



# California Chapter AMERICAN RHODODENDRON SOCIETY CAL CHAPTER NEWS

There is no April 2019 Members' Meeting.

However...

Our Annual Flower Show & Sale is Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>.

Location:

Lakeside Park Garden Center  
666 Bellevue Ave.  
Oakland

Time: (open to public)

Saturday, April 13

Sale: 10:00 – 4:00

Show: 12:00 – 4:00

Volunteers are needed – There would be no Show & Sale without You!

Friday, April 12

Setup: 3:00 – 5:00

Saturday, April 13

Registration: 8:00 – 10:00

Judging: 10:00 – Noon

Sales: 10:00 – 4:00 (2-hour shifts)

Greeters: 10:00 – 4:00

Please see the Show & Sale Sign-up Sheet on the last page of the Newsletter

**2019 CAL CHAPTER Annual Show & Sale –  
Saturday, April 13.**

This year's Show and Sale will be held at the Lakeside Park Garden Center (Cal Chapter's meeting place in Oakland). The Show and Sale is our biggest event of the year, and it is always a lot of fun for all. Volunteers are needed – *you do not have to be an expert to help with the show or sale.* There is a job for everyone.

**Please volunteer by leaving a message with our President, Paul Anderson, at (707) 258-1747 or with Marvin Larsen at (510) 848-3071.**

**Lunch is provided for all judges, clerks, and volunteers.** Note: *Volunteers on the 12:00 to 2:00 shift can eat lunch at 11:30.*

**Setup** is Friday afternoon (4/12) starting at 3:00pm. We should finish in a couple of hours. This involves setting up all the tables, with the tablecloths, and filling and placing the water bottles for the trusses.

**Takedown** begins Saturday (4/13) at 4:00pm. The bonus of helping with Takedown is that those trusses (that were going to be thrown away) can be taken home for cuttings. Many of us have beautiful plants that came from those cuttings in past shows.



*Best of Show 2018 – R. 'Mt. Loma Prieta'*  
Entry by Jerry Harris  
Picture by Marvin Larsen



*Best Deciduous Azalea 2018 – Unknown*  
Entry by Jerry Harris  
Picture by Marvin Larsen



*Best Evergreen Azalea 2018*  
R. 'Purple Dragon'  
Entry by Nan Ray  
Picture by Marvin Larsen

**Registration** begins at 8:00am Saturday (4/13). This involves putting the information from the entrants on to the entry cards and placement of the flower trusses on the tables. We can use many members to help with this really enjoyable task.

**The Plant Sale**, open to the public, is 10:00-4:00 Saturday. Plant Sale volunteers assist visitors with questions or help at the sales tables (generally, 2-hour shifts).

**Our Sale** will include a nice selection of Vireyas and fragrant rhododendrons.

Bring your friends – our prices are excellent!

**Greeters** are needed. We need greeters at the door for all the time periods the show or sale is open to the public (10:00-4:00).

**Bring your flowers** – Trusses, Sprays, Plants, or Arrangements – Saturday morning (8:00-9:30am). You can bring them on Friday (3:00-5:00pm). Without the plant material, there is no show... Don't be shy! Even an imperfect flower may be the only one of its type at the show. It is important that we show a good cross section of flowers and plants that are available in our part of the world.

**Entries for the Show:**

Please, please try to get your entries in as early as possible, hopefully between 8:00 and 9:30 on Saturday morning, and certainly by 10 A.M., as judging must begin as soon after 10am as possible so that the public can enter by noon. If you are to have more than a few entries, please contact Paul Anderson at (707) 258-1747 for registration cards that you can fill out in advance.

**Don't forget** some of the neglected but worthwhile and fun categories:

1. Sprays- 2 or more trusses on a branch. These are impressive and a great chance to prune your rhody too.
2. Plants- Have a nice plant in a pot? A bonsai? With or without flowers, bring it in!
3. Arrangements- either all rhododendrons, or mixed with some rhododendrons. Your arrangement can be big or subtle and tiny. We'd love to see it.
4. Foliage- Bring in a whorl or a spray of foliage in any of the four categories, which encompasses all rhododendrons: glabrous (smooth), bullate (puckered), indumented (furry or hairy, usually on the leaf underside), and big leaf (subsections *grandia* or *falconera* or their hybrids).

**Mark your calendar for future Cal Chapter and other ARS events!**

April 13, 2019	<b>Cal Chapter Flower Show and Sale</b>
April 26-28, 2019	<b>Eureka Chapter Show and Sale</b>
May 4-5, 2019	<b>Noyo Chapter Show and Sale</b>
May 15-19, 2019	<b>ARS Annual Convention, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania</b>

\* *Denotes California Chapter Members' Meeting*

**Some Winners from our last Show**

*Best Species 2018*  
Unknown Species  
Entry by Barbara Campbell  
Picture by Marvin Larsen



*Best Red Hybrid Truss 2018*  
Unknown Hybrid  
Entry by Jeff and Ruth Bailey  
Picture by Marvin Larsen



*Best Floral Arrangement 2018*  
Entry by Christy Hartsell  
Picture by Marvin Larsen



*Best Hybrid Pink Truss 2018*  
R. 'Dame Nellie Melba'  
Entry by Dennis McKiver  
Picture by Marvin Larsen



R. 'Starlight'  
Entry by Nan Ray  
Picture by Marvin Larsen

Please Email your Volunteer Preferences to Marvin Larsen: [Marvin.Larsen@comcast.net](mailto:Marvin.Larsen@comcast.net)

(The same Email Address from which this was "mailed")

OR: Phone Marvin at, (510) 848-3071

Friday

**Volunteer Signup Sheet  
2019 California Chapter ARS Show and Sale**

**Friday, 12 April 2018, SETUP: 3:00pm—5:00pm**

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Saturday

**Volunteer Signup Sheet  
2019 California Chapter ARS Show and Sale**

**Saturday, 13 April 2019, ENTRY REGISTRATION: 8:00am—10:00am**

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**Saturday, 13 April 2019, PLANT SALES: Three 2-hour Shifts**

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**Saturday, 13 April 2019, TAKEDOWN: 4:00pm—5:30pm**

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