

Sandpiper Orchid Society



September 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](#)

September 23rd 7:30 PM

We are in for a treat! Bayard Saraduke, former President of the Pinelands Orchid Society attended the 20th Japan Grand Prix International Orchid Festival earlier this Spring. A gifted photographer, Bayard returned with gorgeous pictures taken at the Festival and he will share with us many of his outstanding photographs.

September '10 Newsletter in a MAGAZINE FORMAT

Welcome Back as a Member

As President of the Sandpiper OS, I would like to welcome **Karen Borek** of Absecon, NJ, back as a member of the *Sandpiper Orchid Family*.

Also, we welcomed **Paul Hofbeck** of Absecon as a guest at our last meeting and we are looking forward to seeing both of them at our future meetings.

Ron Ference

Orchid Auction Saturday November 20th

Location: Galloway Branch of the Atlantic County Library system located at 306 East Jimmie Leeds Road Galloway, NJ

Doors open for Previewing at 9:30 AM

Auction begins at 10:00 AM

OPEN to the PUBLIC

Delaware Valley Orchid Council Speakers' Forum

September 25th

Featured Speakers

Sam Tsui Orchid Inn Bloomington, IL
New Multifloral Paphs

Tom Nasser Carolina Orchids Fort Mill, SC
My Favorite Unusual Orchids

John Odom Odom's Orchids Fort Pierce, FL
The Cattleya Orchid

Wyndham Hotel, Mt. Laurel, NJ

Details and Registration Form on Page 6

Website: <http://www.SandpiperOrchidSociety.com>

Email: SandpiperOS@gmail.com

SHOW TABLE & Orchid Shows
Point Standings thru
August 2010

Bollenbach, G.	118
Bruno, P.	3
Cassioli, P.	65
Cassioli-Gotwals, C.	6
Class, B.	96
Connolly, C.	9
DelGuercio, S.	12
Ellingsen, B.	102
Errickson, B.	8
Fontaine, A.	157
Jankowski, L&R	127
McClellan, J&M	10
Michalenko, R.	110
Peacock, J.	4
Kruckner, R&R	17
Schairer, C.	40
Tusone, R.	32
Zona G&H	1

How the Points are Earned

Rosette Award 10 pts
1st 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.

Revised Show Table Orchid Identification Form

At Sandpiper's last meeting, **Ron Ference**, gave a digital presentation on the newly revised Show Table Plant Identification Form. The form with an accompanying explanation sheet was the format for a lively member participation discussion throughout the evening.

Numerous digital pictures were shown of the many genera listed on the form along with the breakdown of sub classifications for the entry of member's orchids on the monthly Show Table.

The Orchid Help Guys



Dr. Cary Stone



Bergie Ellingsen

Before the Meeting
7:15 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.*

Free Orchid 2011 Membership Drive



Join or Renew now, or before Sandpiper's upcoming January Awards Banquet, and have your name placed in a drawing for your choice of 1 of 3 beautiful Blooming Orchids, drawn at the Awards Banquet.

Please mail or deliver at your next meeting, your Membership Renewal Application to George Bollenbach, Sandpiper's Membership Chair.



Vanda Pakchong Blue

(Doctor Anek x coerulea)

Vanda Pakchong 'Blue' is a meristem of a selected clone. The large, tessellated blue-lavender flowers are long-lasting and can bloom for two to three months. This is an easy plant to grow given you have a south window in winter. The flowers are a stunning blue shade with a hint of lavender.

Light

This plant prefers medium to high light from 2000 to 5000 foot candles. Keep this plant in a bright window, east or southern exposures work best.

This plant also enjoys being hung under a tree outside in the summer months.

Temperature

This plant can handle temperatures up into the 90's, degrees Fahrenheit. Mid 70's to lower 80's are ideal for daytime high temperature. Nighttime temperatures should not drop below 60 degrees.

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 mix approaches dryness but do not allow the mix to become completely dry between watering.

Fertilizer

We highly recommend using Green Jungle Orchid

Food, especially formulated to work with rain, distilled, reverse osmosis water or water low in alkalinity. Fertilize with Green Jungle every time you water if plants are planted in bark. Be sure to flush the mix with clear water only once per month to prevent fertilizer salt build up.

Fertilize every other watering in the summer and every third watering in the winter.

Flowering

This plant generally blooms in the summer. If the conditions are right, it can bloom twice or more per



year. The flowers are very large and flat from 4 to 5 inches across in size and are colored in light blue with darker blue tessellations and a hint of lavender. The flowers last 2 to 3 months. Stunning!

Repotting

When **Vandas** are grown in a hanging basket they generally do not need to be repotted. If there is sphagnum moss in the basket, it will need to be changed every 12 to 18 months. When growing in clay pots with charcoal or bark, repot as it outgrows the pot or every couple of years.

...thanks to the [Orchid Web](http://www.orchidweb.com) website.



David's Monthly Orchid Tips

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

Fall Chills

With the beautiful fall weather that descends on the northeastern United States this time of year, consider what it can do for your plants. Some orchids love to cool off during the night hours. Others need a drop in temperature to initiate new flower spikes. Most orchids will benefit from a general slowing of growth due to cooler weather and develop better color in the flowers as a result of the same.

A note of caution would be to be sure that warmer growing plants are protected on the coolest nights and special care is taken not to allow plants to sit wet when it is cold as that is a prime condition that might infect your orchids with fungus or rot.

So get some friends together, stoke the chiminea and enjoy an evening of the cool fall chills.

AOS Monthly Newsletter

..from the desk of Ron McHatton

AOS August 2010 Newsletter

Sandpiper Orchid Society MEMBERSHIP FORM



To obtain **Sandpiper OS** Membership information and a printable Application Form, click on the link below.

[Printable Membership Application Form](#)



Annual Fall Orchid Auction

October 9th

10am - 3pm

Colts Neck, NJ

Over 400 orchids from
California,
Florida, Hawaii
and local growers as
well as
DCOS Members

Preview at 9 am

Free to the Public
Food and Snacks
Ample Parking

For more
information click [here](#)

Cattleya

Despite the shortening days and lowering angle of the sun, September can still be one of the hottest months. Water and fertilizer need to be in balance with heat and light. The alert grower will notice, however, that his or her plants are beginning to slow down a bit. Growths are maturing, and the sheaths are giving the

promise of the next six-months' bloom.

Check plants for potting needs for the last time this season. Any in dire need should be potted, even some that may be on the cusp, as there is just enough of the growing season left to allow the plants to establish before the days start to get really short and cold.



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Monthly Checklist for September and October



This is the month for purples derived from *Cattleya labiata* breeding to flower. If you are short on flowers, look into this group. There is nothing that can quite match this type for beauty and fragrance. They are easy to grow, too.

Plants summered outdoors should begin to be prepared to be brought back into the winter growing area.

Clean the plants up and be on the lookout for any pests they may have picked up during the summer. Treat as necessary.

Cycnoches

This little-known and under-appreciated genus, which can have male or female flowers, is at its best in the autumn. Two of the spectacular varieties are *Cycnoches loddigesii*, with its large brown flowers resembling a prehistoric bird, and **Cycnoches ventricosum**, the swan orchid.



Cycnoches ventricosum

This last one has large, fragrant green flowers. The biggest problem, culturally, will be red spider mite infestations that require immediate attention. Plants are quite seasonal, requiring heavy watering in the growing season and then a drier dormant winter season.

Cymbidium

Through diligent modern breeding programs, the cymbidium season gets stretched longer and longer. Now we can expect to have flowers open as early as September and October. Stake inflorescences and move the plants to a shadier location to help the flowers develop successfully. Because the plants will have warmth tolerance "built in" genetically, keeping the plants as cool as possible will help prevent bud curl. For the midseason varieties, inflorescences should be initiated by now. Feed plants on a regular schedule with a balanced fertilizer (20-20-20) and shade the plants lightly.

Dendrobium

This is a good season for hybrids of the *Dendrobium phalaenopsis* and *Dendrobium canaliculatum* types. Both are capable of putting on tremendous shows of long-lasting flowers. Fertilize with a low-nitrogen formula to promote the best flowers. *Dendrobium phalaenopsis* can get tall and top heavy, suggesting an attractive and heavy container would be appropriate for this type.

Lemboglossum bictoniense

Both *Lemboglossum* (syn. *Odontoglossum*) *bictoniense* and its hybrids bloom in this season. *Lemboglossum bictoniense* is a showy species from Mexico that has three different color forms: *sulphureum* (green with white lip), *album* (brown with white lip) and *roseum* (brown with a pink lip). It is a vigorous grower with tall inflorescences of many flowers, and imparts to its progeny (as seen in **Odcdm. Bittersweet** and



Odcdm. Bittersweet

Odm. bicross) ease of culture, warmth tolerance and eye-catching patterns. They make a prime candidate for *odontoglossum* beginners and advanced alike.

Paphiopedilum

Standard, green-leaved *paphiopedilums* begin to show their bloom sheaths this month. Late-season heat waves can blast these early sheaths, so be observant about proper cooling and air circulation. As with the rest

of your plants that may have been summered outdoors, it is time to prepare for their move inside. Clean each plant and implement pest-control practices. Repotting, if necessary, is appropriate.

Phalaenopsis

The bulk of this season's growth is being ripened this month, with growers in cooler climates seeing the first emerging inflorescences. Some night heating may be necessary in the cooler areas. Begin to watch watering more carefully, and reduce feeding proportionately with reduced watering needs. An extra dose of phosphorus and potassium, such as a bloom-booster or high-acid-type fertilizer, is beneficial.

Rossioglossum grande

Once known as **Odontoglossum grande**, this is



Odontoglossum grande

a spectacular orchid with six to eight flowers up to 8 inches across. Often known as the tiger orchid, it has bright golden yellow flowers heavily marked with chestnut brown barring. The plants are beautiful with a grey-green cast to the foliage, which is borne on succulent pseudobulbs. It prefers hot and wet summers with cooler, even down to 40 F, dry winters. Grow under filtered light. Watch for snails and slugs that eat the flowers, pseudobulbs and leaves.

Thanks to the AOS and Ned Nash and James Rose for this essay.

October 2nd & 3rd
Fall Sale at Waldor Orchids
*We will be offering a 20% discount
on all plants and supplies.*

This is a wonderful opportunity to save on plants for around the home or to save on mix and other potting supplies.

22nd Annual Delaware Valley Orchid Council Speakers' Forum

September 25, 2010

Featured Speakers

Sam Tsui	Orchid Inn New Multifloral Paphs and Their Culture	Bloomington, IL

Tom Nasser	Carolina Orchids My Favorite Unusual Orchids	Fort Mill, SC

John Odom	Odom's Orchids The Cattleya Orchid	Fort Pierce, FL

Schedule of Events

8:30 am – 10:00 am	Coffee, Tea, Pastry (Sales Open)
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Guest Lecture
11:00 am – 12:00 noon	Guest Lecture
12:00 noon – 1:15 pm	Hot and Cold Buffet Lunch
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	Guest Lecture
2:15pm – 3:15 pm	Panel Discussion and Plant Raffle
3:15 pm – 4:00 pm	Sales Open

Vendors

Orchid Inn
Carolina Orchids
Odom's Orchids
Lois Duffin Orchids
Main Street Orchids
Stony Brook Orchids
J&L Orchids

Location: Wyndham Hotel, Mt. Laurel, NJ
From NJ Turnpike: Take exit 4 to Rte. 73 South.
From I-295: Take Exit 36A to Rte 73 South (Berlin).

Register for our early-bird raffle by August 20, 2010 and you may win one of three exceptional plants provided by our speakers.

Advance Registration Required

Return the bottom portion of this form along with payment in full to:

Ms. MarRianna Occhiuzzo
140 Columbia Avenue
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Make Checks payable to: **DVOC**

Your check is your receipt
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Yes! I (we) plan to attend. Enclosed is my check
 For _____ registrations at \$39.00 per person.

Name(s) _____

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Phone _____

EMAIL _____

Calendar of Events

October 2010

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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11 Columbus Day
31 Halloween

- 1,2 Waldor Orchid's Fall Sale Waldor Orchids
9 AM – 5:30 PM 10 E. Poplar Avenue
Linwood, N.J. Phone: 609-927-4126
website: <http://waldor.com/>
- 20 Mid-Atlantic Judging Center
Philadelphia Horticultural Center Philadelphia, Pa.
website: <http://www.orchidjudging.com/>
- 27-31 Fifth Annual Merritt Huntington Memorial Symposium
& AOS Members Meeting
Cavalier Oceanfront Hotel Virginia Beach, Va.
website: <http://www.mhsymposium.org>
- 28 Sandpiper Orchid Society Meeting
7:30 PM Galloway Branch of the Atlantic
County Library system Absecon, N.J.

[EXTENDED CALENDAR DETAILS](#)

Sandpiper Orchid Society

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ORCHIDS October Preview



Stanhopea reichenbachiana

Stanhopeas: On the Wild Side and in Cultivation

An Orchid Trek to a Magical Place in Borneo

Telipogon: A Curious and Challenging Genus

Native Orchids: Platanthera integra

Alien Orchids Take Root in the United States

The story behind the rare *Vanilla dilloniana*

...thanks to the [American Orchid Society](http://www.aos.org)

Sandpiper Orchid Society

Secretary

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Mailing Label

**August 2010
Show Table
1st Place Winners**

[SHOW TABLE DETAILS](#)



Phrag. Eric Young x pearcii
Grown by **B. Class**



Phal. Baldan's Venetian Peach 'Peach Delight'
Grown by **A. Fontaine**



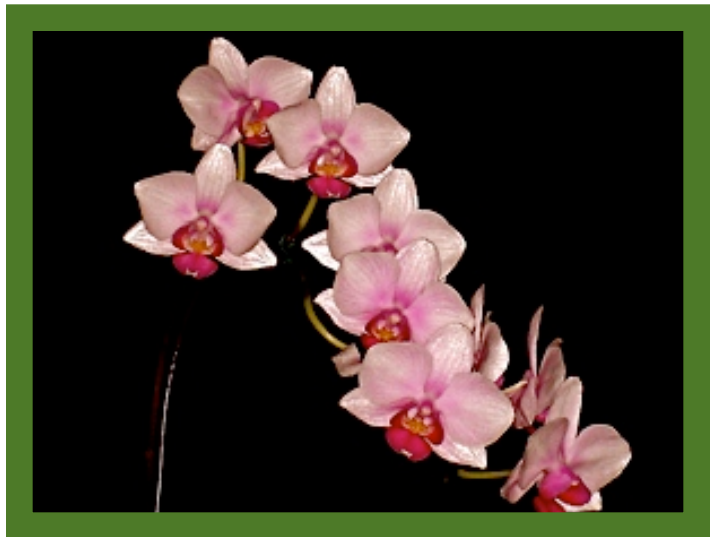
Paph. Hsinying Alien
Grown by **L&R Jankowski**



Paph. philippinense x fowlie
Grown by **G. Bollenbach**



Phal. bellina
Grown by **L&R Jankowski**



Phal. Little Sweetheart
Grown by **L&R Jankowski**



Onc. Sweet Sugar
Grown by **L&R Jankowski**

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