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Setup/Social 6:45 – 7:00 p.m.
Presentation starts promptly at
7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

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From the President

Dear Members and Friends:

Thank you Jim Davison for your wonderful presentation on the “Four Horsemen”. It was extremely interesting. Your presentation gave all of us, new and expert hobbist alike, a simple and back to basic perspective for identifying Cattleyas. We all wish you the best on your new business endeavor and hope to see you at the upcoming fall shows.

For our September speaker, we welcome Mark Edlund from Orchid Acres. Mark just recently sold his business here in Wellington and will soon be off to bigger and better projects. Mark will be speaking on Dendrobiums .

PLEASE mark you calendars for October 4th. 2016 @ 7:00 p.m. As you know this is our fundraiser for the year that pays for all our expenses such as speakers, snack table goods, members holiday party, Deicke rental and other various expenses. Our club is solely run by the efforts of volunteers and member participation. Therefore we need EVERY member to help out. How you ask?

- 1. We will be handing out posters at the September meeting. Please post them in your business or another location that gets the most visibility.
- 2. E-mail a poster to all your friends and tell them to invite their friends.
- 3. Post a copy of the poster on your social media page or create an event. Like us on Facebook and invite your friends to like us.
- 4. Go through your collection and pick out a plant to donate. We are accepting all plants not just orchids. We will have a plant sales table in the back of the room for all plants and supplies. Place a price tag or sticker of your donation plant with a price you think appropriate.
- 5. The day of the auction, we will be needing assistance in set up and break down at Deicke. Please consider volunteering.
- 6. Last but not least. Don't wait till the last minute to volunteer or donate your plant. The day of and prior to will be very hectic and we may be unable to respond to you in a timely manner.
- 7. Be an Auction volunteer or a Plant dropoff person. Contact Rose Maytin at 954-401-3171 by text or leave a message.

Thank you,
Rose M. Maytin
President



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the Plantation
Orchid Society
on Facebook**

Plantation Orchid Society Annual Auction



October 4, 2016 at 7 pm

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YELLOW CULTURE RIBBON
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Karen Reynoldson



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Onc. Juhboa Gold
Jeff Tucker



BLUE RIBBON
Gram. scriptum var. citrinum
'Hihimau'
Dot McCrain



BLUE RIBBON
Rhrds. Bangkok Sunset
Paul & Francisco

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BLUE RIBBON
Ribbon B. nodosa
'Adorabil'
Phylus Durst



BLUE RIBBON
V. Pachara Delight
Paul & Francisco



RED RIBBON
Rhy. coelestis 'Pink'
Miréille Jeannopoulos



RED RIBBON
Blc. Campobello x Blc. Waianae
Jeff Tucker

RED RIBBON
Ascda. Kulwadee Fragrance
Paul & Francisco not shown

As a reminder, all plants brought in for the show table should be free of pests and diseases. Take some time to stake and clean the leaves of your plants, this allows for better presentation. Also, please do not bring newly-purchased plants for the show table. The show table is an outlet for members to share the great job they have done in growing and flowering their orchids; therefore, please respect the unwritten rule of owning and growing an orchid for a minimum of 6 months.



OUR SEPTEMBER SPEAKER


Mark Edlund from Orchid Acres



Our speaker this month is Mark Edlund from Orchid Acres. Mark is a graduate of University of Florida. He has 20 years of experience with orchids. His nursery is 15,000 square feet. He specializes in Vandas, but also has various other types of orchids. He will speaking to us this month about dendrobiums. His nursery is located at 4159 120th Ave S, Wellington, Florida. He can be reached at 561-795-9190.


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EACH MONTH**

**Please contact Mary
Lee at 954-473-0456.**

ATTENTION MEMBERS

**Our new membership
booklet will be not be
printed this year. When
complete, it will be de-
livered to you via e-mail.**

**Also, Elise Chapman
will have new name
badges ready for us at
the September meeting.**

POS 2016 CALENDAR

September 6

Mark Edlund
Orchid Acres
Dendrobiums

October 4

Annual Auction

November 1

To be Announced

December 7

Annual Holiday party at
Ft. Lauderdale Country Club

HOSPITALITY

THANKS to all the members who brought snacks the September meeting!

Sallie Sherwood - Antipasto Skewers, Linda Dawkins - chips and dip, Terry Voynik - mango bread, Karen Reynoldson - chocolate swirl cake, Peter & Mireille Jeannopoulos - chips and popcorn soda pretzels, Jeanie - Pub and Grub donated fried mushrooms.

On another Note:

**Start thinking about bringing a special treat for the Auction in October.
We always like to have a great spread for our guests!**

Remember, we love the treats you bring (which are not just limited to sweets) but:
PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU IN OCTOBER.
Coffee and soda will be provided by the Society courtesy of Barbara Van Strander and Clemence Lorquet.

Animal Rescue

**Phyllis Durst is still collecting old towels and blankets for
animals in rescue shelters. If you have any towels or blankets that
you would like to get rid of, please bring them to our meeting
Tues. and give them to Phyllis.**





Wow!

Check out this giant
Oncidium that was donated
to our October Auction
by Sallie Ann Sherwood

Thanks Sallie!



THE POS NEEDS YOUR EXTRA PLANTS!

Our October Auction is 1 month away!
Please, everyone, get your gardening gloves
out, clean out your leftover pots and divide
your plants! We must raise funds to pay for
our wonderful speakers, meeting room ren-
als, along with non-profit and bank fees and
other miscellaneous. The club needs your
extra plants to auction at the October meet-
ing.

Please help us out and share!

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CURRENT EVENTS

American Orchid Society Judging Educational Presentation

Monthly orchid judging takes place at Flamingo Gardens the fourth Saturday of each month.

The date is **Saturday, September 24, 2:00 - 4:00**

Visit www.wpbjudging.org for plant entry procedures and more information

West Palm Beach Judging Center at Flamingo Gardens

Contact Carol Holdren at (561) 212-4876 or email cjholdren@gmail.com for more information.

Mounts Botanical Garden Orchid Sale & Shady Affair

Saturday and Sunday, September 10 & 11, 2016

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

559 N. Military Trail West Palm Beach, FL

More Info: 561-233-1757 or visit their website

South Florida Orchid Society presents the 70th Miami International Orchid Show ORCHID CELEBRATION

Sept 30th, Oct. 1st - 2nd 2016 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission \$10.00
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Broward County Plant Affair

Saturday, October 22, 2016 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, October 23, 2016 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Plantation Heritage Park 1100 South Fig Tree Lane Plantation, FL

PARK ADMISSION \$1.50

More Info: 954-797-2722 or visit their website calendar
(go to the event dates for information).

Delray Beach Orchid Society 23rd Annual Show

October 28 thru 30th, 2016 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Old School Square Gymnasium

51 N. Swinton Avenue Delray Beach, FL

For more information: visit their website.

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Our August Program the Four Horsemen Was Presented by Jim Davison

by Gigi Louis

Cattleyas that love to be mounted:

- *aclandiae*
- *walkeriana*
- *nobilior*
- *schilleriana*

Cattleya aclandiae

Native to Brazil, *aclandiae* grow on plateaus in a warm to hot, seasonally dry forest at elevations of 100m to 400m. They like high humidity, even in the dry season. During the dry season, watering can be reduced somewhat.

Having very long roots, this species grow best on a natural piece of wood as they tend to be rambling. Eventually, they will cover their mount. The roots are very fat and the plant only puts out three or four new roots at a time. However, they can become several meters long and can branch. With so few roots being put out each season, extra care needs to be taken with new root growth.

This species blooms on newly matured growths in the spring/summer here in Florida. In our climate, they can bloom all the way through fall. Flowers are olive green into tan with tan, dark brown into black, sometimes red, spotting. Spotting density varies greatly. Lip color can range from light pink to magenta. The f. *albescens* has a white lip and paler sepals and petals. The rare f. *alba* has a white lip and pale, yellow-green petals and sepals. Tetraploid (4N) plants tend to have larger flowers with wider segments and better substance.

Cattleya walkeriana

Also native to Brazil, this dwarf species grows at elevations of 600m to 1,000m, warm to hot, and tends to be dry much of the year. These plants can be ignored in winter, only given a little water if they become too shriveled.

Walkeriana is epiphytic and lithophytic and can even grow on cacti. Roots have evolved to drench and dry with a long dry period. As with *aclandiae*, *walkeriana* does not produce a lot of roots at a time.

Generally, this species produces one to three flowers at a time from winter to spring. Flowers emerge from the base of the rhizome on a leafless new growth. The flowers are flat and large, very fragrant, and long-lasting. The side lobes are very open and do not cover the column. The lip is kidney-shaped and generally magenta in color. The var. *concolor* is pale pink while the var. *suave* has white blushed petals and sepals with a magenta lip. Var. *rubra* is very dark, rose colored.

There are many color variations in this species: f. *semi-alba* is white with a colored lip; f. *albescens* has just a hint of color, f. *alba* is solid white, f. *coerulea* is tinted blue and f. *flamea* has dramatic flames on the petals (this coloration seems to be heat-sensitive so they don't always produce these flames in our heat). H&R nurseries in Hawaii uses the term "blush" for forms that do not fit into these other categories.

A natural hybrid of *C. walkeriana* and *C. loddigesii* is *C. x dolosa* (x signifies natural hybrid). *Loddigesii* is bifoliate and sometimes *Dolosa* can bloom from fully mature growths (a *loddigesii* trait) or from a leafless growth from the rhizome (as in *walkeriana*).

the Four Horsemen cont.

Cattleya nobilior

Cattleya nobilior is similar to *walkeriana* but it is bifoliate whereas *walkeriana* is unifoliate. It hails from the grasslands of Brazil and grows warm to hot and very, very dry (they will rot if overwatered). Again, this species produces very few roots that must be protected. It should be mounted once new growth becomes visible. This species likes to be very dry in winter and should be rested along with your *Catesetums*.

The flowering habit of *nobilior* is the same as *walkeriana* however, this species blooms in the spring. Generally, the plant will produce one to three flowers with two being the usual. The flowers are very large, flat and fragrant. The side lobes curl and circle the column. The trilobed lip is very distinctive. The var. *concolor* is pink; var. *amaliae* boasts larger, more robust flowers and is highly desirable; var. *suave* has a light blush and the var. *semi-alba* has white petals and sepals with color on the lip while the fma. *coerulea* has a blue tint.

Cattleya schilleriana

Cattleya schilleriana is one of the largest and showiest of the Four Horsemen. This Brazilian species grows in the Espirito Santo region at elevations of 250m to 800m where the climate is warm to hot and the humidity is high all year.

This species produces one to five flowers with three being the usual. The flowers are very large, approximately 5" across, with widely undulated segments and side lobes fully concealing the column. The plant itself is dwarf-sized with purple-red coloring. Blooms are produced in spring, sometimes into summer.

If mounted, this species may be watered daily but will rot if potted and exposed to our Florida rain. *Cattleya schilleriana* blooms on old growths, flowering the following year on the mature growth. The tipo color form is olive green, tan or brown with mahogany spotting. The lip has varying degrees of saturation with a picotee edge. Lips can be 2" across. The var. *imperialis* is not a color form but was given this name because it is larger and even showier. F. *alba* is pale yellow-green with a solid white lip; f. *aurea* has few spots; f. *coerulescens* produces a lip with slight blue coloring and the f. *coerulea* has very little spotting with a bluish lip.

I have been growing *Cattleya walkeriana* mounted very successfully outside in our climate. After Jim's wonderfully informative presentation, I am ready to give one of the other Horsemen a try.



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