



# NHOS Newsletter

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## President's Message

I just love this time of year. There is something new popping up in the garden every day. And I am seeing new growth on many of my orchids. Thanks to all of you I am learning how to take better care of them. Keep sharing the knowledge.

We will be meeting in person this month. Cordelia Head will be speaking on Masdevallias and be bringing plants. There is a 10% discount on preorders with the code NHOS21 so check out their website. Not everyone attending may be fully vaccinated yet so we will ask that you wear a mask or face covering. The Society will provide drinks (soda, water and coffee) for the meeting. Please bring your own bag lunch.

Also, since it will be in person, you will finally be able to see the wonderful books that were donated to the society by Mr. Leeming and, speaking of books, we also did an inventory and organized the Society's library collection. Now it should be much easier for you to find the volumes that you want. We are fortunate to have a fairly extensive collection, so check it out. We also have several duplicate volumes that we are thinking of selling to interested society members. I will have a list available at the May meeting. Last but not least we will finally be able to see and smell all of your beautiful orchids.

Anita

## NHOS MEETING NOTICE

**Sat. May 8, 2021**

**LIVE!**

**Old Bedford Town Hall  
Meetinghouse Rd. Bedford, NH**

**11:00 AM- Cordelia Head (J&L  
Orchids) on Masdevallias**

**See page 2 for more information**

**Plants must be on the show table by  
11:00 AM**

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **[NHOS Monthly Meetings](#)**

**Saturday June 12, 2021- Bob Cleveland “De-flasking & Potting Seedlings”**

**Saturday July 10, 2021- Peter Tobias “Orchid Conservation Alliance”**

**Saturday Aug. 14, 2021- Annual Picnic. Site TBD**

**Saturday Sept. 11, 2021- TBD (Potentially IPA)**

**Saturday Oct. 9, 2021- Annual Member/Vendor Auction**

**Saturday Nov. 13, 2021- TBD**

**Saturday Dec. 4, 2021- Annual Holiday Party**

## **May Speaker, Cordelia Head** **J&L Orchids**

**Cordelia Head is one of the previous owners of J & L Orchids and is proud to be associated with its new owners, the Carreno family. She has been growing orchids for more than 40 years.**

**Cordelia is on many international orchid committees involving orchid conservation and judging. She is an American Orchid Society accredited judge and served on the Awards Committee for many years.**

**Cordelia has been fortunate to travel extensively throughout Central and South America in search of orchids. She has discovered many new species and has three named for her.**

**Cordelia has lectured both nationally and internationally including the World Orchid Conferences in Miami, France Malaysia, Vancouver, Glasgow, among others.**

**Plant pre-orders for the meeting will receive a 10% discount on the [J & L website](#) with the coupon code: **NHOS21**.**

## April Show Table



Caren Savone - Hybrid; *Dracula Polyphemus*



Bob Sullivan - Species; *Leptotes bicolor*; from Brazil; 2" pot with 56 flowers and 7 buds.



Bob Sullivan - Species; *Cym. tigrinum*; from Tibet, South-Central China; second spike with 2 flowers.





Geraldine Liebert - Hybrid; Lc. Koolau Seagulls 'Volcano Queen' AM/AOS x Epc. Kyoguchi 'M. Sauno' Mutation.



Adrienne Giovino - Hybrid; Clowesia Jumbo Grace 'Jumbo Orchids'; Sunset Valley Orchids; grown intermediate on windowsill; fragrant smells like lemons.



Adrienne Giovino - Species; Laelia alacortii x sib select; Miranda Orchids; grown intermediate windowsill; fragrant smells like Carnation.





Leigh Coolidge - Hybrid; *Grammatocymbidium Memoria Nathan Newman 'NN'*



Leigh Coolidge - Hybrids; (Left) *Cattlianthe* (fmr. *Slc.*) *Jewel Box 'Scheherazade'*; (Right) *Catt. Snowblind 'Kenny'* (fmr. *C. walkeriana* fm. *semi-alba* now believed to be 80% *walkeriana*/20% *loddigessi*; Spectacular fragrance whatever the name.



David Sparks - Species; *Schoenorchis buddleiflora*; from Borneo





David Sparks - Hybrid; Sarcocylus Fairy Scarlet x Sarco Kuhura Rusty Pink, from Australia.



Bob Cleveland - Species; *Oncidium croesus*



Bob Cleveland - Species; *Dendrobium sulcatum*









George Newman - Hybrid; Lycaste Leo 'Riopelle'



George Newman - Species; Masdevallia ignea



George Newman - Species; Arpophyllum spicatum









Chuck & Sue Andersen - Species, *Paphiopedalum micranthum*; one of the Bubble Gum Paphs. from China.



Chuck Crisler - Species, Cat Skinneri 'Heiti Jacobs'



Chuck & Sue Andersen:

**2019 Ann & Philip Jesup  
Botanical Trophy  
Bulbophyllum dhaninivatii "Sue's Royal Tassels" CHM/AOS  
Exhibitor Chuck & Sue Andersen**





**New Hampshire Orchid Society  
General Meeting Minutes  
April 10, 2021**

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

- Our next meeting, May 8, 2021, will be a LIVE Meeting and Cordelia Head from J&L Orchids will be our speaker. Her lecture will be on Masdevallias. Pre-Orders will be accepted (please see J&L's website).
- Plants for the Show Table need to be present and ready to be judged by 11:00 AM.
- Face Masks will be required, food stuffs in individual packaging will be accepted, coffee and cold drinks will be provided. Please bring your own lunch.
- Membership – we have 121 memberships; 180 members – 59 memberships are still outstanding. Dues can be renewed via the website or please contact either Lee Brockmann or Sue Labonville for more information.
- Financials: We have \$11,668.17 in the checking account; our net worth is \$40,096.50.
- The Board has been working on updating the NHOS Policies, Guides and Guidelines. They are now completed and posted on the website for viewing.
- The books that were donated to the NHOS Library have been valued at approximately \$250.00 - \$350.00 each.
- We are looking for a volunteer to host the Annual Meeting & Picnic in August. If you are interested, please let Anita know.
- There will be Board positions available, if you are interested in running for a position, please let Anita know.
- Conservation and Education has received a request for a grant to sponsor an Orchid Library. More information will be forthcoming.
- 2022 Annual NHOS Orchid Show - We have completed the updates and clarifications on the contract with the Marriott and have signed and put down a deposit.
- Caren Savone has volunteered to take photographs for the Newsletter of the Member Show Table.
- December's Meeting will be the first weekend of the month (Dec. 4, 2021) and the Show Table will be judged by AOS Judges.

Respectfully submitted: Susan Usseglio, Secretary

**OBITUARY**

**Beth Mattor**

**Beth Mattor, wife of NHOS member John Mattor, passed on April 16, 2021 in Bar Mills, ME.**

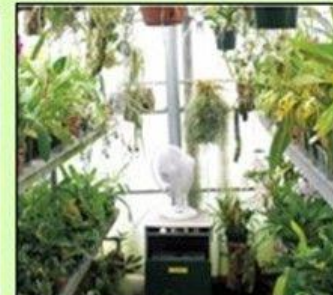
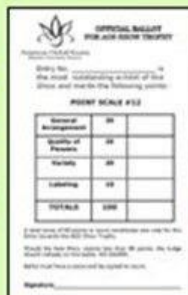
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**John is a past Officer and Trustee of NHOS.**

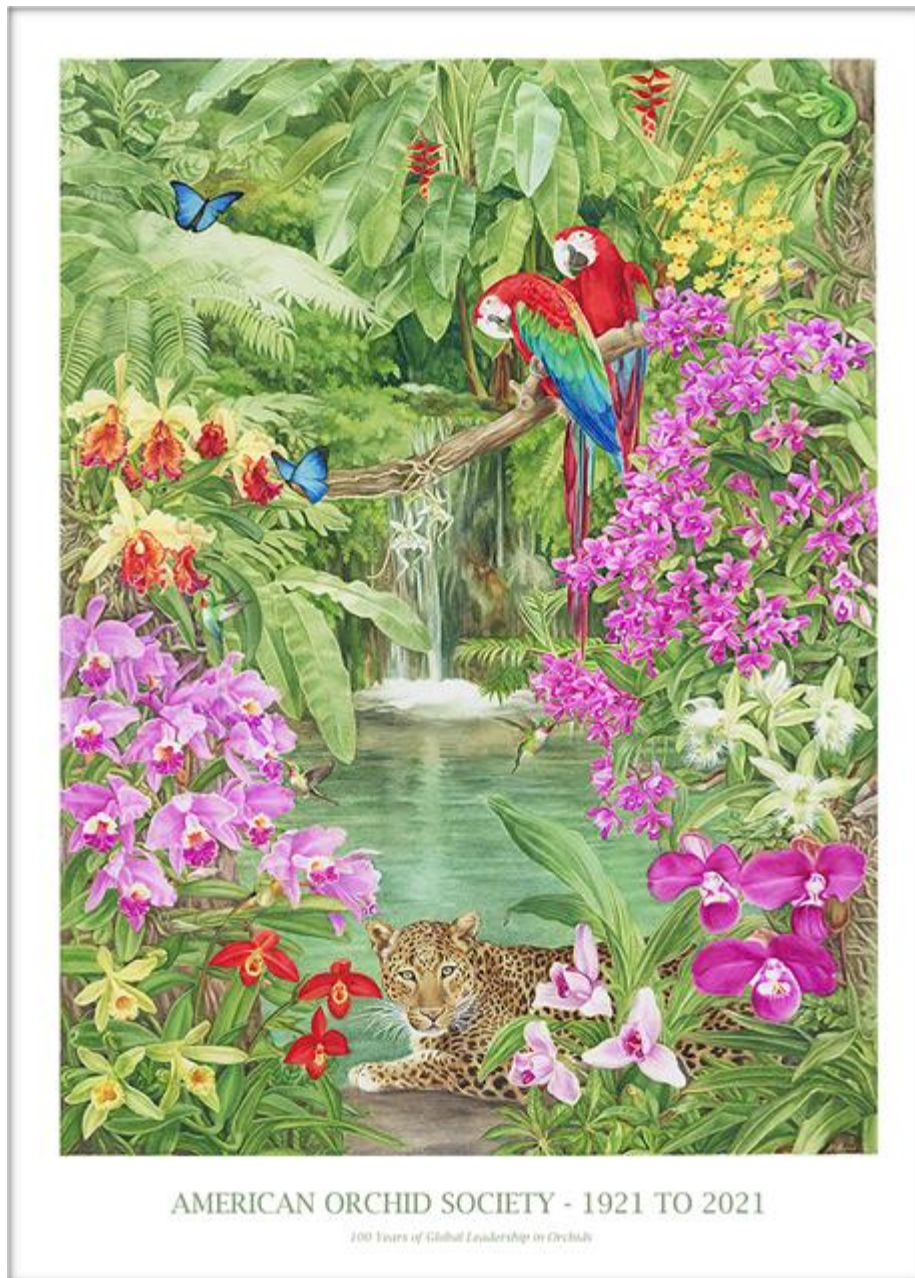


# Webinars-Coming Attractions!



When	May 04, 2021 8:30pm EDT Tuesday	May 31, 2021 8:30pm EDT Monday	June 08, 2021 8:30pm EDT Tuesday	June 17, 2021 8:30pm EDT Thursday
Topic	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) <i>Send in your Questions!</i>	<i>Prosthechea karwinskii</i> in Mexico, reintroducing a threatened species	Show Trophy Subjective or Objective	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) <i>Send in your Questions!</i>
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Julia Douglas AOS Conservation Grant Recipient	Marc Burchette Head of Biltmore Estate Orchid Collection	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED:** <http://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx>  
 Cannot make it on the scheduled date or time? No need to worry. Register anyhow!  
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Great news! The Limited Edition AOS Centennial Poster Prints are being printed, and are expected to be shipped within the next two weeks, once they have been signed and numbered by the artist. Each print will include a certificate of authenticity.

### **SPECIAL NOTES:**

You may recall given the overwhelming demand, the signed print run was expanded from 100 and capped at 150 to accommodate reservations made in the first few hours of availability. **We are also producing a number of prints on the same paper and of the same size, that will NOT be signed, nor numbered, and these will retail for AOS members for \$100, instead of \$200 for the limited edition signed print.** (These will be released for sale once the initial limited edition orders are processed)



## **It's Catasetinae Re-potting Time!**

**Re-printed by permission of Fred Clarke, Sunset Valley Orchids**

**I hope that you're all doing well and staying safe and healthy. Please take all the precautions necessary to stay safe - like spending more time with your orchids!**

**It's officially spring, and your Catasetinae should be getting started on their growing season. Some of you along the southern edge of the country have already started watering and fertilizing. I am hearing reports from southern growers that many plants now have new growths that are 6-12" tall with new roots approximately 3- 6" long. This is the time to start watering and fertilizing! Growers farther north (myself included) may still have a few weeks until the new roots are 3-6" long. Remember that not all Catasetinae come out of dormancy at the same time, so you may have some plants showing well-developed roots while others will be just starting to root. Begin watering and fertilizing plants that are ready and hold off on the ones still needing more time; this is a good practice to develop.**

**During this time of year, Catasetinae like lots of light, warmth, humidity and air movement. Be sure your plants are getting the correct conditions now, as this will really help them get a good start on their seasonal growth.**

**Ideal temperatures in early spring are 60-70 degree nights and 75-85 degree days. Humidity should be 50% or higher to best support the plants and new roots.**

**When beginning to water, start slowly and gradually increase the frequency and quantity as the plants develop their pseudobulbs. I start the watering season using ½ tsp fertilizer per gallon of water and increase to 1 tsp per gallon as the days get longer and the plants experience high temperatures in July and August before switching back to ½ tsp per gallon in September and October.**

**Don't forget that Catasetinae prefer to be repotted or divided with the onset of new growth, just before or as the new roots start to show. If you have plants in 3" pots, wait until you see the start of a new growth, then unpot and add more moss around the existing medium to fit into a 4" pot. Early in the growing season is when spider mites can get a foothold on your plants. Be diligent and check the undersides of the new leaves regularly. If mites are detected, spray immediately. Their populations can quickly get out of control if early action is not taken!**

**The new 2021 Catasetinae offering is really amazing! Plants are developing nicely, and I expect to have the new list ready to distribute in late June.**

**Here are the stages of growth and root development**



**No water, growth just started**



**No water, roots just starting to show.**



**Start watering now, roots 3- 6"long  
and into the medium**



**Fully rooted plant, top growth 10"  
water and fertilize regularly**





**This is the plant size to begin watering**

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**Cymbidium Pauwelssi 'Kessander' (insigne x lowianum)**

**This plant has received three AOS cultural awards given to it's owner, NHOS member Jerry Kessler, from North Andover, MA. An 84 point Certificate of Cultural Merit was earned on March 5, 2011 with 7 inflorescences. It was upgraded to an 86 point CCM on March 2, 2013, with 10 inflorescences. A few years later, on March 3, 2018, Chuck Crisler was awarded an 88 point CCM for his plant displaying 15 inflorescences, which he had grown from a division of Jerry's plant. Then, on April 7, 2018, Jerry transported his plant to Tower Hill and was presented a prestigious 96 point Certificate of Cultural Excellence (CCE), with 770 flowers on 31 inflorescences!**

**This is the "official" description of the CCE award from 2018:**

**"A breathtaking display of 770 flowers on 31 gracefully arched, staked inflorescences up to 217cm in length held well above and dramatically crowning the pristine foliage of a massive, meticulously grown 215-cm diameter plant grown in a 53-cm wide x 36-cm deep 15-gallon plastic pot; flowers yellow-peach; sepals and petals translucent yellow-peach suffused maroon basally, faint longitudinal stripes maroon; lip white, reverse pale olive green, side lobes spotted red, striking red chevron on distal margin; substance fair; texture matte; commended for robustness of plant growth and dramatic increase in number of flowers and inflorescences compared to all previous awards to this clone, and for grower's commitment**

to proper transport of the plant thereby ensuring that this spectacular specimen reached the judging table in optimal condition."

Articles have been published in *Orchids*, the AOS magazine which have chronicled it's cultural history, including that it is now transported using a 2 horse trailer!

This is Jerry's ONLY orchid and he had hoped to display it at the March 2020 and 2021 NHOS shows which were canceled due to Covid, so he has been displaying it in his driveway for a "one orchid show".

We look forward to hopefully seeing this Cymbidium and Jerry at our March 2022 show.





**Subject:** NHOS Monthly Meeting  
"LIVE"

**Date:** May 8, 2021

**Place:** Bedford Town Hall

**Judging:** All plants to be on the  
Show table by 11:00 AM

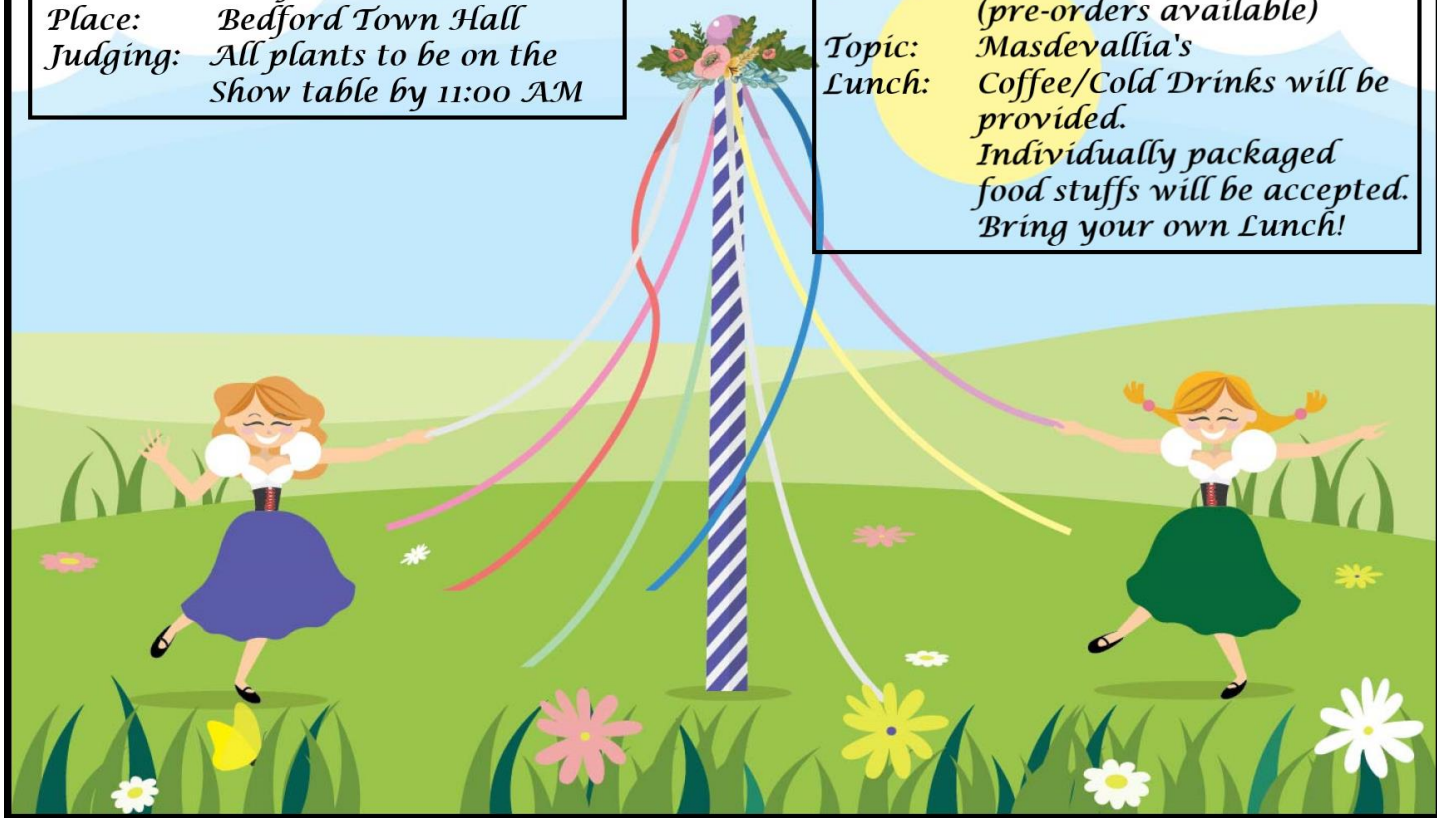
**Agenda:** President's update on  
current events.

**Speaker:** Cordelia Head - J&L Orchids  
(pre-orders available)

**Topic:** Masdevallia's

**Lunch:** Coffee/Cold Drinks will be  
provided.

Individually packaged  
food stuffs will be accepted.  
Bring your own Lunch!



Sue Labonville - Species; Rhyncholaelia digbyana; grown intermediate under lights;  
from Honduras to Beleze, Guatemala, Mexico and Costa Rica.

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