



Tidewater Orchid Society

May 2023 Newsletter



President's Message

Hello Members!

Last month you heard from Dr. Harry Gallis on the various American Orchid Society resources available and orchid growing. A big thank you to Dori Iwanowski for hosting the meeting in my absence. There was a great turnout at our interim venue at the Virginia Tech Agriculture Research and Extension Center (AREC). We will continue to hold meetings at the AREC until our normal location at the Norfolk Botanical Gardens becomes available again. I've included the AREC map/directions below for your reference.

Our next meeting, the last of this term, will be our member auction and potluck picnic on June 4th at 1:00 instead of 2:00.

Member Auction! This is a fantastic time to shake up your collection by auctioning off duplicates or excess plants and picking up new orchids. For the auction, all sales will be split 75% to the member and 25% to the Society. This is a win-win for both the Society and the members. Any plants you wish to auction off should be clean of bugs. We will accept orchids with tags or without tags. Please provide a list of plants in advance to Jamie Krochmal and Bert Bennett; this will assist us greatly in tracking the sales. We will be able to accept cash, check, and now credit cards for a small fee. Come on out and see what your fellow members have for sale!!

For the picnic, please bring a dish to share. Feel free to bring snacks, salads, main dishes, sides or desserts. Hospitality Committee will provide paper goods and drinks.

2022-2023 Schedule

6/4: Picnic and Auction
8/27: Luanne Ethridge – (Zoom)
10/1: Mary Gerritsen
11/5: Jean Stefanik, AOS Accredited Judge
12/3: Awards Banquet

Officers

President Sandra Cross
Vice President Dori Iwanowski
Secretary Louise Roesser
Treasurer Barbara MacKechnie
Past President Bert Bennett

Trustees

2020-2023 – Pat Coderre, Roberta Lewis
2021-2024 – Peney Williams, Richard Palley
2022-2025 – Jamie Krochmal, Judy Hyszczak

Volunteers

AOS Rep Louise Roesser
Auction Jamie Krochmal, Bert Bennett
Budget Barbara MacKechnie
Conservation Richard Palley
Door Prize Nell Drees
Education Patsy Temple, Ken Peterson
Table Judging Frank Drew, Bert Bennett
Exhibits Don Greaser
Historian Jeanette Spreeman,
Hospitality Pat Coderre, Judy Hyszczak
Library Kathy Greaser
Membership Patsy Temple, Peney Williams
Newsletter Ellen Hansen
Program Dori Iwanowski
Publicity Dori Iwanowski
Sales Table Dorothy Gilliam, Peggy Rogers, Roseann Wade
Sunshine Cynni & Red Taylor
Webmaster Paul Chung

Before the auction, we will take time to induct the TOS officers for next term. Because we are having an auction, both the show table and sales table will be CLOSED. Please arrive before 1:00 if you are bringing plants for the auction.

*****VENUE CHANGE*****

VA Tech AREC located at 1444 Diamond Springs Road. The AREC is located not far from the NBG near the intersection of Northampton Boulevard (Route 13) and Diamond Springs Road. There will be plenty of parking at this location to accommodate the TOS members. The VA Tech AREC is the same location where the Beginners Classes are held.

Happy growing!
Sandra

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Minutes
May 7, 2023

The May membership meeting was brought to order by Vice President Dori Iwanowski at 2:00pm at the Virginia Tech Agricultural Research and Extension Center (AREC). Dori explained the reason for the venue change and noted that we will be meeting at the VT AREC until notified by the Norfolk Botanical Garden for us to return.

Our next meeting on June 4th will be our potluck picnic and member plant auction. Members should bring clean plants to sell. Members receive 75% of the proceeds and the TOS receives 25%.

The next Beginner's Class will be on Saturday, May 13th at Frank Drew's greenhouse. The topic is repotting.

Dori introduced our speaker, Dr. Harry Gallis.

Raffle tickets were drawn and there were three lucky members to receive a new orchid plant.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:13pm.
Minutes submitted by Louise Roesser

Thinking of joining the AOS (American Orchid Society)? There are many benefits to joining.
Here are a few:

- **Monthly Orchid Magazine** which includes great articles & a gallery of AOS awarded plants
- **Webinars** are internet-connected audiovisual presentations from industry experts which you can view live or later at your leisure.
- **OrchidPro (95k+ photos)** a program which includes the history & description of many awarded plants
 - **Save** a minimum of 5% from top 50 orchid vendors
 - **Popular Orchid Care Articles**
 - **And More**

The AOS supports educational opportunities, orchid conservation & research & world-class awards & judging system. Our goal is to promote the appreciation of orchids, the American Orchid Society delivers the most up-to-date, accurate, educational information about orchid culture and sponsors research and conservation initiatives to improve the outlook for orchids around the globe.

Membership levels are: Gold \$81 (one year) \$162 (2years) includes online + print magazine OR Silver \$54 (one year) \$108 (2 years) includes online magazine only. For more information go to aos.org.



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Would you like photos of your flowering orchids included in the monthly newsletter photo gallery?

Please email your photos as an attachment to Ellen Hansen. Refer to your roster for the email address.

Please remember to include your name and your plant's name. Thank you!

Tidewater Orchid Society Informal Table Judging Results

Date: 7 May, 2023

I. *Cattleya* Alliance

- 1) *C. purpurata* var. *cinderosa* x *self* Brandt Moran
- 2) *Encyclia Cordigera* x *Pyriiformis* Louise Roesser
- 3) *C. skinneri* 'Debbie' Brandt Moran

II. *Cypripedium* Alliance

- 1) *Phrag. Peruflorea's Spirit* Ellen Hansen
- 2) *Phrag. Jason Fischer* Brandt Moran

III. *Vanda* Sub-Alliance

- 1) *Ascocentrum curvifolium* Jamie Krochmal

IV. *Phalaenopsis* Sub-Alliance

- 1) *Phal. Hybrid* Jamie Krochmal

V. *Oncidium* Alliance

- 1) *Onc. Aloha Iwanaga* Brandt Moran

IX. *Species other than the above*

- 1) *Ascocentrum ampullaceum* Jamie Krochmal
- 2) *Pleurothallis tribuloides* Jamie Krochmal

TOS Members Meeting held 7 May, 2023 at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Extension site in Norfolk, VA. Photo credits to Brandt Moran.





Our speaker, Dr. Harry Gallis



Show Table



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This is Ailin Harpole, and her grandparents were active in TOS; from the date on the placard, that would be 1988! There was a TOS Show at the Pemboke Mall back then.

