

Key West Orchid Society

Newsletter

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Sunday, 24 July 2022 12:00-2:00
1610 Patricia

KWOS Meetings 2022

24 April 15 May
19 June 18 Sept.
16 October 20 Nov
18 December

KW Garden Club

Meets Mondays from 9:00 to noon for potting, rooting, weeding. Stop in to help anytime you have a free Monday morning

KW Tropical Forest & Botanical Garden

Volunteers meet at the nursery every Wednesday and Saturday from 9 to 12 for propagation and to clean up the Garden. Come in and help anytime you can.

The July meeting of the KWOS will be Sunday, 24th July at Jay Pfahl's, 1610 Patricia Street, which is parallel to Atlantic Avenue. There will be no raffle but there will be plants for sale, flowering and not, proceeds to go to KWOS.

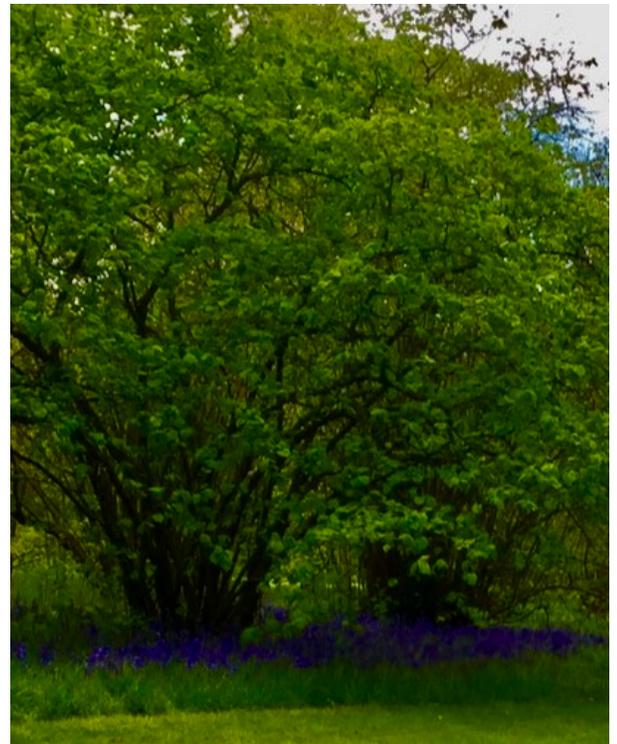
With luck we will decide upon an August and September meeting at a member's house.

We are looking for members to host these meetings in their homes.

News/Photos from Kew

As I have no photos or news from Key West I thought I would report on some of the beautiful photos from the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew. During the second plague lockdown, it became my go-to place to meet friends.

I've included several photos from the annual Orchid Fair at Kew, which is always mobbed. The displays are stunning and characterised by the sheer abundance of orchids, as well as bromeliads. After seeing a vast vanda display, I noticed that some of the plants looked as if they had been eaten by iguanas. A docent told me that they would replace the nibbled plants with more from their greenhouses, and of course they had lizards. She couldn't



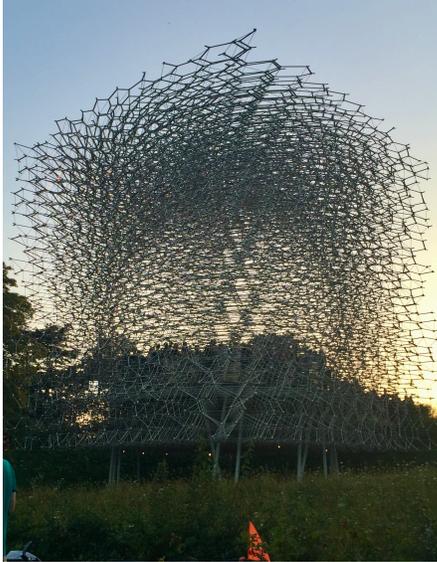
Bluebells at Kew in the Spring



Dendrochilum



Display of phals and bromeliads



tell me how the iguanas got there. They certainly cannot survive outside the greenhouse.

The Hive, an architectural installation in a wildflower meadow at Kew, powered by beehives in the gardens. One thousand LED lights glow according to the vibrations of the bees.



Floral display in honour of The Queen's Platinum Jubilee in central London



A wall of various vandas. The sheer volume was amazing.



Possibly a Dactylorrhiza, found in an English garden