

# *Platinum Coast Orchid Society*

## *The Rhizome*

### *December 2021*

Everyone enjoyed Fred Clarke's presentation and charts (shown on next page, too) at the November meeting.

We look forward to a great party on Dec. 8th. Tammy and Anna have a lot planned. If you want to participate in the ornament gift exchange, please bring a wrapped ornament. Also, please have a serving spoon with your casserole dish. Feel free to BYOB.



Holly's Pot. Haw Yuan Gold 'Yung CD Kang #2'

## **CALENDAR**

### **Dec. 8th, 6pm Holiday Party**

If you are bringing an appetizer, arrive a little early, so everything will be ready for partying at 6 pm.



## **SUNSHINE**

Best wishes for continuing improvement to the members who have had various medical issues during the past few months. We've missed you and hopefully you'll be able to join us for the holiday party.

Rays of sunshine are sent to: Charlie Scholes and Ginny Oliphant for raffle plant donations, Margaret Smith for chairing the raffle, Kathy Jacobson for chairing the picnic, Margaret and Bill Croucher for hosting Fred Clarke (our speaker), and Laura Blackmon for bucket donation. We are anticipating a great holiday party, chaired by Anna Palermo and Tammy Cheng. Our Society is very fortunate to have so many members who contribute and volunteer for all the activities. Let's keep the spirit going!! BA

- ◆ Pure water sources like de-ionized, reverse osmosis, distilled, and rain water have special needs.
- ◆ Use fertilizers like 15-5-15 cal mag or 13-3-15 cal mag

### **Fertilizer Rate**

- ◆ Fertilization rate for 100 ppm nitrogen solution:
  - 1/2 teaspoon per gallon of water
  - 1:15 hose on injector:
    - ◆ use 1.5 oz of fertilizer in 1 gallon of water
  - 1:100 injector:
    - ◆ use 10 oz. of fertilizer in 1 gallon of water



## GREAT PLACES FOR MEMBERS TO FIND INFORMATION ON ORCHIDS:

1. Programs—Take notes—someday they will make sense.
2. AOS Magazine articles. “Orchids” is available at every meeting for check out.
3. Members— Ask longtime members about orchids, but realize that your yard and potting choices are key. We all use trial and error to succeed.
4. Internet sites—**www.aos.org**—This AOS site has the answer to almost any question.
5. Rambles at members’ homes to help you identify how others in your area grow their orchids.

PCOS is an affiliate of the **American Orchid Society (AOS)**. There’s an abundance of information on the AOS website. Please visit [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org) for articles, advice on growing orchids, and lots of free information.

Ask Betty Adamson for an application if you’re interested in joining.

For all current members, remember that your renewal notice will arrive in the Orchid Magazine prior to your month of renewal.

[www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)

FOR AOS MEMBERS: The AOS also has a presence on Facebook. There is a [group](https://www.facebook.com/groups/52597049839) with close to 65,000 members, and a [page](https://www.facebook.com/AmericanOrchidSociety). Each allows you to post photographs and ask questions about your orchids. The group is the most active of the two, and group members usually respond quickly to posts. The page is parallel to the AOS Instagram account. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/52597049839> <https://www.facebook.com/AmericanOrchidSociety>

## UPCOMING SHOWS AND EXPOS

Dec. 12 East Everglades Orchid Society's Holiday Orchid Event at the R.F. Orchid Banyan Pavilion, Homestead, FL

Jan 8-9 Sarasota Orchid Society's "Orchids in Paradise" at the Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 Tamiami Trail, Sarasota

Jan 21-23 Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Society's "Orchids Rock", at the Greater Ft. Lauderdale Broward City Convention Center.

Jan. 29-30 Florida West Coast Orchid Society's "Orchids Unmasked" at the City of Seminole Recreation Center, 9100 113th Street North, Seminole

	Foot Candles	Shade factor
Phalaenopsis	1000-1200	85% (additional summer shade)
Paphiopedilum	1200-1500	75% (additional summer shade)
Bulbophyllum	1500-2000	75% (additional summer shade)
Catasetinae	2500-3500	65%
Cattleya	2500-3500	65%
Dendrobium	2500-3500	65%
Oncidium	2500-3500	65%
Zygopetalum	2500-3000	65%
Cymbidium	3500-4500	55%
Vanda	3500-4500	55%

Shade cloth/light levels	
Shade cloth percentages: 55%, 65%, 75%	
Summer sun 10,000 fc @	55% = 4500 fc
	65% = 3500 fc
	75% = 2500 fc
Winter sun 7000 fc @	55% = 3150 fc
	65% = 2450 fc
	75% = 1750 fc

## **2021 PCOS OFFICERS & CHAIRMEN**

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JoAnn Amos

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Jody Romanowski

### **AUDIO**

Scott Anderson

### **REFRESHMENTS**

Kathy Jacobson

### **SHOW CHAIR**

Laura Blackmon

### **HOLIDAY PARTY CHAIRS**

Anna Palermo

Tammy Cheng



## November's Show and Tell



At right:

Betty's Slc. India  
Rose 'Sherwood'

At left: Both Margaret and Clive brought in their Fredclarkiana After Dark 'SVO Black Pearl'



At right:

Betty's  
Ruth Loveless



At right:

Sally's  
Bulbophyllum medusae

Below:

Charlie's Rlc. Chesty  
Puller 'Tucan'



One of Ed's species covered at Oct. meeting: *C. labiata* dark species

