



**Manitoba Orchid Society  
Show and Sale  
2013**

*Symphony of Orchids*

**Friday, March 22 to  
Sunday, March 24  
9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

**Assiniboine Park Conservatory**

**\$7.00 per person**  
14 years and under free

American Orchid Society Judged Show  
Orchid species & hybrids for sale  
Cash, cheque and debit card only

[www.manitobaorchidsociety.ca](http://www.manitobaorchidsociety.ca)

**Because the third Sunday in March is only a week before the show, note there is no March meeting.**

## *Things to remember for the Show*



- ✓ Bring ALL your blooming plants, those that do not go for judging will help to make a fuller and more attractive display for the public.
- ✓ Pre-register your plants – online if possible as this is the easiest way to import the information into the database.
- ✓ If you are not sure the plant will be ready for the show register it anyway as it is easier to delete an entry than add one in at the last minute.
- ✓ Those coming in to set up individual displays can come anytime on Thursday.
- ✓ Those bringing registered and non-registered plants please try to have them at the Conservatory by 7:00 P.M. (preferably much earlier in the day if at all possible) to allow arrangers to create the best possible display.
- ✓ Experienced and artistic club members will be available to organize the display area and supervise but people with strong backs and long arms are needed to place the plants and, ideally, be trained to do displays in the future. (A great opportunity to pick up knowledge!)
- ✓ Get your volunteer forms in A.S.A.P.
- ✓ Some of the vendors may offer discounts on pre-orders so check it out.
- ✓ Thursday evening sales, after 6:00 P.M. are for VOLUNTEERS ONLY and are arranged directly with each vendor. (A GREAT reason to give a little time!)
- ✓ The banquet this year is at the Travelodge, 20 Alpine Avenue, and everyone is encouraged to come out and enjoy the speaker, the awards presentation, the auction, the food and the good company. Please contact Sylvia by March 19<sup>th</sup>, at (204) 889-1939 or [syljac@shaw.ca](mailto:syljac@shaw.ca) to let her know if you are planning to attend.

Website: <http://www.manitobaorchidsociety.ca>

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|  | <b>Manitoba Orchid Society's 22nd Annual Show &amp; Sale</b><br><b>"A Symphony of Orchids " March 22nd-24th</b>  |
| <b>Notable Passing</b>  | <p>Wally Thomas passed away in January. Although perhaps not well known among more recent members of MOS, he was quite influential in orchid circles across Canada, and some of our older members have had the pleasure of seeing his amazing greenhouse in Vancouver. Best known for his outstanding Odontoglossums, probably the premier grower and hybridizer of these in Canada, he was also the first president of the COC, and was instrumental in the Vancouver Orchid Society getting the World Orchid Conference in 1999.</p> |
| <b>Hearts &amp; Flowers</b>   | <p>If you hear of any good/bad news regarding members or their families, please call Phyllis McCaskill and let her know.</p>   |
|  | <p>To Jacques Cahill, Wendy Chaytor, Irene Frigo, Jim Gillespie, Ewa Kurnicka, Ben Landry, Dave and Elaine Moran for bringing flowering plants to the February Show and Tell.</p> <p>To Fraser Cameron, Jim Gillespie, Ed Maza, Dave &amp; Elaine Moran and Marina Yogendran for their donations to the February raffle.</p>   |
| <b>Mentorship Program</b>   | <p>The Manitoba Orchid Society is fortunate to have a number of members with a wealth of orchid knowledge. Four such, Lorne Heshka, Denise Fortier, Neil Dunham and Jim Gillespie have agreed to act as mentors to newer members who have questions on general orchid culture. They will certainly try to answer your orchid culture-related questions. I encourage all to phone or approach them at the monthly meetings with your questions.</p>   |

## 2012/2013 Executive

### Elected

President Harvey Keselman  
Past President Dave Moran  
1st V.P. Kevin Duerksen  
2nd V.P./Show Chair Lorne Heshka  
Treasurer Fraser Cameron  
Secretary Phyllis McCaskill

### Appointed

Membership Gary Jaworski  
Social Eva Slavicek  
Public Relations Wendy Chaytor  
Special Orders Darlene Stack  
AOS/COC Rep Kyle Lucyk  
Library Ewa Kurnicka  
Newsletter Robert Parsons  
Webmaster Gary Jaworski

## **2013 Manitoba Orchid Society Show & Sale “A Symphony of Orchids ”** **March 22-24**

Our 2013 Orchid Show, March 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, is just a couple of weeks away.

Lorne has asked me to let everyone know he will be happy to help guide any and all members through the registration progress. If you've been intimidated in the past, please let us help you enter your plants in the show! Lorne can be reached at (204) 663-6850 or [lheshka@mymts.net](mailto:lheshka@mymts.net) and has pledged himself to be available particularly the weekend preceding the show, March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>.

Remember to pre-register your plants. If you are not sure the plant will be in bloom pre-register it anyway, as it is so much easier to cancel an entry at last minute than to add one. Our society display is always outstanding with a large variety of beautiful orchids. Please bring all your flowering plants, registered or not, to contribute in making this display outstanding. Last year we would have really been hurting without Ever Spring Orchids generously lending a number of their plants to supplement our plants in the club display.

Another way to contribute to the success of the show is to volunteer your time in various areas. The benefits of volunteering are great. It is a fantastic opportunity to learn more about orchids from the information sessions, talking to the vendors, long time MOS members & the AOS judges. If you haven't sent in your form to Dave, I hope you will take on a shift or two and help out when he calls you. I've said this before, but volunteering at the show is a wonderful way to get to know other club members better.

If you haven't already agreed to donate food for the hospitality room, I hope you will do so. Please give Colleen Paluch a call at (204) 786-0075 or email her at [clp622@mymts.net](mailto:clp622@mymts.net) as those volunteers (ideally including yourself!) work up hearty appetites with their good work!

The annual awards banquet will be held on Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup> at the Travelodge, 20 Alpine Avenue. The meal is \$33.00 or \$35.00 per person for Chicken Wellington or Prime Rib Roast, respectively. Our guest speaker is Ernie Gemeinhart, owner of Enlightened Orchids. There will be an auction at the dinner with plants and other orchid related items. It is a fun evening and I encourage all members to attend. Please contact Sylvia Cahill prior to March 19<sup>th</sup> at (204) 889-1938, or email her at [syljac@shaw.ca](mailto:syljac@shaw.ca) and let her know if you are able to come, as well as your choice of menu. Payment by cheque, made out to M.O.S., is preferred, but cash is also acceptable.



**Confirmed Show Vendors:**

**Orchids in Our Tropics** - Doug and Terry Kennedy, Gormley ON

Phone/Fax: (905) 727-3319

Web site: <http://www.orchidsinoutropics.com/>

**Mike Gabrielson** - Sherwood Park, A.B.

Phone: (780) 410-1571

Email: [mikegab@telus.net](mailto:mikegab@telus.net)

**Ever Spring Orchids** - [Winnipeg, MB](#)

Phone: (204) 338-2340

Web site: <http://www.everspringorchids.ca/>

**Forestview Gardens** – Terry Groszeibl, Agassiz, BC

Phone: (604) 796-0260

<http://www.fvgardens.com/>

Email: [info@fvgardens.com](mailto:info@fvgardens.com)

**Monica De Wit** – Edmonton, Alberta

Email: [monicadwt@gmail.com](mailto:monicadwt@gmail.com)

**Marsh Hollow Orchids** -Mario Ferussi

<http://marshhollow.com/index.htm>

Phone: (905) 892-4187

**Wild Orchidaceae – Winnipeg, MB**

Suite 113-1100 Concordia Ave, East Kildonan, MB R2K 4B8

Phone: 204-663-7753



*Paphiopedilum fairrieae* grown & photographed by MOS member Eva Slavicek.

## ***Calanthe tricarinata***

By Ian and Margaret Young

There are about 200 species of *Calanthe*, which are found over a very wide geographical area, with representatives in the tropical Americas, Australia, the Pacific Islands, Madagascar, Africa, south-eastern and eastern Asia. One of the best of this genus of terrestrial orchids is *Calanthe tricarinata* which can be found in the Himalayas, Taiwan and Japan.

For a time this plant was mistakenly called *C. alpina*, and may still be found so called. It is, however, easily distinguished as the smaller flowers of *C. alpina* are lilac coloured with an orangish lip in contrast to the large yellow flowers with a brick red lip of *C. tricarinata*. *C. alpina* has a spur behind the flower which is absent in *C. tricarinata*. The form we have experience of was originally introduced from an altitude of 3050m in Sikkim and is one of many plants given to us by Harold Esslemont, who originally acquired it in 1959. We have found it to be completely hardy growing unprotected in the open garden, although the pleated evergreen leaves do get a bit tattered by the wind, particularly during the winter months. It enjoys similar conditions to *Trillium* and does very well in a soil high in humus that does not either dry out or become waterlogged. We grow it in various sites, between rhododendrons and in peat beds and it thrives in full exposure to the Aberdeen sun. It is also amenable to pot cultivation in a well drained humus mix, repotted every two to three years with regular liquid feeds during the growing period.

Propagation is by dividing the rhizome, making sure each part has a growth point, and is best carried out either in early autumn or in spring just as the new growth is beginning. However, established plants show little objection to being split or moved at any time, even when in full flower. This beautiful hardy orchid flowers over a long period in June and with each 35cm spike producing up to a dozen flowers it would be a welcome addition to any garden.



***Calanthe tricarinata*, Photo: J.I. Young**

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## **Minutes - Manitoba Orchid Society General Meeting February 17, 2013**

*Recorder: Phyllis McCaskill*

### **1. Call to order:**

President Harvey Keselman opened the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

### **2. Minutes of the last meeting:**

Motion by Rob Kato to accept the minutes of the last meeting; seconded by Dave Moran.

**CARRIED**

### **3. Financial report: Fraser Cameron**

Fraser presented the financial report for January and moved we accept this report. Seconded by Dave Moran. **CARRIED.**

### **4. Programs: Kevin Duerksen**

Lorne Heshka did a program on tips for photographing orchids. Actual photographing of orchids will be at the end of the meeting in the novice room.

### **5. Show Chairperson Report: Lorne Heshka**

The show books are available today. Please note the prices for the banquet are incorrect in the show book. If anyone needs help registering a plant, Lorne will be available to help the weekend before the show.

Denise Fortier handed out show posters and bookmarks to be used where ever possible.

Dave Moran is collecting filled out volunteer forms which are available with the newsletter. He will start phoning next week to schedule volunteers.

Colleen Paluch asked for donations of food for the show starting Thursday night and reminded us to avoid using the lunch room on Friday at lunch time when the Conservatory staff are there.

We can use the website to register plants for the show or call Gary Jaworski if you need help.

Diane Tolgyessy had nothing to report.

Kevin listed the vendors who will be at the show. We are trying something new this year. We will be having live music played by students during the show this year. Please make them welcome.

Kyle Lucyk had nothing to report.

Wendy Chaytor has contacted a number of media outlets to advertise the show.

Rob Parsons will send a poster to everyone which in turn can be emailed to people on your contact list.

Elaine Moran has Judy Browne and Irene Landry helping with the Thursday set up and they can use more help. Wendy will look after the trophies and Jim will look after the ribbons and rosettes. Please bring plants in as early as possible.

Fraser is preparing the show budget and all the monetary needs during the show.

Please contact Sylvia Cahill for banquet tickets which are the same price as last year.

**6. AOS/COC Representative: Kyle Lucyk**

Nothing to report.

**7. Hospitality: Eva Slavicek**

Eva thanked everyone for the food brought in today. Volunteers for treats for the April meeting are Phyllis McCaskill, Lilianne Foster, Jim Gillespie, Garnet Ward.

**8. Library: Ewa Kurnicka**

No report.

**9. Membership: Gary Jaworski**

Gary advised we have 99 members.

**10. Newsletter: Robert Parsons**

Absent--No report.

**11. Website: Gary Jaworski**

No report.

**12. Special Orders: Darlene Stack**

Darlene reminded everyone to contact the show vendors on their websites if there is a specific plant you want them to bring.

**13. New business:**

Jim and Lois Gillespie are moving to London ON in May and are selling their plants. They will be contacting Rob Parsons with a list of plants for sale in the next newsletter.

Coffee Break.

**14. Raffle draw:**

Winners were Joe Frigo, Ben Landry, Elaine Moran, Phyllis McCaskill, Dave Moran, Garnet Ward, Eva Slavicek

**15. Show & Tell**

Kevin Duerksen & Kyle Lucyk described the plants.

**16. Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn by Colleen Paluch at 3:00 p.m.

Lorne Heshka carried on with the photography demonstration.

Note: Minutes of the Executive Meetings are available to be picked up at General Meetings on request from the Secretary.