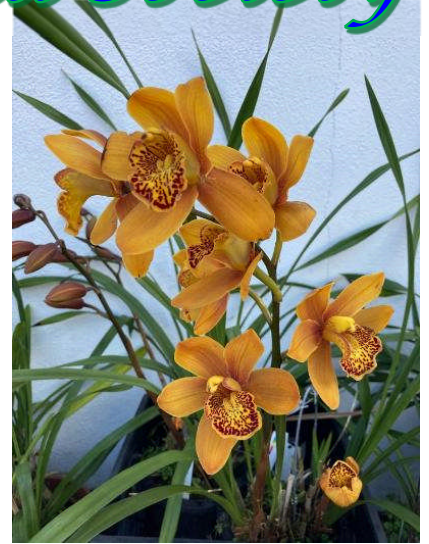


Platinum Coast Orchid Society

The Rhizome

March 2022

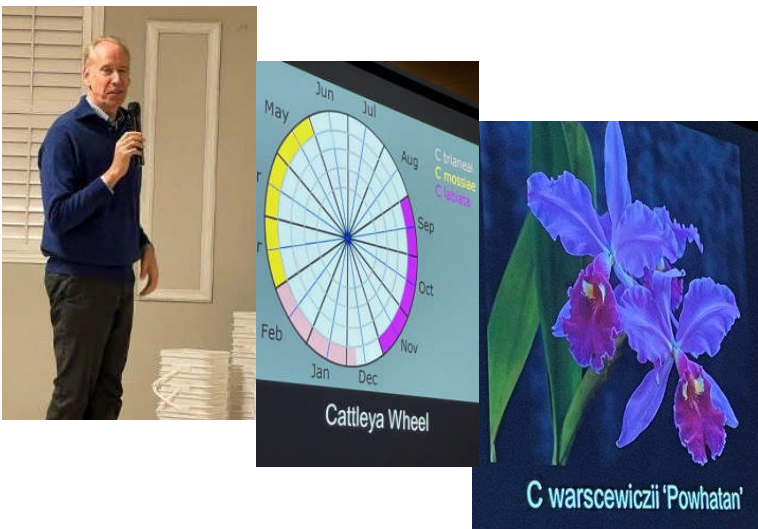


At the February meeting, Art Chadwick's presentation was enjoyed by all. In addition to a great program, we welcomed five new members to the society.

Our March meeting will include a niche demonstration and most likely sign up sheets and show updates. Some publicity materials will be distributed at the March meeting so we can start advertising for the show. If you are unable to attend the March meeting, you are welcome to drop by Patti and Charlie's to get yours. Displaying posters and signs is an easy way for every member to help.

If you have not paid your 2022 dues, they will be collected at the meeting.

Below—Art Chadwick and some of his slide show.



Betty's Cymbidium Art Golden
I successfully bloomed two out of twelve plants, not a very high percentage but I'll keep trying! While I have other colors these were the only ones to flower. It's a challenge as all plants were given the same culture; grown on the north side of the house and watered when dry.

I'm moving some plants to higher light exposure and increasing the fertilizer. The blooms are lovely and long lasting so hopefully whatever changes I make will increase my chances for a better percentage! Betty

CALENDAR

March 9 @ 6pm Board Meeting

March 9 @ 7pm Business Meeting

Niche Demonstration

Show info and sign up

SUNSHINE

Best wishes for continuing improvement are sent to Anna Palermo.

A special thank you to Donna Morris for the metal racks, to Edwin Kidder for hosting our guest speaker and to Laura Blackmon for once again donating the buckets. Bill Croucher continues to be our very capable slide professional, couldn't have such successful programs without him.

Margaret Smith is doing a wonderful job with our membership, and we definitely appreciate our Hospitality Chairman Kathy Ballance!



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 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.

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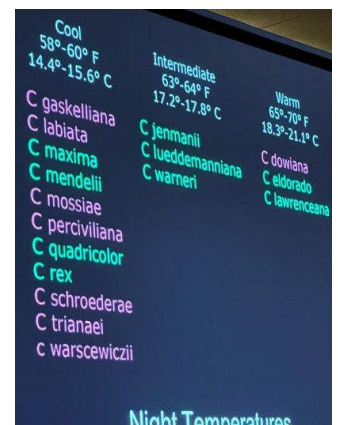
FOR AOS MEMBERS: The AOS also has a presence on Facebook. There is a [group](#) with close to 65,000 members, and a [page](#). Each allows you to post photographs and ask questions about your orchids. The group is the most active of the two, and group members usually respond quickly to posts. The page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

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EXPOS

- March 4-5 Englewood Area Orchid Show
Tringali Gym, 3460 N. Access Rd.,
Englewood, FL
- Mar. 4-6 Martin County Orchid Society Show
Martin County Fairgrounds Bldg. G
Stuart, FL
- Mar. 5-6 Tampa Bay Orchid Society Show
Tampa Scottish Rite
Tampa, FL
- Mar. 19-20 Nature Coast Orchid Society Show
VFW Post 8681 , Spring Hill, FL
- Mar. 19-20 Jacksonville Orhid Society Show
Mandarin Garden Club
Jacksonville, FL
- Mar. 25-27 Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance Show
North Collier Regional Park
Naples, FL
- Mar. 26-27 Orchid Society of Highlands Show
Agri-Civic Center, Sebring, FL
- Apr. 16-17 Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society Show
Flamingo Gardens, Davie, FL
- Apr. 23-24 Vero Beach Orchid Society Show
Riverside Park Vero Beach, FL
- Apr. 29-May 1 Platinum Coast Orchid Society Show
Kiwanis Island Park Gymnasium
Merritt Island, FL



Betty and Art modeling our new show aprons.



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Laura Blackmon

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP AT THE SHOW?

Almost anything. The only job that requires any previous knowledge is clerking for the judges and even then, you can probably do it.

This is the best way to establish friendships!

Day by day opportunities:

Wed., Apr. 27—*Arrive at the Kiwanis gym at noon to help with set up and table covers. If you have a truck, let Mark know.*

Thurs., Apr. 28—*Arrive between 8 and 5. Help the vendors carry in orchids, help the society exhibit chair, help with the arch, help the judges' luncheon chair set up tables. Just stand around and marvel.....we will put you to work.*

Fri., Apr. 29— *Sign up with Margaret to clerk for the judges (8am)
Sign up with Anna and Tammy to help in the Courtesy Booth -
Sign up sheet will be available at the meeting. (This involves
selling raffle tickets, answering questions about the society
and encouraging visitors to come over to the table.)*

*Sign up with Al to help with ticket sales—Sign up sheet will be
available at the meeting.*

Sat., Apr. 30— *Work at the Courtesy Booth or the Ticket table.*

Sun., May 1— *Work at the Courtesy Booth or the Ticket table.*

*All hands needed at 4pm to help clean up. Lots of
tablecloth folding and sweeping.*

Mon. May 2— *Wash some tablecloths.*

