

Diablo View Orchid Society

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Welcome to our new members!

Tish Ciaravella (Maria Letizia)
Ellen Osmundson
Lynn Pfeiffer

*Refreshments for the May Meeting
will be supplied by volunteers!
This worked fabulously last month
Let's see if we can keep it up!*

May Meeting:

**Thursday, May 9 at 7:15 PM
at the Contra Costa Water District
1331 Concord Ave, Concord 94521**

May 9, 2019 – John Robbins: Floriculture, appropriate timing and supplies for repotting

I first became interested in orchids in 1994 during a horticultural internship at the Marie Selby Botanical Gardens in Sarasota, Florida. The internship turned into a full-time job and I worked there for several years learning about all sorts of tropical epiphytes. I went on to move around the country over the years but always had a greenhouse full of orchids. I've grown them in hot, wet Southern Florida, the cold, wet, Pacific Northwest, and the hot, dry, California Central Valley. This has given me experience with the challenges of growing in widely varied conditions. I went on to buy Calwest Tropical Supply (Now Flori-Culture: Orchid & Specialty Growing Supplies) in 2014 and relocated it to Carmichael, California. We now have added a small specialty nursery as well as the supplies we have always carried.

We will discuss many of the major issues facing orchid growers including:

Light, Watering and water quality, Potting media, Container choice, Fertilizers.
Pests & Diseases

Vetting the over-abundance of information in the internet age.

I will talk you through ways to look at your plants and with a little observation and research, figure out for yourself the best ways to grow your plants according to your individual conditions. I will also give some strategies to tell which advice to listen to and which might be better ignored.

My business website is flori-culture.com. The web site has all the supplies you need for orchid growing. Choose what you want, pay on line and I will be delivered it to you at the meeting. Place your orders by May 7. **Be sure to mention on your order that you will be at the Diablo View Orchid Meeting!**

Dinner with the Speaker at 5:30 p.m. is at [Aung MayLika](http://AungMayLika.com) 1050 Contra Costa Blvd, Concord, CA 94423
Everyone is welcome to attend and meet our speaker – [email](mailto:eileen.jackson@att.com) Eileen Jackson before May 9th at 11 AM
at eileen.jackson@att.com to reserve a seat.

President's Message

Dear Orchid Enthusiasts,

May is a wonderful month. Everything is beautiful! The hills are green and the trees are all leafed out and the blossoms from April have turned into fruits. Our gardens are lovely and our orchids are looking great after the cool winter.

In fact, my orchids have new growth and roots are emerging. It's time for dividing and repotting.

DVOS has two great member events planned for this month on 2 consecutive Saturdays. The first is to Bolinas to see California Orchids. It's a great chance to have a fun time and new members can get to know other DVOS members better. (See the next page for further details).

The second field trip is to Linda Karp's house for a potting party. Details follow in this newsletter.

See you all at the meeting!

Marcia

Upcoming Club Events!

May 18th Field Trip to California Orchids in Bolinas. (This is a special event just for us!)

This is a fun event... a potluck picnic surrounded by a beautiful collection of orchids. Mary does a great job of raising and exhibiting her orchids!

After lunch (and shopping, if you wish), we will visit a local artist who does beautiful drawings of orchids (and other flowers) along with maintaining a beautiful garden.

This is from their web site:



CALIFORNIA ORCHIDS



Welcome

California Orchids is one of the oldest boarding facilities in the San Francisco Bay Area. We have been growing orchids professionally for over 30 years, and operating our Orchid Boarding business since 1985. The temperate nature of our location, West Marin County, allows us to grow a wide range of orchid genera.

At present we have 5 heated greenhouses and as well as a covered outdoor growing area. These areas give us over 15,000 square feet of space divided and heated according to the varying needs of some 12,000 orchid plants, from seedlings to very large specimens.

The central focus of California Orchids is to develop and grow orchid collections for our clients and we concentrate on this rather than wholesale or retail sales. The exception is our [Bi-annual Sale](#), which is open to the public each spring and fall.

Directions to California Orchids

Our Spring Sale will be Saturday, April 6th, 9am-4pm. Fill out the form so we have your [email](#) address. If you need directions or would like to be notified about our sales just [fill out this form](#).

While these pages are primarily dedicated to our boarding clients we encourage you to browse our site, find out more about [boarding](#), [sign up](#) to be [notified about our sales](#), and enjoy our [favorite links](#).

Thanks for stopping by,
Mary Nisbet



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Potting Party at Linda Karp's House

May 25th, at 10 AM, we will meet at her house
(5173 Keller Ridge Dr., Clayton 94517)

It will also be a pot luck snack party... since it usually goes on for a couple of hours!

This will be a chance to see how repotting is correctly done. It's a hands-on learning experience. There will be an ongoing discussion during the repotting and you'll be able to get answers to your every question!

DVOS will supply necessary materials for the repotting activity.

Speaker's Day in Sacramento

California Sierra Nevada Judging [Center](#) Speaker's Day
Saturday, July 29, 2017, 9 am - 5 pm

Odd Fellows Hall, 1831 Howe Ave., Sacramento, CA

James Rose: Orchids of Madagascar
Roy Tokunaga: Latouria Dendrobiums Lessons from Phil Spence, the Master
George Hatfield: Modern Cymbidiums

also a break out session to ask the president of the AOS questions

\$10 in advance, \$30 at the door for sponsoring societies or AOS members \$30
General Admission

Tickets available from Susan Wedegaertner sgwede@gmail.com

<http://www.csnjc.org/>

*ANNUAL OPEN STUDIO & GARDEN
MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND*



SALLY ROBERTSON

*Cordially invites you to stroll the gardens in full bloom
and visit the studio where Art & Garden meet.*

MAY 11 & 12, from 10 - 5

284 Cherry, Bolinas

www.sallyrobertson.com



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D & D Flowers & The Tiny Jungle's Spring Sale

(One of these D's is Dennis, one of our club members!)

May 18th & 19th, 2019

9:00 am to 3 pm

169 1st Avenue, Daly City, CA 94014

Directions 280 South from San Francisco: Take the Eastmoore exit and veer to the right onto Sullivan Avenue. At the stop light, make a right onto Washington Street (service station on the right and Krispy Kream Donut at opposite corner). Go over the freeway, through Junipero Serra Blvd to San Pedro (Catholic Church at intersection). Make a left onto San Pedro and continue through Mission Street between Bank of America and Wendy's. At the stop sign, make a left onto 1st Avenue. Greenhouse is on the right hand side of the 3rd house with the red garage and a sign reading Demattei Nursery. Enter the gate of the chain link fence with red lattice on the left hand side of the red garage.

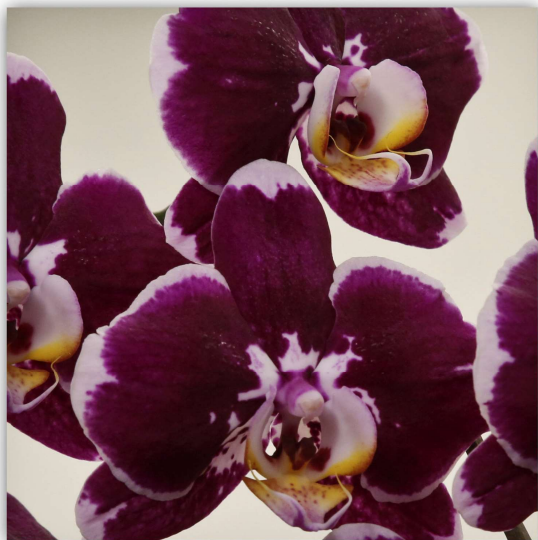
Directions 280 north of Hicky Blvd.: Take the Pacifica/Eastmoore Avenue exit and veer to the right to the Eastmoore Avenue exit. At the stop light, you would like to be on the 2nd lane to the left. Turn left onto Junipero Serra Blvd and at the stop light; make a right turn onto San Pedro Road. Then continue through Mission Street between Bank of America and Wendy's. At the stop sign, make a left onto 1st Avenue. Greenhouse is on the right hand side of the 3rd house with the red garage and a sign reading Demattei Nursery. Enter the gate of the chain link fence with red lattice on the left hand side of the red garage.

Please drive safely. Limited street parking so please car pool. Do not park within the chain link fence.

Mahalo for your cooperation!!!!!!

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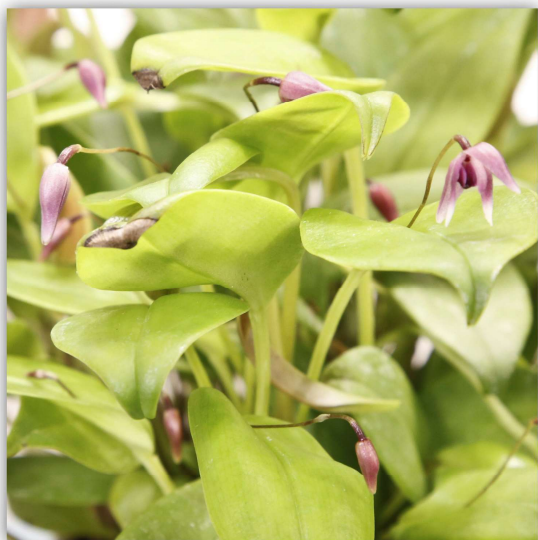
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Phalaenopsis
Novice: 1st Place
Grown by Peter Ansdell



Ontontoglossom
Novice: 2nd Place
Grown by Diane Bond



Pleurothallus Proecipoa
Novice: 3rd Place
Grown by Diane Bond



Cattleya
Intermediate: 1st Place
Grown by Marcia Hart

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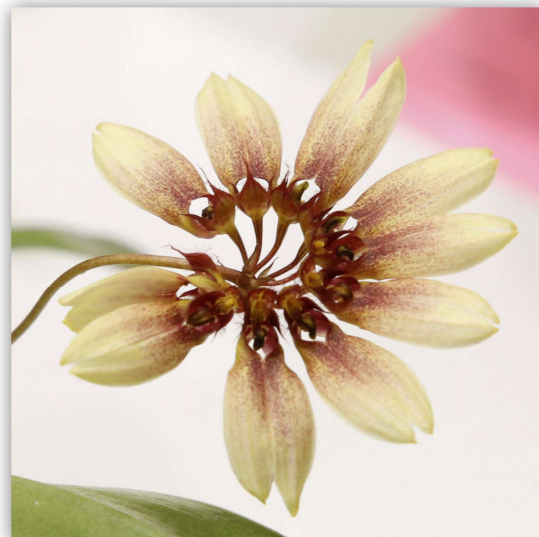
Cymbidium Lucky Rainbow
Intermediate: 2nd Place
Grown by Mike Lewis



Mastevallia
Intermediate: 3rd Place
Grown by Mike Lewis



Bc Bill Worsley x Kauai Starbright
Advanced: 1st Place
Grown by Eileen Jackson



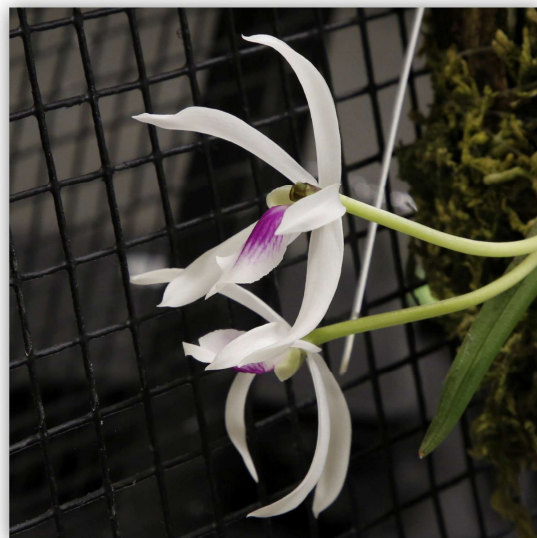
Bulb. Daisy Chain
Advanced: 2nd Place
Grown by ?

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Phal. Japonica
Advanced: 3rd Place
Grown by Barbara Ungersma



Leptotes Bicolor
Lancer Smith Award
Grown by Diane Bond



Marcia Hart, Mike Lewis and Sung Lee
Mike won our first ever "Best of Show"
perpetual award



Peter Ansdell brought this in and won
1st Place in the Novice Division. It is
truly a spectacular orchid!