



CFOS Newsletter

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE CAPE FEAR ORCHID SOCIETY



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JULY BRINGERS

(WHO BRINGS SNACKS)

If you have not signed up to supply snacks at an upcoming meeting, please see Christine Brueck. Remember to clean up the area you were sitting in and see where else needs attention. Thanks.



NEXT MEETING

7:00 PM WED JULY 13

NC Cooperative Extension
and ARBORETUM
6206 Oleander Dr,
Wilmington NC 28403

6:30 Doors Open for Plant
Sales and Show Table
set up

7:00 Meeting Starts. Matt
Woisin is our speaker.
He is the owner
operator of *GreenSpirit
Hydrogardens* in
Wilmington. He will
present "Hydroponics
101 for Orchids."

CLUB OFFICERS

President: John Wetherington
Vice President:
Treasurer: Laura Overstreet
Secretary: Linda Swanson
AOS Rep: April Saas
Member at Large: Kat
McGrath
Past President: Pam
Layne



Minutes General Meeting - June 15, 2022

President Wetherington welcomed guests and new member Vic Fredericksen.

President Wetherington explained that the minutes to the last meeting had been published in the newsletter. As there were no issues or comments the minutes were accepted by affirmation.

Treasurer Overstreet summarized the Treasurer's report which was accepted by affirmation. Proceeds from the May raffle were up again. The President and Treasurer complimented Paula Paye on the increased profitability of the raffle.

The Treasurer's report was accepted.

John showed the notebook that had been left behind at a past meeting. It is a blue spiral about 6 x 8. Contact Pam Layne to claim it.

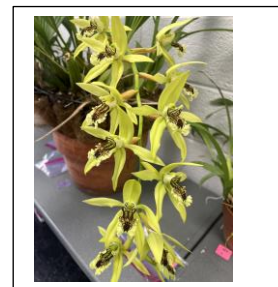
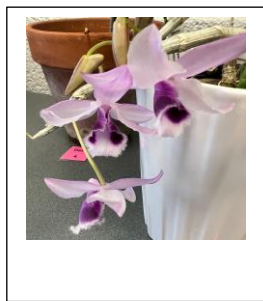
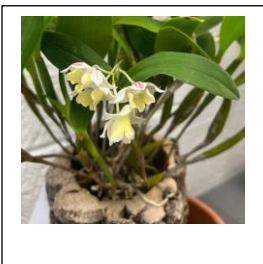
If you ordered a seedling of Mem. Carol Shores, please pay Pam Layne as soon as possible.

The President explained that a change is being made to streamline the meetings. The Show Table Talk will be held before the break and the raffle and winner announcements after.

The June speaker is Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Swanson, Recording Secretary



All pictures by the editor
except as noted

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer is upon us, days are heating up, and the sun is getting hot. I think a couple of my Vandas were sun burned last week. I thought I had acclimated them to the bright sunlight properly - evidently not. Vandas like bright light, but not full sunlight. That's the rookie lesson for this month. As the 'curator' of my own 'gallery' of orchids, I'm still learning.

The next meeting will be July 13th. Our speaker will be Matt Woisin, the owner of *GreenSpirit Hydrogardens* on Market Street. He will be speaking about hydroponics for orchids."

John Wetherington-

President, Cape Fear Orchid Society

Fred Clarke, June Speaker



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American Orchid Society Representative

McHatton's Monthly Multitude

In last month's newsletter, I mentioned Educational Webinars as one of the perks offered by the AOS. Although there are many Members Only presentations, each month they offer an opportunity that is OPEN TO ALL to "Grow Your Knowledge" with the help of the expertise of Dr. Ron McHatton, AOS Chief Education and Science Officer and Editor. He is a jewel of a resource.

His monthly webinars vary. Occasionally, he will present a "Greenhouse Focus" on a certain topic. The three most recent focus topics presented include Mounting Orchids, Pots and Media, and Repotting Orchids. Most "Greenhouse Chats" are true Q & A sessions with questions coming from our fellow growers. From diseases and pests to growth issues and seasonal necessities, he tackles many of the practical issues that we all face.

If you have not seen one of these webinars, you owe it to yourself (as an orchid enthusiast) to watch one. It will entice you to watch another.

If you are an experienced grower that has watched many of Dr. McHatton's presentations, I challenge you to quiz yourself. Do you know the answers to the questions? If you don't learn something new (and there usually is SOMETHING), the extent of your knowledge is reinforced. Confidence, as a grower, is important.

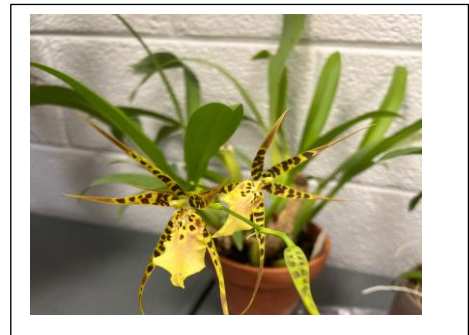
The motto for these webinars is "YOUR questions. EXPERT answers." Dr. McHatton is always accepting questions and, if he doesn't use your question in his presentation, will answer you directly.

The next "Greenhouse Chat: Q & A" is July 19 @ 830pm.

Questions for this month's webinar will be accepted through July 17 (submit to greenhousechat@aos.org).

To register to view these webinars visit

<http://www.aos.org>



INTRODUCING OUR JUNE SPEAKER

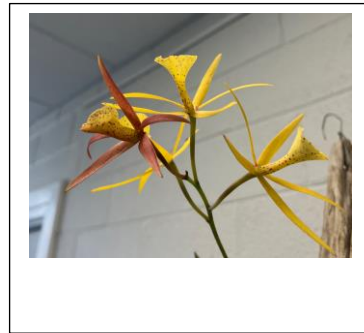
Matt Woisin

“Our goal at **GreenSpirit Hydrogardens** is to unlock the mysteries of hydroponic and urban gardening, ultimately making these the mainstream methods of growing.

With many years of hydroponic gardening under our belt, coupled with expert knowledge of products and equipment, we sincerely believe in giving the best customer service possible.

We feature the very best in hydroponics, indoor plant lighting, organics, climate control, and advanced media. GreenSpirit Hydrogardens: for the indoor gardener who knows no seasonal boundaries.”

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



Nice to Know About....

AOS Webinars

Sunday July 17 @ 2:30 pm

Michael Tibbs. Conservation of Orchids in Rwanda.

Members Only

Tuesday, July 19 @ 8:30pm

Greenhouse Chat, Orchid Q&A w/ Ron McHatton

Open to All

INTERESTING WEB PAGE

<https://www.osgb.org.uk/>

MEET OUR MEMBERS WITH A FUN FACT

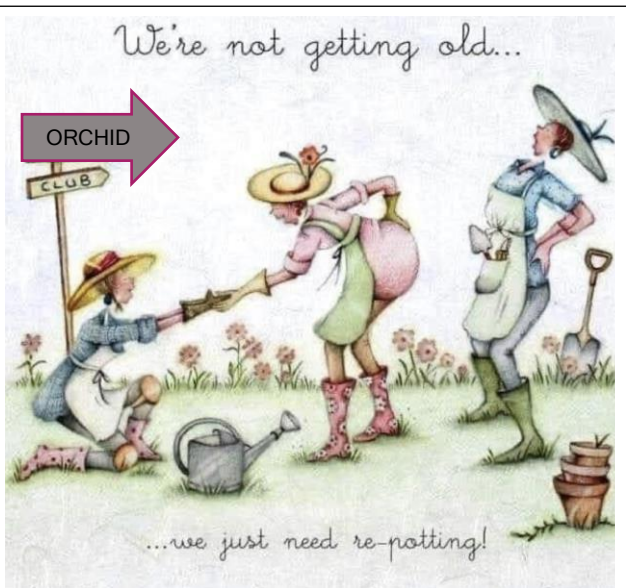


Meet Grace Manker. Grace worked as a graphic designer in Cincinnati, OH

UPCOMING MEETINGS

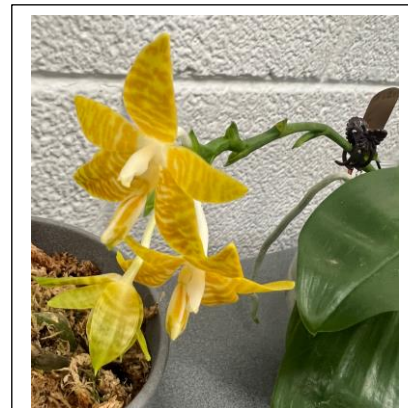
August 10 - Mark Reinke, Marble Branch Farms
September 14 - Taras, Toronto, CA

ORCHID HUMOR



CFOS COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

- AOS Representative - April Tobiassen Saas
- Webmaster - Andrew Price
- Newsletter Editor - Kat McGrath
- Hospitality Chair - Christine Brueck
- Big Blooming Orchid Day - Laura Overstreet
- Program Chair - Pam Layne
- Publicity Chair - Christine Brueck
- Show Table Coordinator - Jane Ranney
- Raffle Table - Paula Paye
- Auditor - Martha Conner



ALL ABOUT THE RAFFLE

PAULA PAYE

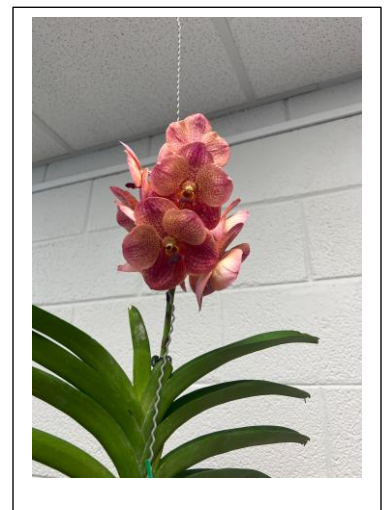
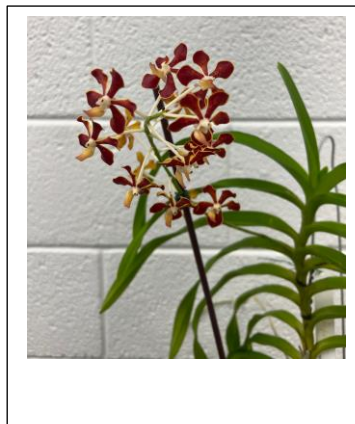
Wow! What an amazing raffle table our members created for June! So many wonderful plants and supplies from which to choose!

Many thanks to Liz Henry for 4 healthy Vandas. John and Nancy generously donated a lovely and large Fiddleleaf Fig tree as well as potting supplies. Rebecca Taylor was the lucky winner of the Fig tree. Rebecca also donated a beautiful hand painted orchid pot from Spain that now resides my house. Thank-you to Kelly Smith for the mini Phalaenopsis.

Also, my apologies to the donor of the *Cataseum Fredclarkeara* 'After Dark', as the 'Donated by' tag was misplaced. Please see me at the July meeting so I can add your information in the next newsletter. Bob Heinisch was the winner of the *Cataseum*. Lastly, Fred Clark, our speaker donated two *Cattleya* seedlings. Part of his topic was being the Curator of your Orchid Collection with an emphasis on updating and rotating your collection. Maybe you have an orchid that under performs in your environment, or you have multiples, or your interests have simply changed. Please consider donating to the raffle table as you update your Orchid collection!



June Raffle Table



CFOS Show Table Winners June 2022

Best in Show Table - Standard Size Plants (over 10 inches tall or wide)

	<u>Plant</u>	<u>Owner</u>
Standard Size Best in Show Table -		
Coelogyne South Carolina		Karen & Steve Tobiassen
Second	Dendrobium N.O.I.D. Purple	Joyce Pennock

Class Winners - Standard Size

Cattleya/Br/LC alliance		
First	LC Akiko Sato 'Volcano Queen'	Paula Paye
Second	C Lueddemanii 'Arthur Chadwick' x C.Sans Souci	Karen & Steve Tobiassen
Dendrobium		
First	Den. N.O.I.D. Purple	Joyce Pennock
Second	Den. S/ pink x rhodopterygium	Kelly Smith
Encyclia/Epidendrum/Maxillaria		
First	Epc. Mikawa Prime	Kelly Smith
Miltonia Alliance		
First	Milt. Leopard Glo	Joyce Pennock
Oncidium/Odon/Brassia Alliance		
First	Onc. N.O.I.D.	Bob Heinisch
Phalanopsis		
First	Phil. Amboinensis	Kelly Smith
Second	Phal. N.O.I.D.	Grace Manker
Unusual Rare		
First	Coelogyne South Carolina	Karen & Steve Tobiassen
Vanda/Ascocendra/Aerides Alliance		
First tie	Van mariae	Paula Paye
	Van Thanglor x sanderiana x Pranerm Prai #269	Paula Paye

Best in Show Table - Miniature to Small Size Plants (under 10 inches wide or tall)

Miniature to Small Size Best in Show Table -

Neofinitia falcata x se;f **Pamela Lane**

Class Winners - Miniature to Small Size

Neofinitia All Mini
 First Neof. Falcate x self Pamela Lane

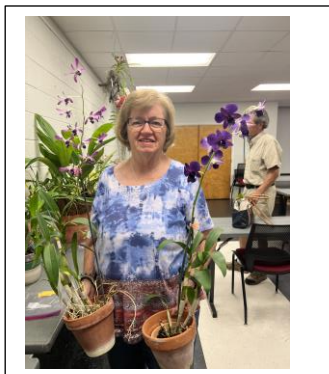
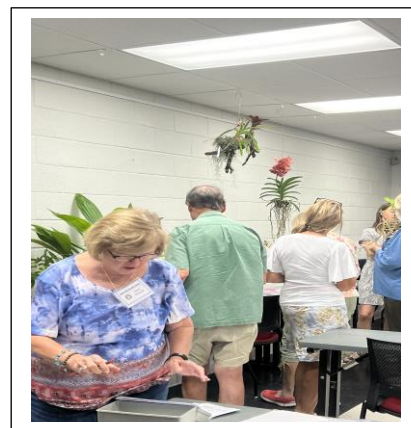
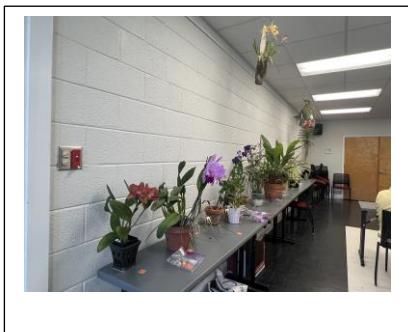


photo courtesy Pam Layne

SHOW TABLE POINTS

Show Table results tabulated and reported each month by Jane Ranney.

Member	Previous	June	Total
Christine Brueck	23		23
Karen Carson	5		5
Laura Elliott	43		43
Barb Flynn	30		30
Bob Heinisch		10	10
Jonathan Ibasco	60		60
Jim Lanier	15	5	20
Pam Layne	76	20	96
Grace Manker	8	8	16
Kat McGrath	10		10
Brandy Morris	18		18
Laura Overstreet	16		16
Paula Paye	146	20	166
Joyce Pennock	64	20	84
Jane Ranney	20		20
Jeannie Richardson	5		5
Fritz Rhode	18		18
Carol Shores	8		8
Kelly Smith	41	18	59
Rebecca Taylor	8		8
Steve & Karen Tobiassen	83	23	106
John & Nancy Wetherington	44		44



Media Release too interesting not to pass along

Raleigh's Juniper Level Botanic Garden will open two summer weekends – July 15-17 & July 22-24



Juniper Level Botanic Garden – Courtesy Robert B Butler

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA – Juniper Level Botanic Garden, a 28-acre educational, research, and display garden gifted to NC State University by Tony and Anita Avent, will open two weekends this summer for self-guided tours, plant purchases, and free gardening walks and talks with the experts.

Open Garden dates are July 15-17 and July 22-24. There is no admission fee. Hours are 8 AM-5 PM Friday and Saturday and 1-5 PM on Sunday. For GPS directions, input 9241 Sauls Road in Raleigh.

“On Open Garden days at 10 AM and 2 PM, we offer our visitors a brief *Gardening Unplugged* walk and talk with an expert focusing on specific areas of interest or concern in the garden,” said Tony Avent, founder and proprietor. “This series is free, part of our educational

outreach, and no reservations are required. Just check the schedule, find your topic of interest, and meet at the welcome tent.

“I’m happy to share that Dr. Patrick McMillan, one of our *Gardening Unplugged* experts, is also our newest team member at Juniper Level Botanic Garden. His amazing journey includes Director of Heronswood Gardens in Washington. Prior to that, Patrick was Director of the South Carolina Botanical Garden and Professor of Environmental Sustainability at Clemson. In addition, he was the Emmy Award-winning host of the renowned PBS series, Expeditions with Patrick McMillan. He is a highly respected botanist/naturalist who has won far too many awards to mention.

“I’ve known Patrick for 30 years, going back to his days as a student at UNC-Chapel Hill, and long before he became a legend in the plant world,” added Avent.

2022 Gardening Unplugged Schedule (meet at the welcome tent – no reservations)

- Friday, July 15 - 10:00 AM: Shade Gardening (Tony Avent, Proprietor)
- Friday, July 15 - 2:00 PM: Cacti & Succulents (Vince Schneider, CV: NC Museum of Natural Sciences)
- Saturday, July 16 - 10:00 AM: Agaves in the Garden (Zac Hill, Plant Records Specialist/Taxonomist)
- Saturday, July 16 - 2:00 PM: Friend or Foe in the Garden – (Kevin Stephens, Outdoor Insect and Pest Management and Plant Health)
- Sunday, July 17 - 2:00 PM: Preparing Potted Plants for Planting (Dr. Patrick McMillan)
- Friday, July 22 - 10:00 AM: Pollinators in the Garden (Meghan Fidler, Ph.D.)
- Friday, July 22 - 2:00 PM: Ex-Situ Conservation (Dr. Patrick McMillan)
- Saturday, July 23 - 10:00 AM: Establishing Tropicals (Bill Reynolds, Entomologist)
- Saturday, July 23 - 2:00 PM: Fragrant Plants (Dr. Patrick McMillan)
- Sunday, July 24 - 2:00 PM: Sounds in the Garden (Bill Reynolds, Entomologist)

Established in 1986 on a two-acre plot 12 miles south of downtown Raleigh, not-for-profit Juniper Level Botanic Garden has grown into a 28-acre conservation and inspiration garden whose mission is to discover, grow, study, propagate, and share the world's flora. "Currently, we have just over 27,000 different kinds of plants," said Avent. "That makes our botanic garden one of the top five collections in the United States."

Fundraising efforts for Juniper Level Botanic Garden (tax ID 56-6000756) operate under the auspices of The Endowment Fund of North Carolina State University, a 501(c)3 non-profit. Donors receive an official receipt for contributions to the fund.

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