NOVEMBER 2020 CVIOS NEWSLETTER

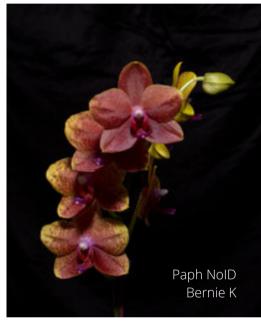


CVIOS

Central Vancouver Island Orchid Society







President's Message

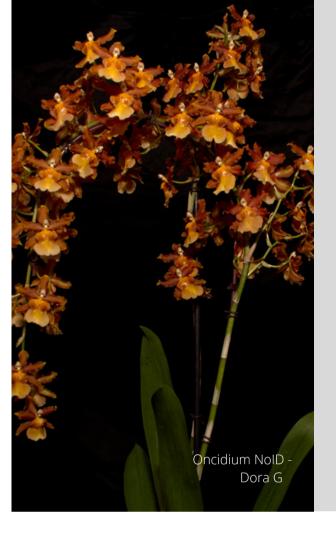
Reluctantly, the CVIOS Executive have decided to cancel both the November meeting and the Christmas party due to concerns about the rising number of Covid-19 cases. We will reassess the situation before deciding on the January meeting.

Valerie Melanson will arrange delivery of the plants ordered from Paramount which were to be delivered to the November meeting. If you ordered bark, please email Suzanne For pick up arrangements. Suzanne also has large perlite, moss and charcoal available for sale.

Keep safe, Sheila Wilson, CVIOS President

Up coming :

Stay tuned for upcoming events.



Monthly Meetings (Currently on Hold due to Covid-19)

GENERAL INFORMATION

CVIOS Meeting are 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 brought in by members and or speakers can
be purchased

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CVIOS EXECUTIVE 2020/2021

President: Sheila Wilson

Past President: Dora Glover Vice President: Leslie Milne

Treasurer and AOS Chair: Darlene Rathwell

Secretary: Suzanne Currie **Membership:** Bernard Kespe **Plant Sales Table**: Judy Russell

Library: Michael DeLeur

Refreshments: Laurie Forbes Programs: Alexey Tretyakov Publicity: Valerie Melanson Newsletter: Melanie Norris

CENTRAL VANCOUVER ISLAND ORCHID SOCIETY

MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 25, 2020

Our new President, Sheila Wilson, called the meeting to order at 11:55 am with 17 members present and welcomed one member, Ralph Kirby, who has returned after a long absence. She thanked the relatively new members who have taken on Director's positions for this year along with the previous Executive who signed on for another year. She also thanked those who are now 'retired' for their years of service.

She extended a thank you to Valerie for bringing a large display of plants from Paramount Orchids to show some which are available for purchase on-line and will be brought to our November 22nd meeting. The deadline for ordering and payment of plants online is November 14th.

Sheila commented on the webpage and did not know that clicking on the 3 bars at the upper right hand corner opened up the information pages. There was also discussion about the fact that some of us still get the old webpage when we enter cvios.org. (Sheila's note: this apparently has to do with whether you use http:// or https://) Sheila will check with Melanie to see when this page can come down.

Minutes - A motion was made to approve the minutes of our September 20th meeting by Dora and seconded by Leslie. All approved.

Treasurer's report - Darlene went over the draft Budget for 2020/21 that was approved by the Executive at our summer meeting and made a motion to have the budget approved by members present. Laurie seconded the motion and it passed.

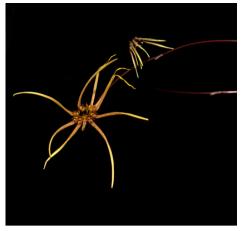
Membership – Bernie has been diligently working on inviting everyone to renew their memberships for 2020/21. He said that memberships are coming in slowly and asked that people get them in as soon as possible and asked that we encourage anyone not at the meeting to renew.

Old Business – Our Christmas luncheon is scheduled for Sunday, December 6th and we have decided to go ahead with it. Due to Covid-19, we will not be able to use the kitchen, so our potluck will have to be limited to appetizers, nibblers, salads, crock pots and salads. Nothing which needs refrigeration. We could have small Christmas displays of our plants as was done last year and a silent auction to round out the day. We will discuss further at our November meeting.

Spring Show – We have booked later dates for our annual AOS show as we have found out that none of the other BC groups are going to have spring shows as their facilities are not large enough for social distancing. We have booked Nanaimo North Town Centre for March 5th to 7th. We will work with the mall to establish protocol re the virus. If AOS judges cannot attend, then we will proceed with a ribbon judging. We may be able to encourage some of the other groups to attend or perhaps individuals from those groups would participate with a display or plants for sale. We could do a silent auction as well. It's a work in progress and we will keep you posted. Darlene is the chair of the show and will send out information to everyone in case others wish to join us on the committee.

Programs - Alexey suggested that because of the pandemic it is not reasonable to expect guest speakers from outside this area. He feels we have enough persons with expertise within our group to present programs. Today Glen Sexsmith and Valerie Melanson presented very interesting talks on their experiences growing under lights.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 pm.











The October 25 meeting featured a lovely show table. Here are some highlights

- 1. Bulb. makpyanum Mike M
- 2. Cat. fowinganana Dora G
- 3. Phal. Dtps Sogo Davis I-H Sing Song
- 4. Stenoglottis longifolia Laurie F.
- 5. Den Victoria Reginae Laurie F.

- 1. Pholidota rubra Laurie F.
- 2. Porroglossam lycinum Darlene R.
- 3. Lockhartia lunifera Mike M.
- 4. Cat. maxima Mike M.









OCTOBER MEETING PRESENTATION

At the October meeting, Glen Sexsmith and Valerie Melanson shared their experience with growing orchids under lights. Both members of our society have lots to say about orchid growing. The presentations were useful for all levels, from the beginners to seasoned growers.

Glen shared information regarding how he built a walk in orchidarium in his garage. That allows a completely controllable growing environment. Glen is able to keep light intensity, temperature and relative humidity at the optimal level for his collection of orchids. If you have a questions about evaluation of LED light intensity or reliable measurement of concentration of the fertilizer solution - talk to Glen.

How to accommodate more then 300 plants in a moderate sized apartment? Valerie has done this with excellent results. We have seen Valerie's excellently grown plants before. She has now shared her creative approach with curtained shelves and terrariums accommodating mostly miniature orchids. Valerie uses her own labeling system to each keep plant in the right spot, and return it to that spot after watering and fertilizing.

(Summary provided by Alexey T.)





Members Orchids for Sale









Epidendrum stamforiatum

Purchased from TG Orchids in the summer of 2019. Repotted summer of 2020. \$35.00 (will consider trading for fragrant Phal hybrids and open to offers.)

Contact Ken 250-616-9431 for pick up at his home in Nanaimo Catasetum pileatum

Purchased from TG Orchids in the summer of 2019. Repotted summer of 2020. \$35.00 (will consider trading for fragrant Phal hybrids and open to offers.)

Contact Ken 250-616-9431 for pick up at his home in Nanaimo Catasetum tenebrosum

Purchased from TG Orchids in the summer of 2019. Repotted summer of 2020. \$35.00 (will consider trading for fragrant Phal hybrids and open to offers.)

Contact Ken 250-616-9431 for pick up at his home in Nanaimo Oncidium sphacelatum

Over grown in a 12" basket, needs to be repotted.
Getting to big to handle.
\$50.00.

Contact Dora email: ragdgeshaw.ca

for pick up at her home in Nanaimo





Clowesetum JEM's Dragon Tears 'SVO' AM/AOS x Ctsm.
Orchidglade 'Davie Ranches' AM/AOS
from SVO.

Growing guide can be found here:
http://www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com/htm/culture_catasetina
e.html

Was purchased at one of the VOS meetings last fall and has since grown a new bulb and bloomed this past summer.

Pickup would be in Qualicum Beach or I can bring it to the next meeting or deliver it if not too far away

Contact Bernie at 250-752-7413 or email bvkespe@shaw.ca

I paid \$25 for it and would like \$25 for it. The custom turned wood pot is not included or can be for another \$25

Until we meet again dear friends...

Here are some memories of Christmas 2019







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TO WISH YOU
ALL A SAFE
AND HAPPY
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Central Vancouver Island Orchid Society

Membership Form

CVIOS mailing address: 556 Juniper Drive, Qualicum Beach, BC V9K 2J2

Website: www.cvios.org Membership Contact: Bernie at: CVIOS.bernie@shaw.ca	
Household membership \$30.00 per year (SeptAug.) CASHCHEQUE	
Name(s) for membership cards(s)	
Mailing Address:	
City:	
Postal Code:	
Phone number:	
Email address (This is needed for society correspondence)	
How did you hear about CVIOS	
How long have you been growing orchids?	
Where I grow my orchids: (check all applicable)	
Window sill	
Under lights	
Green house	
Other	
I have (circle one) (0 - 10), (11 - 20), (20 - 35), (36 - 50), (50 - 100), (100+) orchid plants.	
I hereby give permission to have the following included in the published membership list that v	will be
distributed to members only.	
Please check the ones you are willing to make public to the membership.	
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Please note if this section is not signed, we cannot list you as a member on the membership list