

Sandpiper Orchid Society



FEBRUARY 2011

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.](#)

February 24th
7:30 PM

MEMBER'S NIGHT

The activity planned for our February Meeting is a Society involved **Member's Night**. This is an evening where Society members have volunteered to spend 5-10 minutes, acquainting us with what is going on in their orchid lives. Please call **Cary Stone**, Program Chairman at 609-522-3954 if you want to be added to the program.

February '11 Newsletter
in a
MAGAZINE FORMAT

The Orchid Help Guys



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.

Deep Cut OS SHOW 'First Place'



The **Sandpiper Orchid Society** was again very successful in the recent **Deep Cut Orchid Society's Orchid Show** at the Dearborn Market greenhouse in Hazlet, NJ. Sandpiper earned the honor of placing **1st** in the Orchid Society's Display competition and a **1st** in the 5'x7' Display size competition.

A special thank you is given to **Andy Fontaine**, Display Chairman, who designed and fabricated the hardscape for Sandpiper's exhibit and organized the Sandpiper Display work force. An additional "thank you" is given to all of our Society members who submitted their orchids for our display and who gave of their time and participated in many ways in making this year's exhibit such a success.

For more pictures of *Sandpiper's Show Highlights*, click on the link below.

[Additional Sandpiper Highlights of the 2011 DCOS Show](#)

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

Email: SandpiperOS@gmail.com

FINAL SHOW TABLE Top 10 of 2010

Jankowski, L&R	233
Fontaine, A.	204
Bollenbach, G.	197
Michalenko, R.	160
Ellingsen, B.	157
Class, B.	137
Cascioli, P.	68
Schairer, C.	40
Tusone, R.	32
Kruckner, R&R	29

SHOW TABLE 2011 Point Standings thru January

Bollenbach, G.	20
Class, B.	16
DelGuercio M&S	8
Ellingsen, B.	23
Fontaine, A.	10
Michalenko, R.	31
Schairer, C.	5

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.

Banquet Highlights



Walter Off of *Waldor Orchids* is seen presenting **Chris Rehmann**, current *AOS President* and former *Sandpiper OS President*, with a *Cattleya* species in a show of appreciation for his presentation on the '**State of the AOS**' as the Banquet's keynote speaker.

Joe Myers Award

The recipient of the *Joe Myers Award*, given to the member of our Society, that accumulates the highest point totals from the Monthly Show Table and Orchid Shows, was earned by **Linda & Roy Jankowski**.

Lisa O'Neal Award

The recipient of the *Lisa O'Neal Award*, given to the member of our Society that grows and displays the most outstanding orchid of the year, was earned by **Andy Fontaine** for his *Rhynchostylis gigantea 'Red'*

[*A picture of Andy's Rhynchostylis gigantea 'Red'*](#)

[ADDITIONAL 2011 BANQUET DETAILS](#)

MEMBERSHIP FORM

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

[Printable Membership Application Form](#)

Ascocentrum

ampullaceum
var. **moulmeinense**

Ascocentrum ampullaceum var.

moulmeinense is a species native to Thailand and surrounding countries such as Laos, Nepal, Burma, India and Cambodia. This is a very compact growing plant with stiff leaves that have jagged ends. The leaves also have a natural spotting in mahogany that only increases with brighter light. The normal color form produces magenta purple flowers. The flower spikes emerge in March and shoot up at the base of the plant. The flowers last well and are quite showy. This is a great plant for those with limited space. These plants are fairly old and very mature. When in flower they can produce several spikes of flowers.

Light

Medium light an east, south or west window is ideal. 1500 to 3500 foot candles is an acceptable range. This plant will also do well under lights.

Temperature

Intermediate to warm temps with night time lows from 60 to 64 for the winter months and day time highs in the low to mid 70s. Summer months temps can be several degrees warmer.

Humidity

This plant likes a relative humidity of 50 percent or higher. The use of humidity trays or room humidifiers is beneficial.

Water

Use rain, reverse osmosis, or water with low mineral content. Keep moist during the

summer when the plants are in active growth. During winter, late November to late January, water less often.

Fertilizer

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

Flowering

This species flowers from the March to May months. The flowers are about a half inch in size and are produced on stems that form at the base of the plant between the leaf axils. The spikes are from 6 to 8 inches in size and bear 25 to 50 flowers.

The brilliant orange colored flowers are long



lasting and can bloom for a month or more. The normal color form is purple to pink. There are also some white forms available. The orange form is the rarest and not easy to find in today's collections.

Repotting

These plants can be grown in a medium grade bark mix in pots or they can be grown in small teak baskets. The best time for repotting is after flowering. When grown in teak baskets all one needs to do is simply slide the smaller teak basket plant and all into a larger one and let the roots grow onto it.

...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.

ARTIFICIAL LIGHTING IN THE WINTER

One advantage of growing under lights is that you are able to grow in any room in your house. Complete light carts are available and come equipped with lighting and humidity trays.

To receive the proper intensity, orchids will need to be within 3-6 inches of regular florescent lights. When using high intensity lights carefully follow the manufacturer's instructions regarding the proper distance from your plants to prevent burning the foliage. Most lights will also produce a certain amount of heat so be sure to have good ventilation and air movement.

In order for your orchid plants to flower consistently, you will need to adjust your light timers to replicate natural daylight. We suggest increasing one hour each month from January (11 hrs) until June (16 hrs) then decreasing one hour starting in July (15 hrs) until December (10 hrs).

The basement is an excellent choice for a growing area because it will stay at a uniform temperature and will have sufficient humidity. Heavy duty plastic or reflective aluminum can be used to insulate ceiling joists and curtain off an area. By hanging florescent light fixtures over plant tables and adding an oscillating fan for air movement, you will have your very own subterranean greenhouse.

-2011 Society Dues-

Please remember to see
George Bollenbach about your
Sandpiper Orchid Society
Dues at the February 24th meeting.



MEMBERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

A vote on the Sandpiper OS's revised By-Laws will be voted on at the February '11 meeting by the membership. Please make every effort to attend and cast your vote.



The Benefits Of Membership

Whether a beginner or an expert orchid grower, you will find membership in the American Orchid Society a truly rewarding experience. You'll join 18,000 others worldwide who share a passion for orchids, as well as furthering conservation and research efforts for these wondrous plants. And you'll enjoy a wealth of membership benefits.

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Trustees at Large

Trustee 2011	Vacant
Trustee 2012	Pam Cascioli
Trustee 2013	George Bollenbach
Trustee 2014	Bill Class

... all numbers are within the 609 exchange area

The Sandpiper OS is an Affiliated Member of the American Orchid Society

Calendar of Events

March 2011

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

- 3/6-3/13 Philadelphia Flower Show
 Pennsylvania Convention Center
 website: <http://www.theflowershow.com>
- 16 Mid-Atlantic Judging Center
 Philadelphia Horticultural Center Phila, Pa.
 website: <http://www.orchidjudging.com/>
- 17 Sandpiper Orchid Society Meeting
 7:30 PM ****Meeting held at Waldor Orchids****
 10 E. Poplar Avenue Absecon, N.J.
(Meeting location & date change for March's meeting only)
- 18,19 Waldor's - Post Flower Show Sale
 Waldor Orchids Linwood, N.J.
 website: <http://waldor.com/>
- 25-27 SEPOS International Orchid Show
 Longwood Gardens Kennett Square, Pa.
 website: <http://www.longwoodgardens.org>
[OrchidShow2011.html](#)

[EXTENDED CALENDAR DETAILS](#)



Sunday, March 6 through Sunday, March 13

[Pennsylvania Convention Center](#)

12th & Arch Streets

Philadelphia, PA 19107-2299

PHS Members' Preview (household and leadership levels only)

Saturday, March 5 12 noon to 3:30 pm

[Join Today](#)

Sundays, March 6 & 13 8 am to 6 pm

Monday through Friday, March 7 to March 11 10 am to 9:30 pm

Saturday, March 12 8 am to 9:30 pm

(Best viewing hours are after 4 pm)

Box Office closes one hour before Show closing on all days.

[The PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW 2011](#)



THE PENNSYLVANIA

... thanks to the HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

LONGWOOD GARDENS

International Orchid Show and Sale - 2011



Friday, March 25, 2011

1:00 PM — 5:00 PM

Saturday, March 26, 2011

9:00 AM — 6:00 PM

Sunday, March 27, 2011

9:00 AM — 6:00 PM

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ORCHIDS March Preview



Orchid of the Month: **Rhyncholaelia**
Pictured above: **Rhyncholaelia digbyana**

Orchids Amid the Ruins: A Yucatan Interlude Bonus Room to Grow Room

**Ascocentrum garayi: History,
Culture, Hybridizing**

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Mailing Label

January 2011 Show Table Winners

[SHOW TABLE DETAILS](#)



Paph. St. Swithen
Grown by **B. Class**



Bc. Hawaiian Agenda 'Florida Winter'
Grown by **B. Ellingsen**
'SPECIAL ROSETTE'



Jumellea comorensis
Grown by **R. Michalenko**



Slc. Ginny Champion
Grown by **G. Bollenbach**



Paph. venustum
Grown by **A. Fontaine**



Colm. Wildcat 'Yellow Butterfly'
Grown by **P. Cascioli**



Cym. Trigh
Grown by **B. Ellingsen**



Bc. Pastoral Innocence AM/AOS
Grown by **R. Michalenko**



Paph. Via Gemma x Winston Churchill
Grown by **C. Schairer**



Phal. (Tying Shin Goul x Tsay's Evergreen)
Grown by **A. Fontaine**



Den. Sea Mary 'Snow King'
Grown by **G. Bollenbach**



Paph. Juno
Grown by **B. Class**

[SHOW TABLE DETAILS](#)