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Backs Community Building, Main Room

201 N. Bradford Ave., Placentia

(Chapman and Bradford, parking off Bradford)

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Backs Community Building, Kraemer Memorial Park, is our new permanent
meeting place. See Website for map.

November 10, 2013

What To Love And/Or Not Love About Bulbos

Edie Gulrich

Our November speaker is our own Edie Gulrich, who has had considerable success
growing Bulbophyllums, and will share some of what she has learned .

Orchids have been a part of her life off and on since grammar school. First with the
corsages that her father bought for her mother for Easter and Mother's Day - Cat-
tleyas and Cymbidiums. At that time and location, New England, cymbidiums were
very rare, but her dad found them. Then while working she found co-workers who
traveled to far away locations to collect the most unusual beauties, of course, that
was before CITES was in place. Then she came to California, the land of milk, honey,
movie stars, opportunities and ORCHIDS.

Since 1998, she has
had many orchids, some
of which have died,
while learning about tak-
ing care of them. Pres-
ently, she has about
500, mostly S E Asian
species. Still learning
and less occasionally
having them die on her.
It's addictive, fun and at
times costly, but always
joy and so rewarding.

Edie states: "Bulbos



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Bu;bophyllum sumatrana

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have been a trial and error adaptation to my collection. There are so many opinions that you really have to evaluate your own growing conditions and take what applies to you from the various sources. None of us, that I know of, can exactly replicate the *in situ* environment of these plants. So adaptation is a varying process, sometimes you win and sometimes you lose, but when you hit a winner, it's fantastic. But patience is a virtue and it does pay off, watching that little shoot coming up and then bursting into a bloom can be, for me, ecstatic and so rewarding. Maybe what I've learned can help you in a small way."



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Bulbophyllum annandalei

In memoriam

Helen White, a long-time member of Southern California Orchid Species Society, passed away on October 23. She was the "master of the refreshments table" for many years, and many of us have fond memories of her. Memorial service will be Nov. 1 at 9:45 at the National Cemetery in Riverside. For further information, contact David Alexander 714-883-8403 .

From the Member's Corner

Let's give a nice welcome to our 5 guests who came to the auction: Barbara Christian, Rosemarie Rodriguez, Guy Roubian, Curtis Tom and Una Yeh. We hope to see you again very soon.

Well, I can't say enough about the tremendous amount of help from the members to make this auction a success. It's been almost 10 years that I've been very involved and the teamwork has been fantastic. It's been a great ride, folks, but my E-ride ticket has expired, so this was my last year as auction chair. Next year I will more than willing to train, advise and consult with the new chair, but I'll be sitting in the audience from now on. Thank you again for all of the time and work put in by all of you. Without you it would have been impossible.....THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!

Edie Gulrich, Membership Secretary

President's Message

Hello everyone,

I am happy to say that once again our annual auction was a great success! We came very close to the total raised last year. We had a very wide selection of plants (over 300), all of which were sold.

On behalf of all, I would like to thank Peter Lin who did an outstanding job as auctioneer, and especially Edie Gulrich for all the time and effort she put into organizing this event. I would also like to thank all those who donated plants and worked tirelessly behind the scenes. This was definitely a team effort, and each member of the team

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contributed to its success!

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in November! A reminder to board members that there will be a board meeting after the general meeting.

Darrell Lovell, President

Editor's Potting Bench

The weekend before the auction the Santa Ana winds were howling... and Stanhopea wardii 'Los Vientos Encinitas' opened its first (of six) spikes. The plant is one that Jan Hennessey sold at silent auction nearly two years ago, I think during the Mother's Day meeting at my house. Suddenly the clonal name made sense! It blooms in early October (bloomed about the same time last year), and that is when the Santa Ana winds often occur. (I think that probably the mother plant originally came from Bob Marlin, in Encinitas) If you have never caught a Stanhopea in the act of opening, find Stan. wardii on my website <http://orchidcentral.org>—I managed to get a video of one of the flowers opening (about

1 minute of real-time video from bud to open flower, in two "snaps") When the flower snaps open (don't blink or you'll miss it) there is a burst of perfume, alas to get that you'll have to experience the event in person.



I don't think there are very many plants whose motions are this rapid. It is right up there with Venus Fly Trap and mimosa.

I will share a few more of my plants that bloomed and finished during the month without show-and-tell.

Cynoches cooperi put on a beautiful, fragrant display. The flowers lasted about two weeks, which in my experience, is quite long, especially for male flowers (the female flowers seem to last a bit longer) While nearly all of my Catesetinae (including the ones that bloomed earlier in the season) still are very green, this one started to drop its leaves while the flowers were still fresh. So for this one, time to stop watering and let it go dormant. If the others don't start to show signs of dormancy in the next month or so, they will have to be pushed in that direction by withholding water. I grow this whole group in the greenhouse... tried a couple out-



Stanhopea wardii 'Los Vientos Encinitas'

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Cynoches cooperi

side (protected from rain) last winter. They survived, but did not grow as well in the spring as the ones that were kept warmer. So, the greenhouse it will be.

Cleisostoma simondii was a SBOE \$7.50 special.. It produces roots all along the stem, so lends itself to having pieces clipped off a larger plant, and that was the case with this one. I mounted it, but the mount doesn't do much more than provide a



Cleisostoma simondii

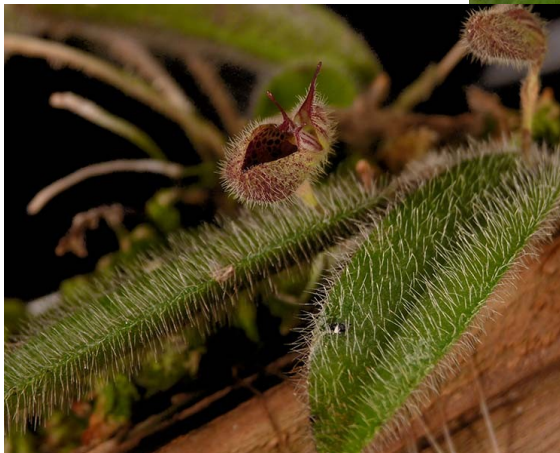
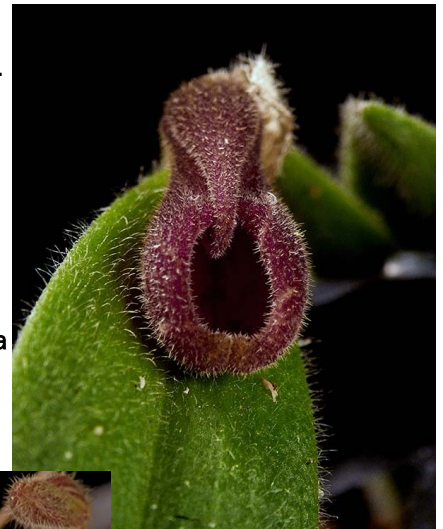
hanger. Past bloomings have been one or two flowers at a time, and had a tendency for most of the spike to blast. This time, there's a much better inflorescence, and it also appears that there are several more developing higher up on the plant. So it perhaps had to get a bit established to bloom well. It grows outside.



Here are two *Dresslerella* species . I love the little fuzzies. They really are easier to appreciate in photos than with the naked eye, since the details are so subtle. These also grow outside.

Roberta Fox, Editor

Dresslerella caesariata



Dresslerella pilosissima

Calendar of Events

* See flyer at www.socalorchidspecies.com, select the [Events](#) link

- **Cal Orchid Fall Open House***
November 1-2-3; 9 AM—4 PM
New shipment of plants from South Africa, L. anceps in spike, Cymbidiums in spike,
Thai chicken-coconut soup!
1251 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara
www.calorchid.com
- **Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Fall Open House***
November 2-3; Saturday 8 AM—5 PM , Sunday 9 AM—4 PM
1250 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara
www.sborchid.com
- **Orchid Society Of Santa Barbara Orchid Show and Sale***
November 23-24; Saturday 10 AM—5 PM, Sunday 10 AM—3 PM
Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, 2599 Puesta Del Sol Rd, Santa Barbara
Info: fmorchids@hotmail.com
- **Casa de Las Orchideas Open House***
December 7-8; 9 AM—4 PM
170 S. Nardo Ave, Solana Beach
Info: casa@orquideas.com, www.orquideas.com, 858-755-7572
- **Sunset Valley Orchids Open House***
December 7-8; 9 AM—4 PM
1255 Navel Place, Vista
Info: www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com, 760-310-0778
- **Andy's Orchids Open House***
December 7-8; 9 AM—4 PM
734 Ocean View Ave, Encinitas
Info: info@andysorchids.com, www.andysorchids.com, 760- 436-4239
- **Newport Harbor Orchid Expo 2014***
February 8-10, 2014; Friday 10 AM—9 PM, Saturday 10 AM—7 PM, Sunday 11 AM—6 PM
Westminster Mall,
Info: www.nhosinfo.org
- **South Bay Orchid Society Show and Sale***
February 15-16, 2014; Saturday and Sunday Sale 10-5, Show Saturday 12-5 and Sunday 10-5
Torrance Cultural Arts Center, 3330 Civic Center Dr., Torrance; Adult Admission \$7
Info: www.southbayorchidsociety.com

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