Next Meeting is on Thursday, September 12th, 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm
Contra Costa Water District Building Board Room
1331 Concord Ave. Concord, CA

Fred Clarke will talk about
Mini and Compact Cattleyas

Fred Clarke has been growing orchids for 33 years and has been hybridizing for 25 of those years with over 25 years as a professional grower and manager in the horticultural industry. Fred applies these skills at his orchid nursery, Sunset Valley Orchids, located in San Diego, California.

He is a passionate orchid grower whose curiosity in orchids is broad and varied. Although developing Cattleya hybrids has been his sustaining interest, he is also actively creating new Bulbophyllum and Paphiopedilum hybrids.

His pioneering work in Catasetum intergeneric hybrids led to the development of several notable hybrids, most recently the grex, Fredclarkeara After Dark, which produced “the blackest flower ever witnessed”. This grex has received eight FCC’s, four AM’s and the coveted Award of Distinction on the first flowers shown for judging.

Fred is an Accredited Judge in the Pacific South Judging Region. His plants have received hundreds of quality awards from the American Orchid Society.

September’s plant table will be provided by Fred Clarke.

Speaker’s Dinner
Before our next meeting at 5:30 pm will be at the Sichuan Fortune House, 41 Woodsworth Lane, Pleasant Hill. Everyone is welcome to attend and meet our speaker before the meeting. If you can join us, please call Eileen Jackson at (707) 642-5015 to be included in the reservation.

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by Rupert J. Philips-Faruqar
(dcc’d)

If you were an epiphyte, which would you be?
Discover yourself, go live on a tree.
Live on rainwater, bird poop and sun.
Inhale CO2, return oxygen. A far better life, than how we’ve begun.
Helping the planet, while harming none.

Bulb. lobba ‘Kathy’s Gold’ owned by Eileen Jackson

Den. cucumerinum Little Pickle owned by Tom Pickford

C. Canhamiana ‘Azure Skies’ owned by Fred Shull

V. Noname owned by Sung Lee

V. Yuuko Iso-Somuda Ted Sumida owned by Mark Dillard

C. Circle of Life AM/AOS
Rhh. David Tomassini
Crt. Gregory Tyreman
Darden AM/AOS

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