



THE SOCIETY MEETS
ON THE SECOND
THURSDAY OF EACH
MONTH AT 7:30 PM.

LOCATION:

SAFE SCHOOLS INSTITUTE

1790 NW SPANISH RIVER
BLVD., BOCA RATON, FL
33433.

MAP: <http://bit.ly/qQhKXu>

Guests are always welcome!

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Featuring~

Topic: IN-PERSON MEETING AT SAFE SCHOOLS INSTITUTE
Bring your questions about growing orchids

Date: August 12, 2021 at 7:30 PM

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 .

Please see *A Message from Our President* on page 2 for details about refreshments, and the plant raffle at the August meeting.

Members may bring orchids for judging at this and other in-person meetings. Please see the rules on page 6 for bringing orchids for judging and for sales of plants by members at the meeting

We are not yet sure about Safe Schools Institute rules for masking, so please bring a mask in case the facility will require the wearing of masks. We appreciate your cooperation if Safe Schools requires masks.

***** Please wear your BROS badge at every in-person meeting.**

—*Marion Israel*, Vice President, Programs

In-person meeting has been changed to Zoom due to COVID resurgence. Please see following page for information about our revised August 12 meeting.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

September 9: Thanh Nguyen, Springwater Orchids, Topic TBD

October 14: Orchid Auction

Dear BROS Members,

The resurgence of the coronavirus pandemic has caused us to rethink having an in-person meeting at this time.

We will send out a link to the Zoom meeting closer to August 12.

The August 12 meeting at 7:30 PM will still take place, but will now be on Zoom instead. In-person meetings are once again suspended. They will resume once it is deemed safe.

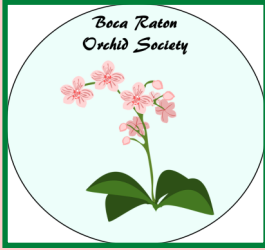
Our program for the August 12 BROS Zoom meeting at 7:30 PM will be as follows:

Speaker: Alan Koch

Topic: Cattleyas

Alan Koch owns and operates Gold Country Orchids where he specializes in miniature and compact Cattleyas. Alan started growing orchids in 1969 with 3 Cymbidiums given to him by an aunt. While in college he became interested in other orchids and discovered many would grow outdoors in Southern California. He has moved five times as his orchid obsession has led to the need for more growing space. With the last move, he purchased 10 acres of land in Lincoln, California for his 250,000 orchids. He is recognized as an expert in the Brazilian Cattleya alliance and a trend setter in miniature compact and Cattleya breeding. Alan has been published in the Orchid Digest, the American Orchid Society magazine, as well as many International Publications. He has also been published in several proceedings of the World Orchid Conference. He is an internationally known speaker. He is a past member of the AOS Judging Committee, and the Research Committee, as well as an Accredited Judge and is Training Coordinator for the California Sierra Nevada Judging Center. Alan also served two terms on the Orchid Digest Executive Committee and 3 terms on the Board of Directors, as well as two terms as a Trustee for the AOS.

Time: August 12, 2021 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)



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A Message from Our President

I don't know about you... But I am counting down the days until I see all of you again!

I hope this letter finds you well. Just a personal update on my summer this year. We rented an RV site for 2 months outside of Sanford, in Weikiva Springs. We have been spending our weekends up there. Relaxing, sitting in the spring and spending time with friends. It's been great so far, although hotter than south Florida, no sea breeze...ugh

We are finally getting the rain (God's water) that we have been longing for. The weather has been extremely hot, and some of our orchids are not happy about it. I know in my yard, orchids that have been in the same spot for well over a year are getting a little sunburned. So, keep an eye out. If you touch the leaves and they are hot, you might want to think about giving them a little shade. Temperatures in the 90's and a feels-like temp in the triple digits are HOT!!! Also, to be on the safe side, please visit your plants early in the day. I unfortunately suffered from heat exhaustion a couple of weeks ago. Stay hydrated please, and don't overdo it.

For those of you who joined us for our July ZOOM meeting from Australia with Gary, I hope you enjoyed it. If you haven't checked out his website, he has amazing photos. www.yonggee.name

Marion did an outstanding job booking Gary to speak to us. Just an FYI: We would have never been able to have a speaker from Australia in person due to the costs involved. I know ZOOM meetings are not in person. However Zoom has given us the opportunity to have amazing speakers we otherwise would have never had or been able to afford. That is the positive side of the pandemic.

Reminder: We are planning a bus trip to the Tamiami Orchid Show on Friday October 1st. So far, we have 22 people signed up. We would like to have at least 30 people to keep the cost per member at \$30. Tamiami is being held outdoors at the Fruit and Spice Park in Homestead. The best news is admission is free when we arrive by bus. We will also get discount coupons. Please email Marion Israel, to put your name on the list. Marionisrael61@gmail.com Payment is due by the September 9th meeting.

Our first in person meeting is on August 12 at 7:30 pm. Please bring your mask. I am not sure what the requirements are at Safe Schools yet.

For the meeting:

- We will provide refreshments (please do not bring in snacks to share)
- We will have a raffle plant table.
- We will have plant judging. Please bring in your beautiful bloomers.
- You are welcome to bring in plants to sell. Please refer to the rules for selling plants at the meeting further down in the newsletter

BRING A FRIEND, guests are always welcome

Bring any questions you might have or topics you would like to discuss

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING ALL YOUR SMILING FACES

Take care of yourself,

Kathy



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Tasks for August

by Dr. Martin Motes

July and August are the two most similar months in South Florida. Most of the advice on watering, disease and pest control in last month's calendar still apply but subtle changes are taking place. Although it may not seem so, as temperatures climb into the low nineties most afternoons, summer is in retreat: each day a little shorter, each night a little longer. With shorter days the importance of watering as early in the morning as possible comes to the fore. With less hours of sunlight to dry the plants, extra care should be taken in choosing when to water. Back to the basics of the classic saying: If a Vanda looks like it needs water, water it; if a Cattleya or Oncidium looks like it needs water, water it tomorrow. If a Paph or a Phal looks like it needs water, you should have watered it yesterday. If plants retain water even from an early morning watering, allowing them to dry a bit harder before the next watering is always a good idea. An extra day of drying rarely does harm. August should provide numerous opportunities to dry each orchid to its desired level of dryness. Take the opportunity to dry your orchids "hard" at least once but preferably twice in August. This will give your orchids a leg up on their mortal enemies, the fungus, before the drizzle of September switches the advantage to our adversaries. August is definitely not the month to over indulge in water. September, the soggiest of months, is next up. The corollary to this calculated drying is the concept that when watering in August above all water thoroughly. If watering is necessary be sure that the roots and medium are totally saturated with the application. The drizzling rains of September are so detrimental precisely because they keep the foliage of the plants wet unduly long. We want our plants which are still growing to receive plenty of water but also plenty of drying time.

News from Dr. Motes

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Upcoming Orchid Events

The August 2021 judging at the AOS West Palm Beach Judging Center will take place Saturday, August 27, 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>

***BROS bus trip to Tamiami on Friday, October 1. See page 5 for details.

Delray Beach Orchid Society Show and Sale. Saturday October 23 and Sunday October 24 at the Fieldhouse at Old School Square in Delray Beach. Details to be announced.

Deerfield Beach Orchid Society 9th Annual Orchid Obsession Show and Sale. Saturday and Sunday, November 13-14 at Safe Schools Institute on Spanish River Blvd., Boca Raton. Details to be announced.

Tamiami International Orchid Festival



WHEN: Friday October 1

\$30 per person

Make Check out to “BROS” ASAP to reserve your seat.

(In memo section of check write “Tamiami” and send to

**Marion Israel, 12128 Oakvista Drive, Boynton Beach, FL 33437 to
reserve your seat, or pay at a meeting**

Contact: Marion Israel at 561-810-6547

INCLUDES

- Bus Ride (including tolls and gas)
 - Bottled water
- Admission to the Tamiami Show
- Tamiami Vendor \$ off coupon

**Bring a box for storage (your name on it), sunscreen, hat, camera
and comfortable walking shoes**

Please feel free to bring your own lunch and snacks

*****In preparation for our first in-person meeting in August, here is information about how to submit an orchid for judging and what to do if you wish to bring an orchid or orchids for sale at a meeting.**

BROS Exhibition Table

Every month members have the opportunity to show their latest achievements. They can be admired then judged and you may even win an award ribbon! Fill out a exhibition slip and place it with your entry. Please follow the rules below to avoid disqualification.

1. Clearly print the orchid name and your full name.
2. It must be featured in the correct category.
3. You must have owned the orchid for at least six months.
4. The plant must not have insects or disease.
5. Display your orchid in an attractive container.
6. Each plant registered earns you a FREE raffle ticket!

Winning plants will be featured in the BROS newsletter the following month.

BROS Member Plant Sales

BROS Members are welcome to sell their plants at designated monthly meetings.

Five Simple Rules:

1. Maximum of 5 plants
2. No insects or diseases.
3. Must have a name tag.
4. No commercial sales.
5. 10% of your total sales must go to the BROS Treasurer that night.





The Boca Raton Orchid Society
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June 23, 2021

Dear Ms. Kersey,

Stratford Court Residents and team members would like to sincerely thank you for the generous gift you bestowed upon Stratford Court. The orchids donated to us that were placed in our trees in our back patio, are a delightful addition to our already lovely area. We enjoyed watching your volunteers placing them gently and lovingly in the nooks of the trees.

We would like to thank Fred Gilbert for bringing you to us and consistently watering our precious gems. We want to thank you, Ms. Kersey, for allowing this project to take place. And we thank all the hard working volunteers; Jay Collins, Alan La Duke, Bj Saul, Sheila Bell, Theresa O'Neil, Sally and Dennis Glick, Joyce Patterson, Maritza Graff, Donna Holt, Adrienne Levy, and Patty and Dennis Hogan.

We are very excited to watch our orchids grow and bloom and can only imagine their beauty a year from now. We hope we will see you in the future as well so you can witness your labor of love.

Sincerely,

Tracey Borges

Stratford Court Executive Director

Stratford Court of Boca Pointe

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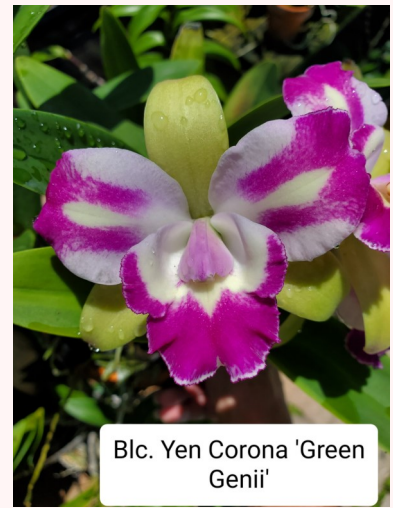
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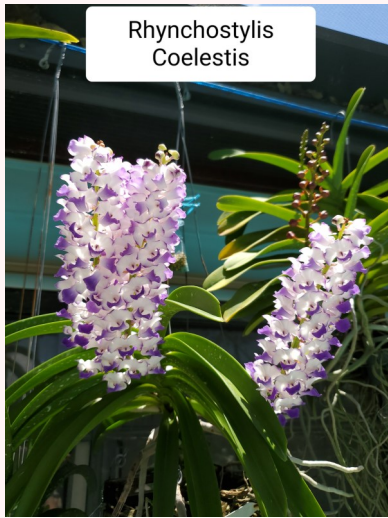
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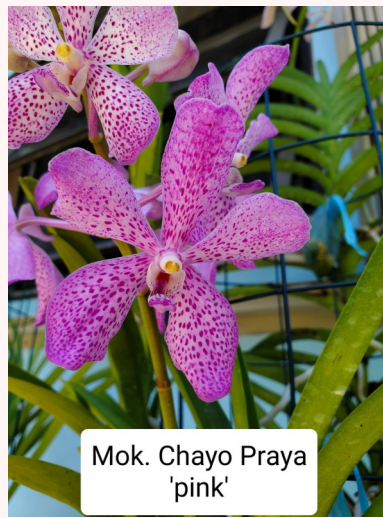
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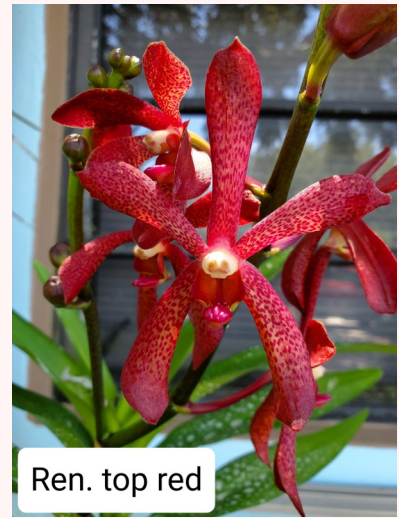
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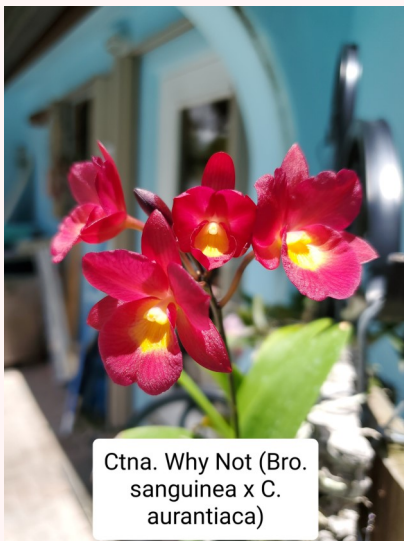
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Coelestis



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Ren. top red



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Doll 'Kiwi'



Catt. Star Garden
'Green Garden'

Members' Orchid Photos



Vanda Will Riley

Marion Israel



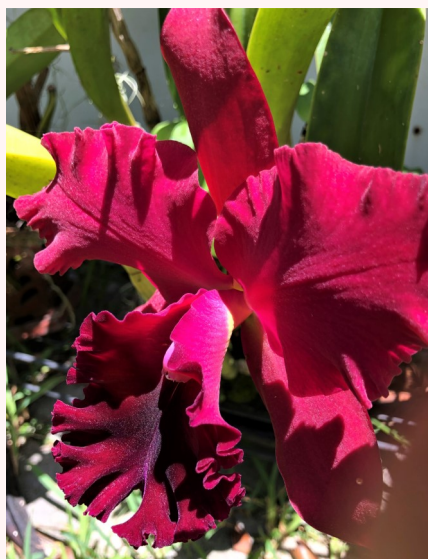
Vandachostylis
Conference Gold



Lc Issy SVO X Lc Summerland Girl
'Orchidglade' - Cheryl Dodes



Vanda Miss Joaquim - Cheryl Dodes



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BROS Board Meetings

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

Next Board Meetings:

September 2

October 7