

NHOS Newsletter

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SAVE THE DATE

2021 Annual

Vendor/member auction

Old Bedford Town Hall

Bedford, NH

Sat. October 9

11:00 AM



NHOS MEETING NOTICE

Old Bedford Town Hall Meetinghouse Rd. Bedford, NH

> Sat. Sept. 11, 2021 11:00 AM

'Ask the Experts'

(See Pg. 2 for additional details.)

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

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2022 Annual Show & Sale March 25-27, 2022 **Marriott Courtvard** Nashua, NH Details will be posted in this newsletter and at NHOS.org as details become available.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly AOS Judging

On the first Saturday @ Tower Hill

NHOS Monthly Meetings

Saturday Sept. 11, 2021- 'Ask the Experts'

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

Saturday Nov. 13, 2021- TBD

Saturday Dec. 4, 2021- Annual Holiday Party

Saturday Jan. 8, 2000-TBD

Saturday Feb. 12, 2000- TBD

Shows

Mass Orchid Society Show, October 22-24, 2021

Cape and Islands Orchid Society Show, January 21-23, 2022

NHOS Show, March 25-27, 2022

Ask the Experts

Sat. Sept. 11, 2021 11:00 AM Old Bedford Town Hall Meetinghouse Rd. Bedford, NH

Start formulating your question to ask our experts.

Several of our expert growers will hold a panel discussion to answer your questions. If you have plants that are doing poorly feel free to bring them with you. Our panel will be happy to offer suggestions on how to improve their performance.

Plants need to be on the show table by 11 a.m.

August Show Table

Judges: Chuck Wingate, Jean Stefanik, & Joanna Eckstrom and per picnic custom as voted by the membership

Hobbyist ©= Cultural award

Phalaenopsis Alliance

2nd: Phal. No ID Deb Shustorme

Paphiopedilum Alliance

1 st :	Paph. Lefty Kei	Susan Usseglio
2 nd :	Paph. gratrixianum	Susan Usseglio
3 rd :	Paph. venustum 'Blatant' x self	Susan Usseglio

Oncidium Alliance

1st: Onc. Heaven Scent 'Sweet Baby' Caron Savone

Misc. Genera:

1 st :	Gastrochilus Haraella Retrocalla	Anita Walker
2 nd :	Leptodes bicolor	Anita Walker
3rd:	Maxillaria variabilis 'Dark Flowers'	Caron Savone

Advanced Growers (all cultural or "R" for rarity)

V. Lamellita x Noi Blue x Rhy. Choelestis Blue Tip Miltoniopsis Arnold Linsman 'Hot & Spicy' Lee Brockmann Sue Labonville

Expert Growers (all cultural or "R" for rarity)

Bob Cleveland Chuck Wingate

Paph. Parish FrankDracula carlueriDen. rigidumPleurothallis strictaShoenorchis tixieriDendrochillum filiforme

Den. limpidum

Barbosella caugniauxiana

Chuck & Sue Andersen David Sparks

Den. schulleri Epi. fimbrlatum
Den. hellerianum Epi. magnoliae
Den. hellwigianum 'Pink' Dracula pusilla
Soph. acuensis x Laelia lueddemanii Den. limpidum

Den. Aussie's Hito Isochilus qurantigcus

George Newman
Den. lawesii
Neo. falcata
Den. cuthbertsonii 'salewesii'
Lycaste aromatica

Can You Name This Orchid?

Have you seen this tiny NH native orchid??? Its specialized growth and flowering habit is unique... and dependent on the fungi in decaying beech leaves. This is the plant with buds. It blooms in August. I challenge you to try to identify it... Send your guesses by email to Jean S. More about this elusive charmer next month!!!



New Hampshire Orchid Society General & Annual Meeting Minutes August 14, 2021

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

• President's Annual Report:

New Hampshire Orchid Society

President's Annual Report

Fiscal Year: 2021

Anita Walker

The one thing that has significantly impacted this administration has been the COVID-19 epidemic.

Thankfully we were able to meet in person for our annual picnic and barbecue at Sue and Chuck Andersen's home. COVID-19 restrictions were in place but they did not hamper the fun and comradery. It was wonderful to be together in person after months of virtual only meetings. We did have a quorum and thankfully were able to pass all the By-Law revisions and hold elections. Andrea Deachman was elected Treasurer and Susan Usseglio was elected Secretary and Bob Cleveland was elected to another 2-year term on the Board.

In September we held both Board and member meetings via Zoom. Alex Maximiano originator of Orchid Wiz was out speaker and an inventory of society property housed in the storage unit, library and Kitchen cabinets was completed.

In October we were live at the Bedford Town Hall still under COVID-19 precautions for our Member/Vendor Auction. We had a huge number of plants. Members went home with bargains and our auctioneers with sore backs. Thanks to Susan Usseglio and all our volunteers, we were finally able to add some much-needed revenue to our bank account.

In November our program was again live. Bob Cleveland brought in kits with the Agitest test strips for viruses and we were able to test our poorly performing orchids for the most common viruses. We also received a donation of vintage books from Simon Lemming.

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In December, with COVID cases again rising, we cancelled our Holiday gathering but did have a Zoom show table with commentaries by AOS judges from the Northeast Judging Center. While the judges can't award plants via ZOOM, they felt several plants would have possibly been awarded had it not been for COVID-19.

January brought two highlights. Although ZOOM has its limitations, it did allow us to bring in speaker Andrea Niessen from Columbia, something we could not have otherwise afforded. She was a fantastic speaker. Also, since the Show table the previous month was a hit, Sue decided to incorporate a virtual show table into all of our member meetings.

The Board spent most of the winter reviewing our policies. The Harassment, Code of Ethics, Financial Management and Expense Reimbursement Policies have all been updated.

In February, March and April both Board and Member meetings were virtual. Peter Lin was our February speaker, Ray Barkalow in March and Mary Jo Gilsdorf in April. We also signed a contract with the Nashua Courtyard by Marriott for our March 2022 Show.

With the majority of our members having been fully vaccinated, the decision was to hold live meetings in May with Cordelia Head as our speaker. It was great to be together again and to have a real live show table.

June and July were also live meetings with Bob Cleveland on orchid propagation in June an Peter Tobias on Orchid Conservation in July.

Also in June, the board approved the request of a conservation grant for \$1,000 to Dr. Jis for developing an Orchid Library information Center at the Tropical Institutes Ecological Center Kottayam, India.

Anita

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• Treasurers Annual Report:

New Hampshire Orchid Society Treasurer's Annual Report Fiscal Year: 2021 Andrea Deachman

Well, to start the year we were still concerned with COVID-19. We did not have any meetings in person but we did hold the Annual Vendors' and Members' Auction, which grossed almost \$3,6000.00. Membership dues for the year (as of July 31, 2021) is at \$1,560.00 out of a budgeted \$2,000.00.

After all is said and done, we are down about \$2,500.00 as of July 31, 2021. This figure will increase with final expenses like the picnic and todays manifest of about \$1,000.00.

We were able to help create a library in India for native Orchids which came out of the Conservation Funds.

Interest rates have finally stopped dropping. Yes they are low, but looking for that to begin to increase this up-coming year.

We are working on new fund-raising efforts, and hope we can have a great Auction in October.

Looking for positive outcomes this year.

With other societies still doing virtual meetings, it will be hard for NHOS to spend full prices on speakers. We have to remember we need to push to get memberships back up to where they were prior to COVID-19 and we have a show to prepare for which takes money. If anyone has ideas of how to raise money for the society besides Casino, Auctions, Bingo's and Shows, please have a chat with me.

Andrea

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• Elections:

With the required quorum of voting members president (30) the President presented the Nominated Slate to the General Membership:

The Slate: Anita Walker – President; Andrea Deachman – Treasurer; Bill Schinella – Trustee; Dale Cunningham – Trustee. There were not any nominations from the floor. A motion was made by Joanna Eckstrom and seconded by Lee Brockman to accept the presented Slate of Officers - motion passed.

It is with sadness and gratitude that we say good-by to Sue Labonville who was a valued member of the Board.

• Bylaw changes:

With the required timeframe for review by the membership and the printing of all changes posted in the Newsletters, the Bylaw changes were accepted in their entirety. Motion made by Andrea Deachman and seconded by Joanna Eckstrom to accept the By-laws as published – motion passed.

• Budget Proposal for September 1, 2021 – August 31, 2022

With the required timeframe for review by the membership and printing in the Monthly Newsletter, the Budget for NHOS was accepted as presented. A motion was made by Susan Usseglio and seconded by Chuck Wingate to accept the Budget as outlined – motion passed.

Other items of interest were:

- Brief report on the Annual Auction. Auction scheduled for October 9, 2021. Listing of plants need to be sent by September 22, 2021.
- Scheduled Show Meeting on August 26, 2021 via ZOOM.
- MOS Show Need set-up and breakdown, show scheduled for October 22, 2021.
- Deerfield Fair participation being investigated
- We have 1 new member.

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A Special Thank You to Anita and Ed Walker for hosting this year's picnic and Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted: Susan Usseglio, Secretary

President's Message September 2021

Thank you all for coming to our Annual Meeting and BBQ. While it was hot, thankfully the rain that had been forecast did not materialize. The show table was wonderful as always. Usually at this meeting, members advance according to the number of points received over the past year, hobbyist to advanced and advanced to expert. Due to Covid, we have had so few in- person show tables, the decision was made not to advance anyone this year but points accumulated will carry over to 2022.

Elections were as follows: Anita Walker -President, Andrea Deachman- Treasurer, Bill Schinella and Dale Cunningham – Trustees.

Our September meeting will be "Ask the Experts". Many of you have expressed an interest in having more time to ask questions of our expert growers and to learn how they grow and bloom a wide variety of orchids. This is your chance to do so. Feel free also to bring in your poorly performing plants for analysis and suggestions on how to improve their performance. As to food for the meeting, I if you wish to bring a dish to share, I know it will be appreciated by many. If you prefer to bring a bag lunch, please feel free to do so. The Society will provide Coffee Soda and water.

Our Annual Auction is huge source of revenue for the Society. We need everyone to promote this activity. Talk it up among friends and on social media and prepare to sell some of your over gown collections. Check out Sue's post elsewhere in the newsletter.

Thank you all for your support. I am looking forward to the start of a brand-new year.

Anita

The Massachusetts Orchid Society is excited to be back in person for our:

MOS 2021 World of Orchids Show & Sale October 22-24, 2021

World of Orchids: The Caribbean

Save the date! October 22-24, 2021



Here is our award-winning Massachusetts Orchid Society Display from 2019: our last in-person show. We are so excited to be back this year in person, for an up-close and personal look into the wild and amazing world of orchids!!

<u>Dates & Times:</u>
Friday, Oct 22, 2021: 12:30 pm - 5 pm
Saturday, Oct 23, 2021: 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday, Oct 24, 2021: 10 am - 4 pm
<u>Location:</u>

Sons of Italy

117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA (directions)

Admission:
Adults \$10

Free to MOS members as well as children 10 and under
Purchase tickets online soon or at the door.





Dear Orchid Friends,

Due to concerns over the ongoing Covid-19 and its delta variant coupled with Miami-Dade county's continued high positivity rates for the virus, and in consideration for the health and wellbeing of our members, volunteers, and guests, **the Centennial** Celebration Committee and the AOS Board of Trustees have opted to postpone the Centennial Celebration event and activities which were to take place October 27th - 30th, 2021 until April 6th - 9th, 2022.

Please note:

- If you are already registered for the event, your current registration will be rolled over to the new dates.
- If you have hotel reservations at the Biltmore Hotel, they will be automatically moved to the equivalent dates in the new timeframe.

Taking this initiative allows us the opportunity to reschedule with enough time to allow everyone who wishes to participate in this momentous event to do so. Your safety is of utmost importance to us. Any questions can be addressed to the AOS Headquarters office at TheAOS@aos.org.

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and kindly ask for your understanding. We hope that you are able to join us in Coral Gables in the Spring.

Webinars-Coming Attractions!









When	August 05, 2021 8:30pm EDT Thursday	August 18, 2021 8:30pm EDT Wednesday	September 02, 2021 8:30pm EDT Thursday	September 16, 2021 8:30pm EDT Thursday
Topic	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) Send in your Questions!	Leafless Orchids	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) Send in your Questions!	Sarcochilus Australian Miniatures
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Dr. Mary Mancini AOS Judge, Louisiana Judging Center	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Jean Allen-Ikeson JC National Education Coordinator, AOS Editorial Board Chair

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: http://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx
Cannot make it on the scheduled date or time? No need to worry. Register anyhow!

*Webinar announcements are posted on Facebook,

*Instagram, and in the AOS Corner of your Affiliated Society's newsletter.

We digitize the webinars and they are available to view at your leisure.

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Members' and Vendors' Auction Guidelines

October 9, 2021 Bedford Town Hall

- The Annual Members' and Vendors' Auction shall be available to all members. The guidelines include:
 - a) Each member (or "family", if a family member) shall be allowed to auction up to 10 plants. Out of those 10, three (3) may have a reserve.
 - b) The auction will be run by NHOS under the supervision of the Auction Committee and will include publicity, clerking, actual auctioning of plants, collection of funds, etc.
 - c) For each member plant the split of proceeds shall be 80% seller, 20% NHOS.
 - d) The auction shall be held at a meeting without an invited, formal speaker (although a back-up program might be scheduled in the event that the auction has few plants).
 - e) A change from our previous auctions, No-Name Plants will <u>not</u> be allowed for inclusion into the Auction.
 - f) Cash, check or charge will be accepted for payment.
- Please provide your listing of plants for sale along with any photo's you may have of the flowering plant, to Susan Usseglio at woof2@charter.net by September 22nd.

There will be a show table that day so please have your plants on the table by 11:00 AM for judging.

THANK YOU!



New Hampshire Annual Members' and Vendors' Auction October 9, 2021

Save your money and mark the date, The Auction is coming and you don't want to be late.

Orchids will be coming from Thailand, Hawaii and California to name a few,
There will be species, hybrids and member plants too,
They will be on sticks and in pots to round out the view.

No-Name plants, I am sorry to say, Will have to find their own special day.

Chuck and Bob will again display, The NHOS Auction way.

Faintly on the evening breeze can be heard, From near and from far the whispers concur, "It's only one more dollar", for you spend, The plant is sold, you won, AMEN......

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Submission of Articles

Deadline for submission of articles is 10 days before the monthly meeting. Send to Leigh Coolidge at:

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