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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE
PENINSULA ORCHID SOCIETY

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

JURAHAME LEVYA

Jurahame Levya, the owner of The OrchidFix Nursery in Hawaii, will be our speaker this month. What his talk will be about is a surprise!

Cover photo:
Laeliocattleya Florence Lin 'Gracie', grown by Amy and Ken Jacobsen

MEMBER NEWS

Orchid Talk:

Jurahame started growing orchids 21 years ago when his mom brought home a Cattleya Mini Purple 'Carmela'. He grows most of the orchids he sells from seed from his own plants. He is an AOS Associate Judge with the Hawaii Judging Center.

Almost every plant in the nursery is produced by seed from Jurahame's personal collection- these represent the very best examples of that species or hybrid. The Orchid Fix nursery is located in Kurtistown on the East side of Hawaii Island (often referred to as "The Big Island") at approximately 300 meters elevation. The nursery is ideally suited to grow a variety of orchids from a wide range of growing conditions.



Birthdays:

Wishing a very happy birthday this month to Weegie Caughlan, Sandi Gaunt, Donna Horn, Eric Levenson, Tom Mudge, Lisa Pace, and Pierre Pujol!

Show and Tell:

If you plan to attend via Zoom and want to share pictures of your orchids at the meeting, please send up to 4 photos to Mark Khoo (mklkhoo@gmail.com) and be prepared to share. You may also prepare a slide presentation or perhaps stage a display, photograph it and talk about your various plants.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DAN WILLIAMSON

First of all, I want to introduce myself as the new president of your orchid society. I have been growing orchids in the house and occasionally in the yard for over 20 years, has it really been that long? I got started by taking care of a couple of plants that my then girlfriend, now wife, had in our apartment in Baltimore. I really got the bug when I went to the closing sale at Kensington Orchids outside of DC. The variety of plants, the long trailing roots all dug deep and I made some bad purchase decisions. But I still have one of the plants purchased on that day. I was involved in the POS from 2008 to 2014 and moved back to the Bay Area in July 2021 and I am so happy to see so many familiar and welcoming faces. Mostly these days I grow Cattleyas and Paphiopedilums under lights in the garage. I can't claim to be an expert grower, but I'm still learning and trying new things. If there is anything that I can do to help or if you have any suggestions on making your society a better group, please let me know.

Secondly, the society and I would like to thank everyone that helped make the show a success. We could not have done it without everyone's help. We have the best participation of any orchid society in the Bay Area. Even members who can't make meetings show up to make the show run smoothly. Thank you all! I am going to try to list you all, and apologize if I leave your name off of this thank you.

Show chairs:

The show chairs deserve special recognition because not only do they work during the entire show and often on the set-up day, but they also attended one or two pre-show meetings and put in many hours before the show to ensure that things run smoothly!

Admissions: Mark Khoo

Advertising & Theme Realization: Isis Trenchard

Vendors: Mike Drilling

Plant check-in & Member Sales: Ken Jacobsen

Judging: Sylvia Darr

Set-up and Take-down: Dan Williamson

Security: Dan Williamson

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DAN WILLIAMSON

Street sign placement and retrieval: Not done this year

Membership: Olga Ostrovsky

Plant Hotel: Helena Wee and Susan Tong

Seminars: Tom Mudge

Raffle: Mary Bui-Pham

Hospitality: Dan Williamson

Treasurer: Steve Proschan

Most of this gang did more than one job!

The following volunteers made the show run! (And many of these people did more than one job also.)

Ann Benninger, Anna Chai, Audrey Young Tartar, Bill Weaver, Clarice Hample, Diane, Gerard Vurens, Helena Wee, Jan Hawley, Janusz Warszawski, Jason Douglass, Javier Perez Sanchez, Joseph Kautz, Leena Wang, Lorraine Mercer, Mariko Nagashima, Mary Bui-Pham, Mary Gerritsen, Mary K, Mike Drilling, Paul Satara Bever, Paul Chim, Phyllis Chim, Roey Shaviv, Ron Norris, Ron Parsons, Steve Proschan, Sue Rose, Todd Kennedy, Tom Waugh, Yi Xiao, Zach Coney, and the people I have missed but still thank from the bottom of my heart.

Speakers: Tom Mudge, Dennis Olivas, Ron Parsons, Bill Weaver, Isis Trenchard, Dennis Olivas (yes,twice!) and Chaunie Langland.

American Orchid Society judges from the Pacific Central Judging Center: Sylvia Darr, Jim Heilig, Chaunie Langland, Mary Bui-Pham, JKevin Hill, Mitch Schneider (clerk).

American Orchid Society judges from the California Sierra Nevada Judging Center: Kathy Barrett, Dennis Olivas, Jeff Trimble, Diane Bond.

And a big THANK YOU to all of the exhibitors - without your beautiful plants there is no show. We had 123 orchids entered for ribbon and trophy judging from 18 exhibitors. There were also many orchids on display in the show area that were not entered for ribbon judging.

TROPHY RESULTS

Trophy	Plant	Grower
Vallemar Gardens Trophy for the best orchid grown by a Novice exhibitor	Cymbidium Sylvia Darr	Tom Waugh
Clar Hancock Trophy for the best orchid grown by an Intermediate exhibitor	<i>Dendrobium violaceum</i>	Zach and Pat Coney
Peninsula Orchid Society Trophy for the best orchid grown by an Open exhibitor	Cattleya Florence Lin 'Gracie'	Amy and Ken Jacobsen
Barbara Todd Kennedy Trophy For best orchid in show	Cattleya Florence Lin 'Gracie'	Amy and Ken Jacobsen
Mary & Gerardus Staal Trophy For best pleurothallid orchid	<i>Pleurothallis palliolata</i>	Zach and Pat Coney
Severin Orchid Farm Trophy For best miniature Species	<i>Dendrobium violaceum</i>	Zach and Pat Coney
Kay Rinaman Trophy For best Cypripedium	Paphiopedilum Winston Churchill	Dennis Olivas
Best Display in Show		Phyllis and Paul Chim



Cymbidium Sylvia Darr, grown by Tom Waugh



Top: *Dendrobium violaceum*, grown by Zach and Pat Coney
Bottom: *Laeliocattleya* Florence Lin 'Gracie', grown by Amy and Ken Jacobsen



Top: *Paphiopedilum Winston Churchill*, grown by Dennis Olivas

Bottom left: *Pleurothallis palliolata*, grown by Zach and Pat Coney - Bottom right: *Masdevallia MacInne's Golden Heart*, grown by Paul and Phylis Chim

RIBBON JUDGING RESULTS

Novice participants - Helena Wee, Louise Carpenter, and Tom Waugh - 10 novice entries

Intermediate participants - Dan Williamson, Janet Hawley, Roey Shaviv, and Zach and Pat Coney - 16 intermediate entries

Advanced participants - Anna Chai, Bill Weaver, Chaunie Langland, Mary Bui-Pham, Mary Gerritsen, and Weegie Caughlan - 48 advanced entries

Open participants - Amy and Ken Jacobsen, Dennis Olivas, Mitch Schneider, and Paul and Phyllis Chim - 29 open entries

Best	Plant Name	Exhibitor
In Show	Cattleya Florence Lin 'Gracie'	Amy and Ken Jacobsen
Species	-	-
Pleurothallid	<i>Pleurothallis palliolata</i>	Zack and Pat Coney
Miniature Species	<i>Dendrobium violaceum</i>	Zack and Pat Coney
Cypripedium	Paphiopedilum Winston Churchill	Dennis Olivas
Cattleya	Cattleya Florence Lin 'Gracie'	Amy and Ken Jacobsen
Cymbidium	-	-
Oncidium	<i>Oncidium unguiculoides</i>	Mary Gerritsen
Vandaceous	Vandachostylis Pinky	Amy and Ken Jacobsen
Dendrobium	<i>Dendrobium violacea</i>	Zack and Pat Coney
Other	Fredclarkeara After Dark 'Black Pearl'	Chaunie Langland

Novice:

Class	Plant Name	Exhibitor
Cattleya	<i>Laelia luddemanniana</i>	Helena Wee
Cymbidium	Cymbidium Sylvia Darr	Tom Waugh
Oncidium	<i>Psychosis papilio</i>	Helena Wee
Paphiopedilum	-	-
Vandaceous	Phalaenopsis MC03TZ	Tom Waugh
Pleurothallid	-	-
Dendrobium	-	-
Other	<i>Mediocalcar decoratum</i>	Tom Waugh
Foliage	-	-
Best Novice	Cymbidium Sylvia Darr	Tom Waugh

RIBBON JUDGING RESULTS

Intermediate:

Class	Plant Name	Exhibitor
Cattleya	<i>Cattleya (syn. Sophronitis) coccinea</i>	Zack and Pat Coney
Cymbidium	-	-
Oncidium	-	-
Paphiopedilum	Paphiopedilum Chou-Yi Rookie	Dan Williamson
Vandaceous	-	-
Pleurothallid	<i>Pleurothallis palliolata</i>	Zack and Pat Coney
Dendrobium	<i>Dendrobium violaceum</i>	Zack and Pat Coney
Other	<i>Coelogyne usitana</i> 'Saba Dan' AM/AOS	Roey Shaviv
Foliage	-	-
Best Intermediate	<i>Dendrobium violaceum</i>	Zack and Pat Coney

Advanced:

Class	Plant Name	Exhibitor
Cattleya	<i>Barkeria whartonia</i>	Chaunie Langland
Cymbidium	Winterfire 'Frosty Tips' HCC/AOS B/CSA	Weegie Caughlan
Oncidium	<i>Oncidium unguiculoides</i>	Mary Gerritsen
Paphiopedilum	<i>Paphiopedilum venustum</i>	Mary Bui-Pham
Vandaceous	<i>Aerangis hyaloides</i>	Mary Gerritsen
Pleurothallid	<i>Pleurothallis hirsuta</i>	Mary Gerritsen
Dendrobium	<i>Dendrobium leucocyanum</i>	Mary Gerritsen
Other	Fredclarkeara After Dark 'Black Pearl' FCC/AOS	Chaunie Langland
Foliage	<i>Cyclopogon lindleyanus</i>	Mary Gerritsen
Best Advanced	Winterfire 'Frosty Tips' HCC/AOS B/CSA	Weegie Caughlan

Open:

Class	Plant Name	Exhibitor
Cattleya	Cattleya Florence Lin 'Gracie'	Amy and Ken Jacobsen
Cymbidium	Cymbidium Isle 'Flamingo'	Paul and Phyllis Chim
Oncidium	Cyrtocidium Hasty Roger	Mitch Schneider
Paphiopedilum	Paphiopedilum Winston Churchill	Dennis Olivas
Vandaceous	Vandachostylis Pinky	Amy and Ken Jacobsen
Pleurothallid	Masdevallia Setting Sun 'Bay Breeze'	Paul and Phyllis Chim
Dendrobium	Dendrobium Jonathan's Glory 'Dark Joy'	Amy and Ken Jacobsen
Other	Zygopetalum Neon Blue	Mitch Schneider
Foliage	-	-
Best Open	Cattleya Florence Lin 'Gracie'	Amy and Ken Jacobsen

AOS AWARDS FROM SHOW

There were eight AOS awards in January's show (listed in alphabetical order):

1. *Comparettia speciosa* 'Memoria Laura DeForest' AM/AOS, 84 points, exhibited by Chaunie Langland
2. *Cymbidium Exeter Carnelian* 'Samaria Song' AM/AOS, 80 points, exhibited by Sylvia Darr
3. *Dendrobium Sherry Abe* 'Pat Coney' AM/AOS, 81 points, exhibited by Zack and Pat Coney
4. *Dendrobium victoria-reginae* AQ/AOS, exhibited by Cal-Orchid
5. *Dendrobium victoria-reginae* 'Stealthy' HCC/AOS, 78 points, exhibited by Cal-Orchid
6. *Dendrobium victoria-reginae* 'Midnight' AM/AOS, 82 points, exhibited by Cal-Orchid
7. *Mystacidium gracile* 'Lise' CBR/AOS, exhibited by Mary Gerritsen
8. *Oncidium Lillian Dugger* 'Elegant' HCC/AOS, 77 points, exhibited by Phyllis and Paul Chim
9. *Paphiopedilum Chou-Yi Rookie* 'Julie' AM/AOS, 82 points, exhibited by Dan Williamson



Clockwise from top left: *Comparettia speciosa* AM/AOS, *Cymbidium Exeter Carnelian* 'Samaria Song' AM/AOS, *Dendrobium victoria-reginae* 'Stealthy' HCC/AOS, and *Dendrobium Sherry Abe* 'Pat Coney' AM/AOS



Clockwise from top left: *Dendrobium victoria-reginae* AQ/AOS, *Mystacidium gracile* 'Lise' CBR/AOS, *Oncidium* Lillian Dugger 'Elegant' HCC/AOS, *Paphiopedilum* Chou-Yi Rookie 'Julie' AM/AOS, and *Dendrobium victoria-reginae* 'Midnight' AM/AOS

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 23 to 26 - Pacific Orchid Exposition

Tickets are now on sale! For more details, including information about volunteers and parking, please visit:

<https://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/events.html>

March 10 to 12 - Santa Barbara International Orchid Show

At the Santa Barbara Earl Warren Showgrounds, 3400 Calle Real Santa Barbara, CA USA. More information coming on their website:

<https://sborchidshow.com/>

April 1 to 2 - Sonoma County Orchid Society Show & Sale

At 1351 Maple Ave, Santa Rosa, CA. Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday from 10 am to 4 pm.

Admission is \$10, 12 and under are free.

Orchid talks:

11:00 am (4/1 and 4/2) - How to Grow & Bloom your Orchid

1:00 pm (4/1 and 4/2) - Growing & Repotting Cymbidiums. Hardy outdoor orchids for beginners and experts.

2:00 pm (4/1) - Growing orchids outdoors in the Bay Area.

2023 Board of Directors

President - Dan Williamson

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Director at Large - Mary Bui-Pham

Director at Large - Mitch Schneider

Newsletter Editor - Leena Wang

Do you have something you would like to include in the next newsletter?

Send an email to penorchidsoc@yahoo.com!

Meeting Agenda

6:30 PM - Zoom/SMGC opens

7:00 PM - Jurahame Levya

8:00 PM - Announcements

8:10 PM - Show and Tell

No skill session this meeting!

Opportunity Table - The Orchid Fix

Reminder

Our general meetings are the fourth Friday of every month, except for December when it's the third Friday.

UPCOMING EVENTS

San Francisco Orchid Society Presents:
Celebrating Diversity

The 70th Annual Pacific Orchid Exposition

February 24-25 10am - 5pm

February 26 10am - 4pm

Preview Night: February 23 6-9pm
(Must be 21 or older)

County Fair Building
1199 9th Ave.
San Francisco, CA



www.orchidsanfrancisco.org
Discounted advance tickets available online



SONOMA COUNTY ORCHID SOCIETY

Proudly Presents Our Annual Show & Sale

ORCHIDS FOR EVERYONE

Veteran's Building

1351 Maple Ave

Santa Rosa, CA

April 1 & 2, 2023

Saturday 10am - 5pm

Sunday 10am - 4pm

FREE PARKING!

Admission \$10

Door Prizes & Raffle

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SANTA BARBARA
INTERNATIONAL
ORCHID SHOW

ORCHIDS -
THE
ADVENTURE
RETURNS

MARCH 10-12, 2023

9AM - 5PM

EARL WARREN SHOWGROUNDS - SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA

GENERAL ADMISSION - \$20 | 3-DAY PASS - \$30

CHILDREN 12 & UNDER WITH PAID ADULT - FREE

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Send in this form to join or online at our website: <http://penorchidsoc.org/membership.html>

2023 Peninsula Orchid Society
Membership Application or Renewal

Write checks payable to: POS

Mail to: Steve Proschan – POS Membership

326 El Paseo, Millbrae CA 94030

(Membership chairperson for 2023 is Olga Ostrovsky - checks are being mailed directly to the treasurer)

Member Information (Please Print):

Name(s) (1) _____ BirthMonth _____

(2) _____ BirthMonth _____

Address: _____

_____ ZipCode _____

Phone: _____

Please Note: We need your current e-mail address to send you *The Sheath*. Also, you will receive last minute information about orchid related events if we have your e-mail address. Your contact information is never shared except in an annual directory sent only to current POS members.

E-mail: (1) _____

(2) _____

Type of Membership:

Individual \$20.00

Household membership additional \$10.00

Payments can be made by Paypal on POS website penorchidsoc.org/membership.html

Our membership year runs from January 1 through December 31. Everyone is encouraged to re-new before the end of January each year.

Membership Chair's area

Date paid _____ Check No. and amount _____

Receipt No. _____ Cash Amount _____

JANUARY SHOW AND SALE



Oncidium unguiculoides, grown by Mary Gerritsen



All of these *Barkeria* were grown and displayed by Chaunie Langland.

Clockwise from top left: *Barkeria whartonia*, *Barkeria dorotheae*, and *Barkeria Oaxacan Showers* 'WWSL-101'



Clockwise from top left: *Paphiopedilum venustum* (Mary Bui-Pham), *Cyclopogon lindleyii* (Mary Gerritsen), and *Brassovola Jimminey Cricket* 'Dragon Verde' HCC/AOS (Chaunie Langland)



Clockwise from top left: Cymbidium Winterfire 'Frosty Tips' HCC/AOS B/CSA (Weegie Caughlan), *Cattleya coccinea* (Zach and Pat Coney), and Dendrobium Jonathan's Glory 'Dark Joy' (Amy and Ken Jacobsen)



Left: Vandachostylis Pinky (Amy and Ken Jacobsen) and Cymbidium Lovely Angel (Anna Chai)



Top: Display table by Amy and Ken Jacobsen
Bottom: Display table by Chaunie Langland



Other part of the display table from Chaunie Langland