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#### **Regular Meeting Schedule**

Doors open at 6:30 pm
Table/chair setup, plants in place
Ribbon judging starts at 7:00 pm
Culture session
Speaker starts at 7:30 pm
Opportunity drawing
Table/chair teardown
Doors close at 9:30 pm

# South Coast Orchid Society

### \*\*\*71 Years of Orchid Excellence\*\*\*

Newsletter Founded in 1950 September 2021

## Orchid News September 2021

As I write, we are having one more heat wave. But the Autumnal Equinox has passed and nights are cooler, so we may actually be leaving Summer behind. The Fall bloomers are lining up to put on their display. The new RO filter system in the greenhouse is slowly cleaning the calcified residue off the orchid leaves, leaving them looking a much brighter green than the dingy graygreen that resulted from using tap water. In this location the TDS meter reads 545 ppm for water coming from the hose. When shot out of a misting nozzle, the resulting fine spray lays down layer upon layer of fine white powder as it dries on the leaves. Lesson learned.

#### **President's Message**

I finally signed our new rental agreement with the City of Long Beach and returned it to the city. (Thanks to Elaine for resolving an insurance language issue with the city.) Barring any covid blowup it appears possible that we may be able to resume our monthly meetings on October 25th. They will be letting us know for sure by the end of month. As soon as they let me know, I will alert everyone. I am checking with board members, to inquire whether they are still interested in being involved with the SCOS Board, since it has been a long 17 months for all of us. I am also coordinating with the AOS Judges, and will advise them when SCOS meetings resume.

Finally I will be having back surgery for a herniated disk on the 28th or the 29 of this month. However, I will stay involved with the city to see when we can officially restart SCOS's 75th year in Long Beach

John

#### **Member's Orchids**



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LAELIA (aka Cattleya) species crispa Lynn Wiand

Below are just a few of the award photos we retrieved for a new web page about orchid judging in Long Beach. So far, we have awards and photos 1954-1967 (Orchid Digest judging standards) and 1968-1973 (AOS standards). Most of these pictures haven't been seen in decades. Visit this new web page and enjoy the show! <a href="https://www.southcoastorchidsociety.com/LongBeachAwards.html">https://www.southcoastorchidsociety.com/LongBeachAwards.html</a>



Vanda Eileen Beauty 'Molten Lava', HCC/AOS, May 25, 1970, growers Norito and Joyce Hasegawa.



Cattleya Pernel George Barnett 'Atoll Cloud', HCC/AOS, February 24, 1969, growers Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Barnett of Newport Beach.



Cattleya mossiae 'Bienvenido', HCC/ODC, March 27, 1961, grower Harry Rapella. So far, this is the only picture we have found that documents Rapella's long-running program of *C. mossiae* line breeding, rumored to have extended possibly as far as seven generations, at his nursery in Hawthorne, CA. One of only 4 award photos from Long Beach while we were under Orchid Digest judging standards that have been found so far.



Eulophiella Rolfei 'Roke' FCC/AOS, exhibited for AOS judging at our February 26, 1968 meeting in Long Beach by Emerson "Doc" Charles of Costa Mesa, CA. Have you ever grown, or even seen a Eulophiella? This was the first FCC awarded in Long Beach under AOS judging standards, which started here in January, 1968.

**Upcoming Events.** See our website for flyers: www.southcoastorchidsociety.com.

Fascination of Orchids International Show and Sale, Santa Ana Zoo, September 25-26

#### **Meeting Location**

The South Coast Orchid Society holds monthly meetings, usually on the fourth Monday of the calendar month, at the Whaley Park Community Center in Long Beach, CA. Whaley Park is on Atherton, just off Bellflower Blvd. near the Long Beach State University campus.

#### **Vendor Sponsors**

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