



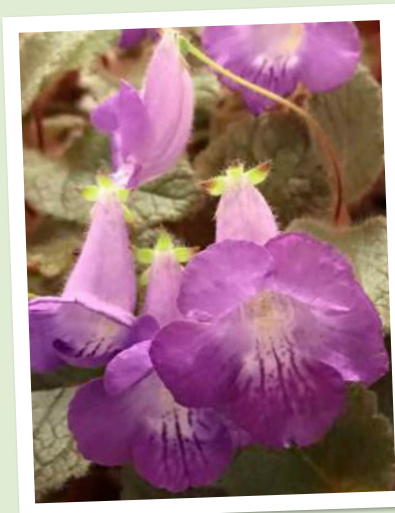
# Gleanings

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Welcome to the latest issue of **Gleanings**! This issue includes photos of gesneriads exhibited at the New York State African Violet Society's 2017 Convention Flower Show, information about the new Gesneriad Reference Web, and photos of my visit to Lyndon Lyon Greenhouses.

Hope you enjoy **Gleanings**!

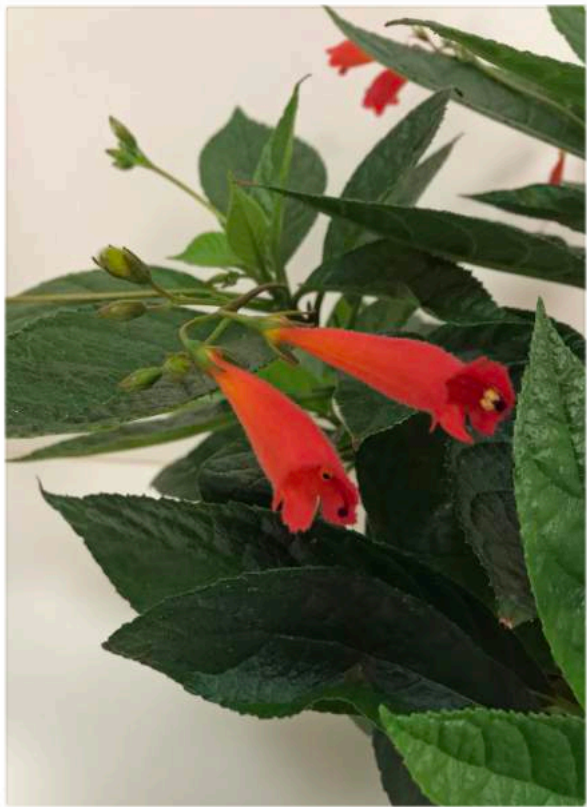
**Mel Grice**, Editor

Eileen McGrath, from Ontario, Canada, exhibited this very floriferous *Eucodonia* 'Adele' at the New York State AVS show. See more gesneriads from this show on the pages that follow.



# Gesneriads at the New York State African Violet Society 2017 Convention Flower Show

Mel Grice photos



*xRhytidoneria* 'Ako Cardinal Flight'  
Paul Kroll



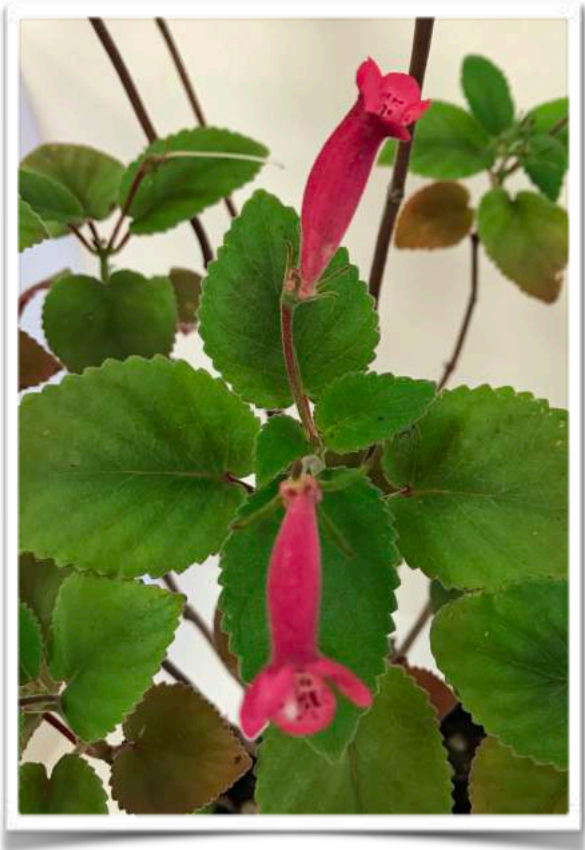
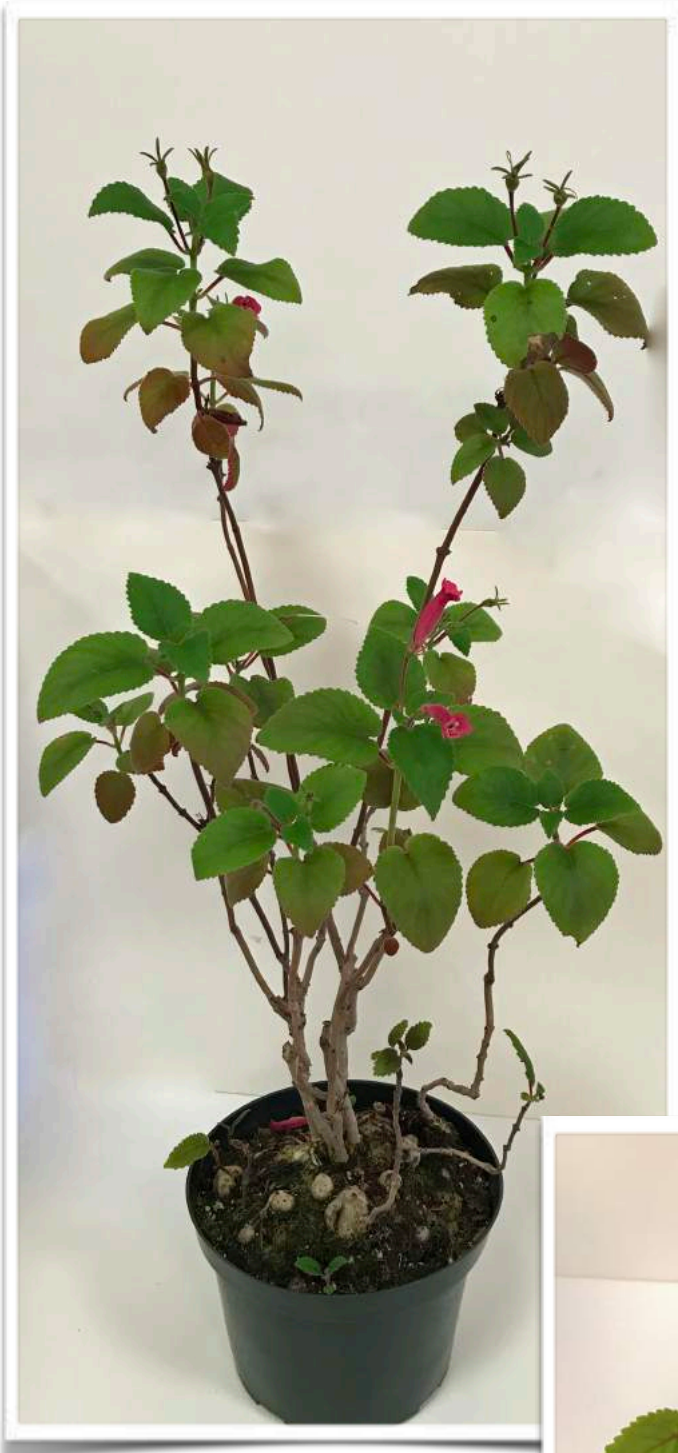
*Columnnea* 'Early Bird'  
Eileen McGrath



*Sinningia* 'Pink Tiger'  
Donna Coleman



*Primulina* 'Aiko' Red form  
Beverley Williams



*Sinningia reitzii*  
Karyn Cichocki

Notice how new tubers are spreading  
out from atop the old tuber.

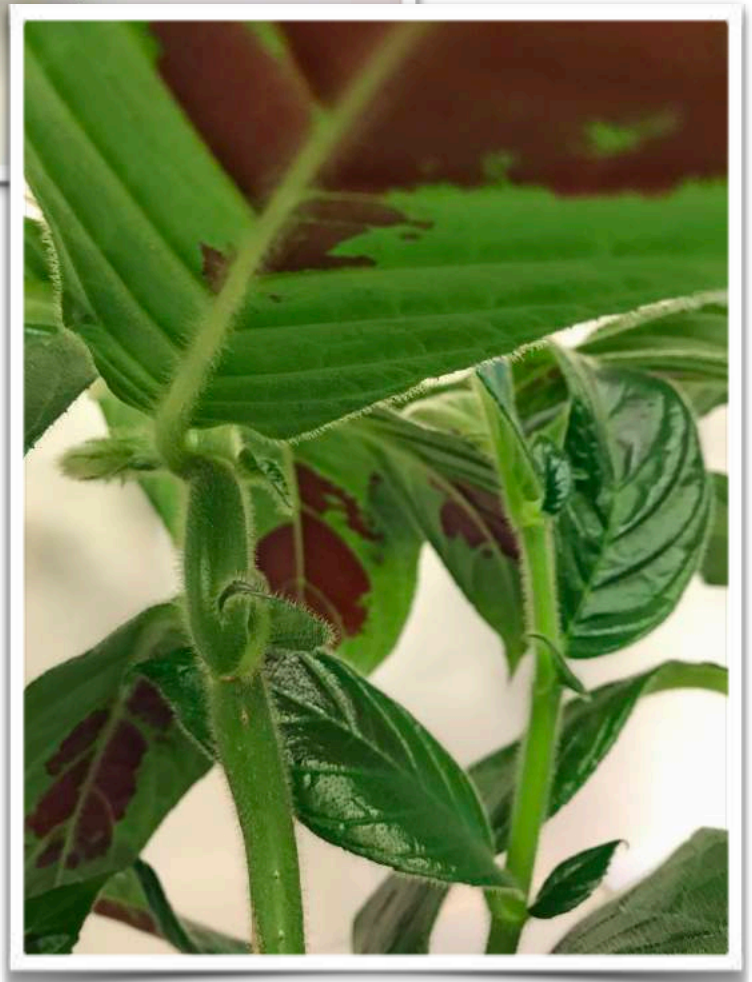


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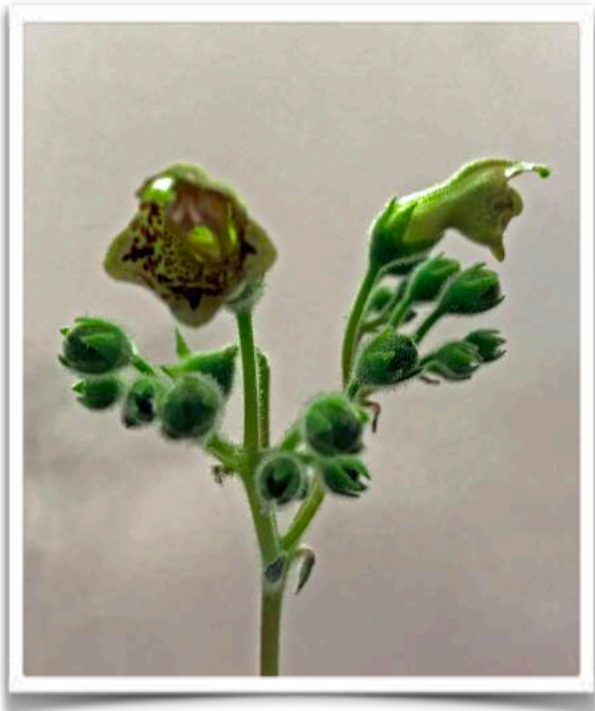


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*Columnea sanguinea* 'Gigantea'  
Margaret Califano



*Episcia* 'Pink Smoke'  
Paul Kroll



*Rhytidophyllum tomentosum*  
Karyn Cichocki



*Smithiantha* 'Little One'  
Eileen McGrath



*Streptocarpus* 'Zombie'  
Lee Hoke

Mel Grice photos

# *The GRW*

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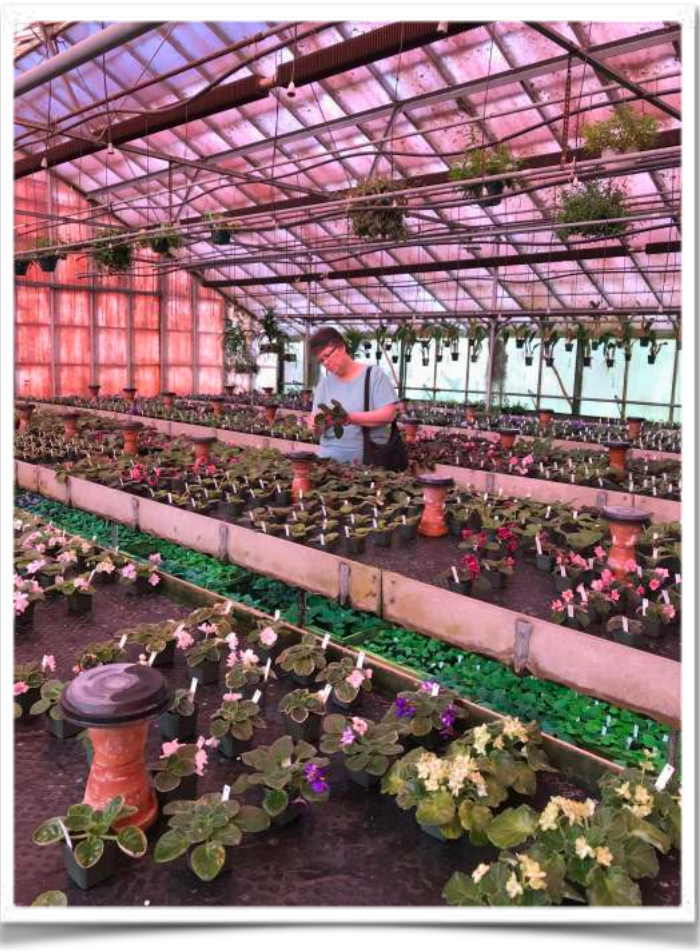
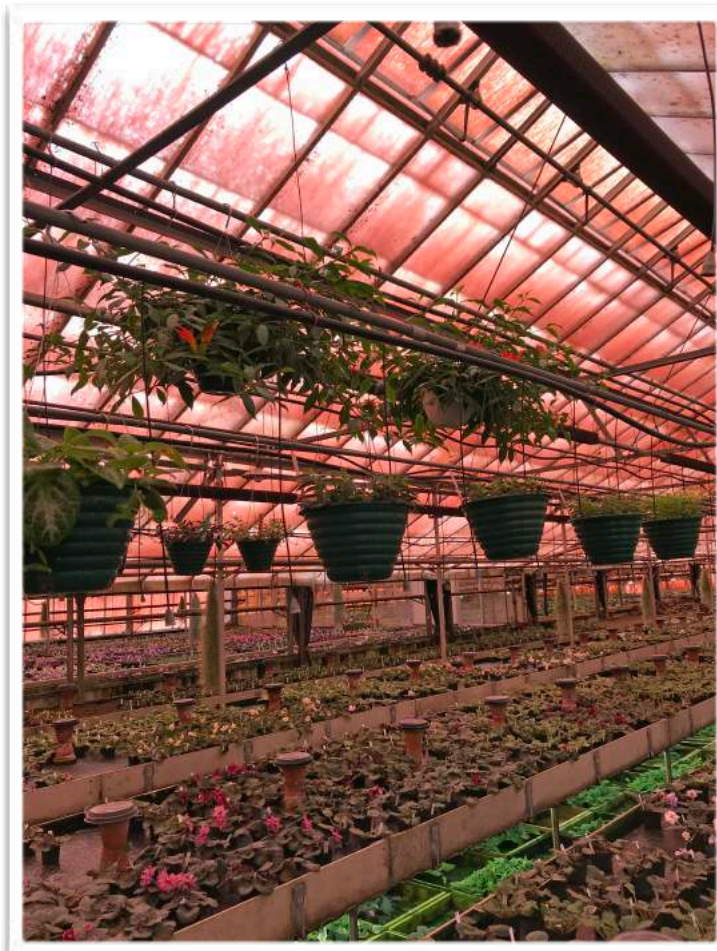
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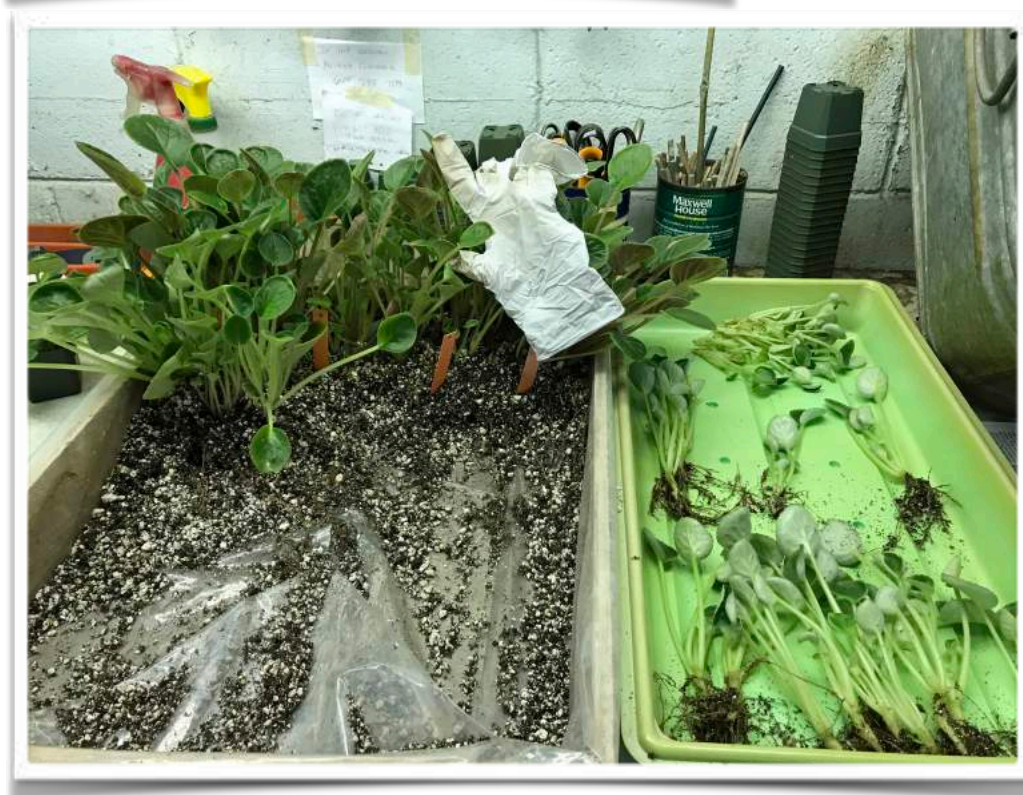
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# A Visit to Lyndon Lyon Greenhouses



Above - Julie Thompson examines one of the hundreds of Saintpaulia hybrids available for purchase.



Left - Clumps of a Saintpaulia hybrid in the process of being separated from their mother leaves.

Mel Grice photos



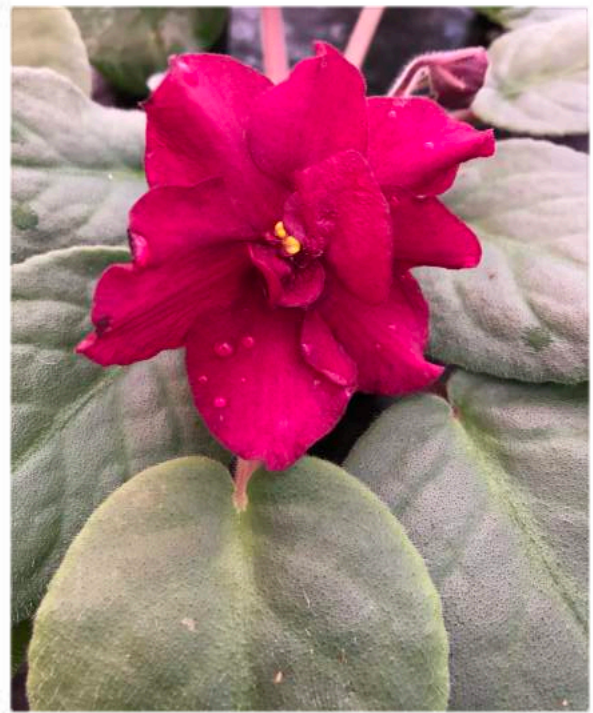
*Columnea dodsonii*



Julie Thompson and Emma Bygott



Saintpaulia hybrids growing under fluorescent lights under the benches.



*Saintpaulia* 'EK - Boi Bykov'

<http://www.lyndonlyon.com>



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Downloads are a great way to add these resources to your library of gesneriad reference materials. Each webinar is full of colorful photos and information from expert growers on growing and showing gesneriads. You'll find a webinar for: *Streptocarpus*, *Primulina*, *Achimenes*, *Kohleria*, *Petrocosmea*, *Episcia*, *Smithiantha*, and three for sinningias and two for African violets. In addition there is one on Artistic Design Arrangements. See all that are available at: <https://the-gesneriad-society.myshopify.com/collections/webinars>



## The Gesneriad Society



### Growing Smithiantha and Eucodonia: Two Sisters from Mexico

with  
Michael Riley

Michael Riley holding Smithiantha 'Sassy Redhead'



**From the editor —**

I enjoyed speaking to the Northern Illinois chapter of the Gesneriad Society and my visit to the New York State AVS show. Now it is time to get my van into the garage for winter.

If you have suggestions, comments, or items for possible inclusion in future issues, please feel free to contact me at [melsgrice@earthlink.net](mailto:melsgrice@earthlink.net)

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