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San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

Bulletin

February Meeting
Thursday, February 18, 2016
7:00 PM – Ribbon Judging
7:30 PM – General Meeting

Our regular meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden, Lecture Hall, 301 North Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia

General Meeting: Fred Clarke "Aussie Dendrobiums"

"Aussie Native Dendrobiums and their Cultivation" Our friends down under have been breeding their native Dendrobiums and creating some fantastic flowers, the word is out! Aussie Dens are easy to grow, tolerant of heat and cold, have fragrant flowers, and re-bloom from the old bulbs!!! They grow well with Cattleyas and in frost free areas they are perfect plants for the shade house. In conclusion we cover the 'best practices' for growing these remarkable plants. A PowerPoint presentation

Fred Clarke has been growing orchids for 33 years and has been hybridizing for 25 of those years. With over 25 years as a professional grower and manager in the horticultural industry, Fred applies these skills at his orchid nursery; Sunset Valley Orchids, located in San Diego, California.

He is a passionate orchid grower whose curiosity in orchids is broad and varied. Although developing Cattleya hybrids has been his sustaining interest, he is also actively creating new Aussie Dendrobium and Paphiopedilum hybrids.

His pioneering work in Catasetum intergeneric hybrids led to the development of several notable hybrids, most recently the grex, Fredclarkeara After Dark, which produced "the blackest flower ever witnessed". This grex has received eight FCC's, eight AM's and the coveted 'Award of Distinction' on the first flowers shown for judging!

Fred is an Accredited Judge in the Pacific South Judging Region. His plants have received hundreds of quality awards from the American Orchid Society.

Plant Opportunity Table

The plant table for this month will be provided by **Sunset Valley Orchids**. Don't forget to get your tickets!

JANUARY PLANT JUDGING

	Plant Name	Owners Name
	Dracula verticulosa	Dann Dunst
1 st	Dracula nightshade	Dann Dunst
2 nd	Restrepia angustifolia	Dann Dunst
3 rd	L. anceps williamsiana	Una Yeh
	L. anceps	Aaron Estrada
Cattleyas	•	
Cultural:		
1 st	Blc. Chia Lin 'Shin Shy' AM/AOS	Jim Gomes
	Blc. Ports of Paradise 'Green Ching Hua' AM/AOS	Gordon Quan
3 rd	anceps 'Déjà Vu'	Una Yeh
Hon. Cattleyas Mini	C. Percivaliana 'Summit'	Una Yeh
Cultural:	Bc. Maikai	Jim Gomes
	Blc. Golden Chieftain 'Akuki'	Jim Gomes
	C. Helen x C. Melody	Alyce Griffithl
.3 rd	C. Heathii	Una Yeh
	Pot. Qing Ming 'Brilliant'	Una Yeh
	Tot. Wing wing Diffiant	ona i cii
Cymbidium		
Cultural:		
Cymbidium-		
Novelty		V 0 F
	Cym. Unknown	Y. S. Farn
Dendrobiums		
Cultural:		
1 st		
2 nd		
3 rd		
Hon.		
Oncidiums		
Cultural:		
2 nd	Miltoniopsis Unknown	Aaron Estrada
3 rd		a.o.i Lollada
Hon.		
Paph & Phrags	Donk oniogrication	David Carer
	Paph. spicerianum	David Campen
151	Paph. Primulinum Hybrid	Dann Dusnt
2 nd	Paph. Mastersianum	Tuan Ngo
3 rd	Stefani Pitta	Dann Dunst
Hon. Std. Phals	Paph. Unknown	Una Yeh
1 st		
Mini Phals		
1 st		
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Vandaceous		
Cultural:		l: 0
	V. Varakorn x V. merrillii 'Carmela'	Jim Gomes
2 nd	Apostal 'Yellow'	Dann Dunst
	Ascda. Udomchai 'Sunkiss'	Alyce Griffith
3 rd	AM/AOS	
Hon.		
Hon. Other Genera	AM/AOS	David Compan
Hon. Other Genera Cultural:		David Campen
Hon. Other Genera Cultural:	AM/AOS FDK After Dark 'SVO Black Pearl' FCC/AOS B. Nodosa	David Campen Jim Gomes
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2016 Membership Dues

Pay your dues for 2016
now while you think of it.
Dues are still only
\$20.00. Dues are for
calendar year 2016
January – December).
Please make your check
out to "San Gabriel Valley
Orchid Hobbyists Inc."
and mail it to, PO Box
660111, Arcadia, CA
91066 or bring it to the
next meeting.

All unpaid members as of the March meeting will lose all privileges that are included with membership.

We encourage you to renew your membership now......

Our May Auction is Coming......

Our May Auction will be on May 19th. We would like encourage members to start dividing their plants, so they may donate some of their divisions. Remember, our auction is our only fund raiser, so we may acquire speakers, pay rent, supplies, etc. We would like to thank each of you for your support.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS (CONT.)

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Membership Welcome Message

Please Welcome new members **Jerrica Tseng**.

We had 29 members and 5 guests in attendance at the January meeting.

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AOS Webinars

What are webinars? Webinars are an internet conference where you can hear the speaker and view his presentation, ask questions, and hear interactions from other members of the audience. You can join either on your computer or by phone. You can join from anywhere, via your Mac, PC or even your mobile device. Audio is included, so attendees can phone in or use VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol). You will need a microphone for your computer to use VoIP. If you cannot make the actual presentation, there will be a link on the website where you can view the webinar at your convenience.

Below are some samples of Free and Members only Webinars:

Recorded Webinars Free to Everyone:

- Introduction: Orchids and Their Culture Greg Allikas
- Orchids Plus: AOS' Digital Orchid Awards Program Greg Filter
- Greenhouse Chat, July Ron McHatton

Recorded Webinars for Members Only (requires log in):

- Orchids: Pests and Their Management Ron McHatton
- <u>Demystifying Dendrobiums</u> Ron McHatton
- Lycaste skinneri and its hybrids
 Mario Ferrusi

Benefits Of Being a Member of The AOS

If you are not already a member, membership in the American Orchid Society is a truly rewarding experience. Whether a beginner or an expert orchid grower you will find information to inform and inspire in both our print and online media. Join others worldwide who share a passion for orchids, as well as supporting AOS conservation and research efforts for these wondrous plants.

Join today and begin receiving a wealth of membership benefits including:

- TWELVE issues of awardwinning ORCHIDS magazine
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- Access to reliable on-line orchid information and features available only to our members at www.aos.org
- Receive the annual Orchid Source Directory detailing orchid suppliers worldwide
- Free and discounted admission to more than 200 botanical gardens and arboreta
- 10% discount on purchases on-line at www.aos.org including discount on back issues of ORCHIDS magazine and on American Orchid Society published books

Please Visit <u>www.aos.org</u> for more informations.

Lunar New Years

The new year, also known as the Spring Festival, is marked by the lunisolar Chinese calendar, so the date changes from year to year. The festivities usually start the day before the New Year and continue until the Lantern Festival, the 15th day of the new year.

The Chinese symbol for

<u>monkey</u>



Each Chinese New Year is characterised

by one of 12 animals which appear in the Chinese zodiac. The Chinese zodiac is divided into 12 blocks (or houses) just like its western counterpart, but with the major difference being that each house has a time-length of one year instead of one month. This year it's the Year of the Monkey, the ninth animal in the cycle. The next Year of the Monkey will be in 2028.



A Note from Lana

Warm sun or rain, the daffodils and our orchids know spring is coming. February will surely include a major clean up in my small but mighty greenhouse. George Hatfield's cymbidium powerpoint presentation is always well received. Many said they are encouraged by Greg's plant forums. Its time to start planning for our May Auction!

-Lana Tripathi President

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 12 - 14 Newport Harbor Orchid Expo 2016 "The Many Faces of Orchids"

> Westminster Mall 1025 Westminster Mall Westminster, CA

February 16
Newport Harbor Orchid Society
"Annual Auction"

Costa Mesa Community Center 1845 Park Ave. Costa Mesa, CA www.nhosinfo.org

March 4 – 6 Santa Barbara International Orchid Show "Wild World of Orchids"

2016 Earl Warren Showgrounds Santa Barbara, CA www.sborchidshow.com

March 11 - 13
San Diego County Orchid Society
"Orchids in Paradise"
2016 Show & Sale

Scottish Rite Center 1895 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA

The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **Thursday, January 28**, at the LA County Arboretum. Board members unable to attend should notify **Jim Gomes** ((626) 577-7220 or jim.gomes@att.net).



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January 18, 2016 Fred Clarke Aussie dendrobiums