

# Milton - Ulladulla

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## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Please, if you won a trophy last year [ 2017], return it at the September meeting [ front desk] or contact Rod Thomas to make arrangements for delivery.

### **RAFFLE WINNERS from August**

Meeting—TRISH SCOTT 3, TESS LEGGE 1,
JOY VERDINO 2, JEAN VIRGO 2, JO CHURCH
2, BOB HARPER 1, GARRY CALLAUGHAN 1,
LIZ CLEAVER 1, MICHELLE MCINTOSH 3,
MARILYN HIGGINS 3, SYLVIA HAWKINS 1,
ROD THOMAS 2, IAN SMYTHE 1, RHONDA
SPRY 2, HELEN THOMPSON 1, SUSAN VIRGO
2, KEITH MOODY 2, DOREEN CAMBOURN 2,
ANNEMARIE COLLINS 2, GARY MCCONNELL
3 and PATRICIA CALLAUGHAN 1.

Well done to all who went home with a new plant or item.

A big thank you to those who bring in items for the monthly meeting raffle or our 2 auctions each year—greatly appreciated. :)

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MEMBERSHIP IS NOW DUE
FOR 2018/2019—you need to
be financial by the A.G.M. in
October or no more newsletters.

## FROM THE EDITOR.

### SHOW US YOUR ORCHID HOUSES.

Send in photos of your orchid house or growing areas, to be put in our newsletter—orchid crawling by proxy.:) A.M.

**AUGUST 2018** 



**NEXT MEETING:** 10 th September, 2018

This month is our <u>Members Orchid Auction</u>.

10% goes to the club. Remember it is **ONLY** orchids. Remember to put your membership number on the tag in the pot, if you want a reserve put it on the tag also. Look through your collections and see what you have lots of, turn them into cash.:)

### **GROW COMPETITION.**

"Grow Comp. "plants - Sarco. Kulnura Kaliedescope 'Frangipani' x Roberta 'Good Yellow', & Den. Superstar 'Bright' [ 2017 comp. plant], should be brought along each month. There will be small squares of paper for you to write your name on [ place it under your plant, name down]. The table behind the President's seat is the spot to leave them. They will be judged and points given 1st— 3. 2nd— 2. 3rd— 1. These points are added to your points for monthly benching. Competition continues until one is brought in flowering. Bring them to the September meeting. We are hoping to see one in flower at our next meeting.

Good growing all. :)

### **ORCHID COLOURS AND MEANINGS Part 2**

# Green

The green orchid is said to symbolise nature, harmony and rejuvenation. It is thought that green orchids bring good health and fortune into the home.



# Blue

The rarest of the orchids and that most difficult to attain, therefore said to embody rarity, is the simply beautiful, blue orchid. As these flowers are difficult to find, you may often see blue orchids which contain dye to maintain their striking colour. The deep blue tone of the orchid is said to symbolise strength, authority and depth. Yet the calmer tones of blue, representing the ocean, is said to symbolise peace and calm.



# **Purple**

For many years, the colour purple has been closely linked to power or royalty and is a popular colour amongst the Royal Family. This is why you may hear the purple orchid be referred to as the 'true queen' amongst flowers. This orchid is a perfect gift if you want to show somebody you admire them, as it is said to symbolise respect and appreciation.

# White

The spectacular white orchid signifies innocence, purity and beauty. Yet can also be a sign of respect and humbleness. These elegant flowers are perfect for events such as a christening, engagement or wedding.





Welcome to these recently joined new members -

Helen & Garry Douglass, Pat & Garry Callaughan,

Trevor & Pam Hughes, Joy Verdino, and Ian Smythe.

### WISH LIST

Suzanne Brennan-Den. densiflorum

Anne-Marie C. - . Prosthechea cochleata [ octopus orchid], angraecum [ any kind or size]

Sam Burton—vellow Psychopsis

Michelle McIntosh—angraecum, Oncidium cheirophorum.

--FOR SALE-

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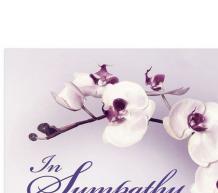
Milton Ulladulla Orchid Society would like to express sympathy to these members on the loss of their loved ones.

To Jo & Steve Church on the loss of her brother Steve Izard.

To Rod Thomas on the loss of his wife, Fae Thomas.

Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube on the loss of her brother Michael.

Anne-Marie Collins on the loss of her partner Colin Paynter. Page 2



# CLUB WINNERS from our August meeting:

# Open

Cym Stan 1st no 3 Liz Cleaver and Tony Groube
Cym. Intermediate 1st no 4 Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube
Cym. Mini 1st no 5 Pat & Garry Callaughan
Paphaepedilum equal 1st no 8 Yvonne Young

& no 9 Bob Harper

Native hyb 1<sup>st</sup> no 12 Michelle McIntosh
Native Species 1st no 42 Pat & Garry Callaughan
Onc Alli 1<sup>st</sup> no 57 Lyne & Brian Phelan
Misc 1st no 63 Lyne & Brian Phelan
Species 1<sup>st</sup> no 67 Bob Harper

Seedling 1st no 72 Michelle McIntosh

Fern 1st no 73 Bob Harper

### Intermediate

Cym. Standard 1st no 74 **Rod Thomas** Cym. Intermediate 1st no 75 **Rod Thomas** Cym. Mini 1st no 77 **Rod Thomas** Native Species 1st no 78 Ron Cox Native Hybrid 1st no 80 **Rod Thomas** Misc 1st no 81 John Harriman **Species** 1st no 82 John Harriman

### **Novice**

Cym. Standard 1st no 83 Jo Church Cym. Intermediate 1st no 84 Helen Douglass Cat to 70mm No 85 **Helen Douglass** Native Hybrid 1st no 86 Jo Church Native Species 1st no 89 Jo Church Onc alli 1st no 94 Jo Church **Species** 1st no 98 Jo Church

# **Popular Vote**

**Open** 1<sup>st</sup> no 57 Lyne & Brian Phelan

2<sup>nd</sup> no 12 Michelle McIntosh

### Intermediate

1<sup>st</sup> no 74 Rod Thomas Equal 2<sup>nd</sup> no 75 Rod Thomas & no 76 Ron Cox

### **Novice**

1<sup>st</sup> no 84 Helen Douglass2<sup>nd</sup> no 93 Helen Douglass

### RECORD NUMBER OF ENTRIES !!!!!!!!!!! 98

Well done to those who benched & the best of luck to everyone with your growing, flowering and benching in 2018.





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### **GROW COMP. WINNERS:**

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1<sup>st</sup> Doreen Cambourn 2<sup>nd</sup> Helen Thompson 3<sup>rd</sup> Michelle McIntosh

# ${\bf Dendrobium}.$

1<sup>st</sup> Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube 2nd Michelle McIntosh 3rd Doreen Cambourn.

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### **WINTER 2018 SHOW**

From our President—Bruce MacIntosh.

I would like to report that the Winter Show was very successful, in plants benched, over 160, income received, and sales of orchids, posies, etc. up. We were able to nearly sell all the cymbidiums we purchased from Firetail Orchids which  ${\color{red} {\it November}}$ greatly helped sales.

Champion of the Show went to Liz. Cleaver & Tony Groube with their Dockrilla Tweetas "Red Lips". Reserve Champion was Michelle McIntosh with her Oncidium Twinkle Fragrant Fantasy. Novice Champion was Alan Coulton with his Paphiopedilum Nitens [insigne X Vellosum]. Congratulations to these members and all other Championship Winners and all first and second place winners in all the various classes. I would also like to thank all members who benched plants in

the Show, 23 in total, as without you, the displays of orchids would have not been nearly as spectacular.

Numbers of the public attending were slightly down on last year's Winter Show, although it didn't seem like it at the times when things became quite hectic.

I would now like to thank all those members, without individually naming you, who helped out at the Show, including those who manned the entrance door, sold raffle tickets, made and sold posies, manned the sales table, acted as runners for the judges, the show marshals, did the advertising, acted as recorders and erected advertising banners & signs. Without this help, the Show would not have been the success it was. B. McIntosh



Stunning display at the August meeting of dendrobiums.

# 2018 PROGRAM

# September

7-8th - Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society Spring Show

8 th — Woolworths Promotion, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

10th—General meeting— Member's orchid auction [ 10% to club]

15-16th - MUOS Spring Show

### October

8th - MUOS A.G.M. & Spring Show presentation of Trophies

19th-20th Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society Native Show

12th—General meeting—guest speaker—Paula Brown [Sarcochilus ]

# <u>December</u>

<u> 10th – MUOS Christmas Party</u>

# **Society Polo Shirts**

Society Polo Shirts can be ordered from the Secretary. These are coloured purple with a white logo and are available in the following sizes. See the Secretary if interested in one.

Ladies 8-24 Mens to 5xL

# Displaying Orchids - a few general rules for Shows and **Club Benchings by Tony Groube**

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- . Plants should be pest and disease free
- . Plants should be clean and in good condition (wipe leaves with a damp cloth)
- . Plants should have been in the **possession** of the exhibitor for at least six months
- . Benching times should be observed, benching cards should be prepared prior to arrival at venue
- . Flowers should be open and fresh and not going over
- . Give your orchid its best chance by letting it be seen (good staking, elevation on the bench etc)

You can avoid embarrassment by following these simple steps and not having your exhibit deemed unsuitable for display. Show Marshals or benching officials will offer assistance for the odd titivation required, but cannot be expected to 'prepare' the entire plant for display.

# **Our August speaker was Dennis Dempsey**

He was awesome, not only did he talk on roses but went through a number of techniques to propagate fruit, vegies and flowers. The members were quiet and focussed, a splendid sight and I'm glad I didn't miss it. Here are some photos from his talk, however, the talk was straight from his thoughts and there are no notes. He does have 2 great recipes.

Weed killer. 2 litres cleaning vinegar, 1 cup common salt, 1/3 cup dishwashing liquid and 1-2 litres water. Place in 5 litre pump-up spray unit, shake vigorously. Pump, spray directly on to weeds. CAUTION—it will kill good plants, so be accurate. Spray during heat of the day for maximum effect. Insect[aphids]/black spot/powdery mildew spray. 3 level teaspoons bi-carb soda, 1 desert spoon dishwashing liquid per litre of water. Mix bi -carb. soda and dishwashing liquid in container to runny liquid, pour into water and agitate. Then spray where needed. Can be used on apples, ornamentals and a range of plants to discourage insects. NOTE: use immediately as it has no shelf life. Thank you for an excellent talk, Dennis.:) AM









### Welcome to our virtual orchid crawl.

Each month we will show you some of our members' orchid growing areas.

Carolyn Campbell [ Novice] - was first to send in her growing area

pictures thank you :)



Here's Lynne & Brian Phelan's [Open] orchid growing areas.



Glass house ^ and shade house [below]



Verandah



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# NOVICE CORNER BY A.M. & J.C.

# All novices need help.

Our questions need answers and we learn by doing, seeing, hearing and picking the brains of experience growers.

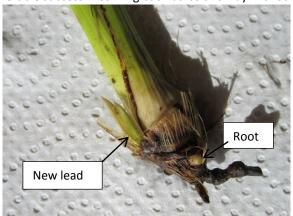
If you have a question—send it to the editor and we will try to find the answer for you.

# **Propagating Cymbidium Orphans**

Try as you might to keep new growths attached to a viable group of cymbidium back bulbs you sometimes accidentally 'orphan' a new growth. It becomes separated from the divisions. In the past I have discarded these single, rootless growths thinking them unviable.

In April this year I was dividing a very overcrowded plant of *Cymbidium* Scallywag and ended up with two of the new growths completely detached from the divisions I had made from the mother plant. Instead of throwing them into the bucket with the dead roots and old potting media I put them into some water. Some readers will know I propagate my back bulbs (cymbidiums and cattleya alliance) by simply putting them into

a plastic cup with some water. I saw this idea in an American orchid journal and have had considerable success in striking back bulbs this way in a lot less time than putting them in sphagnum or other media.



To my surprise, in the space of 4 months, the two Scallywag orphans both made new leads and new roots are starting to grow. I am quite chuffed about this as this Scallywag was given to me by a dear friend who has since passed away. I'll let the roots develop a bit more before I pot them up into regular media.

So, instead of cursing and kicking yourself when a careless cut orphans a perfectly healthy growth, try the 'hydroponic propagation' method. It only takes a plastic cup and some water and what have you got to lose?

**By Lynne Phelan** 

### Some of our Winter Show 2018 trophy winners.



Tony Groube & Liz Cleaver Champion of Show



Michelle McIntosh Reserve Champion of Show



John Clancy Champion Seedling

### Premium Hunter Valley table wines.

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### **Orchid Supplies**

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Get Well Wishes to any club member that Is unwell.

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The committee would like to thank those generous members that provide the goodies for afternoon tea and also the members who bring in plants etc. for our monthly raffles. Also we thank the people who help set up and clean up the hall as with many hands it doesn't take very long.



# -REMEMBER -

Please do not water your plants before benching them, at our meetings or shows, as it makes quite a mess. Thank you. :)

