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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

72 Years of Orchid Excellence

Newsletter Founded in 1950 March 2022

Mediterranean Climate Terrestrial Orchids of Europe and Australia

presented by Scott McGregor Monday, March 28, 2022

Scott McGregor has been growing orchids since he was 12, when a neighbor gave him a plant. That plant had a short life, but the hook was set, and he found books and sources for orchid species while growing up in St. Louis. His collection has morphed over time, living in different locations around the world, but has always centered around the more unusual species. Scott grows all his plants outdoors, without a greenhouse, just "subtracting some sunlight and adding some water" to what nature provides in Southern California. He especially enjoys finding new species that grow well in our climate (many are far more adaptable than most people would believe), and now grows over 500 different orchid species, along with cloud forest companion plants such as Heliamphora and epiphytic Utricularia. He rarely uses chemical insecticides or fungicides, preferring fresh air, beneficial insects and our native tree frogs. Scott retired from the corporate world a few years ago, and stays active on corporate boards and working with non-profit groups that promote science education for kids. He resides with his family in San Juan Capistrano, California.

Refreshments: SCOS will provide refreshments

President's Message

All I have to say is after 2 full years of waiting our South Coast Orchid Society will be meeting at Whaley Park on March 28th. Nothing more to say. Looking forward to seeing many of you back at the meeting.

John

Member's Orchids



Cymbidium Dance Time. John McCoy

Cym. Dance Time, an attempt at spots, was registered by Toni Velardi in 2015.

Mariposa Gardens donated 10 unbloomed seedlings to our 2018 auction. Unsold plants were kept for later SCOS meetings. Two went into the silent auction. Eight remain, and three have bloomed. They all look like something out of a tidepool, all spots and sepal-peloric shading. Some have better spots but less color overall, more pale green with maroon spots.



Cymbidium Shake Your Booty
John McCoy

Cym. Shake Your Booty was registered by Orchids Royale; it was a seedling at a Mariposa Gardens sale, circa early 2020, before the pandemic. First bloom this year.



PAPHIOPEDALUM Coro Beauty (Donna Hanes x Alex Szebo*5)

Paph. Coro Beauty Lynn Wiand



Dendrobium striolatum Lynn Wiand



Blc. Memoria Grant Eichler 'Lennette' HCC/AOS Lynn Wiand



Osmoglossum pulchellum Lynn Wiand



Dendrobium speciosum var pedunculatum

Lynn Wiand



Laelia kautskyana from Brazil. Often categorized with rupicolous Laelias (because of similar plant and flower appearance), kautskyana is more often found growing epiphytically.

Russ Nichols

Dendrobium speciosum var pedunculatum is named for its long peduncle, that part of the raceme (flower spike) that has no flowers from the apex of the pseudobulb to the first flower.

The actual plant is 12" tall in a 3-1/2" pot but trying hard to bust out. Spikes are upright without staking. Acquired as a little seedling at the NHOS in 2012; this may be a first or second blooming.



Cattleya maxima alba from Floralia 2013, first bloom. Fragrant.
Russ Nichols



Laelia crispata from Brazil. Another rupicolous Laelia.
Russ Nichols

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

San Diego County Orchid Society Show, Scottish Rite Center, San Diego, March 18-20 Andy's Orchids Open House, Encinitas, March 18-20 South Bay Orchid Society Spring Show and Sale, Palos Verdes Art Center, March 19, 20

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

The South Coast Orchid Society thanks these commercial vendors for their generosity and support of our 2019 Annual Auction and other events helping to carry us through the last year. If you need supplies or want to shop for orchids, please consider these vendors first. They helped us, maybe we can help them, and get some great orchids too!

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