Sandpiper Orchid Society

APRIL 2010

Sandpiper Meetings Location

Galloway Branch of the Atlantic County Library system located at 306 East Jimmie Leeds Road Galloway, NJ Phone 609-652-2352

Map of Meeting Location.

APRIL 22nd 7:00 PM

Orchid Mini-Auction Galloway Library

306 Jimmie Leeds Rd. Galloway, NJ

Doors open for previewing at 6:30 PM

The Orchid Help Guys





Before the Meeting 6:45 PM

Ask the **Orchid Help Guys** before any Sandpiper Orchid Society meeting for advice on any culture problems you may be having with your orchids.

Add to your Collection



April '10 Newsletter in a MAGAZINE FORMAT

Website: http://www.SandpiperOrchidSociety.com

Email: SandpiperOS@gmail.com

SHOW TABLE & Orchid Shows Point Standings thru March 2010

Bollenbach, G.	59
Bruno, P.	3
Cassioli, P.	31
Cassioli-Gotwals, C.	6
Class, B.	33
Ellingsen, B.	57
Fontaine, A.	57
Jankowski, L&R	51
McClellan, J&M	10
MIchalenko, R.	26
Peacock, J.	I
Kruckner, R&R	14
Schairer, C.	25
Tusone, R.	32

How the Points are Earned

Rosette Award	10 pts
ıst Place	5 pts
2nd Place	3 pts
3rd Place	1 pt

Joe Myers Award - Awarded to the member that accumulates the highest point total for the year as determined from Society Displays and the monthly Show Table results.

Lisa O'Neal Award - This award was established in 2006 upon the untimely death of then president Lisa O'Neal. Lisa was renowned for displaying her finest orchids on the monthly Show Table. The winner of this award is acknowledged as having grown the most outstanding orchid of the year which is chosen from those plants that received the 10 point Rosette Award.

-2010 Society Dues-

Please remember to see
George Bollenbach
regarding your
Sandpiper Orchid Society Dues
at the April 22nd meeting.

Show Organizational Meeting

At Sandpiper's last meeting, members contributed their ideas for the expansion and updating of Sandpiper's Display in the upcoming Longwood Gardens Orchid Show. Member's orchids on the Show Table were critiqued for inclusion in Sandpiper's Orchid Display. A great time was had by all.

Longwood Gardens Orchid Display



The Sandpiper Orchid Society maintained it's "Orchids on the Beach" theme with a 65 sq. ft. display in the SEPOS/Longwood Gardens Orchid Show.

Thirteen members submitted 68 orchids for the Show and 34 of them received ribbon

recognition by the AOS judges. Congratulations Orchid growers!

I wish to express my thanks and gratitude to all of the **Sandpiper Orchid Family** members that helped in so many different ways in bringing this orchid event to such a successful conclusion.

Ron Ference President, Sandpiper OS



Congratulations to **Dr. Cary Stone** for receiving a **Special Rosette Award** for his **Phal. Sogo Vivien x Dtps. Taisuco Jewel**.

Click here for Sandpiper's Longwood Garden Show Details

MAY

Annual Society Picnic/ShowTable/Meeting

The Sandpiper Orchid Society will hold it's Annual Society Picnic/ShowTable/Meeting on Sunday, May 23rd at the Cape May Co. Zoo.

Activities will begin around 12 Noon.



David's Monthly Orchid Tips

David Off is a 3rd generation member of the highly respected WALDOR ORCHIDS family.

Spring Repotting

First decide whether you simply want to shift your plant or divide it into several pieces. To shift your orchid, remove the plant from the pot and clean the old mix off the roots. Then choose the proper pot size allowing room for two years of growth.

When dividing cattleyas and other orchids with similar growing habits, we recommend leaving 3-5 bulbs per division. Decide what size cutting you want to make. Then use a sterile knife to cut down through the rhizome and the roots staying as close as possible to the older growth.

Next consider what type of container will suit your orchid and watering schedule. Most orchids grow well in plastic pots. However, if you have a tendency to over-water, clay pots may work better for you since they are porous and will dry out faster. Clay pots, because of their extra weight, will also help top-heavy plants to remain upright.

We recommend potting in a fir bark mix. Orchids like good drainage, so we suggest using large bark or sytrofoam peanuts in the bottom of the pot. Place the plant with the newest growth farthest from the edge of the pot and fill in with mix. Make sure to get the right level for the potting medium. Be careful not to bury the eyes at the bottom of the bulbs and leave some room for water in the top of the pot.

If you are potting in sphagnum moss, just remove the old medium and choose the proper pot size depending on the amount of roots. Spread the roots over a cone of moss, then wrap some more moss around the root ball and place it into the new pot. Phalaenopsis should be centered in the pot, while orchids that grow like a cattleya need to be placed with the new growth farthest from the edge of the container. Be sure to cover all the roots. Moss should be spongy and should not be packed too tightly.

....excerpts taken from the Waldor Orchids website.

Broughtonia negrilensis

Broughtonia negrilensis is a species native to Negril hill in Jamaica. This species has small, round, flat pseudobulbs form 2.5 to 5 centimeters in size. Atop each pseudobulb are 2-6 to 8 inch (15-20 centimeter) long leaves. The leaves are stiff and about ½ to 1 inch in width. The flower spikes emerge from between the leaves on new growths and produce1 to 2 foot long sprays of clustered flowers 2 to 3 inches in size, The spikes can bloom for several months and the plant can bloom twice per year or more. This orchid is easy to grow and flower given énough light and the right temperatures.

Light

This plant requires light from 1500 to 3500 foot candles to do best. An east window is acceptable during the spring, summer and fall months and a south window is preferred during winter. This plant does best under sodium lights for artificial light culture. Grow from 3 to 4 feet from a 430 watt son agro bulb.

Temperature

This plant prefers intermediate to warm temps and grows slightly cooler than it's cousin **Broughtonia** sanguinea. Daytime highs of 70 to 80 degrees Fahrenheit and night time lows of 60 to 65 degrees are acceptable winter temps. Summer temps can be a few degrees warmer.

Humidity

50% or higher is ideal. The use of humidity trays or room humidifiers is beneficial.

Water

It is best to use rainwater, distilled or reverse osmosis

water. Municipal water with a pH of 7.5 or lower can also be used. Water as the slab approaches dryness when in spike or flowering otherwise allow the slab to become just dry. Overwatering can cause several problems such as root rot and infectious bacteria/fungus in the potting medium.

Fertilizer

Use GrowMore 20-10-20 Ureafree for municipal or well water. If using rain, distilled, or reverse osmosis water, add back in 5 - 10% municipal or well water to supply the necessary calcium and magnesium. Fertilize every other watering in the summer and every third watering in the winter.

Flowering

This plant can flower at different times of year but



flowers heaviest in spring, fall and winter. The flower spikes emerge from between the leaves on new growths and produce1 to 2 foot long sprays of clustered flowers 2 to 3 inches in size, The spikes can bloom for several months and the plant can bloom twice per year or more.

Repotting

This plant is best grown on slabs of cork or coconut husks and will slowly spread and cover the slab. Once this occurs you can simply tie the old slab on to a new one and let the plant grow over and onto the new slab.

...thanks to the Orchid Web website.

Calendar of Events

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May 2010

Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 1 2 3 6 8 12 13 9 10 14 11 16 17 18 19 20 21 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

> May 9 Mother's Day May 31 Memorial Day

19 Mid-Atlantic Judging Center
Philadelphia Horticultural Center Phila, Pa.
website: http://www.orchidjudging.com/

Sandpiper Orchid Society Meeting/Show Table/Picnic
12:00 PM CAPE MAY COUNTY ZOO
Cape May Court House, NJ

website: http://www.co.cape-may.nj.us/cit-e-access/webpage.cfm?tid=5&tpid=442

EXTENDED CALENDAR DETAILS

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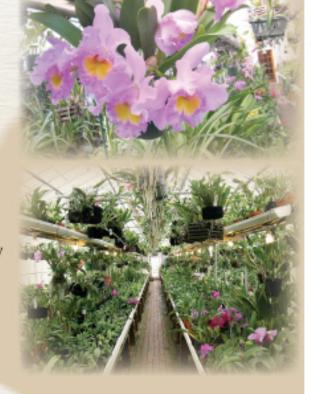
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Mailing Label

March 2010 Show Table 1st Place Winners

SHOW TABLE DETAILS



Paph. delenatii Grown by **R. Michalenko**



Phal. Ganlin Yellow Lover Grown by: R&R Kruckner



Lc. Fire Dance 'Patricia' Grown by **L&R Jankowski**



Den. delicatum Grown by **C. Schairer**



Onc. Carnival Costume Grown by G. Bollenbach



Lc. Drumbeat 'Heritage' Grown by **B. Class**



Cym. Lovely Valley Grown by R. Tusone



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Ascda. Princess Mikasa 'Blue' Grown by A. Fontaine



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