

Garden Island Orchid Society Newsletter

November - December 2023

President's Message

Aloha everyone!

The holidays are upon us and that means our Holiday Party is coming up on Saturday, December 2nd at 6:00pm. This is a time to celebrate the year with friends and orchids. There won't be a business meeting, we will start the night with a delicious potluck. You all always bring good food and lots of it, so be prepared to eat lots and probably take some home to enjoy.

Our program will consist of socializing and playing games for prizes. We will be playing one favorite and two new games. Teri Nakamoto is our Game Wizard this year, so be prepared for the competition!

There will be no display table, but we will have opportunities for winning more prizes with a membership drive and a year end sale on cookbooks and t-shirts. Additional information on how to win is included in this newsletter.

And remember we will all get to pick out our year end door prize before the games begin!

I hope to see you there,

Elizabeth



Some Winning Orchids from the GIOS 2015 Fall Show

Upcoming Events

Next General Meeting: The next General Meeting is a pot luck scheduled for **Saturday, December 2, 2023** beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the United Church of Christ in Hanapepe.

2023 General Meeting Schedule: General meetings are scheduled for December 2 at the United Church of Christ in Hanapepe.

2024 Events: Stay tuned!

The Garden Island Orchid Society is affiliated with the [American Orchid Society](#).

October Meeting Recap

Elizabeth called the meeting to order and gave the Treasurer's Report which was approved by the group.



2022 - 2023 Officers

President:
Elizabeth Borchelt
Vice-President:
Open Position
Secretary:
Kimberlee Kain
Treasurer:
Walt Weiss
Ex-Officio:
Bobbie Agena

Old Business:

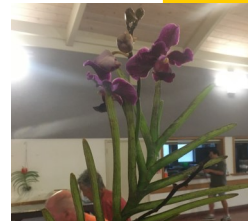


Keiki door prizes were awarded to every member in attendance and members who brought orchids for the display table. Extra keiki door prizes were offered for sale along with other orchids courtesy of Amy and Al.



The Orchid Alley field trip was a success with 12 people joining in. Maybe we can return again in 2024.

Kauai Irrigation still had a half pallet of Orchiada Bark for sale as of mid-October.



Some beautiful blooming orchids brought in by members to show on the Display Table

New Business:

The next meeting is our annual holiday potluck, scheduled for Saturday, December 2. Elizabeth requested game suggestions for the December 2 potluck.



The Board is working on identifying and scheduling speakers for 2024. Please let Elizabeth know if you have any suggestions.

2024 Membership Drive

All returning or new members who pay their 2024 membership dues of \$20 before or at the December 2nd GIOS meeting will be entered into a drawing for prizes to be held during the potluck meeting.



Be sure to be there and renew for 2024 and bring any friends who might be interested in joining us next year!

If you cannot make it on December 2nd, fill out the Membership Form that is available on the home page of the GIOS website and send it in with your payment.

Re-potting Fun!

The October General Meeting's main activity was a re-potting session. Some members brought quite a few plants in need of re-potting. There was lots of help and advice available and everyone walked away with happier orchids in fresh medium and sometimes larger pots.



Look what Kimberly brought in!

Kimberly Kain was kind enough to bring in an overgrown *Eria-convallarioides* for folks to split, pot, and take home sections of.



Mark Edlund brought in fifteen miscellaneous *epi keikis* in need of potting



Splitting the beast



That was a lot of work!!



Smaller sections happily re-potted



Here is what it looks like in bloom



Another overgrown orchid in need of re-potting



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Christmas Orchid:

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GIOS T-Shirts Still Available

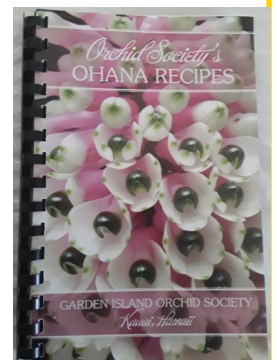
GIOS T-shirts are still available for purchase. Available in a variety of sizes, these are high quality crew neck t-shirts with the GIOS logo on the front.

End of Year Sale: Two for \$20!

The t-shirts are normally \$15 each and are great for members to wear or to give as gifts to other orchid lovers. Funding from the shirts supports the operation of the club.

2020 GIOS Cookbook For Sale

The 2020 GIOS Cookbook is still available for purchase. One of our Society's largest fund raisers, this cookbook is filled with favorite recipes from many of our members along with photos of beautiful orchids. You have probably eaten some of these delicious dishes at one of our pot luck dinners. Give one to a friend!



End of Year Sale: Two for \$15!

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