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*Riverside-San Bernardino Counties*  
***The Inland Orchid News.***

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Regular meetings  
are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Saturday of the  
month.

Regular meetings  
include:

Plant Judging  
2:00pm

Meeting 2:15pm

Speaker 2:30pm

Refreshments &  
Judging Results

Raffle

**Gonzales Community Center  
670 Colton Ave Colton, CA  
Second Saturday of each month  
Show-N-Tell @ 2:00 pm  
Meeting @ 2:15 pm**

***General RSBCOS Meeting***  
***January 14<sup>th</sup> 2:00 – 4:30 pm***



**Disas, Flowers of the Rainbow**

**Presenter Michael Tibbs**

**We will have a plant table.**

## Michael Tibbs:

Michael's love of plants started at an early age when his father built him a greenhouse made from wooden poles and covered in plastic! It rapidly doubled in sized and was more of a jungle than well-organized collection of orchids but in the greenhouse, he grew orchids, and vegetables.



Growing up in Southern Africa, the greenhouse was filled with indigenous African epiphytic orchids, Cymbidiums, a few Cattleyas and a prized Coelogyne cristata which grew wildly in a hanging basket but all flowered profusely every year.

After working in Japan for several years and before returning to the UK to set up The Exotic Plant Company, from where he continued his consultancy work in Japan, Michael was breeding orchids and other plants from his nursery in Sussex.

Today, Michael works as a Consultant on New Product Development and Technical Research for a UK based horticultural company specializing in the supply of fresh cut flowers to UK supermarkets but continues to breed and test other flowers such as Agapanthus, Kniphofia, Peony, Chrysanthemums, Astrantia, Eryngium, Gentiana, Gerbera, Helianthus and various foliage's at their various farms in South Africa, Kenya, UK and Europe.

Michael also consults on and breeds orchids; Cymbidiums, Zygopetalums, Ansellia, Disas and intergeneric Oncidiums for the commercial pot-plant trade.

As a Senior Judge in the American Orchid Society and a judge in the South African Orchid Council, Michael was previously on the RHS Orchid Committee and is a regular invited Judge at Tokyo Dome International Orchid Festival and Taiwan International Orchid Show (TIOS) each year.

## **Christmas Potluck and meeting was a success:**

Thank you to all the cooks in our society who make the Potluck a success. This was a great way to end the year with good food and a good presentation from Peter Lin. I look forward to the New Year.

## **Garden Festival:**

We will be sponsoring a Garden Festival to be held on Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup>. We will need society members to help with registration, setting up, selling raffle tickets, and helping judges by recording results. And of course, we need your entries. Stay tuned for details.

## **Riverside Flower Show and Garden Tours:**

Our Board has decided to participate in this year's event. Instead of a traditional flower show they have asked garden societies to enter a table display. This table display will be equivalent to two 6 ft tables. The theme, in honor of their 75<sup>th</sup> year, is Diamond Jubilee, Festival of Flowers. Displays will be voted on for "Peoples Choice" award.

We will also be a vendor and sell orchid plants. Last year we were very successful in selling Orchids.

Please save the dates for April 29 – 30<sup>th</sup>. This will be an excellent way to get the word out about our society. Hopefully we can sign up more members.

## **Show-N-Tell:**

Bring your plants for Show-N-Tell. If you have a specimen plant entry for Show-N-Tell please email to steve at [swtrammell@msn.com](mailto:swtrammell@msn.com)

## **NEED A PICK ME UP CARD?**

If you or someone in our society needs a pick me up card, please let Janet Parks know as she is now our Sunshine person. The society wants all our members and friends that we care and are concerned about to know that we are thinking of them. Janet's email is [jntprks@gmail.com](mailto:jntprks@gmail.com) and her phone number is 951-315-8273.

## Orchid Tip:

### Black Rot:

Black rot moves quickly through a plant and can decimate an orchid collection if not treated



Black rot is caused by one or both fungi *Pythium ultimum* and *Phytophthora cactorum*. It is a danger to orchids any time the weather is rainy or damp for extended periods. It can affect a wide variety of orchids with *Cattleyas* being particularly susceptible. In mature plants, the disease can strike at any point on the plant (leaves, pseudobulbs or roots), but often starts in new leaves or growing leads, and progresses downward through the plant until reaching the roots..

As its name implies, black rot shows up as dark blackish spots or lesions on the affected plant part. The black spot or spots enlarge rapidly and can spread throughout the plant. If allowed to reach the crown of a monopodial (single-stemmed) orchid, the rot will kill the plant. Affected leaves may turn yellow around the infected area, and the lesions themselves will be soft and exude water when pressure is applied.

Unsterilized pots, media, or water sources, as well as water splashed from affected plants nearby, are all excellent means of spreading the fungus. In addition, plants that spend time outdoors should be elevated 3 to 4 feet (90 to 120 cm) above the ground to avoid splash contamination. Do not allow your orchids' leaves to remain wet for any extended periods. Good air circulation in the growing area is key and can help plants dry quickly after watering or rains.

To stop the spread of black rot in your orchid, begin with a sterile knife and cut out the diseased portion of the plant. Remove all infected plant material, taking out a small amount of healthy tissue bordering the infected area as a safety precaution.

Once the infected plant parts have been removed, a fungicide should be applied to protect the remaining healthy tissue. Cinnamon is an excellent fungicide, and ground cinnamon may be applied straight from the spice jar directly to the exposed area where infected portions of the plant have been excised.

Drenching the affected plant with fungicide is also an option. Drenches of a protectant fungicide such as Truban or Terrazole are recommended if the disease is diagnosed early. For more advanced cases, a systemic fungicide such as Aliette or Subdue is more effective. Captan, Dithane M-45 and Physan 20 have also been recommended by some growers for control of black rot.



*Riverside/San Bernardino Counties Orchid Society, Inc. has the following memberships:*

American Orchid Society, Inc  
National Garden Clubs, Inc.  
Pacific Region Garden Clubs, Inc  
California Garden Clubs, Inc  
Palms to Pines District

## December Show-N-Tell

<b>Standard Cattleya</b>		<b>Paphiopedilum</b>	
Cultural	Jamie Stewart	Cultural	
First Place	Jamie Stewart	First Place	
Second Place	Jamie Stewart	Second Place	
Third Place	Jamie Stewart	Third Place	
Hon. Mention		Hon. Mention	
<b>Miniature Cattleya</b>		<b>Standard Phalaenopsis</b>	
Cultural		Cultural	
First Place		First Place	
Second Place		Second Place	
Third Place		Third Place	
Hon. Mention		Hon. Mention	
<b>Cymbidiums</b>		<b>Mini Phalaenopsis</b>	
Cultural		Cultural	
First Place		First Place	
Second Place		Second Place	
Third Place		Third Place	
Hon. Mention		Hon. Mention	
<b>Mini Cymbidiums</b>		<b>Standard Vanda</b>	
Cultural		Cultural	Jamie Stewart
First Place		First Place	
Second Place		Second Place	
Third Place		Third Place	
Hon. Mention		Hon. Mention	
<b>Dendrobium</b>		<b>Mini Vanda</b>	
Cultural		Cultural	
First Place	Jamie Stewart	First Place	
Second Place	Jamie Stewart	Second Place	
Third Place		Third Place	
Hon. Mention		Hon. Mention	
<b>Odontoglossum/Oncidium</b>		<b>Other Genera</b>	
Cultural		Cultural	
First Place		First Place	Jamie Stewart
Second Place		Second Place	
Third Place		Third Place	
Hon. Mention		Hon. Mention	
<b>Species</b>		<b>Specimen Plants</b>	
Cultural		Cultural	Stephen Morgan & Jim Spence
First Place		First Place	
Second Place		Second Place	
Third Place		Third Place	
Hon. Mention		Hon. Mention	

# 2022 – 2023 Officers and Board Members

Vendors who made our past auction such a success. Please remember to purchase orchids from them as a thank you.

1. Gubler's Orchids
  2. Sunset Valley Orchids
  3. Lico Orchids
  4. Andy's Orchids
  5. Casa De Las Orquideas
  6. Kalapana Tropical
  7. Cal Pacific Orchid Farm,  
Patrick Desmond,  
1122 Orpheus Ave.,  
Leucadia, CA 92024
- Gift Certificates
1. Santa Barbara Orchid Estate
  2. Norman's Orchids
  3. Odom's Orchids

## Officers 2022-2023

President: Tom Gibbs  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Open  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Steve Trammell  
Board Secretary: Linda Lang

Membership Secretary: Ron Lang

Treasurer: Steven Trammell  
[swtrammell@msn.com](mailto:swtrammell@msn.com)

**Auction: OPEN**

**Greeter: OPEN**

Hospitality/Kitchen: Various Groups

Newsletter: Ron Lang

Plant Sales: Jamie Stewart

Raffle Tickets: Frankie Sexton

Speakers: Open

Sunshine: Janet Parks

Parliamentarian: Open

AOS/Orchid Digest: Sandy Collins

Equipment: Jim Spence

Web Site: Jim Spence

Spring Show Ron Lang

## Board Members

Linda Lang, Ron Lang, Jim Spence, Steve Trammell, Rozie Trammell, Frankie Sexton, Tom Gibbs, Janet Parks, Dann Dust and Christy Sterling

## Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be a virtual Zoom meeting on Jan.04 at 9:00 AM

The board meetings are held on the fourth Sunday of the month and the general society membership is always welcome. If you are a board member and you are not able to attend, please notify Tom Gibbs



**Note:** Any items you want included in the newsletter please get them to me by the last two days of the month. Address Ron Lang 3800 W. Wilson #85 Banning, CA 92220 or [rflangx25@gmail.com](mailto:rflangx25@gmail.com).

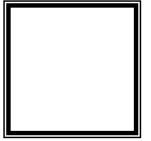
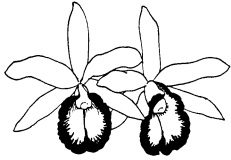
### Remember:

Support your local orchid growers and tell them you are a member of the **Riverside-San Bernardino Counties Orchid Society**. Who knows...you may receive a discount!

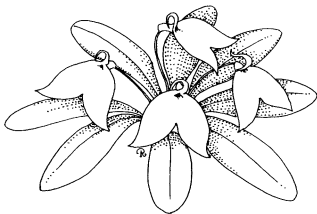
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**P.O. Box 10423  
San Bernardino, CA  
92423**

**Newsletter**



**Meetings are held at  
Colton Community  
Center  
660 Colton Ave.  
Colton, CA 92324**



**Celebrating our  
70<sup>th</sup> year!**

**About Our Society...**

The Riverside-San Bernardino Counties Orchid Society (RSBCOS) was founded to further the understanding and appreciation of orchids by its members locally and to aid in a worldwide effort to improve man's knowledge of them.