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**2019 Christmas Party.**

Please make sure you add your name to the list, for those attending the 2019 Christmas Party. It is on Monday, 9th December. The list will be on the back table, at the November meeting. AM :)



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**RAFFLE results in October :)**

H. Thompson 4, J. Brennan 3, K. Moody 3, S. Hawkins 2, J. Church 2, R. Thomas 2, A.M.Collins 1, G. Callaghan 1, T. Legge 1, B. Mison 1, D. Cambourn 1, S. Virgo 1, S> Gallant 1, S> Burton 1, J. Verdino 1, M. Higgins 1 & C> Weir 1.

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

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**Congratulations & Well Done ! :)**

Well done to the 2019 Committee for such an excellent year, our Society has had.

Congratulations to our 2020 Committee for their willingness to be the leaders of our Society. A.M.

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Monday, 11th November 2019**

This month our guest speaker is Gary Hodder, who will be speaking on dendrobiums. This promises to be



an excellent talk.

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CWA Hall 55 Wason Street, Milton NSW

Plants to be benched from 1pm, once all is set up, and before 1.30 pm.

**GROW COMPETITION.**

Grow Comp. plants can be brought in for judging, each month. They go on the table under the projector screen—write your **NAME** on the paper provided and place under your plant, ready for judging. **Brassidium Tigerlily**

**“Tinonee”** . Good growing all. :)



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 2018/19

For the past two years I have undertaken the positions of President and Secretary, as the Society has been unable to find anyone to replace Sylvia Hawkins, who retired from being President at the end of 2016/2017. It is with much pleasure that I am able to report that a new President elect has been found and that I no longer have to carry on in two positions. I would like to thank all members for the support I have received over the past two years. Thank you very much.

Turning to the operations of Society, I am once again able to report that the Society continues to go from strength to strength, with membership at an all time high of around 90 members.

Financially, the Society has never been as sound, as you can see from the Treasurer Rod Thomas's Report.

The standard of orchids being benched at monthly meetings and our Winter & Spring Shows has been excellent. The Show Marshalls, Tony Groube & Liz Cleaver did an outstanding job and reported that at the Winter Show, not one plant had to be rejected that was not up to show standard and that out 213 plants benched at the Spring Show only two plants were rejected.

Both Winter and Spring shows were very successful both financially and by participation of members benching plants. I would like to congratulate all members who took part in the benching of plants at the two shows and at monthly meetings. Also thank you to all those members who gave up their time to assist with the running of the shows as, without your help, it would be impossible to conduct the shows.

The Intermediate Class is progressing quite well, with 7 members now in this class and with the standard of benching being so good in novice class, both at meeting and show level, more members will be progressing into Intermediate class in the not too distant future.

To all those members who won awards at the shows and in the point score competition, congratulations.

I would also like to pay tribute to all members who benched plants in all competitions and helped the Society throughout the year, without your help, we would not function.

Bruce McIntosh,

President

### **SPRING SHOW PRESENTATION 2019**

Our presentation for the Spring Show winners happened at our last meeting. Here are some of the winning smiles. John Clancy   Tony Groube & Liz Cleaver   Sam Burton   Wayne Hamilton

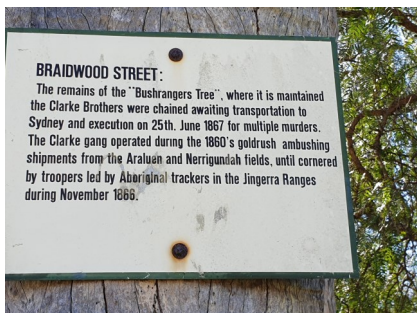


## THANK YOU



Thank you to B.B.O. & F.S. for inviting our members to the **3 club's Friendship Outing** ,at **Nelligen** , on the 28th September. It was a lovely day to chat and meet other people, who have the same hobby. We enjoyed the b.b.q. put on by Batemans

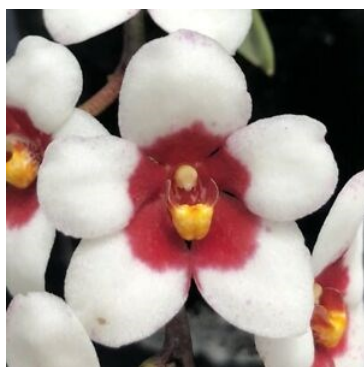
Bay. Unfortunately the orchids weren't there to see, as there had been too little rainfall. :( But we enjoyed ourselves. Well done Bruce



McIntosh for bringing a lovely big pavlova for dessert. Thank you to Barbara Williams for the photos. :) A.M.

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We also enjoyed our visit to **Paula & Michael Brown's orchid houses** , on 26th October, where we saw stunning sacs. Paula was a guest speaker last year and we thank her for letting us visit. We were wowed by so many flowers and plants, in many colours. Barrie McPherson gave a great demonstration on breaking up a speciosum.



He even used a tommy hawk. The morning tea was excellent and the chatting went for hours. Thank you to Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society for hosting this event and inviting

M.U.O.S. . Great to talk with E.O.C. members too. We look forward to future combined club events. AM :)

## NEW MEMBER WELCOME

Welcome to

Sheila Gallant, Peter Owen, Barry & Shan Hupton.

**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 Zygotopabista 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

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### —FOR SALE—

**Do you have an orchid for sale? Let Anne-Marie know and it will go here.**

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### 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

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### **2019 Dates for your diary.**

- 11<sup>th</sup>. November**      - **General Meeting**, guest speaker, Gary Hodder, Dendrobiums.
- 9<sup>th</sup>. December**      - **Christmas Party.** :)

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# CLUB WINNERS from our October meeting:

## Open

Cymbidium MIN	1st	1	P. & G. Callaghan
Cattleya less than 70mm	1st	2	P. & G. Callaghan
Cattleya over 70mm	1st	3	J. Clancy
Dendrobium	1st	4	G. & P. Callaghan
Native Species	1st	13	B. Harper
Species	1st	17	G. & P. Callaghan



## Intermediate

Cymbidium STD	1st	19	J. Harriman
Cymbidium MIN	1st	21	R. Thomas
Paphiopedilum	1st	24	J. Harriman
Cattleya less than 70mm	1st	25	H. Douglass
Dendrobium	1st	26	J. Harriman
Native Hybrid	1st	32	J. Church
Native Species	1st	38	W. Hamilton
Oncid. Alliance	1st	46	H. Douglass
Miscellaneous	1st	52	J. Harriman
Species	1st	57	W. Hamilton
Vandaceous	1st	60	H. Douglass



## Novice

Cymbidium STD	1st	61	R. Cox
Cymbidium INT	1st	62	G. Douglass
Cymbidium MIN	1st	63	R. Cox
Native Hybrid	1st	64	R. Cox
Oncidium Alliance	1st	65	G. Douglass
Species	1st	67	G. Douglass



## Popular Vote

**Open** 1<sup>st</sup> 17 P. & G. Callaghan

**Intermediate** 1<sup>st</sup> 57 W. Hamilton

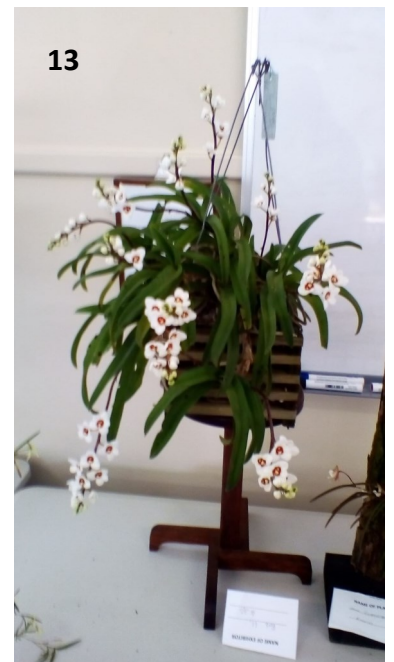
**Novice equal** 1<sup>st</sup> 63 R. Cox

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

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### GROW COMPETITION RESULTS— OCTOBER

- 1st Marie Martin
- 2nd Don Hogan
- 3rd Helen Thompson



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



This month we are looking at CYMBIDIUMS. *Cymbidiums* are among the oldest horticultural orchids in the world. They were mentioned in a manuscript from the Chin dynasty in China, about 200 years before Christ and even Confucius mentions them, calling them the king of fragrant flowers.



### GROW Orchids TIPS FOR BEGINNERS



*Cymbidiums* are among the most popular orchid genus. They're an important cut flower crop for florists and are widely cultivated as an orchidist's fancy.

Orchid spikes usually stay in flower about six or seven weeks if left on the plant, and if cut for a vase it's generally the same deal. It is possible to cut them in bud, but it's better to wait until they're in flower. "If you cut them in bud it can send them backwards and they won't open, and you will just end up with a vase full of buds.

They need good light. They also need good, even watering so they are not too wet, and won't dry out.

They also need potting on. Use a large particle size bark. It allows air to get in around the roots. When repotting don't tease out the roots of the orchid just



loosen them a little. The great temptation among home gardeners is to divide orchids but if you leave them as big plants and let them grow into the larger pot space you will get more dramatic, big bloomed plants. It usually takes at least two or three seasons before it's time to re-pot into the next sized container.

Use a slow release fertiliser once a year. Orchids also like a little dolomite lime. During spring and early summer supplement this with some liquid fertiliser as a top up during the growth period.

Ken West, Victoria.



### WELL DONE LIZ.

Well done to Liz Karasonyi—you did a fantastic job on the M.U.O.S. entry for the display, at the E.O.C. Orchid Spectacular. Many people stopped, looked and took photos.

A.M.



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#### 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.**

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Get Well Wishes to Susan Virgo,  
Michelle McIntosh, and any club member recovering from surgery or sickness . :)



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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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#### -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-Marie know by email [ ARIMANEE@YAHOO.CO.UK ]. Thanks A.M.