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# Orchid Society Of Mauritius

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## OSM Executive Committee for 2012

Dear Member of the Orchid Society of Mauritius,

When you receive this newsletter, the first quarter of 2012 will be almost over. It has been so far a very warm and dry summer. Let us hope that the climatic conditions that will prevail during the next quarter will be good for the coming winter flowering season. Good luck to you all.

Following the Annual General Meeting of the Orchid Society of Mauritius which took place on the 10th February 2012, the executive committee for this year is as follows :

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	: Serge L'Ecluse
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<b>MEMBERS</b>	: Claude Ricaud, Agness Chakowa.

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The Orchid Society of  
Mauritius was founded  
in August 1980

**Past Presidents:**

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## March 2012 Members Monthly Meeting

This note serves as your invitation to our members meeting which is programmed for Friday 30th March 2012, at 18H00 at Bône House, Redit.

For this first meeting we have invited the manager of Vaneron Nursery, Mr. Ronald Adaken, to present his new product range for orchid growers. Some items e.g. Potting Mix, Sphagnum, pots etc. will be available for sale during the meeting.

Members are reminded that the monthly meetings are meant for sharing and exchanges among members for the benefit of one and all. A nice display of some beautiful orchid plants in bloom is without doubt the ideal centre point around which orchid enthusiasts will gather and happily share knowledge, growing tips, plants and friendship.

The success of these meetings depends on the enthusiasm and contribution of all fellow members. Let us start this new year with one of the best mini-show we have ever had.

## A brief outline of our 2012 Programme

- 30 March - Talk & product display / sale by Vaneron Nursery at Bôname house.
- 27th April - Talk by external Guest speaker.
- 26th May - A special 'Mother's Day' Mini Show.
- 29th June - Club function.
- 18th August - OSM anniversary — Winter Orchid Mini Show at Belle Vue Harel Club House
- 5th to 7th October - Annual Show
- 10th November - A visit to 'Le Mondrain Nature Reserve' - established in 1979 by the Royal Society of Arts & Culture, Mauritius. Situated on the Vacoas Ridge and overlooking the Magenta Valley, the reserve extends over 5 hectares.
- 2nd December - End of year gathering.

## In remembrance of fellow members who have passed away

- Rashid Khadaroo - 23rd December 2011
- Yvan Lagesse - 8th March 2012

We shall remember them for their valuable contribution to the Orchid Society of Mauritius. The Executive Committee and members of the Society convey their sincere condolences to the their respective aggrieved family.

## Champion of the Show 2011 - visitors choice



President S. L'Ecluse remitting challenge trophy to the grower, Dr Majeed Khadaroo.



*Cattleya Naseema*  
Awarded Champion of the Show 2011 by visitors.

## Notice Board

- Have you got your new membership card for 2012 ? If not call immediately the treasurer, Cedric Anne, Tel 490 3228.
- Please note the contact details of the OSM Secretary for 2012 : Tel. 421 8131 (mobile); Email : orchidosm@gmail.com.