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NEXT MEETING: Sunday, Dec. 5, 2021 - 1:00 p.m.

Fran Murphy's Garage - 6815 Aldridge Road, Victor, NY

Repotting Workshop - Members Only



Photo ©Phil Matt

It's time to repot this Phalaenopsis!

Well, it's been a very strange year for our little orchid club. We have had most of our monthly meetings via Zoom, and have experienced a second year without our traditional Spring Show. But nonetheless we're forging ahead and hoping for a better year in 2022.

The GROS is going to kick off the holiday season this year with a rousing round of orchid repotting! The Repotting Workshop will be on Sunday, December 5, 2021. It's from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Fran Murphy's propane-heated garage (next to his large greenhouse) at 6815 Aldridge Road, Victor, NY.

Due to the obvious restrictions on available space, this will be a members-only event, and you will need to sign up ahead of time in order to attend:

Email Susan Ackerman,
acks58@yahoo.com or phone: 585-615-8799.

Bring a plant that you think needs repotting and we will help you to do it. There will also be discussions on potting mixes, controlling moisture in your pots by choice of potting mix, etc. There's always something even experienced growers can learn about repotting!

There will be a Show Table so you may bring along your blooming plants for the other members' enjoyment. If you wish to bring a food item to share, please feel free to do so. We'll see you there!

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GROS Exhibits at NFOS Show

Yes, there finally was an orchid show in Upstate New York. The weekend of November 12, 13, 14 the Niagara Frontier Orchid Society put on their show at the newly renovated Buffalo Botanic Gardens. Our exhibit was beautiful and won a first place ribbon. Bert Consentino arranged the plants, Fran Murphy and Lewis Tandy assisted with labeling and covering pots. Jeanne Kaeding wandered off somewhere.

Thank you to Bert Consentino, Fran Murphy, Lewis Tandy, and even Jeanne Kaeding, for setting up the exhibit. Thank you to Carol Butcher and Molly Weimer for the oft unsung work of taking down the exhibit. Flower quality was high. Our exhibit contained many wonderful plants, and everyone who contributed plants won at least one ribbon. Many plants were pulled for AOS judging and five AOS awards were given. We also won two Best of Alliance ribbons, one for Best Phragmipedium, one for Best Cymbidium. A list of winners is below.

- Jeanne Kaeding

Carol Butcher:

Cattleya Heathii (now Dolosa), 1st place in class,
pulled for AOS judging.
Rlc. Ranae Eugene, 2nd in class
Bulbophyllum carunculatum, 3rd in class

Fran Murphy:

Rodreguizea Decsec, 1st in class
Cymbidium Picasso Moon 'Green Pastures', 2nd in class
Phragmipedium Noirmont, 1st in class, Best Phragmipedium
Cymbidium Peter Fire 'Torch', 3rd in class
Miltoniopsis Breathless 'Brilliant', 2nd in class
Vanda Wirat Gordon, 1st in class

Margery Greene:

Phalaenopsis Summer Rose 'Blue Star', 1st in class
Dendrobium bigibbum, 2nd in class

Molly Weimer:

Phragmipedium Whirligig, 2nd in class
Dendrobium Miva Abeacadabra, 1st in class

Jeanne Kaeding:

Cymbidium lancifolium, 1st in class
Cymbidium Doctor Robert Griesbach, 1st in class,
Best Cymbidium
Cymbidium Tiger Baby, 2nd in class
Cymbidium (dayanum × erythraeum), 3rd in class
Procatavola Walnut Valley Lime Stars, 1st in class
Oncidium gravesianum, 2nd in class
Rodrumnia Fox Hollow × Tolumnia Maple Dancer,
2nd in class, pulled for AOS judging.
Paphiopedilum Petula's Wonder, 2nd in class



The GROS display during set up at the NFOS Show. L-R: Bert Consentino, Fran Murphy and Lewis Tandy.

GROS Show Table for November 2021

Plant	Genus (name in horticultural use)	Synonym	seed parent	pollen parent	grower
Cattleya Alliance					
Laelianthe (Lnt.) Bowrialbida	Laeliocattleya (Lc.)		Guarianthe (Gur.) bowringiana	Laelia (L.) albida	Margery Greene
Dendrobiums:					
Dendrobium (den.) bigibbum					Margery Greene
Vandaceous					
Phalaenopsis (Phal.) Summer Rose 'Blue Star'	Doritaenopsis (Dor.)		Phalaenopsis Kenneth Schubert (pulcherrima x violacea)	Phalaenopsis equestris	Margery Greene
NOTES:					
Correct genus abbreviation in parentheses after first appearance. All spellings per RHS. 'RHS' = Royal Horticultural Society (official hybrid registrar) This meeting was our auction and there was no show table presentation. The above plants are those I brought to go to the Niagara Frontier Orchid Society Show on November 12-13, and they were on our show table during the auction.					
<i>- Margery Greene</i>					

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In Memoriam John Kellas III

A long-time member of the GROS, John had a career pursuing his passion for philatelic and numismatics at McLeod Stamp & Coin where he would become an expert sought out for his appraisal skills as well as being a co-owner. After selling the business and retiring, John became even more active with the YMCA of Greater Rochester having earlier served as a board member and dedicated much of his time, talent, and resources to the Y's Camp Gorham summer camp located in the Adirondack Park. Additionally, John was very active with The Rochester Philatelic Association, and was a member of the Adirondack League Club for 28 years. John spent many hours at our Spring Shows working at the repotting station. He was also on the GROS Board as Member at Large for several years. John was an active and well-liked member of our Society, and he will be missed.



GROS Holds Another Successful Auction

Our annual fundraising auction was held November 8, 2021 at the JCC. 28 attendees engaged in lively back and forth bidding on 50 various orchid plants. The silent auction included 20 orchids, azaleas, and some paper-white bulbs. In all, GROS made about \$1200.

The highest price for an orchid in the live bidding: two plants went for \$50 each: Esmeralda Cathcartii from Marlow Orchids and Cattleya Wildfire donated by Mike DeVito. The lowest price was \$8 for Bc Nakornpathome from Marlow's. The average selling price for the non-donated plants was \$26 per plant. The average initial purchase price per plant for the club was \$12.33.

Many thanks go to members Diane Bernard and Carol Butcher for purchasing the plants and accepting donated plants, creating the photo reference PowerPoint, and generally coordinating the evening. Thanks also go out to Jeanne Kaeding and Fran Murphy who served as our auctioneers. Well done!

The wide variety of high quality orchids was well received by bidders. Special thanks to Marlow Orchids who provided us with 30 plants at greatly reduced prices. Thanks also go to Sunset Valley Orchids who provided popular compact cattleyas at a discount with no shipping charge to the club.

Current and past club members also donated 26 plants, which accounted for \$559 of straight profit to the club. Thanks go to Jeanne Kaeding for 10 orchids which brought in \$296, Fran Murphy (6 azaleas brought in \$45), Diane Bernard (5 orchids brought in \$93), Mike DeVito (2 orchids brought in \$70), Carol Butcher (1 orchid brought in \$26), Duane Levy (1 orchid brought in \$25), and Sue Ackerman (1 planter brought in \$4). Please consider donating something next year, such as a nice orchid for the live auction or something orchid-, house plant-, or gardening-related as a silent auction item.

Lastly, thank you to all who attended, participated in the preparation and set-up, and provided refreshments. It was nice to see so many people engaged in creating a successful and fun night!



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