



POS News

The Palomar Orchid Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the understanding and cultivation of both hybrid and species orchids. We welcome members of all levels to join us for orchid fun and learning! Our mission is to promote interest in the appreciation of orchids and to provide an opportunity for their display and the exchange and dissemination of information relating to their culture.

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January Meeting • Wednesday, January 2, 2013 • 7 pm



Species Habitat and Hybrid Culture

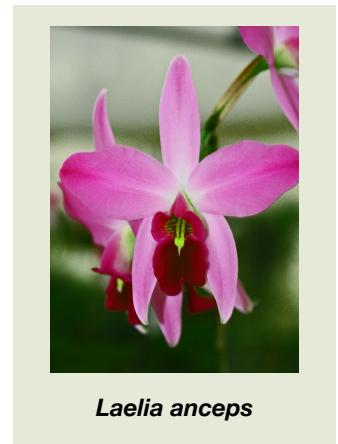
Alan Koch

We are delighted to welcome as our first speaker for the 2013 season Alan Koch of Gold Country Orchids in Lincoln, CA. Alan will talk on "Species Habitat and Hybrid Culture" and will teach both novice and advanced growers how to link the

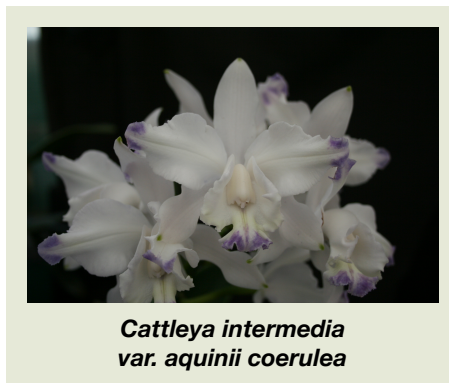
way a species grows in the wild with how to grow the species and it's associated hybrids in your collection. This program is strong on orchid culture and will help us improve the ability to grow and successfully bloom our own orchids. Alan will provide the plant table as well as offer additional plants for sale at the meeting.

In addition, Alan has offered to take pre-orders where members will receive a 20% discount and no costs for shipping. Just visit the Gold Country Orchids website (www.goldcountryorchids.com), make your selections, and enter the discount code GCOD (case sensitive) at the check-out. Under shipping, put "Ship to a Soci-

ety" and then under comments list "Palomar Orchid Society". Alan also has



Laelia anceps



Cattleya intermedia
var. aquinii coerulea

sent us a list of special limited plants he is making available to members (see list on page 3). If you are interested in any plants from this list, please send those orders to Alan via email (gcorchids@aol.com) or call him at the nursery at (916) 645-8600. The 20% discount also applies to the list.

Alan owns and operates Gold Country Orchids, where he specializes in miniature and compact Cattleyas. Alan started growing orchids in 1969 with 3 Cymbidi-

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a very wonderful Holiday Season and Happy New Year! I also trust that all your orchids are surviving the cold, wet onset of winter. Everyone should take solace that our winters are mild compared to other regions of the US and that spring is just around the corner for us.

With each January comes reflection on our personal successes of the past year as well as challenges for the next. POS is no exception. In 2012, we experienced many successes (fun caravans, productive auction, winning orchid display, informative speakers, great holiday party) thanks to the enthusiastic participa-

In closing, several members should be acknowledged for their recent achievements and awards. Kudos goes to Pat and Linda Rusnell who, in spite of their very busy schedules, did an excellent job again this year in organizing and conducting of our holiday party. Also well-deserved congratulations go to Helge Weissig, our 2012 Member of the Year, as well as to nominees, Cher Whelan, Maryanne Kind, Merle Robroy and Gil Ho. Those of you who attended the Holiday Party also know that Gil Ho received the Second Annual Orchid Digest Award of Excellence, which will be formally announced in Orchid Digest magazine (second 2013 issue, space permitting). I personally would like to thank Gil for his friendship, his many contributions and leadership of POS over the last 4 years. Hopefully, I will be able to live up to his example during my tenure as President for 2013.

Best wishes for a Happy New Year and Successful Growing Season,



Alex Nadzan
President, POS

tion of many of our officers, trustees and members. Since POS starts 2013 with all new officers and many new trustees, we will be addressing with renewed vigor the challenges of increasing membership, further improving participation, dealing with financial matters, location of future meetings and, in general, enhancing our society to serve the needs of our members and the orchid community. Accordingly, at the first meeting on January 2, I plan to solicit input from members on a variety of topics of importance in the upcoming year. This will be in the form of a brief survey and will take the place of the culture class, since our first speaker of the year, Alan Koch, will address numerous aspects of orchid culture in his talk entitled "Species Habitat and Hybrid Culture". As many of you know, Alan is an excellent speaker and renown expert on the Cattleya orchid alliance, thus his talk will be an event not to be missed. In addition to the survey, I welcome input from our members at any time via email (anadzan@mac.com), phone (760-753-6280) or in person. Feel free to contact me, as I am here to serve you.



Membership Report

Our newly elected 3rd Vice President and Membership Coordinator Cathy Belt filed the following report.

The Christmas Dinner was attended by 40 members and 5 guests. Thank you to Linda and Pat Rusnell for coordinating the dinner reservations, Estelle Hoffman as the official greeter, and Alex Nadzan

Snacks & Refreshments

This month, all members with last names beginning with A, B, C, D, E, F and G share at break time!

We appreciate everyone's effort in supplying our meeting with goodies. It makes for a great meeting all around!

Thank you!

for providing the beautiful blooming orchids direct from Hawaii.



Thank you to 22 members who have sent in their 2013 member renewals. If you have not done so, please send in your renewal form! Recognition goes to Don Rosenstock who has been a member since 1988.

Everyone who recently ordered a name badge, they are ready for pick up! Members don't forget to wear your name badges to the meetings.

Thank you to Amy Pulliman for her time to set up the new name badge format for digital printing. Also, a big Thank You to Clark Brinkman, a 25 year member, who recently retired from the name badge business and now enjoys life in Glide, Oregon.



Gold Country Orchids Limited Availability List

Plant	Description	Price
<i>Angraecum didieri</i>	Miniature species 2 inch BS	\$12.50
<i>Bulbophyllum tingabarinum</i>	Bright red-orange miniature BS	\$12.50
<i>Cattleya araguaensis</i>	Miniature species 2 inch BS	\$12.50
<i>Cattleya kerrii</i>	Miniature species very rare 2 inch NBS	\$15.00
<i>Cattleya lueddemanniana v. coerulea</i>	4 inch BS	\$25.00
<i>Ceratocentron fessellii x Tubecentron</i> Niu Girl	Orange miniature Vandaceous BS	\$12.50
<i>Ctna. Starrlyn</i>	Rose and lavender Mini-cat for the home BS	\$10.00
<i>Dendrobium lamyaiiae</i>	Orange miniature in bud	\$15.00
<i>Dendrobium oligophyllum</i>	Miniature species 2 inch BS	\$12.50
<i>Dendrobium tannii v. alba</i>	Miniature related to bracteosum BS	\$12.50
<i>Dyakia hendersoniana</i>	Fragrant mini Vanda 2 inch BS	\$20.00
<i>Laelia cinnabarina</i>	Sibling cross 2 inch BS	\$15.00
<i>Laelia flava</i>	Superb cross 2 inch BS	\$15.00
<i>Laelia harpophylla</i>	Great cross out of Brazil 2 inch BS	\$20.00
<i>Laelia milleri</i>	Sibling cross of the red form 2 inch BS	\$20.00
<i>Podangis dactyloceris</i>	Sibling cross 4 inch BS	\$20.00

If you are interested in any plants from this list, please send those orders to Alan via email at gcorchids@aol.com, or call the nursery at (916) 645-8600. Alan has offered a 20% discount on the prices listed to all POS members. Plants will be delivered to the meeting on January 2, 2013.

Upcoming Events

December 21, 2012

SD Zoo Orchid Odyssey
events.sandiegozoo.org

January 2, 2013

POS General Meeting
www.palomarorchid.org

January 3, 2013

Orchid Judging Center
Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
www.sdorchids.com

January 18, 2013

SD Zoo Orchid Odyssey
events.sandiegozoo.org

January 18 - 20, 2013

Paphiopedilum Guild Mtg. & Orchid Show
paphguild.weebly.com

January 19, 2013

Annual Orchid Auction
SD Cty. Cymbidium Society
orchldy2@mac.com
(760) 732 0055

January 19 & 20, 2013

SDCOS Winter Show In The Park
www.sdorchids.com

February 5, 2013

Orchid Judging Center
Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
www.sdorchids.com

February 6, 2013

POS General Meeting
www.palomarorchid.org

February 20, 2013

SDCCS General Meeting

Other Orchid Societies' Meetings

San Diego County Orchid Society

Meets First Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in Room 101 in the Casa del Prado of Balboa Park in San Diego
Bob Clark (858) 270-8352
bclark@sdorchids.com

San Diego Cymbidium Society

Regular meetings 3rd Wednesday of each month, September-June, 7pm, San Diego Botanic Garden, Ecke Building, 230 Quail Gardens Drive, Encinitas, CA 92024
Bill Wong (760) 931-0502
billtwong@att.net

December Judging Report

There were 12 orchids presented for judging. Ten awards were given, including two FCCs.



Cycd. Chiriqui 'SVO'
Exhibited by Fred Clarke
Awarded FCC/AOS 90 points



Cyc. Kevin Clarke 'SVO'
Exhibited by Fred Clarke
Awarded FCC/AOS 90 points



Fdk. After Dark 'Black Cherry Red'
Exhibited by Fred Clarke
Awarded AM/AOS 87 points



Fdk. After Midnight 'SVO'
Exhibited by Fred Clarke
Awarded AM/AOS 85 points



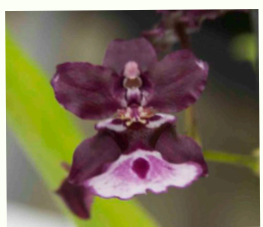
Cycd. John Naugle 'SVO'
Exhibited by Fred Clarke
Awarded AM/AOS 85 points



Cycd. John Naugle 'SVO II'
Exhibited by Fred Clarke
Awarded AM/AOS 81 points



Bulb. spathulatum 'Wind-flower'
Exhibited by Betty Kelepecz
Awarded AM/AOS 80 points



Onc. Green Valley Sweet 'Heavenly'
Exhibited by Helmut Rohrl
Awarded AM/AOS 80 points



Cyc. Spotted Hornet 'SVO II'
Exhibited by Fred Clark
Awarded AM/AOS 80 points



Ctsm. vinaceium 'SVO'
Exhibited by Fred Clarke
Awarded HCC/AOS 77 points

Concerning Judging Sessions

The Pacific South Judging Center conducts each month three judging sessions in the Los Angeles and San Diego area. They are:

San Diego

Balboa Park, Casa del Prado, room 104
1st Tuesday of the month at 6 pm

San Marino

Huntington Botanical Gardens
2nd Saturday of the month at 10 am

Long Beach

Whaley Park
4th Saturday of the month at 7 pm

Visitors, with or without plants, are welcome anytime. If a member of the POS wishes to have flowering plants judged at one of these sessions but is unable to take the plants to the judging facility, please contact one of the following AOS judges:

- Rohrl, Helmut (La Jolla)

(858) 452-0976

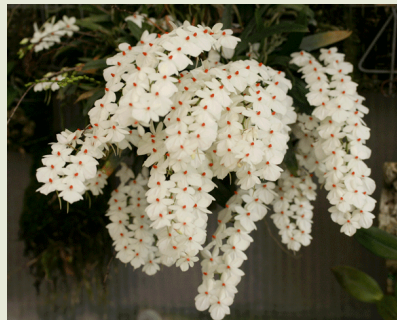
- Tuskes, Ann and Paul (Clairemont)
(858) 274-5829

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Alan Koch *cont.*

ums 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.

Alan is an internationally known speaker who is recognized as an expert in the



Aerangis luteo alba v. rhodasticta

Brazilian Cattleya Alliance and as trend-setter in miniature Cattleya breeding.

He has published in the Orchid Digest, the American Orchid Society magazine, as well as many International publications, including several proceedings of the World Orchid Conference. Alan 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. He served two terms on the Orchid Digest Executive Committee and Board of Directors, and is one of the current directors, as well as a Trustee for the AOS.

Palomar Orchid Society

Membership Application/Renewal

2013



Last **First** **Middle**

Street

City **State** **ZIP**

Phone

E-Mail Address

You will receive our monthly newsletter and other information. We will not share your e-mail address with anyone!

Individual Membership \$ 20.00

Family Membership \$ 25.00

General Fund \$ _____

Speaker Fund \$ _____

Name Badge (\$6.50 ea.) \$ _____

Other: \$ _____

Additional Family Member Names

Additional Family Member Names

\$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed

Make checks payable to **Palomar Orchid Society**

Please specify

Please bring the completed form and a check made out to Palomar Orchid Society to a meeting. Contact Cathy Belt at (760) 720-9424 for her mailing address.

Memberships are renewable annually. Dues are based on the calendar year January 1 through December 31 and are pro-rated on a quarterly basis for new members. When joining between October and December, please add the full dues for the following year.

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Amount enclosed _____

Cash

Date received _____

- Orchid Fair
- Flower Fields
- Auction
- Referral
- Newsletter
- Other

The Editor's Corner



Phew, the last finishing touches and the newsletter can go out... just in time before the world ends tomorrow.

This past year's meeting calendar for the society has been filled again with many educational, entertaining, and informative presentations. I want to take this space to thank Alex Nadzan for the thought, dedication, and persistence he has put into the speaker selection in 2012. One of my favorite talks happened to have been his own presentation on the hybridization and flasking. I know that Alex has big shoes to fill in regard to Gil Ho's long and successful service as president for POS, but I am sure that he is very much up to the task.

I would also like to thank everyone for bestowing the honor of Member of the Year on yours truly. It has been a lot of fun for me to help out where I could since joining the society a couple of years ago or so. To be recognized in this manner is a great compliment and I am very grateful for the recognition.

As always, I welcome any and all contributions to the newsletter or website. You can email them to newsletter@palomarorchid.org. The deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month.

Happy Growing!

POS Officers

Alex Nadzan — President

John Kidwell — 1st Vice President/Programs

Terri Lofthouse — 2nd Vice President/Raffle

Cathy Belt — 3rd Vice President/Membership

Sandi Sandquist — Secretary

TBD — Treasurer

Merle Robboy, Renate Schmidt,

Warren Stehle — 2nd Year Trustees

Carl Lofthouse, Patti Nelson, Vidya Sirsi — 1st Year Trustees

Helge Weissig — Newsletter & Website Editor

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