Sept 2022 CVIOS Newsletter

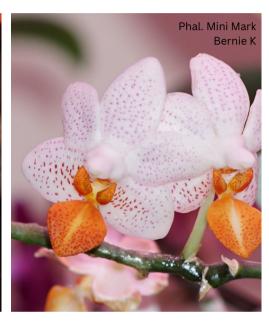


CVIOS

Central Vancouver Island Orchid Society







President's Message

Another year of CVIOS meetings has started and I look forward to seeing many of you back in attendance – maybe even most of you?? We will continue to space the chairs apart since Covid is not done with us yet, but whether you wear a mask or not is up to you. Otherwise I hope that you'll be bringing some lovely specimens for us to appreciate.

I'll be bringing in my cattleyas from the balcony soon and putting my phal's out for their jolt of cool weather – this tactic certainly worked last year, resulting in many flower spikes. I assume many of you are also preparing your collection for the winter ahead and eagerly watching for those flower spikes to show – good luck!

2023 will be our 50th year as a group and if anyone has good ideas of how to celebrate that milestone, please let us know.

Cheers, Sheila Wilson, CVIOS President

Upcoming:

Sept 25 - September General Meeting - Welcome Back! North Oyster Community Hall. Doors open at 11:00. Meeting starts at 12:00. Topic: Should I grow semihydroponic? **Book Giveaway**

Oct 23 - October General Meeting. Topic TBA.

Nov 13 - November General Meeting. Topic TBA

Dec 4 - CVIOS Member Christmas Event - details to be announced

Announcements

- Welcome to our newest members: Elaine C., Tatsumi S. and Joan H. We are so happy to have you with us!
- Thank you to Joan H. for hosting the summer barbecue on August 6. It was a lovely afternoon and great to catch up with those who attended.
- Thank you Bernie for organizing the orders for the Kelpmax, K-Lite, and probiotic. Several members ordered these products and we look forward to hearing if members are seeing results
- Thank you to all who helped clean and purge the hall storage! It was a successful and productive day
- Melanie is working on a new online format for the newsletter. This will allow better
 integration with our website and it will allow potential members to sign up to receive our
 newsletters to see what we're about before joining. Stay tuned for our October newsletter
 in your inbox.
- It's time to renew your membership. You can fill out the form online at CVIOS.org
 or print and fill out the form at the back of the newsletter. You can pay by cheque or etransfer.

WELCOME BACK *** Orchid Book Giveaway ***

- Join us for our September 25 meeting.
 We will be giving away several orchid related books from our library FREE to members.
- Enter our orchid draw and 50/50 draw
- Meet local orchid enthusiasts who can answer your orchid questions
- Enjoy seeing uncommon orchids in bloom at our show table presentation
- Enjoy our guest speaker Samantha
 Chande "Should I Grow Semi-hydro"



Sept 2022



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. (The meetings are in the upper level of the hall and can be entered from the back left hand side of the building).

Typically there is a brief business meeting starting at 12pm. Following is a display of plants brought in by members, a coffee 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 are optional
- Hand sanitizer will be available
- Please stay home if you are feeling unwell with any Covid symptoms.

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CVIOS Executive 2021/2022

President: Sheila Wilson Past President: Dora Glover Vice President: Glen Sexsmith Treasurer: Darlene Rathwell Secretary: Suzanne Currie Membership: Bernard Kespe

Plant Sales Table: Stephanie Meinke

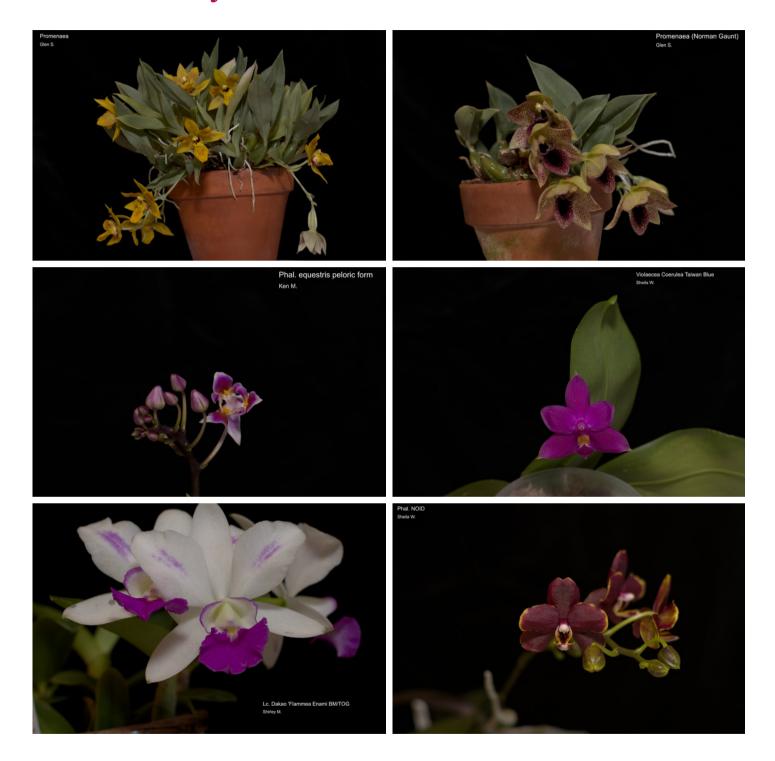
Library: Michael DeLeur Refreshments: Laurie Forbes

Publicity and Programs: Valerie Melanson Newsletter and Website: Melanie Norris Director At Large: Alexey Tretyakov,

Donna McDonnell AOS Chair: vacant

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June 26, 2022 Show Table



Photos courtesy of Alexey Tretyakov

June 26, 2022 Show Table



CVIOS June General Meeting Minutes June 26, 2022

CVIOS JUNE MEETING 2022

16 Members in attendance Sheila called the meeting to order

Welcome to everyone

Financial report read by Sheila in Darlene's absence. Moved to accept: Sheila 2nd Ken It was established that there were no errors or omissions from the May meeting minutes. Moved to approve: Valerie. 2nd Glen

Membership statistics: 54 members /65 members and spouses

Old Business

<u>Picnic:</u> Ken has a friend that would offer their place for the picnic - they live by Buttertubs Marsh. Ken to find out what dates would be available at the end of July or in August and talk to Sheila. Everyone attending would be required to provide their own chair, cutlery/plate, drink, and possibly a potluck item. Sheila will send an email to everyone once venue is established.

<u>Greenhouse tours</u>: This would be from home to home of members. Let Sheila know if you are interested in participating. Sheila to email membership.

<u>Tenancy</u>: Lease is due up in September. There has been continuing discussion between the North Oyster Hall board and our society regarding the amount of space we are taking for storage and the fact that we do not use the items at every meeting. The importance of storage was discussed and agreed upon with the Hall board before signing the original lease agreement, but they seem to have changed their opinion. We are now on the lookout for another meeting venue – we would require storage and a small kitchen area as well as meeting space. Ken mentioned that Hope Lutheran church may be available and he will contact Bernie with information. Laurie said there was a community hall up Cedar Road that she will check into. Ideally having a meeting spot more toward Nanaimo would be ideal as the Cedar area is a long distance to travel. Everyone keep your eyes peeled!

<u>Paramount visit</u>: Valerie spoke for Paramount and said that they would be available for a visit either early or late November depending on whether or not Fraser Valley would be hosting a show.

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CVIOS June General Meeting Minutes (Cont)

<u>Questions sent in from Bernie</u>: Read by Sheila in Bernie's absence. Bernie has some questions regarding bringing in a new type of fertilizer and other items. Table until the fall to see where we are with storage space and hopefully we will have more members at the meeting to see what their needs are. If anyone is interested in Probiotic or Kelp Max please contact Bernie.

Newsletter and Website Report: Read by Leslie in Melanie's absence. The website has continued to be well visited over the past year, with the highest traffic around the time of the show. International website traffic is down. Melanie would like to explore the new templates and tools Squarespace has added. Thank you to Keith for continuing to update and label show table photos. There are more events to report since COVID restrictions have eased and thank you to those that have contributed photos and stories. Melanie is considering another format next year for the newsletter. Bernie is doing well with the Facebook page. Twitter and Instagram are essentially dormant.

New Business:

Auditing books: We need to have our books audited. Leslie will contact Darlene after she gets back at the end of July and make arrangements to go over them with her.

Move to adjourn meeting 12:32 PM Sheila 2nd Leslie

Show table by Laurie.



CVIOS Annual General Meeting Minutes June 26, 2022

16 members in attendance, the quorum was met.

Sheila Wilson called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM and thanked everyone for attending.

Sheila read the 2021 AGM minutes and moved that they be accepted as read. Seconded by Glen Sexsmith, carried.

Sheila turned the meeting over to Laurie Forbes for election of officers: The board from last year with the exception of Vice President has agreed to continue with their positions for the 2022–2023 year. There were no other persons willing to stand for election. Darlene Rathwell will continue with the Treasurers position but will not be able to be the AOS Show chairperson as well.

The outline for the officers of the 2022-2023 year is as follows:

President: Sheila Wilson

Vice President: Glen Sexsmith Secretary: Suzanne Currie Treasurer: Darlene Rathwell

Plant Sales: Stephanie Meinke (with Donna McDonnell where possible)

Refreshments: Laurie Forbes Programs: Valerie Melanson Librarian: Michael de Leur Membership: Bernie Kespe Web/Newsletter: Melanie Norris

Directors at Large: Donna McDonnell

Alexey Tretyakov Stephanie Meinke

AOS Chair: Vacant - to be discussed and filled at a fall meeting

Laurie Forbes moved to accept the above Board. Seconded by Sheila Wilson. Carried.

The 2021/22 Financial Report was read by Sheila Wilson in Darlene Rathwell's absence. Laurie Forbes moved acceptance of the report, seconded by Glen Sexsmith, carried Sheila moved to adjourn 12:11 PM. Seconded by Leslie Milne.

Minutes recorded by Leslie Milne acting as Secretary.

AOS Western Canada Judging Center Judging Results - August 13, 2022

Phragmipedium Joe Chow 'Moon Walker' HCC/AOS 78pts (20227163)

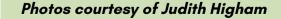
(Phragmipedium caricinum x Phragmipedium reticulatum)

Exhibitor: Daniel Kwok











Paphiopedilum Mint Chocolate 'Chip' AM/AOS 86pts (20227164)

(Paphiopedilum malipoense x Paphiopedilum godefroyae)

Exhibitor: Lori Barrington

AOS Western Canada Judging Center Announcement - Judy and Ed are retiring.

The August WCJC Monthly Judging is also the last meeting that **Judith and Ed Higham** attended as our AOS Photographers. Ed was also the Treasurer for the WCJC. Judith and Ed have been attending our meetings since 2006 and we are privileged and grateful to have them as our photographers at our monthly meetings and shows, bringing all their photography equipment with them everywhere they went. We have enjoyed their superb photography for a lot of the awards we have given out in the past years. Happy retirement Judith and Ed! Alexey will continue to help us with AOS photography for monthly meetings and shows on the island.

We are looking for a photographer to help with AOS Photography for our monthly meetings and society orchid shows for the Lower Mainland. Please help spread the word amongst your orchid friends and society membership. Anybody interested please contact our WCJC Chair, David Edgley (David.Edgley@gmail.com) or myself (asalleh@telus.net) and we will provide more details. The next WCJC Monthly Meeting in the Lower Mainland will be in October.



Masdevallia Minaret 'Burred Inlet' CCM/AOS (calocodon × ignea) (85) #20174354; Exhibitor, Joe Chow Photographer, Judith Hinghom

CVIOS Programming Survey

This survey was sent out by email - thank you to those who responded. More response would be appreciated as we would like to know what topics interest you for future meetings.

by Valerie Melanson

What would you like to see and learn about? Could you please answer the questions below? Jot down a few ideas?

- 1. Considering your experience with orchids, would you like presentations on please tick as appropriate:
- The Basics for Beginners
- Feeding
- Pest Control
- Potting / Mounting / Presentation techniques
- Hydroculture / Semi-Hydro culture
- Greenhouse Growing
- Windowsill Growing
- Under Lights Growing
- Orchid Propagation
- 2. Are there any particular Orchid genera or species that interest you? please list:
- 3. Would you like presentations on Travel to Orchid Habitats? If so, please list countries / areas of special interest:
- 4. Are these topics of interest to you? please tick as appropriate:
 - History of Orchid Collecting
 - Showing Orchids
 - Orchid Photography
 - Orchid Collections in Botanical Gardens
- 5. Other ideas? Please list, thank you:
- 6. Is there a topic you would like to tell the members about?

Your Name:

Thank you for the input.

Please return in person, by email (type right on this form, save it & attach it) to Melanson.valerieegmail.com

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 E-TRANSFER
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
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 the following included in the published membership list that will be distributed to members only.
Please check the ones you are willing to make public to the membership.
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