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32nd anniversary celebration

The Orchid Society of Mauritius celebrated its 32nd anniversary on Saturday 18th August with a nature walk/ lunch/Mini Show at Le Domaine de L'Arbre du Voyageur in Mare Longue.

Thirty-six people attended the function, which they enjoyed fully. The weather was nice and cool. We had lunch in a lush green and natural set-up. Seven plants were on display and the most attractive two, belonging to John & Caroline Davy and Christian & Madeline Bellouard, were rewarded.



Annual Orchid Show 2012

The team leaders have been very active during the past month and progress of work from all sectors are on target.

Every member of the Orchid Society will receive this week an invitation for the opening ceremony of the 32nd Annual Show, which will be on Friday 5th October at 6.30 p.m. at the banquet hall of the Municipal Council of Quatre-Bornes. His Excellency, the President of the Republic will attend. Members are kindly requested to be at the venue at 6.15 at latest.

Members who will be bringing plants for the competition are informed that registration will start on Friday 5th October as from 8.00 am and all exhibits, including commercial displays will have to be on site before 11.30 am.

There will also be a Floral Art Display open to both professional florists and amateurs. Those interested to participate are requested to register with Cedric Affouye (Tel. 773 9648) by the 20th September at latest.

We are planning to stage three other displays, namely (i) orchid photos and (ii) orchid paintings and (iii) orchid stamps.

Guidelines for participants to the Show competition

- 1. Plant exhibits
 - Prepare your exhibits—clean pots, stake flower stalks, check name & refresh labels.
 - secure plants during transport to the Show Venue to avoid breakage.
 - fill-in beforehand the plant registration form and hand it over with your plants.
 - each plant shall carry a label; in case of uncertainty about the actual name, one should indicate the genus name followed by the mention 'Lost Label".
 - there will be 28 prizes awarded among 9 orchid genus categories (details attached).
- 2. Floral Art exhibits
 - the theme will be 'Création Extravaganza'.
 - exhibits may be mounted in-situ or ex-situ.
 - all entries should be at the venue and registered by 11.30 am.
 - there will be three prizes for professionals and two for amateurs.
- 3. Orchid photos display
 - members are invited to register (with Serge l'Ecluse tel. 250-6910).
 - each participant may submit by email a maximum of 3 colour pictures, photographed by himself and accompanied by the name of the respective cross.
 - a selection of the 12 best photographs will be displayed at the show.
- 4. Orchid paintings
 - members are also invited to exhibit orchid paintings of their own creation.
 - interested persons should contact Serge L'Ecluse by the 20th September at latest.

Notice Board

- 1. You will receive, together with your invitation to the orchid show, your membership card and a 'Standing Order' form from the M.C.B Ltd. I trust that you will all co-operate with the management team in its endeavour to minimize the administrative burden, by instructing your bank to credit OSM account with the Rs500.00 subscription fee at the end of February of each year. We thank you in anticipation.
- 2. Members are informed that orchid plants and growing accessories will be on sale on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th October in the Sales Section of the Orchid Show, at the Municipality of Quatre-Bornes. OSM members will have the priviledge to make purchases on Saturday morning between 8.00 am and 9.00 am, before it is open to the public.
- 3. We need volunteers to take shift at various levels (sale of entry tickets, door control, patrol in the show area, giving information on orchids to visitors etc.). Please contact Ronny Pazot (Tel. 497 8496) to give your name and indicate the day and time suitable for you.
- 4. The running of the annual orchid show is a costly event and we do need sponsorships and donations. This year, more than ever, the organizing committee need your help. You may know of enterprises or people who would be agreeable to support the Orchid Society financially or otherwise. Your contribution on that account will be much appreciated.

List of Awards - Orchid Show 2012

SECTION	AWARD
Cattleya & Allied Genera	Best standard Cattleya
	Best Miniature Cattleya
	Best Novelty Cattleya
	Best Cattleya species
Phalaenopsis & Allied Genera	Best purple/pink Phalaenopsis
	Best yellow Phalaenopsis
	Best spots and stripe or stripe Phalaenopsis
	Best Novelty Phalaenopsis
	Best Phalaenopsis species
Vanda & Allied genera	Best Strap leaves Vanda
	Best Quarter-terete Vanda Best Vanda Allied Genera
Dendrobium	Best Phalaenopsis type
	Best Nobile-type Dendrobium
	Best Pendant type Dendrobium (Callista)
	Best Horn-type Dendrobium
	Best Dendrobium species
Oncidium & Odontoglossum	Best Oncidium
	Best Odontoglossum & Allied genera
Miltoniopsis / Miltonia	Best Miltoniopsis / Miltonia
Cymbidium	Best Standard Cymbidium
	Best Warm-type Cymbidium
Paphiopedillum	Best Complex-type Paphiopedillum
	Best Maudiae-type Paphiopedillum
	Best Multifloral Paphiopedillum
	Best Paphiopedillum species
Other genera	Best hybrid in other genera
	Best foreign species
Local/Mascarene Species	Best Local / Mascarene or Madagascar species
BEST ORCHID ON SHOW	