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2019 Christmas Party.

Please make sure you let Bruce know if you haven't already—that you wish to come to the Christmas Party. It is on Monday, 9th December. You only need to bring your beverages and own cup or glass. AM:)



BUNNINGS B.B.Q. Fund Raiser.

We have another Bunnings B.B.Q.. It is on Sunday, the **8th December** and **more volunteers are needed**. If you can give an hour or two or more, it would be very appreciated. Please **ring Bruce McIntosh**, to tell him when you can help. This is an event, that helps pay for our **Christmas Party**, which is free this year.

AM :)

NOVEMBER 2019



NEXT MEETING: Monday, 9 th December 2019

This month is our Christmas Party. There will be special raffles and yummy food. :)

CWA Hall 55 Wason Street, Milton NSW Plants are not benched this month.

RAFFLE results in November:)

Visitors 5, Bruce McIntosh 2, Bob Harper 2,

Helen Thompson 2, Liz. Cleaver 2, Helen Douglas 1, Mildred Hughes 1, Caroline Campbell 1, Charlie Weir 1, Jo Church 1, Ron Boyd 1, Anne Moody 1, Doreen Cambourn 1, Yvonne Young 1, Joy Verdino 1.

Thank you to all who buy tickets or bring in items for our raffle & auctions.
A.M.]





It is with sad feelings, I am informing you of

Frank Bower's

passing. He was a lovely man and he will be missed.

His orchids were his passion and he did well with them.

Our condolences go to his family and friends, in this sad time.

2020 Dates for your diary.

Monday, 10th February—first meeting of the year.

Topic is "How to vote."

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

Frank Bower's orchids

Frank Bower's orchids are for sale. You can ring Bob Harper on 44540497, as they are at his place. They are priced between \$5.00 and \$30.00 :(AM









Welcome to our club.

NEW MEMBERS are always welcome.

WISH LIST

Bob Harper—Sarc. George Coulthorpe X Bessie

Sam Burton—yellow Psychopsis

Michelle McIntosh — Oncidium cheirophorum.

Liz Karacsonyi — Dock. Aust. Ginger

Doreen Cambourn- Dendrochilum Cobbianum

Teresa Bourke—Cym.Death Wish 'Speckled Spectre'

- Cym. insigne 'Alice' or 'Atlantis' or 'Best Pink'

Dianne Slye—[Zygoneria Adelaide Meadows X Zygopabista Beenak Jester] X Zygote Arthur Elle 'Essendon' AM-AD/AOC

Anne-Marie Collins- Ming fern, foxtail fern, aspidistra [variegated and normal] [for posies], also an alba stanhopea.

Marie Martin - an alba or white stanhopea

Rod Thomas—Den. Enobi Purple 'splash'

--FOR SALE-

Do you have an orchid for sale?

Let Anne-Marie know and it will be put here.



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PROBLEMS THAT AFFECT DENDROBIUM GROWTH

- sap feeding insects
 - -scale
 - -mealy bug
 - -aphids
 - -white flies
 - -spider mite
- chewing pests
 - -snails & slugs
 - -caterpillars
 - -roaches & grasshoppers
 - -dendrobium beetles
- damaging to new growth
 - -cold weather
 - -sunburn
- -fertilizer burn
- -salt toxicity
- fungi
 - -Glomerella fungi
 - -Cerostora Dendrobii
 - -Colletrotrichum Fungi
 - -Phyllostichum Fungi
 - -Phytophora Rot [Brown Rot]
 - -Pythium Rot [Black Rot]



POTTING MEDIA

For larger pots over 150mm

- -6 parts 18mm treated bark
- -2 parts 12mm bark
- -2 parts 12 mm volcanic rock [scoria]
- -2 parts coarse giant perlite
- -2 parts coarse charcoal
- -1 part granulated cow manure

FERTILISER

- •Give to plants after their rest period when buds start to appear.
- •Sprinkle blood and bone at the start of the growing period (after flowering).
- •Fertilise at every watering during the growing period.
- •Twice per year dust leaves with 50% blood and bone and 50% dolomite then soak with water.



Monthly preventative mix:

- •Eco seaweed at 1gm per litre
- •Eco fungicide at 4gm per litre
- •Eco oil at 8ml per litre
- •Eco neem at 2ml per litre

Watering

- -•Water in early morning before sun hits the leaves.
- -•Water daily in summer, and again in late afternoon if over 35 degrees C.
- -•Saturate the ground to increase humidity.
- -•Reduce watering during the rest period (in winter).



For smaller pots

- -6 parts 12mm treated bark
- -2 parts 12 mm volcanic rock [scoria]
- -2 parts coarse giant perlite
- -2 parts coarse charcoal
- -1 part granulated cow manure

By Garry Hodder [November speaker]

CLUB WINNERS from our November meeting:

Open

Cymbidium MIN 1st 1 l. Cleaver & T. Groube Cattleya less than70mm 1st 7 L. & B. Phelan

Cattleya over 70mm 1st 8 L. & B. Phelan
Dendrobium 1st 9 G. & P. Callaughan

Native Hybrid 1st 20 L. & B. Phelan Native Species 1st 30 J. Clancy

Oncid. Alliance 1st 34 L. & B. Phelan

Miscellaneous 1st 36 L. Cleaver & T. Groube Species 1st 44 G. & P. Callaughan Vandaceous 1st 47 L. Cleaver & T. Groube

Phal. 1st 48 J. Clancy

Seedling 1st 49 L. Cleaver & T. Groube

Intermediate

Dendrobium

Cymbidium MIN 1st 50 J. Church
Paphiopedilum 1st 51 J. Harriman
Cattleya less than 70mm 1st 52 R. Thomas
Cattleya greater than 70mm 1st 91 J. Church

1st

Native Hybrid equal 1st 62 & 66 both J. Harriman

57 J. Harriman

Native Species 67 J. Church 1st Oncid. Alliance 74 J. Harriman 1st **Oncidium Species** 1st 76 J. Church Miscellaneous 1st 77 J. Church **Species** 1st 79 J. Church 81 H. Douglass Vandaceous 1st

Novice

Dendrobium 1st 84 A. & K. Moody

Oncidium Alliance equal 1st 687 & 88 both G. Douglass

Vanda 1st 89 G. Douglass Phal. 1st 90 C. Campbell

Popular Vote

Open 1st 44 P. & G. Callaughan

Intermediate 1st 67 J. Church

Novice equal 1st 83 G. Douglass & 84 K. & A. Moody

Well done to those who benched & the best of luck to everyone with your flowering & benching in 2019. :)

GROW COMPETITION RESULTS— NOVEMBER

1st Mildred Hughes

2nd Marie Martin

3rd Yvonne Young







NO. 84

NO. 83

NO. 44

NO.67

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





This month we are looking at Stanhopeas. Stanhopea orchids are unusual in having flower stems that grow downward through the potting medium, and will then emerge from the bottom of a basket or net pot.

Occasionally, they merely grow over the edge of the basket, but this can't be relied on.

You can <u>make your own baskets</u> if you're handy, otherwise buy commercially-made <u>teak baskets or net pots</u>.

The flowers are very unusual and <u>fragrant</u>. They are pollinated by male euglossine bees, which collect the flowers' fragrance to entice females. Most species attract only a single type of pollinator. The flowers are very complex and attractive in appearance, but typically last only a few days.

WATERING -They like to be kept moist, so <u>water</u> <u>frequently</u>, such as daily. I suggest a <u>potting</u>

mix of sphagnum moss, fine bark, and maybe some rockwool, coconut fiber, or osmunda. Don't let them dry out too much. The extra airflow through the basket helps prevent the roots from suffocating, but overwatering is still possible if you water a LOT.

LIGHT—Bright light is good, about 3000 footcandles, similar to lighting for a <u>Cattleya orchid</u>. Direct sun is too much, though.

Intermediate temperatures work well; **TEMPERATURE**—Try for 21-25C during the day, 6-8C, cooler at night. **HUMIDITY** -Try for about 70% humidity. They like it to be at least 50%.













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.

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Orchid Supplies

Karen has new stocks of Orchiata bark at \$35 per bag and is offering 15% discount on pots to orchid club members – proof of membership should be provided please.



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Get Well Wishes to any club member recovering from surgery or sickness . :)



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. :)



Did you know?

If you receive your newsletter by email, we are now sending to you [interesting reading] newsletters sent by other clubs that the Secretary receives.

If you don't want this to happen, please let Anne-

If you don't want this to happen, please let Anne-Marie know by email [ARIMANEE@YAHOO.CO.UK]. Thanks A.M.