



# Vero Beach Orchid Society



December 2023

December Event: Christmas Party

Hi Everyone,

Our event for December was the Christmas Party. We had a nice turnout, along with beautiful flowers and great entertainment.

We currently don't have a speaker nailed down for January yet, but we have several speakers we're waiting to respond. Jeanne, as the Vice President, has been booking our speakers and doing a fabulous job, so I'm sure we'll have another great grower in January.

We will begin talking about our show at the January meeting. We'll be passing around a signup sheet for Trophy sponsors. The fee for the trophies will be increased this year, as will the sponsorships. With the rising cost of our expenses to hold the show, we unfortunately must increase the rates. So, the trophies will be increased to \$40 each, up from \$30. The Sponsorship rates will go up to a maximum amount of \$500.

We'll also have the new Sponsorship sheets available at the meeting.

There will not be a regular meeting in December so our next regular meeting will be on January 18th, 2024, at 8:00 pm.

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## Editor's Notes

We have gotten about half the folks we need to volunteer to sit at the table at the Gardenfest. So, we'll be sending the sign-up sheet around at the January meeting. The dates for Gardenfest are February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024. It starts both days at 9AM and will end at 5PM on Saturday and 4PM on Sunday. Since this isn't a real labor-intensive setup (only a pop-up tent and one table) it will only require 2 or 3 people to do the setup, and tear-down for the event. We will let you know what time the setup will be, so if you're interested in helping, we can all arrive at about the same time on Friday.

At the January meeting, we will begin collecting dues for 2024 memberships. The fee for a single membership will remain at \$20.00 and family membership will remain at \$25.00. Each month as people sign up, new badges will be created and available at the next meeting. If you don't renew your dues by the end of February, you will be taken off the newsletter distribution. If you can't make it to either of the meetings (January & February), you can send your dues to the post office box below.

We will begin putting tips in the newsletter starting next month. We'll do our best to vary them from basic, beginner to well-seasoned grower. If many of you find them helpful, we'll continue with them. If a time comes when they are no longer useful, we'll put an end to it.

We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas Holiday Season. Please be safe.



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DUES FOR 2024: SINGLE MEMBER DUES: \$20.00      FAMILY DUES: \$25.00

**OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE JANUARY 18TH AT THE GARDEN CLUB OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, 2526 17TH AVENUE, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA 32960. THE MEETING WILL START AT 7:00 PM**