



San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

Bulletin

August Meeting
Thursday, August 16, 2018
7:00 PM – Plant Judging
7:30 PM – General Session

Our regular meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at
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MEMBERS GROWING AREAS

This month we will have a PowerPoint presentation and discussion regarding where our members grow their orchids. Several of our members have sent in pictures of where they grow their orchids outside. Some have shade houses, some grow outside on their patios, under trees, and some have greenhouses. The greenhouses can be set up with climate controls, temperature, humidity controls, exhaust fans, heat, etc. This makes growing a little easier with all this heat we have been having. The extreme heat we have been having has made it more difficult to grow some orchids outside. I know because I'm outside misting my orchids several times a day in this heat. The heat can cause bud blast, the following article is from the AOS website by Susan Jones:

"It can be heartbreaking to watch helplessly as long-awaited orchid buds brown, die and drop instead of becoming those much-anticipated flowers. Bud blast, when buds wither and fall from an otherwise healthy plant, may occur through any of a number of causes. Buds are the most sensitive part of an orchid, and are easily affected by unsuitable conditions in the growing environment. Cattleyas, Phalaenopsis and Dendrobiums seem particularly susceptible to this problem. One common reason for it is under or overwatering."

This should be a very interesting presentation and discussion to learn how other members grow their fantastic plants.

Plant Opportunity Table

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

JULY PLANT JUDGING

Species	Plant Name	Owners Name
Cultural:	Enc. Tampensis var. alba	Toby Luong
1 st	Epi polyanthum	Una Yeh
2 nd	Den. limpium	Dann Dunst
3 rd	Enc. alata	Dann Dunst
Hon.	Enc. mariae	Jim Gomes
Cattleyas		
Cultural:	Blc. Waianae Leopard 'Ching Hua'	Gordon Quan
1 st	Blc. Mem. Vida Lee 'Limelight'	Jim Gomes
2 nd	L. purpurata var ardosia	Una Yeh
3 rd	L. Pacavia	Una Yeh
Hon.	L. tenebrosa (aurea x alba)	Una Yeh
Cattleyas Mini		
Cultural:	C. (Landate x tigrina)	Una Yeh
1 st	B. fragrans x Lc. Blue & Gold	Jim Gomes
2 nd	B. Jiminy Cricket	Greg Orozco
3 rd	C. Michelle Fiene	Jim Gomes
Hon.	C. Coral Drop	Jim Gomes
Cymbidium		
1 st		
Cymbidium-Novelty		
Cultural:		
Dendrobiums		
Cultural:	D. Isabel Sander	Jim Gomes
1 st		
2 nd	D. Fire Wings	Jim Gomes
3 rd	D. Cotton Candy	Viras Tangna Varad
Hon.		
Oncidiums		
1 st	Onc. Unknown	Aaron Estrada
2 nd	Onc. Unknown	Jim Gomes
3 rd	Onc. Sharry Baby	Aaron Estrada
Hon.	Miltonia Unknown	Dann Dunst
Paph & Phrags		
1 st		
Std. Phals		
Cultural:	Phal. Unknown	Olga Ribardo
1 st	Phal. Unknown	Viras Tangna Varad
2 nd	Phal. Hsin Pudding Puppy 'Harlequin'	Lynn McIlwain
3 rd	Phal. Unknown	Dann Dunst
Hon.	Phal. Unknown	Olga Ribardo
Mini Phals		
Cultural:		
1 st	Phal. Unknown	Olga Ribardo
2 nd	Phal. Unknown	Jim Gomes
3 rd	Dtps. Kenneth Schubert	Jim Gomes
Hon.	Phal. Unknown	Jim Gomes
Vandaceous		
Cultural:	V. Cherry Blossom	Dann Dunst
1 st	Asco. Suksamran Beauty	Dann Dunst
2 nd	Asco. Suksamran Sunlight	Dann Dunst
3 rd	Rum. Cherry Shower	Jim Gomes
Hon.	Neof. falcate var. Shutennou	Y.S. Farn
Other Genera		
Cultural:	Epicat. El Hatilo 'Pinta'	Toby Luong
1 st	Epc. Cindy 'Sunshine' x Enc. Tampensis v. alba	Toby Luong
2 nd	Epicat. El Hatilo 'Pinta'	Y.S. Farn
3 rd	Masd. Golden Sunrise	Dann Dunst
Hon.	Enc. adenocaula	Una Yeh

The President's Message

I would like to thank Tim Cuthbertson on his very informative program on Laelia Purpuratas.

He also furnished the plant table which was also all purpurata hybrids. I know that many of our members grow outdoors, and Purpuratas do so well here in Southern California. It was a little disappointing this year because it seemed peak bloom time was right in the middle of the Heat Wave. My plants all survived but the flowers didn't fair as well. Hope you are all getting by in this heat as best you can. See you all next meeting.

Greg Orozco
President

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Membership Welcome Message

We had 29 members in attendance at the July meeting.

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Bulletin Deadline: Those wishing to place announcements in the bulletin should get the information to the editor, **Jim Gomes** (626)818-1859 or jim.gomes@att.net, by the Friday following the fourth Thursday of the month.

Summer

Orchid

Growing Tips

Cattleya Alliance Plants

In most areas of the country, higher light and higher temperatures require more fertilizer and water for Cattleyas. If you are in one of the areas with extremely high temperatures cut back on the fertilizer since your plants will be stressed from the heat and will go into a period of very little growth until the temperatures moderate in the fall. Be sure to watch for fungal diseases as well as scale since both proliferate in higher temperatures.

Phalaenopsis or Moth Orchids

Phals are one of the warm growing orchids and as such are happiest during our summer months. They should be fertilized every week during these months so that they can

achieve maximum growth to support spikes in the fall. Very high temperatures (over 90F) will cause leaf loss. So if possible try to keep your plants in areas where they are not exposed to these high temperatures. Be very careful of water in the crowns of plants to avoid rot and provide good air circulation.

Paphiopedilums or Slipper Orchids

Paphs generally like a little cooler temperatures than some of the other orchids. Even the so-called "warm growers" will not like temperatures above about 85F. Good air circulation is a must for these plants especially during warmer weather. Make sure that they do not dry out and that high humidity is provided if the plants are in warm areas.

Watch for fungal infections

Fungus infections are especially prevalent during the hot and humid summer months, especially on thin leafed orchids. If you notice spotting on the leaves of your plants, spray with a good

fungicide such as Physan or Consan to keep the problem from getting worse. Be sure to spray both the bottom and the top of leaves for best results. Increase your air circulation around that specific plant if possible since poor air circulation is one of the causes of fungal infections.

Watch for new growth and stake inflorescences

Stake new inflorescences on most of the summer growing orchids such as Epidendrum, Dendrobium, Brassavola, Oncidiums and Phrags. It is a good idea to put in the stake as soon as you notice the inflorescence so that you can keep track of where it is and stake when the growth has reached about 4 inches. Be careful not to pinch the inflorescence because all the growth and flower development is nourished through the stem.

Article from the AOS website

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 17 – 19
Newport Harbor Orchid Society
Summer Exotic Plant & Orchid Festival
Westminster Mall.
Westminster, CA
www.nhosinfo.com

September 29 – 30
Fascination of Orchids
International Show & Sale
South Coast Plaza Village
1621 West Sunflower
Santa Ana, CA 92704
www.fascinationoforchids.com

September 15 – 16
South Bay Orchid Society
Orchid Show & Sale
South Coast Botanic Garden
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.
Palos Verdes, CA
www.southbayorchidsociety.com

October 19 - 21
Huntington Botanical Gardens
Intl. Orchid
Show & Sale
“Orchid Musical”
1151 Oxford Road
San Marino, CA 91108
www.huntington.org

The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **TBD**, 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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