

Greater Akron Orchid Society

An Affiliate of the American Orchid Society & the Mid-American Orchid Congress

April 2023

Previous Meeting Minutes

Apologies for the abbreviated newsletter this month. I'm working with one semi-working arm and limited mobility but I'm recovering nicely. -Brandon

Meeting summary below (Page 4):



Announcements

We are excited to announce that in 2023 we will have hybrid meetings (both In-Person & Zoom). Zoom details will be included in each newsletter

2023 will have an earlier start time of 6:30pm to accommodate for a Beginner's Corner, a short topic each month focused on growing happy orchids followed by our normal meeting

Announcement details below (Page 3):

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the GAOS will be Monday, April 10, 2023. **New start time of 6:30pm.** Doors open at 6:00pm. Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center, 725 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, Ohio 44319

Topics

Mini: **Internet Resources**
Program: **Lycaste**
Speaker: **Russ Vernon**

Each meeting will have a show table in which everyone is invited to bring in their blooming orchids to show off. This is a great way to see what other members are growing and how they do so

New members and visitors are also invited to bring any plants they wish to show or have questions about

Meeting details below (Page 3):

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Letter from the Editor



Greetings,

We are pleased to be providing these newsletters to GAOS members and the public alike! If you'd like to access our current and past issues please visit our website for PDF downloads.

<https://thegaos.com/>

For access to our most current club news, information and our direct newsletter emails please join our email list by sending us your email address to be added to the list.

Thanks,

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Meeting Schedule

GAOS meets the second Monday of each month (except December) Beginner's Corner starts at 6:30pm and the meeting at 7:00pm, at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center, 725 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, Ohio 44319

Members are encouraged to bring orchids from their collection for exhibit. **All are welcome; you do not have to be a member to attend.**

Virtual meeting invites will be sent out via email the week before the meeting along with the monthly newsletter

Apr 10	Internet Resources / Lycaste
May 8	Potting Media / Member Plant Auction and Repotting Clinic
Jun 12	Orchid Pests & Problems / Coelogyne
Jul 10	Let's Talk About Your Orchid / Summer Picnic



Photo of the Month: First flowering of Paph. [(Ichiro Suzuki x bellatulum) x Paph. rothschildianum] an intersectional cross between a Brachypetalum and a Coryopetalum made by Sam Tsui.
Photo © Seong Tay

2023 Meeting Changes

In 2023, we will be having Hybrid Meetings (both In-Person and virtual.) You can join us either at our normal meeting location or via Zoom where the live meeting will be broadcasted online. Zoom meeting details will be included in the Newsletter before each meeting.

Additionally, meetings will start at 6:30pm to accommodate our new Beginner's Corner. Each month will tackle a new topic on growing happy orchids.

Meeting Location:

Portage Lakes Kiwanis Center
725 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, Ohio 44319

Doors open: 6:00pm
Beginner's Corner: 6:30pm
Main Meeting: 7:00pm

- Remember to bring any orchids in bloom for our Show Table. This is a great way to see what other members are growing and how they do so. New members and visitors are also invited to bring any plants they wish to show or have questions about

- Virtual portion of the meetings will be conducted via Zoom. It is free to download and use. An email with the invite link will be provided the week before the meeting along with the newsletter for that month. After Zoom is installed on your computer, tablet or phone, all you have to do is click the link to join in

Please feel free to email any questions or to be added to the email list to: greaterakronorchidsociety@gmail.com

Thanks,
Brandon Spannbauer, Editor

April 10, Meeting Info

Our meeting will be with the Hybrid Meeting model, thanks in part to the new Owl camera which is able to capture and record our meetings for those unable to meet in person. Please bear with us as it will probably take some time to iron out all of the kinks.

We will also have a new earlier start time of 6:30pm. This will allow for a Beginner's Corner segment with information on growing orchids.

Beginner's Corner Topic / Meeting Topic:

Topics

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Zoom Meeting Details

Follow the link below to join the Zoom Meeting

Time: Apr 10, 2023 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82398589322?pwd=T0FkN2dGQ01FRHJObGhJQnZQOHFvQT09>

GAOS March Meeting Notes

By Pam Everett

GAOS held its regularly scheduled meeting Monday, March 13 with Craig Miller calling the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The society welcomed a number of new members who were in attendance after joining at the annual show. Craig then asked officers to introduce themselves to new members, and Barb Ford gave a brief history of the society, which was founded in 1988 as the Stan Hywet Orchid Society and became the Greater Akron Orchid Society in 2000.

This year's show was very successful, with excellent displays and a good turnout. Profits from the show were approximately \$1,250. The treasury now stands at approximately \$11,789.

There were over a dozen orchids on this month's show table, and Craig followed, as part of the Beginner's Club with a brief presentation on water. He mentioned the advantages and disadvantages of the four basic types of water: pure – or rain – water, tap water, distilled water, and reverse osmosis water. He then explained to “no-no's” soft water and ice cubes.

Following a short break Edgar Stehli presented an introduction to the world of orchids for the new members and discussed several online resources to help members better understand orchid culture and care.

Craig followed with a discussion for new members on how best to care for the Phalaenopsis they received at the show and things they should avoid in order to keep their plants healthy and blooming.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00.

2023 GAOS Dues

2023 GAOS dues will remain at \$25 for an individual or family membership. Dues allows us to host our annual orchid show as well as bring in amazing speakers to showcase their orchid knowledge. Each membership will receive a free orchid during our holiday party at the November meeting. You can either send in payment to the address on the form provided or in person at one of our meetings. Thank you

Greater Akron Orchid Society

Membership Application

To become a GAOS member or to renew your membership, complete the following form and present it or mail it with your payment to the society using the address below.

Dues are \$25 for a single/family membership

Make checks payable to **GAOS**

Name _____

Additional Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Primary Cell Phone _____

Primary e-mail _____

Check this box if you do not want your contact information on the published member list

Mail to:

GAOS
728 Apache Run
Macedonia, OH 44056



Note – At this time, electronic or credit card payment is not available.

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2023 GAOS Program Calendar

Jan 9	Grow Lights / Preparing Show Plants and Movie "Chasing Ghosts"
Feb 13	Pots / Best Practices for Buying Plants - Eric Sauer
Mar 13	Water / Getting to Know Members and Orchid Basics
Apr 10	Internet Resources / Lycaste - Russ or Cheryl
May 8	Potting Media / Member Plant Auction and Repotting Clinic
Jun 12	Orchid Pests & Problems / Coelogyne - Webinar or speaker
Jul 10	Let's Talk About Your Orchid / Summer Picnic
Aug 14	Buying Orchids on the Internet / Bulbophyllum - Charles Wilson
Sep 11	Getting Orchids to Bloom / Second Plant Auction / Mounting Clinic
Oct 9	Growing Under Lights / Wild, Weird & Wonderful Orchids – Peter Lin
Nov 13	Orchid Stories / Holiday Banquet, Election of Officers
Dec 11	No Meeting



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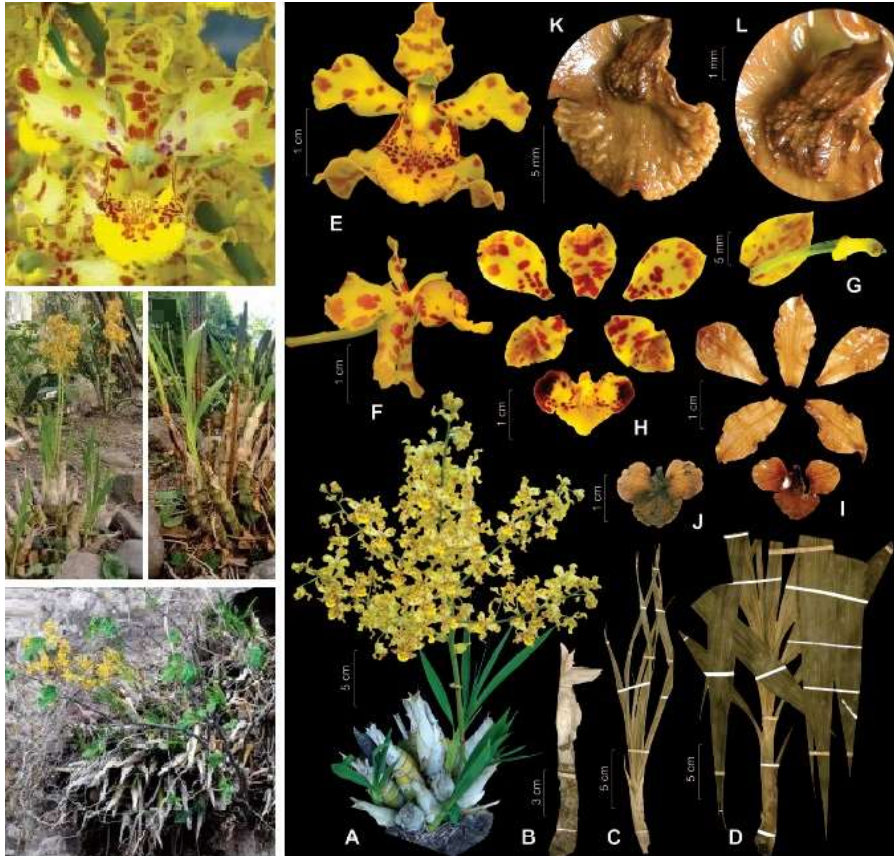
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New Orchids to Science

2023 : *Cyrtopodium* *valebella*, a *newspecies* from northwestern Argentina and southwestern Bolivia, is described, illustrated, and compared with morphologically similar taxa. All known records are from the Southern Andean *Yungas* and Chaco Serrano ecoregions, indicating that the species is endemic to these regions. *Cyrtopodium valebella* has been known since 1965 but has been misidentified so far with *C. paniculatum*, *C. punctatum* or *C. virescens*. The new species was first noticed through photographs available on online biodiversity platforms, highlighting its usefulness as a complementary source of data for discovering new species.

– Novataxa 2023



Upcoming Orchid Events

The 2023 West Shore Orchid Society Show will be held on April 22-23 at the Ehrnfelt Recreation Center in Strongsville



Photo Gallery

Show Table

March 2023



