

# THE SHEATH

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## March General Meeting

Date: March 22, 2019  
Time: Doors open at 7:00PM  
No skill session this month.  
Place: San Mateo Garden Center  
605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA

Take the Alameda de las Pulgas exit off Hwy 92, turn South. The Garden Center is located between 26th and 28th Avenues.

**Speaker: Scott Barrie of Barrita Orchids**

**Topic: The Cutting Edge of *Sarcochilus***

This talk covers aspects to the development of modern Sarcs and an in-depth look at the cultural requirements of these plants.

Scott Barrie is co-owner and manager of Barrita Orchids, a commercial wholesale orchid growing business supplying quality potted plants to Retail stores and nurseries throughout the east coast of Australia as well as cut flowers to markets and florists Australia wide.

Barrita Orchids has a well-established reputation for its commercial *Cymbidium* cultivars with over fiftyfive years of developments. Over more than a two decades Scott has established a world class breeding program for *Varicosum Oncidiums*, gaining many awards and taking this style of *Oncidiinae* to new heights. In early 2013 the Grex of *Oncidium Kulnura Triumph* received a coveted Award of Special Recognition.

In addition to the complex breeding programs of *Cymbidiums* and *Oncidiums* Barrita Orchids has made significant advancements in the commercialisation of *Sarcochilus*. This program has produced



Sarc Kulnuma Rusty 'Pink Reds' x Sarc Kulnuna Rosetta 'Lovely' grown by Bill Weaver

outstanding results in the refining of this Australian native genera. In 2014 Barrita Orchids achieved 19 AOC awards in a single evening, including an FCC, 5 AMs an AD and 5 Awards of Special Recognition. Plants from this program have now been awarded in the United Kingdom by the Royal Horticultural Society and in the United States by the American Orchid Society. Examples of these programs may be seen at [www.barritaorchids.com](http://www.barritaorchids.com) and [www.facebook.com/BarritaOrchidsKulnura](https://www.facebook.com/BarritaOrchidsKulnura)

Scott grew up around the benches and packing shed of his families' orchid nursery. His entire working life, of 30 years, has been spent in the orchid business. He was an Australian Orchid Council Judge for over twenty years until he retired from the panel. Scott's presentations aim to bring the experience of modern commercial growing to the amateur orchid enthusiast in a relaxed and enjoyable way.

Scott will be bringing a selection of seedlings for the opportunity table and for sale. Here is a preview: <https://barritaorchids.com/pages/scotts-select-sarcs-usa2019>

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## Member News

### Orchid Search

Peninsula Orchid Society has been contacted by a 97 year old man living in San Diego who says he won a Blc Dinsmore 'Perfection' in our raffle table in 1980. Apparently his brother was a POS member who brought him to the meeting. The brother died sometime thereafter, and the plant died sometime after that. He is now trying to find a piece of the plant that he can buy, presumably as a kind of remembrance of his brother. I did an internet search and contacted the vendors who had it listed in the past, but none of them have it now. I would really like to help find the plant for this gentleman, so if any of you have any ideas, please let me know. –Mike Drilling

### March Birthdays

Frank Blomquist, Nancy Francis, Clarice Hampel, Evelyn Jones, C. Todd Kennedy, Margery Mayer, Su McMurtry, Javier Perez, Anna Margarita Quiroz, Paul Reeve, Roey Shaviv, Isis Trenchard, and Carol Zoltowski. Happy birthday!

### Membership Renewals:

Annual membership dues are due in January; they can be paid by check, cash or credit card at our monthly meetings, on the website <http://penorchidsoc.org/membership.html> using Paypal, or mailed to the address provided in the 2019 Membership Renewal form, attached to this Newsletter.

Remember, if you refer a new member, your dues are half price, and if you refer two new members

your dues are free for a year! New referrals must not be current members of the POS and must mention your (current member's) name for you to get your discount (or refund).

Please update your contact information, especially email addresses (If there are no changes to the contact information, there is no need to fill out the form).

As an incentive to renew on time, POS is again providing free Garden Pruners to everyone who renews no later than the March meeting. All new members for 2019 are eligible for the free pruners throughout the year.

### Meeting Refreshments



Thank you to our members who brought treats to support the February meeting: Annie and Mike Green, Trudy Hadler, Chen-Hao Hsu, Amy Jacobsen and Janusz Warszawski,

If you bring refreshments for the March meeting, please put your name on the signup sheet provided. You will receive 5 free raffle tickets prior to the draw.

All POS members are also expected to help out with refreshments, setup and cleanup at monthly meetings based upon the first letter of your last name. Please bring snacks such as baked goods, nuts, fruit or veggie sticks, crackers & cheese for the next meeting. A jar/can of nuts, a pound or two of fruit (dried or fresh) or cheese, a dozen cookies, or a box or two of crackers is an appropriate amount. **And everyone who brings snacks should remember to ask the folks at the opportunity table for an extra opportunity table ticket, regardless of your last name!**

Refreshment Calendar:

- Jan: A - B
- Feb: C
- Mar: D - G**
- Apr: H - J
- May: K
- Jun: L
- Jul: M - Q
- Aug: P - Q
- Sep: R
- Oct: S - V
- Nov: W - Z
- Dec Potluck: Everyone
- Jan 2019: A - B



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## Upcoming Orchid Events

### **March 20 - 24, 2019**

The San Francisco Flower & Garden Show Cow Palace  
2600 Geneva Ave, Daly City  
Website: [sfgardenshow.com](http://sfgardenshow.com)

### **March 29 - 31, 2019**

San Joaquin Orchid Society "Orchid Fest"  
Sherwood Mall, Stockton. AOS Judging 3/29.  
Website: [sanjoaquinorchidsociety.org](http://sanjoaquinorchidsociety.org)

### **March 30 - 31, 2019**

Sonoma County Orchid Society Show and Sale  
Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building.  
Website: [sonomaorchids.com](http://sonomaorchids.com)

### **April 6, 2019**

California Orchids Spring Sale!  
9am-4pm  
515 Aspen Rd, Bolinas, Ca 94924  
(415) 868-0203

### **April 06 - 07, 2019**

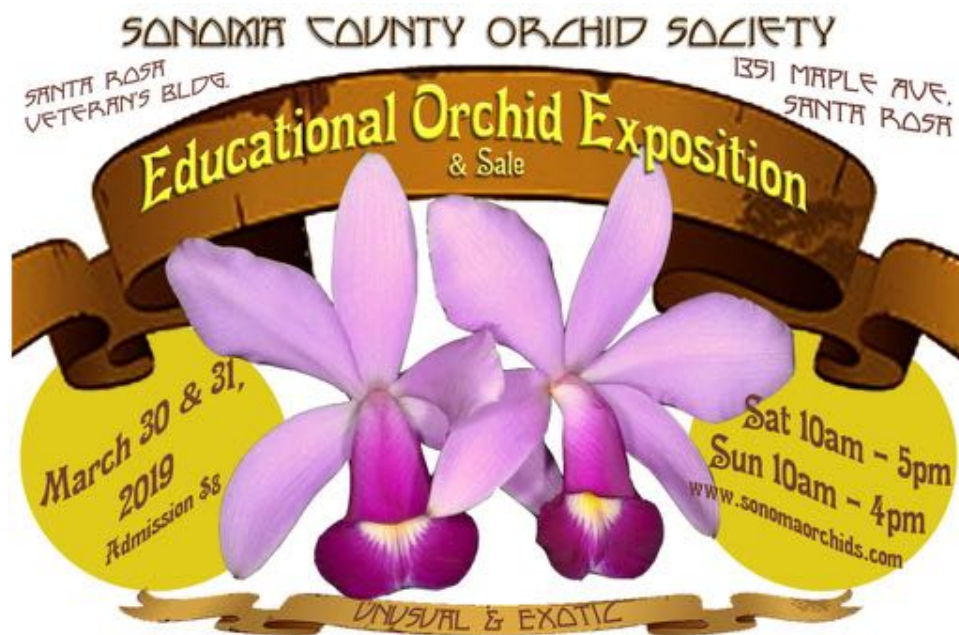
Malihini Orchid Society Orchid Sale & Demo  
Main Street Cupertino (shopping complex)  
19479 Stevens Creek Blvd. (Suite 110)  
Cupertino, CA 95014  
Website: [malihini.org](http://malihini.org)

### **April 13-14, 2019**

Sacramento Orchid Society Show and Sale  
Scottish Rite Temple, Sacramento  
[sacramentoorchids.org](http://sacramentoorchids.org)

### **July 20 - 21, 2019**

Orchids in the Park  
County Fair Building, "Hall of Flowers", Golden Gate Park website: <http://sforchidsinthepark.org/>



**Sacramento Orchid Society presents**  
**72nd Annual Sacramento Orchid Show & Sale**



***Dreaming of Orchids***  
**April 13th & 14th, 2019**  
Saturday 10 am - 5 pm, Sunday 10 am - 4 pm  
**Scottish Rite Masonic Center**  
6151 H Street, Sacramento, CA



**\$10 ADMISSION**  
(children under 12 free with accompanying adult)

*For more info: call (916) 489-3263 or visit us at [www.SacramentoOrchids.org](http://www.SacramentoOrchids.org) or on Facebook.*

- Free Parking
- Orchid Vendors
- Demonstrations
- Gardens
- Seminars
- Door Prizes
- Show Tours



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2019 Peninsula Orchid Society  
 Membership Application or Renewal  
 Write checks payable to: POS  
 Mail to: Chaunie Langland – POS Membership  
 878 Cashew Way, Fremont, CA 94536

Member Information (Please Print):

Name(s) (1) \_\_\_\_\_ BirthMonth \_\_\_\_\_  
 (2) \_\_\_\_\_ BirthMonth \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ZipCode \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note: We need your current e-mail address to save postage and printing for *The Sheath*. Also, you will receive last minute information about orchid related events if we have your e-mail address. Your contact information is never shared.**

**E-mail:** (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (2) \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Membership:

- Individual \$20.00                       Additional Member same household \$10.00
- Payments can be made by Paypal on POS website [penorchidsoc.org/membership.html](http://penorchidsoc.org/membership.html)

Our membership year runs from January 1 through December 31. Everyone is encouraged to renew before the end of February each year.

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Membership Chair's area

Date paid \_\_\_\_\_ Check No. and amount \_\_\_\_\_

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