

# Diablo View Orchid Society

**Meetings Cancelled (until further notice)**

## President's Message

July 12, 2020

Dear Orchid Friends,

I hope everyone is well and happy out there. July has come and we are still having to cancel our live meetings. I hope you all have time to get out there and work with your orchids. My plants are kinda quiet midsummer but I still have the odd Oncidium, Restrepia and all of the Phalenopsis that are continuing to bloom. I am starting to see the beginnings of Phragmipediums and Paphiopedilums spikes and the Cattleyas are starting to think about fall. There is always something to watch in the greenhouse (or wherever you grow your plants!).

I know that several folks got over to Sharon Duffy's sale a couple weeks ago. I certainly hate to see Sharon leave but it was a wonderful opportunity to see how you can grow HUGE Cattleya alliance orchids in our area. We will certainly miss you Sharon. Your plants will bring smiles to many of us for years.

OK- on to DVOS business for July.

### Speakers' Corner

Save the date!! As usual, Peter has been working hard to keep us all informed and entertained. Peter says:

Mary Gerritsen will be talking to us about Masdevallias through the wonders of the internet on the evening of **July 24**, full details will be in July's Speakers' coming within a few days. Please look for it in your e-mail.

### Virtual Show and tell

I think we have worked the kinks out of our show and tell process. There are links to both voting for June entries as well as submitting July entries below. If you have any questions, problems with the links, concerns etc. with virtual show and tell, direct them to me at [bonddiane9@gmail.com](mailto:bonddiane9@gmail.com).

May Show and Tell winners

See the winners of the voting for May plants later in this newsletter. They are also posted on the website (DVOS.org).

### June Show and Tell

Please view and vote for the entries in the June show and tell. We have some beautiful images!

- DVOS June 2020 Show and Tell Lancer Smith:

<https://forms.gle/8LBkQ7gk8jwaogJT6>

- DVOS June 2020 Show and Tell Novice Growers:

<https://forms.gle/h1HfgbmK3HcxaGyz6>

- DVOS June 2020 Show and Tell Intermediate Growers:

<https://forms.gle/xiEgZpc6iGuCyHp27>

- DVOS June 2020 Show and Tell Advanced Growers:

<https://forms.gle/xg6ewGNd5B2cMsVC7>

- Voting will close July 31

## July Show and Tell

July entries are currently being accepted. Let's get a large group of photos! C'mon- everybody can take a quick pic to share with all of us. The intermediate growers really produced in June. Time for everyone else to catch up with them!

- Enter photos of your June blooms
- All images should be labeled with the name of the **plant** and the name of the **grower**. This ID can be in the name of the file or you can actually label the photo itself.
- If your plant is eligible for the Lancer Smith award (entire plant is 6 inches or less) please indicate that in the name of the file or on the photo itself
- Please drop your photos in this file  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ribNcleykSVdEz51Jw4DGIDfk4Z7phtn?usp=sharing>

If you have any problem with this, you can always mail it to me at [bondddiane9@gmail.com](mailto:bondddiane9@gmail.com)

- Entries will close July 31.

I am looking forward to seeing what everyone has blooming.

## Collection tours

We have more tours of our fellow members collections.

- Miki Ichiyanaagi has put together a beautiful tour of her plants that you can see later in this newsletter. I hope you all enjoy a peak into her collection as much as I did.
- We will have another collection tour later this month. I will not tell you who it is but I will say.....Aloha!

I will continue to tap members to share with us all. When I do contact you, please let us get a peek at your plants. The purpose of this exercise (other than to see beautiful plants!) is to get to know each other better. It doesn't matter if you have one plant that you grow outside, 10 plants that inhabit every windowsill in your home or 500 plants. I want to know how you grow, why you grow, what's working, what's not. So- be ready. I'm out to get you!

## September Auction

Remember! We will be having an auction in September. We do not know whether it will be live or virtual. Regardless, now is the time to be thinking about choosing, dividing and generally getting plants ready to donate for the auction. If you have many plants or no time and need help getting things ready for the auction- contact me ([bondddiane9@gmail.com](mailto:bondddiane9@gmail.com)). I am sure that we can get you some help.

## Classified Ads

### Fertilizer

OK- I know that you have seen this message before. I HAVE ordered fertilizer and it will be here someday. We have been having a very difficult time getting the shipment from Florida. When it gets here, I will let everyone who has shown interest and we can get some out to you. I have ordered some more MSU RO/Tap water fertilizer. You can read more about this fertilizer in this AOS article.

<https://www.aos.org/orchids/additional-resources/a-new-fertilizer-without-high-phosphorus.aspx>

I will make fertilizer available for \$5.50/lb. Please contact me ([bondddiane9@gmail.com](mailto:bondddiane9@gmail.com)) if you are interested. We will have a Concord and an Oakland pick up location.

## A Greenhouse Question

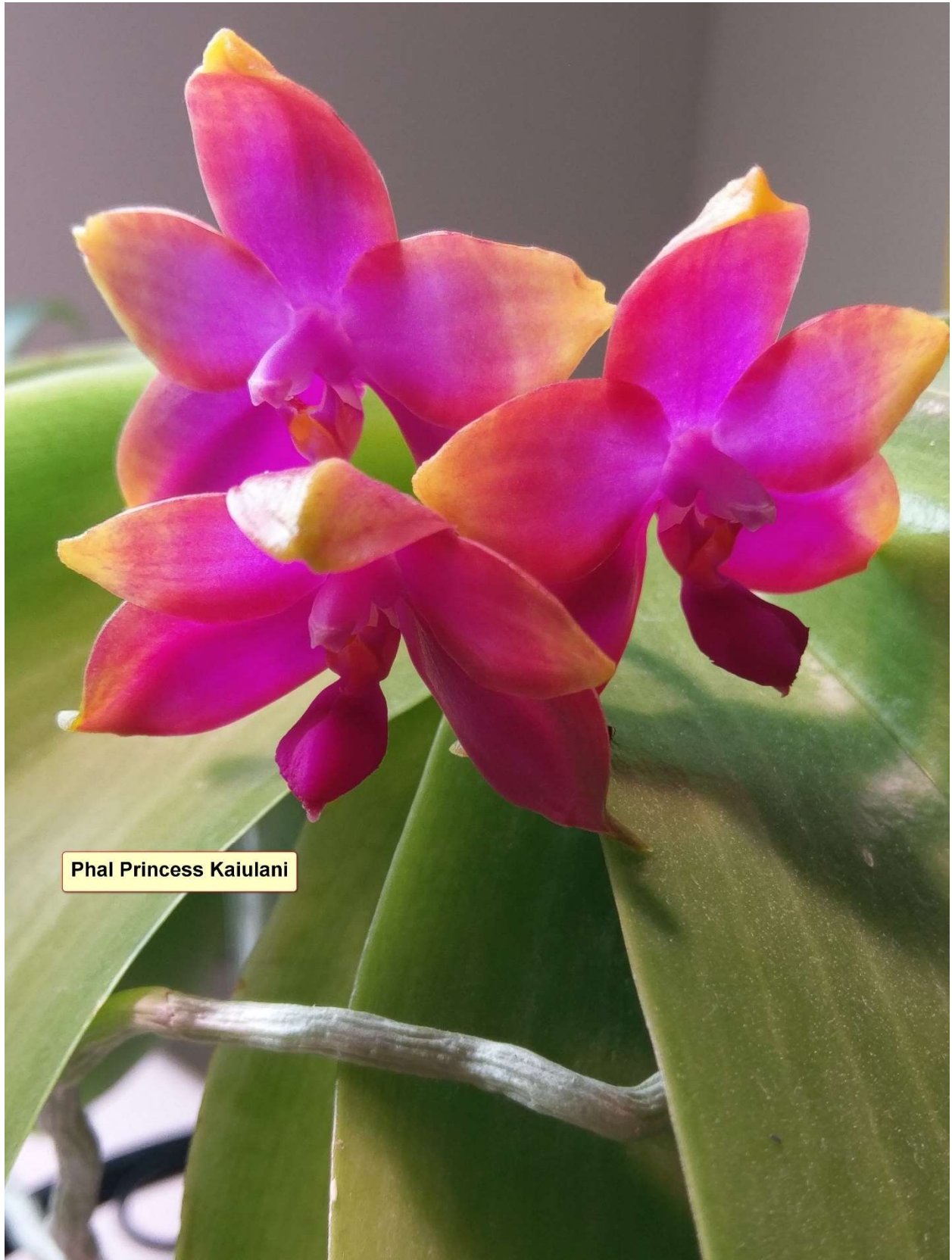
Linda Karp is looking for a small greenhouse. If anyone has one they want to sell or has opinions on this topic, please contact Linda.

That is all of the DVOS news I have. Please stay safe and healthy. Be kind to everyone you meet. Go out there and enjoy the summer.

Regards,

*Diane*

# May Show and Tell Winners



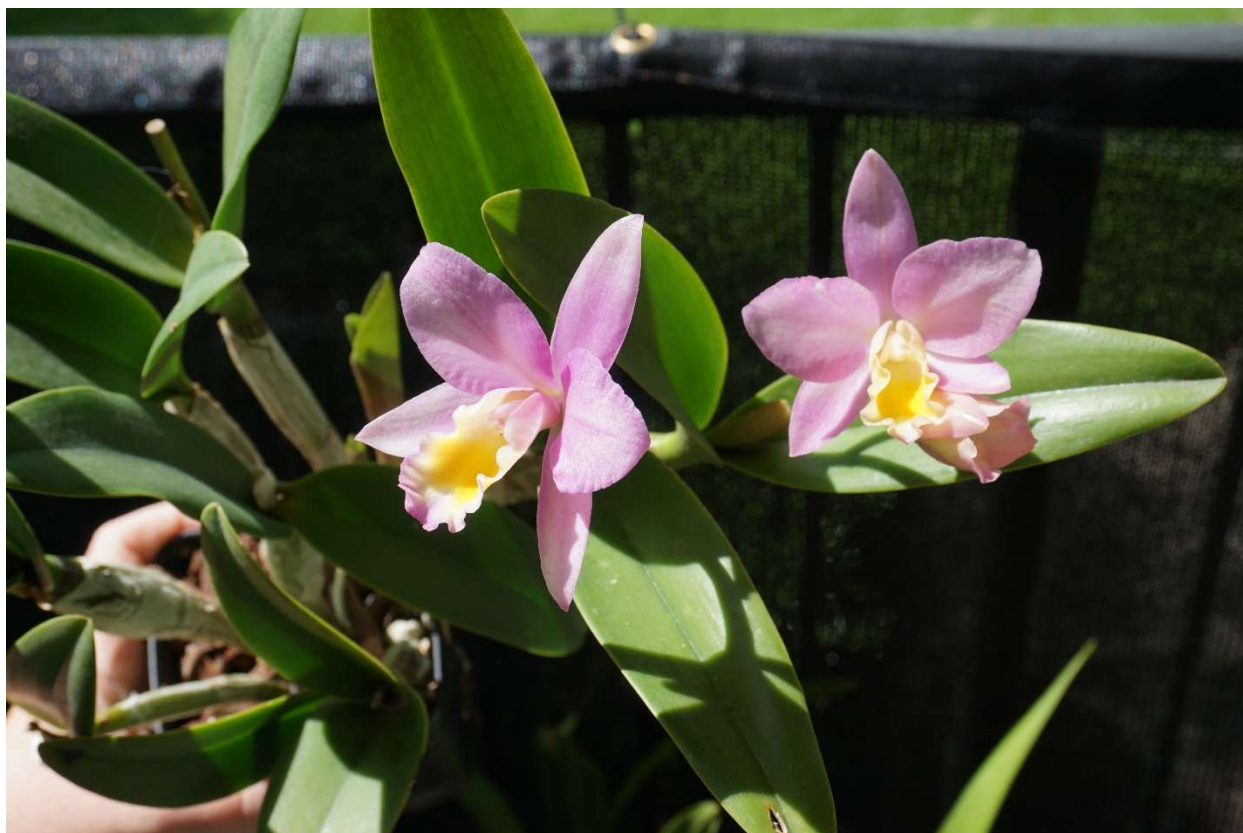
Phal Princess Kaiulani

Grown by Peter Ansdell  
Novice: 1<sup>st</sup> Place





Grown by Peter Ansdell  
Novice: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place



Potinario Triple Love 'NN'  
Grown by Brittany  
Novice: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place



Odontoglossum wyattianum  
Grown by Yunor Peralta  
Advanced: 1<sup>st</sup> Place





Grown by Diane Bond  
Advanced: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place





Grown by Diane Bond  
Advanced: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place



*Gastrochilus fuscopunctatus*  
Grown by Yunar Peralta  
Lancer Smith Award