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CONGRATULATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS to our 2020/2021 Executive and Committee on your election.

Thank you Gary McConnell, for your efforts in 2019/2020. Welcome back Michelle McIntosh, onto our Committee. We all look forward, to working together ,for the betterment of our society. A.M.



CHRISTMAS PARTY 2020

Our Christmas Party & Presentation are on the 16th December at the Civic Centre, [1:00 pm to 5:00 pm].

Please let Keith Moody know if you are going and pay your part of the cost [\$15.00), to our Treasurer.



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NEXT MEETING: Monday, 9TH November, 2020 Gary Hodder is our guest speaker for our

meeting. He is talking on dendrobium growing in South East Asia.

WHERE:- Civic Centre [down stairs], Ulladulla [main street]. Parking around the back & back door will be open. :)

Plants are benched when the area is readyplease fill out your benching cards carefully.

No raffle results as it was our auction.

Well done to all who regularly buy tickets. A big thank you, to those who bring in items for the monthly meeting raffle or auction. :)

DEFLASKED ORCHIDS



Please bring along your best club deflasked orchids, which you are growing. We would like to see how they are progressing. It isn't a competition but it

is a follow up to our club deflasking activity. Please put your name on your orchids. There will be a space for them, with a sign. A.M. FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK:

Happy Springtime to everyone, not that we have seen much of it, but some nice rains to keep our orchids growing along. Rainwater is reputed to be best.

I have spent the last couple of weeks driving around the State, and the countryside looks really great, the grass is plentiful and green, the dams are full and the cattle are fat. All this is great for the farmers, who need a bit of good news.

Last month's auction of just about anything that orchid growers need, went off very well. Some members got real bargains, \$2 for a plant and a book for example, which was great to see. Thanks to everyone who provided plants for sale and purchased same. I am looking forward to the Treasurer's report in November.

Garry Hodder is coming back to talk about Dendrobium growing in South East Asia. We all remember his interesting talk a year ago. Sarcs. are flowering everywhere, so many colours around and they look great. The last benching of the year should be spectacular.

Please remember to bring your **Cattleya** plants that were deflasked in January and given to everyone, to the November meeting. We would like to see how they are going.

December meeting is usually our **Christmas party**. However due to the current restrictions the serving of food on that scale is a problem. So, this year the Christmas Party will be on Wednesday 16th December at the Civic Centre 1.00pm - 5.00pm, when a two course Christmas lunch will be provided at 2.30om in the main auditorium upstairs. Members are not required to bring anything. Cost is \$26 per head, but MUOS will subsidise \$11 which makes it \$15 for members. Guests of members are welcome of course. For catering purposes, we will need to know how many will attend as soon as possible. Our erstwhile Treasurer will keep a list of attendees and accept payment. Payment will be acceptable up to the 16th December, but we need names now please.

Rod



OCTOBER Meeting Club Winners

Open

Cym Standard	no 1 Liz Cleaver and Tony Groube
Cym Miniature	no 3 Michelle McIntosh
Cat. to 70mm	no 4 Michelle McIntosh
Dendrobium	no 10 Don Hogan
Native hybrid	no 15 Michelle McIntosh
Native Species	no 27 Bob Harper
Onc Alliance	1 st no 36 Lyne & Brian Phelan

Equal 1st no 39 Lyne & Brian Phelan

Misc	no 42 Lyne & Brian Phelan
Species	no 44 Lyne & Brian Phelan
Vandaceous	no 48 Michelle McIntosh
Phalaenopsis	no 49 John Clancy
Fern	no 53 Bob Harper

Intermediate

Cym Standard	no 87 Jo Church
Cym Mini	no 86 Jo Church
Paph.	No 85 Wayne Hamilton
Cattleya over 70m	nm no 70 Jo Church
Den	no 81 John Harriman
Natïve hybrid	no 80 Wayne Hamilton
Native species	no 70 Rod Thomas
Oncid. Alliance	no 66 Jo Church
Misc	no 62 Jo Church
Species	no 58 Wayne Hamilton
Phal.	No 55 Jo Church
Seedling	no 54 John Harriman

Novice

Cat to 70mm	No 102 Francoise Sikora
Dendrobium	no 101 Francoise Sikora
Misc	no 103 Carolyn Campbell

Popular Vote

Open	1st no 10 Don Hogan	No. 101	
	Equal 1st no 27 Bob Harper	No. 101	
Intermediate	1 st no 81 John Harriman		
Novice	1 st no 101 Francoise Sikora		

Well done to those who benched & the best of luck to everyone with your growing, flowering and benching in 2020.











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

Seedling – Definition



TIPS FOR BEGINNERS

Show Schedules and Monthly Benching categories often allow for Seedlings to be displayed within that specific category.

A seedling is defined as a complete plant grown from seed and flowering for the first time.

That's pretty simple, isn't it? That means the first flower-GROW Orchids ing of a Mericlone cannot ever be a seedling as the plant was derived by tissue culture, not seed. The first flowering of a plant propagated by back bulb, or division, or cutting cannot ever be a seedling by dint of its derivation. Further, a plant grown from seed, but which may have been divided or had bulbs removed prior to its first flowering cannot be regarded as a seedling, because the plant fails the 'complete' requirement.

> So the onus is on the grower to know how their plant was propagated and ensure its 'completeness' - if uncertain of

its provenance, please do not claim 'Seedling' status. From Tony G. Thank you for this clarification, A.M.



Cryptostylis leptochila [small tongue orchid]

These photos were taken locally by Helen Minns, who although not an orchid enthusiast, is an excellent photographer and appreciates our local native plants. Here is some information about this strange looking, local native orchid.

Cryptostylis leptochila, commonly known as the **small tongue orchid**, is a species of orchid that is endemic to eastern Australia. It has one to a few broad leaves and up to fifteen green flowers with a dark red labellum that has a black stripe and rows of black dots either side of the stripe. The small tongue orchid grows in forest, usually in high rainfall areas. It is found in south-





eastern Queensland, on the coast and ranges of New South Wales, in southeastern Victoria and on Flinders Island This species is classed as "endangered" in Tasmania, where it occurs in a few locations on Flinders Island but is not in any nature reserve. The main threats to the species are inappropriate fire regimes and land clearing. Cryptostylis leptochila is a terrestrial, perennial, deciduous, herb with one to several broad egg-shaped to broad lance-shaped leaves 18-120 mm long and 25-40 mm wide on a petiole 10-60 mm long. The upper surface of the leaves is green but the lower side is reddish purple. Between five and fifteen flowers 15–20 mm long and 4–5 mm wide are borne on a flowering stem 200–400 mm tall. The sepals and petals are linear, greenish or yellowish and spread stiffly

apart. The sepals are 13–23 mm long and the petals are 6–15 mm long. The labellum is

dark red, linear to oblong, cup-shaped around the column with its edges rolled under and the end suddenly turned downwards. It is 16-20 mm long and about 5 mm with a raised black central line and irregular lines of raised black calli either side of the line. Flowering occurs from November to May and the flowers are pollinated by male Lissopimpla excelsa wasps when they attempt to mate with them.



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. Page 4

2020 Dates for your diary.

9th. November **General Meeting**—guest speaker, Gary Hodder

16th. December Christmas Party & End of Year Presentation.



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.

Ladies 8-24

Mens to 5xL

See the Secretary if interested in one.

FOR SALE

Do you have an orchid to sell or orchid related item.

Send in the details to Anne-Marie and it will go here. :)

" For those wanting Bob Bishops bark please phone John Harriman on 44439462 - . John will be bringing bags to the meetings each month or you can collect from his home - please phone and ask him if you require bags brought to the meeting .



To anyone in our society who is not well or is recovering from illness or surgery, we wish you a speedy recovery.

-Get Well Soon.

WISH LIST

Bob Harper—Sarc. George Coulthorpe X Bessie

Sam Burton – yellow Psychopsis

Michelle McIntosh – Oncidium cheirophorum.

Liz Karacsonyi – Dock. Aust. Ginger

Teresa Bourke – Cym.Death Wish 'Speckled Spectre'

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

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

<u>Anne-Marie Collins</u>- Ming fern, foxtail fern, aspidistra [variegated and normal] [for floral art], also an alba stanhopea or any Oncid. twinkles.

Also bamboo, both clumping and non-clumping.

Rod Thomas—Den. Enobi Purple 'splash'

Let Anne-Marie know if you have a special orchid you are after.

A few of us have been lucky so far. :)



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



-REMEMBER -

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

> 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.



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