

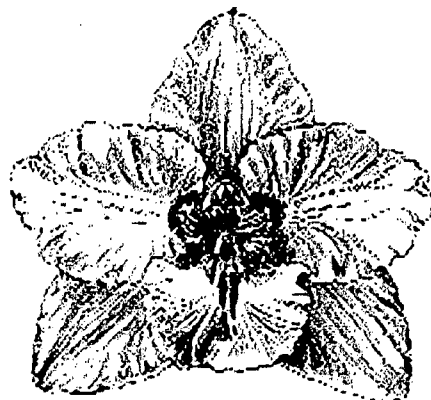
Odontoglossum Alliance Newsletter

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Odontoglossum Alliance Meeting in 2010 to be held in San Francisco

This was the time we would be selecting the location for the 2010 Odontoglossum Alliance meeting. We did collect the votes. In September I discussed the option for going to the Eric Young Orchid Foundation with Chris Purver, curator. We had a very generous offer from the Trustees of the Foundation with thoughts about a venue that could be interesting and informative. However several factors emerged causing us to reconsider the option of going to Jersey.

First the timing for travel and organizational seemed to make the meeting out of reach. Had we decided to go to England in November that would have set the EYOF off to set the definitive venue and activities for the meeting. In addition the administrative and travel arrangements would need to be completed. None of this information could have been completed and disseminated before this November newsletter. That meant that the information for travel and other reservations would be provided in the February 2010 newsletter. This would have given little time for attendees to make travel plans and reservations for a meeting that would have been held less than three weeks from receipt of the program. While alternate means of distributing the information was considered, experience from previous meeting showed a very poor experience. We had tried previously to send out emails and found a large percentage of members either did not have an email address or we were missing the correct address.

Another factor in our discussion was the current economic climate. For those traveling from the US the costs could be daunting to say the least. The pound is currently close to \$2.00 and the Euro at \$1.50 as we have seen recently the dropping dollar.

Setting up the venue for the meeting was a third consideration. There may well be other times of the year that would provide a more complete and informative program. There is no reason to select the February period for a meeting. The meeting in Colombia was in August.

That led us to conclude that, at this time, we should not consider a meeting in Jersey. The action plan then is to take up the invitation, which will be open from the Trustees, to consider at our meeting in San Francisco, a meeting in

England or perhaps include the continent as well. This will allow members time to express themselves on what that venue would be and consider the timing for such a meeting. It is also hoped that with more time to plan ahead for travel would also be helpful. We can hope the economic situation would also be somewhat improved in the time from of 2011 or perhaps beyond.

For all those reasons it was concluded that for 2010 the meeting would be held in San Francisco and as you can see, in somewhat of an austere climate.

Odontoglossum Alliance Meeting to be Held in San Francisco 26-28 February 2010

The next meeting of the Odontoglossum Alliance will be held in San Francisco at the time of the San Francisco Orchid Show 26-28 February 2010. Economic conditions have shortened this show to 3 days with the Preview Party on Friday night, 26 February 2010. We are having a joint meeting with the Pluerothalid Alliance on Saturday 27 February.

The meeting will be held in the Firehouse at the Fort Mason Center. I have included some material on the location in this newsletter. Featured wines will be served with dinner following. The menu will include choices of roast beef, turkey and vegetarian lasagna. Members of both Alliances living in the area will contribute by providing a variety of specialty dishes. All in recognition of the economic climate to make it as attractive as possible for members to attend. Two talks are planned: One by each of the Alliances (OA and PA). The Odontoglossum Alliance talk will be about recent trends in hybridizing. As usual there will be an auction of fine material from both alliances. I expect to see some premium Odont divisions available in the auction.

We will see if several local greenhouses can be available for touring on either or both Saturday and Sunday. Later in the newsletter is some material on local motels close to Fort Mason.

Several venues were considered and the overriding factor was the current economic climate. It is hoped this decision will be attractive to many of our members and that we will have a good turnout.

Tickets to the Preview Party and the show can be obtained over the internet. The address for the web site where these can be ordered is found is:

<http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/poe.html>

We expect the cost of the dinner at the meeting to be reasonable. In the February 2010 newsletter we will have firmed up on those costs. In addition we will have information on how to make a reservation.

We look forward to a good crowd. In this November newsletter are some details on the meeting. This includes suggestions as to hotel locations close to the show. More details on the meeting will be in the February newsletter.

The San Francisco Orchid Show is the best show in North America to see Odontoglossum alliance material in the show. The sales area is huge with many opportunities to acquire high quality material.

A good web site to look for hotels is: www.sftravel.com. The specific page is <http://www.sanfranciscovisitor.com/bgt.html>. A selection of hotels picked from the web site follows.

Travelodge by the Bay (415) 673-0691

1450 Lombard St. San Francisco, CA 94123

Lombard Motor Inn (415) 441-6000

1475 Lombard St.

Francisco Bay Motel (415) 474-3030

1501 Lombard St.

Redwood Inn (415) 776-3800

1530 Lombard St.

Town House Motel (415) 885-5163

1650 Lombard St.

Star Motel (415) 346-8250

1727 Lombard St.

Cow Hollow Motor Inn* (415)-921-5800

Lombard Street

S F Motor Inn (415) 921-1842

1750 Lombard St.

Coventry Motor Inn (415) 567-1200

1901 Lombard St.

Ramada Limited (415) 775-8116

1940 Lombard St.

Buena Vista Motor Inn* (415) 923-9600

PO Box 475517 San Francisco, CA 94147

Chelsea Motor Inn (415) 563-5600

2095 Lombard St San Francisco, CA 94123

Motel Capri (415) 346-4667

2015 Greenwich St.

Hotel Del Sol (415) 921-5520

3100 Webster St.

Best Inn (415) 776-3220

2850 Van Ness Ave San Francisco, CA 94109

These hotels are within a couple of blocks of Fort Mason. These appear to be clean and comfortable, but not elegant. The web site offers reviews of the hotels. The ones marked with an * I have stayed at for previous meetings and shows. They are clean, neat, not elegant, reasonably priced and with parking. I often walked to the show from these hotels.

The meeting to be held on Saturday evening will be in the Firehouse which is adjacent to the show in the Fort Mason Complex. The address is:

Fort Mason Center

Landmark Building A

San Francisco, CA 94123

Phone 415-345-7500

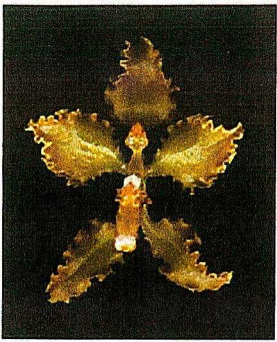
New Membership Lists

We have included with this newsletter two new membership lists. One is formulated for communication and the another is for mailing addresses. Both are in a separate document. These are current as of 1 November. If there is a mistake in your name and information, please contact for correction.

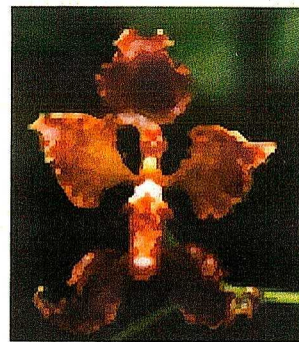
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Cyrtochilum Part II

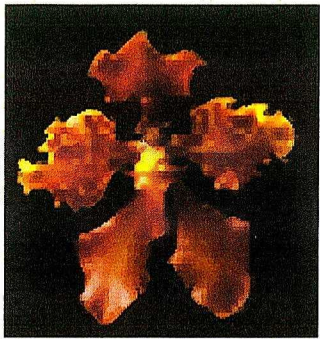
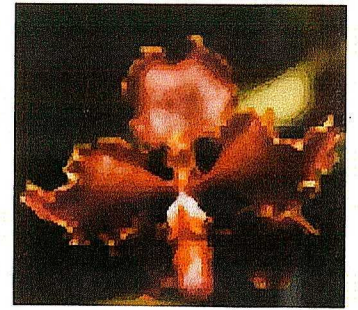
We continue publishing our newsletter series of the species of the Odontoglossum Alliance. This issue is devoted to *Cyrtochilums*. In this genus, according to the Kew Monocot List, there are 128 species. As this is a very large family three issues of the newsletter will be devoted to *Cyrtochilums*. When one considers that for each species both a front and profile view are often included and sometimes multiple flowers shown to demonstrate the variability of the species, this means a fairly large number of illustrations. The basis for this issue is the list and pictures provided by Dr. Guido Deburghraeve. His list is extensive but not complete. Efforts will be made to try include illustrations of all the *Cyrtochilum* species as defined in the Kew Monocot list. In this issue I have started after *Cyrt. hastatum* which was published in the August newsletter. If any member has photograph of the species missing in this section of the alphabet, I would appreciate having copies sent to me (jemiller49@aol.com) for inclusion in future newsletters and perhaps we can have a publication of the complete species as defined by the Kew Monocot list. Please note that the list actually contains 207 records. The 129 number are those records in bold that are the recognized species. The non-bold names are synonyms. We are indebted to Dr. Guido for providing these photos taken from his extensive collection



Cyrt inculptum



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Cyrt ionodon



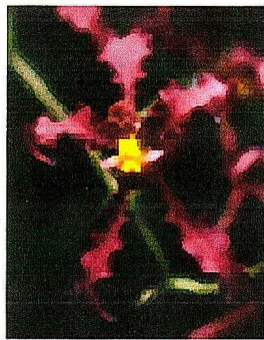
Cyrt ioplocon



Cyrt. ioplocon



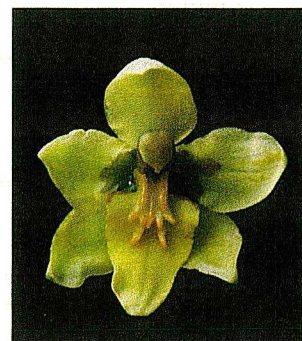
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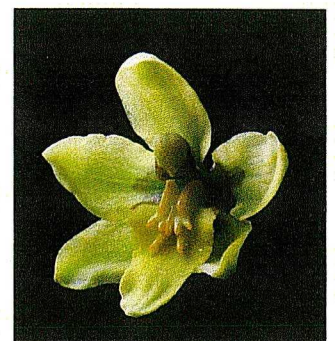
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Cyrt ixioides

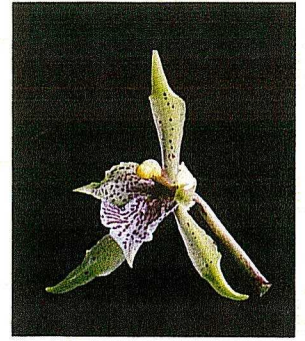




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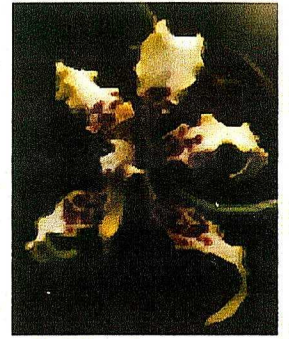
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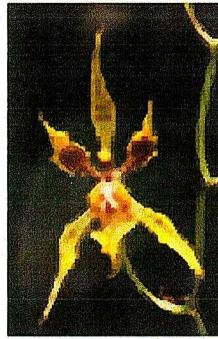
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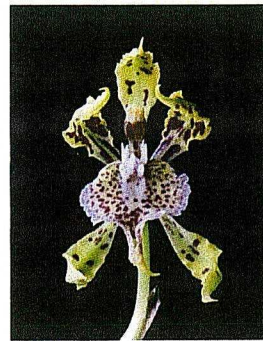
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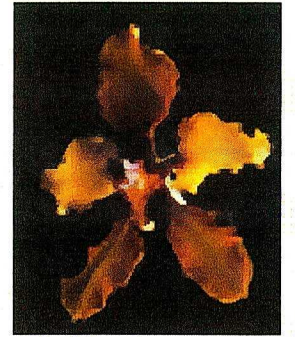
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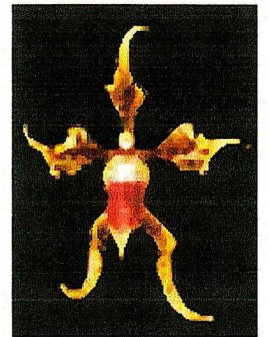
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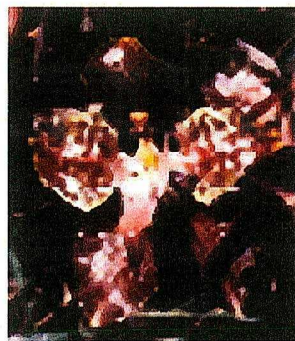
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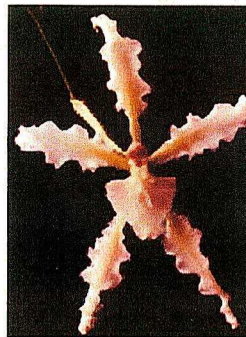
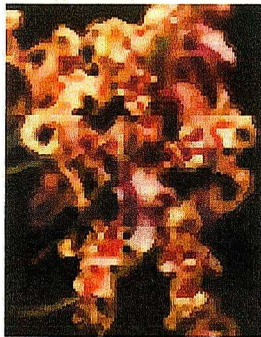
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Cyrt pardinum



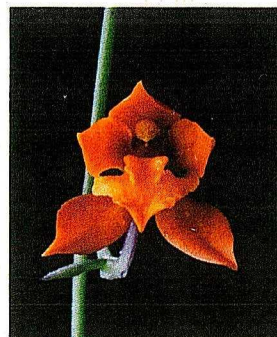
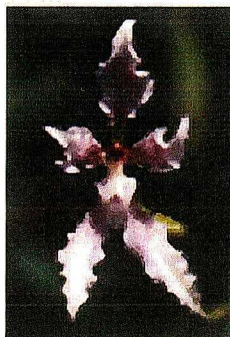
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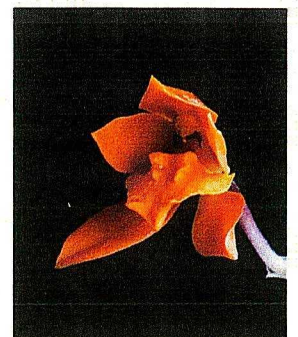
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Cyrt retusum



Cyrt ringens



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