

The BackBulb

C A R M E L O R C H I D S O C I E T Y

August 2021



August Speaker: Ron Parsons (virtually)

Colombian Orchid Adventure

This webinar, originally given in November 2020, is a travelogue of Ron Parsons travels in Columbia. Ron has spoken to our society several times and while his photography is beyond compare, he is also an entertaining and engaging speaker. I am sure that there will be lots of spectacular pictures of Masdevalias and Draculas as well as many other species and even a few non orchids. Carolyn will provide the plant table for this meeting.

More COS Events to Look Forward to...

Saturday August 28-29. We will be hosting a booth at Sand City's 20th annual **West End Celebration**. The booth will be informational only, we will not be selling any plants, but we will need enthusiastic orchid lovers to tell the crowds all about orchids. We will have sign up sheets at the August meeting.

Friday September 10 5PM. We will have no regular meeting in September, so this is a good month to have a in person **Friday Orchid Happy Hour**. Pre COVID-19 I sporadically hosted these social events, during the lock-down the happy hours became more regular and were hosted virtually on Zoom. Now with life returning to something close to normal (we are probably not out of the woods yet) I think it's time to



Masdevalias from the June meeting.

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try holding an in Person Orchid Happy Hour. 5PM Friday Sep. 10th at John's house (see what's blooming in the greenhouse!), 1697 Luzern St. Seaside, light snacks and wine will be provided.

Saturday October 16th 10Am-2PM. COS Open House. See a variety of demonstrations: Potting mediums; Dividing Cymbidiums; Mounting Orchids; Vanda (was Neofinetia) falcata culture. All put on by your board members.

Friday and Saturday November 12-13 Our Fall Orchid Market makes it's return. Stay tuned for more information.



Food at the July picnic, delicious, Be sure not to miss more delicious food at the Holiday party in December

Upcoming Events

August

8/2 7PM Monday COS August meeting

8/8 Peninsula Orchid Society, Summer Show and Sale

8-28-29 COS West End booth

September

No regular meeting in September

9/10 5PM Friday Afternoon Orchid Happy Hour

October

10/16 10AM-2PM Saturday COS Open House



Flowers from the July Picnic

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2021 Membership Application

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 Single **\$25** _____
 Couple **\$35** _____
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 Add an additional **\$5** to receive the newsletter via USPS

COS Board Meeting, July 25, 2021.

Meeting called to order at 4:10 at Irene's house. Members present: Irene Patton, Carolyn Salmon, John OConnell, Amanda Nixon and Janette Ford.

Amanda just got word this week that COS is invited to participate in the West End Celebration in Sand City on August 29 and 30. She brought copies of the Agreement for board members to read and John to sign. Other items discussed in preparation for the West End event:

Amanda will bring 6x6 pop up, chairs, banner, business cards and holder for cards, culture sheets and membership applications. Daniel will bring culture sheets and membership applications. Rudy and Irene will bring aprons, poster, table and one or two chairs. It was suggested we have name tags. We need to check with Susan Holm to see if she has name tags/plastic holders for name tags. John could make copies of COS logo tags if needed.

Amanda has sent an email to Osmocote requesting small samples of fertilizer to hand out. It was also suggested we hand out older copies of the Orchid magazine.

Ken and Amanda, Irene and Rudy have agreed to come early each day to set up the booth. We will ask members at the regular August meeting to sign up to help at the West End.

We will plan to meet August 2 for a regular monthly meeting at the church. We will have a webinar presentation, possibly Ron Carsons Colombia orchids. Carolyn will provide plants for the opportunity table. Carolyn will contact Daniel to make sure the church is available, to make sure we have a screen, and to check on the wifi password. There will be no meeting in September.



Spiranthes romanzoffiana, found by the thousands in Graveyard Meadow in the Sierras by John on his recent vacation

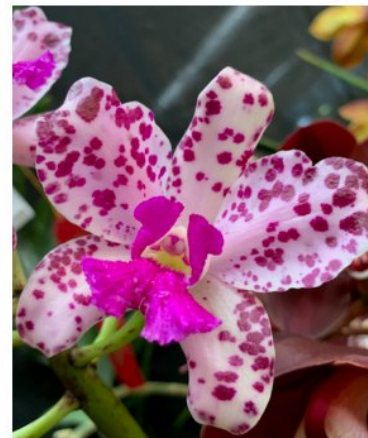
The October meeting will be an open house on Saturday, October 16, from 11:00 – 2:00. Amanda has done a very good job of organizing demonstrations. Marilyn Uribe will demonstrate how to take care of store bought orchids, Carolyn will show different potting mediums, Norma will demonstrate repotting cymbidiums, John will demonstrate how to mount orchids, Irene will talk about water, fertilizer and pests. And Amanda may talk about neofinitias. We will have orchids for sale; perhaps from members (with 25% going to COS as at November show), perhaps from the demonstrations, and we will check for online vendors or other possibilities.

We plan to have regular meetings of COS in November (11/1) and December (12/6) at the church.

Daniel should notify the church that we plan to be there for regular meetings in August, October, November and December.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20.

Respectfully submitted, Janette Ford



Peninsula Orchid Society Summer Show & Sale



Peninsula OS Show & Sale
San Mateo Garden Center
605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA
Sunday, August 8th 2021 10am-4pm

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