# The BackBulb

CARMEL ORCHID SOCIETY

October 2020

#### Meetings...

For those of you who missed last Mondays meeting (almost all of you). We will be trying again on Monday October

12th at 7PM. I have picked out an AOS webinar on
Australian Dendrobiums, they grow so well here,
given by Fred Clark last May. Fred is a gifted speaker
who gives us a lesson on Australian slang as well as
introducing the species and hybrids and their culture. We will
also go over the details of the "Fall Orchid Market" (we can't
call it a show, shows are not allowed with the current COVID19 precautions). There will also be time for show and tell and
some socializing time, so come early, I will be opening up the
Zoom Meeting at 6:30 for socializing and at 7 we will start with
the formal meeting.

We will continue to meet every other Friday at 5PM for our Orchid Happy Hour, an informal time for talking about orchids, or just shooting the breeze.



#### The 2020 Fall Orchid Market

Despite all the uncertainty this year we continue to plan for our Fall Orchid Market. Several major modifications have been made:

- 1. This will not be a "show" or "festival" (both are on the forbidden list), but a "market" thus the name "Fall Orchid Market". A "farmers market" for orchid growers.
- 2. We still be holding it at the church but outside under the breezeway. Come prepared for the weather! It could be cold or wet, the area is covered but open on the sides.

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**Upcomming Events** 

Sell Your Orchids

Sale Tags

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- **COS Officers** 3. Masks will be required. We plan on having some on hand if you forget to bring one.
  - 4. No display, no big spread of food (but there will be food, just not the free-forall of past years) for the vendors and volunteers. Sorry.

What is staying the same:

1. Vendors: Asbell Orchids, Barsch Tropicals, D & D Flowers, Echo Valley Orchids, Lico Orchids and Flowers, Mesa Exotics/SLO Orchids, and Orchids and Gardens



Dendrobium glomeratum in Carolyn's greenhouse

- 2. Member sales. More info on page 3. We need people to man the booth.
- 3. It is still a Friday and Saturday event. Setup is Thursday afternoon and tear down is Saturday at 4PM. We will need volunteers for both
- 4. Potting Demos and plenty of orchid information from our local orchid experts. We need volunteers to man the COS membership table.

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### October

10/12 Monday 7PM COS October Meeting. Fred Clark talks about Australian Dendrobiums

10/16 Friday 5PM Orchid Happy Hour on Zoom

10/30 Friday 5PM Orchid Happy Hour on Zoom. Costume contest, win an orchid!

#### November

11/13-14 Fall Orchid Market!!!

#### **Sell Your Orchids**

If your orchid garden or greenhouse is overflowing, dividing and/or selling some of your plants at the fall show is a good way to make room for more orchids! Or if others have envied some of your plants at "show and tell" maybe you could make a little money by dividing that specimen. Members (only members please) of COS are encouraged to bring plants from their collections to sell. Here are a few quidelines for sales:

- 1. Plants should be disease and pest free.
- 2. Fill out sales tags as completely as possible (they are included with this
  - newsletter). Plants that have a picture attached and have as much information about the plant as possible sell better. Attach the tag to your plant securely with masking tape or on a stick. If you have several plants, it is always a good idea for you to keep a list of the names and prices of the plants you bring.
- 3. COS will keep 25% of each sale as a part of our fundraiser. Price your plants accordingly, but remember that affordable plants sell first. Volunteers who will be at the sales table will not change prices on your plants, so if your plant is not selling, you may want to stop by the table during the show to change the price.

- You can sell orchids, bromeliads, succulents, carnivorous plants, or other exotics that you may have around.
- 5. Plants can be brought to the church (show location) on Thursday afternoon, November 12th. If you cannot bring them until Friday, we will set them out for sale in the order as they are received. You will need to pick up any unsold plants at 4PM on Saturday.

I look forward to finding some real gems to purchase among the member's orchids!

Carolyn Salmon, Member's sales chair



Carolyn's **Laelia gouldiana**, which is blooming a month or two ahead of John's

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CARMEL ORCHID SOCIETY 2021 Membership Application				
Please make checks payable to the <b>Carmel Orchid Society</b> and mail to: Carmel Orchid Society - Membership, P.O. Box 223462 Carmel CA 93922-3462 Please print				
Date				
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If you were referred by a current member, please provide Membership				
his/her name Single \$25				
Renewal _ New Member _ Couple \$35 Vendor \$35				
Member of the American Orchid Society _ Add an additional \$5 to receive the newsletter via USPS				

#### 2021 Board of Directors

Only One change for next year, Irene Pattor will be replacing Janette Ford as a director.

President, BackBulb Editor, Web master, and Membership): **John OConnell** 

Vice President: Carolyn Salmon Recording Secretary: Norma Walch

Treasurer: **Daniel Bellem** Director: **Irene Patton** 

If you would like to join us we would really appreciate the company. The board meets most months and we occasionally enjoy some wine with our snacks for the evening. Virtual meetings are possible, though we have been meeting (outdoors, with masks) for the past 6 months. No particular orchid expertise is necessary.



An unknown Cattlya (probably a Brassavola, Catleya hybrid) in Carolyn's greenhouse

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