Garden Island Orchid Society Newsletter September - October 2022

President's Message

Aloha all!

Our October meeting is quickly approaching and I hope to see you there. We have a couple of changes for this meeting. We are changing to optional wearing of masks, and we are bringing back refreshments!! We welcome refreshments from members and we will also have a prepackaged treat option. We will not be providing door prizes to members in October but have plans for bringing budded/blooming door prizes for our Holiday meeting. But we will have a Lucky Drawing in October and give away three orchids.

Our speaker for the October meeting is Al Sugano. I've asked Al to include in his topics information and guidance on preparing for an orchid show. It has been so long since we have all prepared for an orchid show, we may have slipped in keeping our orchids healthy and ready to present to the public and for judging. We expect to have our regular Spring Orchid Show next April. This will give us plenty of time to work on our orchids. I know there are things that I should be doing.

And please bring your blooming orchids for the display table on October 14! Here are a few photos of orchids in my garden.

See you soon, take care and stay healthy!

Elizabeth



Upcoming Events

General Meeting ~ The next General Meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 14, 2022 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the United Church of Christ in Hanapepe.

2022 General Meeting Schedule: General meetings are scheduled for October 14 and December 3 at the United Church of Christ in Hanapepe.

2022 Events: unfortunately none are scheduled. We are looking forward to 2023.

August Meeting Recap

Our August in-person General Meeting was another success. Its great to visit and talk with everyone in person finally. We hope more of you are able to join us at future meetings.



President Elizabeth called the meeting to order shortly after 6 pm and provided a GIOS update. Walt Weiss then gave the Treasurer's report.

The Society business was followed first by an impromptu session from Al Sugano as a follow on to the Re-potting Learning Center from June, see the article at the top of the next page. Then the meeting continued with another re-potting session. It was an informative and enjoyable evening.

The orchids above are from the member display table, quite a beautiful collection!

2022 - 2023 Officers

President:

Elizabeth Borchelt Vice-President:

Open Position

Secretary:

Kimberlee Kain

Treasurer:

Walt Weiss

Ex-Offcio:

Bobbie Agena

2022 Membership Dues

2022 dues are \$5 for the rest of the year, payable at meeting.

Special Thank You

Sarah Paiste has been focusing on growing and improving her hono honos and we received the benefit of her success. She donated some of her hono

honos to raise funds for the club! This is greatly appreciated.

Here is one of Sarah's beautiful Catleyas.

Thanks Sarah!





There will be a Lucky Drawing for three orchids at the October 14 meeting. All members are eligible to win!

Follow Up on June's Learning Center: Re-potting



Al followed up on his June Re-potting Learning Center with some special instruction for two types of orchids that require special care: Hono Hono and Witchcraft.

For both of these orchids it is important to follow dormancy rules and give them a rest period. When the flowers wilt and leaves fall off, these orchids are ready for a dormant period. Reduce watering to at most once

per week and stop fertilizing. When the new pseudobulbs begin to appear some

months later, then resume normal watering and fertilizing.

If the orchid is not put into dormancy, this year's pseudobulb carries over to the next year and any flowers, if any, will not fully develop. These orchids should be re-potted when the roots come out over the edge of the pot.



More Re-Potting Fun







Millennium Magic Auction

At the last meeting, Paul Brunn donated two beautiful Millennium Magic orchids for auction with the proceeds going to the Society.

Congratulations to the two winners. Be sure to Google care instructions for these beauties so you can display blooms at next year's Show. Thanks Paul!





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Honolulu Orchid Society's Orchid Show is October 7 & 8 https://www.honoluluorchidsociety.org/





GIOS T-Shirts Still Available

Our GIOS T-shirt is still available for purchase. These are wonderful, high quality crew neck T-shirts with the GIOS logo on the front and are available in a variety of sizes.

The T-shirts are available for only \$15 and are great for members and to give as gifts. They also provide funding that supports the operation of the club.

To purchase a shirt, please send an e-mail to President@gardenislandorchidsociety.org.

2020 GIOS Cookbook For Sale

The 2020 GIOS Cookbook is now available for sale. One of the Society's biggest fund raisers, for only \$10 you can purchase this beautiful cookbook filled with favorite recipes from many of our members and pictures of beautiful orchids. You have probably eaten some of these delicious dishes at one of our pot luck dinners.



Buy one for yourself and give others as thoughtful gifts!