



NEW ENGLAND CARNIVOROUS PLANT SOCIETY

(www.NECPS.org)

April 2010 Newsletter

NECPS Mission Statement

"The mission of the New England Carnivorous Plant Society shall be to share, to gain knowledge of, and to achieve expertise in all phases of growing, education, appreciation, and conservation of carnivorous plants in both culture and in native habitats."

President's Message

Spring. A time for change in the weather. Warmer temperatures, longer days as the sun climbs higher in the sky. Plants begin to grow in earnest. Flowers appear. And change comes to the NECPS.

Ken Sicard is stepping down as NECPS Secretary and Newsletter editor. Ken is our first elected Secretary, and

has been the most visible in the years he's held the position. But more than anything, he took a newsletter that was a simple one or two page letter from me, and turned it into what we have today. He took the steps when he was given the chance, to greatly improve the look and content of the newsletter. Honestly, he did a better job than I could have ever done. In doing this he made the NECPS a better society for us all.

Ken has decided that he cannot give the newsletter and Secretary Position the time it needs due to his medical residency requirements. I've been wonderfully surprised that Ken was able to hold the position for this long, given his work in the medical profession. But the NECPS is a volunteer society, and we all have times when other things take precedence. This is such a time for Ken.

I think we all need to thank Ken for all the work he's done up to now for the society. Ken assures me he will continue to be an active member, to come to meetings when he can, to let his thoughts be known. And I can tell you all, I'll still look to him for his opinions and ideas as we continue to grow and do more with the NECPS.

Change is inevitable, and change is even good. It brings new blood into the workings of the NECPS, new ideas, new outlooks, and new plans. So while we will miss Ken's monthly input to the society, and all that he brought to all the meetings, we will welcome the new people who take his place. And we'll use this as a step for the NECPS to move ahead again, and see where we may go this time.

Thank you, Ken.

Namaste

John Phillip, Jr
NECPS
President and Founder

A Note from the Editor

Hello all,

I am thrilled to be able to contribute to the society by filling in for Ken this month. He made the newsletter what it is now, and as editor I will do my best to build on what he has created here.

The NECPS for me has been a place where I can talk about carnivorous plants without being looked at like I have three heads. The first time I attended September show, I was ecstatic -- everybody was discussing growing techniques, sharing plant experiences, and rattling off Latin names. We should all be proud to be part of such a friendly, helpful, and knowledgeable group.

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions for improving the newsletter, please feel free to email me at 30howland@gmail.com.

Enjoy the beautiful weather (and let your plants enjoy it too!)
Ben

Boston Flower Show Update

I am pleased to announce that the NECPS bay window display won third place in the Massachusetts Horticultural Society's 2010 Blooms at the Boston Flower & Garden Show despite only a few volunteers and plants. Lighting was also poor during the show.



Congratulations must be given to the volunteers who donated their time and plants to this great success, namely:

Shaun Montminy (project coordinator)

John Phillip

Matt Opel

Emmi Kurosawa

Dan Downey

Don Gallant

-Devan Parker

NECPS Program: April 10th 2010

RWP Bog Rebuild

NECPS members will be renovating the two Carnivorous plant bogs at Roger Williams Park. The bogs are situated in Roger Willams Park's fantastic Botanical center, and houses hundreds of Sundews and Venus Flytraps, and even a few climbing Nepenthes. Anyone can come, as long as you're not afraid to get your hands dirty!

CP Tidbit for April

Unfortunately, there is no Tidbit for this month. If you have cultivation tips or advice you'd like to share, please contact me at 30howland@gmail.com

~ Ben DeMeo

Program Outline for 2009

Meeting Date	Location/Program
April 10	RWP Botanical Center Bog Rebuild
May 8	Logee's Greenhouse, CT TBA
June 12	RWP Botanical Center TBA
July TBA	Bog Walk
August TBA	Black Jungle cookout and Bog walk www.Blackjungle.com
Sept. 25-26	Annual NECPS show!

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New England Carnivorous Plant Society

An organization for the appreciation and enjoyment of carnivorous plants

Meeting dates and locations

Generally the society meets the second Saturday of each month at the greenhouses at the Roger Williams Park, Providence, RI at 12:30pm. Meetings are occasionally held at other locations. Visit the website for information on the next meeting and for travel directions:

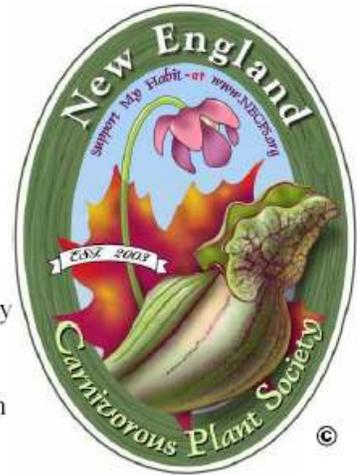
<http://www.NECPS.org>



Membership

Regular, \$20/year
Family, \$25/year
Student (any age), \$10/year

For more information contact:
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Please fill out form below and submit with payment to Shaun Montminy, Membership Secretary.

New England Carnivorous Plant Society - Membership Application and Renewal Form

Check one of the following: Application for: New Membership Renewing Membership

Type of membership: Student Membership (\$10) Regular Membership (\$20) Family Membership (\$25)

Type of payment: Cash Check (Please make check payable to "New England Carnivorous Plant Society") Check number _____

Please print the following clearly:

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Family names to be included and separated by semicolon ";" (if applying for family membership only):

Mail Address 1: _____

Mail Address 2: _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number _____ Email: _____

How did you hear about the NECPS? _____

Would you be able to attend the RI meetings? No Yes Yes, but I need to carpool

All new members please be sure to inquire about our welcome packs as well as getting your temporary membership card

NECPS Library Policy

The loan period for all items including: books, magazines, and videos are 1 month with one renewal period. No renewals are allowed for books, magazines and videos on reserve.

All material will be stored at a secure location deemed by the library committee and confirmed by the Executive board.

Failure to bring back books within 2 months will result in loss of borrowing privileges!

A valid membership number must be presented by any member wishing to check out any NECPS library materials. Cards are not transferable. You are responsible for any materials checked out in your name.

NECPS library patrons may take out one (1) item as they are willing to be responsible for. NECPS library patrons may sign up for one (1) additional book such that at the end of the meeting if no one has already signed up for the item you will be allotted to take that item for the duration until the next meeting. When there is a high demand for a particular item, there will be a limit of one (1) item per person. The only exception to the above rules are for approved functions by the Executive board that are sponsored by the NECPS may reserve any and all material providing a months notice is given to guarantee that material will be available.

The NECPS Library reserves the right to determine charges for lost or damaged materials and the right to deny borrowing privileges to anyone who has library materials overdue for more than two (2) months to the NECPS library or owes fines amounting to more than ten dollars (\$10.00) from the NECPS. The NECPS library also reserves the right to deny borrowing privileges to any parent or guardian whose child and/or children has the above delinquencies.

All material taken from the NECPS library is the responsibility of the NECPS library patrons. For one of a kind items NECPS library has the right to refrain from loaning the material and may keep it as a reference item to be viewed solely at meetings and functions.

Please be kind. Rewind the videos before returning them to the NECPS library. Patrons are responsible for damage to videos, so please be careful. Never leave the tape partially rewound as this can cause damage to the tape. Also, videocassettes and equipment are to be used at room temperature as extremes of heat and cold may damage the video or equipment. Also exposure to magnetic fields can cause erasure or distortion.

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NECPS Library Inventory

	Author	Donor
Lost World 2 DVD Set	Redfern Natural History Productions Limited	John Phillip
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Carnivorous Plants of the World	James & Patricia Pietropaolo	Shaun
Gardening with Carnivores	Nick Romanowski	Shaun
Growing Carnivorous Plants	Barry A. Rice	Shaun
Cryptozoo Crew	Allan Gross & Jerry Carr	Dave Sackett
Pitcher Plants of the Americas (softcover)	Stewart Mcpherson	Shaun
Pitcher Plants of the Americas (hardcover)	Stewart Mcpherson	John Phillip
Death Trap	Nature	Shaun
Death Trap	Nature	Shaun
Venus Flytraps Bladderworts, and other Wild	National Geographic Science Chapters	Blackjungle.co
Hungry Plants	Mary Batten, illustrated by Paul Mirocha	Blackjungle.co