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Peninsula Orchid Society of Virginia - News

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Peninsula Orchid Society 2025 Officers

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Meetings are held at 1 pm
Hampton Library @ 4207
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23669 unless otherwise noted



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President's Message

Hello, folks. Hope all is well with everyone, and you are enjoying this rollercoaster weather. This month's meeting will be our purchased plant auction, so bring your checkbook and shove a few pots around to make room for more. We will have plants from Carmela's again this year, which always seem to be nice plants.

We had a brief board meeting after last month's meeting and since our secretary was unable to attend, please bear with my less professional account of what was discussed. We spoke about spending our club account's money a little more freely, letting the members have the benefits it might allow while maintaining a decent balance that continues to allow free checking, and a buffer should we need it. We discussed possibly hosting or cohosting with another society a show in the future. We also discussed possibly purchasing plants from local vendors, when possible, perhaps using Peter Breed to get our plants for Christmas. Some future meeting suggestions were a field trip to Peter Breed's, revising a fun event we have had in the past, having a "traveling feast", where we go to one member's home for breakfast and see their growing methods, then to another's for lunch/dinner. Also suggested was another deflasking and compotting lesson, with the plants going to the members. Also a dividing and repotting class using some of the member's overgrown plants, and raffling off the divisions the original owner donates. John Whistler had suggested having someone from Terry Shen Orchids from Maryland to speak on cymbidiums. And I may have missed some topics discussed, as I was stuffing my face with John's brownies. If so, I am sure someone will bring them up at the meeting.

Look forward to seeing you there,

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Pajot

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2025 Meeting Dates

Jan 18

Feb 15

Mar 8

Apr 19

May 17

Jun 21

Jul 19

Aug 16

Sep 13

Oct 18

Nov 15

Dec 13

Minutes

Jim Pajot, President, brought the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m and asked for volunteers for the CNU Gardening Symposium. He noted that he will be ordering plants for both the Symposium and the Purchased Orchid Auction from Carmela's.

Ron Miller updated the members on the Virginia Orchid Show. He noted that planning for 2026 VOS Show Exhibit. POS won first place for Display Small Floor (up to 35 sq ft) and 4th place for visiting exhibit. The other results are:

Carolyn Tripp Class Cattleya Alliance, Mexican Laelia

2nd Schomburgkia superbiens

Gisela Fashing Class Phal Harlequin

2nd Unknown white with central purple spots (1)

John Whistler Class Cattleya Large Flower White Hybrids /

1st Cattleya intertexta var semi alba

Class Paphiopedilum Parvisepalum

3rd Paphiopedilum delenati var. alba

Class Phalaenopsis, Peloric

2nd Unknown White Phal with central spots(2)

Class Phalaenopsis Small Flowered Hybrid

Multifloral

2nd Unknown Yellow Phal with light magenta spotting

Class First-Bloom Seedling

2nd Rhynchocattleya Melencia de los Santos

Joyce Carpenter Class Cattley Alliance, Splash Petal

3rd Cattleya Cherry Bee "Happy Field"

Class Paphiopedilum, Parvisepalum

1st Paphiopedilum Delenati "Pink Sky" x self

Awards Class First-Bloomed Seedling

Best Paphiopedilum Delenati "Pink Sky" x self

Rick Hopson Class Vanda Alliance, Large-Flowered

3rd Vanda Kulwadee Fragrance "Northodoritis 27"

Ronnie Miller Class Oncidium Alliance, Small-Flowered

2nd Ionopisi utirculariodes

Class Phalaenopsis Small-Flowered multiflora

1st Phalaenopsis Jiaho's Pink Girl

Vance Mason Class Dendrobium Alliance Other

3rd Dendrobium subclausum

Congratulations to all!



Announcements

- Former member Barbara Wallace has passed away.
- John Whistler spoke about future meeting programs that are in the works. Some presenters may want higher honorariums and there was a brief discussion about funds.
- Some of our members went on the VOS trip to Longwood and the Philadelphia Flower Show which was a great and affordable trip.

- The AOS is having its Spring Meeting in Annapolis, MD April 9-12. There is no listing of vendors yet.

Jeff Morris presented his program on Tools, Technics, and Tricks.

We then had Show & Tell with orchids from John Whistler, Carolyn Tripp, Rick Hopson, Paul Chung, John Kulkosky, and Vance Mason.

The meeting adjourned at 3:21pm

Submitted by Kathryn Bresnan



Thank you card.

POS Display for 2026

A meeting was held at Ron Miller's house on March 26th to discuss possible designs and logistics for putting together a POS display for the 2026 VOS show. Six POS members attended.

As a result of the discussions, we are looking for several items to help complete the display setup. This is assuming that VOS will use the same format that they used this year and will hold their show in the February/March time frame.

Some of the items include: a trellis (metal or wood); a bird bath; a garden seat; pavers; and wooden lattice panels. If you have any of this material and are willing to let us use them in the display next year, just let Ron Miller or Kathryn Bresnan know at one of the POS meetings.

We will continue to meet, probably on a monthly basis, with the next meeting scheduled for April 26th at Ron Miller's house. All POS members are welcome to attend. If you plan to come, please check with other members in the event that you can car pool to the meeting.

Submitted by Ron Miller

What's Blooming!

Carolyn Tripp's Collection



C. intermedia v *orlata* "Crownfox"

David Greene's Collection



Kathryn Bresnan's Collection



C. Irene Finney



Phal equestris x self



2 No ID Phals



BLC Fuch's Orange Nugget

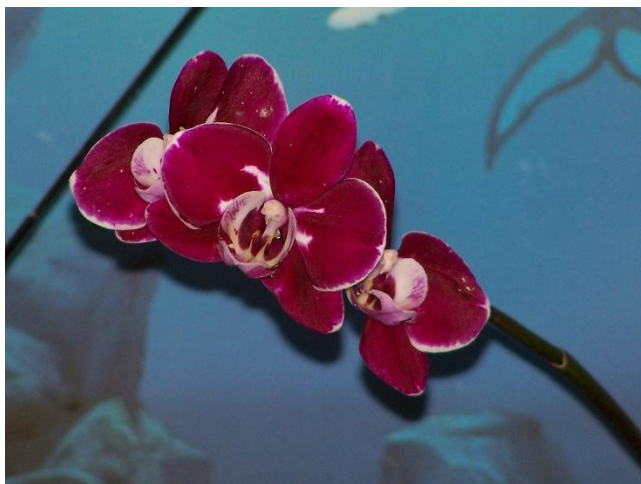
Jim Pagot's Collection



Paph Barbato-puupuratem



Bulb lepidum



Rick Hopson's Collection



C. intermedia v *orlata* "Crownfox"