

Victoria Orchid Society



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Meetings:2011

May 24

June 28

Barbecue – August 14

We are overstocked for goodies, so we do not need anyone to bring any for the May meeting.

*Art Macgregor grew this beautiful
Lycaste Astra 'Hatsune' AM/AOS
that was voted best plant on the display table at the
April meeting*



*Dracuvallia
Gualaquiza*

From the Editor

*Welcome to new members:
Heather Ord, Sasha Kubicek, and Bruce Norris*

Only two meetings left in the 2010/2011 VicOS year. Lighter evenings and better weather should bring out lots of members. Come and find out about the exciting plans for the summer months: open houses, bus trips and our yearly barbecue.

Diana Rowles



C. intermedia acquiaii

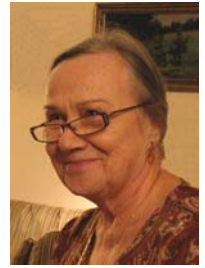
Reginald Glover, the husband of Dora Glover, one of our long-time members has recently passed away in Nanaimo. Our condolences go to Dora and her family.

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Check out our website for information about the society, upcoming events, plant registration for shows, regulations for bringing orchids into Canada, and what books are in our library. Previous newsletters can also be accessed from the website.

Contributions to the newsletter can be made up to 14 days before the next meeting date by contacting me by phone or email. (250-385-8888 or enviroed@telus.net).

President's Message



Ingrid Ostrander

As members of the Victoria Orchid society, we are part of a great community of plant people. From the following, you will be able to see how many contacts we have and how many people out there are learning about our group.

The Victoria Orchid Society is not only on good terms with our other neighbouring orchid societies, such as CVIOS in Nanaimo and the Vancouver and Fraser Valley Orchid Societies on the lower mainland. We also send our electronic newsletter to many other groups in Canada and receive theirs back in return – no cost involved.

We have, almost twenty years ago, formed the British Columbia Orchid Congress (BCOC), to include not only the four coastal societies but also the orchid growers in the interior of BC. The BCOC exists to help our different groups work together in order to achieve more efficiency in the planning of shows, meetings, plant schedules for exhibitions, speaker coordination and other things that come up.

We are members of the Canadian Orchid Congress (COC), which assists Canadian orchidists with cultural information geared to our more northerly climate, with articles on growing orchids in Canada, regulations for import and export of orchids, the COC insurance, subsidies to hold the COC, AGM, and more.

In addition, we are members of the BC Council of Garden Clubs (BCCGC), which opens the doors for us to learn about other local plant people and in turn, let them know more about us.

We are members of the American Orchid Society (AOS), which enables us to hold AOS sanctioned shows, which offer judging by well-informed and trained personnel and publishes the AOS monthly magazine with useful information for orchid growers.

We are also members of the Orchid Digest Corporation (ODC), which offers one of the best quarterly publications about orchids anywhere.

In addition, we are subscribing to the British Orchid Review – the oldest orchid-related publication in the world.

All of the above listed organizations offer at least a quarterly – if not monthly – newsletter or magazine and you can either access these through the Internet or look for them in our library.

So when you are a member of the Victoria Orchid society, you automatically are part of a vast affiliation of organizations; find out more at our meetings.

See you there!

Ingrid Ostrander

Reminders:

Please try to come to the June meeting which will include the Annual General Meeting at which we will be electing the Executive for the 2011/2012 year. Several members of the board will be retiring, so new directors are needed. Please consider joining the board of Directors. You do not need to be an orchid expert. We need people with different views and varied knowledge. If you are interested in becoming a director, please contact Art Macgregor or Ingrid Ostrander. We will also be asking the membership to vote on the VicOS bylaw amendments at this meeting.

Upcoming Events

The monthly meeting of the Victoria Orchid Society is held on the fourth Tuesday of every month except July, August and December, starting at 7:30pm. This meeting consists of a short (as possible) business meeting, the presentation of the plants on the display table, a coffee break with a prize draw of plants and orchid related material and then, a featured presentation. The meeting ends between 9:30 and 10:00pm.

May 24th meeting – H&R Orchids of Hawaii

Harry Y Akagi will give a two part presentation: The Current Breeding and Culture of *C walkeriana* and Current Breeding Directions at H&R Nurseries. It should be a very interesting meeting and he will be bringing lovely plants.

Sunday August 14th, 2011, Summer Barbecue at Florence Davis

This year's barbecue will offer Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Buns, Chili, Potato Salad, fresh fruit, Pavlova, tea and coffee. Please arrive at 4:00 PM, and be prepared to eat 5:00 PM (August days are getting shorter).



2010 BBQ group in Florence's lovely garden

Tickets will be sold at the May and June meetings at a cost of \$15.00. Florence needs to know at the end of June how many tickets were sold - how many guests will come and please: NO late comers on Sunday afternoon!

Guests please bring chairs, plates and cutlery. You may also bring your own beverages.

Please do bring items for the brown bag prize draw. These should not be wrapped as gifts, as brown bags will be placed beside each item and people will place their tickets in the bags of items they wish to win.

July 16th 2011 – Art Macgregor will present a summer work-shop at his home.

We are looking for member's with greenhouses or sun rooms to host open houses this summer. Such events allow members to see all different kinds of growing situations for orchids.



Art's greenhouse 2009

A bus tour is being planned to visit the growing spaces of members of the Central Vancouver Island Orchid Society. It would be a day-long tour and would cost \$35 per person if we could get 30 people to go. We can go with fewer, but it will cost more per person.

Past Events

CVIOS Show, April 15th –17th



Best Visiting Display by Kathryn Collins & Catherine Frutiger



*Shirley Page's Phrag Saundersianum Bull
HCC/AOS –
Trophy for best First Bloom Seedling*



*Ingrid Ostrander's Phal Malibu Madonna 'Tokyo' AM/AOS
Trophy for best Phalaenopsis*



*Jerry Suffolk's Show Champion,
Brassia Rex 'Tahoma' AM/AOS*



*Ingrid & Coreen at our Salt Spring Island
detour. However, we made it in time for them
to attend the BCOC meeting.*



VICTORIA ORCHID SOCIETY RESULTS AT THE CVIOS SHOW

Totals: blue 18
 red 14
 white 7
 trophy 4

Member	plant	award	class
Jonathan Littau	<i>Paph</i> Laser x Shin-Yi-Pie	blue	4.7b
	unknown Oncidium Alliance	blue	
	<i>G guatemalensis</i>	blue	1.3
	<i>Paph</i> Hysinying 'Carlos' Lava Glow'	blue	4.7a
	<i>Cym</i> Skippy	red	7.5
	<i>C intermedia</i>	red	12.3
	<i>Ctna</i> Why Not 'Roundabout'	red	1.5a
Shirley Page	<i>Phrag</i> (caudatum 'Val' x schlimii) HCC/AOS	red	4.13
	also	blue	12.3
Diana Rowles	<i>Phrag</i> Paul Eugene Conroy	white	4.13
	<i>Blc</i> Magic Meadow 'Napoleon'	white	16.b
Ingrid Ostrander	<i>Phal</i> Tying Shin Cupid 'L.K.' AM/AOS	blue	2.10
	<i>Phal</i> Malibu Madonna 'Tokyo' AM/AOS	blue	2.12b
	<i>Mps</i> Bert Field	blue	6.2
Poul Hansen	<i>Mps</i> (Albacete x Meadowdale)	white	6.2
	<i>Laelia purpurata</i>	white	1.3
	<i>Mps</i> Les Dirouilles	red	6.2
Catherine Frutiger	<i>Iwan</i> Appleblossom 'H&R'	blue	1.4b
	<i>Onc</i> Sharry Baby	blue	6.5
	<i>Dtps</i> Sogo Vivien 'Marginata JC/AOS	blue	2.14
	<i>Cym</i> no-name	red	7.5
	<i>Vanda dennisoniara</i>	red	2.18
Art Macgregor	<i>Lycaste</i> Astra 'Jean'	blue	5.2
	<i>Dendrobium aggregatum</i>	blue	0.5
	<i>Phrag</i> Olaf Gruss	red	4.14
	<i>Lycaste cruenta</i>	red	5.1
	<i>Coelogyne ochracea</i>	white	8.1
	<i>Lc</i> Love Knot	white	1.4a
Joe Chow	<i>Phrag longifolium</i>	red	4.12a
	<i>Phrag</i> Grande 'Maybrook' AM/AOS	red	4.13
	<i>Masd</i> Golden Tiger 'Samer' AM/AOS	white	3.4
Svend Munkholm	<i>Iwan</i> Appleblossom 'H&R Yellow Star'	blue	1.4b
	<i>Cym</i> Ann Miller 'Midnight'	blue	7.5
	<i>Paph</i> (Callo-day 'Windswept' x Goultenianum 'Black Magic')	blue	4.9
	<i>Lpt bicolor</i>	red	1.1
Kathryn Collins	<i>Colm</i> Wildcat 'Bobcat ' AM/AOS	red	6.5
Henk Oudt	<i>Wilsonara</i> Kolibri 'Pink Angel'	blue	6.10
	<i>Masd</i> heathii 'C'	blue	3.4
	<i>Masd</i> Golden Tiger 'Samer' AM/AOS	red	3.4
	<i>Sarcochilus hartmannii</i>	trophy	2.19b
VicOS (Kathryn & Catherine)	Best Visiting Display	trophy	

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Trophy
 first bl seedling

Trophy

Trophy

April 26th meeting – guest speaker, Chuck Taylor



Phrag Paul Eugene Conroy

Chuck Taylor gave a great presentation on Phragmipedium orchids and his methods of growing them. He gave general rules for different kinds of Phrags and recipes for three or four different kinds of mixes, depending up the watering pattern of the grower.

Chuck grows his Phrags in double pots. The inside one is clear plastic, while the outside one is opaque. This allows him to examine the roots at any time (as they show through the inside pot), but protects the roots from too much light. He also shared his design for a hanging potting cage that allows Phrags to develop their natural pattern of growth as one lead follows on from another.

It was a fascinating presentation and thanks go to Chuck's wife, Trudy, for driving out from Alberta with him so that he could bring us beautiful plants.



Chuck & Friend

April 30-May 1st: The VicOS Tillicum Mall Show

The Tillicum Centre Show & Sale unfortunately fell on the first good weekend of the spring and everyone must have been in their gardens. Traffic was very slow and the hardy volunteers generally outnumbered the customers.



Beautiful plants for sale

Lots of volunteers



An elegant display



Emma picks the prize draw tickets



But few customers

Thanks to all the volunteers: Barb & Katie Horricks, Joe Chow, Catherine Frutiger, Coreen Kempling, Barb Judson, Donna Stewart, Joyce Wilson, Art Macgregor, Diana Rowles, Don Mills, Florence Davis, Rick Rancourt, Dave & Taylor McElderry; Geoff Haywood, Nancy Cole, Kathryn Collins and Ingrid Ostrander.

Judging Centre news



Abu Salleh

I am pleased to report that at the Victoria Orchid Society show judging on March 4, 2011, the following AOS awards were granted:

Cattleya Purple Cascade ‘Beauty of Perfume’ HCC/AOS CCM/AOS, 86pts
(*C. Interglossa* x *C. Tokyo Magic*)
Exhibitor: Jonathan Littau



Doritaenopsis Jiaho Cherry ‘White Cap’ HCC/AOS, 79pts
(*Dor. pulcherrima* x *Dtps. Taisuco Jewel*)
Exhibitor: Pat Van Adrichem



Phragmipedium Autumn Fire ‘Ann’ HCC/AOS, 78pts
(*Phrag. Eric Young* x *Phrag. Barbara LeAnn*)
Exhibitor: Dr. Art MacGregor



Cymbidium goeringii ‘Kadin Law’ AM/AOS, 83pts
(award is provisional pending species identification)
Exhibitor: Manlung Law



At the AOS Pacific Northwest Judging Center (Vancouver)’s monthly meeting on April 9, 2011, the following AOS award was granted:

Paphiopedilum Hsinying Carlos ‘Lava Glow’ FCC/AOS, 90pts
(*Paph. callosum* x *Paph. Hsinying Web*)
Exhibitor: Jonathan Littau



At the CVIOS show on April 26th, the following awards were granted:

Lycaste Astra ‘Hatsune’ AM/AOS, 82pts
(*Lyc. tricolor* x *Lyc. brevispatha*)
Exhibitor: Dr. Art MacGregor



Paphiopedilum glaucophyllum var. *moquetteanum* HCC/AOS, 78pts
Exhibitor: Donna McDonnell



Photographs by Judith Higham

Victoria Orchid Society
Minutes of General Meeting April 26, 2011

The meeting of April 26th was held in the Garth Homer Centre. President Ingrid Ostrander called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Prior to calling the meeting to order, she reminded everyone that Joe Chow would be taking questions about orchid care. Ingrid welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that they sign the attendance sheet that Barb Judson was passing around. Ingrid announced the meeting would be conducted according to Robert's Rules and showed the umbrella and white ceramic vase left behind at the show. Donna was a guest and Sasha and Heather are new members.

Secretary's Report: MOTION: Cathy Thompson/John Taylor moved that the minutes of the March 2011 meeting be approved as published in the newsletter. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Treasurer's Report: Jane Mason presented the financial report for the month of March 2011, moved for acceptance, seconded by Shirley Page. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Other Reports:

1. **Correspondence:** We received a letter from the Montreal OS requesting our support in their bid to host the 2017 WOC. We responded that they can count on our cooperation.
2. **Membership:** Joyce reported we now have 106 members.
3. **Newsletter:** Diana has the virus kits and there are 6 available.
4. **AOS:** Membership applications are available.
5. **COC:** They need a venue for 2013.
6. **Victoria Website:** Sellers instructions are on our website.
7. **Programs for 2011:** see newsletter.
8. **Plant Orders, Catalogues:** H & R are coming in May so today is last day for orders.
9. **Plant Sales:** Chuck has plants for sale, and pots & mister were donated to Judges Travel Fund.
10. **Upcoming Shows:** Tillicum Mall show is April 30-May 1st – sign up sheets are being passed around. Bring plants at 8 am Sat. to the mall or Fri. evening to Kathryn's or Ingrid's.

New Business

- We had a good turnout at both the Gardenworks and Marigold workshops.
- At the CVIOS show we won Best Visiting Society and Art's Lycaste received an AM/AOS, and trophies were won by Henk Oudt for best *Sarcophilus*; Shirley Page for best First Bloom with *Phrag. (caudatum 'Val' x schlimii)*; and Ingrid for best Phal with *Phal* Malibu Madonna 'Tokyo'.
- Thanks to everyone for sending plants and helping with set up and take down. (Note: the Malahat was closed Sunday morning making the trip to Nanaimo an adventure.)
- Members of CVIOS have invited us for an open greenhouse tour in July. If 30 of our members go, we could charter a coach for \$35 per person but only 15 people indicated interest. Art suggested taking personal vehicles.
- We had an anonymous donation of plants, pots and a humidifier.
- Coreen reported on the upcoming Iris Convention.

Report from the Executive

- Please read the proposed by-laws. We will be voting on them in June.
- Guests at our meetings may now purchase plants.
- Next executive meeting will be at Art Macgregor's May 3rd at 7:30pm.

Show Table: Ingrid and Chuck Taylor presented the show table.

Speaker: Following the coffee break and prize draws, Chuck Taylor gave a lively talk and slide presentation on *Phragmipediums*.

Next Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 24, 2011 at Garth Homer Centre.

Adjournment: The President declared the meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathryn Collins

Society Information

General meetings are held at the Garth Homer Centre, 813 Darwin Ave., Victoria B.C., on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Members are encouraged to bring in their orchids in bloom to display on the show table.



Masdevallia Copperwing

Guest speakers are engaged for these meetings and often speakers bring plants for sale. There is also a sale table where plants brought in by members may be purchased.

Plant sales begin at 7:15 pm and the meeting runs from 7:30 pm to 10:00 pm.

Membership fees are \$20.00 for individuals, \$30.00 for households. The Society membership year runs from September to September, but meetings are not held in July and August. Name tags are available for \$10.00, magnetized tags are \$15.00.

Coffee and tea are available at the meeting and goodies are provided by members in rotation, based upon the initial letter of their last names. No goodies are required for the May meeting as previous donors were particularly generous.

The Victoria Orchid Society Newsletter is published monthly, around the 15th of each month, excepting December, July and August. Newsletters will be sent by email to members with email access. Email addresses will be blind copied. Upon request, copies of the newsletter may be picked up at meetings for those not wishing to print off their copy at home. Those with no email access may ask for a mailed copy. (We are trying to cut down our mailing costs.)

Advertising is free of charge to members in good standing: \$2.00 per business card size ad per month to a member owned business (\$20.00 per fiscal year), \$5.00 per month to non-member businesses (\$50.00 per fiscal year).

The Society's mailing Address is 1199 Tattersall Drive, Victoria, B.C. V8P 1Y8.

Who Does What?

President	➤ Ingrid Ostrander	Membership Chair	➤ Joyce Wilson
Vice-president	➤ Coreen Kempling	Library Committee	➤ Nancy Cole, Darlene Li, Tim Hayes
2 nd vice-president	➤ Art Macgregor	Spring Show Chair	➤ Svend Munkholm
Secretary	➤ Kathryn Collins	Show Assistant	➤ Kathryn Collins
Treasurer	➤ Jane Mason	Plant Sales	➤ Rick Rancourt & Coreen Kempling
Past President	➤ Nancy Miklic	Prize Draw	➤ Florence Davis/Dave McElderry
Directors:	➤ Joyce Wilson	Plant Orders	➤ Debb Ward
	➤ Diana Rowles	AOS Rep	➤ Jonathan Littau
	➤ Catherine Frutiger	COC Rep	➤ Ingrid Ostrander
	➤ Dave McElderry	Culture Classes	➤ Dave McElderry
	➤ Florence Davis	Web Page	➤ Blair Humphrey
	➤ Poul Hansen	Plant Photos	➤ Diana Rowles
	➤ Svend Munkholm	Hillside Show Chair	➤ Dave McElderry
		Programs	➤ Art Macgregor
	Newsletter Editor	➤ Diana Rowles	
	Newsletter proof reader	➤ Joe Chow	
	Executive Spokesman	➤ Ingrid Ostrander	
	Christmas Party	➤ Noreen Taylor	
	50/50 Draw	➤ Catherine Frutiger	
	Hospitality	➤ Lioba Samer	
	Facebook	➤ Wanda Shum	

In emergencies, call Ingrid Ostrander at (250) 652-0753.

Opportunities:

Mill Bay Garden Club is pleased to host:

THE 64TH COMMUNITY FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW.
SATURDAY JUNE 11, 2011- 9.00A.M. TO 2.00P.M.
COBBLE HILL HALL
2550 WATSON ROAD, COBBLE HILL, BC

Admission \$2.00 , Children no charge.

A Flower Show for everyone, including plant sales, garden vendors, silent auction, strawberry tea and the Rotary Club's Pancake Breakfast.

Flower Show entries from the public and other garden clubs, garden associations, etc are welcome.

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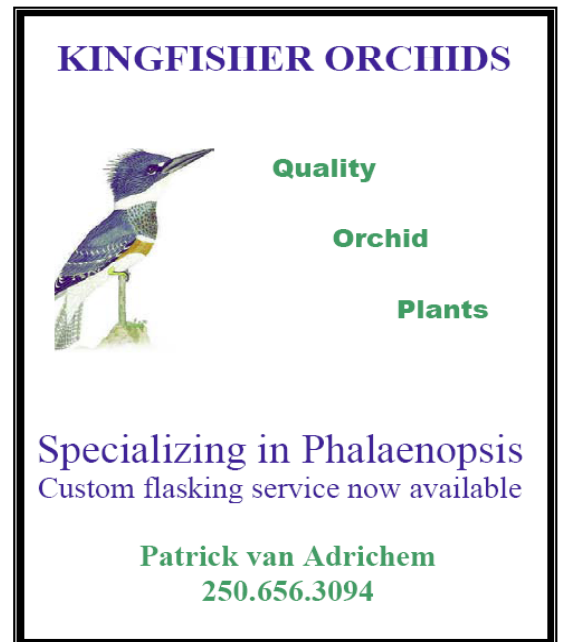
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