



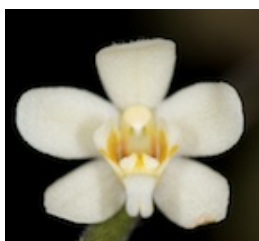
POS News

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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President's Message

Alex Nadzan writes about the recent caravan and the County Fair exhibit put together by Lisa Humphreys and Nico Goosens.

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June Judging Results

Phyllis Prestia filed her report on the June orchid judging session. Those sessions are held monthly before the SDCOS meeting in Balboa Park.

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Gems from the Last Meeting

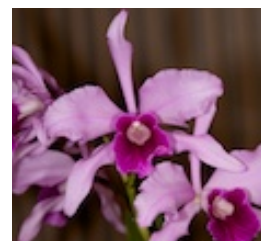
Bruce Kidd gave a highly entertaining and educating presentation on his travels in Thailand and orchid preservation there.

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Calendar of Events

The summer months are typically slow but there are several interesting meetings as well as open houses on the schedule.

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July Meeting • Wednesday, July 2, 2014 • 6:30 pm



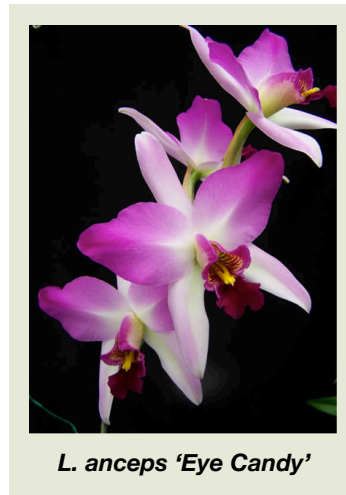
James Rose

Laelias of Mexico

We are very fortunate to have James Rose of Cal-Orchid, Santa Barbara return to POS to speak on 'Laelias of Mexico'. Although the genus *Laelia* was at one time a very large group including plants from Mexico, Central America, and Brazil, today's taxonomists have, rightly or wrongly, reduced the genus to a small group of 11 species all of which are en-

demically to Mexico. These plants vary from the quite common (ex. *Laelia anceps*) to some of which are very rarely seen in collections. The flowers and plants are quite variable and all exhibit a classic beauty associated with other members of the *Cattleya* group. All of these species are unique and have considerable worth in horticulture. Many have great potential in producing new hybrids. James' lecture will deal mostly with the variability of the many flowers and the habitats and conditions from which they grow. Hopefully, we can all share some knowledge in the wonderful world of Orchids. Cal-Orchid also will provide the plant table.

James attended University of California, Santa Barbara as an anthropology major.



L. anceps 'Eye Candy'

In 1971 he began working at Santa Barbara Orchid Estate. After 16 years there, and becoming manager, he left to establish his own nursery with his wife, Lauris. In 1987 they purchased Orchids By Rowe, a 2 acre cymbidium nursery 2 blocks from the Pacific Ocean in 1987, and totally redesigned the former cymbidium cut flower range to what is now a world renowned orchid nursery providing one of the largest varieties of orchid species and hybrids in the U.S.



Laelia gouldiana

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June was an eventful month for a number of reasons. We managed to avoid a repeat of the nasty heat and wild fires experienced in May as well as avoiding the annual June gloom. We had a very successful caravan thanks to the hosting of Merle Robboy and Jerry and Anita Spencer, who gave members some new ideas on how to configure our growing areas. Several of us also participated in the orchid events at the San Diego County Fair, which hopefully will garner some new members. Clearly there was considerable interest by the attendees at the excellent exhibit created by Nico Goosens and Lisa Humphreys and with the aid of members of our three San Diego Orchid Societies. There are still few days in late June and through July 6 for members to volunteer at the Fair. Please see the June newsletter for Nico's contact info.

Personally, I have been very busy preparing my orchid collection for their move to our new home in Oceanside. One does not realize how addicting the orchid hobby can be until you have to relocate all the plants accumulated over the last 12 plus years. Hopefully I will have some extras for the silent auction this month.

We are very fortunate to host James Rose of Cal Orchid as our featured speaker for July. James is a highly experienced orchid veteran who never fails to entertain and inform us on how to grow orchids. He will speak on 'Laelias of Mexico' and will provide the plant table. As many of you know, Mexican orchids grow very well in our climate and I am

sure James will give us some valuable tips on how to grow them to perfection. It is a meeting not to be missed.

Finally, the POS board continues to encourage 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 the board and I are here to serve you.

Happy Growing,



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James Rose cont.

Cal-Orchid maintains an active breeding program and stud collection built upon decades of international travel. James is very well known for having a distinctively selective 'eye' for the new unusual plant, and Cal-Orchid's new and long-time customers enjoy reaping the benefits.

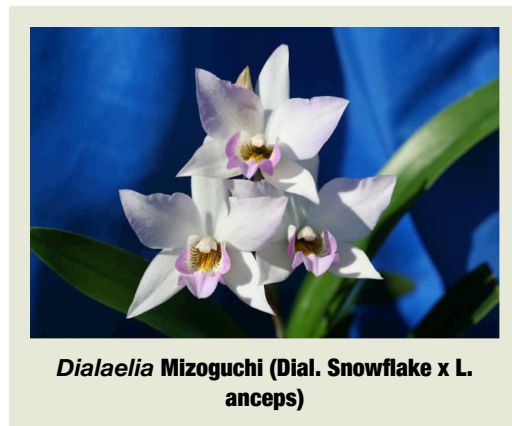
The nursery's inventory features the Cattleya, Cymbidium, Odontoglossum, Masdevallia, Lycaste, Paphiopedilum alliances as well as a good assortment of African species. James and Lauris have become recognized for their superior 'Pacific' line of reedstem Epidendrums, which have evolved over 12 years of selective breeding and have garnered awards around the world.

James has published in the AOS, Orchid Digest, and CSA magazines, and is well respected for his vast knowledge as well as his distinctive sense of humor. He lectures all over the world...from Japan to South Africa, to Europe, at orchid shows and World Orchid Conferences.

He is a Cymbidium Society of America Judge, former member of the AOS Conservation Committee, and active member of the Japan Grand Prix Organizing committee where he has judged every year at the world famous Tokyo Dome.

June Judging Report

There were 5 orchids presented for judging. One was awarded.

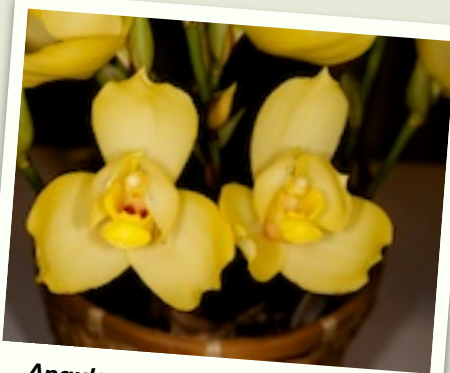


Snacks & Refreshments
This month, all members with last names beginning with **T through C** share at break time!
We appreciate everyone's effort in supplying our meeting with goodies. It makes for a great meeting all around!
Thank you!

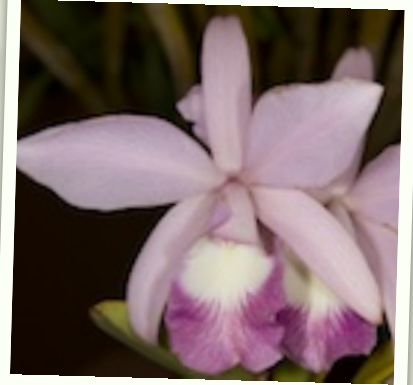
Gems From The Last Meeting



Bruce Kidd



Angulocaste Olympus 'Chad's Ford'
Alex Nadzan



Lc. Loveknot var. coerulea 'Pheasant Ridge' – Alex Nadzan



Paph. Memoria Gordon Peters – John Hagee



Greetings to Thailand



Paphiopedilum thaianum – John Hagee



Tolumnia variegata
Nico Goosens



Dendrobium chryso-toxum var. suavissimum
Merle Robboy



Sarcochilus Mavis
Helge Weissig



Phrag. Eric Young (besseae x longifolium)
Nico Goosens

Photos by Helge Weissig - full album at www.palomarorchid.org

General Meeting Information

The Palomar Orchid Society regularly meets the **FIRST WEDNESDAY** of every month at the Pavilion at Lake San Marcos (1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078).

Traveling on State Route 78, take the Rancho Santa Fe exit and head South. The entrance to

the Lake San Marcos Resort is on your left about a 1/4 mile South of the San Marcos Blvd. intersection. Traveling on I5 South from Oceanside and North Carlsbad, take the Palomar Airport exit and turn right onto Rancho Santa Fe after about 7 miles. Traveling North on I5 from South Carlsbad and Encinitas, for example, take the La Costa Ave. exit and turn left onto Rancho Santa Fe. The entrance to the

resort will be the first right after the fire station in San Marcos.

Inside the resort at the first "T" intersection, turn left on San Marino Drive. At the next 4-way STOP, turn right on La Bonita Drive. Proceed ahead for one block on La Bonita. The pavilion will be on the left and there is parking in front of the pavilion.

The Editor's Corner



It seems that we have hit the slow news season and you may have noticed that this month's POS News is rather thin. Truth be told though, the newsletter contributions I receive every month typically come from two individuals only: Phyllis Prestia contributes the judging section and Alex Nadzan writes pretty much every other standing feature, including the speaker bio and his president's message. I do what I can to fill in the holes (the slow news season is called the *Sommerloch* or *summer hole* in Germany, coincidentally), but in between hunting down various orchid-related events and editing the pictures from the last meeting, my time is typically stretched rather thin.

So, what can you do to help, you ask? Well, it's easy, really: send me a short article on how you got your favorite orchid to bloom for the first time, for example. Include a picture, and voila, you too can be a published author in a reputable print and online newsletter! Our editorial staff will gladly accept anything remotely orchid related. We'll even transcribe handwritten notes, if that's what it takes!

As always (!), your contributions to the newsletter or website are very welcome. Please email them to newsletter@palomarorchid.org.

Happy Growing!

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Upcoming Events

July 1, 2014
 Orchid Judging Center
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
www.sdorchids.com

July 2, 2014
 POS General Meeting
 James Rose
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
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July 11 - 13, 2014
 Santa Barbara Orchid Estate
 Summer Open House
www.sborchid.com

Cal-Orchid
 Summer Sale Weekend
www.calorchid.com

July 18, 2014
 Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
www.sandiegozoo.org

August 5, 2014
 Orchid Judging Center
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
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August 6, 2014
 POS General Meeting
 Phyllis Prestia
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
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August 15, 2014
 Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
www.sandiegozoo.org

September 2, 2014
 Orchid Judging Center
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting
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September 3, 2014
 POS General Meeting
 TBD
 Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

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September 17, 2014
 SDCCS General Meeting

September 19, 2014
 Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
www.sandiegozoo.org



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
membership@sdorchids.com

San Diego Cymbidium Society
 Regular meetings 3rd Wednesday of each month, September-June, 7pm, Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
 1105 La Bonita Dr.
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