



New England Carnivorous Plant Society

(www.NECPS.org)

July, 2013 Newsletter

As usual, there are **no formal NECPS events** for July, but our friends at Black Jungle in Turner's Falls, MA will have their annual carnivorous plant sale on **Saturday, July 20th**! See below for details.

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

President's Message

Summer is REALLY here! The heat of a New England summer is upon us now, just as the days start to get shorter. It is a little paradox of weather: the hottest parts of the year occur as the days are getting shorter, and the coldest parts of winter occur as the days start getting longer. Plants, especially tropicals, love this time of year -- High temperatures, high humidity, bright sun and long days. Even as we wilt in the sultry blast of a July heat wave, many of our plants thrive.

We may have to take some extra care for some of the cooler growing plants. *Darlingtonia*, *Drosera regia*, and high-altitude *Nepenthes* all suffer as we do on a hot July day. This is a time to watch our plants a little closer for stress, to water and feed them more (though plants left outside may feed like gluttons on the bugs available now.)

It's also a time for a trip to the beach, a walk in the park, a time to sit on the chaise lounge and sip some iced tea. Not a time for stress, but for getting ready for the fall.

When we started the NECPS over 10 years ago, we voted at the first meeting how often we would hold meetings. I had first thought every other month, six

times a year. However, the society voted overwhelmingly for meetings every month! 12 times a year, plus a soon to be added annual show! As a trade off, we decided NOT to have a meeting in July, the hottest time of the year (remember, we were meeting then as now in a greenhouse...and you ALL understand what a greenhouse can be like on a July afternoon!) So, traditionally, we have held no meeting in July, letting members enjoy the month with their plants as they like. We have had a few bog walks and a trip or two, but nothing formal. This year, we once again take the month of July off, to do as we all please.

So, take some time. Enjoy your plants, the plants we love. Spend some time inside on the hottest day, perhaps surfing the web for new plants. Enjoy a trip to a pond with family, and amaze them when you show them a *Utricularia* blooming, telling them it is a common carnivorous plant. But take some time, relax and enjoy summer.

And see you all in August, at the next NECPS meeting!

Namaste
John Phillip, Jr

NECPS President and Founder

New Members

Unfortunately, there are no new members for this month.

July Events

**As usual, there are No formal NECPS events in July.
The usual bog walk has been cancelled.**

1. Black Jungle, a distributor of carnivorous plants and terrarium supplies located in Turners Falls, MA, will have their annual Garden of Horrors Summer Killer Plants sale on **July 20th**! Hundreds of carnivorous plants will be on sale at 30% off.
2. **Save the Date** for our annual NECPS show! This year's show will take place on **Saturday, September 28 and Sunday, September 29** at the Roger Williams Park Botanical Center. This event, featuring thousands of carnivorous plants and opportunities to meet New England's top growers, is not to be missed!

NECPS 2013 Event Calendar

July	No meeting
August 10	(TBA)
September 14	Pre-show discussion and arrangements
September 28-29	Annual NECPS Show
October 12	Post-show reflection and self-evaluation
November 9	(TBA)
December 14	Holiday Social, Yankee Swap

Meetings, unless otherwise noted, are held at Roger Williams Botanical Gardens, 1000 Elmwood Ave., Providence, RI. from 12:30 - 2:30 PM. Regular program segments include: Bog pruning, Speaker or workshop, silent auction, plant displays, refreshments, and informal social discussion.

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Library News

A copy of the NECPS Library policy is appended to this newsletter. Please contact Don Gallant (d.gallant89@gmail.com) to suggest books that should be purchased or if you have books to donate.

On the following page is the complete NECPS library listing.

NECPS Library Inventory

Updated 01/27/2013

Title	Media	Author	Donated by
Lost Worlds 2 DVD set	DVD	Redfern Natural History Productions Limited	John Phillip, Jr.
Carnivorous Plants of the World	Book	James and Patricia Pietropaolo	Shaun Montminy
Gardening with Carnivores	Book	Nick Romanowski	Shaun Montminy
Growing Carnivorous Plants	Book	Barry A. Rice	Shaun Montminy
cryptozoo crew	Magazine	allan gross & jerry carr	Dave Sackett
Pitcher Plants of the Americas (softcover)	Book	Stewart McPherson	Shaun Montminy
Pitcher Plants of the Americas (hardcover)	Book	Stewart McPherson	John Phillip, Jr.
The Nature and Properties of Soils	Book	Nyle C. Brady	Bob Rafka
ICPS Newsletters, multiple	Magazine	Random authors	Shaun Montminy
Venus Flytraps, Bladderworts, and Other Wild and Amazing Plants	Book	Monica Halpen, National Geographic Science Chapters	Black Jungle
ICPS Newsletters, Apr 1972 - Dec 2006	CD	Random authors	Don Gallant
Little Shop of Horrors (DVD)	DVD	Warner Home Video	Shaun Montminy
The Curious World of Carnivorous Plants	Book	Wilhelm Barthlott, Stefan Porembski	Black Jungle
Death Trap (copy)	DVD	Nature	Shaun Montminy
Hungry Plants (grades 2-3)	Kids' book	Mary Batten, Step into Reading	Black Jungle
Hungry Plants (grades 2-3)	Kids' book	Mary Batten, Step into Reading	Black Jungle
Glistening Carnivores	Book	Stewart McPherson	Stewart McPherson
The Savage Garden	Book	Peter D ' Amato	Shaun Montminy
Lost Worlds of the Guiana Highlands	Book	Stewart McPherson	Stewart McPherson
Pitcher Plants of the Old World Volume One	Book	Stewart McPherson	Stewart McPherson
Pitcher Plants of the Old World Volume Two	Book	Stewart McPherson	Stewart McPherson

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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!

Any member wishing to check out any NECPS library materials must present a valid membership number. 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 have 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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