



NHOS Newsletter

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President's Message

This month's meeting will be our annual auction of both vendor and member plants. There is a 10 plant limit for any member wishing to sell his/her plants and your list of the plants you would like to sell should be in to Adrienne (Adrienne@nhorchids.org) or Sasha by May 1st so they can get photos and list them on the auction website. Members can go to www.nhorchids.org to view the list and plant photos prior to the auction. Come and enjoy the fun we have at the auction.

There will also be a discussion and vote on changing the date of the annual show. We would like your input on this matter so try to attend.

There will be a show table so bring in your plants for all to see and appreciate. The hospitality table has been doing well so let's keep it up. Remember, all who bring in an item for the hospitality table or a plant for the show table receive a raffle ticket.

Hope to see you at the meeting.

Steve Smyrychynski

Next Meeting
Saturday May 13, 2017
11:00 AM

Bedford Old Town Hall
3 Meetinghouse Rd.
Bedford, NH

Topic- Member & Vendor Auction

Plants for the show table must be labeled and on the table by 11:00 AM.

2017 Meeting Schedule

June 10- MOS and CAIOS member Dick Philips will be giving a talk on his experience in Venezuela

July 8- Kim Feddersen, Fair Orchids

Aug. 12- Annual Picnic. Location TBD

Sept. 9- International Phalaenopsis Alliance

Oct. 14- Jean Stefanik, Show Prep

Nov. 11- Alan Koch, Gold Country Orchids

Dec. 2 - Annual Holiday Party

April Show Table Results

Hobbyist

PHALAEOPSIS ALLIANCE

2 nd Place:	Phalaenopsis “no name the 1 st ”	Anita Walker
3 rd Place	Phalaenopsis “no name the 2 nd ”	Anita Walker

PAPHIOPEDILUM ALLIANCE

1 st Place:	Phrag Sargent Eric*	William Schinella
2 nd Place:	Paph Stella Scope	Susan Usseglio
3 rd Place:	Paph World Leader x World Exile	Norm Selander-Carrier

CATTLEYA ALLIANCE

None

VANDA ALLIANCE

None

DENDROBIUM ALLIANCE

None

ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE

1 st Place:	Burr. Nellie Isler ‘Swiss Beauty’ *	Norm Selander-Carrier
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CYMBIDIUM ALLIANCE

None

PLEUROTHALLID ALLIANCE

None

MISC.

None

* = plant also received a cultural award

ADVANCED

Dendrobium Kingianum

Sue Labonville

EXPERT

Rarity: Comparettia rauhii

Ann Chepjian

Rarity: Zygostates alleniana

Ann Chepjian

Pleurothallis Phyllocardioides

Ann Chepjian

Chiloschista usnoides

Ann Chepjian

Den monilitorme “Varigated form”

Chuck Wingate

Brassia cochleata

Chuck Wingate

Cymbidium aloifolium

Jan & Steve Ski

Epidendrum schectermanum

Jack Mulder

Phrag Giganrteum

Jack Mulder

Oberonia setigera

David Sparks

Dendrobium sanguinolentum

Bob Cleveland

Epi criniferum

Daryl Yerdon

Den Golden Aya

Daryl Yerdon

Oberonia setigera ‘Sumerod’

Daryl Yerdon

Den linawianum

Daryl Yerdon

Phal pallens

Daryl Yerdon

Phrag schlimii ‘mason 2’

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Porroglossum echidna ‘spike’

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Masd. Dennis Riphenburg

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Laelia flava

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Porroglossum Species Peru

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Den trantuanii

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Den violaceum ‘Dusky Blue’

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Scaphosepalum swertifolium

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Encyclia vitellina

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Cochlioda coccinea ‘vashon’

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Pleurothallis lunaris (long form)

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Dendrochilum uncatum

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Porroglossum teaguei ‘Walter’

Chuck & Sue Anderson

Phal bastianii

Bob Cleveland

Diplocaulobium aratriferum

Bob Cleveland

Judges: Chuck Wingate, Mike Wagner, Jean Stefanik, David Sparks, Sue Anderson, Sue Labonville

**New Hampshire Orchid Society
Minutes of the General Meeting
April 8, 2017**

Opening

President Steve Smyrychynski called the meeting to order and welcomed new members and guests.

- Members who have been providing food for member lunch – Thank You.
- If you are unable to bring food, please donate. The donation can is next to the coffee pot.
- Treasurers Report Checking Balance \$18,556.96, expense manifest \$676.29, net worth \$41,781.33
- Next month is membership auction. Members can auction off a total of 10 plants. A listing of plants for the auction need to be forwarded to Adrienne no later than May 1st.
 - August elections – nominations for positions beginning next month.
 - The contract for next year's show needs to be signed.

Show Committee

- Wrap up meeting to be held April 20, 2017, 6:00 PM at the Marriott – Nashua, NH. At this time it appears that we have a deficit for this year's show.
- Discussion surrounding changing of the show date for 2018. Discussion tabled to be reviewed next month. Additional information needed and then will be provided to general membership...
- .Preliminary vote taken of the membership resulted in a definitive yes for the moving of the show date.

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New Hampshire Display

- Sue Anderson received award for this year's New Hampshire display.

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The meeting was adjourned for the show table, luncheon, and program.

Respectfully submitted Susan Usseglio

OTHER EVENTS AND NEWS OF INTEREST

**Monthly AOS Judging
May 6 & June 3, 2017
10:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Tower Hill Botanic Garden, 11 French Dr., Boylston, MA**

**Sunday, May 7, 2017 1:00 p.m.
Mid-Hudson Orchid Society Presents
Guest Speaker Tom Miranda, world-renowned authority on orchids
Topic: "Orchid Hunting in Central America"
Union Presbyterian Church
44 Balmville Rd., Newburgh NY
President: Ruth Natras (845) 343-2901**

This event is open to the public and there is no admission cost. Please visit our website at mhos.us.org for club information and contacts.

**World Orchid Conference, November 8 - 12, 2017, Guayaquil, Ecuador
<http://www.woc22.com/>**

Please visit their website for a complete list of speakers and topics.

May Hospitality

Please remember to bring all types of foods to share, especially sandwiches!

May Spotlight
Guarianthe (formerly Catt.) skinneri

In North America, April and May are the heart of the blooming season for this classic orchid from Central America.

According to the AOS; "The range of Guarianthe skinneri extends from the southern Mexican border into Costa Rica where it is the national flower. There it is known as "Guaria Morada" and plays a role in local folk tradition. Plants are typically found in humid forests at moderate elevations growing on trees or rocks. Often, trees are deciduous in the habitat, providing a clue for this orchid's culture. Gur. skinneri is a popular orchid to grow, especially in warm areas of the US like Florida and the Gulf Coast. There are a number of color forms in addition to the typical orchid-lavender, notably alba and coerulea. Albas are often not true alba and have some pigment deep in the throat. There is also a well known natural hybrid with Guarianthe aurantiaca known as Guarianthe × guatemalensis. Colors of the hybrid are variable and range from coral through cream-colored. While standard "cattleya culture" will do fine for growing Gur. skinneri, a few suggestions will help flower it to its fullest potential. This is an orchid from low to moderate elevations and requires warm to intermediate conditions. That means daytime temperatures can be well into the eighties, but nights should not go much below 50° F. Like any orchid culture, individual growing conditions will dictate actual cultural factors. Grow plants on a wet-to-dry cycle in spring and summer with regular fertilizing every week. That is, don't water plants until they are just about dry from the previous watering. We find that this species does better in a coarse, fast draining medium."





The photos above are of *Gur. skinneri* variety *oculata*. The very faint mauve coloring deep within the throat, as well as a possible blush on the very margin of the sepals and petals, distinguish this variety from the form *alba*. Note the almost crystalline appearance of the flowers when bathed in bright light. This plant shows 43 flowers on 5 inflorescences and is a division of a plant owned by Chuck Crisler who had obtained it previously from Ulla Jurrissen. The plant was purchased at an NHOS auction 2 years ago by Leigh and Cheryl Coolidge and it now is living quite happily (apparently) in a shade house just outside of Key West, FL.

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