



# Epi News

Post Office Box 2852 • San Diego, California 92112

SURPRISE !

14 October 1981  
VOLUME 5, No. 10

The new logo design is the creation of our 1st Vice President, Milt Turner. The flower is PADRE, an old favorite of epi collectors. We hope you like the new look.

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

William & Annie Betts, San Diego  
James & Elaine Saiki, San Leandro  
Ann Way, Eureka  
L. Scott Castillo, Jr., San Diego  
Rebecca MacLeod, San Diego  
Leroy & Barbara Schradeder,  
El Cajon  
Kenneth & Nancy Andrews,  
Huntington Beach

#### SEPTEMBER MEETING

...Gene Schmedding

Our meeting room was filled to overflowing again this month. I hope that all of the 158 people attending the meeting enjoyed our trip to Israel and Europe to view the many gardens of old and unusual flowers presented by slides by Seward Besemer. He is the horticulture advisor for San Diego County, and travels extensively to bring ideas of different flowers and plants to San Diego County. One of the most interesting aspects of his program was the showing of very old varieties of flowers that were popular in the United States many years ago, but are seldom seen now. The Horticulture Dept. is trying to revive interest in those old and beautiful plants. Mr. Besemer also showed slides of the flower auction and packing houses in Israel and Holland, a most interesting and complicated operation.

We were pleased to have as our guests some of the members of the Fuchsia Society. Mr. George Szobar, president of the Fuchsia Society (also a member of the S.D.E.S.) introduced two members, Meda Williams (who is the one that the Epi "Meda" is named after), and Sue Selby, who were kind enough to bring a whole table full of lovely fuchsia plants and some pamphlets of "how to" for the ones of us who can't seem to grow them. We hope to have a different floral group at every meeting, if possible, as many of us grow other plants besides Epis, although I must admit that Epis are my best love.

The dinner tickets for our annual Christmas Dinner Party will be sold starting at the October meeting. Our dinner chairman, Elinor Latimer, will not be at the October meeting, and she has asked that reservations be made through Dorothy Breining and Cecile Bradley. For members only, the fee is \$5.00, for guests the fee is \$15.00. Please make your reservations well ahead of the Dec. 9 dinner date, we don't want anyone to get left out, as we have been promised PRIME RIB. In case you haven't heard, the dinner will be at the Bahia; so sharpen up your appetites.

\*\*\*

#### OCTOBER MEETING

We are having Mr. Jack Percival, presenting a slide tour through South America showing epiphyllums in their native surroundings, along with many other epiphytes.

You won't want to miss this one.

OCTOBER REFRESHMENTS  
...Penny Bunker

October is the first Fall meeting and we hope the folks will continue their great interest. It has been great how you have rallied to help with goodies-- shows you enjoy the "break". Thanks to each and every one.

Volunteers for October:

Eleanor Berry  
Dorothy Breining  
Lynn Brokaw  
Willise Brubaker  
Susie Ellis  
Sako Hook  
Muriel Madryga  
Peg Minardi  
Irmela Paul  
Gayle Widner

\*\*\*

LIBRARY

...Charles Saltzer, Librarian

Overdue Books. Per the library records a total of nine books, journals, and/or directories are overdue from 3 months to a year.

The Library requests all members having overdue items to please return them immediately. We have many new members who should have the opportunity to see or check out these items.

Books, journals, and directories may be checked out by members for a maximum time period of one month. If an item is needed for a longer period it must be approved by the Librarian.

(ALSO: The slide collection of the late Dick Hartford, contributed to the Society by Gene Schmedding, has many slides missing. Would whoever borrowed them please bring them back, or if anyone knows what happened to them please tell President John Clancy. Thank you... Editor)

\*\*\*

NOW IS THE TIME (November-December)  
...Frank Granatowski

Now is the time:

- to withhold fertilizers, especially those containing Nitrogen. (The first number in the formula, i.e.: 4-10-8) thus allowing the plants to become semi-dormant.
- to protect plants from exposure to the elements; frost, hail, and strong wintry winds can do irreparable damage. Overexposure to harsh winter sunlight can be as detrimental as exposure to the summer sun.
- to transplant to larger containers those plants that are not expected to produce blooms next spring.
- to check the apples (seed pods). Ripened apples may be picked and the seeds planted, however, don't be in a hurry to do this. Germination of the seeds will be vastly improved when the apple has fully matured.
- to take advantage of beneficial winter rains, even prolonged winter rains will have no harmful effect on epiphyllums that are planted in good porous soil and they will tend to leach the soil of accumulated salts. Collecting rain water for future use is also advisable
- to maintain good grooming of your plants. Prune out dead, unproductive and unsightly branches, keep containers free of debris, and last but not least, bait for slugs and snails. A few granules of Slugetta has proved to be very effective and leaves very little unsightly residual.

\*\*\*

Yellow autumn moon...  
Unimpressed  
The scarecrow stands  
Simply looking bored

Issa

# —Other Gardens

...Pat Stebbins

One of our new members is Mr. Edward Meier of West Germany who has had a lively correspondence with our (of course) Corresponding Secretary Gene Schmedding.

Mr. Meier has sent us some articles he has written for publication in Germany, and several informative letters. I am printing some of one of his letters which I think you will find interesting. Due to the length of the letter I can't publish all of it, but here are the highlights.

(Also - does anyone read German well enough to translate, please get in touch with Gene Schmedding (421-6510) if you can and have a little time.)

"Dear Mrs. Schmedding:

Thank you for your letter and for all the back issues of the Epi News. I have read them not only with great pleasure but also with great attention, thus finding out that your club (of which I am pleased to be a member of now), the meetings and activities must be really great." "You can't imagine how unhappy I feel not being able to take part. The SDES (as well as the ESA) seems to have been very successful in combining people's interest in epies with social life and contact. It is my strong wish to attend one of your monthly meetings once in my life and being 43 years of age I may be optimistic about that.

"You must know that epies and epiphytic cacti are not very popular in Germany and together with 4 or 5 friends not living too far away from each other we try to make them more popular, which, however, is very difficult." "They can keep more ummillarias, Notocacti, Parodisa, etc. can epiphytes in their greenhouses and this is a strong argument, especially when considering winter treatment and the resulting costs for heating. (Heating oil costs about 30 cents a litre at present.)"

"But we people meet as often as possible on a more private basis and there is always a lot of talk on epiphytes and epies. of course, but we can't keep so many of them over here since they require a lot of space in winter which is always scarce." "In summer they are in the garden (as with you in California) but from October onwards they must be moved indoors and then the problems begin." "If I lived in California I would also have a garden full of epies rather than roses, chrysanthemums, lillies, etc. Epiphytes such as hylolocloi, selenicloti, etc. are of course kept in the greenhouse all year round."

Isn't that nice? Aren't we lucky to live in the climate we do?  
\*\*\*

"the Epi Lover"



COCKE CROSSES  
...Pat Stebbins

Following is a list of Wressy Cocks hybrids. This list was researched and compiled by Bev Garber and she has included the identification number where known. If some of you have a numbered cutting from one of Mr. Cocks's visits, it may have been named since then. If anyone has a cross number of one of the named crosses that is not on the list (the number I mean), let me know and I will update this one.  
\*\*\*

*P.S. Hang onto your Xmas dinner ticket - you must have it to get your dinner - Bahia says "no ticket - no dinner."*

MEETING: 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM  
Room 101 Casa del Prado  
Balboa Park, San Diego

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE: 2 November  
Pat Stebbins 279-8026  
10404 Orozco Rd.  
San Diego, CA 92124

Jerry Plaisted, Membership  
(714) 583-9551  
6356 Delbarton St.  
San Diego, CA 92120  
NOTE: Number in paren. on mailing label indicates dues month.  
Please check and keep current.

CROSSES OF W. C. (WRF Y) COCKE, Compiled by Bev Garber

ALBERTINE (M) LMD 9  
 AMAZEMENT ( ) 27 x 50  
 AMERICAN  
     SWEETHEART (XL) 26 x 50  
 ANGEL PUFF (M-L) 37 x 3  
 ANNIE MARGARITE (XL) 36 x 9  
 ANNIE PATE (XL) P11  
 ANTIQUA (M) P11  
 APRICOT SENSATION (S)  
 AZTEC STAR (S) 7 x 49  
 BABY SHOWERS (XS) 1 x 57  
 BACASETT (S) LMD 1  
 BALLARET (S) LMD 25  
 BAMBOO BABY (S)  
 BASKET OF CHEER (S)  
 BEAUTY UNLIMITED (L) 28 x 3  
 BINNORIE (L) 43 x 3 or 35 x 9  
 BISCO (M-L) 112 x 2  
 BOLD SUCCESS (XL)  
 BONANZA BELLE (L)  
 BORN FREE (S)  
 BCS'N HARTFORD (XL) 13 x 16  
 BREATHELESS BEAUTY (L) 2 x 32  
 BRIDAL SHOWER (S) P1  
 BRIGHT DIADEM (XL) 187 x 3  
 BURST OF JOY (L) 33 x 6  
 CANDELABRA (name changed to  
     YOUNG COUNTESS)  
 CANDY APPLE (M-L)  
 CHERYFULLNESS (S) P9  
 CHERRY FIZZ (S)  
 CHRISSE ( )  
 CITY LIGHTS (M)  
 CLOSED VINE (XS) 5 x 12  
 COLLEGE QUEEN (M)  
 COMING CHALLENGE (XL) 1 x 34  
 COPACABANA (L)  
 CRESSIDA (L) 114 x 3  
 CRI CRI (S) P13  
 CRUSHED VELVET (L) 32 x 20  
 CURTAIN CALL (S) 34 x 50  
 DARK & HANDSOME (XL) 34 x 6  
 DAZZLING DELIGHT (XL)  
 DEEP NIGHT (L) 32 x 16  
 DELICATE JEWELS (S) P4  
 DIXIELAND (S)  
 DORRIT ANN ( )  
 EARLY GIRL (S)  
 ELEANOR L. (L)  
 EL TORO (XL) 14 x 16  
 EMISSARY (XL) 52 x 2  
 EMPRESS OF MERCURY (L)  
 ENGLAND'S GLORY (M-L)  
 FERN LA BORDE (S) P14  
 FINISHING TOUCH (XL) 59 x 9  
 FOREVER YOUNG (XL) 2 x 21  
 FOX TAIL (S) 1 x 59  
 FRANCIS C. (SC) 1 x 47  
 FRINGE OF GOLD (S) 37 x 56  
 FRONT RUNNER (L) 18 x 29  
 FULL REWARD (L) 28 x 17  
 FUTON (S) LMD 12  
 GALA BELLS (S) 21 x 61  
 GALLANT DUCHESS (L) 9 x 12  
 GALAGO (S) P2  
 GARNET ROBE (L) 24 x 6  
 GEM DELIGHT ( )  
 GENE LUND (XL) 13 x 50  
 GEORGE'S FAVORITE (S) 3 x 40  
 GERMAIN (L) 15 x 17  
 GIDGET (S) 32 x 18  
 GINGERSNAP (S)  
 GLISTENING BEAUTY (L) 13 x 3  
 GOLD COIN (S)  
 GYPSY BELLE (L) 1 x 6  
 GYPSY LULLABY (L)  
 HALEY'S COMET (M)  
 HALF PINT (M) 4 x 49  
 HALLOWEEN MOON (M)  
 HAPPY FACE (S) 1 x 33  
 HAPPY THOUGHTS (M) LMD 17  
 HAWAIIAN HOLIDAY (L) 6 x 31  
 HEAP GOOD (X) 4 x 15  
 HEAVEN'S OWN (L) 42 x 9  
 HOW ABOUT THAT (L)  
 IFFY (S) 2 x 61  
 IMPERIAL MAJESTY  
 INNISFREE (M)  
 INSTANT SUNSHINE (XS) 40 x 57  
 INYO (L) 89 x 3  
 IVORY BELLS (S)  
 JO JO (S) 15 x 16  
 JUST LOOKING (S-M)  
 JUST SO (M-L) 14 x 2  
 KAMI (S) P7A  
 KATELLA (L)  
 KELITA (S) A x 18  
 KIND OF SPECIAL (S) LMD 35  
 KNOCKABOUT (XL) 6 x 6  
 KRUGERAND (S)  
 LEMON CUSTARD (XL) 13 x 3  
 LEMON ICICLES (M)  
 LEPRECHAUN (S)  
 LIST (M)  
 LILAC MIST (S)  
 LITTLE BEAUTY (S)  
 LITTLE SHOWOFF (S) P22  
 LOLLIPOP (S) 36 x 18  
 MABEL (XL) 86 x 3  
 MAGNIFICANT ONE (XL) 5 x 50  
 MARELLA (XL) 84 x 3  
 MARGE COCKE (M) 7 x 47  
 MARIANN (L)  
 MARY K (XS) 21 x 57  
 MIAMI HOLIDAY (L)  
 MICHAELSEN (S-M)  
 MINI-BELLE (XS)  
 MINI-STAR (S)  
 DARK & HANDSOME (XL) 34 x 6  
 DAZZLING DELIGHT (XL)  
 DEEP NIGHT (L) 32 x 16  
 DELICATE JEWELS (S) P4  
 DIXIELAND (S)  
 DORRIT ANN ( )  
 EARLY GIRL (S)  
 ELEANOR L. (L)  
 EL TORO (XL) 14 x 16  
 EMISSARY (XL) 52 x 2  
 EMPRESS OF MERCURY (L)  
 ENGLAND'S GLORY (M-L)  
 FERN LA BORDE (S) P14  
 FINISHING TOUCH (XL) 59 x 9  
 FOREVER YOUNG (XL) 2 x 21  
 FOX TAIL (S) 1 x 59  
 FRANCIS C. (SC) 1 x 47  
 FRINGE OF GOLD (S) 37 x 56  
 FRONT RUNNER (L) 18 x 29  
 FULL REWARD (L) 28 x 17  
 FUTON (S) LMD 12  
 GALA BELLS (S) 21 x 61  
 GALLANT DUCHESS (L) 9 x 12  
 GALAGO (S) P2  
 GARNET ROBE (L) 24 x 6  
 GEM DELIGHT ( )  
 GENE LUND (XL) 13 x 50  
 GEORGE'S FAVORITE (S) 3 x 40  
 GERMAIN (L) 15 x 17  
 GIDGET (S) 32 x 18  
 GINGERSNAP (S)  
 GLISTENING BEAUTY (L) 13 x 3  
 GOLD COIN (S)  
 GYPSY BELLE (L) 1 x 6  
 GYPSY LULLABY (L)  
 HALEY'S COMET (M)  
 HALF PINT (M) 4 x 49  
 HALLOWEEN MOON (M)  
 HAPPY FACE (S) 1 x 33

CROSSES OF W. C. (WRESSY) COCKE, Compiled by Bev Garber

- MINSTREL BOY (L) 3 x 38  
MISS PITYPAT (S) 17 x 6  
MOLOKAI (XL) 17 x 6  
MONDORA BELLE (L) 3 x 3
- NASSELLE (L) 3 x 38  
NEFERTITI (XL) 46 x 2  
NEW FLAIR (L) 3 x 3 (?)
- OLE  
ORANGE BOUQUET (S) P7  
ORANGE BOWL (L)  
ORANGE CRUSH (XL)  
ORIENTAL BEAUTY (S)  
ORIENTAL INFLUENCE (XL) 11 x 9  
ORINDA ( ) 14 x 48  
OZARK BEAUTY (XL) 20 x 16
- PARTY TIME (S)  
PEACH AMBER (XS)  
PERSONALLY YOURS (XL) 50 x 2  
PICNIC (M) 13 x 29  
PILAND'S PRIDE (S)  
PINK ANGEL (M)  
PINK CAMEO (XS) 41 x 57  
PINK PLUMES (L) 39 x 50  
PIXIE PLUM (XS) 6 x 12  
PIXIE PRINCESS (XS)  
PIZZAZZ (XL) 8 x 15  
PRECIOUS GEM (S)
- RAINBOW FLAME (M) 18 x 29  
RARE EDITION (XL)  
RASPBERRY ICE (S)  
RED ELF (S)  
RED ROCKET (L)  
RED SAILS (L)  
RESURRECTION (L) 13 x 6  
RIO ROSA (L) 14 x 33  
RISE 'N SHINE (XS) 14 x 33  
RISING STAR (S) P 17  
ROBINETTE (S)  
ROYAL BLAZER (XS) 7 x 18
- ROYAL CROWN (M-L)  
ROYAL HEIR (L)  
RUBY GEM (S) LMD 55
- SAILOR BOY (XS)  
SAND PEBBLE (S)  
SARACEN (EL) 35 x 9  
SASSY PINK (XS)  
SATIN JEWEL (L)  
SEVENTH HEAVEN (XS) 37 x 51  
SHEER PERFECTION (XL)  
SHINTO (S) P5  
SIMPLY WILD (L) 2 x 44  
SKIPPER (S-M) 6 x 31  
SKYBURST (XL)  
SLIGHTLY SASSY (L) 30 x 40  
SOCIAL WHIRL (XL) 5 x 44  
SOFT LIGHTS (XL)  
SPELLBOUND (L)  
STARINA (S)  
STAR TREK (L)  
STAR WARS (M)  
SUGAR BABY (S)  
SURAR PLUM FAIRY (S) 9 x 48  
SUN DROP (S)  
SUNTAN (S)  
SUPERSONIC (XL) 20 x 20  
SWEET ABUNDANCE (XS)  
SWEET HARMONY (L)  
SWEET KISSES (S) P9
- TARA (S)  
TARZAN (L)  
TEKO (SL) 2 x 3  
TEXAS FLAME (L)  
TIA MARIA (L)  
TIFFANY IACE (L)  
TINA (S) LMD 53  
TINY FLAME (S) 19 x 18  
TINY JILL (S) 6 x 18  
TINY TREASURE (XS)  
TINY WARRIOR (S)  
TOY TOWN (XS)
- TRIPLE CROWN (L)  
TRUDIE JANE (XL)
- VALENTINE HEARTS (L) 14 x 50  
VALHALLA (L) LMD 4  
VENETIAN AFFAIR (XL) 5 x 38  
VIRGINIA BELLE (S)
- WANETTA (S) 6 x 52  
WARM REMEMBRANCE (XL) 27 x 2  
WEDDING BELLS (S-M) 2 x 11  
WEDDING GOWN (XL)  
WESTWOOD VISION (L) 7 x 5  
WILD CAPERS (L) 30 x 17  
WILD HONEY (XS) 31 x 53  
WILDWOOD MISS (L) 14X x 9  
WILLET (M) LMD 42  
WINNETKA (XL) 57 x 2  
WINTER OLYMPICS (L)  
WRESSY COCKE (L) 55 x 3
- YOUNG COUNTESS (XS) 6 x 60  
YOUR MAJESTY (XL) 189 x 3
- CROSSES REGISTERED IN 1981
- BEAUTY QUEEN (XL)  
BONNIE BELL (M)  
CANDYLAND (L)  
CHARMGLOW (L)  
COLUMBIA (L)  
CUPIE DOLL (S)  
FLUFFY (S)  
GOLD METAL (L)  
IDA PEARL (M-L)  
LADY LUCK (S)  
LUCINDA  
MARMALADE  
MORNING STAR  
NEON RAINBOW (L)  
PEPPERMINT STAR (S)  
RUBY PINWHEEL (M)  
SAVANNAH (L)  
WEE LASSIE (S)  
XANADU (M)