



MEETINGS

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~

It's Orchid Swap n' Shop Time Again!

Date: Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 7:15 PM

Don't miss our September meeting!

"Anything Orchids for Trade or Sale"

All members are eligible to enjoy this Meeting.

Sell or trade anything orchid related, from plants to pots, mounts or medium.

We need a head count of those members who wish to sell; will you need a 1/2 table or a whole table? Or two tables?

Please let Barbara Barrie 561-998-3335 know ahead of time. Cash or Checks only

A Seller must provide appropriate change, if needed, to Buyer.

***Bonus: people bringing in plants or other items to swap or sell will have an extra 1/2 hour for preview sale and swap. Those bringing items to sell or trade should arrive just before 6:30 PM and will be able to sell/trade with others who brought items to sell/trade from 6:30-7:15 PM.

Members NOT Bringing anything to swap or sell should arrive at 7:15 PM

At 7:15 PM the sell/trade opens up to regular members.

At 7:30 our business meeting will take place. No further transactions till business meeting concludes.

Future Programs

October 13: Jay Collins: Kokedama Demonstration

November 10: Jim Davison: (The Four Horsemen)-mainstays for breeding of orchid families

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The BROS is the proud recipient
of the DASSA Award.



From President Kathy Kersey

Labor Day is here already, and for those of you that are currently up north, that is the signal that Fall is coming. Unfortunately, that is not the case here in South Florida. It is still extremely hot and muggy, and we have gotten very little rain this Summer, which means our water bills are astronomical!!!

Please, for those of you that are in South Florida, water early and stay hydrated.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our August meeting. I hope you enjoyed AOS Judge Carol Holdren's presentation. I hope you are enjoying the plants that you purchased as well. You won't be disappointed. Remember- you received a hand out of all of her recommendations, so keep an eye out when the shows start up in October. You may be lucky enough to purchase a few more of her favorites.

A big THANK YOU to the AOS judges who joined us that evening, including Jackie Wood, Judy Bailey and Sandi Block-Brezner. It was such a privilege to have them in attendance, and I know I learned so much from each and every one of them.

On that note: Judy Bailey has 2 presentations that she does. We have booked her for February and April 2023. I will share more as the time gets closer.

If you did not receive your new Membership booklet at the August meeting, please see Abby and she will make sure you get your copy.

It's almost that time of year to start preparing for our Annual Orchid Show, which will be held February 11 and 12, 2023. Please plan on volunteering for our Show. Remember, our volunteers make our show a success. Without each and every one of you giving your time it would not be possible, like I have said all year. We had an amazing show in February 2022, and beat the 2020 numbers. We can do it again, with your support.

SWAP & SHOP.....September 8th is our next meeting and our Swap & Shop. So far we only have 7 people signed up for the event. If you want to participate and you did not sign up, please text me with your name, phone # and the number of tables needed. (954-802-3575) I know a lot of you have supplies that you would like to sell, or duplicates of plants that you divided; now is the time to take advantage of our event. Remember, you DO NOT have to give any of your proceeds to the Society. Usually, when you sell at a meeting, 10% of your profits go back to the Society. During this event, 100% of your proceeds go to your wallet, and you can trade among the other participants as well.

Reminder: For those who are participating in bringing items for the Swap & Shop, please try to be at the School by 6:15, for set up. You will have until 7:15 to set up and swap with the other participants. Doors open at 7:15 for our members who are NOT PARTICIPATING. There will be no sales between 7:15 and 7:30. You may look, but there will be no transactions done until after our monthly meeting, which should take no more that 15 minutes.

DON'T FORGET.... You may pay by cash or check, and participants will be responsible for providing change. We will have RAFFLE plants for the meeting.

THERE WILL BE NO MEMBER PLANT JUDGING AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING

Kathy

Tasks for September

by Dr. Martin Motes

Membership

FIRST YEAR

SINGLE \$25.00

COUPLE \$35.00

BUSINESS: \$40.00

Newsletter Emailed

RENEWAL

SINGLE \$20.00

COUPLE \$25.00

BUSINESS \$40.00

Newsletter Emailed

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September, above all, is the month that the old Florida growers' adage that "One needs a cat to grow good orchids," holds true. By leaving enough space between plants on a shade house bench for a cat to walk around without knocking them down, one provides the good air circulation which is absolutely essential in periods of protracted wet weather. Well spaced plants are much less likely to encounter disease problems this month. Remember that your plants will have grown considerably over the summer and that the space they occupied comfortably in the Spring has now been filled by their own growth as well as their neighbors. Space them out. Now is perhaps the time to decide to hang some of the larger ones where they will dry much more quickly. The small cute ones left behind on the bench will be very appreciative of the extra air and light.

Another excellent way to increase air circulation and enhance rapid drying is by trimming excess (particularly vertical) branches from all trees which support orchids or are near to orchid growing areas. By increasing the light and air flow one will also garner the benefit of reducing the possibility that such trees will be knocked down in a severe storm. Trees trimmed to permit proper air circulation and light for orchids were frequently the only ones which survived upright after Andrew. As there is rarely time to do such pruning when storm warnings are actually posted and creating extra debris is not then wise, now is the time to protect both your orchids and your trees. Days are shortening quickly now and more hours of rain and overcast skies mean that your orchids will benefit from all the additional light that they can get. Beginning the process of "hardening off" our plants by allowing more light to reach them will give them a leg up on the coming cool weather as well.

Snails can also be a problem again in September. Even if you earlier used the "lightly, frequently" baiting suggested in July, snails can travel long distances on wet ground in the dull, dark weather of September. Chances are your neighbors have not been as good as you on snail control. So, once more with feeling: snail bait "lightly, frequently" to give a warm welcome to any recently arrived mollusks.

News from Dr. Motes

The Updated Edition of
Florida Orchid Growing

Month by Month

is now available!

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Excerpted: "Florida Orchid Growing, Month by Month"

ORCHID EVENTS

The September 2022 judging at the AOS West Palm Beach Judging Center will take place Saturday, September 24 2022. 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.

SEPTEMBER

Exotics and Orchid Sale, Saturday, September 17 and Sunday, September 18, 9 AM-4PM.. At Mounts Botanical Gardens, 531 N Military Trl, West Palm Beach, FL 33415. Shop an amazing selection of orchids and exotic plants from *more than 40 of South Florida's premier vendors, including orchids, begonias, bromeliads, ferns, hoyas, ar-oids, garden art, baskets, and much more!* FREE admission to all plant sales for Garden members! Admission for future members: \$15 (adult); \$12 (seniors 65+, college students and military with ID); \$7 (ages 6-17)

OCTOBER

Delray Beach Orchid Society Show and Sale, Saturday, October 22 and Sunday, October 23, 2022 at The Field-house at Old School Square, Delray Beach, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach, FL 33444. Judging is being held on Saturday October 22 at 8 AM.

Redland International Orchid Festival, October 7-9 at Redland Fruit & Spice Park, 24801 SW 187th Ave, Home-stead, FL 33031. More info: martinmotes@gmail.com

NOVEMBER

Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Show and Sale, Saturday, November 12 and Sunday, November 13, 2022, at Safe Schools Institute, 1790 Spanish River Boulevard, Boca Raton, FL, 10 AM—5 PM both days. Admission \$5.00 pp; Children under 12 free.

East Everglades Orchid Society Show, November 13 in the Banyon Pavilion at R.F. Orchids, 28100 SW 182 Ave, Homestead, FL 33030. More info, Tere Camacho, 305-401-8807. tere@bellsouth.net

*** We will list other events and provide details for the ones listed above as the information is received. If you hear of events of interest to our members, please let Cheryl know and they will be included here. To contact Cheryl, email rcdodes@aol.com

Need help with Boca Raton Afterschool Orchid Club

BROS members, I'm excited to share that we are off to an exciting new school year of teaching kids about orchids. We will be providing classes to 3 elementary schools this year, Addison Mizner, JC Mitchell, and Whispering Pines. The kids love it!!

The curriculum is already created. However, there is a need for volunteers. You DO NOT need to be an orchid expert; just enjoy working with kids. There will be at least 2 volunteers per school. It meets once a month from September-February. As it is an afterschool program, the time will be approximately 2:30 PM-3:15 PM with 15 students grades 3-5. The day of the week is different for each school. You do not have to be at all the classes at your school. There will always be someone to substitute for you.

Please let me know if you can volunteer.

Thanks

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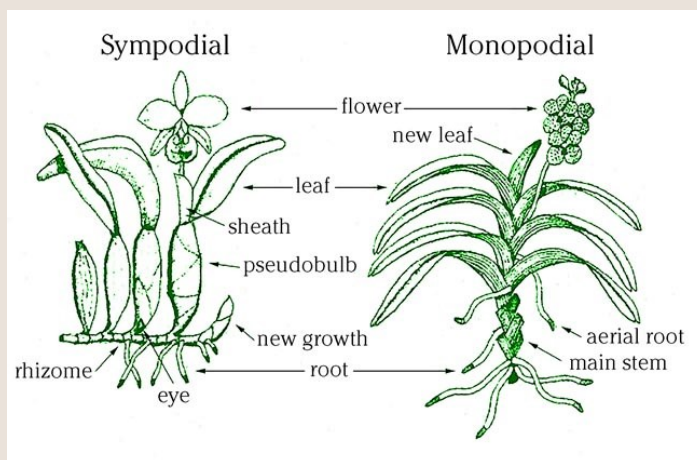
Epiphyte or Terrestrial? Sympodial or Monopodial?

Understanding where and how orchids grow will help you better understand how to grow them. This article looks at the growth habits of orchids.

The structure of an orchid plant is the same as any plant for it has roots, stems, leaves and flowers. But these parts are adapted to its way of life and differ somewhat from familiar plants which you grow in your garden.

Epiphytes and Terrestrials

Most of the cultivated orchids are *epiphytes*. They do not grow in the ground but instead grow in trees or on rocks. This puts their roots out into the air rather than underground. The word "epiphyte" (EP-ih-fite) means "air plant" or literally "to grow upon a plant". Epiphytes are not parasites. They do not take anything from the host plant. Epiphytes perch upon other plants but get their moisture and nutrients from air, rain and debris. Cymbidiums and other orchids are terrestrial, which means "growing in the ground". Most of the native orchids of the United States and all the natives of Europe are terrestrials. Some epiphytic orchids have adapted to growing on rocks because nearby forests may not offer enough light. Rock-growing orchids are known as lithophytes.



Sympodial and Monopodial

There are two types of growth found in orchid plants. One growth pattern is called sympodial (sim-POH-dee-al), the other is monopodial (mon-o-POH-dee-al).

For sympodial think of sideways. An orchid with sympodial growth moves sideways. From a connecting stem (rhizome) which grows horizontally, it puts up successive growths in which each one is a duplicate of the one before.

Examine the sketch. The upright growths are called pseudobulbs, each a repetition of the one before and growing parallel to each other. A plant may produce one new pseudobulb at a time, perhaps even only one per year. But it may make two or more growths simultaneously, and a large plant may make several new growths at the same time. Hybrids may have more than one cycle of growth per year.

The majority of the cultivated orchids are sympodial - they grow sideways. New growth begins at the base of the previous mature growth. *Cattleya*, *Oncidium*, *Dendrobium* and *Cymbidium* are all examples of sympodial orchids.

On the other hand, monopodial (mon-oh-POH-dee-al) orchid plants grow continuously taller - upwards, and some reach many feet in height under ideal conditions. Think of the vandas, growing outdoors in the tropics. Others have reasonable height limits, such as the *phalaenopsis* group. Monopodial means "one foot".

A monopodial orchid has neither pseudobulbs nor rhizomes. It grows continually upward from the top of the plant. It produces roots and flowers at intervals from the vertical stem.

Quite in contrast to the foliage habits of sympodial orchids, a monopodial orchid has alternate leaves the entire length of the stem. Lower leaves may fall off as the plant ages. *Phalaenopsis*, *Vanda*, *Ascocenda* and *Angreacum* are all examples of monopodial orchids.

Greg Allikas

August 2009 (AOS)

BROS Member Plant Sales

BROS paid-up members are welcome to sell their plants at designated monthly meetings.

Four simple rules:

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

Please help make our meetings more enjoyable by providing a tasty treat for all to share. Suggestions include cookies, cut-up cake, chips, cut-up fruit, nuts, raisins, etc.

Thanks to the following people for providing snacks at our August meeting:

Shirley Schneider

Cheryl Dodes

Jann Miller



Steve Miller

Phyllis Lyons

Donna Swanson

Board Meetings

The BROS Board meets the Thursday
before the monthly Member Meeting at 7:00 PM on Zoom
Next meetings:

October 6

November 3

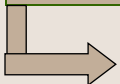
BROS Exhibition Table

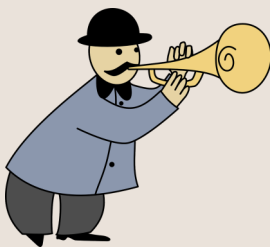
Every month members have the opportunity to show their latest achievements. They can be admired then judged and you may even win an award ribbon! Fill out a exhibition slip and place it with your entry. Please follow the rules below to avoid disqualification.

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!

The winners in August were...

Name	Category	Ribbon	Orchid Name
Veronica Risko	Vanda	Blue	Pda Paksorn Fragrance
Karen Meiselman	Other Vandaceous	Blue	Trichoglottis bracheata
Denise Guzman	Oncidium Alliance	Blue, Yellow	Odonto Brassia Roguebono Spider
Roderick Lewis	Cattleya Unifoliata	Blue	C. Emerald Isle
Kathy Kersey	Dendrobium	Blue	Den. Burana Sunshine 'Mutation'
Karen Meiselman	Other Vandaceous	Blue, Yellow	Ascda. Sum Wah x Ascda. Sagirrik Gold


Best in Show—Congratulations Karen!



Ascda. Sum Wah x Ascda. Sagirrik Gold—Karen Meiselman

August Blue Ribbon Plants



C. Emerald Isle—Roderick Lewis

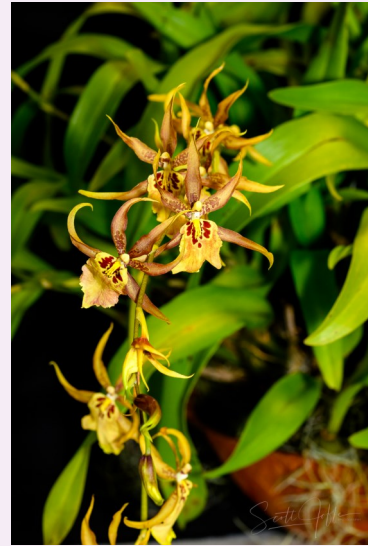
—Roderick Lewis



Den. Burana Sunshine 'Mutation' - Kathy Kersey



Rhyncostylis coelestis—Kathy Kersey



Odonto Brassia Roguebono Spider—Denise Guzman



Trichoglottis brachiata— Karen Meiselman



V. Pda. Paksorn Fragrance—Veronica Risko



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We're so glad to have you join the fun!