

## What's New

[www.avsa.org/WhatsNew.asp](http://www.avsa.org/WhatsNew.asp)

This portion of the website is dedicated to keeping AVSA members, affiliates and website users informed on what's new with the website and AVSA. Look here for new features and photographs posted to the site as well as important AVSA info of which you should be aware.

## Notes



Child (sub) pages are indicated by icons like the icon at the left which indicates that the parent page (such is Events): **(Do to misuse we no longer permit the posting of events by affiliates.** They must email the webmaster with the information to have an event posted to the website.)

Convention  
Info

Navigation to child (sub) pages is indicated by icons like the one at the left. Clicking on those icons will navigate to the topic indicated in the icon. **(Close the sub page, or click the "Back" button to return to the parent page.)**



Before using the Shopping Cart be sure to set up a Pay Pal account by going to <http://www.paypal.com> **(Remember all Pay Pal contacts will have your name included, they will have your name after setting up an account. If your name is not included it is not from Pay Pal.)**

***Urgent Message About Paypal Payments...*** For those of you using our cart system, please be aware that you **MUST** wait for the page to return you to our website prior to closing your browser!

<http://www.avsa.org>



## The Navigation Bar

Allows you to move between the major pages of the web site:



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The currently selected page is highlighted to remind you where you are within the website. Each page is highlighted as you move the cursor over it to aid in selecting that page.

## Affiliates

[www.avsa.org/LocalClubs.asp](http://www.avsa.org/LocalClubs.asp)

Clicking this navigation button opens a “**Regional Selection**” page where the viewer may select a region consisting of multiple states or countries. Select a region by clicking on one of the sixteen (16) listed regions containing the state nearest you or **Online Groups**. For example: [Region 7 ~ East Central States](#) Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio. An alphabetical list (by state) will be presented on the next screen showing meeting and contact information for every affiliate within that region.. You can scroll this list to find a club near you..

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## Committees

[www.avsa.org/Committees.asp](http://www.avsa.org/Committees.asp)

To find out who is on a **Committee**, select the committee name and a list of committee members will be displayed showing the member’s name, and , in some cases, their functional title. At the right of the name is [Email](#). If you click on this link it will invoke your email client (e.g., Outlook Express) and allow you to compose and send an email to this committee member. *(Note: If the underlined word Email does not appear to the right of the committee member’s listed name, that indicates they do not have an email address.)* All AVSA committees are listed in the pull-down menu for selection.

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## Contact Us

Invokes your email clients (e.g., Outlook or Eudora) to permit you to **send an email to the AVSA office**. This may be used to change your contact information.

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## Convention

[www.avsa.org/NationalConvention.html](http://www.avsa.org/NationalConvention.html)

This page contains information on many facets of the national convention. Here you will find.

- Current **awards** .
- Current and future **convention dates**.
- Convention and hotel registration forms and links.
- Convention reports.
- Plant entry form.

## Store

[www.avsa.org/Store/AVSAStore.html](http://www.avsa.org/Store/AVSAStore.html)

From the store page you can purchase any and all items sold by the AVSA Office. The first thing you will encounter on the page is **purchasing instructions** and **PayPal cart information**. On the right-hand side of the page are some recommended books along with the **First Class** and **Show Entries** programs. At the bottom of the page is a table containing brief descriptions of merchandise, books for hobby growers and books for show growers as well as computer programs, convention CD’s and DVD’s, culture folders, jewelry, Christmas ornaments and other items. Clicking on the item of interest will open either a window with additional information or the merchandise order form. If the window with additional information opens, and a description is displayed, another link to the merchandise form, or Amazon.com will follow the description. As with memberships and membership renewals, the **merchandise form** contains links to allow you to fill your [secure PayPal shopping cart](#) and pay for your ordered merchandise using a wide variety of debit, credit, or bank cards from most countries in the world with automatic currency exchanges into US dollars in a secure environment.

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## Vendor's

[www.avsa.org/Vendors.asp](http://www.avsa.org/Vendors.asp)

This page is designed to helping you find an AVSA vendor. There are three functions on this page:

- 1) Commercial Newsletter (requires a password),
- 2) AVSA Advertising Guidelines, and
- 3) Selection of Vendors.

When selecting a vendor you may choose All, or a State/Province. If you select “ALL” every AVSA Vendor in the database will display. When you select State or Province only the vendors in that state or province will be displayed.

The display will show name, address, contact information and available products handled by the vendor. *(Note: If you select a state/province and no vendors are listed, that indicates there are none within that jurisdiction.)*

## Membership

[www.avsa.org/membership.html](http://www.avsa.org/membership.html)

Navigating to the Membership page presents you with a list of the advantages of joining AVSA. Clicking on the “**Click here to join**” button at the bottom of the page opens the PayPal shopping cart window where you can select the membership type and pay membership dues using a wide variety of debit, credit, or bank cards from most countries in the world with automatic currency exchanges into US dollars in a secure environment. This function can also be used to **renew memberships**

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## Photographs

[www.avsa.org/Photographs.asp](http://www.avsa.org/Photographs.asp)

The Photo Gallery is one of the sites most heavily used features. It contains photographs of over 15,000 African violets. In addition, here you will find:

Commercial use of photos, including auctions, is prohibited without the donor’s permission. (Note: the webmaster does not obtain this permission for you as we do not keep contact information on the donors.)

Guidelines for submitting photographs, how to submit a photograph information, and personal versus commercial use policy.

From this page you may ‘explore the Russian varieties and the registered Russian varieties.

Select registered and unregistered varieties to view by the letters of the alphabet (first letter of plant name).

Note: we do not provide registration information as this can be obtained in First Class (see the store page for this software).

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Presentations descriptions.

Previous convention show and commercial winners.

Show room schedule.

Tour information.

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## Events

[www.avsa.org/Events.asp](http://www.avsa.org/Events.asp)

Affiliates may post African violet and gesneriad shows, plant sales, programs, instructional growing classes and judging schools here. Very useful when traveling and for finding shows to attend. Includes the location, event date and times, event description and contact information.

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## FAQ

[www.avsa.org/Faq.asp](http://www.avsa.org/Faq.asp)

The most popular feature of the website is the **frequently asked questions (FAQ)** page. Here you can research to find solutions to your growing problems, or ask an expert a question and receive an individualized answer.

On the left hand side of the screen, between the navigation bar and the page text is a **reference list** of useful information based on the questions most frequently asked of our experts. Here you can read about “**Basic Violet Care**”, “**Blossoms and Foliage**”, “**Dividing a Leaf Clump, Rooting Leaf Cuttings and Cross Breeding**”, the “**FAQ Subject & Topic Reference**”. “**Growing Problem Photographs**”, “**Leaf type Photographs**”, “**Plant Stand Alternatives**”, “**Problems, Pests and Treatments**”, “**Repotting**”, “**Starting a Leaf**”, “**Blooming Problems**” and “**Using two-part Ceramic Violet pots**”.

On the right-hand side of the screen you can view questions and answers from previously asked questions by category, and, if you do not find the answer to your question, you may submit your question for an individualized answer from one of our experts.

*(Note: To receive answers do not block emails from the webmaster who forwards them to you.)*

**Forms, Manuals & Reports** ◀

[www.avsa.org/  
FormsManualsReports.asp](http://www.avsa.org/FormsManualsReports.asp)

This page holds **Forms** for Award Donations, Committee Reports, Nominating and Plant Entry. Fill-out the nominating form to submit someone, or yourself, for consideration as an officer of AVSA.

**Manuals** found here are: the Convention Manual, the Officers, Directors & Committee Member's directory, and the Policy & Procedures Manual. (*All manuals require a password for access.*)

Here you will also find these **Reports**: Annual Reports (*password required*), Executive Committee Reports, Standing Committee Reports, Special Committee Reports and Special Appointment Reports. (Committee reports DO NOT require a password for access.)

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**HOME** ◀

[www.avsa.org/home.html](http://www.avsa.org/home.html)

Unless you specifically enter another page in the explorer bar, you are directed to the home page upon entering the website.

Here you will find:

- Selected Blurbs from the current African Violet Magazine (AVM) articles.
- Guidelines for using copyrighted materials
- Map quest AVSA office locator
- Link for changing your contact information or for making suggestions.
- Scholarship application

Note: the AVM magazine cover picture changes with each new issue of the magazine.

**Library** ◀

[www.avsa.org/Magazine.html](http://www.avsa.org/Magazine.html)

This page holds the most varied content of any other page. It contains AVSA materials, club schedules, year-books, membership and promotion, and photo shows as well as other **information**.

Open access is available to view **Membership and Promotion newsletters**, available **Library Materials**, a list of **African violet sports, favorite programs, Honorary Society Awards**, the **Honor Roll of African Violets** by year, or by name, a **First Class Presentation**, a **Vintage Violets—AVSA's Most Wanted** list, **Photo shows** of shows submitted by affiliates and several **Club Year-books** which can be used as examples for compiling new ones.

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**Links** ◀

[www.avsa.org/AvsaLinks.asp](http://www.avsa.org/AvsaLinks.asp)

Contains a list of links to other sites of interest to violet growers. Those listed sites may be visited by clicking on the links.

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**Magazine** ◀

[www.avsa.org/Magazine.html](http://www.avsa.org/Magazine.html)

The African Violet Magazine (AVM) page has one invaluable feature for researchers and writers ... the **AVM Index** which can be used to search for AVM articles from 1947 through the previous year by article index category, author or year. Previous to this, one had to manually search through each magazine to locate a specific article or articles.

Members only (password required) references such as the **affiliates list**, the **commercial list**, the **judges list** and **master list of species supplements** are also listed on this page.

Here you will also find a sampling of articles from the AVM which are intended to stimulate interest in the magazine itself; hence, membership and subscriptions.