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***Monthly General Meetings** – held the 4th Wednesday of each month (except July, August and December)

****Monthly Meetings and Culture Classes are currently being offered in a hybrid format, both in-person and online. .**

To attend virtually use Cisco Webex:

<https://vancouverorchidsociety.my.webex.com/meet/vosexecutive>

or open the Cisco Webex program and enter this meeting number 142 001 4949 in the Enter meeting information field, under Join a Meeting.

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This Month:

Culture Class Tuesday, May 10 at 7pm

Monthly Meeting Wednesday, May 25 at 7pm

Monthly Meeting Speaker - Carol Siegel on “Sex Life of Orchids”

Next Culture Class – Tuesday, June 14, 7 pm

Next Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, June 22, 7 pm



Upcoming Speakers

Month	Day	Date	Event	Topic
May	Tuesday	10	Culture Class	TBA
May	Wednesday	25	Monthly Meeting Speaker—Carol Siegel	Sex Life of Orchids
Jun	Tuesday	14	Culture Class	TBA
Jun	Wednesday	22	Monthly Meeting Speaker—Glen Decker	My Life with Slippers
Aug	Tues-Weds	23-24	August Summer Sale	
Sep	Tuesday	13	Culture Class	TBA
Sep	Wednesday	28	Monthly Meeting	TBA

The **AOS Western Canada Judging Center** meets every second Saturday of the month at 11:30am, except where noted (Chair: David Edgley, 425 -785-6440, David.Edgley@gmail.com)

Next 2 monthly meetings:

May 14, 2022 : 11:30am at Swan Lake Christmas Hill Nature Sanctuary, 3873 Swan Lake Road, Victoria, BC V8X 3W1

June 11, 2022 : 1:00pm after WCJC business meeting at Sea Island Community Centre, 7140 Miller Road, Richmond, BC V7B 1L4

Please note that future meetings may be affected by Provincial Health restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Social Media:

Instagram - VOS member Conor Preston has established an Instagram account to generate public interest in growing orchids. Please visit: <https://www.instagram.com/vancouverorchidsociety/>
If you would like to post photos of your flowering orchids, please get in touch with Conor at: conorpreston88@gmail.com

WhatsApp – VOS chatroom - Daniel Kwok has established Chatrooms for VOS members to post photos of their orchids, ask questions about plant health or growing tips. It is a great forum to learn from others and to share your plant photos and growing conditions.

We would like to encourage new VOS members, and current members who have not joined the VOS chatroom, to get in touch with Daniel at: dkwok3580@gmail.com (Tel: 604 805-3866) to be added.

Facebook-You can also follow us on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/VancouverOrchidSociety/>

Facebook/Instagram - Photos of your orchids needed

Photos of your flowering orchids (and basic information on growing conditions) are needed for the VOS **Facebook Page and Instagram**. This is a great way to promote our love of orchids to other growers and the public. Send your photos to Jennifer Pell/Conor Preston at: VOS_secretary@outlook.com

Executive and Board of Directors

Interim President – Ingrid Pike

1st Vice President – Barbara Cable

2nd Vice President – Ingrid Pike

Treasurer – Maureen Burke

Secretary – Conor Preston

Directors:

Eugene Banziger

Gabrielle Carson

Vivien Chung

Giulia Comin

Keith Willet

Andrew Wong (Andrew has also agreed to take over as Membership Coordinator)

NOTE: Contributions of photos or articles to the newsletter are welcome. If you wish to write a short culture note or pass along some 'secret' growing tips that you find makes your orchids thrive and bloom well, please email to me so I can include in a future newsletter.

Send to Holly Martin:

neesabelle@hotmail.com

The submission deadline is usually the 7th of each month. Items received after this date will appear in the next newsletter.

Vancouver Orchid Society

Treasurer's Report April 2022

Opening Balance: March 31	\$7135.01
Closing Balance: April 30	\$7215.81

Community Account

Revenue:

Memberships (7@\$30)	\$ 210.00
Auction	\$ 5.00
VISA overpay	\$ 66.00
Total	\$ 281.00

Expenses:

StorageMart	\$ 172.19
Office (stamps, Shopper's, transfer to US\$)	\$ 28.01
Total	\$ 200.20

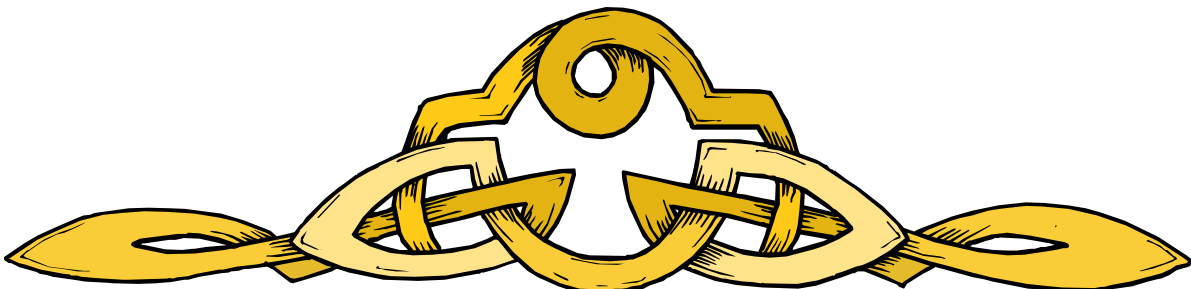
Net change	\$ 80.80
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<u>US\$ Account:</u>	\$ 1999.25
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Trust Accounts:

1.#1 421315 Matures 16/03/2024	\$ 7572.38
2.#2 84697 90-day lockout Matures 16/03/2023	\$10059.14
Total terms	\$18531.52

Submitted by Maureen Burke, Treasurer May 4, 2022



Monthly Meeting Minutes

Vancouver Orchid Society

Minutes of 27 April 2022

Meeting hosted in person at the Floral Hall at VanDusen and virtually on Cisco WebEx
Chaired by Ingrid Pike and called to order at 7:12pm

Executive Committee:

Coming up in June is our AGM and the Society will need to vote on a new executive board

The nominating committee for the executive board is Eugene Banziger, Daniel Kwok and Don Harquail with Eugene acting as the chair

Executive board members stepping down this year are Jennifer Pell as President, Barb Cable as 1st Vice President, Maureen Burke as Treasurer and Gabrielle Carson as Director. Thank you to these members for all the work done on the Executive Board

Ingrid Pike has agreed to run for President, as she has been the acting President for the last several months to help out Jennifer Pell and Ricky Leung will run as 1st Vice President

Conor Preston will stay on as Secretary and Giulia Comin, Andrew Wong, Vivien Chung and Eugene Banziger will stay on as Directors

This leaves the positions of 2nd Vice President and Treasurer vacant as well as several spots for directors. If you would like to nominate someone for any position, please contact Eugene at eu-gene.banziger@gmail.com

Summer Sale:

The VOS will be hosting a summer sale. It will be a two day event on July 23rd and 24th at the Floral Hall at VanDusen

Both commercial and hobby vendors will be present and there will be display tables and repotting demonstrations

Set-up will be on Friday July 22nd so please bring any blooming orchids you have for display

Tables are \$50 each for hobby vendors, if you would like a table, please contact Daniel Kwok at dkwok3580@gmail.com. Members can share tables however they'd like over the two days, but it is up to them to organize amongst themselves

Volunteers are needed! If you'd like to volunteer please email vos_secretary@gmail.com. It's a great way to get to know other members!

Other Business:

Ecugenera will be hosting a pop up at Vandula Nursery in Delta in May. The cut off date for ordering is April 28th



Ecuagenera POPUP

May 20-22, 2022

Vandula Farms and Garden Center,

Hwy 99 and Hwy 10 Delta



**VANCOUVER
POP UP
PLANT SALE**

May 20-22

Fri & Sat.
9:30 am - 6 pm
Sun. 9:30 am - 4 pm

Vandula Farms
📍 9832 Ladner Trunk Rd, Delta, BC V4G 1K2

ORDER NOW!

Deadline April 28

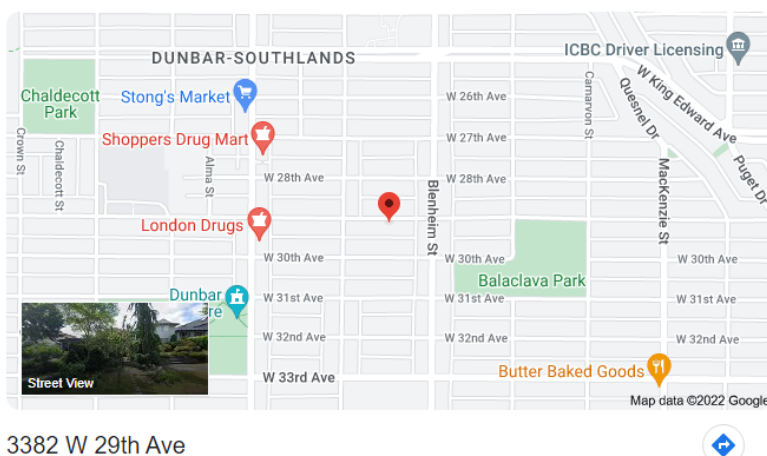
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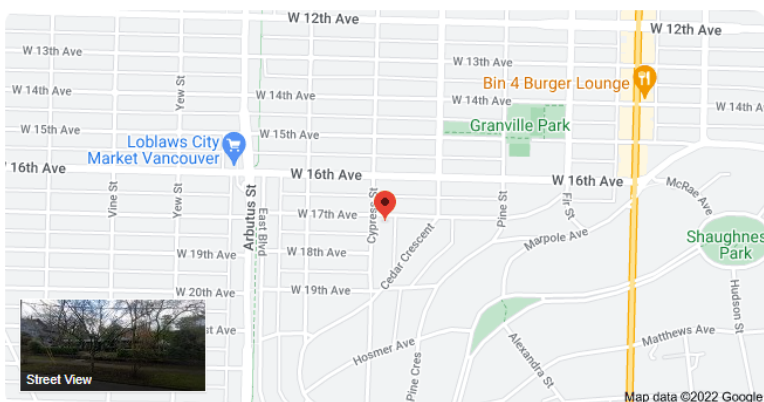
Open Houses & Plant Sales

Margaret Prat will be hosting an open house at her place on **Saturday May 14 from 10 am to 2 pm at 3382 West 29th Avenue**. Wayne Riggs and Margaret will have plants for sale. We are assuming COVID public health measures stay the same, i.e. masking not required and no number limits. Hopefully some of the terrestrial orchids will be in bloom, and Margaret will be happy to answer questions about the greenhouse, orchid plants and the garden orchids. Hope to see you there!



3382 W 29th Ave

Open house and sale at **Richard Pearson's** place, **Saturday May 14, 10 am to 2 pm. 1890 West 17th Avenue, Vancouver V6J2M9** SE corner of Cypress and 17th Ave, near bus routes on 16th and Arbutus. (Not too far from Margaret Prat's place) Please no early birds .



1890 W 17th Ave

VOS Member Photos—Thank You to All for Sharing!

Peter Zhao

Paph. lowii



Phrag. Cardinale

Yolanda Breck



Phrag. China Dragon

Gabrielle Carson



Papilionanthe taiwaniana



Vanda cristata

Dendrobium bellatulum



Elizabeth Markus



Phal. (Sedirea) japonica

Max. tenuifolia



Ornithocephalus bicornis

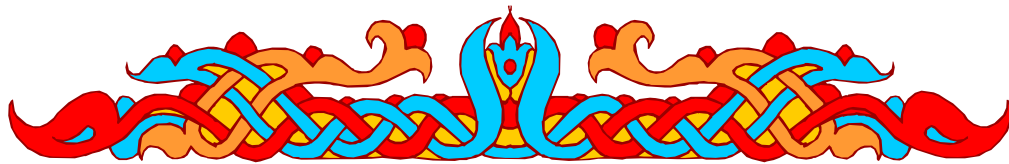
Marilyn Lew



**Lc. Shirayukihime x Lc. Mildred Rives
Orchidglade FCC/AOS x Lc. Tokyo Magic
Hihimanu**



Lc. Stonehouse "Duke of Bridgewater"



Phal. noid



Coelogyne lawrenceana



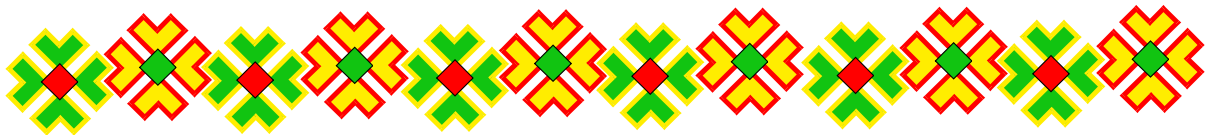
Melanie G.



Bc. Nakornpathorne Silver



Pleione formosana



Den. loddigesii



Paph. maudiae cross—We often don't look at the back side of the blooms, but they can be quite striking!





Masd coccinea var alba

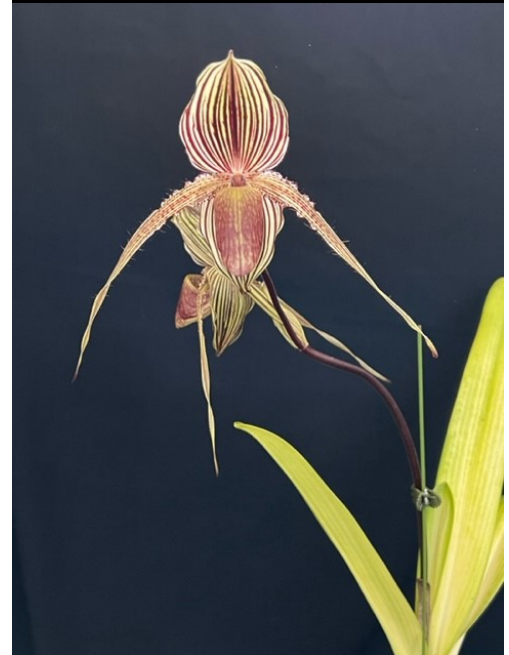


Lycaste Green Apple

Ascda Thai Spot x Ascda
Bangklutien Gold



Paph Gary Romagan





**C. Blue Velvet 'Surprise' SM/
JOGA**



Max. Memoria Ben Berliner

Ascofinetia Cherry Blossom



Den. Sweet Dawn



Richard Pearson



**Epi conopseum x
xanthinum**



**Sarchochilus hybrids and
Lyc Takasamine MH Magic x
Aburn Black Knight**



**Lyc. macrophyllum alba x
Shoalhaven Kyoto**

**Lyc Goshima 519 Skinneri Ipala x John
Ezzy Pink Star**



Sarchochilus Hot Santa



Lori Barrington



Paphiopedilum druryi.

Acquired as a seedling in 2017
and now blooming for the first
time.



Paphiopedilum randsii.

Not often seen in cultivation and
now blooming for the first time
since I acquired it as a seedling in
2016

Masdevallia picturata.

Lives and blooms happily on the kitchen
windowsill



Phal. Anna-Larati Soekardi.

Primary hybrid (pulcherrima x
parishii) blooms reliably each
spring.



Yolanda Breck



Slc. Beau's apricot gem



Den. Nobile



Lc. Wanda's Fire



Paph. Via Rio Vista 'Sea Win' x Paph. 'Sandra Mary' Diablo AM/AOS

Phrag. Amitabha besseae
'near fire' x Patti MacHalex AM/AOS



Phrag. Professor Braem



Brassavola fragrans



Terry Enno



Miltoniopsis Robert Jackson 'Wild Thing'. Very fragrant. Three stems, the fourth is finished. Hydroton as media, but not treated like semi-hydro as it hates constantly being wet. Cool to intermediate temps over 50 % humidity, sunblaster lights, I never spray the leaves but spritz the surface with distilled water sometimes and use MSU at half strength.



Dendrobium Victoria-reginae. Almost Blue! This plant normally grows hanging down from a tree branch, but is staked up for my convenience as a grower. I keep it in a basket style pot inside a clay pot which contains moist perlite below the basket. The evaporation of water through the clay helps to keep the roots cool in the warm season. I grow it mostly on the cool side, less than 20°C during the day and down to about 15° C at night. It is potted in alternating layers of perlite and sphagnum moss in its basket. Good air circulation. A bit of drape sheers cloth between it and the Sunblasters, otherwise the leaves get reddish. Half the usual dose of MSU and spritzes of distilled water on the moss when it gets a bit dry. Yes, long instructions... it can be tricky to grow!

Sobralias—Online Presentation

There is a free presentation online, hosted by Five Cities Orchid Society (fcos.org), on **May 12, 2022 at 7pm (PDT)**. The presenter is Bruce Rogers who founded Bruce Rogers Orchids, an orchid consulting and management company based in San Francisco. He is known around the world for his unique and popular Sobralia hybrids. Access the presentation online at: <https://facebook.com/events/s/bruce-rogers-the-sobralia-orc/328009362696110/>