

VENICE AREA Orchid Society

Newsletter

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January 2021

January General Meeting on Zoom

**Wednesday
January 6th
6:45pm**

Speaker: Peter Lin

Topic: Mini-Catts: Delightful Cattleyas in Miniature



Peter started growing orchids over 35 years ago, but then stopped due to school and starting a career. It wasn't until about 15 years ago that the orchid "bug" came back and he is now heavily involved once again! He is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, and a hybridizer of mini-catts. He enjoys meeting with other orchid enthusiasts, and can often be found at various orchid shows and societies around the country.

Due to limited growing space, Peter likes to specialize in miniature orchids, both species and hybrids, and has received numerous AOS awards. His interests in orchids include Dendrobiums, Angraecoids, and Neofinetias. He is also known as "Mr Sophronitis" as he has a passion for growing and collecting them. He maintains a collection of a thousand or more orchids at his home in Southern California in 3 small greenhouses, outdoors, as well as an offsite greenhouse.

January 2021 Events

**All public meetings
have been canceled
through April 2021.**

**Please join us on
Zoom for our
next meeting on
January 6th**

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MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT



Hi Everyone,

I hope you all are doing well this winter! This is normally our busiest and happiest time as we would typically be full swing into show season. I hope you all are enjoying your own home grown flower displays and imagining which of your plants would win the ribbons and trophies if we had shows this year! Keep posting your bloom photos on the Facebook group page.

As we come out of the holiday season, and the days start getting longer again, we can look forward to the light coming back into our lives and pray that the new virus vaccine will allow some sense of normalcy to return. Out with 2020 and let's embrace 2021 as a better year!

Many of you may be feeling isolated and in need of some social interaction. If so, I would encourage you all to attend our virtual Zoom meetings. We have had some wonderful speakers for our regular meetings and we open the meeting up ahead of time for people to say hi and reconnect. In addition, consider "attending" one of our Zoom Grower's Clinics. For the most part we have been keeping these very loosely structured so there is plenty of opportunity to chat and also to ask questions and advice about your plants. They have been quite fun, we've had some attendees from elsewhere in Florida and it's a nice opportunity to meet new orchid friends and have some safe social interactions. The clinics have been running 60-90 minutes, lots of people have been participating and sharing growing ideas and strategies. Almost like a roundtable, we have had some really helpful and informative discussions. Plus, all of us miss seeing each other and we miss seeing YOU, too. We don't want to forget each other's faces and smiles! So please join in and stay connected! The more the merrier!

Miss you all! Stay safe and wear your masks.

Joanna Shaw

President

VAOS Virtual Plant Table

We had a great collection of beautiful plants in our Virtual Plant Table Contest! After each monthly meeting a post will be placed in the VAOS Facebook group where members can post a photo of their currently blooming plants. Winners will receive a gift certificate to one of our show vendors. Come join the fun!

Winner: Judy Loeffler



2nd place: Catasetum Auroa

Vicki Fisher



3rd place: Rlc. Anna Saeki

'Volcano Queen

Natalia Romero-Contreras

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Meeting Minutes

Zoom Meeting

Date: November 4, 2020

Joanna Shaw called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Many members had logged on earlier to visit virtually.

Announcements

The topic for our November 12th Growers Clinic is: Preparing Your Orchids for Colder Weather. Palmer Orchids Fall Open House is November 21-23. Our December 13th Annual Holiday Brunch has been canceled due to pandemic.

Alan Koch, Gold Country Orchids, was our speaker for the evening. He gave us an excellent presentation on Angraecums focusing on culture and which species grow best in Florida.

Submitted by Kathryn Jeske, Recording Secretary

January in Your Orchid Collection

Excerpted from [*Florida Orchid Growing: Month by Month*](#) by Martin Motes. *All rights reserved.*

January is somewhat like December but in reverse, with each succeeding day bringing longer hours of sunlight until days are long enough that afternoons return at the end of the month bringing extra sunshine to warm us after the extra sharp cold snaps. January, like December, is cold and dry, in fact even colder and drier. Dry is good, cold can be very bad. We need to accentuate the positive by especially careful watering in January. By keeping our plants as dry as possible and spacing our waterings as far apart as possible, we conserve our potential to use water to protect our plants from the cold, keeping our powder dry, as it were. In January water early, water thoroughly when you do and do so sparingly. The cooler overall temperatures of January are much less dehydrating even to plants which have received less water. remember, many of our orchids come from seasonally dry and cool climates not so different from South Florida. Many orchids are equipped to handle the drier cooler conditions of our January. A good strategy is to “top-up” the light watering that our plants receive with the passing showers that each successive cold front brings. This slight additional irrigation may prove to be all the watering that many genera need. Such parsimony, preserves the possibility of using water on truly cold nights to warm our plants.

Water is the only feasible source of heat available to plants grown in the open, under trees, in shade houses or on patios in South Florida. Ground water here (and in most of the rest of the world) is about 63 F. (16C). Water out of municipal systems is not far different. On truly cold nights turning on the water can be of great benefit to our plants, provided that they have not been over-watered in the days and weeks preceding, thus inviting the ever present fungi to do more damage than the cold. For this reason as well, in general, orchids are better off dry until temperatures approach frost or freezing. The logic for maintaining plants dry is not only to minimize fungal problems but also because cold air is typically very dry air. If plants are wet in very dry and rapidly moving air say 10 or more MPH, evaporative cooling can take place, chilling our orchids further and faster than they would if dry. When the water goes on it needs to be in heavy volume and it needs to stay on to keep the plants thoroughly bathed in its warmth. Very still air on the other hand, presents a different danger as frost is possible at temperatures higher than is commonly realized. In calm air frost can form at higher elevations and settle in on plants while the surface temperature is only in the upper 30's. The best forecast for nights when the temperature will hover near 40 is a light wind of 2-5 miles per hour. This light wind mixes the warm air near the surface and draws warm from the earth. Clear, cloudless, still nights with bright shining stars elevate the spirit but harbingers frost. Forecasts of temperatures below 40 F should stimulate us to action.

If it is not practical to bring all the Phalaenopsis, vandas and hard cane dendrobiums into the house or garage, think of using water to help protect them. Shade cloth or even patio screen hold in a surprising amount of heat like an lacy Mantilla. Under screen, a fine mist head attached to a hose and left running beneath the bench or plant rack will provide several degrees of additional warmth that will often sufficiently temper the chill and ward off any light frost settling in. Growers with swimming pools frequently turn on the recirculating pump to keep a supply of warm water near the pool's surface where it can add heat to the ambient environment. A few degrees of warmth frequently makes all the difference to our sensitive orchids. In more open areas not protected by a permanent irrigation system, an oscillating sprinkler at the end of a garden hose is very effective. These are readily available at Home Depot and garden shops for a few dollars. On frosty nights, start the water at bedtime and let it run until the sun is up. The extra water once or twice in a month will do no harm to orchids that have been properly and judiciously watered the remainder of the month. In fact, these occasions present the opportunity to be sure that excess fertilizer salts have been leached from the pots and medium. A good work can be born of necessity!

January in Your Orchid Collection, continued

Remember that Himalayan dendrobiums and “warm growing” *Cymbidium* hybrids will positively relish temperatures down to 32F and a light frost is just the ticket for great bloom. Keep the water off these!

In the drought of January, mites, which affect nearly all genera of orchids, continue to be a serious problem that will only get worse. They will reach a crescendo in March and April but January is a good time to scotch them. *Paphiopedilum* and other softy leaved genera are particularly susceptible but no genus is free of them. One theory on why deciduous genera such as *Catasetum*, *Calanthe* and others lose their leaves hypothesizes that this totally rids them of mites.

Being totally rid of mites is a good thing! Sometimes this is easier said than done because mites reproduce with such voluminous speed. Their life cycle from egg to reproductive adult being is as short as twelve days. In order to control mites one must achieve as total a kill of the population as possible. Total control can only be achieved with two successive sprays. After spraying for mites initially, one *must* spray again in 7 — 10 days. No single spray is totally effective in killing both adults and eggs and a second spraying is necessary to kill any survivors before they can reproduce. Oil as recommended in the December chapter at 1.5 oz per gal followed in 7-10 days by soap at the rate of 2 oz per gallon is very effective. These treatments are also quite effective against scale and mealy bugs which thrive on drought as well. Be sure your plants are well watered the day before applying both oil and soap and be sure that you cover thoroughly all leaf surfaces especially the lower ones which are mites favorite hide outs.

For those who wish to be more aggressive, the University of Florida IFAS recommended chemicals for mite control are:

Avid 0.15 EC

Kelthane T/O

Mavarik Aquaflow

Talstar Flowable

Always follow label instructions for use. Any of the can be alternated with the soap or the oil in the 7-10 day cycle.

Controlling mites pays huge dividends! You'll be surprised at the extra vigor your plants display.

Cold Watch

As cold is a major theme of this month, a review of some factors effecting temperatures in South Florida should be particularly valuable to new comers in the wide world of orchid growing.

While we bask in the warm glow of a tourist board's vision of winter, (made all the warmer by thoughts of our envious friends and relatives stuck in the northern snow and ice) we should be mindful that January can produce quite severe cold. The majority of hard freezes in Florida take place in January, and even short of that catastrophe, the month usually brings the coldest weather of the year. We need to keep a sharp eye on the weather reports while remembering that in our almost island of Florida a number of factors influence the severity of the cold which will impact us.

January in Your Orchid Collection, continued

First the shape of the cold front interacting with the shape of the peninsula. The weather that delights the tourist board and all of us while plunging most of the US into the throes of ice and snow usually result from particularly large, slow-moving masses of cold air that have spread across much of the continent before reaching Florida. Large broad masses of cold air that seep downward over a broad front also cover the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic as they progress southward. These tempering bodies of water bathe the cold to merely refreshingly brisk temperatures. More dangerous to our plants are the smaller, tighter, fast-moving fronts which plunge like a dagger of cold straight down the peninsula to the tropical heart of South Florida. Such fronts typically spawn the freezes and severe plant-damaging cold that is of the greatest concern to orchidists and other plant people.

These Siberian Express fronts bring winds out of the Northwest that are un-influenced by the benign, protective bodies of water flanking the peninsula as they drive down the central landmass of Florida. When the winds from an approaching front start out from the southwest and move gradually to the northwest and then quickly to the north and northeast, we can expect cold nights and warm days that reasonably well-protected orchids not only tolerate but in some case actually relish. The more savage fast moving fronts where winds start in the Northwest and stay there are the ones to send us thinking of moving plants or providing additional heat.

Wind direction is always critical in South Florida. Because of the peninsula's decided eastward cant, winds from the north in much of South Florida are in fact relatively mild. North winds here are blowing across the warm Gulf Stream. The first shift to the northeast absolutely spells relief as the warm Atlantic has absorbed the cold.

Wind speed is also important. Strong winds at low temperatures chill our plants more rapidly, exposing them to additional hours of chilling. "Wind chill factor" has no relevance to plants until the actual air temperature drops to a level unacceptable to the plant. After that, the more rapidly the plant itself's temperature falls to that damaging level and the longer it stays there the worse the case. Wind speed enters the equation only if the final low temperature is below our plants' tolerance. Wind breaks of vegetation or manmade are always to be sought. Native epiphytic orchids hide out in the most protected hammocks and sloughs. We can learn from them.

Dead, still air looms with another threat: radiational cooling which can allow frost generated at higher levels of the atmosphere to settle in on our plants even when the air at the surface is only in the upper 30's. These frosts typically occur when the front has passed leaving such low humidity that there is no moisture in the air to retain ground heat which radiates quickly into the cold reaches of space. Light winds of 2-5 miles an hour are our friends on these nights. They stir additional heat from the ground and keep the colder upper air from settling in.

Relative humidity also has a profound effect on temperatures. Dry, clear air allows heat to radiate out into space. Those bright starry nights are beautiful but as Good King Wenceslas knew they are not necessarily our comforters. The best measure of the dryness of the air relative to cold is the dew point. When water vapor is wrung from the air an incredible amount of energy is released and the heat of transformation raises the air temperature a degree or two. Because of this phenomenon, the dew point is usually the closest measure of the coldest temperature that will be reached in the night. Particularly on still clear nights it should be monitored closely.

Wind direction, wind speed, dew point — where does one find these on a chilly night? At the Florida Agricultural Weather Network (FAWN), a system of automated weather monitoring stations, as close as your computer. There will be a station near you. There are also several at points north of the nearest location that give data on conditions that are effecting areas through which the cold front is moving toward us. [FAWN is updated every 15 minutes here.](#) Bookmark it for something other than worrying to do on those cold nights.



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SPECIAL EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT - MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**THE AOS IS EXCITED ABOUT HOLDING OUR FIRST ON LINE ORCHID SPEAKER'S DAY
ALL ABOUT ORCHID CULTURE**

Join us online Saturday, February 06, 11:00 A.M. EST

Let's Rid Ourselves of the Winter Doldrums. Spend the Day Learning More about Growing Orchids

- ♦ **GROWING MINIATURES** 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. **Kristen Uthus** from NEW WORLD ORCHIDS
- ♦ **BRAZILIAN HABITATS AND THEIR INFLUENCE ON CULTURE** 12:00—12:45 p.m. **Francisco Miranda** from MIRANDA ORCHIDS
- ♦ **THOSE PESKY BUGS** 1:00—1:45 p.m. **Ron McHatton**, AOS CHIEF SCIENCE OFFICER
- ♦ **GROWING HEALTHY PAPHS** 2:00-2:45 p.m. **Dave Sorokowsky** from PAPH PARADISE
- ♦ **SECRETS OF GROWING DENDROBIUMS** 3:00-3:45 p.m. **Alan Koch** from GOLD COUNTRY ORCHIDS

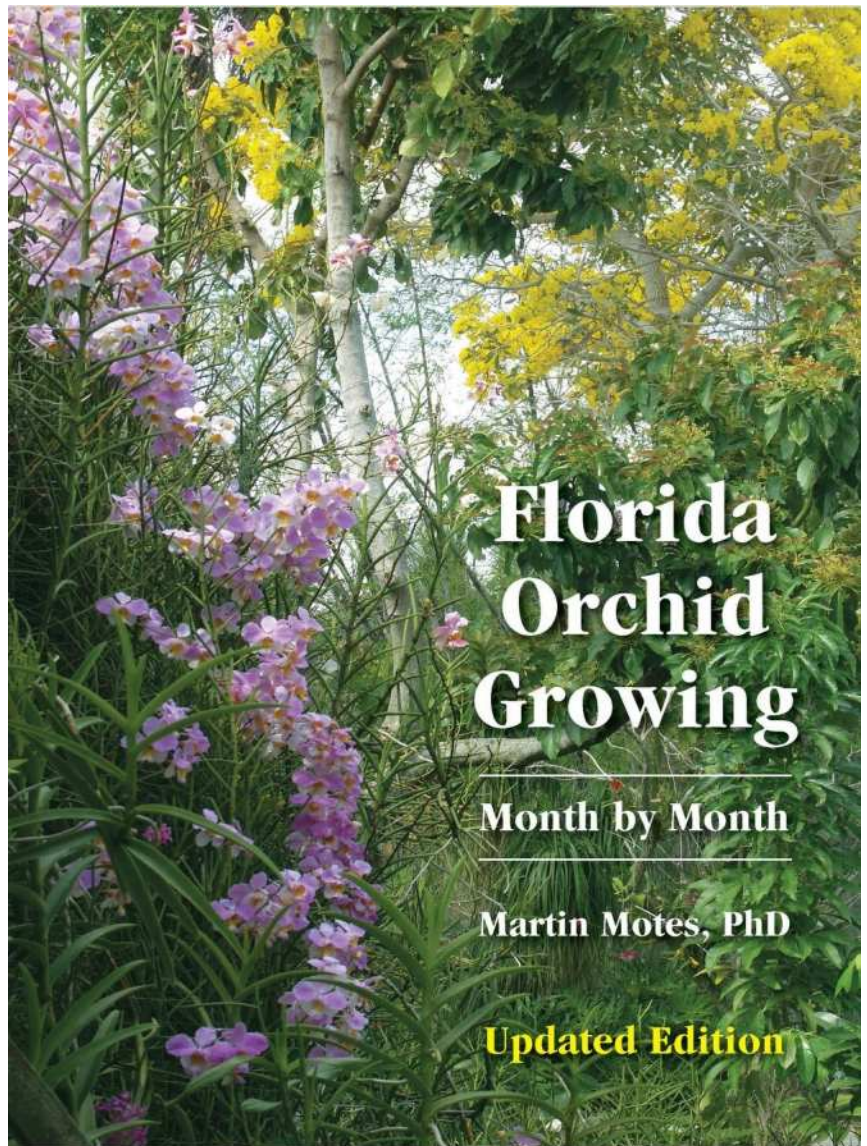
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**Dr. Martin
Motes -
Florida Orchid
Growing
Month by
Month**



VAOS has just received our shipment of the new edition. They are available to members for \$20 and may be ordered and picked up from:

Judy Loeffler—On Venice Island. 941-485-9569 Email: judyvaos@gmail.com
833 Guild Dr. Venice, FL 34285

Carol Wood—South Venice. 941-497-4995 Email: cwood12@msn.com
4941 Bella Terra Dr., Venice, FL 34293

Call or email Judy or Carol to order and pick up your copy at one of their homes.

We regret we cannot mail the books at this time.

See a summary of the new edition on the following page.

Florida Orchid Growing Month by Month 2nd Edition

Martin Motes, PhD

The BEST and Best Selling Book on growing orchids in Florida!

Martin Motes, a native Floridian, has been growing orchids south of Miami for over fifty years, man and boy. His guidance and advice come from a deep knowledge and practical experience of the local, subtropical world. Monthly guides lead the aspiring orchidist through the intricacies of the changing climate and growing conditions of the Florida year: its benefits and its dangers. Practical solutions to problems and to control and prevention of pests and diseases are offered. Growing materials and tools are suggested and their local sources are provided.

Written in a humorous and easily accessible style, *Florida Orchid Growing* will make everyone an expert. This Florida-specific guide will prove invaluable to subtropical and tropical growers everywhere.

In addition to updates on the latest in disease and pest control, the new edition contains an extensive chapter on control of *Thrips* giving growers the tools needed to control this ubiquitous pest. Over sixty years' experience has shown that controlling *Thrips* consistently yields control of scale, mealy bugs and all other insect pests, including the wily cucaracha. A new chapter on "Advice for Snowbirds" helps our winter visitors leave their beloved orchids behind with more confidence that they will be fine upon their return. Finally, in the 12 years that have passed since the first edition of *Florida Orchid Growing* was published, molecular research has led to numerous name changes in genera. The new and proper nomenclature for many plants is incorporated in the new book.

Webinars-Coming Attractions!



When	January 07, 2021 8:30pm EST Thursday	January 13, 2021 8:30pm EST Wednesday	February 09, 2021 8:30pm EST Tuesday	February 16, 2021 8:30pm EST Tuesday
Topic	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) <i>Send in your Questions!</i>	Mounting Your Orchids Best Practices	Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q&A) <i>Send in your Questions!</i>	Native Orchids of the Heartland
Presenter	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Michael Coronado Production Manager & VP, RF Orchids	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer	Doug Martin Meeting the Challenge of Growing Native Orchids

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: <http://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx>

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- ♦ Sell, swap or give away plants and divisions

Post your orchid plant photo to our Virtual Plant Table – once a month the member photo that receives the most “likes” receives a \$50 gift certificate to one of our local vendors

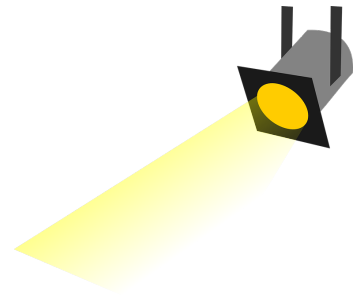


DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

We have a board position open for Director, Communications, responsible for compiling and producing our monthly VAOS newsletter. Board members and other members contribute their newsletter input, saved to our Dropbox files. Our newsletter is produced in Microsoft Publisher and distributed to members using Mail Chimp. It takes about three hours a month,

Please contact Carol Wood at csec@vaos.org if you can help.

Show Vendor Spotlight



2800 W. Ponkan Rd, Apopka, FL 32712

(407) 886-4134

Showroom Hours: **MON-FRI:** 9am - 5pm • **SAT** 9am - 2pm • **SUN:** Closed

Krull-Smith was formed over 40 years ago when Frank Smith and Jim Krull started a small orchid nursery in Apopka, Florida where they have been providing exceptional quality orchids to hobbyists and commercial growers ever since.

In that time Krull-Smith has become the leading orchid hybridizer in the world for award-quality show plants, having received over 700 quality and cultural awards from the American Orchid Society.

Krull-Smith is absolutely dedicated to providing the highest quality species and hybrids of Phalaenopsis, Cattleyas, and Paphiopedilums, as well as a wide array of novelty orchids such as Bulbophyllums - sought after by serious orchid hobbyists and collectors who are especially interested in showing their plants as well as creating unique and high quality orchid collections.

<https://www.krullsmith.com>

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FLORIDA WEST COAST ORCHID SOCIETY

2021 Annual Show

Time & Location

Jan 30, 2021, 10:00 AM – Jan 31, 2021, 4:00 PM

Seminole Recreation Division, 9100 113th St N, Seminole, FL 33772, USA

About the Event

Join us for our annual show and sale!

10am to 4 pm January 30 and 31

American Orchid Society sanctioned event

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Vendors:

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\$5 admission, children 15 and under free

NEW TO Zoom?

Like many organizations, the VAOS is moving to Zoom meetings until we can all safely meet together again. We hosted our first monthly meeting on Zoom on August 5th with Fred Clarke presenting from California. We had 85 participants. We are working to produce monthly Growers Clinics on Zoom as well.

If you are new to Zoom, here are some instructions to set up to view our monthly meetings and growers clinics.

- ♦ Download Zoom and become familiar with it. Simply go to www.Zoom.com and follow the instructions to download to your computer. Once downloaded, you will see the icon on your desktop.
- ♦ VAOS will send you a link to our meeting by email. It will also be available through our Facebook Group page or our website.
- ♦ Log on early for our September 2nd meeting so that you can learn your way around. Click to test Audio and Video prior to the meeting start. Our host, Jay Loeffler, will mute all participants during the presentation. You may submit questions for the speaker at the end. During the meeting, if you need to step away, you can click Mute at the left bottom corner of your screen.
- ♦ Download Zoom and get familiar with it. It is a great tool and will allow us to continue our meetings and stay in contact until we can get together again.
- ♦ Here is a tip from Jay Loeffler if you experience connection problems during our Zoom meetings:
 - Rebooting your Router/modem can help with internet connections
 - First, unplug your router and broadband modem from power. (If combo just unplug the one)
 - Then wait about 30 seconds, and plug them back in: first the modem, then the router.
 - Wait a few minutes for them to completely power back on. If your equipment had encountered an error, the restart should fix it and your internet should be back up.

JANUARY CULTURE TIPS

When is the best time to repot my orchid?

Orchids are best repotted when they are in active growth. Orchids are usually in active growth shortly after blooming when they send out new shoots and/or leaves and new roots begin to form. Be careful not to break the tips of the growing roots or the new growth of the plant.

Phalaenopsis are very forgiving and can be repotted just about any time they are not in bloom. On the other extreme, Dendrobiums prefer to be repotted only as new growth appears.

There will always be instances when an orchid must be repotted immediately (for example if the pot breaks, or the media is severely decomposed) in which case be as gentle as you can.

Hanging Orchids Like Mother Nature

Most of the orchids we grow are epiphytes, meaning they grow on trees in their natural habitat. Orchids in the Cattleya family are well suited for mounting. Common mounts include tree fern plaques or poles, cypress, cork, driftwood (well soaked to remove salt), cedar and grape wood. Mounted orchids will require more frequent watering. Orchids can be attached to the mount with plastic zip ties, nylon stockings or fishing line. Place a small pad of sphagnum moss or coconut fiber husk between the plant and the mount to encourage new roots. Many growers start the plant off horizontal and then hang it when roots have attached to the mount.

JANUARY GROWERS CLINIC ON ZOOM

Thursday, January 14th, 7pm

Please join us on Zoom for our January Growers Clinic, Thursday, January 14th, at 7pm. Jay will open the zoom meeting early at 6:30pm for those who would like to chat and catch up with other members.

The topic is [Online Orchid Resources](#), presenting an overview of several websites and other online resources available to orchid growers. In addition we will have ample time to discuss your questions. Growers Clinic Team members will be available, have your questions ready and your problem plants to show the group for advice.

Watch for Zoom log on instructions for this meeting on our Facebook Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/VAOS.org> or in an email that will be sent prior to meeting.

Jay Loeffler, Growers Clinic Coordinator

VAOS MEMBERSHIP EXTENDED THROUGH 2021!

Sue reports that VAOS currently has 422 members.

The pandemic has disrupted our meetings and activities since March 2020, and it is still unknown when we will be able to get back to normal. Therefore, VAOS will extend membership to all active members through 2021. If your 2020 dues were paid on or after October 1, 2020, we will automatically renew your membership through next year.

Please contact Sue Grimmer, Membership Director, if you have questions regarding your membership status. memb@vaos.org

Treasurer's Report Nov 30, 2020

Operating Fund Starting Oct. 31, 2020	\$ 4,635.08
+ Income	\$ 1,460.00
- Payments	\$ 947.29
Closing Balance November 30, 2020	\$ 5,147.79
	+
Petty Cash	\$ 75.00
Total Operating Fund Nov. 30, 2020	\$ 5,222.79

Reserve Fund

Starting Balance October 31, 2020	\$46,173.62
+Interest Income Nov. 30, 2020	\$ 0.39
Closing Balance Nov. 30, 2020	\$46,174.01

Submitted by Judy Loeffler, Treasurer

Support Our Local Growers and Vendors!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 6 (1st Wednesday) - Monthly Meeting via Zoom. 7pm. Peter Lin. Topic: Mini-Catts: Delightful Cattleyas in Miniature

January 7 AOS Webinar. Greenhouse Chat. Open to Public. 8:30pm

January 9 AOS Florida North Central Judging Center. 1:30pm—5pm

January 13 AOS Webinar. Mounting Your Orchids 8:30pm

January 14 (2nd Thursday) - Growers Clinic via Zoom. Online Orchid Resources

January 16-17 Krull-Smith Winter Orchid Festival. See flyer in this newsletter.

February 3rd (1st Wednesday) - Monthly Meeting via Zoom. 7pm. Jeff Bradley. Topic: Historic Cattleyas—Their Provenance and History

February 6th—AOS Online Speaker's Day, All About Orchid Culture. See flyer in this newsletter

February 11 (2nd Thursday) - Growers Clinic via Zoom

ONGOING

Mentor Program: help for beginning growers, contact Rick Belisle Mentor@vaos.org

AOS Orchid Judging—Check Website for Schedule.

Orchid Judging takes place at Christ the King Catholic Church, McLoughlin Center – Room C, 821 S. Dale Mabry Hwy., Tampa, FL 33609. at 6:30pm on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

Info: <http://www.fncjc.shutterfly.com/>

Next Meeting
January 6th
via Zoom

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