great!

There are other forms of participation that can help with not only the show table but with your own understanding of orchids, especially those in your collection. If you have not perused the bluenanta.com site, grab a named plant from your collection, sit down at a computer and explore. Not only can it help you hunt down the names of hybrids but often, by using part of your plant's name, you can resolve spelling issues, determine if the cross shown on your tag has since been registered, discover generic name changes, and more.

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If you go to the awards list in this newsletter, note those plants with a "#" in front of their names. That symbol indicates that the name is, in some way, updated, mostly using the bluenanta site. If you're on Facebook, you can also join the Blue Nanta – Orchid Roots Users Group, where you can post photos of your plants, photos that might end up on the website. In this way, you're not only becoming more knowledgeable about your own plants but helping others as well. Another way in which checking and updating your plants' tags helps is that you will have a corrected name for any plants you bring to a monthly meeting or wish to enter for judging in our annual show.

Next, if you want to make sure your plant is properly categorized for our monthly meeting table, there are a several things you can do. 1) Make sure the tag has more than your personal code on it – write out the name! 2) Make sure the tag is clearly visible – they can disappear among roots, leaves, into pots, etc. 3) Don't leave the entire job to me. While you may get to the meeting before me, it would be a great help if, when you see me arrive, that you come to the show & tell table to see if you can help with getting your plants in the right category.

As always, your continued active participation in any aspect of helping our society grow and bloom is greatly appreciated. We have just two meetings before our annual show and the expectation is that we will have even greater attendance as a result of quality of the event last year. Help will be needed from as many of you as possible to make it a success. Stay tuned for how you can help in these next two meetings.

Happy Growing!

David Jarrell

April Program to Teach Everyone "How to Prep Your Orchids for Entering in Our Show"



1st Place Cattleya Norm Schoppenhorst



1st Place Dendrobium Jaime Yu



1st Place Phalaenopsis David Jarrell



I grow plants for many reasons: to please my eye or to please my soul, to challenge the elements or to challenge my patience, for novelty or for nostalgia, but mostly for the joy in seeing them grow.

David Hobson

David Jarrell



Cattleya

Although March is, in many parts of the country, still a cold and blustery month, the lengthening days and warmer temperatures allowed by increased light are long-awaited harbingers of the coming change of season. Some of the best standard cattleyas of the year will be in bloom, or will be blooming soon. The last of the winter-flowering hybrids will join the earliest of the spring hybrids in a wonderful display. Be on the alert for senescing sheaths that need removal. If these yellowing sheaths are not removed, the moisture they trap can lead to bud rot. Careful removal of the sheath will allow the buds to develop, although they will need additional support. Changing light conditions can also be a problem in March and April. An exceptionally bright day, especially immediately following a rain, can lead to sunburn of the foliage if shading is not attended to properly. There can still be periods of dull days where spikes can weakened owing to the lower light. Lengthening days will mean increased metabolic rates necessitating increased water and fertilizer. The plants will indicate needs by drying more rapidly, which means more frequent watering and fertilizing.

With the passing of the season for winter bloomers, and the beginning of the season for spring bloom, it is also the time to be on the lookout for plants that will need potting after they bloom.

Cymbidium

Plants should be putting on a spectacular show this time of year. Adjust all staking and twistties and be on the lookout for aphids, slugs and snails. Give adequate water because flowering strains the plants. As new growths appear later, increase the nitrogen level in the fertilizer. Should a plant look healthy but not be blooming, try increasing the light during the next growing season. The number-one reason for no flowers is lack of light.

Phalaenopsis

Cymbidium Magic Mountain

In most of the country, March is the peak blooming month for Phalaenopsis. Staking needs to be carefully attended to, so that the flowers will be displayed at their best for orchid shows and judging -- even those intended for your home will look best if properly staked. One of the most decorative aspects of Phalaenopsis spikes is the way they gracefully arch. If not staked properly, the spike will lack this grace and will not be as pleasing. Most growers like to have the final support just below the first flower, allowing maximum support, without sacrificing the beauty of the arching spike.

Rapid-growing spikes and open flowers place extra demands on the plant. Careful monitoring of watering and feeding will give the plants the energy they require to give their best floral display. Remember, too, that the lengthening days will also increase the frequency at which plants need water.

Beware of the invasion of sucking pests that accompany the flowering season. Flowers and spikes are favorite targets of mealybugs and scales. If flowers and buds are too far along, chemical treatment may damage or abort them.

The AOS thanks Ned Nash and James Rose for this essay. (The article was abbreviated to fit the space available)



This is the Society judging of member orchids for March 12, 2017. Below is a complete list of winners and the orchid images are scattered throughout the newsletter.

Category	Prize	Name	Grower
Cattleya	1	#Rhyncattleanthe Love Passion 'Island Romance'	Norm Schoppenhorst
	2	#Rhyncattleanthe Abbeville	Norm Schoppenhorst
	3	#Bullara Redland Sunset	David Jarrell
Dendrobium	1	Dendrobium Micro Chip	Jimmy Yu
Phalaenopsis	1	Phalaenopsis Long Pride Imp (there are many registered Long Pride hybrids but this isn't among them – maybe a tentative name while awaiting approval?)	David Jarrell
	2	Phalaenopsis Easter Carnival	David Jarrell
	3	Phalaenopsis Sogo Gotris 'Flora Ark'	Norm Schoppenhorst
Vanda	1	Vanda Varakorn x V. merrillii	Jenni Brodie
	2	Trichoglottis triflora	David Jarrell
	3	#Vanda Cherry Blossom	Jenni Brodie
Other hybrids	*1*	Lysudamuloa Red Jewel 'Sweet Baby'	Rosie Southard
	2	Lycaste Kibune 'Jaime' AM/AOS	Jimmy Yu
Other species	1	#Eulophia andamanensis	David Jarrell
NoID	1	Cattleya	Bob Keplinger
	2	Cymbidium	Jeannie Clifton
	3	Vanda	Greenhouse

^{**} Best of the Meeting

Judges: Jenni Brodie, Suzy Schoppenhorst, Karen Schuck

[#] These plants are listed with updated genera, hybrid genera registered cross names or corrected spelling when compared to what was on tag at meeting.

Our Own Jaime Yu takes GOLD

On March 18, 2017, Jaime Yu won two AOS awards for his Lycaste orchids. An excerpt from the American Orchid Society's website is featured below. Way to go, Jaime, and what beautiful orchids!





Lycaste Kitayama x Lycaste Shoalhaven

AM/AOS (82 points)

• Exhibitor: Jaime Yu

Photographer: H. A. Russell III

Date: Mar 18, 2017Award No: 20172195

One well-presented flower on one sturdy 27-cm inflorescence; flower base color cream; dorsal sepal cuspidate, flushed pale chartreuse along midrib, very faint rose stippling basal one-third; lateral sepals obtuse, flushed pale chartreuse superior half, fainter chartreuse inferior half, very faint rose stippling basal one-third; petals open, pleasingly flared, stippled rose; lip midlobe distal half recurved, stippled rose, heavier along margins, side lobes overlaid yellow, stippled rose, callus deep yellow-gold; column overlaid pale yellow-gold, basal half deep rose; substance hard; texture crystalline.



Lycaste Rakuhoku 'Jaime'

Lycaste Auburn x Lycaste Shoalhaven

AM/AOS (82 points)

• Exhibitor: Jaime Yu

• **Photographer:** H. A. Russell III

Date: Mar 18, 2017Award No: 20172197

One full, round flower and one bud on two staked inflorescences; flower base color pale chartreuse; sepals blushed rose-pink 3/4 centrally; petals white, heavily suffused rose-purple; lip beet purple, callus bright yellow-gold; substance firm; texture crystalline, lip velvety



The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm at the Savannah Mall. The following were in attendance:

David Jarrell Greg Mosely Bob Carson Pat Keplinger Jaime Yu Stanley Konter Cristina Negrea Cheryl Holesovsky Dave Holesovsky Jim Keplinger Gail Mathews Jeannie Clifton

The minutes were read and approved as submitted

Greenhouse

The greenhouse is doing great, we have lots and lots of blooms and they are ready for our show.

Atlanta Show

A big thank you goes out to Dave and Cheryl Holesovsky for putting a display in Atlanta. Our Society took numerous ribbons and Jaime Yu received an AOS award.

April 9th Meeting

Our topic will be "How to Prep Your Orchids for Entering in Our Show"

Nancy and Greg Mosely will have hospitality

Members can bring plants for our raffle

Don't forget to bring your plants for show and tell and judging

Show Update

Wednesday April 26th will be set up, Thursday April 27th will be registration for entering your plants Jim, Terry, and Jaime will do the layout

Jim will bring his printer, Pat has the Society's computer

Dave will email everyone spread sheets to enter your plants

Jeannie and Kim are in charge of the trophies

Gail has clipboards

The Society is looking to purchase laser pointers for clerking

The ribbons has been ordered

Greg will furnish the poles for the backdrops

Our Vendors will be Marble Branch Farms, EFG Orchids, Owens Orchids, John Island Orchids,

Live Oak Orchids, Oglethrope Orchids, and Hicks Orchid Supply

Judges Breakfast will be the same as last year, members will be ask to donate to help the cost

CGBG has arraned Security throughout the entire set up, registration, the show, and tear down

We will host a Wine and Cheese reception for Friends of the CGBG and the people who work the show on Friday April 28th.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm Next Board Meeting will be April 24th at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted
Pat Keplinger,
Recording Secretary for the DSOS



1st Place Dendrobium-Jimmy Yu

The Orchid Show is HERE!

The 2017 Annual Orchid Show will be held at the Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens on April 28 - 30, 2017.

We will have seven vendors; Marble Branch Farms, Live Oak Orchids, Owens Orchids, Johns Island Orchids, Oglethorpe Orchids, EFG Orchids, and Hicks Orchid Supply.

Ribbon judging will be 8:00AM to 12:00PM on Friday followed by AOS judging.



The show is open to the public on the following schedule:

Friday April 28th - 12:00PM to 5:00PM Saturday April 29th - 9:00AM to 5:00PM Sunday April 30th - 11:00AM to 4:00PM

It will take the help and support of every member to make the show a success!

Our display at the Atlanta show was a winner. Thanks Dave and Cheryl Holesovsky.



Deep South Orchid Society Board of Directors

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