



San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

Bulletin

September Meeting
Thursday, September 15, 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: **Tim Culbertson** ***“Miniature Vandaceous Species”***

Although I teach middle school kids for a living, one of my passions has always been plants. I began growing orchids as an offshoot from working at Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia just after college. From the very beginning it was all about Paphs, particularly awarded and select clones of historic importance, of which my collection numbers nearly 1000. While I love finding old, rare stepping stones in paph breeding, I also do a little hybridizing of my own, and growing up my own babies is a blast. I enjoy making my culture the best it can be, and I have had numerous experiences with professional growers in California and on the East Coast, which has helped tremendously. I am the youngest accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, and have served in various capacities with local orchid societies. I love meeting other people who like orchids too, and doing so often finds me traveling to shows, vendors, and peoples' greenhouses to see the latest and greatest in new hybrids and to get the best orchid gossip. I like to be involved in plants as much as possible: in addition to Longwood, I've worked at the Smithsonian Institution tending to their orchids, and for years for the United States National Arboretum, collecting rare plants and documenting cultivated species and hybrids for their herbarium. For your meeting, I'll be sharing a presentation entitled "Beautiful Miniature Vandaceous Orchids for Outdoors". These plants are easy to grow and flower, are vigorous, and have low cultural demands; they are natives of Australia or Japan and will grow easily outdoors in Southern California. Tremendous advancements in breeding *Sarcochilus* and *Neofineta* have been made recently, and I will share some of these with you, as well as help identify some of the important parents in the backgrounds of new and modern colors found in these genera. By the end of this presentation, you will have a new appreciation of what goes into breeding trends for these types of plants, as well as an appreciation of their beautiful flowers and ease-of-growth. I will be providing plants for sale of the newest, cutting edge breeding in both of these groups.

PLANT OPPORTUNITY TABLE

The plant opportunity table this month will be provided by Sorella Orchids located in Oxnard, California. She is also one of our auction donors. Be sure to get your tickets for the Plant Opportunity Table.

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JULY PLANT JUDGING

Species	Plant Name	Owners Name
Cultural:	Masd. floribunda	Dann Dunst
1 st	Cirr. lepidum	Dann Dunst
2 nd	B. nodosa	Jim Gomes
3 rd	Masd. velifera	Dann Dunst
Hon.		
Cattleyas		
Cultural:	Bc. Sunny Delight	Jim Gomes
1 st	Blc. Ports of Paradise 'Green Ching Hua'	Gordan Quan
2 nd	Blc. Mem. Vida Lee 'Limelight'	Jim Gomes
3 rd	C. Hawaiian Wedding Song	Greg Orozco
Hon.	C. Unknown	Tuan Ngo
Cattleyas Mini		
Cultural:	Blc. Yellow Bird	Greg Orozco
1 st	C. Princess Clementine x Blc. Suncoast Spots	Jim Gomes
2 nd	L. Hawaiian Fantasy x L. anceps	Una Yeh
3 rd	Lc. Blue dynasty	Kay Hudspeth
Hon.	Blc. Hawaiian Leopard 'Mei Ling' AM/AOS	Jim Gomes
Cymbidium		
Cymbidium-Novelty		
Cultural:		
1 st		
Dendrobiums		
Cultural:		
1 st	Den. California Pink	Dann Dunst
2 nd		
3 rd		
Hon.		
Oncidiums		
1 st	Psychopsiss Mendenhall 'Hildos'	Dann Dunst
2 nd	Onc. Unknown	Jim Gomes
3 rd		
Hon.		
Paph & Phrags		
1 st		
2 nd	Phrag. richteri	Dann Dunst
3 rd		
Std. Phals		
1 st		
2 nd		
Mini Phals		
Cultural:		
1 st		
Vandaceous		
Cultural:	Asconopsis Irene Dobkins 'Elmhurst'	Jim Gomes
1 st	V. Sunkiss	Alyce Griffith
2 nd	V. Suksumran Sunlight	Dann Dunst
3 rd	Mokara Choco Praya Gold	Una Yeh
Hon.		
Other Genera		
Cultural:	Enc. Lorraine Smith	Jim Gomes
1 st	Masd. Keiko Komoda	Dann Dunst
2 nd	Enc. Unknown	Una Yeh
3 rd	Enc. Alata	Una Yeh
Hon.		



A Note From Lana

Members managed despite the heat, to bring beautiful orchids to our meeting. Our speaker Peter Tobias, gave us a persuasive orchid conservation perspective of Ecuador, Brazil and Columbia. Please check our web site for the volunteer info. for the October Huntington Show. It's always our members at their best! Where is fall?

2016 Roster

SGVOH 2016 Roster has been printed and was distributed at our June meeting. If you missed the meeting, please pick your copy up at membership desk.

ADVERTISING IN THE BULLETIN

Anyone interested in advertising in the SGVOH Bulletin should contact **Jim Gomes** (626)818-1859 or jim.gomes@att.net for prices and information.

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.

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Membership Welcome Message

We had 27 members at the August meeting.

The Huntington Intl. Orchid Show & Sale

The Society is planning on having a display at The Huntington Show. Greg has volunteered to design the display. We hope that members will donate their plants and time to install the display. This is your chance to have your blooming orchids admired by hundreds of people & perhaps win a prize or two.

At the next meeting we will be asking for volunteers to sign up for writing plants labels, entering plants to be judged, set-up, etc. on Wednesday October 19.

All members that want to have their plants judged must complete an entry form. I will have these forms available to hand out at the next meeting.

You need to bring your plants to the Huntington on Wednesday, 10/19 by noon; judging is 10/20. If you think you will have a blooming plant around 10/19 & would like to display it at the Show, please give the info to me at jim.gomes@att.net, or 626-577-7220 anytime prior to 10/19.

2017 Slate of Officers

The Board of Directors would like to thank all of our members for their continued support. 2017 is a new year and we need a full slate of officers. All positions need to be filled to run the society in an organized manner. Next year we would like to plan activities & tours but without great leadership and pre-planning these

chores fall short. Please help our Society by Volunteering!!

Greenhouse for Sale

Best offer will be accepted. Purchaser will have to dismantle the greenhouse and transport it. The greenhouse is 6 x 8 x 12'. It is tempered glass and aluminum, and includes the blower and aluminum shelving.

Please contact Jim Gomes at jim.gomes@att.net or 626-577-7220. Please leave a message if I am not home.



Catasetinae Plant Culture

Your Catasetinae should in full growth by now, with many growers in southern parts of the country already seeing plants bloom. Watering and fertilizing should be in full swing. This is when your plants really put on their best growth. Increase the fertilizer to 1 level tsp. per gallon for one month from now through August, switching back to ½ tsp.

from September through October.

Remember - no more re-potting at this time, as the roots are well-developed and will resent being disturbed. If you were negligent (how could that be?) and did not get to it in time, it is ok to 'slip-pot' into the next larger pot, being very careful not to damage those important new roots.

This is when your Catasetinae can really take advantage of lots of light and air movement to help push and develop large new growth. Ideal temperatures in summer are 85-95 degree days and 60-75 degree nights, with humidity between 40% and 80%.

Keep an eye out for the spider mites, which can get a foot-hold on your plants (and they have 8 feet!). Be diligent and check the undersides of the new leaves regularly. If mites are detected, spray immediately. They can quickly get out of control if early action is not taken!

Are you a member of the American Orchid Society?

All American Orchid Society members will receive an additional 5% discount on their orders (this is in addition to the existing purchase volume discounts). All you have to do is type in your membership number in the box on the shopping cart page and I'll make the adjustment to your invoice at the time of billing.

To become a member of the American Orchid Society click www.aos.org for more details.

Fred Clarke- Sunset Valley Orchids

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 17 - 18
South Bay Orchid Society
Show and Sale
South Coast Botanic Garden
26300 Crenshaw Blvd
Palos Verdes, CA
www.southbayorchidsociety.com

September 24 - 25
Fascination of Orchids
Show and Sale
South Coast Plaza Village
1631 West Sunflower
Santa Ana, CA 92704
www.ocorchidshow.com

Sept 30 - Oct. 2
Andy's Orchids
Open House
734 Ocean View Ave
Encinitas, CA 92024
www.andysorchids.com

October 9
Southern California Orchid Species Society
Annual Auction
Show & Sale
Whitten Community Center
900 S. Melrose St
Placentia, CA
Preview 12:30 PM – Auction 1:00 PM

The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **Thursday, September 22**, 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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