

**San Diego County Orchid
Society Newsletter
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SLC. Angel Eyes 'SVO' AM/AOS x C. Orchidglade
'SVO' HCC/AOS
David Vandenbroek

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Open Volunteer Positions

David Vandebroek, President

SDCOS currently needs to fill the following volunteer positions. Please contact president@sdcosids.com if you are willing to consider any of them.

1st Vice President

- Primarily in charge of finding and managing main speakers and getting plants for the plant table

Newsletter Editor

- Get articles and pictures for the newsletter and make the newsletter (I just use Word)

Membership Chair Apprentice

- Follow our membership chair, Bob Clark, as he performs membership tasks like keeping a roster of members, setting up the membership booth especially at Shows, and sending the monthly email to members, with the intent of taking over as membership chair sometime in 2025ish

AV Team Member

- Every month we need someone to set up and run Zoom for our meetings. We only have 1 person who does this now, which leaves us in a lurch if he ever has vacation or can't make it. We want a team of ~3 people to share this responsibility, each taking a couple months / year of being in charge. This job is easy to learn, and Jack can teach you everything you need to help.

Any of these roles can be taken on a trial basis. Please consider stepping into one.

President's Message

David Vandebroek, President

Hi everyone, sorry for the late NL - it's been pretty crazy here. I enjoyed seeing everyone at the Spring Banquet, and hope we can continue the new tradition of having the banquet with gift plants at the June Member's meeting and election going forward. Thanks to everyone who brought food and plants and helped make the banquet a success!

In the next few months, I plan to send a survey to members to get their feelings about how the club is doing and collect opinions about what the members would like from the club. When you get the link, please fill it out and let the board know what you think.


We have our July Show coming up in just a few weeks! So mark your calendars for July 26-27 – we're going to need blooming plants and volunteers as always to show off our wonderful hobby to the people of San Diego.

Hope you're all well, and I'll see you Tuesday at the General meeting. Happy Growing!

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General Meeting, July 2, in person at Balboa Park, Casa del Prado Room 101, and on Zoom; 7:30 PM.

Carol Klonowski: Summer Blooming Phalaenopsis

SDCOS is happy to have Carol Klonowski back, this time to talk to us about Summer Blooming Phalaenopsis, with a focus on the Polychilos Section (fragrant Phals from Borneo and Malaysia)

Carol is a shared speaker with the Palomar Orchid Society and will speak to them on July 2 about the latest Phalaenopsis breeding trends from Taiwan

Carol has been growing orchids since the 1980's when a friend in Berkeley, California gave her a cattleya and it bloomed 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 hobby and passion ever since. She can recall going to monthly meetings where orchid legends such as the late Frank Fordyce would be available to answer the many questions an eager hobbyist could ask.

Carol is currently the President of the Orchid Society of California and a fully Accredited Judge with the American Orchid Society, California Sierra Nevada Judging Center. She is starting her tenure as a Trustee for the American Orchid Society and writes for Orchids Magazine.

Culture Class, 6:30 PM

Kay Klausing: Overview of Growing Orchids in Various Settings

Our new 2nd VP and Past President Kay Klausing will start by introducing the planned schedule for the culture classes with "fixed" yearly topics.

After that, he will discuss an "Overview of Growing Orchids in Various Settings" - this will be part of a series of growing orchids in various settings like terrarium, outdoors, greenhouse etc.



Neobenthamia gracilis
Min Teng

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Judging at the San Diego Judging Center
(Casa del Prado, Balboa Park),
June 2025, 6:30 PM.

Text by Jeanie Anderson. Photo by Maddiel Alpizar

There were 14 orchids presented for judging
and 8 orchids awarded.

Brassocattleya Heartland's Star Gary
Gordon AM 86

Cattleya Lacy Michelle Matherne Sunset
Valley Orchids FCC 93

Grammatocymbidium Pakket Nova Sunset
Valley Orchids AM 80

Masdevallia coccinea Avani CCM 83

Paphiopedilum tigrinum O'side's Amethyst
AM 83

Paphiopedilum urbanianum O'side's
Darkness HCC 76

Pescatoria Blueberry Muffin
MISSINGCLONALNAME AM 85

Renanthera Wynn McPheeters Camryn
Pederson AM 82

Please remember: judging starts promptly at
6:30, so please have your plants in before
then.



Cattleya Lacy Michelle Matherne
Sunset Valley Orchids

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Orchid Dates to Remember:

July 1

Main Speaker Dinner*: 5:45 PM

*See Main Speaker article for details.

July 1

SDCOS General Meeting

Culture Class: 6:30 PM; Program: 7:30 PM

First Tuesday of the month

Casa del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

Also broadcast via Zoom; meeting link to be emailed to members prior to meeting. For a nonmember to request a meeting invite, email president@sdorchids.com

July 1

AOS San Diego Judging Center

6:30 PM, first Tuesday of the month

Registration starts at 6 PM

Casa del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 104

July 2

Palomar Orchid Society Meeting

Society business at 4 PM; main program at 5

First Wednesday of the month

Carlsbad City Library

1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, CA 92011

July 3

SDCOS Board Meeting

First Thursday of the month, 7 PM

Zoom; for an SDCOS member to request a meeting invite, email

president@sdorchids.com

July 5

SDCOS Species Study Group Meeting

Socializing 8:30 AM, meeting 9:00 AM

First Saturday of the month

info@sdorchids.com

July 18-19

Cal-Orchid Summer Hummer

Friday and Saturday, 9 - 4. Closed Sunday.

<https://www.calorchid.com/>

July 26 - 27

SDCOS July Show



Cattleya warscewiczii f. coerulea
× *Cattleya tigrina f. coerulea*
Min Teng

2025-2026 Officers

President	David Vandenbroek
First Vice President	Vacant
Second Vice President	Kay Klausing
Secretary	Nate La Breche
Treasurer	Myra DeTate
Director at Large, to 2026	Sima Perkins
Director at Large, to 2027	Carey McCoy
Director-at-Large, to 2028	Barbara Mc Cubbin
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Board and General Meeting Minutes

The SDCOS Board meeting minutes are available to members upon request.

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Dracula gigas (L), *D. trigonopetala* (R)
Dracula Reserve, Ecuador



Dracula lemurella (L), *Lepanthes escifera* (R)
La Selva de Ventanas Reserve, Colombia

We hope you will join us in promoting this important work. We invite you to become a member of the OCA, to make a donation, to take a trip with us to see Orchids in the Wild®, and to purchase merchandise through our website. Since we have no paid staff, all proceeds support orchid conservation. The OCA is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation.

For more information: www.orchidconservationalliance.org

SDCOS Newsletter Notes

SDCOS welcomes newsletter contributions of articles and pictures from members.

To be included in the next issue, contributions should be sent to SDCOSNewsletter@gmail.com by end of day on the **second Friday of the month**.

Contributions that come in after the deadline can still be included in the following issue, so don't let missing the deadline stop you from sending things in.

For contributions of pictures, please include the correct, full name of the orchid being shown in the email text. Also, please do not submit more than 3 pictures per month (unless they're really good...). I will not be able to use every picture, but having a small library to choose from is helpful.

All the best,

David Vandenbroek
SDCOS Newsletter Editor

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