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#### **Regular Meeting Schedule**

Doors open at 6:30 pm
Table/chair setup, plants in place
Ribbon judging starts at 7:00 pm
Culture session
Speaker starts at 7:30 pm
Opportunity drawing
Table/chair teardown
Doors close at 9:30 pm

## South Coast Orchid Society

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Fred Clarke: Australian Dendrobiums

Program Starts at 7:00 p.m.

Monday, January 28, 2013

Fred Clarke owns and operates Sunset Valley Orchids, located in Vista, San Diego County, CA (www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com). He is a successful grower of compact Cattleyas, and produces many hybrids encompassing a wide range of genera. His grex, Fredclarkeara After Dark has multiple FCCs and other awards, and is the "Black Orchid" in Rich Walton's documentary, "The Judge, The Hunter, The Thief, and The Black Orchid." He has written articles for the AOS Orchids (see the January 2013 issue) and Orchid Digest publications. He has been growing orchids for 35 years, and hybridizing for 30 years.

Fred will speak on the Australian Dendrobiums and also provide the plant table. These are great plants for outdoor growers in Southern California, since they are hardy in this environment. They can be grown in high light, alongside Cymbidiums. They range in size from diminuitive examples of Dendrobium kingianum to enormous varieties of Dendrobium speciosum. Australian dendrobiums typically flower about this time of year, late winter to early spring, producing many small to midsize fragrant blooms on a single spike.

#### Refreshments

Last names starting with **O through Z** please bring refreshments.

### **President's Message**

I would to thank all our members and supporters who helped make 2012 a successful year. We had a great Christmas Dinner organized by Maria Van Kooy and Marilyn Paulsen thanks for a job well done ladies. Last I would like to thank Larry Arakaki for helping me with the Christmas music program it is always a pleasure to hear his melodic voice.

We are starting this year's speaker program with Fred Clarke owner of Sunset Valley Orchids, you don't want to miss this program.

Remember to send in your 2013 membership dues or pay them at the meeting.

See you at the January meeting.

John Reyes

#### **Editor's Australian Dendrobium Photos**

A few of the many species and hybrids of Australian Dendrobiums.



Dendrobium kingianum x Jombock



Dendrobium Specio-Kingianum



Dendrobium speciosum var. speciosum



Dendrobium speciosum var. pedunculatum



Den. speciosum (v. curvicaule x v. pedunculatum)



Den. spec. (curv. x ped.) closer



Dendrobium Delicatum (kingianum x speciosum)



Dendrobium Gracillimum (gracilicaule x speciosum)

#### **A Few Reminders**

- We will set up a display at the Westminster Mall on Thursday, Feb 7. See John Reyes
- Lock your vehicles and leave nothing inside that you value
- Don' forget to pay your dues

## **Upcoming Events**

See our website for flyers: www.southcoastorchidsociety.com.

Newport Harbor Orchid Expo, Westminster Mall, February 8-10, Friday 10-9, Sat. 10-7, Sun. 11-6 Newport Harbor Orchid Society Annual Auction, Costa Mesa Community Center, Feb. 19, 6:30 preview, 7:00 pm start Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara, March 8-10

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