



JULY 2004 NOVICE MEETING

July 6th, 2004, 6:30 PM - CASA DEL PRADO - ROOM 104
By Lynn Ford, 2nd Vice President

Recognition and Control of Common Orchid Pest Problems, will be the topic for this month's novice class. Summer is here, the pests are multiplying rapidly and they are out hunting for YOUR orchids. Will you know what to do to halt them?

We are very fortunate to have Bruce Kidd as our speaker for the Novice Meeting. Bruce is a professional turf & ornamental pest control advisor with Dow Agro Sciences. He has a masters degree in weed science and is past president of the California Weed Science Society. Bruce and his wife Yasue, active members of our orchid society, grow breathtaking orchids. He will be drawing from personal experience as well as technical information as he gives us pointers and suggestions for keeping our orchids pest free. It's time to formulate your insect attack plan. You won't want to miss this meeting.

Regarding last month's meeting, a very appreciative "Thank You" goes to Tom Biggart. His talk about matching the correct decorative pot with the right orchid was informative as well as entertaining. We can always count on Tom to give a talk full of expertise and enthusiasm.

JULY 2004 GENERAL MEETING

July 6th, 2004, 7:30 PM - CASA DEL PRADO - ROOM 101
By Ivan Harrison, 1st Vice President

We are in for a treat in July, as Bob Gordon returns to talk to us all about Phalaenopsis, a genus that almost all of us have in our collection. Bob is one of the most humorous and entertaining speakers we have had the pleasure of welcoming in our Society. Bob has written several books on orchids: *Beginners Guide To Growing Phalaenopsis Orchids*, *Culture of the Phalaenopsis Orchid*, *Phalaenopsis Culture: A Worldwide Survey*, *Orchid Seedling* and *Garden Writing for newsletters and magazines*. If you would like to purchase a book and bring it to the meeting, Bob will gladly autograph it for you. [For those who are not aware, we are unable to conduct "commerce" in Balboa Park (except for plant sales for SDCOS), so Bob is not able to sell books at the meeting.

Bob Gordon's greenhouse is located up in Running Springs. Thankfully their property was spared in the October fires, but the lack of gas and electricity in the following months wiped out his whole collection of orchids. The plant opportunity table will therefore be supplied by a local orchid nursery.

Please join us at 7:30pm on Tuesday, July 6th for fun and Phalaenopsis!

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If you have monthly meetings, classifieds, submissions of interest, or announcements related to orchids, **to be considered for publication in the upcoming August issue, please contact us by July 16th.**

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From the Membership Desk

Let's All Welcome our newest members from our June 2004 meeting:

Thomas Anglewicz
Kirk and Laurie Peterson
Mike Randall
Jennifer Patterson

SDCOS welcomes you and thanks you for your support. Let's also welcome back Michael and Olga Breaux

UPCOMING CALIFORNIA EVENTS

July 24 -25

The SDCOS will be holding their quarterly mini show on July 24th and 25th at the Casa Del Prado in **Balboa Park**. This is not a showcase for miniature orchids, but it is a small show! This mini show is presented, hosted by, and showcases the SDCOS members. I have a good feeling you do have a special something that will win! So bring it in. Bring your plants on Friday the 23rd between the regular hours of 6pm-8pm or early Saturday morning 8-10am so that they can be judged. For more information, get a hold of [Gary Pierwola](#) or [Ivan Harrison](#).

September 18-19

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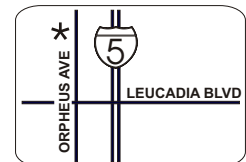
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CJ LaBelle - Stanhopia Costaricensis



Linda Gardner - Paphiopedilum Knights Castle X Charlesworthii



Wade Bogren - Cattleya unknown



Felisa Acantilado - Cuitlauzina pendula CCM/HCC

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Belle Garner has generously offered to split the proceeds from this auction with SDCOS, so monies will be placed in the Garner Educational Fund for future allocation.

Plant lots will be available for viewing on the morning of Sunday, July 18th and bidding numbers can be obtained between 11am and Noon. Cash or check only please. Car pooling would be appreciated as parking space is limited.

Orchid Abbreviations

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Awards & Societies

- AM - Award of Merit
- AOS - American Orchid Society
- CBE - Certificate of Botanical Excellence
- CBR - Certificate of Botanical Recognition
- CHM - Certificate of Horticultural Merit
- CR - Certificate of Recognition
- FCC - First Class Certificate
- HCC - Highly Commended Certificate
- HOS - Honolulu Orchid Society
- RHT - Royal Horticultural Society of Thailand
- SDCOS - San Diego County Orchid Society
- SM - Silver Medal

Nomenclature

- Mem. - Memoria
- Mevr. - Mevrouw
- 4n - tetraploid
- var. - variety

Plant Size

- SDLG - Seedling
- NBS - Near Blooming Size
- BS - Blooming Size
- MS - Medium Size

Orchid Genera

- Aer. - Aerides
- Aerctm. - Aeridocentrum
- Aerdv. - Aeridovanda
- Angcm. - Angraecum
- Arnps. - Arachnopsis
- Arnth. - Aranthera
- Ascda. - Ascocenda
- Ascps. - Asconopsis
- Asctm. - Ascocentrum
- B. - Brassavola
- Bc. - Brassocattleya
- Bepi. - Brassoepidendrum
- Bkch. - Bokchoonara
- Bl. - Brassolaelia
- Blc. - Brassolaeliocattleya
- Bro. - Broughtonia
- Brs. - Brassia
- C. - Cattleya
- Chtra. - Christieara
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- Ctna. - Cattleytonia
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- Dtps. - Doritaenopsis
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- Epi. - Epidendrum
- Eplc. - Epilaeliocattleya
- Gram. - Grammatophyllum
- Hknsa. - Hawkinsara
- Kgw. - Kagawara
- L. - Laelia
- Lc. - Laeliocattleya
- Lpna. - Lioponia
- Lwsra. - Lewisara
- Mkra. - Mokara
- Nak. - Nakamotoara
- Neof. - Neofinetia
- Neost. - Neostylis
- Odbrs. - Odontobrassia
- Odm. - Odontoglossum
- Odtna. - Odontonia
- Onc. - Oncidium
- Phal. - Phalaenopsis
- Prra. - Perreiraara
- Rdza. - Rodriquezia
- Ren. - Renanthera
- Rhrds. - Rhynchorides
- Rhv. - Rhynchovanda
- Rhy. - Rhynchostylis
- Rlla. - Rumillara
- Rntda. - Renantanda
- Sc. - Sophrocattleya
- Slc. - Sophrolaeliocattleya
- Soph. - Sophronitis
- V. - Vanda
- Vasco. - Vascostylis
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Felisa Acantilado's Cuitlauzina pendula 'Jazzmin' Wins Two AOS Awards

By Pamela Peters

Encouraged by friends at the June SDCOS meeting to take her plants to the AOS Judging Center at Quail Gardens in Encinitas, Felisa Acantilado, SDCOS Society member for 10 years, brought two plants to the AOS Center for judging on Tuesday, June 7. Her species *Cuitlauzina pendula* 'Jazzmin' received a prestigious two awards: Certificate of Cultural Merit (CCM 85 points) and Highly Commended Certificate (HCC 78 points). The plant had 5 inflorescences with 63 large pink and white flowers of waxy substance measuring up to 2 ¼ inches wide and 12 buds (see picture on page 4).

This has been a big orchid year for Felisa. Her Cym., Peewee won Best of Show at the Coronado 79th Flower Show on April 17, 2003, and her *Dendrochilum magnum* won Best of Section (Species) at the Del Mar International Orchid Fair in October 2003. Felisa shares her well-grown orchids with us by bringing them to the SDCOS meetings. She would like to encourage SDCOS members to bring their orchids to the AOS Judging Center. Congratulations to Felisa from all SDCOS friends!

Net Nuggets

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Nic van den Bosch's 'Horsemanure Site'
www.vision.net.au/~nicvdb/index.htm

No, it's not a typographical error. This is a site dedicated to the culture of orchids in horse manure. The site's creator, Nic van den Bosch, lives in Tasmania and grows a number of orchids, primarily Cymbidiums. As he explains on his web site, horse manure has many properties that make it suitable as a growing medium for orchids. Most people probably wouldn't see a pile of horse manure and think of scooping some up for their orchids, but that impulse may change after you view this site. As evidence for the effectiveness of horse manure as a potting medium, Nic offers some impressive photos of Cymbidiums grown in horse manure, including pictures of a spectacularly well grown specimen plant, a back division flowering off a single growth, and an impressively well developed root system. Lest one get the impression that this cultural technique only works for Cymbidiums, pictures of a well-grown *Pleione*, a *Phalaenopsis* and even a *Disa* are included in support of horse manure as a wonderful growing medium for orchids. If you decide to give horse manure a try but aren't sure how to proceed, directions for potting and watering plants in this medium are included as well. Give this site a look; it may forever change the way you grow orchids.

To All Current Membership

It is that time of year to update our records, as well as, time to renew for many of our current members. If you are not sure of your renewal date please see me at the general meeting or email me. I will have a listing of membership due dates at the general meetings and can let you know when you are due or can email you with your renewal date.

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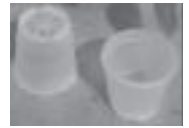
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HELP NEEDED AT MONTHLY MEETING!

We all love the coffee, punch and donuts during intermission during our meetings – right? Gary and Judy Pierwola have been handling this job since Cliff and Marlyn Lanoue gave it up. Our President has other jobs that need to take priority, and so we, the membership, are looking for 2 or 3 people who would be willing to take over this very important function. Friends can do it together, or individuals can take over certain aspects, but we really, really need some help in the kitchen.

The tasks involved are:

1. Purchasing the donuts on Tuesday afternoon (with Society funds) and bringing them to the meeting
2. Arriving between 5:30 and 6:00 to set the coffee pot percolating, make the punch and prepare plates, napkins, glasses and cups
3. Standing in the kitchen during the break to help anyone who needs assistance
4. Cleaning up after the intermission and putting all the supplies away

It's not difficult, but it is very, very important. If you would like to help at the June meeting, please talk to Judy or any of the Board to let them know what you are prepared to do.

Heaven forbid we would have a meeting with no coffee or donuts!

SDCOS Board of Directors Meeting



Submitted by [Lynn Dornfeld](#)

SDCOS Board of Directors Meeting June 8, 2004: Called to order at 7:23PM

Present: Gary Pierwola, Ivan Harrison, Barbie Mays, Lynn Dornfeld, Charlie Fouquette, Genie Hammond, Bob Clark.

Others Present: Ro Harrison, Dave Mays, Dave Brown, Tess Taylor, Bill Molnar, Lisa Humphreys, Ron Kaufman, Lauren Batchman.

Reports

1. Minutes of April meeting were read, revised and approved by motion. No Board meeting was held in May thus no minutes provided.

2. Treasurer Barbie Mays-April report was read, discussed and approved by motion.

May report was read, discussed and approved by motion.

3. First Vice President Ivan Harrison-Guest speaker for July is Bob Gordon. TOPIC: Some Problems with Phalenopsis Culture and How To Solve Them

Plants will be provided by local growers.

4. Second Vice President Lynn Ford as provided by Bill Molnar-Guest speaker for July is Bruce Kidd of Dow Agro Sciences. TOPIC: Recognition and Control of Common Orchid Pest Problems.

Old Business

1. The San Diego City Council approved the Zoo proposals for changes to the park. They want to start charging SDCOS \$25 per 4 hour intervals for each room that is utilized for our meetings. The Board will evaluate potential yearly costs for SDCOS. It was suggested that SDCOS members talk to our local Councilmen regarding our opinions on the fees.

2. David Brown said that Janette Gerrity didn't want him to spotlight her work for the Zoo and SDCOS but rather write an article that would acknowledge the volunteers from SDCOS that help her to do her conservation work. David will work on this.

New Business

1. Lynn Ford will meet with Barbie Mays for transfer of the responsibilities of Treasurer.

2. Charlie Fouquette wanted to know who has keys for library lockers, kitchen, public address equipment cabinets. Board members had problems opening cabinets for last meeting. Keys were given to Charlie by Gary for future use. Tess Taylor also has keys.

3. Charlie Fouquette discussed arranging a plant auction in near future at Belle Garner's nursery-there are about 2000 plants, with space for PA equipment and tables to sell plants. Plan is to auction off plants in lots. July 18th is tentative date. The Board will discuss how to execute this plan ASAP.

Addendum

1. At the June 1, 2004 monthly meeting, elections were held for Board positions. Bob Hodges presented the candidates for each position-President, Gary Pierwola; First Vice President, Ivan Harrison; Second Vice President, Bill Molnar; Secretary, Lynn Dornfeld, Treasurer, Lynn Ford; Director, David Brown. As Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Bob took nominations from the floor. Ben Machado was nominated for President, Lisa Humphries was nominated for First Vice President and Ro Harrison was nominated for Second Vice President. The other Board positions were uncontested and accepted as presented. Voting for the contested positions proceeded by paper vote. The results were: Gary Pierwola, 111 votes, Ben Machado, 48 votes-Gary Pierwola remains President. Results for 1st V.P. were: Ivan Harrison, 108 votes, Lisa Humphreys, 51 votes-Ivan Harrison remains 1st V.P. Results for 2nd V.P. were: Bill Molnar, 112 votes, Ro Harrison, 47 votes-Bill Molnar voted in as 2nd V.P.

NO FURTHER DISCUSSIONS

Meeting adjourned 7:58PM Submitted by Lynn Dornfeld

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Jim Wright - 619.276.5295
Fred Tomaschke - 619.276.3235

San Diego East County, all types
James Masst - 619.443.2800
Bud Close - 619.444.8839

South County all types
Genie Hammond - 619.426.6831
Ed Marty - 619.470.7175

DATES TO REMEMBER...

July 3, 9:00 am
SDCOS Species Group Meeting
First Saturday each month
Paul or Ann Tuskes 858.274.5829

July 5, 7:00 pm
Quail Botanical Gardens Judging Center
First Monday each month Encinitas. Bring plants in!
Make those judges work!

July 6, 6:30 pm
Beginner's Class/Novice Meeting
First Tuesday each month
Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park
Lynn Ford 619.283.4172

July 6, 7:30 pm
General Meeting
First Tuesday each month
Room 101, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park
Gary Pierwola 619.426.9108

July 13, 7:00 pm
SDCOS Board Meeting
Second Tuesday each month
Balboa Park
Lynn Dornfeld 619.889.4612

July 16, 10 am - 2 pm
San Diego Zoo
Orchid Greenhouses Open House
Third Friday each month
Janette Gerrity 619.231.1515 ext. 4306

July 16, 6:45 pm
Palomar Orchid Society Meeting
Third Friday each month
The Carlsbad Women's Club
Melana Walding, 760.295.7228

July 19
Hybrid Orchid Group
Helmut Rohrl
Applied Physics & Mathematics Bldg. UCSD
Info: 858.452.0976

September 15
Culture class begins at 6:30 pm
General Meeting at 7:00 pm
Cymbidium Society Meeting
Third Wednesday each month
Carlsbad Women's Club
Info: 760.451.1472

Vice President's Report

By Ivan Harrison

Thanks to the Nominating Committee for all their hard work behind the scenes, and to all in attendance for voting in all the nominated candidates. Once again, we on the Board look forward to a successful year of serving you, the membership of SDCOS.

The changes on the 2004-2005 Board are as follows:

1. Lynn Ford has moved from 2nd VP to Treasurer, replacing Barbie Mays, who has served the Society so diligently for a number of years.
2. Replacing Lynn as 2nd VP is Bill Molnar, who will now be responsible for the Novice Meeting, which is held at 6:30pm in Room 104 prior to each General Meeting. If you have any suggestions of topics or speakers, I'm sure Bill will appreciate the input.
3. David Brown joins the Board as Director for a 3-year term. David is probably known to many of you for his volunteering at various shows and his activities on the Conservation Committee. Most recently David has received accolades for his relentless pursuit to catalog the orchid book collection at SDSU. As you may remember, part of this collection was on display at our March show, and was recognized by the AOS with an educational award.

I keep harping on this subject, but this is YOUR society, we are but trusted servants. We appreciate suggestions from all of you as to how we can make SDCOS better, friendlier, more educational, more fun, more whatever.... Please feel free to contact any Board member by phone or email with any suggestions or concerns – the contact information is always listed in your monthly newsletter.

My personal goal for 2004/2005 is to increase membership participation. We can always utilize the experience and energy of our membership. Please contact me with ideas on how YOU would like to contribute.



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