



All in-person meetings and BROS activities are currently suspended due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

We hope everyone stays healthy and safe.

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Featuring~

Speaker: Carol Klonowski

Topic: Orchids from South Africa

Date: June 10, 2021 at 7:30 PM via Zoom

Carol Klonowski has been growing orchids since the 1980's when a friend in Berkeley, California, gave her a Cattleya and it bloomed out with three big, dark lavender flowers and an intoxicating fragrance. She built an entire greenhouse in her backyard to accommodate the precious plant, which only led her to buy more orchids. Then another friend gave her a gift membership to the Orchid Society of California, and it's been a serious passion ever since. She is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, and current President of the Orchid Society of California.

Her presentation on the Orchids of South Africa will take everyone on a tour of the orchid growing areas of this fascinating part of Africa and the world. Long known as one of the garden hot-spots of the planet, South Africa has a diverse and fascinating number of habitats and climates that provide a robust setting for flora and fauna of all types.

—*Marion Israel, Vice President, Programs*

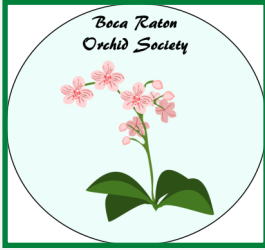
NOTE: Please join us on August 12 at 7:30 PM for our first in-person meeting at Safe Schools Institute, 1790 Spanish River Blvd, Boca Raton, FL 33431 .

COMING ATTRACTIONS

July 8: Gary Yong Gee - Australian Orchids

August 12: Open mic. Member question and answer session. *****First in-person meeting**

September 9: Thanh Nguyen from Springwater Orchids, topic TBD



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A Message from Our President

I hope this letter finds you well and staying safe.

May was a very dry month in South Florida and I'm sure your water bills will reflect that. I know this year has been amazing for our orchids. With all of the cool days and nights we have had our blooms have been spectacular. Please continue to send in your beautiful blooming photos to Cheryl Dodes at rcdodes@aol.com. Also, the section on "show em where you grow em" has really given us a lot of great ideas on how to grow in our own yards. Please continue to send in your photos as well.

Thank you to all who joined us for our May speaker, Kristen Uthus. She gave us a lot of great information and I learned quite a bit from her; I hope you did as well.

Please join us for our June meeting via ZOOM on June 10th at 7:30 PM for Carol Klonowski speaking on South African Orchids. It should be a great meeting.

Please mark your calendars for August 12th. This will be our first in-person meeting at Safe Schools. It will be an open mic meeting. Since we have not been together for over a year, we figured you would probably have a lot of questions, concerns or lots to share with the group, so we decided to make our first meeting informal. This way we can spend quality time with you and speak about what ever topics that may be of interest. I hope you like this idea, I know before our meetings everyone gathers around and talks to one another, so this is how we came up with the idea.

If you happen to see any of our members that have not been on our ZOOM calls, please let them know. We will have refreshments, raffle plants and plant judging. We would love to see your blooming plants in person.

Stay safe and be well,

Kathy

NOTICE: All BROS members who paid for their membership for 2020 will get membership for 2021 FREE! Please pay your 2020 dues if you have not already done so.

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Tasks for June

by Dr. Martin Motes

With an eye to efficient drying which the rainy season demands, June is an excellent time to review the spacing of our plants. Always give your plants sufficient space to allow for good air circulation to permit rapid drying. Crowded plants stay wetter longer encouraging fungus and bacteria. Scale and mealy bugs also thrive on the soft lush growth generated by overcrowded, overshadowed plants. Mites too love the extra protection from dislodging rain that overgrown plants provide. When looking at the spacing of your plants also allow some extra space for the new growth that will be rapidly developing in the new growing season. Remember your well grown plants will be much larger at the end of the rainy season when the fungus are savagely on the prowl. Plants and trees in your yard also will have grown in the past year and will be growing more in the rains of summer. June is a good time to think of pruning vegetation that is blocking light and air from our orchids. Come the true heart of hurricane season in September you will be glad that you did! Tree pruning alas, slips to a low priority in the face of an approaching storm. Your orchids will be glad right away that you pruned, rewarding you with harder, healthier growth sure to produce yet more lavish blooms in season.

Snails and slugs will have the whole world as their stage in June and can travel considerable distances to eat our tender orchid shoots. Baits containing metaldehyde are very effective if applied evenly and often. Remember, bait draws the pests; spread it thinly but repeat weekly for thorough control. Snails and slugs always require multiple applications. Overly heavy applications of bait will merely waste in the heavy rain.

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BROS Life Member Myles Burack is liquidating the rest of his collection.

Genera include Cattleya, Schomburkia, Oncidium, Psychopsis, Catasetum, Encyclia, Paphiopedilum, Phragmipedium, Ascocentrum

These are large, mature, blooming size plants.

All at very reasonable prices.

Phone him for an appointment. 561-445-8145

Upcoming Orchid Events

The June 2021 judging at the AOS West Palm Beach Judging Center will take place Saturday, June 26, 2021. Judging takes place at Flamingo Gardens, 3750 S Flamingo Road, Davie, FL 33330 at 2 PM on the fourth Saturday of the month (third Saturday November/December). Plant Registration will begin at 1:30.

Masks and social distancing required. Exhibitors can go to www.wpbjudging.org for more information or email Jackie Wood at bocaorchidlady@aol.com.

Tamiami International Orchid Festival; Friday - Sunday, October 1-3, 2021 from 10 AM - 6 PM daily. At Fruit and Spice Park. Tickets: \$12. Kids under 12 - free. More information at <http://tamiamiorchidfestival.com/tiof/public/about>

Show 'Em Where You Grow 'Em

Photos below by Jay Collins



Original trellis in Southeast corner. Trellis is connected to community sprinkler system.



Mini-Phal growing area. Southeast wall of screened in patio. Automated watering system provided by Jay.

Show 'Em Where You Grow 'Em

Photos below by Jay Collins



Master bedroom viewing and growing rack, facing east



Lower light trellis, This trellis is also connected to sprinkler system.

Show 'Em Where You Grow 'Em

Photos below by Jay Collins



Trellis that Alan LaDuke and I built in the northeast corner. Watering system is on a timer connected to city water.



Den. anosmum living wall growing area. Facing south, watering provided by community sprinkler system.

Members' Orchid Photos

Photos below by Jay Collins



Coelogne Pandudata



Vanda Flabellata
"Royala"



Ascda. Crownfox
Sunray



No Name

Vanda Terete

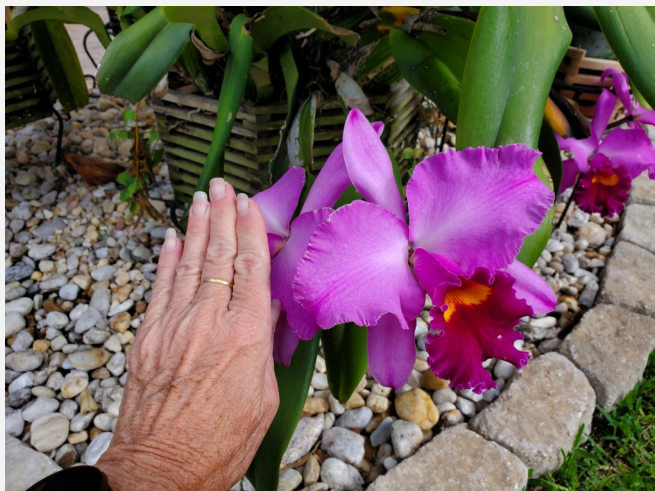


Aerides
Multiflora



Ascde.
Timtub Velvet

Members' Orchid Photos



Lc Dorothy Fiene 'Sydney' - Marion Israel (10 7-inch flowers plus 5 more buds)



Laelia purpurata - Marion Israel

Members' Orchid Photos

Photos below by Kathy Kersey



Schom. tibiana



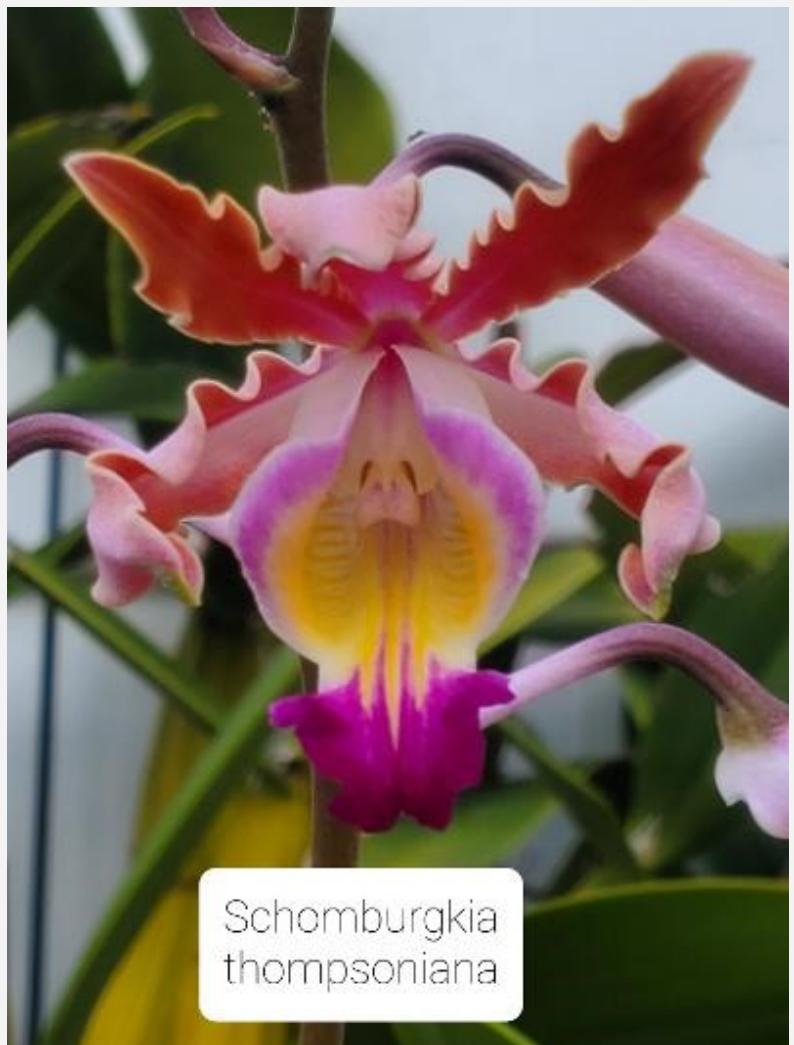
Den. Burana
Charming



Enc. tampense x
profusa



Brm. Jamaica Fire



Schomburgkia
thompsoniana

Members' Orchid Photos



(Above) No ID Dendrobium and Oncidium - Janice Larit



Jay Collins - Orchid Names on Photos



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***** Will be held on the Thursday prior to the
Member Meeting each month at 7 PM via Zoom
Next Board Meetings:**

June 3

July 1