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Peninsula Orchid Society of Virginia - News

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Next Meeting will be held at 1 pm
on July 18th at the Hampton
Public Library at 4207 Victoria
Blvd. Hampton, VA 23669



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Vice President's Message – from John Whistler

Hi POS members,

Summer heat is here, hope you and your orchids are managing this heat dome weather. The June meeting with Wade Hollenbach from Wade's Orchids was a success. Thanks to all who brought conversation, food, and orchids.

Our home base, the Main Branch of the Hampton Library reopens July 6th and our next two meetings will be held there. Saturday, July 18th, Linda Thorne, owner of Seagrove Orchids in Seagrove, NC will be speaking on Warm Growing Dendrobiums. We've had a Dendrobium talk recently but it was more of a nonspecific or general talk on the genus. I'm sure Linda's presentation will be one where we all learn better ways to grow these types of orchids. She will be bringing plants to sell so there will not be member sales but please bring your blooming orchids for our show table. We will try to have the members speak about their plants and then have Linda add to our knowledge about what we bring to display. If you want to pre order from her website I am sure she would be happy to bring your purchases with her.



Meeting Dates

Jan 17

Feb 21

Mar 28

Apr 25

May 23

Jun 20

Jul 18

Aug 15

Sep 19

Oct 17

Nov 21

Dec 19

On Saturday, August 15, Main Branch of the Hampton Library, our own Ron Miller will present his program on their recent trip to Ecuador and the Galapagos. He will share his photos and experiences at the Quito Botanical Garden and the Galapagos Islands trip. The Quito Botanical Garden has a good website that you can get a little bit of a

feel for what Ron was able to see there. We are lucky to have some world travelers in our membership who are always welcome to put together a presentation on orchid/gardening subjects to share with the rest of us.

On Saturday, September 19th, at the Seaford Women's Club in Seaford we will have our annual Picnic with Orchids and host Kim Federsen, owner of Fair Orchids in New Jersey presenting a topic to be decided. He is going to follow his Saturday with us by going to Richmond to speak to the Virginia Orchid Society on Sunday before returning home. Kim spoke to the Tidewater Orchid Society recently and is very knowledgeable on many types of orchids plus the non-orchid Clivia. When speakers can do back-to-back meetings, it makes their trips worthwhile. The VOS usually meets on the Sunday after our 3rd Saturday of the month. Hopefully, we can coordinate with them for some of their future speakers for 2027. Thanks to the Hopsons who reserved the Seaford Women's Club since the Hampton Library was unavailable to us. It has a full kitchen for making the Potluck Picnic easy.

September 18-20 this year is the National Capital Orchid Society show at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds in Gaithersburg, MD. Check out their website for information. It will be a trip worth making to see the displays and shop the local and international orchid vendors.

See you at the meeting,

John

Minutes

Due to the library not being open yet, John Whistler was nice enough to invite POS and TOS to his house to meet for the POS June meeting.



Everyone introduced themselves since some members were not known to everyone.

Our July 18th meeting will be held at Hampton Main Library with speaker Linda Thorne from Seagrove Orchids.

For our picnic in September, we will have a speaker, Kim Frederickson. He has several talks and John would like to have member input as to what you are interested in hearing. More information as to where we will meet will be announced later.

Our meetings will be held at the library every 3rd Saturday the rest of the months.

Ron Miller requested members send pictures of their plants in bloom for the newsletter.

The speaker, Wade Hollenbach talked about taking care of various orchids one might have in their collection. He showed pictures of ones he has and talked about their care and answered questions about them.

Wade went through the "show-and-tell" plants telling what they were and how to care for them. Some were interesting and weren't grown by many members.



The meeting was adjourned at about 3:30.

Roseann Wade,

Secretary

What's Blooming?

(Send your photos and text to orchidad@cinci.rr.com [Ron Miller] for the next Newsletter and many thanks to those who helped me with this newsletter.

John Whistler Collection



Bulbophyllum carunculatum



Bulbophyllum lobbii



C. Yuan Dung Sweet 'Formosa'



Cirropetalum Daisy Chain



Lc. (now C.) Puppy Love 'True Beauty' AMAOS



Phal. bellina var. coerulea



Phal Krull's Yellow Dragon



Phal. KS Happy Eagle 'Wilson'



Phal. Mainshow Blue Tint x Mainshow Sapphire



Vanda Blitz's Heartthrob x Lena
Kamolphan No. 584



Vanda Boonyarit Pastel



Vanda Nopporn White Diamond



Vanda Pachara Delight 'Sakata'
FCC/JOGA

Carolyn Tripp Collection



Seidenfadenia mitrata

Ron Miller Collection



Bc. Spotted Clown



Psychopsis Mariposa

Donna Polland Collection



L. purpurata var. sanguinea



Rlc. Donna Poland 'RFT #12'
(Accidentally shown in Carolyn's collection last month)

Joyce Carpenter Collection



Blc. Andean Treasure



Dendrobium parishii



Odontocidium Wildcat 'Rainbow'



Oncidium Aka Baby

Vanda Ladda Gold x falcata



Roseanne Wade Collection



Vandachostylis Pinky