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North Eastern New York Orchid Society

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Picnic

Perfect weather. Yummy food. Wonderful landscape AND an orchid meeting. How could the day have been any better??

After gobbling the tasty morsels from the potluck line, the group of more than forty enjoyed some great conversation. Stan provided a tour of his woodland garden for those interested.

Many others wandered through the garden 'rooms' enjoying the show.



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Additional critters that were relieved by our picnic location included this mourning dove nesting in the pool-house. Stan said this was her 2nd round of eggs and she stays very quiet when he and Fern entertain out there, just keeping an eye on all of them!



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Once again thanks to Stan and Fern Lee for hosting us! As Donna Wardlaw said during the announcements it is a great chance to use an alternate location for the demos, picking up supplies and enjoying all different kinds of plants!



process.

I know from experience that novice growers are generally extremely cautious – it is hard to squeeze the potting material tight enough to hold the plant in the pot. You worry about root injury because you are warned about that – you think a light pack is enough when in reality everything is still a little floppy. Bad for the plant!

Having these hands-on opportunities is one of the best teachable moments a local orchid society can offer. Reading the national magazine, watching a Youtube video or even the local newsletter, does not give you the same understanding and experience. So Yahoo to the members who have been grabbing the chances to grow! By Sandy Buxton II



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Several members brought plants which needed some TLC and repotting. Janet Vinyard worked with their owners to diagnose the problem. It is a great opportunity for more novice growers to be able to work with an experienced grower to see and understand the

While arranging lunch, an uninvited guest put on a show at the edge of the koi pond. The garter snake posed for photos and watched for quite awhile until the number of visitors caused stress.

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Upcoming Meetings

Sept 11—co hosting International Phal Alliance meeting in Voorheesville

October 1—Leon Glicenstein - Orchids of Costa Rica at Sanford Library in Colonie

November 5—Auction

December 3—Holiday Event

January 14—Annual Luncheon at Wolfert's Roost

February 4—TBA at William Sanford Library in Colonie

March 4—TBA

April 1—Basic Orchid Growing

The Newsletter is looking for other members interested in being columnists or helping out. Please email buxtonsandy@gmail.com if you are interested!

MAKING IT WORK FOR NENYOS OFFICERS FOR 2016

Donna Wardlaw	Co-President
Janet Vinyard	Co-President & Treasurer
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Sandy Buxton	Director
Mark Conley	Director
Alex Shepherd	Website
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Sandy Buxton	AOS Rep
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Joan Gardner	Refreshments
Bob Odess	Raffle
	Greeter

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Upcoming Events in the Northeast

November 12- 13, 2016 Merritt Huntington Memorial Symposium is being held at the Holiday Inn Patriot, 3032 Richmond Road, Williamsburg, VA.. Judging will be held on November 12, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. Contact: Frank Drew 757-650-2250 or fwdrew@cox.net

GROS—Greater Rochester Orchid Soc.

STOS—Southern Tier OS

CTOS—Connecticut OS

MHOS—Mid-Hudson OS Check www.aos.org/events before

traveling to see if there may be a local orchid event at your destination. Everything published in *Orchids* magazine is also on the web page

Greetings from Buffalo New York and the Niagara Frontier Orchid Society:

The Niagara Frontier Orchid Society has been promoting the growing of orchids for over 40 years.

We are excited and hope that you can join us in Buffalo on **November 12th and 13th** for the Mid-American Orchid Congress' (MAOC) Fall Meeting. The MAOC is dedicated to the preservation and propagation of orchids by providing information to growers through its network of orchid clubs. The Fall Meeting will be held in Lord and Burnham designed greenhouses at the Buffalo Botanical Gardens, which are set in an historic Frederick Law Olmsted Park.

"Orchids Under Glass" Over 150 orchid growers and clubs from the Eastern US, Mid-West and Canada are expected to come to this fun Event. There will be speakers and vendors from across the U.S.

Clubs are invited to have a display table for AOS judging on Saturday.

Registration information is now available on our web site: www.niagarafrontierorchids.org

If you have any questions about the Fall Meeting, please contact Donna Lipowicz at 716/479-7698 or at www.ladyslipper@roadrunner.com

Good News !!!! October Speaker will be: Leon Glicenstein

Topic: Orchids of Costa Rica

Leon Glicenstein Ph.D. began growing orchids in 1954, and became assistant to the curator of orchids at the Brooklyn Botanic Gardens, then Carl Withner, from 1957 to 1960. He has advanced degrees in Chemistry and Horticulture, with an emphasis on plant breeding, cytology, and cytogenetics. Working as a plant breeder for five years at Linda Vista S.A. in Costa Rica, he photographed, in the wild, approximately 80% of the then known orchid species of Costa Rica. He also found new species such as *Telipogon glicensteinii*, *Macroclinium glicensteinii*, *Pterichis leo*, *Stenorrhynchus glicensteinii*, and *Lepanthes glicensteinii*. He won the second American Orchid Society Dillon/Peterson Essay Contest using one of his Costa Rican experiences. He has photographed many of the orchids in the Northeastern United States, Florida, and all of the orchids in California, where he located some taxa not formerly known to exist there. As a respected lecturer, has given numerous conservation oriented programs both nationally and internationally, showing orchids growing in their native habitats. Leon has been an invited guest speaker at both the Vancouver and Miami World Orchid Conferences.

Leon joined Hoosier Orchid Company in September 1998. As a breeder, as well as a grower, of orchids at Hoosier Orchid Company Leon specialized in working with members of the *Pteruothalidae*, *Zygopetalinae*, *Gongorinae*, *Angraecoid*, *Jewel* and *Painted-leaf* orchids, as well as other groups.

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Telipogon glicensteinii,



Courtesy

APHIS Proposes to Allow Orchids in Growing Media from Korea to Be Imported into the Continental United States

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Inspecting Service (APHIS) is proposing to allow orchid plants of the genera *Phalaenopsis* and *Cymbidium* from the Republic of Korea to be imported into the continental United States in an approved growing medium. The plants would be subject to specified growing, inspection, and certification requirements to assure against the introduction and spread of plant pests or noxious weeds within the United States. APHIS prepared an environmental assessment evaluating the action following the request from the National Plant Protection Organization of Korea. During this comment period APHIS is taking comments on that assessment.

APHIS will take comments on the proposal to allow orchids from Korea to be imported in an approved growing medium for 60 days after posting in the Federal Register on August 12, 2016. APHIS will consider all comments that we receive on or before October 11, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

•Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2015-0091>

•Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2015-0091, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2015-0091> or in our reading room, which is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC.

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He has created numerous novel and new combination not before known, thereby extended our knowledge of generic relationships within the orchid family. Since the demise of Hoosier Orchid Company Leon has been consulting with other orchid companies on growing orchids from seed. He is presently taking images of orchids in habitat in Ecuador and Peru which have led to more programs.

A strong conservationist, Leon was past chairperson of the American Orchid Societies Conservation Committee, and has been a member of this committee for decades. He represented the AOS at the international conservation meeting in Costa Rica in 2007.

Before coming to Hoosier Orchid Company he worked for an internationally known plant breeding company breeding crops such as Chrysanthemum, Carnation, Azalea and Roses.

Directions to CCE office for IPA From the end of Route 155:

Proceed through the roundabout in Voorheesville. Bear right on Route 85A West. Travel approximately 2 miles. Turn right on Martin Road. CCE Albany County is on the right.

From the North: Take I-87 (Northway) South to the end. Turn right onto Route 20 West. Turn left onto Route 155 South. Follow the above route from the end of Route 155.

VENDORS WHO HELPED WITH THE 2015 AUCTION & Activities

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From the South: Take I-87 North to Exit 24. Bear right to-ward Route 20, then turn right onto Rte 20 West. Follow, turn left onto Route 155 South. Follow the above route from the end of Route 155.

From the East: Take I-90 West to I-87 South. Take I-87 South to the end. Turn right onto Route 20 West. Turn left onto Route 155 South. Follow the above route from the end of Route 155.

From the West: Take I-90 East to I-87 South. Follow I-87 South to the end. Turn right onto Route 20 West. Turn left onto Route 155 South. Follow the above route from the end of Route 155.



Join us for the 6th annual:
INTERNATIONAL PHALAENOPSIS ALLIANCE

"FOCUS ON PHALS" DAY

Co-hosted by the North Eastern New York Orchid Society

Sunday, September 11, 2016

AT SAME LOCATION AS LAST YEAR ! At Cornell Cooperative Extension-Albany Cty
 24 Martin Road, Voorheesville, NY

In conjunction with the North Eastern New York Orchid Society, IPA is pleased to present its 6th Annual Speakers' Day, "Focus On Phals". This day-long event will include our keynote speaker, Dr. Yin-Tung Wang, Consultant & Adjunct Professor at Texas A&M University, sharing his vast knowledge of Phalaenopsis culture. Joining him will be Rob Shepherd, owner & hybridizer of Sapphire Dragon Orchids who will update us on his breeding program & modern trends to achieve cerulean blue Phalaenopsis. Carri Raven-Riemann of the orchidPhile, Past IPA President & current Regional Director, will update us on some of the cutting-edge breeding as seen at the Taiwan 2016 TIOS Show, including some exciting new directions from some of the smaller boutique hybridizers who are always thinking outside the box.

The day will also include a Q&A opportunity and a mini-auction of select plants. The Registration Fee just covers the cost of morning refreshments and a light lunch. We invite all orchidists, IPA members & non-members alike, to join us for this very special Speakers' Day. Vendors will be: Sapphire Dragon Orchids, the orchidPhile, Piping Rock Orchids and Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

9:30 – 10:00 am	Morning Refreshments & Sales Tables Open for Early Birds
10:00 - 10:45 am	Rob Sheppard: <i>Got the Blues? Coeruleas to the Rescue !</i>
10:45 - 11:30 am	Carri Raven-Riemann: <i>Happiness Is: Exciting New Directions in Breeding</i>
11:30 – 12:15 pm	Mini Auction (to raise funds for future meetings)
12:15 - 1:15 pm	Lunch Break & Sales Tables Open
1:15 – 2:00 pm	Dr. Yin-Tung Wang: <i>Tips to Get the Best from your Phals in the Home</i>
2:00 - 2:30 pm	Q&A with the Speakers (Time permitting)
2:30 – 3:00 pm	Last chance for sales

**PLEASE
 NOTE:
 EARLY
 & FULL**

LY PAID REGISTRATIONS BY AUGUST 30th ARE REQUIRED TO ASSURE WE HAVE ENOUGH FOOD FOR EVERYONE !
 Registration for **NENY Orchid Society Members Only:** \$ 15 Registration for **NON-NENY Orchid Society Members:** \$ 18

For further information contact:

New England Regional Director: **Carri Raven-Riemann** at orchidphile@optimum.net or (203) 329-7255
 New York/Eastern Canada Regional Director: **Marilyn Shapiro** at mlshap2@juno.com or (212) 831-3076
 Mid-Atlantic: MD/ DE/ PA/ NJ Regional Directors: **Mitch Paroly** at hilolip@aol.com or (215) 943-7516 &
Les Werner at leswer@verizon.net or (410) 793-0756

Additional information will also be available on the **IPA Website** (www.phal.org)

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REGISTRATION FORM: Must be received no later than August 30, 2016
IPA/NENY Orchid Society "Focus on Phals" for Sunday, September 11, 2016

NAME(S): _____ TELEPHONE: _____
 ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 E-MAIL: _____ HOME ORCHID SOCIETY: _____

NENY Orchid Society Members Only: Enclosed is my check for _____ registration(s) at \$15 each
Non-NENY Orchid Society Members: Enclosed is my check for _____ registration(s) at \$18 each (payable to IPA)

Send form with check, Payable to IPA, to: IPA, c/o Marilyn Shapiro, 235 East 87th Street, Apt 5L, New York, NY 10128

For Vendor Pre-Orders - Please mention "IPA Regional Pre-Order" in subject line:

Kelly's Korner Orchid Supplies: www.kkorchid.com
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 Sapphire Dragon Orchids: www.sapphiredragonorchids.com
 Piping Rock Orchids: www.pipingrockorchids.com

THE FALL 2016 AOS MEMBERS MEETING IS COMING!

One of the world's premier cultural, educational and horticultural centers—the Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens—invites you to attend the American Orchid Society Fall 2016 Members Meeting and Huntington's Annual International Orchid Show this October 19-23.

The Orchid Show—combined with access to the Huntington's world-renowned library, splendid art collection and awe-inspiring botanical gardens containing plants that span the globe—guarantees you will have a phenomenal time.

- Enjoy more than 40 beautiful feast-for-the-eyes orchid exhibits
- Search among 30 domestic and international vendors for that hard-to-find or sentimental favorite orchid that you've always wanted
- Listen to outstanding speakers from around the world as they share their knowledge about genera-specific and region-centered orchid species and hybrids
- Tour normally off-exhibit Huntington orchid greenhouses and collections

EVENT REGISTRATION—is \$99.00, and includes five days of admission to the Huntington, the orchid show—including the shop-early preview party—and orchid lectures. Check the web for complete details about what's included in registration.

HOTEL REGISTRATION—A limited number of rooms is available for AOS members at the Doubletree Monrovia Hotel (at reduced rates of \$129 for Wednesday/Thursday nights and \$149 for Friday/Saturday nights). Doubletree guests will enjoy free parking and dedicated shuttle bus service to and from the Huntington. There are three other conventions occurring at the same time in nearby Pasadena so don't delay making your reservations!

For details about the Doubletree, alternative nearby hotels and other travel information, please visit www.aosfall2016.com

The Huntington is close to fine restaurants, top retailers and popular entertainment venues, many located in nearby Old Town Pasadena. For suggestions on dining and local and Los Angeles attractions, check <http://goo.gl/6exAvw>.

The one-two punch of the AOS Members Meeting and Huntington's Annual International Orchid Show makes for a great get-together for orchid enthusiasts! Walking among orchids and the sprawling grounds at the Huntington with your orchid friends will bring you smiles, enjoyment and pleasure. I look forward to seeing you there.

Warm regards,
George Hatfield, President
American Orchid Society

P.S. To whet your appetite, here's a list of the world-renowned speakers who will be participating at the Members Meeting and Orchid Show (visit <http://www.aosfall2016.com/speakers/> for their bios).

- Alfredo Manrique: *Phragmipedium kovachii* Culture
- Fred Clarke: *Catasetum* Species, Hybrids and Their Culture
- Dr. Harold Koopowitz: Evolution of the Slipper Orchids
- Janet Lamborn: Don't Put on the Virus Blinders, Your Collection Is Depending on You
- Dr. Daniel L. Geiger: Growing Orchids in a Terrarium
- Carri Raven-Riemann: *Phalaenopsis* Species: From Mega to Micro
- Garry Clark and Graham Wood: Award Winning Growers Choose *Orchiata*
- Gustavo A. Aguirre: Colombian *Cattleyas*
- Peter T. Lin: Small *Vanda* Species and Their Hybrids
- Hadley Cash: Marriott Orchids...The Other Side of the Story!
- Hilmar Bauch: *Cattleya*: Botanic Jewels, with an Overview on *Cattleya* (*Laelia*) *purpurata*
- Andy Cameron: Genes and Ploidy in *Cymbidiums*

Found again by sharp eyed Jim Webb—

Millions of orchids grow on former mine site in upstate NY

By [MARY ESCH](http://bigstory.ap.org/article/02420445fc1747f6b18c892487d014bd/millions-orchids-grow-former-mine-site-upstate-ny) from <http://bigstory.ap.org/article/02420445fc1747f6b18c892487d014bd/millions-orchids-grow-former-mine-site-upstate-ny>

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In this Friday, July 8, 2016 photo, Grete Bader, a recent masters graduate of the State University...

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By: [MARY ESCH](#) (AP)
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STAR LAKE, N.Y. (AP) — Millions of orchids are now growing in a hundred-acre wetland in the Adirondack Park that developed on waste from a vast open-pit iron mine, a transformation scientists say is most impressive because it happened naturally. (Continued on page 6)

Continued from Page 5—Millions of Orchids

"It's a testament to nature's ability to heal itself," said Grete Bader, a graduate student who recently wrote her master's thesis about the plant life at the former Benson Mines, about 35 miles from the Canadian border. The wetland, which remains privately owned and off limits to the public, formed on part of thousands of acres of coarse sand left over when granite ore was crushed to extract iron from 1900 until 1978. That bare sand eventually gave way to moss, lichen, grasses, sedges and trees, including willows, poplars and tamaracks.



In this Friday, July 8, 2016 photo, Grete Bader, left, a recent masters graduate of the SUNY College of ESF, and Professor Donald Leopold study plants growing on waste that was left from a former iron mine in Star Lake, N.Y. (AP Photo/Mike Groll)

Orchids arrived as dust-like seeds from surrounding areas. The wetland is now home to six species of bog orchids, including millions of rose pogonias and grass pinks.

"I've been involved in orchid-rich habitats all over the country for 40 years, and I've never seen anything like this," said Donald Leopold, a professor at the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry.

Leopold first explored the site 30 years ago, but the staggering number of orchids wasn't quantified until recently when his graduate student, Bader, tallied them up in her thesis.



In this Friday, July 8, 2016 photo, a grass pink orchid is seen where waste from a former iron mine was disposed of in Star Lake, N.Y. Millions of orchids are now growing in a hundred-acre wetland in the Adirondack Park that developed on waste from a vast open-pit iron mine, a transformation scientists say is most impressive because it happened naturally. (AP Photo/Mike Groll)

Several factors contribute to the thriving plant community at the site, Bader said, including a variety of fungi that colonize a plant's root system and enhance its ability to absorb nutrients.

"What's really cool to me as a plant ecologist is how this site went from bare mine tailings to a diverse wetland plant community over the past 60 years on its own, without any formal restoration initiative," Bader said during a recent visit to the site.

Bader and Leopold suggest that the site would be a worthy addition to the Adirondack Forest Preserve if the owner was interested in selling it to the state.

But the landowner's lawyer says there are no plans to sell the land or allow public access. "Benson Mines wasn't even aware of the orchids until the researchers made them public," said attorney Bernard Melewski.

He said the orchid site is a small part of about 2,000 acres of sand and crushed stone mining waste that the company hopes to ship to markets when a nearby railroad spur is renovated.

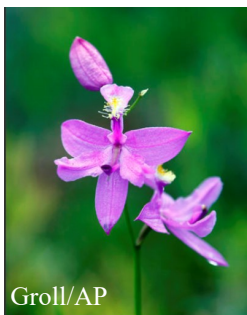
Even if the site remains untouched by development, the orchids may be a fleeting phenomenon as the natural forces that brought them here continue to reshape the landscape. Already, an aggressive non-native reed called phragmites is choking out other plants in large swaths of the wetland.

"The orchids here today require full sun," Bader said. "Between invasive plants and natural succession to a closed canopy tamarack-black spruce bog, we're going to see them decline."



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In this Friday, July 8, 2016 photo, Grete Bader, right, a recent masters graduate of the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry, walks with Professor Donald Leopold on sandy waste left over from iron mining in Star Lake, N.Y. Millions of orchids are now growing in the hundred-acre wetland in the Adirondack Park that developed on waste from a vast open-pit iron mine, a transformation scientists say is most impressive because it happened naturally. (AP Photo/Mike Groll)

Picnic Table Tales



Janet Vinyard brought Den. Farmarii which she grows under a tree in summer. It is a high light plant that she grows very cool in winter. She reduces watering in Nov. to every 10 days then stops watering. Can't let it get excessively dry, leaves will fold in half. It is the second time it has bloomed this year!

Wake Gardner brought a full display of plants! He grows outside under his crabapple trees during the summer. Generally, his plants go out once the night time lows are about 55 degrees. He also sprinkles 1/4-1/2 tsp of slow release fertilizer on all of his pots headed outside to keep the grow cycle strong. Otherwise, sometimes when you want to fertilize and it has just rained, you hold off adding more water to the plants.

Of course, he also discussed the risks of having plants exposed to the natural environment: Japanese beetles munching, slugs that chew flower stems and bugs (or other things) which pollinate your flowers....Wake said he usually brings flowers that are in bloom into the house for display and to avoid those pests. Also it prevents the blooms from getting wet and incubating botrytis, a bacteria which leaves brown



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spots on everything.

Elaine Grega brought Phal. Terragreen which is a summer bloomer with consecutive blooms and will bloom off and on for months. She also brought Ascocendra Ambila, grown in a plastic greenhouse which can get to 105 degrees.

Den. Walnut valley is watered every day.

Her mounted Oncidium roseum (a species) stays outside in shade. There are 2 spikes but one broke during the car trip to the picnic



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Editor Note:
I will include the rest of Show table in October newsletter—currently out of space!



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Catt. Harrisonia came from Mark Conley originally. Wake has rescued it and, much to Mark's chagrin, manages to get it to grow strong and throw multiple blooms per spike!

The Ascocentra is grown like the Vascostylis. When outside is watered every day with a misting nozzle on the hose. Generally, he grows it bare rooted in a tiny bit of coir (loose coconut fiber) in a basket.

Den. aggregatum generally is a winter bloomer but for whatever reason, for the last 10 years has bloomed for the picnic. Show off!! Also grows with no water in December and just a little, every 7-10 days, in January. He keeps it warm.



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Next Meeting

September 11, 2016

Focus on Phals

With the **International Phalaenopsis Alliance**

At Cornell Cooperative Extension,

**24 Martin Road,
Voorheesville, NY 12186**

9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Please see Page 4 for more details. There will be plants and supplies for sale. And lots to learn.

Fun, Food and Friends!

Raffle Winners

Don't forget, Raffle winners are asked to bring a "goodie" to the next meeting to help celebrate their good fortune.



.....Congratulations!
No raffle Winners in August

The next meeting where the goodie rule applies is the October 2016 meeting back at the William Sanford library in Colonie.



Members attending the picnic got to pick out a gift plant from a great selection of goodies!!

Sue Labonville was the Lucky Winner this year as the lead off ticket!!

The annual gift plant is a great way to explore and try other types of orchids, from outside your comfort zone of growing, with minimal risk or financial commitment.

It has opened doors to new possibilities for many members!!