

NHOS Newsletter

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President's Message

First of all, I want to thank Chuck and **Sue Andersen for hosting the Annual** meeting and picnic. I know they spent a lot of time getting ready for us. The gardens were beautiful, the weather was great and we had a very full show table with lots of gorgeous plants. I think everyone who attended had a good time. I know I did. It was so nice to see each other again, minus the hugs of course.

We did have a quorum and the By-Law revisions were passed. The new By-Laws are now posted on our website. Officers elected are as follows: Sue Ussiglio -Secretary 2 years, Lee Brockman - trustee 2 years, Bob Cleveland -trustee 2 years. At the present time we are still without a Vice President.

While an online auction had been planned for Oct., the members present at the Annual meeting made it clear that they wished to have the auction at the town hall as usual. It will be an inperson auction but not quite as usual since we will need to take extra measures to ensure everyone's safety. Members planning to sell plants at the auction in October should get their lists to Sue along with a picture of the orchid in bloom, if you have one, as soon as possible so she can enter the information into the online catalog.

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NHOS MEETING NOTICE

The September Board meeting will be held via ZOOM (see pg. 9) on Friday Sept. 11 from 2-4 PM.

The General September meeting will be held via Zoom (see Pg. 10) on Sat. Sept. 12 at 11:00 AM and will feature speaker Alex Maximiano, the creator of **OrchidWiz**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Orchid Sale @ Lyman Estate Greenhouse

Due to COVID we are pushing up our orchid sale so we can have it outside. We will be running our fall annual sale from September 11 to 13 from 9:30-4:00. We ask members to wear masks and practice social distancing so we can all stay safe and get some new orchids.

2020 Annual Vendor & Member Auction Sat. October 10, Bedford Old Town Hall 11:00 AM- 3:00 PM

This is our annual fundraising auction, please come and join us for great deals on plants donated by members and vendors with a wonderful selection of plants.

The auction helps fund the cost of our many great speakers over the year.

Monthly meeting starts at 11 a.m.

Due to popular demand there will be a show table this month.

Please monitor https://www.nhorchids.org/ for updates on NHOS and other related events being impacted by COVID-19 State and local Orders. Once COVID-19 restrictions have been eased and we have a better understanding of what events can be held and under what guidelines, we will once again publish our full, long-term schedule of events for your planning purposes.

NHOS DUES REMINDER

Please remember that all annual membership dues are due and payable for the upcoming year as of September 1.

They may be paid online at https://www.nhorchids.org/page-1576081

President's Message (Con't from Pg. 1)

She has already posted some of the plants we already have so check them out.

September's meeting will be a Zoom meeting with Alex Maximiano, creator of *OrchidWiz*. He will give a brief update on the upgrades to *OrchidWiz* and talk about how to use the Charles Baker culture data to assist you in growing orchids in your area. He will also highlight orchids.org and Sig Dalstrom's articles. I had occasion to hear him speak on how to use *OrchidWiz* to identify a no- name or miss labeled plant. He is a good speaker and very knowledgeable. You will definitely learn a lot with his presentation. Unfortunately, I will be away, which is why there will be two zoom links posted in the newsletter; one for the Board meeting on September 11th 2PM- 4Pm and another one for the Zoom presentation with Alex for September 12th at 11 AM. Lee Brockman did send out a notice to the membership earlier about the date change for the Board meeting but it did not have the zoom link attached.

The Board is looking for a speaker for our November meeting. If anyone has suggestions please let me know.

See you in October.

Anita

All Plant Photographs from 2020 Annual Picnic





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Laelia purpurata

New Hampshire Orchid Society Annual Meeting August 8, 2020

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

- It was determined that there was a quorum of 35 voting members at the Annual Meeting.
- The President outlined how we were to vote on the bylaws. The proposed bylaws were to be voted on as an entire package unless questions arise. If that were the case, the bylaws would be approved up to the point of the question, question debated and resolved, approval of the bylaws would continue from that point forward. As it turned out, the membership approved the bylaws as an entire package motion to approve made by Chuck Wingate, seconded by Lee Brockmann and unanimously approved by the 35 members present.
- The Treasurer presented the 2021Budget to the membership. The COVID 19 Pandemic necessitated the postponement of the Annual Orchid Show and Annual Vendors' and Members' Auction. The expenses associated with the Annual Show helped to put the society into a \$12,000.00 deficit for fiscal year 2020. With the advice and consent of the Board of Directors, revisions were made to the proposed budget but even those revisions could not erase a \$2,155.00 shortfall to balance the budget. A motion was made to accept the 2021 Budget for NHOS unbalanced -by Lee Brockmann and seconded by Chuck Wingate motion passed.
- The Auction Chair presented a plan outlining an on-line auction to take place in the month of October. After much debate it was determined, by the membership, that an in-person or live auction was preferred over an on-line auction. The Auction Chair will be developing a list of actions and responsibilities needed to proceed with the live auction. A meeting will be set up with members of the committee.
 - Financials We have \$10,155.25 in the checking account; our Net Worth is \$38,560.24.
 - Membership: We have a total of 171 members with a total of 116 memberships.
- September Meeting will be a Zoom meeting (link will be in the Newsletter). The subject will be OrchidWiz update, Orchids Beyond their Beauty and Charles Baker and Your Orchids.

The Annual Meeting was adjourned for the Show Table.

Respectfully submitted: Susan Usseglio, Secretary



You are cordially invited to the New Hampshire Orchid Society Annual Vendors' and Members' Auction 5 Meetinghouse Rd. Bedford, NH October 10, 2020

Please check the NHOS website (www.nhos.org) for more information

Link to the online Catalogue will be displayed on website.

Cash, Check or Credit accepted Face Masks required









Pot. Samantha Duncan 'Red Hot'

President's Annual Report 2019-2020

I took office in September 2019. That month we hosted the International Phalaenopsis Association. The speakers were Carri Raven-Riemann and Peter Linn. An auction was held following the presentations.

Kim Fedderson from Fair Orchids was our October Speaker. That month the Show Committee decided to reject the offer from the Holiday Inn for our March Orchid Show. Taking into account the dated décor the Committee felt that the price quoted was much too expensive. Ultimately the decision was made to go with the Falls Event Center in Manchester NH. This month the Board decided to allot approximately 20 minutes of each meeting to reviewing and updating the By-Laws.

In November the Show Committee started planning for the show. Our new show dates were to be March 26-29th, Gary Myer from Columbian Orchid Imports spoke about Dracula's and NHOS set up a display at the Massachusetts Orchid Society's show.

December was our holiday Party at Bethany Chapel in Manchester. AOS judges were present for those who wished to have their orchids judged. Two of our members, Chuck Anderson and Daryl Yerdon, had their orchids awarded. Following the luncheon, we had a mini auction to benefit the Northeast Judging Center.

In January we purchased a new projector as the pixels on the old projector were failing. Our new show dates were to be March 27-29, 2020. Joanna Eckstrom was our January speaker. NHOS set up a display at the Cape and Islands show January 25th and 26th. As a result of the date and venue change for our show, the Show Committee began an advertising push.

February Chuck Andersen entertained us with his recent trip to Columbia. NHOS had a display in the Amherst Orchid Show. There were also some rumblings about a viral outbreak in China. Final preparations were being made for the March show. NHOS set up a display at the Amherst Orchid Show.

The March meeting is set aside for show preparations and sign ups. Vendors were in place, trophies ready and advertising going great guns. There was talk and evidence by then that this was no ordinary virus and it was spreading fast. At the March meeting the Board decided to cancel our show. I know many members were upset with me for holding a meeting that day but the way I interpreted the By-Laws, as they had no provisions for electronic voting, it was the only option I saw. I also did not feel we could make a decision of that magnitude without personal discussion and planning for the outcome - The 'who does what' stuff.

There were no meetings in April or May, however this did allow the Board to focus on the By-Laws which were completed. You can vote on them today. This might not have happened had we attempted to do one section at a time and had it not been for COVID-19 we might not have thought so deeply about the electronic voting procedures presented in new version of the By-Laws.

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President's Annual Report 2019-2020 (con't)

Several of us gathered in the parking lot of the Old Bedford Town Hall on May 27th to present Steve Tacopina with the Orchid Digest Diamond award that would have been otherwise given to him at our show.

June was our first Zoom presentation with Alan Koch who was to be our speaker that month. Thankfully Zoom has allowed us to provide our members with a way to stay in touch and for the Board to continue with Society business.

In July we did have the second of our Board and speaker Zoom meetings. Steve Beckendof showed us just how tricky orchids can be when they want to attract pollinators.

August – I am hopeful we can enjoy the out of doors and each other's company while social distancing, of course, and finish Society business. Items of interest to be approved are the new By-Law provisions, pass the Budget (unbalanced), elect officers and trustees and to hear annual reports; but most of all to have a good time and see everyone's orchids.

Anita Walker







Paph. Parishii 'Twist and Shout'



Webinars-Coming Attractions!









When	September 01, 2020 8:30pm EST Tuesday	September 10, 2020 8:30 EST Thursday	October 06, 2020 8:30pm EST Tuesday	October 20, 2020 8:30pm EST Tuesday
Topic	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) Send in your Questionsl	Encyclias and their Hybrids	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) Send in your Questions!	Understanding How to Care for your Paphiopedilums
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Mike Curtin AOS Student Judge and member of Oregon Orchid Societies	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Dave Sorokowsky Owner Paph Paradise Awarded grower and AOS Judge

To view REGISTRATION is REQUIRED: http://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx

Webinar announcements are posted to Facebook, Instagram and in the AOS Corner of your Affiliated Society's newsletter.

If you want to view independently from home, you can join live on your computer, or mobile device. Cannot make it on the scheduled date or time? No need to worry. Register anyhow!

ALL webinars are recorded and available to view at your leisure.

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WHEN YOU JOIN AOS, DON'T FORGET TO MENTION YOU ARE ALSO A MEMBER OF NHOS!

ZOOM Instructions: September Board Meeting Only

<u>The September Board Meeting has been changed to September 11, 2020 from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada).</u> For those who would like to join the Board Meeting the Zoom Link is below:

Susan Usseglio is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: NHOS Board Meeting Time: Sep 11, 2020 02:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

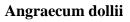
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ZOOM Instructions: September Speaker Presentation Only

Zoom Link: Topic: NHOS September Scheduled Speaker @ 11:00AM Time: Sep 12, 2020 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada). For those who would like to join the Speaker Presentation the Zoom Link is below:

Susan Usseglio is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Vandachostylis Sosicha

Orchid Digest International Speakers Day!

by Jean Stefanik, AOS and OD Representative

Hi Everyone,

I serve on the Board of Directors of Orchid Digest, and just received this information - and I know what I'll be attending on October 31st! Please consider attending the session, as well as joining or renewing Orchid Digest. The magazine is fabulous, and if you do, be sure to include on your membership that you are a member of NH Orchid Society, and mention my name as well. It's a wonderful volunteer organization, providing many benefits. Thanks! Jean

From Orchid Digest:

Below is the link to the flyer for the Orchid Digest International Speakers Day to be held on October 31st: https://drive.google.com/file/d/10mj6Kf0MpHi3rHn2x KP4bH56LbQDKtc/view?usp=sharing

To register, go to: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/9204476238212594445

We need everyone to help spread the word so this event will be successful. Please help post the link on your facebook pages and Instagram to everyone that you can.

We now have a new Facebook Group page called Orchid Digest Friends - https://www.facebook.com/groups/3191491750887322/

Orchid Digest is also moving toward completing and having ready to go. our new website. The launch date is October 1.





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International Speakers Day

A Virtual Experience
October 31, 2020 12:30-5 pm EDT
All speakers live, via Webinar
\$30 Register here to join in

All registrants will be entered in a raffle for prizes donated by our sponsors and for memberships/renewals to the Orchid Digest



Lourens Grobler, Afri Orchids, Pretoria, South Africa. *My 10 Favorite African Orchids*

Lourens has been growing orchids since he was 10 years old and now coowns Afri Orchids, a nursery that for 40 years has specialized in species from around the world. The collection includes approximately 4,000 species. Laurens is the co-author of the *Field Guide to the Orchids of Northern South Africa and Swaziland*. He is an accredited South African Orchid Council Judge and chaired the judging committee at the 21st World Orchid Conference.

Andrea Niessen, Orquideas del Valle, Cali, Colombia Orchids in Nature in Colombia

Andrea Niessen, a native of Cali, Colombia, former virologist and lifelong orchid grower, has served as the president of the Asociación Vallecaucana de Orquideologia and judge of the Colombian Orchid Committee. A popular speaker, Andrea has given lectures around the world. With her husband Juan Carlos Uribe, Andrea owns Orquideas del Valle, an orchid nursery that has been researching, reproducing and exporting Colombian orchids for over 25 years.



Lou Jost, EcoMinga Foundation, Baños, Ecuador Orchids as Guides to the Conservation of Unique Biodiversity

Lou, an internationally renowned expert in molecular phylogenies, has made significant contributions to the protection of orchids and orchid habitat in the New World Tropics. Originally from the US, Lou was fascinated by tropical diversity, and worked in Mexico and Costa Rica before moving to Ecuador in 1994. He has described a number of new Ecuadorian orchid species, many found in unprotected areas. Lou formed the EcoMinga Foundation in 2006 to build large reserves to protect strategic biodiversity hotspots.

Alek Zaslawski, AWZ Orquídeas, Vitória, Brazil Beautiful Brazilian Mountains (and the Orchids that Grow There)

Alek, an engineer, grew up surrounded by orchids, and traveled with his father to see and photograph orchids in nature. He joined his father to establish AWZ Orquiídeas in 1991, and they began to reproduce many of the species in their collection because of their rarity and disappearance from the wild. Now with over 20,000 plants from around the world, the nursery has some of the finest known varieties of Cattleya Alliance species.



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