



SMOKY MOUNTAIN ORCHID SOCIETY

May 2019

Programs and Events

**May 18, 2019: Vic Taylor's
Greenhouse Tour in Dayton, TN.**

Please email smospresident@gmail.com to let us know you are coming to ensure we have enough drinks/snacks/chairs available.

May 2019: No monthly meeting.

June 30, 2019: Pot Luck Auction.

New Harvest Park Picnic Shelter (4775 New Harvest Ln, Knoxville, TN 37918)
2pm – until (dark)? Shelter is reserved until 9pm.

July 25, 2019: TBD

August 22, 2019: TBD

September 26, 2019: TBD

October 24, 2019: TBD

NEXT MEETINGS:

When: 7pm (Doors Open ~6:15pm)
Thursday, July 25, 2019
Thursday, August 22, 2019
Thursday, September 26, 2019

Where: **Pendergrass Ag & Vet Medicine**
UT Veterinary Building
2407 River Drive, Knoxville, TN
Sequoyah Room (2nd Floor)
(North door along Joe Johnson)

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**Bring your favorite blooming orchids for our
"Show & Tell" and vie for Orchid of the Month.**

Board:

President: Greg Mueller
Vice-President: Bob Lauf
Treasurer: Angela Snow
Secretary: Betty Gilbert

May Greenhouse Tour:

- Vic Taylor has been gracious enough to invite Smoky Mountain Orchid Society members to tour his greenhouse on Saturday, May 18, 2109. Tours are 1pm and 3pm with an open house between tours (see back for more info)

Orchid of the Month:

Our congratulations go to Ken Lister for his charming *Cattleya nobilior*, which was selected as Orchid of the Month during our April 2019 meeting.



Message from the President:

Well, it's been a busy start to the year! I hope many of you were able to attend the Asheville Orchid festival... if you were unaware, Rosalie's SMOS display won "Best Society Exhibit". Great job Rosalie!

Below the two exhibit photos, you can see a photo of a *Neofinetia falcata*, as recently (April 30) flowered by Mr. John Sabol. I have enjoyed seeing the progress on Facebook. It sounds like stress (John's), neglect, and lots of light were his keys to getting this species to flower. To my knowledge this is the first of last March's competition plants to flower. Please email me BLC Williette Wong and SLC Sierra Doll photos and culture tips if you're first to flower those!

June Pot Luck – to simplify parking, I have rented the picnic Shelter at New Harvest park. Please plan on bringing a dish to pass and staying after the auction. Please consider bringing reusable plates and utensils for yourselves, and a beverage of choice (no alcohol is allowed in County Parks). I will provide ham and chicken. I will have plastic plates and utensils for those that forget.

P.S. If you're on Facebook, be sure to join the "Smoky Mountain Orchid Society" group. If you are not on the email list and wish to be added, please use this [link](#).



Vic Taylor's Greenhouse Tour:

For anyone that may not know/have met Vic, you really ought to! He has been growing orchids for over 40 years. His greenhouse is 1150 square feet and is packed full of Paphs, Phrags, Catts (both hybrids and species!) Bulbos (some of which are specimen size and many other species! You may just be so inspired that you will want a bare-root division of one of his orchids. (yes, Vic just may be willing to sell you one a bare root division of one of his Catts as he has been repotting!). Please let us know if you plan on coming so we can ensure enough drinks/snacks/chairs are available to everyone. Also – please let me know if you have any allergies. **A huge thank you to Bonnie Armstrong for helping organize this tour!**

