



CHAOS

Charlottesville Orchid Society

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September 2019 Newsletter

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NEXT MEETING:



Sunday 9/8/2019

Set-up **2:00 PM**; program begins at **2:30 PM**

1024 Carrington Place, off Rio Road across from Church of Our Savior

SPEAKER INFORMATION:

Our speaker will be Gerry Bishop, who has been creating and selling photos since the early 1970s. His images have appeared in National Wildlife, Virginia Wildlife, Natures Best, Ranger Rick and BBC Wildlife. He is now semi-retired, and serves as the education chairman for the Charlottesville Camera Club.

He is going to help us to get the best images possible of our orchids. He asks that we bring our cameras and tripods if you have them. As compensation he would like a plant to bring home.

Gerry will not have plants for sale, so members may bring plants to sell, with CHAOS to receive a portion of any proceeds.

Photos which follow are from the Show Table in April 2019.







SHOW TABLE RESULTS

No show or judging was performed at June picnic.

For anyone new to our group, the information in the box below outlines how the Show Table works. Everyone is welcome to bring in plants to share with the group...we all love flowers, so let us see what your plants are doing!

CHAOS Monthly Show Table

As part of each regular meeting of CHAOS, we have an informal show table. The intent is to show off your flowers and plants, and to allow others to enjoy them, too. In the spirit of informality, we have categories related to the number of plants you are growing – we don't want someone just starting to feel like they need to compete with the old pro.

Each meeting three people (usually the person leading the evaluation and the two who are standing nearest) are asked to look over the plants and select what strikes their collective fancy. We often have new people participate – it's a great ice breaker. So, one time the species plant aficionados will pick the tiny no-see-ums, and other times it just that one plant that really grabs your eye, or it's the monster plant with a bazillion blooms. At the end of the meeting the selected plants are briefly discussed and cultural tips for especially challenging plants are noted. By keeping it informal we want to encourage people to bring plants and share what it is that brings us all to an orchid meeting.

See the CHAOS website for a PDF form with four slips can be downloaded for your plants. Or pick up a slip from the folks setting up the table. On the back add any particular culture tips that you used to for growing and blooming your plant.

For all show entries, complete a show table form (plant identification on front, your name on back). After the meeting, leave forms on the table so that results may be tabulated.



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Join us for a *CHAOS* meeting!!!

Be our guest at a meeting because you enjoy orchids!

What's in it for you:

- Speakers who address multiple topics of interest about orchids and growing them
- A show table that allows you to see...and smell!...blooming orchids grown by our members, AND discussion by experienced orchid growers about how those orchids grow and thrive
- Networking with friendly and welcoming people who enjoy orchids and plants, and grow them in their own greenhouses or homes
- Frequent options to purchase beautiful orchids to grow yourself
- Raffles in which you may win an orchid plant for as little as \$1.00
- The option of joining our organization as a member

When: Usually the second Sunday of each month, September through June, from 2:30 to 5:00 PM, with program from 3:00-4:00 PM. Check our website (<http://cvilleorchidsociety.com/>) to confirm a date.

Where: 1024 Carrington Place, off of Rio Road East, Charlottesville. Go to the third floor, "Accounting Solutions".

Hope to see you at our next meeting!