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ROADRUNNER NEWS

Newsletter of the Long Beach Cactus Club
Founded 1933; Affiliate of the Cactus and Succulent Society of America, Inc.



Adenium obesum, photo by Andrew Lander

MEETING PROGRAM: Gunnar Eisel: "From the Windowsill to the Poor house"

Gunnar Eisel's interest in cacti and succulents can be traced back to his childhood infatuation with photographing night-blooming cereus flowers and a few unfortunate encounters with opuntia glochids. His interest in cacti became intensified through many annual trips to the Anza-Borrego desert.

Born and raised near Heidelberg, Germany, Eisel has taught music at CSULA, CSUF, Whittier College and Fullerton College. He recently retired as a full-time music theory and history of music professor at Citrus College in Glendora, CA where his students were frequently subjected to his rantings regarding cacti and succulents.



An avid C&S collector, he serves as General Manager of the Cactus and Succulent Society of America (CSSA) and as Past President of the San Gabriel Valley Cactus and Succulent Society.

LOCATION: Rancho Los Alamitos, 6400 Bixby Hill Road, Long Beach, CA 90815. Rancho Los Alamitos is located within Bixby Hill and accessed through the residential security gate at Anaheim and Palo Verde. From the 405 Freeway, exit at Palo Verde Avenue and turn south. From the 605 Freeway, exit at Willow, follow to Palo Verde and turn south.

TIME: Sunday, August 5th, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. Setup will be from 12:30 – 1:30. Members will be working in the garden starting at 11 AM. Bring a lunch if you need to.

REFRESHMENTS: We will follow the alphabet to determine who is to bring the snacks and finger foods. This month, those with last names starting with the letters **S through Z** are asked to bring the goodies. Please feel free to bring something even if you don't fall into this group.

PLANTS-OF-THE-MONTH:

Cactus: *Thelocactus*, *Stenocactus*

Succulent: *Asclepiads*

FREE PLANTS: A selection of plants are given away each month, one each to first time visitors, new members, and members who have a birthday that month. The rest are raffled off to attending members.

Members are encouraged to donate any plants they would like to pass along or that they think others would like to buy.



Agave victoriae-reginae in Hank Warzybok's back yard, photo by Tanisha Herr

LBCC OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2018

PRESIDENT	Ken Shaw [562-631-5876]	SECRETARY	OPEN
VICE-PRESIDENT	Scott Bunnell	TREASURER	Jade Neely
DIRECTORS: Gary Duke, Jim Hanna, John Luhnnow, Ken Shaw, and Hank Warzybok			
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BIRTHDAY/PRIZE PLANTS	Jim Hanna	PROGRAMS	Woody Minnich
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INTER-CITY COMMITTEE: Henry Angulo, Scott Bunnell, Jade Neely, Coni Nettles, Jeff Preston, Krystoff Przykucki, Peter Walkowiak

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE: Amy Angulo, Rose Bank, Scott Bunnell, Andrew Lander, Krystoff Przykucki, Lynn Shaw

NEWSLETTER: Andrew Lander, Margaret Lander

The Garden Committee meets every Tuesday at 10 am for 2 hours in the Cactus Garden at Rancho Los Alamitos. This committee is headed by Mike Martin of LBCC and consists of any members willing to volunteer by raking leaves or helping out with other gardening chores. The gardens consist of 4 acres, one of which is the Cactus Garden, so there is plenty to do for anyone interested in helping out. Barrels and rakes are provided and it is a wonderful opportunity to spend some time in the garden among the large, majestic specimens and experience the rare peace and quiet within. Please remember to bring gloves and wear protection. Contact Mike if you are interested.

NEWSLETTER

IF YOU HAVE ANY STORIES, cultivation tips, information about upcoming events, photos, *corrections*, or news in general about cacti and succulents that might interest our members, **please send them in**. **Comments and suggestions are always welcome**. Remember, this is your newsletter. Physical address: Andrew Lander, 3041 Roxanne Ave., Long Beach, CA 90808. Cyber address: landruc@gmail.com

Long Beach Cactus Club 2018 Meeting Schedule

Aug. 5	Gunnar Eisel: "From the Windowsill to the Poor house"
Aug. 11-12	Annual Inter-City Show
Sept. 2	Jeremy Spath: "Agaves of Oaxaca, Mexico"
Sept. 15	Annual Long Beach Cactus Club Auction
Oct. 7	Tim Harvey: "Understanding & Growing Plants from Winter Rainfall Regions"
Nov. 4	Jeff Moore: "Soft Succulents"
Dec. 9	Holiday Party

LBCC PLANT-OF-THE-MONTHS RULES

At the April, 2003 meeting, the following rules were adopted for the Plant-of-the-Month (POM) competition:

- A maximum of three plants may be entered in each category (cactus and succulent).
- There will be three classes for entrants: advanced (blue tag), intermediate (pink tag) and beginner (yellow tag).
- Advanced and intermediate entrants must have had the plant in their possession for at least six months, beginners for three months.
- Entrants will receive 8 points for first place, 6 points for second place, 4 points for third place, 2 points for show/honorable mention (HM) and 1 point for showing a plant that does not place.
- At the discretion of the judges there may be up to three third places in a category. If plants are not deemed to be of sufficient quality, no third place will be awarded.
- For an entrant to receive points, the entry tags must be collected by the person in charge of record keeping for POM.
- At the annual Christmas party, award plants will be presented to the ten highest cumulative point holders regardless of class.

2018 LBCC PLANTS-OF-THE-MONTH

MONTH	CACTI	SUCCULENTS
August	Thelocactus, Stenocactus	Asclepiads
September	Coryphantha, Ecobaria	Fockea, Raphionacme
October	Neoporteria, Neochilenia	Cotyledon, Tylecodon
November	Miniatures (3) - pots under 3"	Miniatures (3) - pots under 3"
December	HOLIDAY PARTY	

2018 PLANT OF THE YEAR: ***Thelocactus bicolor v. Parras***

2018 POM STANDINGS

Advanced		Intermediate		Beginner	
Gary Duke	118	Krystoff Przykucki	114	Henry Angulo	111
Ken Shaw	118	Jade Neely	63	Nan Halbert	46
Jim Hanna	37	Andrew Lander	59	Alden Norris	38
Gary James	23	Mike Martin	44	M. A. Bjarkman	28
		Scott Bunnell	18	T. Wang	28
		Karenn Ohlinder	18	Amy Angulo	20
		Margaret Lander	16	Jim Tanner	16
		John Luhnow	11	Rose Bank	15
		Kathy McNair	11	Dean Woehrman	6
				Aaron G.	4
				Kim Hartwig	4
				Shirley Kost	2
				Evelyn Murtaugh	2
				The Prestons	1

2018 CACTUS AND SUCCULENT CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- AUG. 11-12** **33rd ANNUAL INTERCITY SHOW AND SALE AT THE LA COUNTY ARBORETUM**
9am-5pm daily, 301 NO. BALDWIN AVE., ARCADIA, CA.
INFO. CALL TOM GLAVICH 626-798-2430 or JOHN MARTINEZ 805-390-2139
- SEPT. 1** HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM
ALL DAY AT THE HUNTINGTON 626-405-3504
- SEPT 15** **LONG BEACH CACTUS CLUB ANNUAL PLANT AUCTION**
12-5PM, RANCHO LOS ALAMITOS, 6400 BIXBY HILL ROAD, LONG BEACH, CA 90615
INFO. 562-631-5876
- Oct. 13-14** BAKERSFIELD CACTUS and SUCCULENT SOCIETY
SHOW & SALE SAT. 10-5---SUN. 11-3 ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, 2216 17th STREET
BAKERSFIELD, CA 93304 FREE ADMMISSION & PARKING, INFO 661-8318488
- OCT. 27-28** PALOMAR CACTUS &SUCCULENT SOCIETY FALL SHOW AND SALE
SAT 10-5, SUN 10-3, SAN DIEGO BOTANIC GARDENS
230 QUAIL GARDENS ROAD, ENCINITAS, CA
INFO brita_miller@yahoo.com ph.858-776-7216
- NOV. 3-4** SAN GABRIEL CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE
9am-4pm BOTH DAYS, LA COUNTY ARBORETUM 310 NO. BALDWIN, ARCADIA, CA
MANNY RIVERA 626-780-6957 or JOHN MATTHEWS 661-714-1052

Duke's Open Yard
See his new crevice garden
25 August 2018
10:00 to 4:00pm
4660 Rio Ave
Long Beach, CA 90805
310-947-9803 cell