



Central Ohio Orchid Society Reporter



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June 2018

June Meeting Repotting Clinic

Thursday, June 21st at Franklin Park Conservatory
Beginner's Corner 7:30pm – Meeting starts at 8pm

It is June, and that means plants are going outside, roots are in growth mode, and it is a great time to repot! Help your orchids get a great start for the growing season and come to our annual Repotting Clinic on Thursday June 21st at Franklin Park Conservatory. The meeting will be in our normal space, the classrooms on the first floor behind the front desk.

Bring a few of your plants, some clean pots, and your preferred medium (Sphagnum moss, Fir bark, coconut husk, sponge rock, charcoal). We will have plenty of folks to share their knowledge on the process and help with your questions.

**Helpful tip: for many orchids, it is good to soak the roots overnight before you repot. This helps make the roots more pliable and can keep them from breaking when you remove the plant from the pot.*

We also have a 6 Phalaenopsis plants, which can be repotted during the meeting and then someone in each group has a chance to take one home for free! Ken Mettler also has a few additional Phals for \$3.25 each.

SPEAKER'S DINNER: *We will not have a speaker dinner this month.*

VIRUS TEST KITS: *We have a couple test kits to raffle at our June meeting. We also will discuss potentially ordering more for the society.*

MEMBER PLANT SALE: *We will have a member plant sale at our June 21 meeting. Please bring those extra plants and divisions to share! Remember 20% of proceeds are due to our Treasurer, Cheryl Early.*



Orchiata Order

For those of you who ordered a supply of Orchiata bark, Dave Markley placed the order and we are hoping it will arrive soon. Please watch for an email from Dave with more details.

And if you didn't take advantage of this opportunity, please keep it in consideration for future years. If there is enough demand, the society sometimes places a bulk order for a pallet of Orchiata bags in the summer. Many growers have had great success using this product. (I will bring a small amount to the repotting clinic if one of you wants to try it!) For more information see this link: <https://besgrow.com/products/orchiata/>

Annual Potluck and Picnic – Sunday July 8, 2018

Once again, Justin and Wendy will host our annual potluck picnic and this year the fun begins at Noon. They are just down the road from Franklin Park and a breeze to find - 1418 Eastwood Ave, 43203.

Bring along your favorite covered dish or dessert for sharing and a lawn chair (or two!). And, don't forget those blooming orchids because we will be having our grower contest show table.

Please RSVP Justin so we have an idea of number of attendees and guests. Justin's email is pepperney.3@gmail.com.

President's Message

I can't believe 2018 is halfway over! I am thankful that the weather is nice, and my orchids are really growing well. I hope you are all experiencing the same. One benefit to living in Central Ohio is that we have warm, humid summers which orchids really love!

While we only have society meetings and June and July (our annual potluck and picnic—see above), you can be sure we are working to have a successful rest of the year for our society, and even beginning our planning for 2019. Our next board meeting is Tuesday, July 10 at 7PM at the Whitehall branch of the Columbus public library (4445 E. Broad street). Board meetings are open to all society members, and we always welcome the thoughts and feedback (which you can also offer at our regular meetings).

Hope to see you all at our June 21 society meeting, and at the board meeting in July--it is a great way to make your voice heard!



Show Table Results : May 2018

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| <u>Plant of the Month:</u> Tom Stinson | Epi. jasminosmum | |
| <u>Oncidiums- Species and Hybrids:</u> Tennis Maynard Tom Stinson Tom Stinson | Mtps. Lennart Karl Gottling Milt. White Truffle 'Bright Eyes' Milt. Renee Komoda 'Pacific Clouds' | 1st 2nd 3rd |
| <u>Cattleya-Species & Hybrids</u> Tennis Maynard Tennis Maynard Tom Stinson | Iwanagaara Apple Blossom x Blc. Bouton Star Laelia Sincorana Iwanagaara Apple Blossom 'Fantastic' | 1st 2nd 3rd |
| <u>Dendrobium- Species and Hybrids:</u> Don Weber Dave & Edna Markley | Den. Aggregatum Den. Green Lantern | 1st 2nd |
| <u>Paphiopedilum –Species & Hybrids:</u> Justin Pepperney Tom Stinson Tom Stinson | Paph. Rothschildianum Paph. Luna Spots Paph. Hybrid | 1st 2nd 3rd |
| <u>Phalaeonopsis Species & Hybrids:</u> Tom Stinson Jennifer Sonnenberg | Phal. (Anna Hernandez x Tranquil Seas) Phal. NOID | 1st 2nd |
| <u>Other:</u> Tom Stinson Tom Stinson Tom Stinson S.P. Jones Tennis Maynard Tennis Maynard | Epi. jasminosmum Masd. Infracta 'Gun Powder Falls' HCC/AOS Coel. Mem William Micholitz 'Amy' AM/AOS Cyp. Emil Trichophilia gracilis Bifrenaria harrisoniae | 1st 1st 2nd 2nd 3rd 3rd |

Hospitality

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| June | Tracy Strombotne, Naila Caruso, Dave & Edna Markley |
| September | Scott Bever (need 2 more) |

COOS Board Members/Appointed Chairs

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| President – Justin Pepperney | |
| Vice President – Dennis Eifel | |
| Secretary – Jennifer Sonnenberg | |
| Treasurer – Cheryl Early | |
| Trustee – Gary Walker | |
| Trustee – Scott Bever | |
| Immediate Past President – Dave Markley | |
| Program Chair | Nancy Shapiro |
| Home Show Chair | Dave Markley |
| Away Show Chair | Ken Mettler |
| Newsletter | Melissa Lee |
| Social Media | Wendy Chrisman |
| Sunshine | Eileen Ansley |

COOS Calendar

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| Thursday, January 18 | Meeting: Scott Bever & Member Grow Spaces |
| Thursday, February 15 | Meeting: Jan Yates of the Cincinnati Judging Center – Orchid Conservation |
| Thursday, March 15 | Repotting Clinic– Part 1 Demonstration and Discussion |
| Apr 7-8 | Annual Spring Show, Franklin Park Conservatory |
| Thursday, April 19 | Janet Lamborn of Agdia – Orchid Virus Testing |
| Thursday, May 10 | Brenda Oviatt of Botanica Ltd |
| Thursday, June 21 | Repotting Clinic Part 2 – Bring in plants, media and pots and repot with assistance from more experienced members |
| Sunday, July 8th | Annual COOS Picnic @ Justin and Wendy's House- Noon |
| August – No Meeting | |
| Thursday, September 20 | TBD |
| Thursday, October 18 | Edgar Stehli – Oncidiums and Tolumnias |
| Thursday, November 15 | Annual Pot Luck and Awards Banquet |
| December – No Meeting | |