November 2021

CVIOS Newsletter

CVIOS Central Vancouver Island **Orchid Society**



Suzanne C





President's Message

I hope that you and your families are not experiencing hardship due to these extreme weather conditions. It's a good excuse to stay home and concentrate on what your orchids are doing. Hopefully, you're seeing many flower spikes and blossoms this time of year. I am thrilled to see so many spikes on my plants this year - I believe the time outside during the summer and early fall did the trick - my Christmas should be colourful.

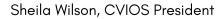
We had a good visit to Paramount Orchids and got to wander and dream of having a huge collection of gorgeous plants! Even with the loss of many plants during the heat bomb, they had a very large selection. I think each of us found a special plant or two (or more) to add to our collections, thanks to Paramount for making this possible. Don't forget the Christmas party on the 5th, we hope to see you there. Best wishes for the holiday season, however you celebrate.

Dec 5 - CVIOS Christmas Potluck Lunch

Jan 16 - January General Meeting - Speaker TBA

Feb 20 - February General Meeting - Speaker TBA

Mar 4 - 6 - CVIOS Annual Orchid Show and Sale "Spring Treasures"





Monthly Meetings

CVIOS meetings are normally held once per month September to June on Sunday at the North Oyster Community Center, 13467 Cedar Road, 11:30 to 2:30. Typically there is a brief business meeting starting at 12pm. Following is a display of plants brought in by members, a coffee break, prize draw and a featured presentation or demonstration. There is a sales table where orchid supplies and plants can be purchased.

At this time, the following Covid precautions are in place:

- Masks will be mandatory for anyone attending
- Hand sanitizer will be available
- We suggest bringing your own camp chairs, etc. unless you want to disinfect their chairs afterwards.
- We will allow food donations for lunch, however anyone who prefers to bring their own food is certainly welcome to do so. Tea and coffee will be provided.

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CVIOS Executive 2021/2022

President: Sheila Wilson Past President: Dora Glover Vice President: Leslie Milne Treasurer & AOS Chair: Darlene Rathwell Secretary: Suzanne Currie Membership: Bernard Kespe Plant Sales Table: Judy Russell Library: Michael DeLeur Refreshments: Laurie Forbes Publicity and Programs: Valerie Melanson Newsletter and Website: Melanie Norris Director At Large: Alexey Tretyakov

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Announcements:

- Welcome to our newest member, Samantha C. We are happy to welcome you to the Island!
- Thank you to the Victoria Orchid Society for inviting us to join their November 22 presentation Justin Dunning offered a great presentation on carnivorous plants.
- Thank you to the Portland Orchid Society for inviting us to join the November 23 online presentation "Exploring for Himalayan Orchids" with Dr. Naresh Swami
- Thank you to Chuck from Paramount Orchids for welcoming the CVIOS to the Paramount greenhouses for an afternoon of orchid shopping on November 21.
- Thank you to Leslie, Valerie and Bernie who have stepped in to help with some of the secretary duties while Suzanne has had other commitments. We look forward to seeing Suzanne again in December/January.
- Melanie will be posting the award winners from the November 13th AOS Western Canada Judging Centre meeting on the CVIOS blog when available, as the results have not been shared at this time.
- Thank you to everyone who have renewed their CVIOS membership. 2020/2021 memberships have now expired so please renew as soon as possible if you have yet to do so.



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Announcements (con't)

- Darlene and the rest of the Show Committee have been busy preparing the program and invitations for the participants to the 2022 Annual Show and Sale, happening March 4-6, 2022 at the Nanaimo North Town Centre. The CVIOS website (www.CVIOS.org) now has a page dedicated to the show so you can keep up to date as details become available.
- Volunteers will be needed for a variety of duties so if you are able to contribute a few hours that weekend, please save the date.
- The CVIOS will have a display of orchids so keep your eyes out for potential entries.



November Show Table



- 1. Onc. Heaven Scent "Rainbow" Suzanne C.
- 2. Onc. varicose Alexey T.
- 3. Den. LaevifoliumValerie M.
- 4. Den. Lawesii Brian I.
- 5. Mps. Venus Suzanne C.



Show table photos courtesy of Alexey Tretyakov









November Show Table (cont)



- 6. Stelis Tarantula Valerie M.
- 7. Cattianthe Faikon Ball Valerie M.
- 8. Howeara Lava Burst 'Puanani' AM/AOS Valerie
- 9. Miltassia Charles M. Fitch 'Izumi' Suzanne C 10. Cat. Guarianthe bowringiana var. coerulea -Laurie F.

11. Paph. Hung Sheng Royal x Hung Sheng Compensa – Suzanne C









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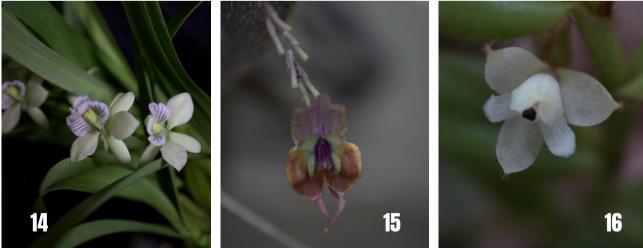


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12. C. bouringianum - Laurie F. 13. Masd. Teipeis Super Jaguar - Suzanne C. 14. Prosthechea Radiata - Glen S. 15. Lepanthes Gargoyla - Valerie M. 16. Trichotosia pulvinata - Valerie M.







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- 17. Miltassia Charles M. Fitch 'Izumi' Suzanne c.
- 18. C Hawaiian Easter Laurie F.
- 19. Paph. gratrixianum x barbigerum 'Mini' Julia T.

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December 5th Christmas Lunch

When: 11:30 - 2:30

Where: North Oyster Community Hall

What to bring:

- Any potluck item you would like to share
- A plate and utensils
- An orchid entry for the Christmas display contest (See the CVIOS blog for photos from the 2019 Christmas event.)
- Face mask and chair
- Item(s) to donate for the silent auction anything goes. eg. orchid plant/gardening/baking/gift cards

We look forward to seeing you there as we celebrate the holiday season together and prepare to welcome 2022!



CVIOS Meeting Minutes November 14th, 2021

North Oyster Community Hall 12:30 pm 18 people in attendance

Sheila: Call to order (a little late allowing for those that might be late because of the rain) Welcome to Samantha, a new member from Calgary that belonged to a society there. Moved to approve minutes of the last meeting: Julia pointed out the date for the show should say March 4-7 2022, not 2021. Motion to approve as amended: Sheila Seconded: Alexey

Treasurers Report: As presented by Darlene. Moved to approve: Darlene Seconded: Bernie

Membership Report: Bernie: To date, 30 paid members (2021-2022) and 1 Lifetime. Two new members this month.

Announcements: No new announcements

Old Business: Visit to Paramount November 21st. 1 pm – 4:30 pm. Darlene has room for 3 more to carpool with her and Sheila has room for 1. Remember to spread out visiting timing wise. Proof of vaccination is required. Valerie mentioned that it may be slippery in the greenhouses so make sure you have non-slip shoes.

There are apparently lots of blooms right now!

AOS show: Darlene reported that the first meeting was held. So far, we have only two judges and we will need three more. Laurie has not heard back what the status is so we don't know as of yet if there will be AOS judging.

Lists were put out for sign up for volunteers.

Gifts/items are needed for the silent auction

Donations to the plant classes would be appreciated. Most are \$20 value. Sign

up sheet available or speak to Darlene.

Discussion as to the possibility of a colouring table for children.

There will be another meeting in January.

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CVIOS Meeting Minutes (con't)

November 14, 2021

New Business:

 Melanie sent information regarding website and social media. To date this year, the website has had:
3.3 k visits
7 k unique visitors
5 k page views
(These numbers are similar to 2020)

Geography of visitors: 66% from Canada 11% from US 3% each China, Singapore and Russia 20% various other countries from all continents Samantha offered to help with twitter/Instagram accounts. Bernie will let Melanie know

(2) Christmas Party – discussion on catering consensus was that Bees Knees was expensive. There was not much available at this time.

Show of hands as to those wanting pot luck this year and table the possibility of catering for next years party. Majority decision, it will be pot luck. Bring whatever you'd like. There will be a silent auction and a members Christmas display for those that would like to participate.

Meeting adjourned. Moved: Dora Second: Leslie

Membership Show Table: A beautiful table this month presented by Alexey

50/50 : \$16 MSU fertilizer and charcoal for raffle.

Bernie was the speaker today on how he started into orchids and the set up he has put together. He had quite a bit of information on the products he had researched and purchased - where he found them as well as prices.

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Central Vancouver Island Orchid Society Membership Form

CVIOS mailing address: 556 Jur	niper Drive, Qualicum Beach, BC V9K 2J2
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Household membership \$30.00	per year (SeptAug.) CASHCHEQUEE-TRANSFER
Name(s) for membership cards(
City:	
Postal Code:	-
Phone number:	
Email address (This is needed for	
How long have you been growir	ng orchids?
Where I grow my orchids: (chec	k all applicable)
Window sill	
Under lights	
Green house	
Orchidarium	
Other	
I have (circle one) (1 - 10), (11 -	20), (21 - 35), (36 - 50), (51 - 100), (100+) orchid plants.
I hereby give permission to have distributed to members only.	e the following included in the published membership list that will
Please check the ones you are v	villing to make public to the membership.
[] Name	[] Address
[] Phone number	[] email address

Signature: _____Date_____

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