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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER GNTOS
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NEXT MEETING February 3rd, doors open at 6:30 pm
Texas A&M Extension Campus Education Building
17360 Coit Road, Dallas

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well folks our esteemed Prez is out on a big boat in the middle of the Caribbean, not missing us at all! So my humble self will attempt to fill in with some sort of message. Here goes: Looks like Spring is around the corner, don't know where Winter went. Being of a suspicious frame of mind I am looking for a little nasty weather yet. I cringe to see trees and shrubs budding out so soon. Never mind the greenhouse! Should make for a well bloomed show next month. Of course we have some nifty things blooming now, early that will miss the show, rats. A few books have made their way back home to the GNTOS library, but we are still missing some so keep your eyes peeled. See you at the meeting.

Emily

SOCIETY EXHIBIT

The theme is Orchid Vacation. With that in mind, please identify which of your plants you can provide for the exhibit. Also we are looking for steam trunks, large seashells, potted (and movable) palms and or other tropical foliage. Contact Emily (Emily.Quinn1@verizon.net or 214-607-4852) if you can help with the exhibit and in what capacity.

FUTURE EVENTS

February 11, 2006 Dallas Judging Center at the Mickelson Art Museum in Marshall, TX

March 10-12, 2005 GNTOS Show & Sale
Texas A&M Extension Campus
Pavilion Building
17360 Coit Rd.
Dallas, TX

March 31-April 2, 2006 Red River Orchid

April 4-9, 2006 AOS Meeting & Show in Lake Buena Vista, FL
Hosted by Central Florida Orchid Society

FEBRUARY PROGRAM:
MOSES

"BREEDING FOR CLEAR YELLOW PHALAENOPSIS." BY MEIR

Meir Moses is a long time member of the GNTOS and was recently elevated to full Accredited AOS judge status. He has received numerous awards for the phalaenopsis' he has grown.

DALLAS JUDGING CENTER NEWS

January 14, 2006

Fourteen plants entered for judging, 9 awards given:

Lc. Hsingying Excell 'Jayne Garrison' (Lc. Excellescombe x L. briegeri) HCC 77 points, owner: Olie Garrison, Nacogdoches, TX

Barkeria Berries and Cream 'Black Cherry' (Bertie Foxworthy x Obosa Ivory) AM 82 points, owner: Robert Marsh, Garland, TX

Pot. (provisional) 'Remar' (Lowara Spitfire x Blc. George King) AM 82 points, owner: Renee & Marvin Gerber, Houston, TX

B. Little Stars 'French' (nodosa x cordata) CCM 84 points, owner: Rodney & Bobbye French, Fort Worth, TX

Note: the February 11, 2006 Dallas Judging Center Workshop and Judging will be in Marshall, TX, at the Mickelson Art Museum

Everyone is welcome at judging!

JANUARY 2006 MEETING MINUTES

Friday, January 6, 2006

President, Linda Horton called the January, 2006 GNTOS meeting to order. She asked if everyone had received their newsletter by email and if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes as printed in the newsletter. There were no changes and the minutes were approved as printed.

Carole Ann Taggart-Fagan introduced our guest, Patty Gowan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Emily Quinn reported that she will be in charge of setting up our display at the GNTOS spring show. The theme is "Orchid Vacation," and Emily asked everyone to be thinking about the plants they will have available for the display. She is also trying to find large tropical support plants to use in the exhibit. Please let Emily know what plants you can provide and if you would like to help with the set-up.

Ruth Wright announced that we will be selling plants at the Home & Garden Show at Market Hall,

March 3-5, 2006. We will buy the plants from various vendors. Set-up will be on Thursday, March 2 and teardown will be Sunday, March 5th at 6:00 p.m. She circulated a sign-up sheet for members to volunteer their time to help with the sale.

Bobby Dillard, Chairman of our GNTOS spring show provided updated information.

The show is scheduled for March 11-12, 2006. Set-up will be Friday, March 10th. Bobby announced that we are short in the sales area and very short on money and asked for donations for trophies. We will award 37 trophies at a cost of approximately \$10.00 each. We need volunteers to bring food or make cash donations for food that will be provided during the show. We also need volunteers to clerk during the judging. If you would like to make a donation for trophies or food or would like to clerk, please let Bobby know.

Hilda Kicinski announced that she will be in charge of the food for the Hospitality Room at the GNTOS show. She will have a sign-up sheet at the February meeting for members to sign-up for the foods and beverages they plan to provide. Hilda circulated a sign-up sheet for refreshments for our monthly meetings for the remainder of the year. She announced that from now on when you bring something for the refreshment table you will be given 5 free raffle tickets rather than a plant.

Linda Horton announced that Amy Drumwright will be our new Librarian and if you need assistance with a book, please see Amy.

Dottie Herrmann reported that she is taking orders for GNTOS shirts and will need to turn the order in next week. Please see Dottie this evening if you want to order a shirt.

Following a question regarding new members who are having problems or needing assistance with their orchids, Linda said that we could devote time during the social hour prior to our meetings (6:30 – 7:30 p.m.) to provide help. If anyone has a problem plant, they can bring it to the meeting and get answers from some of our more experienced growers.

Dr. Robert Marsh introduced our speaker, Nina Rach, accredited AOS Judge from Houston. Her program covered her many travels collecting Stanhopea orchids.

Show Table: Following a short break, Emily announced the winners of the show table. Congratulations to all of the following participants:

1 st Place (Blue Ribbon)	–	Phrag. St. Peter – The Hortons
2 nd Place (Red Ribbon)	–	Rhy. gigantea var. alba – Bill Williamson
3 rd Place (White Ribbon)	–	Blc. Golden Tang – Bill Williamson
Species of the Month	–	Brassavola nodosa – The Brandenburgs
Tri-Color Award	–	Den. miyakei (goldschmidtianum) – Mike Beber

Emily also announced that the cumulative winner for third place for 2005 was the Brandenburgs

Raffle: Thanks to Cristina & Dave Honeycutt for donating plants to the raffle table.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Williamson
Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer's Report: Jan. 2006		
Dated: 1-23-06		
Beginning Balance: \$3808.28		
	Income	Expenses
Dues	\$200.00	
Hospitality		
Raffle	\$118.00	\$55.00
Rent:		\$120.00
Snoopers	\$254.00	\$154.80
Speakers Fee/Honorarium:		\$75.00
Speakers Air Fare		\$222.60
Miscellaneous (bank deposit stamp, printer paper, organizers)		\$49.33
Donations	\$109.00	
Special Sales: GNTOS Monogram shirts, caps	\$121.00	
SWROGA Dues		\$180.00
Auction		
AOS Trustees Show 2007 (font and letterhead)		\$
GNTOS Show 2006		
Trophy Fund	\$207.41	
Sales Tables	\$600.00	
Balance due for show site		\$1525.00*
Year End Plant Table Awards (3rd place)		\$50.00
Subtotals:	\$1609.41	\$2431.73
Ending Balance: \$2985.96		
*NOTE: \$100 deposit paid in 2005.		

2006 GNTOS Proposed Budget

<i>Income</i>	<i>Proposed</i>
2006 Membership Dues	\$1200.00
Auction	\$2300.00
Raffle Ticket Sales	\$1200.00
Special Sales	\$4000.00
Snooper's Paradise	\$2000.00
GNTOS 2006 Show	\$1700.00
Total:	\$12,400.00
Expenses	
Special Sales	\$3200.00
Yearbook	\$ 400.00
Year End Plant Table Awards	\$ 300.00
Speakers	\$1600.00
Rent (Jan rent paid in 2004)	\$1440.00
Dallas Judging Center	\$ 200.00
Newsletter	\$ 100.00
SWROGA	\$ 240.00
Refreshment Supplies	\$ 100.00
Raffle Plants	\$1100.00
Web Site	\$ 200.00
Library Books	\$ 200.00
Banking Fee	\$ 40.00
Snooper's Paradise	\$1400.00
Show Displays	\$ 200.00
Misc. Office Supplies	\$ 200.00
SWROGA Show Trophies	\$ 70.00
GNTOS 2006 Show	\$ 2675.00
Total:	\$13,665.00

<i>2007 AOS Trustees Show*</i>	
Expenses:	
Arlington Convention	\$3450.00
Reservation Fee (final bill)**	
Miscellaneous Charges	\$550.00
Total (for 2006):	\$4000.00

* **NOTE:** This charge will come from the GNTOS Money Market account.

****NOTE:** GNTOS paid \$3450.00 in 2005.

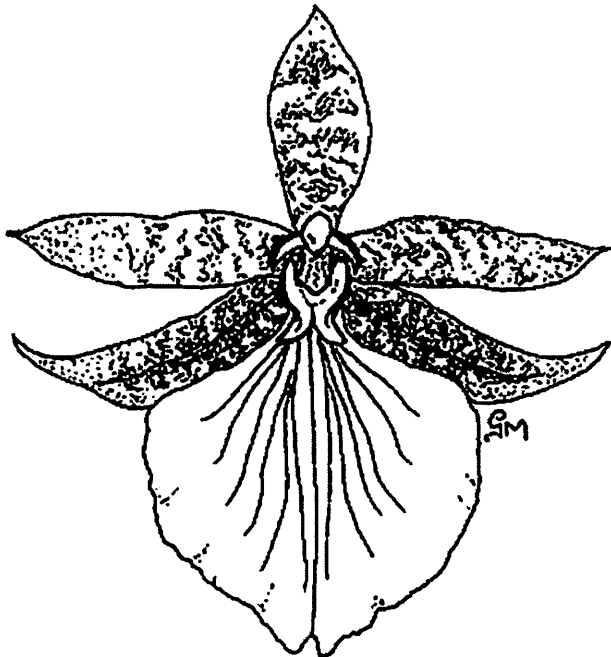
Lemboglossum bictoniense (Bateman) Halbinger ex E. A. Christenson

The name of this orchid is pronounced lim-bo-GLOS-um bic-TONE-ee-en-see.

For many years, this species was known as *Odontoglossum bictoniense*. Federico Halbinger recognized that this species and a group of thirteen others from Central American were remarkably different from other odontoglossums. In 1983, he named the group *Cymbiglossum*; then, the following year he renamed this newly created genus *Lemboglossum*. The genus name means boat-shaped lip, from ancient Latinized Greek word *lembos* meaning boat-shaped and the Greek word *glossa* meaning tongue. Of course, the Royal Horticultural Society still recognizes the former name, *odontoglossum*, for registration of hybrids. The species name honors the English village, Bicton, where Lord Rolle; a 19th century orchid enthusiast had his manor house. It was in Bicton that this species first flowered in England.

Synonyms: *Cymbiglossum bictoniense*, *Cyrtochilum bictoniense*, *Odontoglossum bictoniense*, and *Zygopetalum africanum*.

Lemboglossum bictoniense was an astonishing first. It was the first odontoglossum to reach England alive! George Ure Skinner collected it in Guatemala, and sent it to Mr. James Bateman, the English botanist, Lord Rolle, and several others in 1835. One of the most exciting years in orchid history was 1837 when this species was among 200 new species introduced to British growers.



Lemboglossum bictoniense

Distribution: Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, and Panama in montane rain forests at 2000-2500 m elevation, sometimes growing terrestrially. The populations are dense in localized situations.

Flowering season: May, June, September, and October.

Lemboglossum bictoniense is an epiphytic plant with a somewhat climbing habit. The rhizome is short, the pseudobulbs elliptic, laterally compressed, surrounded by leaf sheaths, and a single leaf apically. The thick leaves are elliptic-lanceolate, folded basally, acute tips, to 45 cm long, and 5 cm wide. The inflorescence is from the base of the pseudobulb, erect to 80 cm long with many flowers up to 5 cm in diameter, often fragrant. Base color of sepals and petals is pale greenish yellow marked with red-brown; lip is white, lavender, or rose-purple. The sepals are free, keeled abaxially, the dorsal cucullate, elliptic-oblong, acute, up to 2.3 cm long, and 0.9 cm wide. The lateral are oblique, elliptic-lanceolate, acute, up to 2.7 cm long, and 0.6 cm wide. The petals are elliptic-lanceolate, acute to obtuse, up to 2.3 cm long, and 0.8 cm wide. Lip has a short 2-3 mm long claw, heart-shaped, margins undulate, to 2.5 cm long and wide; the callus has fleshy, upcurved sides, with numerous translucent hairs, and bilobed in front. The column is slender with a pair of wings at the apex.