

Platinum Coast Orchid Society

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our October speakers, Keith and Dina Emig from Winter Haven Nursery, were very entertaining and brought so many plants for our raffle. We had a lot of happy members taking home a new orchid. Their plants for sale were varied and different. I purchased *Aerangis biloba* that Keith featured in his presentation and which was new to me. It had recently bloomed so I'm hoping for more blooms next year.

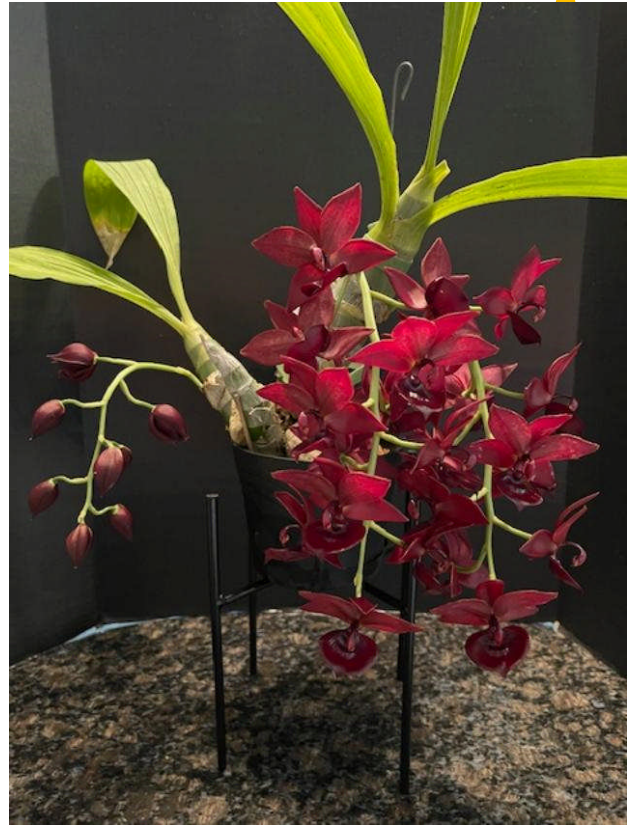
The weather was very pleasant for our annual picnic, and we had a nice turnout of members and guests. All the food was delicious – with so many side dishes and desserts that our members provided. Zachary, our usual Bingo caller, was sick and Ann Wade, a new member, stepped right up and did a fabulous job. We gave out a lot of orchids to our Bingo winners so everyone went home happy.

October has been a glorious time for orchid growers. So many of my favorite orchids are blooming, and so many varieties. Most of my *Catasetinae* have finished blooming and are losing their leaves on schedule, but my *Cynoches Taiwan Orange* (photo) is still in full bloom. FCdk. After Dark is still in bud and a little late this year. I'll enjoy it in November. If you're interested in *Catasetinae*, there is a lot of information on Fred Clarke's Sunset Valley Orchids website.

If you are looking to try your hand at mounting orchids, member Mark Walters of Orchid Trail Nursery on Merritt Island, will be doing a demonstration at our November meeting. He will also have some great plants to sell. Please come to the meeting to enjoy and learn. We'll also be electing our 2025 officers and directors, and signing up for our Christmas Party to be held on Wednesday, December 11th.

Margaret

The Rhyzome *November 2024*



CALENDAR

Nov. 13th—6pm Board Meeting

Nov. 13th—7pm Regular Meeting
Speaker Mark Walters

Dec. 11th—Christmas Party

SEASONAL CHANGES

Did you know that each season requires you to do different things with your orchids? Yes, here is one more thing you need to know, so follow the directions below:

CHECK OUT THE ARTICLE AT www.PlatinumCoastOrchidSociety.org

Then click on **The Rhyzome**, then find 2015 and click on November for the article "SEASONAL CHANGES" by Sue Bottom. Sue is a member of the St. Augustine Orchid Society.

October meeting forum



At left, Laura's *Catasetum Pileabrosum* Green 'Green Bat' and *Habenaaria* Raingreen's 'Pink Paws'.



At right, Witha's *Tiny Twister* and *Bnfd Gilded Tower* 'Mystery Maze'.



At left, Margaret's *Bulb. corolliferum* and *Rth. Coral Gold* 'Pacific Rainbow'.



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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.

www.aos.org

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

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| Nov. 1-3 | The Apopka International Fall Orchid Festival
Krull-Smith, 2800 W {Ponkan Rd.,
Apopka, FL |
| Nov. 16-17 | Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Show
Safe Schools Institute, Boca Raton, FL |
| Dec. 7-8 | Fort Pierce Orchid Society Show
River Walk Center, Ft. Pierce, GL |

PCOS NEWS

The 2025 show will be held on May 2, 3, and 4th. The show theme will be *An Orchid Jubilee*. Carolyn Anderson will be the show chairman.

The slate of officers for 2025 to be voted on at the November meeting:

President	Laura Blackmon
Vice President	Tom Dixon
Treasurer	Charis Gaines
Secretary	Tammy Cheng
Directors	Lois Fletcher
	Ann Wade
	Phyllis Gautreaux
	Carolyn Anderson

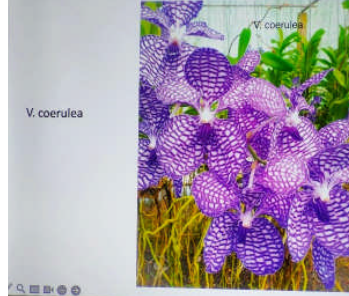
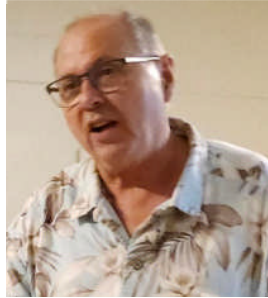
OCTOBER PRESENTATION

Well...maybe a couple Vandas...

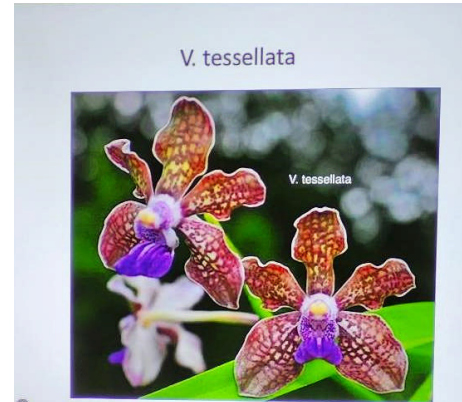
• Basic Vanda "building block" species



V. sanderiana

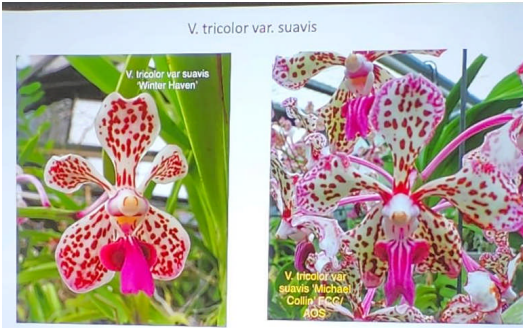


V. coerulea



V. tessellata

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V. tricolor var. suavis

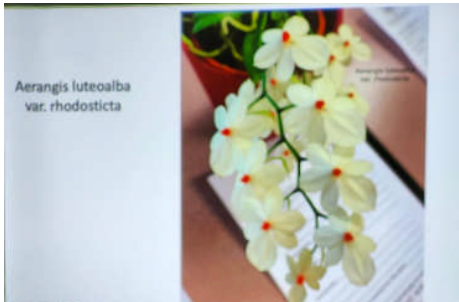
The presentation started with a few vandas and then SURPRISE, he gave away the orchid plant at left to Carolyn. Then everyone in the kitchen wins. We had many surprises like that during the very interesting evening. Next came Ascocendas and more.....

Then Clive (below) wins.



Ascocentrum miniatum

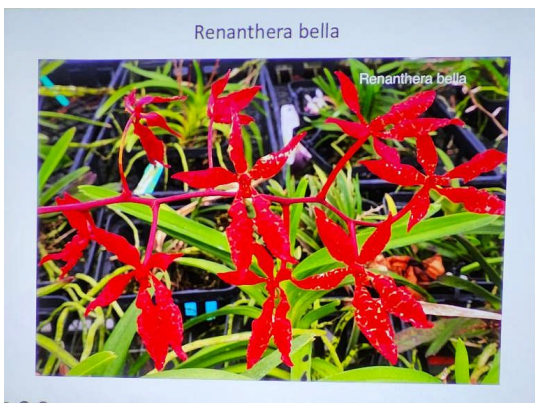
Ascocentrum miniatum



Aerangis luteoalba var. rhodosticta



Aerides flabelata 'Winter Haven'



Renanthera bella

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Renanopsis Lena Rowald

Ren. Lena Rowald



Perreiraara Lovey Dovey 'Winter Haven' FCC/AOS

Then Tom (above) wins—well, you get the idea. Many were surprised and all were delighted.

For an at home treat check out the Singapore Botanic Gardens at www.nparks.gov.sg/SBG

2024 PCOS OFFICERS & CHAIRMEN BE PART OF THE TEAM!

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Kathy Ballance—*Thanks for planning
a great picnic!*

SHOW CHAIRMAN & BUS TRIP

Carolyn Anderson

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Picnic 2024



LOTS OF FOOD.....



LOADS OF FUN....



LIVELY CROWD...

LUCKY WINNERS...

LOVELY ORCHID PRIZES.....

