

# CODS CORNER

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY

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Cindy Hyde, President

Naomi Liggett, Editor

Dear CODS Members,

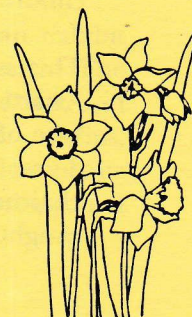
So glad you could take a break from daffodil digging to check out the exciting news we have for you:

- ♥ Our daffodil sweatshirt design has been added to a cream colored T-shirt. Sizes large to EE large are available for only \$11.00. Why not order two? Send your check made out to CODS to myself or Irene Moseley. (Please add \$3.00 if you need shipping)
- ♥ The Whetstone Bulb Sale will be held at Phyllis Hess' home on July 18. For more information call Nancy Kolson.
- ♥ Irene Moseley is investigating the possibility of selling daffodil jewelry pins. Information will be forthcoming.
- ♥ Betty Kealiher will host our September 24 cocktail party. (She promises to have a map available) The Member Bulb Sale will "kick off" the event at 3:00 p.m. Be thinking about what bulbs you can donate and what hors d'oeuvres you can bring.
- ♥ Phyllis Hess has some great "travel" programs planned for our 95-96 meetings.
- ♥ Because the ADS Convention will be held April 18-20, 1996 our show will be April 27 - 28. Betty Kealiher coordinated an excellent show this year and we look forward to being back at Franklin Park Conservatory in 96.
- ♥ Paperwhites, 'Galilee', are being ordered this year. Please contact Irene Moseley for more information.

A very big thanks to Irene for serving as President last year. She did a great job.

See you there!

*Cindy*



## THANK YOU

### Irene Moseley, Immediate Past President

A Taste of Spring, our Regional Show, was a great success in spite of the weather. It was wonderful having so many visitors. Many thanks to Betty who chaired the show and all who worked so hard to make it run smoothly. You know who you are.

Now, let us plan the future, not only our home gardens but we need to dig, plant and maintain the Display Garden at Whetstone. If you have a suggestion for programs let Phyllis Hess know.

Lastly, I want to thank all members of CODS for their help and cooperation this past year. I sincerely hope that all will continue in the new year to promote growing daffodils and stimulate the interest in daffodil culture. Let's make our daffodil garden at Whetstone a true show place!

## A TASTE OF SPRING REMEMBERED

### Betty Kealiher, Chairman

Franklin Park Conservatory turned out to be a great place to hold our show. The room was spacious, the staff really went overboard to make us feel welcome and to assist us with whatever we needed. The programs held there attract so many people, all flower minded and some of those who saw our show have joined CODS or were interested in knowing more about daffodils.

Our education display generated so much interest that it was necessary to run more copies of some handouts before the show on Sunday.

After the show opened on Saturday only one-half hour late, until we closed on Sunday, there was a continuous stream of people admiring our flowers. Some walked through rather quickly but others lingered, took pictures and asked questions. The children seemed to zero in on the miniatures.

This is the first year for the Chairman's Choice Award. It was a tie between Cy Rutledge with his vase of three 'Silken Sails' and Brandon Dean with a vase of three 'Dallas' in the Junior Section. The chairman is partial to vases of three and these two caught her eye. The award is an "Atta Boy" to each.

The first annual Brogden Bulb Award went to Naomi Liggett with her entry of a Brogden seedling. Spud and Joy are most generously making a bulb available to the winner of the New Zealand flower judged to be the best in show. Thanks Spud and Joy for remembering our show and its exhibitors in this way.

Twenty-five exhibitors showed 766 flowers in 365 entries and the show expenses were just under \$225.00. The flowers stayed in pretty good shape overnight. Even though the room wasn't as cool as we would have wanted, Mother Nature cooperated by giving us a rather cool weekend and it didn't start to rain until time to shut down on Sunday.

Because of a scheduling conflict with the National Show in 1996, the CODS Show will be held April 27 and 28, again at Franklin Park Conservatory. Hopefully, they will again be having the Butterfly Exhibit that attracts so many visitors. And prayfully we will all have plenty of late bloomers.

In conclusion, the cooperation of all the members made the Chairman's job an easy one; however, no one told me how tired my feet would be. I want to thank all of you who helped in any capacity. It's people like you who made this a great show.

## A TASTE OF SPRING SHOW WINNERS

**Gold Ribbon - Mary Elizabeth Blue Founder's Cup & William Pannill Award (Regional) - Nancy Gill**  
'La Paloma' 3W-GYR

**White Ribbon - Mary & Wells Knierim Award**  
Nancy Gill - 'Gull' 2W-GWW

**Miniature Gold Ribbon - Leonara C. Wilke Award**  
Helen Link - 'Woodstar' 5Y-YWW

**Miniature White Ribbon - Wells Knierim Award**  
Tom Stettner - 'Fairy Chimes' 5Y-Y

**Junior Ribbon - Christopher David Lang Award**  
Brandon Dean - 'Crystal Star' 2Y-Y

**Miniature Rose Ribbon - Leone Low - LL-2**  
*rupicola* x 'Pequenita' 2Y-Y

**Purple Ribbon - Walter T. Poppenger Award**  
Tag Bourne

'Phebe' 9W-GYO                      'Secret Circle' 9W-GYR

'Killearnan' 9W-GYR                'Thackery' 9W-GYR

'Andrew Marvell' 9W-GYR'

**Red-White-Blue Ribbon - Mary Lou Gripshover**  
'Ten of Diamonds' 9W-GGR, 73-22-10 'Dactyl' x  
Evans Poet 9W-YYR, 84-3-3 'Angel' x 'Fellowship'  
3W-GWW, 73-36-7 'Grace Note' O.P. 3W-GYY, 73-  
22-17 'Dactyl' x Evans Poet 9W-YYR

**Rose Ribbon** - Leone Low - RD 3-2 'Rainbow' x Duncan D965 2W-WPP

**Maroon Ribbon** - Leone Low

'Daydream' 2Y-W, 'Intrigue' 7Y-W, Havens SEH 21/10 ('Memento' x 'Lorikeet') 2Y-W, QE (Open pollinated) 1Y-WWY, UH 11-90 ('Euphony' x 'Hambledon') 2YYW-WW

**Lavender Ribbon - NorWest Flower Show Award** - Nancy Gill

'Mary Plumstead' 5Y-Y 'Stafford' 7Y-O

'Little Rusky' 7Y-GYO 'Clare' 7Y-Y,

'Bebop' 7Y-Y

**Throckmorton Ribbon** - Donna Dietsch

'Doctor Hugh' 3W-GOO Brogden 155/2 3W-O

'Sabine Hay' 3O-R 'Pogo' 3W-GYO

Brogden 172/8 3W-Y 86-21-1 3W-GGO

'Molten Lava' 3Y-YYR 'Moon Tide' 3Y-YOO

'Picasso' 3W-YYO 'Silver Snow' 3W-W

'Dalhauine' 3W-R 'Star Wish' 3W-GYR

86-20-3 3W-YYR 86-20-2 3W-ORR

Rivendell 3W-GYY

**Roberta A. Watrous Ribbon** - Naomi Liggett

*bulbocodium various* 10Y-Y 'Segovia' 3W-Y

'Chappie' 7Y-O 'Yellow Xit' 3W-Y,

'Stafford' 7Y-O 'Toto' 12W-W

'Quince' 12Y-Y 'Sundial' 7Y-Y

'Clare' 7Y-Y 'Xit' 3W-W

'Rikki' 7Y-Y 'Minnow' 8Y-Y

**Miniature Bronze Ribbon** - Naomi Liggett

'Segovia' 3W-Y 'Clare' 7Y-Y

'Stafford' 7Y-O 'Rikki' 7Y-Y

*bulbocodium various* 10Y-Y

**Green Ribbon - Cynthia Bell Memorial Trophy**

Cindy Hyde

'Akepa' 5W-P 'Elizabeth Ann' 6W-GWP

'Mot Mot' 8Y-R 'Bilbo' 6W-GPP

'Jovial' 5Y-O 'River Queen' 2W-W

'Belbroughton' 2W-WWP 'Hartgrove' 2Y-W

'Fragrant Rose' 2W-GPP, 'Chapeau' 2W-Y

'Sunday Chimes' 5W-W, 'Misty Glen' 2W-GWW

**Carey Quinn Ribbon** - Tag Bourne

'Dividend' 1Y-Y 'Silver Chimes' 8W-W

'Declare' 2W-P 'Silent Valley' 1W-GWW

'Hoopoe' 8Y-O 'Lemon Lyric' 2YYW-Y

'Triller' 7Y-O 'Fragrant Rose' 2W-GPP

'Sciopo' 2Y-Y 'Chelsea Girl' 2W-P

'Olathe' 3W-GYO 'Armley Wood' 2Y-YOR

'Intrigue' 7Y-W 'Poet's Wings' 9W-GYR

'Palmyra' 3W-YRR 'Maya Dynasty' 2Y-Y

'Chickerell' 3W-YYR 'Indian Maid' 7O-R

'Starmount' 2W-W 'Misty Morning' 2Y-P

'Altun Ha' 2Y-W 'Elizabeth Ann' 6W-GPP

'Killearnan' 9W-GYR

'Creme de Menthe' 2W-GWW

**Silver Ribbon** - Naomi Liggett - 22 blues

**Small Grower- Jean Wright Award** - Irene Mosely

'Star Wish' 3W-GYR

**Mary Lou Gripshover Award** - Grace Baird -

'Homestead' 2W-W

**Best New Zealand Bred** - Naomi Liggett

Brogden 95/1 3W-YYO

**CODS Trophy** - Tag Bourne

'Stafford' 7Y-O, 'Yellow Xit' 3W-Y, 'Rikki' 7Y-Y

**No entries:** Bronze Ribbon, Miniature Red-White-

Blue, Collection 12 Whites (Mary Knierim Award),

Novice Award, English Medal, AHS Gold Medal.

Only one entry AHS Silver Medal Class

## WINNING THE QUINN

Naomi Liggett

Two of CODS' members set a goal of winning three Carey E. Quinn Ribbons this year -- Ruth Pardue of Tennessee and Steve Vinisky of Oregon. They succeeded!

Ruth won her first in Atlanta on March 25, number two in Nashville on April 1 and the last on April 8 in Knoxville. Two of the outstanding flowers in her winning entry in The East Tennessee Show\* were 'Gold Shah' 2Y-Y and 'Pacific Rim' 2Y-YYR. 'Gold Shah' a Brogden introduction would have been a tougher competitor if the perianth had not cupped slightly. 'Pacific Rim' a 1995 introduction from Havens was just too perfect. It also won the White Ribbon for Ruth as well as the Gold. Besides these awards she also won the Throckmorton and the Red-White-Blue Ribbons. It makes me tired thinking of staging all those flowers!

Steve won first in Fortuna, CA on March 25, the second in Albany, OR on April 1 and the last in a first time show on April 8 in Portland, OR. This show was held in conjunction with the Hardy Plant Society. It had over 1000 blooms only one week after the Albany Show. I am sorry I have no information on Steve's winner.

Congratulations Ruth and Steve. You certainly outdid yourselves! Anyone needing pointers on staging a winning Quinn might contact Ruth and/or Steve.

\*This was a show that almost became an exhibit due to the early season in the Southeast. The Knoxville area was breathtaking with redbud, and pink and white dogwoods in full bloom. Tulips, early iris, azaleas, wisteria and many other plants were also blooming. a very unusual season I had the pleasure of enjoying.

## DAFFODILS IN SPAIN

Mary Lou Gripshover

March 31! That was the magical date to which I looked with anticipation and trepidation. Anticipation because I had long wanted to see daffodils growing in their native habitat; trepidation because I wondered whether I could keep up with Kathy Andersen and Marilyn Howe.

The day arrived, and after an uneventful flight I met Kathy and Marilyn at the Hertz counter in Madrid. No luggage was lost, no purses stolen. We were off to a good start. I should say here, that Marilyn gets the back seat of the car along with her maps and databases. Kathy and I will share the driving. Marilyn has done an incredible amount of research. Each time she finds an article saying where a particular species has been sighted, she makes an entry into her database. One species that they had not seen before was *N. dubius*. Marilyn's database pointed us in the right direction to try to find it.

Several hours south of Madrid, in rolling countryside with scrub oak growing among rocks, Kathy says the terrain looks promising and we should be on the lookout for daffodils. Yeah, right, think I. Sure enough, within a couple of minutes, Marilyn spotted *N. triandrus* growing along the roadside. Of course, we stop the car, and everyone jumps out for a closer look. *N. triandrus* grows singly, not in clumps, and while it was past its prime here, it was exciting to see my first daffodils in Spain. This procedure continued for the rest of the day. Bread and wine and other goodies are purchased for lunch, which we have in the car in the middle of a herd of goats.

Again the next day we found *N. triandrus* growing beyond a picnic area (where they had found it previously). Again it was in rocks and scrubby oak, again growing singly rather than in clumps, this time going up the hillside. Most had only one bloom per stem. Again they were past their prime, but we did find some good yellow ones, and a reverse bicolor. Kathy went much further up the hill and also found *N. cantabricus*, most of which was in seed. Companion plants blooming here were *Cistus albidus* and *Cistus ladanifer*. (Rock-rose)

The next species we found was *N. baeticus* which John Blanchard calls *N. assoanus* var. *praelongus*. It was growing on the mountainside in unbelievable limestone rocks. We're talking big boulders, here!

It was growing in great profusion. A small *Iris boissieri* was in bloom further down the mountain. Along the way we have seen red Flanders poppies, several kinds of *Cistus*, lavender and heath.

Following the smallest roads shown on Marilyn's maps (How small are they? They deteriorate to dirt roads in some places.), we cross lots of dry, high desert being converted to olive groves on our way to the Cazorla National Park. This route took us by a site that has been mentioned for *N. cuatrecasii* var. *segimonensis*. Again, it was growing in limestone rocks, some right along the road, and some higher up which Kathy climbed up to. Perhaps you're wondering how you can identify with certainty what you're looking at. When a plant has been described by a botanist or John Blanchard as being seen in a specific locality and you find a plant that matches the description, you're pretty sure what you've seen. That is the case with *N. cuatrecasii* var. *segimonensis*. We found it exactly where John Blanchard said it was. Companion plants here were *Helleborus foetida* and *Iberis*.

Kathy had seen *N. longispathus* growing in Cazorla National Park on a previous visit and that was the purpose of our visit this time. We drove the dirt roads for 16km then hiked about another 3km to see a grand group! These were the only non-miniatures we saw on the trip and they were quite tall. The Spanish call them "Narciso Grande" and it can grow to three feet tall. Most has one bloom per stem, but a few had the more desirable two blooms per stem. They grew amongst bracken in grass. A few *N. cuatrecasii* and *N. hedraeanthus* were also found in the Park. Her the companion plants were *Helleborus foetida*, *Iberis*, *Hepatica*, *Primula* and the Cazorla Violet.

The next day was a long driving day, as we headed north and east to the area where *N. dubius* was reportedly seen. It was the only day we didn't see daffodils, unless you count the "Narciso Grande" we got on a T-shirt. We looked in what we hoped were likely habitats for *N. dubius*, but no luck.

The next morning dawned cloudy, our first and only cloudy day. We set out for the Sierra de Salinas, checking likely locations, crossing on a one-way (well, that's all the wider it was!), gravel road that got smaller and smaller the higher up we got! Good thing no one came toward us, as I wasn't interested in backing down the mountain! We were about to give up, and head further north. On the freeway, we decide to take one last look, so we go off the highway, through what seems to be a

deserted town, to a rocky hill. Kathy says she'll climb up to look, just in case. She came running down saying, "It's up there, it's up there!" So Marilyn and I climbed up too and there it was. It was mostly over, but we found lots of seed capsules -- 1, 2, 3 and 4 per stem, some short, some tall. Such elation! We found one with two blooms open that was in fair condition, so I guess we all photographed that one. Then it was on to Teruel to look for *N. pseudonarcissus* ssp. *eugeniae*.

We set out early next morning for Valdelinares to find that much of the area is being built up for skiing; lots of condos, etc. There was still some snow at the ski run, but perhaps it was man-made. After looking in vain, we finally found it in abundance growing in very short turf. It grew all over the hillside, but there seemed to be a river of yellow as it followed the drainage pattern down the mountain. The blooms open almost at ground level and though they are short, the flower is not in proportion. Some have wide perianths, some are starchy.

We next went looking for *N. gaditanus*. We found it, though it looks very much like the *N. assoanus* which we found later. John Blanchard says in his book that "the eastern ones [where we were] seem more akin to *N. assoanus*, but the chromosome structure appears to be different." It differs from the description of *N. gaditanus* from the type locality. As with so many of the others, it grew in limestone rocks; the foliage was sprawling on the ground.

The next day we headed for the Monasterio where Kathy and Marilyn have observed lots of indiscriminate collecting of *N. jacetanus* in prior years. There was very little to be seen in the broad lawn of the Monasterio. On the way, we saw *N. alpestris* growing with blue and white *Hepaticas* in rather tall grass. *N. Assoanus* grew in abundance along the roadsides. The snow-covered Pyrennees mountains were off in the distance and were beautiful. But then I'm a sucker for snow-covered mountains. There were some *N. jacetanus* and *N. alpestris* growing together near the Monasterio and I found a couple of wild hybrids: one was a lemon-colored alpestris-type with less hooding of the perianth and the other was a very small alpestris-type, with little hooding.

Next day we went to Moncayo, to the top of the mountain, again on the dirt/gravel roads. At one place we stopped and found *N. bulbocodium* growing in the grass. Marilyn even found a two-headed one. At the end of the road, a Santuario is nestled

under a huge rock. On top of the rock is a grassy meadow with *N. ps. eugeniae* growing happily. The view was fantastic!

The last day, we found *N. rupicola* growing in rocks amongst pines. They were just coming into flower. Further down the mountain, we found the pale yellow form of *N. triandrus* var. *cernuus* in good condition, most with one bloom per stem, but some with two and even one rather large one with four blooms per stem. I wondered if this might have been a tetraploid. *N. bulbocodium* was growing in almost standing water. Still further down the mountain, we found *N. triandrus* and *N. rupicola* growing together on the rocks alongside the road, Kathy climbed up the rocks and found a couple of wild hybrids, X *rupidulus*. *N. b. graellsii* grew all over the grass in the Rascafria area, much like violets do here.

Thus ended our 10-day adventure. Some observations may be in order. Most of the species grew in rocks, which indicates that good drainage is very important. A good summer baking probably doesn't hurt, either. Quit taking all the rocks out of the garden! Kathy and Marilyn both take measurements of the flowers and keep extensive records. Kathy has a form she uses which includes: color code, flower diameter, perianth length x width, corona height x width, corona shape, perianth tube length x width, perianth tube color, anthers, style, pedicel length, fragrance, scape lengths, foliage length x width, foliage color, foliage habit, bulb color, bulb shape, soil pH x Tx and comments. She is very scientific. Site locations are recorded precisely. In some areas, we saw trash tied to trees, shrubs, etc., at the road's edge apparently to mark the spot for collectors to come back to gather bulbs. We considered taking all the trash off, but didn't.

So, I began with anticipation and trepidation. The trip was all I expected it to be and more. the trepidation was unnecessary. No one is expected to keep up with Kathy!

## DUES

CODS dues are now due. Please send your check for \$5.00 single, \$6.00 family made out to CODS. Elsie Hack, Treasurer, P.O. Box 276, Powell, OH 43065. If your dues are not received by August 15th your name will not appear in the roster this year and this will be your last *CODS CORNER*.

✓ Dues not paid

## WAYS & MEANS

### Irene Moseley Ways & Means Chairman

Irene will be placing an order for paper whites, 'Galilee'. Please let me know by July 15th how many you want. Price 60 cents each. Phone: 262-7333 615 E. Schreyer Place, Columbus, OH 43214

There are about fifteen bulbs of Rikki 7Y-Y for sale at \$2.00 per bulb. If you are interested, contact me. These bulbs are from Kathryn Culbertson's garden and more miniatures will be available next year after they are checked for correct naming. When they were lifted in their boxes this spring many had already bloomed. Some unsold bulbs are too small and will be replanted for later sale and all those not offered this year will be replanted to give them more space to increase in size.

## NEW MEMBERS

### Cecile Spitz, Membership Chairman

We welcome all the new members to our active society. We hope to see you at our gardens at Whetstone Park. All fourteen beds were in full bloom for two months this spring. The miniatures in drifts were absolutely gorgeous.

We are expecting all of you and spouses at our September Potluck Social in St Louisville. This is the best time to meet the members and spouses. Because of the distance this calls for car pooling.

Central Ohio Daffodil Society members also bring their best show bulbs for sale at very reasonable prices. They will help you select your dream bulbs.

I purchased Mexico City, 2Y-R show bulb, plus a pre-planted basket of miniatures for each member. I'll bring them to the social at Betty Kealiher's in September. Please come in September so all the members can become better acquainted.

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Linda Wallpe  
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## WHETSTONE GARDEN

### Nancy Kolson, Chairman

The rejuvenating of Whetstone's Daffodil Garden is now half done and it is really obvious that half has been worked on. It looks great!

This year we will be working on old beds #8, 9, 10 and 14. Bed #14 was dug on June 9th by Nancy Kolson, Lindsey Magliocca, Helen Meeker, Irene Moseley and Cecile Spitz. What a good feeling it was to get it done ahead of time! In the fall it will be raised and planted with the smaller bulbs (5's, 6's and 7's). We hope that by raising it we will solve the drainage problem and that bed will not collect all the water that runs down the hill, thus alleviating the loss of bulbs due to rotting.

Earlier, Cecile, Helen and I had checked these beds for clumps that showed signs of virus or nematodes. These clumps were immediately dug and discarded, so you shouldn't get any diseased bulbs at the bulb sale. Also, clumps that were not positively identified were removed and put into a miscellaneous collection that will be sold to the public at the new gift shop. They have a 10% consignment fee, which is quite low. Franklin Park Conservatory has offered to sell our surplus bulbs for a 20% consignment fee. Since we did so well last year through Whetstone Park, it is our intention to continue our relationship with them.

On the 17th, our scheduled digging date, 16 hard-working people helped out. Thanks to Grace Baird, Tag and Hube Bourne, Elise Hack, Phyllis Hess, Cindy Hyde, Susan Johnson, Betty Kealiher,

Nancy Kolson, Naomi Liggett, Irene Moseley, Ray Scholz and the Scribner clan--Rick, Jodi, Sara and Kaitlynn--we were finished digging by 10:30 and bagging by noon. Because of the copious rains we have been having, the bulbs were very large. They are drying nicely now and will be ready for the bulb sale.

The excess bulbs will be sold on Tuesday, July 18th at 7:00 p.m. on Phyllis Hess' front lawn. Come 10 minutes early to pick out your free bulbs for helping at the digging. Again this year, all bulbs will be \$.50 each for a double-noser or 2 rounds--a real bargain.

See you on the 18th!

## 1995 DAFFODIL SEASON

### Naomi Liggett

It seems that daffodil growers are always complaining about the weather. Last year we had a cold and late spring resulting in a shortened season. When warm weather finally arrived many cultivars opened in a short period of time and did not last long in the heat. This year after a fairly mild winter, the first part of March brought about ten days of approximately 70 degree temperatures. This brought on the early blooming miniatures and enabled some of us from the Midwest to have a few entries for the National Show in Dallas on the 16th of March. The first daffodil to bloom in my garden was 'Little Sunshine' 6Y-Y with all four scapes opening on the same day, March 12. Soon to follow was 'Spoirot' 12W-W, 'Little Gem' 1Y-Y, 'Snook' 6Y-Y, 'Kholmes' 12Y-Y, 'Bagatelle' 1Y-Y and 'First Kiss' 6Y-Y.

The early blooming standards were about a foot tall and buds well above the foliage when one night the temperatures dropped to 18 degrees and lower depending on where you lived. If you were able to cover them, the damage was lessened. For me the beds are too large and in the open, so consequently there was a lot of damage. Most all bloom on the early cultivars was lost and many stems were damaged and never stood again. Later damage showed up in blasted buds. This was the year I expected all the "down under" bulbs to be finally acclimatized and ready to set the show benches on fire. Oh well, there is always next year!

One good thing was that the cold did not seem to effect the miniatures. In fact it was one of the best

years for them in my garden. Maybe, their buds were low enough to be protected by their foliage.

The weather was generally cool and very wet and the season extended into the second week of May with *N. jonquilla* 10Y-Y, 'Woodstar' 5Y-YWW (newly planted), 'Skiffle' 7Y-Y, 'Baby Moon' 7Y-Y and of course several late-blooming poet hybrids, 'Dallas' 3W-W and Evans N-20's.

My season was further extended by the blooming of 'Sassy' 12Y-Y the end of May and 'Angel O'Music' 5Y-Y in time for CODS' Executive Board Meeting on June 7. 'Sassy' (*N. jonquilla stellaris* x *N. cyclamineus*) looks like a cyclamineus but because it sometimes comes with two florets per scape it is classified as a Division 12. I had one scape with one floret and one with two. 'Angel O'Music' is a sister seedling of 'Angel's Whisper' 5Y-Y and 'Angel's Breath' 5Y-Y. The catalog says it usually comes with three or sometimes four or more--this one has one scape with five florets. Where were you at show time? These two cultivars were planted in late December and are Tasmanian, Rod Barwick's (Glenbrook Bulb Farm), new introductions. They should be candidates for the ADS Approved List of Miniatures.

Just when I thought the season was finally over, some newly introduced standards from Rod Barwick (planted in late February) started blooming, 'Sighing' 7W-WWP and 'Riddle-Diddle' 5W-W. 'Sighing' was small enough to be a miniature, but that is probably because it is its first bloom in this hemisphere as 'Rheban' 2W-P Radcliff now in bloom is very small. First year blooms are never as good and with the high 80's weather they do not have time to grow before they are gone. Along with these standards 'Tanagra' 1Y-Y bloomed. Maybe some of the others planted in February will still bloom.

Why do the temperatures always get high when it is time to dig daffodils? The one plus of the above normal rainfall this spring was large bulbs, just like Holland. 'Segovia' and 'Xit' could pass for small standards. Hope you all have completed your digging. It's always a great feeling of accomplishment and relief to be finished!

Now, we can forget about daffodils for a couple of months. In your spare time why not write an article for *CODS CORNER*?

**DEADLINE OCTOBER NEWSLETTER:  
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