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http://www.centrallouisianaorchidsociety.org



From the President

I want to start by thanking each one of you for helping make our show a huge success! It takes a large team to pull off a successful orchid show and just about every member contributed in some way. While our show was small, there were many spectacular plants and much fellowship to be had. For those of you that helped with clerking during the ribbon judging, I hope you found it a very educational and enlightening experience. Every time I clerk a show, I learn something new. The food in our hospitality room and judges' dinner was excellent!

Wow! That about sums up our ribbon and trophy count for our club. Members in our society took home a record total of 60 ribbons and 25 out of the 29 total trophies awarded. Specific details about our awards earned are printed later in this newsletter. Congratulations, and we should all be very proud of our show!

We also gained three new members at our show. Please help me extend a warm welcome to Cathy Markhart, Brad Stuckey and family, and Freddy Cruz and family. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming meetings.

Our program this month is on repotting an orchid. We will have a number of different plants to repot with varying levels of difficulty, from a single growth Phalaenopsis to several specimen-sized plants. If you are not sure about how to repot your orchid, feel free to bring it to the meeting and we will help you repot it. If you do have something but cannot make this meeting, you can always bring it to any meeting and we can show you how. Notice that Andrea is hosting the repotting session at her home and directions are on our website.

Linda said it best, orchid shows are as much about the people as the plants. I could not agree more and I appreciate ALL of your contributions! Thank you for making this show one to remember and I am proud to be a member of this special club!

See you on Sunday, May 19 at 2:30pm!

Eron



Meeting Time & Place Sunday, May 19, 2019 Plant Entry 2:00 pm Meeting time 2:30 pm

REPOTTING Andrea Mattison home 8421 Fairway Drive Pineville, LA

Refreshments-Andrea Mattison and potluck

Central Louisiana Orchid Society Officers

President – Eron Borne
Vice President – Wilton
Guillory
Secretary – Janice Upton
Treasurer – Jim Barnett
Director-Linda Roberts
Director – Al Taylor
Director- Andrea Mattison
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ODC Representative – Andrea
Mattison

Newsletter Editor – Connie Guillory Show& Tell –Rick Allardyce



Al Taylor's Dendrobium anceps won Best Grown Plant in the CLOS show

May Program

Sunday, May 19 at 2:30 pm "How to Repot an Orchid"

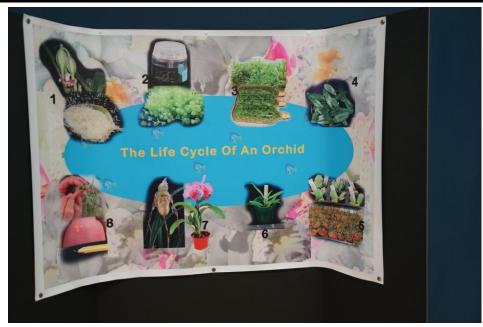
Location: Home of member Andrea Mattison (See attached directions)

Our meeting this month will focus on how to repot an orchid. Experienced members will be dividing different types of orchids with differing levels of difficulty, from large specimen plants to a first time Phalaenopsis repotting. If you have ever been unsure or timid about repotting your orchid, this meeting is for you. If you have an orchid that needs repotting, you can bring it and we will help show you how to repot your orchid. Labels and potting media will be provided, however please bring whatever pot you wish to have it potted in. If you are not sure the best pot, bring several that you like and we will show you the best one to use. Also, some extra divisions of orchids that we will be repotting may be available for purchase as a donation to our club. Everyone is welcome!

Eron Borne



CLOS Exhibit won AOS trophy award



Best Educational Exhibit Julia Borne



CLOS members all pulled together to make the CLOS 2019 show a success with charter member, Doris McGraw. Kees Park, Pineville



CLOS exhibit/trophies

Upcoming Orchid Shows and Events

05/04/2019 - 05/05/2019	Oklahoma Orchid Society Show and Sale Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Center, Oklahoma City OK
05/31/2019 - 06/02/2019	New Orleans Orchid Society\'s Show and Sale Lakeside Mall, Metairie LA
06/15/2019	Orchid Growing Seminar Silkier botanical garden, Austin TX
07/12/2019 - 07/14/2019	Baton Rouge Orchid Society's Show and Sale Burden Museum and Gardens, Baton Rouge LA
08/02/2019 - 08/03/2019	2019 Houston Orchid Society 40th Consecutive Workshop First Christian Church, Houston TX
09/13/2019 - 09/15/2019	Galveston Bay Orchids Society SWROGA Show HILTON HOUSTON NASA CLEAR LAKE, Houston Texas
04/10/2020 - 04/11/2020	The Shocking Beauty of the Orchid World Fort Worth Botanic Garden, Fort Worth Fort Worth
04/18/2020 - 04/19/2020	Tulsa Orchid Society Annual Show and Sale The Tulsa Garden Center, Tulsa OK
05/02/2020 - 05/03/2020	OKlahoma Orchid Show and Sale Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Center, Oklahoma City OK

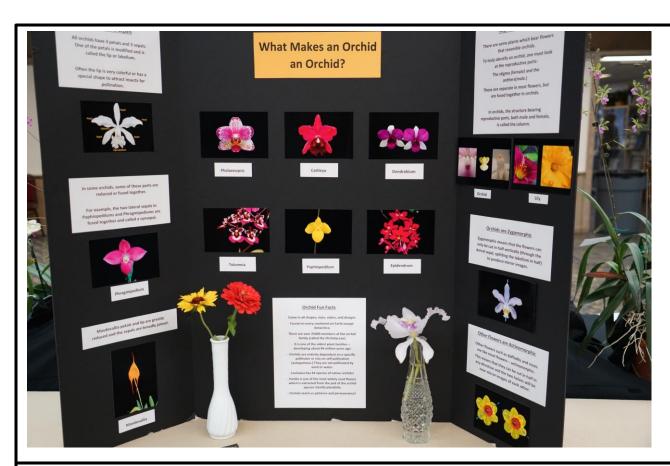


Calcasieu Orchid Society putting in their exhibit.



Eron Borne and Wilton Guillory helping put in CLOS exhibit.

Al Taylor and Laurel Walker also put in this AOS award winning display.









Left, Linda Robert's Lc. Straight Answer No Question was Best Grown in its class.

Right, Gongora Golden Condor was Best small flower in its class.





Best Flower in the Show

Rick Allardyce's plant Cymbidium Royal Atlantic











CLOS SHOW RESULTS

The CLOS Exhibit was set up by Wilton, Eron, Al and Laurel and won the coveted American Orchid Society Show Trophy. Plants included in our CLOS exhibit were submitted from Al, Eron, Rick, Linda, Doris, and Pam. Plants in our exhibit won a record 42 ribbons and 18 trophies! There were 26 blue, 12 red, and 4 yellow ribbons.

Eron won 7 trophies for Best Flower in the Cattleya Alliance classes 116-126, Best Flower in the Cypripedium Alliance, Best Grown Plant in the Vandaceous/Angraecoids Section, Best Flower in the Oncidium Alliance, Best Flower in the Dendrobium Alliance, Best Grown Plant in the Miscellaneous Genera, and the Byron McGraw Memorial Trophy.

Al won 4 trophies for Best Grown Plant in the Cypripedium Alliance, Best Small Flower in the Misc. Genera, Best Grown Plant in the Dendrobium Alliance, and his Dendrobium went on to win Best Grown Plant in Show.

Linda won 4 trophies for Best Grown Plant and Best Flower in the Cattleya Alliance classes 102-110, Best Grown Plant in the Cattleya Alliance classes 116-126, and the Reynolds Bath Memorial Trophy. **Rick** won 2 trophies for Best Large Flower in the Misc. Genera and his Cymbidium went on to win Best Flower in Show.

Elizabeth's exhibit won the Best Youth Exhibit Trophy and 6 ribbons: 2 blue, 3 red and 1 yellow. **Julia** won the Best Educational Exhibit Trophy for her educational exhibit on "The Life Cycle of an Orchid" and also 1 blue ribbon.

Al's exhibit won Best Private Exhibit Trophy and 5 ribbons: 2 blue, 2 red, and 1 yellow. **Linda and Doris** won the Best Group Exhibit Trophy for their exhibit and 3 ribbons: 1 blue, 1 red, and 1 yellow.

Sharon won the Best Exhibit using Five or Fewer Plants Trophy and three ribbons: 3 reds **Andrea** won the Best Orchid Art Exhibit Trophy for her art exhibit.

Six plants from CLOS members were pulled for AOS judging with **AI** receiving a HCC/AOS on a Cattleya and an AM/AOS on a Paphiopedilum. **Wilton** received an AM/AOS on a Cattleya hybrid he created.

So in total, our society and its' members received 25 trophies out of the 29 total trophies, and 60 total ribbons! Congratulations to all members for putting together a wonderful show!



Judging



Vendor Sale Table





CLOS members Andrea Mattison, Jim Barnett and Linda Roberts working the sales table.



Ctt. Dancing Fire 'Louisiana' HCC 78 Al Taylor



V. White Crane 'Elizabeth McBurney' HCC 77 W. Gadely



Rlc. Lola 'Hynson Bayou' AM 81 Wilton Guillory



Wilton Guillory named his plant above after

granddaughter, Lola Guillory



Lcn. Vera Lillian 'Epi-jim' AM 80 James Jeannsonne



Paph. Robin in Purple 'Louisiana' HCC 79 Al Taylor

Phaius Culture

Question taken from http://www.aos.org/orchids/orchids-question-answer/phaius-culture.aspx

Please tell me how to grow *Phaius* (nun's cap). I noticed that a plant bought is planted in more of a soil mixture rather than bark, Is this the kind of medium that it needs? Please also tell me about light, blooming frequency, and what the flower will look like. — *Susan Littlefield*



Phaius tankervilleae flowering at the AOS Botanical Garden. photo ©

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Answer

Phaius tankervilleae, commonly known as the nun orchid or nun's cap, is becoming increasingly available as a potted plant at garden centers. It is a large-growing terrestrial that is appropriately planted in a medium such as one you might prepare for cymbidiums, spathoglottis or other terrestrial orchids. A possible mix could consist of three parts fine fir bark, on part peat and one part sponge rock (not perlite, which is too fine-grained). Its inflorescences appear in early winter and flowers emerge in January into February. This plant grows well under Cattleya-like conditions: bright light and slight drying between waterings. Phaius will tolerate temperatures down into the lower 40s, but will not grow well if exposed to such low temperatures for any length of time. Tropical days, up to 80 or 90 F, with tropical humidity, are beneficial. In frost-free areas, this orchid can also be grown outdoors. It is grown as a garden plant in South Florida and may have been the first tropical orchid grown in that state. — Ned Nash



THE MAY 2019 AOS CORNER – From the desk of Denise Lucero, Vice Chair, American Orchid Society Affiliated Societies Committee (Affiliated_Societies@AOS.org).

For newsletter editors: Orchid societies are welcome to reproduce the AOS Corner in whole or in part, in their society newsletters. We encourage promotion of AOS website use by your members.

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

Orchid Societies attracting Members... and keeping them

Membership growth and retention is the lifeblood of our societies. The Affiliated Societies Committee met at the recent AOS Spring Meeting in San Diego to share ideas about what works and what doesn't regarding the top most concern of a majority of our affiliates.

First Get Them Hooked

Orchid shows are where local orchid societies get to show what they are all about. It's the best place to attract new members. San Diego County Orchid Society, led by Debbie Halliday and her show committee, put on a magnificent show with numerous vendors and exhibitors drawing large crowds to the event from March 22nd through March 24th. This great society hosts four shows per year which is an amazing accomplishment and we have no doubt SDCOC signed up several new members throughout their spring event because it featured great examples of all the right things to do to attract new members.

The hosting local society benefits when their membership committee staffs the welcome desk and offers an incentive to new members by way of a discount or giveback available during the show for those who sign up.

Here are three tips proven in attracting new members at shows:

Offer membership at half price or offer a free membership for the remainder of the program year for a new sign up.

Give away a free plant to every new member who joins. With society discounts that vendors offer, and/or member plant donations it is quite doable.

Advertise at vendor sales booths. Encourage buyers with a membership offer if they present proof of purchase for 2 orchids from the show.

Of course, shows are not the only places we recruit. Many societies provide workshops or lectures at nurseries, public gardens, botanic gardens, gardeners and master gardener club meetings. People who are already hooked by the 'plant bug' are often budding orchidists who just don't know they love orchids yet! They only need to be introduced.

Some societies co-host an event like repotting at a local orchid nursery. The society may provide food and volunteers to help repot for anyone who walks into the establishment to show the fellowship shared between societies and orchid vendors. We should support each other for mutual success.

Now Keep Them

The committee meeting attendees also recognized early on during the discussion that it is not only about attracting new members with a giveaway. We paused to remember what first drew us to our own local orchid societies. It was to learn about growing orchids of course! Local orchid societies offer experts in geographic areas who can provide 'local' culture education. We are the perfect compliment to the AOS as it gives the broader botanical knowledge and resources. Also, AOS judging provides cohesiveness for our shows and events.

The real work starts when we realize we must show value in being a member and help nurture those wonderful new members in order to retain them. Keeping members is directly related to the ongoing value of being a member. With such busy lives we all need to pick and choose what activities we spend our valuable and limited time doing. Here is a list of the benefits we find our members enjoy most after polling them:

Great Meetings and Events

There should be a balance of meetings with great speakers as well as social events that allow for committees to draw new members to their groups.

Hands on workshops and demos by experts who are willing to pass along knowledge that works.

Ice cream socials are becoming popular for hot weather months. Some societies choose to sponsor a make your own sundae at a meeting to give folks time to exchange growing tips and get to know members who they may not have gotten a chance to meet yet.

We can't forget about the long-time members and the things that are important to them. Interesting speakers are at the top of the list for most and you will often see membership spike when the big-name hybridizers are in town.

Knowledge Sharing

Expert advice is readily available especially to new members just starting out as growers. Some feedback indicates you should have a 5:1 ratio of new members to the experts who can spend time showing them the ropes.

If one on one mentorship is not possible or the club is too large to support that, a new grower's group that meets just before the general membership is another option for new members to learn in an easy going environment.

Some societies invite a new grower's group to tour greenhouses and growing environments of more experienced growers to give them an idea of what they can do in their own homes. They get to see first hand the products and supplies that work for others who have been growing for some time.

ID badges that are unique for new members for the first six months so long time members can recognize them and greet them and offer to show them around or answer questions about orchids.

A Great Show Table

An interactive show table with culture tips is really important. The most successful show tables ask the grower how they achieved success and encourages questions with a special spot on the table for novice growers who may need a little extra culture advice.

Some show tables are even including a separate table with a few props so that a different member each month can try their hand at creating a small table display based on some basic principles of design reviewed prior and using the show table plants as they are discussed.

And of Course... Plants!

Most members appreciate vendor sales and when they have divisions of their own to sell an opportunity to do so at meetings is important.

If raffles are part of the program be sure to provide good quality raffle plants with care tips. At the same time raffle sales support the club and could pay for things like ice cream socials.

Encouraging members by giving a credit for 50% of the sales their donated plants bring to a fund-raiser auction. It's a great way for members with extra divisions to allow others to obtain plants that might no longer be available and also to earn money they can 'spend' at the auction to buy new plants they haven't yet tried to grow.

If you have another idea that the committee didn't think of during our discussion and want to share, we would love to hear from you. Please drop us a line at affiliated_societies@aos.org. If you gave some of these a try, let us know how you did. Challenge us to help troubleshoot things that didn't work out. The more we share ideas the better our community becomes as we encourage and nurture orchid growers everywhere.



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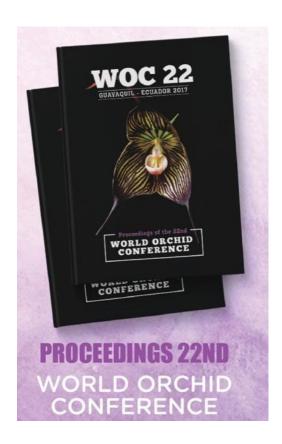
AOS NEWS

President's Message

Don't miss AOS President Susan Wedegaertner's message in the May issue of ORCHIDS magazine where she tells us about her adventures at the Tokyo Dome Show (officially known as the Japan Grand Prix International Orchid and Flower Festival) in Tokyo, Japan, and the Taiwan International Orchid Show in Tainan, Taiwan.

She also announces that our next AOS Members' Meeting will be held October 16-20, 2019 in Homestead, Florida, in conjunction with the East Everglades Orchid Society Show.

Reminder: There is still time before it goes to press...Order your copy of the Proceedings of the 22nd World Orchid Conference Before it's too late! At 886 pages, this is the largest WOC Proceedings to date and with your copy you will receive both the English and Spanish versions of the fantastic book on Ecuador and its orchids by Arcadio Arosemena G. -- ALL POSTAGE PAID! The price for all three books is \$175. Given the size of the main volume and the two additional books sent to you postpaid, this is truly a bargain. For those interested in bulk purchases, a special price of \$135/Proceedings volume is available for purchases of 10 or more copies. To order your copy for yourself or your society library, email Ms. Albita Flores in Guayaquil at aflores@expoguayquil.com . Do so quickly because once it goes to print, no more copies will be printed!



The American Orchid Society Guide to Orchids and their Culture By Mary E. Gerritson and Ron Parsons

50 % DISCOUNT for 90 DAYS on BULK PURCHASE

This 245- page book, beautifully illustrated with over 450 color photographs, covers a myriad of topics on orchid culture. Topics include specific information on popular orchid groups, repotting, orchid mounting, growing orchids semi-hydroponically, as well as a section on common orchid pests and diseases.

For the next 90 days only, we will be offering a 50% discount off the \$24.95 retail price on bulk purchases of one or more sealed boxes, which contain 24 books each.

The book can be purchased individually online at the AOS web store or in bulk by calling AOS offices at (305) 740-2010. (Staff is available from 9:00AM to 5:30PM EDT, Monday through Friday.)

HAVE YOU TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF THE AOS ORCHID SOURCE DIRECTORY?

Find vendors of orchid plants, seedlings, supplies, greenhouses, fertilizers, watering equipment, potting mixes, lighting setups and other orchid-related products at your fingertips at http://www.aos.org/orchids/ orchid-source-directory.aspx . The 2019 printed version will be mailed to all members in September and includes not only vendors but information on all our affiliated societies and judging centers.

Please make sure your society's information is current. The deadline for corrections and/or changes is July 12, 2019. Here is a direct link to make changes online: http://www.aos.org/About-Us/Affiliated-Societies/affiliated-society-update-form.aspx.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

We're always looking for ideas to bring kids into the world of orchids. While planning you next orchid show don't forget to check out the AOS Kids Corner for ideas. Here's the link to the main page: http://www.aos.org/orchids/kids-corner.aspx. See other articles for instructions on how to create activities we've tested out or make up your own great activities. Please share your ideas and experiences with the education Committee at sstubbings@comcast.net.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Thanks again for all the pics that you are sending in for the Instagram feed. Our Instagram Administrator, Candace Hollinger, sends her appreciation to you all. It's wonderful to see such a variety of everything orchid that's enjoyed around the globe. Please remind your members that we would love pics of how they grow, what's blooming now or anything they love about orchids. Please continue to send your photos and short videos to: americanorchidsociety@gmail.com . Be sure to send a short caption explaining your photo. Also, if you are bilingual and can include your caption in English plus your other language(s)—it will help with our universal outreach.

Remember to check-in on our Facebook Group Page for Affiliated Societies of the American Orchid Society. The response has been great, many thanks to all of you who added pics of show banners. We can all learn from what has been successful for other societies. Let us know how your show went, and what was successful for you, or what didn't quite make the mark. Our administrator, Chad Brinkerhuff, monitors the feed and is a great resource for all that the AOS has to offer. Keep us up to date on what's going on at your local society and let us know how we can help you.

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES WEBSITE PAGE ON AOS.ORG

Check the Affiliated Societies page often for new information http://www.aos. org/about-us/affiliated-societies.aspx.

Don't forget to check out the NEW List of Speakers to help you plan society meeting programs. You will now find the Affiliated Societies link on the home page under the "About Us" heading.

And... Here's a link to check it all out - http://www.aos.org/

UPCOMING WEBINARS

It's easy to find the scheduled webinars and to register on the AOS website. You'll find the link under the All About Orchids tab. If you check there, you will find any webinars that have been scheduled after the production of this monthly Corner.

American Orchid Society: Greenhouse Chat with Dr. Ron McHatton Tuesday, May 7th, 20191 @ 8:30-9:30 EDT Public

Please join Dr. Ron McHatton, AOS Chief Science Officer, as he answers your questions about all things orchid. He will discuss a variety of topics on orchid culture based on questions submitted by attendees. Please send your questions and pictures to Sandra Svoboba at greenhouse@aos.org by Sunday, May 5th. Please include pictures as well.

Register now using this link: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/547601165552945409

Asian Cymbidiums with Ken Jacobsen
Thursday, May 16th, 2019 @ 8:30 – 9:30 EDT

Members only

Join AOS Accredited Judge, Ken Jacobsen, as he presents an overview of Asian Cymbidium species and hybrids, often valued as much for their foliage as their flowers.

Register now using this link: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5520939650752031745



Cymbidium eburneum 'Monica' AM/AOS; Photographer: John Dunkelberger

Note: After registering you will receive a confirmation e-mail information about joining the seminar.

WHAT ARE WEBINARS? Webinars are an Internet conference where you can hear the speaker and view the presentation, ask questions, and hear interactions from other members of the audience. You can join either on your computer or by phone. You can join from anywhere, via your Mac, PC or even your mobile device. Audio is included, so attendees can phone in or use VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol). You will need a microphone for your computer to use VoIP.

WANT TO LEARN BUT CAN'T MAKE THE DATE? The live webinars will be recorded and posted on the AOS website, where you will find a link allowing you to view the webinars at your convenience.

THE MAY ISSUE OF ORCHIDS MAGAZINE will feature great articles and beautiful pictures on:

The New Refugium Botanicum - TBD by Franco Pupulin

Orchid Gardens - Inkaterra, Peru, Part 2 by Tom Mirenda

For the Novice: A Beginner's Guide to Vegetative Propagation of Orchids by Barbara Schmidt

Orchids Illustrated - Sophronitis (Cattleya) Group by Peggy Alrich and Wesley Higgins

A New Classifications of the Dendrobium bigibbum Lindl. Complex, and Hybrid Registration by Peter Adams

Who Were These Guys, Part 8 - James Bateman by David Rosenfeld

Greenhouse Cooling Ideas by Norbert Dank

Goodyera pubescens by Soraya Cates Parr

YOUR SOCIETY CAN EARN FREE AOS MEMBERSHIP EXTENSIONS:

Upcoming shows are a good time to encourage new membership to AOS. Affiliated societies can now earn a one-month extension of their AOS society membership for each new AOS member that they refer (note: membership renewals don't count). Make sure to note your Society Affiliation in the comments section of the application.

With twelve new AOS members, your affiliated society can have a FULL YEAR OF FREE AOS membership! Be sure to have membership applications with your society's name already filled in and available at your club meetings!

Remember to let your members know, we want to sweeten the deal and give them every possible reason to join AOS today! If they become an American Orchid Society member, they have considerably more resources at their disposal making growing orchids even more enjoyable and successful.

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ALSO FEATURED IN ORCHIDS MAGAZINE!

16-page award gallery of breath taking pictures of recently awarded orchids.



Paphiopedilum Liberty Taiwan 'Mysterious Valley Bubblegum' AM/AOS; Photographer: Mark Van der Woerd

RECENT ORCHID AWARDS PICTURES ON THE AOS WEBSITE:

See fabulous pictures of the most breathtakingly beautiful orchids receiving awards from the AOS! Visit the new "Latest Orchid Awards" page on the AOS website to enjoy these stunning photographs! Click on the thumbnails to see them in larger format. Free to members and non-members.



Phalaenopsis Yang Yang Blue Angel 'La Grenoville' AM/AOS; Photographer: Ramon de los Santos

Let's grow together,

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Native Orchid of the Month—May

Calopogon tuberosus

(tuberous grass-pink)

Calopogon comes from the Greek words meaning beautiful prominent hairs, the beard, on the lip identify the species This species is a plant of moist areas and is most abundant in bogs. It is known as grass pink because of the long, narrow, leaves. It grows 2 to 4 feet tall, with 3 or more flowers arranged stem. The blossoms are rose-pink to pale orchid and are about 2 across.



beard. The *tuberosus*. pineland grass-like along the inches



This delicate, sweet-smelling orchid is easily recognized by the bearded lip petal and solitary, grass-like leaf. The flower is pink to purple, 6-parted, with yellow brushy hairs on the upper petal. The inflorescence a loose, short cluster of 3 to 10 stalked

flowers blooming a It blooms in June

The plant consists whitish corm giving rise to grass-like leaf basally the stem.

10 stalked few at a time. and July.

> of a small, subterranean a single, which clasps flowering

way up the pistils and jointed. The triggering the column

The flowers use a unique mechanism to achieve pollination. Midlip, they bear a tuft of orange-yellow hairs that resembles the stamens of typical bog-land flowers, while the base of the lip is pollinators, deceived by this ruse, land on this tuft, their weight lip to flex downward along its joint and to drop them onto the arching below.

Calopogon tuberosus is the most variable and widespread species in the genus. It occurs from Manitoba and Newfoundland south to Texas, Florida, the Bahamas, and Cuba.

