

January Judging

This judging session was special for the judges. Not only did we see some very beautiful orchids, but we also helped a member who brought in a few orchids that needed a little TLC to meet some of our judging guidelines. We corrected two mislabeled names and offered some constructive tips when it comes to displaying orchids. This is what we are here for.... to help members by offering better growing and displaying tips, even trying to correctly identify orchid names. We hope more people participate in our judging program for us to judge and others to appreciate.

We had a **Culture Award** this month. **Judy Congdon** brought in a beautiful *Rhynchostylis gigantea* grown in a wooden basket with about 104 flowers and 35 buds on 6 inflorescences. This awarded plant was grown in very high light resulting in healthy, bright yellow-green leaves and an abundance of flowers. Congratulations, **Judy!**

Growing and Judging Tips Before you bring in your orchids for judging, look them over carefully and make sure you have a name tag. Check for thrips, scale and snails. Leave them at home! Stake your flowers to present a pleasing, beautiful display. Remove any dead, damaged leaves, old stems, and even spent, dead flowers. Last, but not least, fill out one of our judging slips with your entry. Print or write clearly. With this in mind, you know you are doing your best to show others your beautiful, award-winning orchids.

Judging Results

Vandaceous Group: 6 entries

1st	V. Pachara Delight	Alan Smith
1st	V. Princess Mikasa	Judy Congdon
1st	Rhynchostylis (Rhy.) gigantea	CULTURE Judy Congdon
1st	Rhynchodenia Magic Land	Judy Congdon
2nd	Rhy. gigantea	Rene' Izaquierdo
3rd	V. Mike Machonis	Judy Congdon

Cattleya Group: 5 entries

1st	Pot. Love Triangle	Judy Congdon
1st	Pot. Triple Love	Judy Congdon
1st	Blc. Lawless Zauberflote	Judy Congdon
1st	C. Sun Circle	David Schaffter
2nd	Blc. Goldenzelle	Alan Smith

Oncidium Group: 2 entries

1st	Tolumnia Jairak Firm	Robin Burr
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Other Species Group: 2 entries

1st	Brassavola perrinii	Alan Smith
3rd	Brassavola nodosa x sib 'mas mejor'	Robin Burr

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