



# Milton - Ulladulla

## ORCHID SOCIETY INC.

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### Messages:

#### 1] ROVING DAY—22nd May 2021

10 to 10:30am Starting at Michelle & Bruce McIntosh's place [ 27 Jubilee Avenue , Ulladulla], with morning tea, then onto Anne & Keith Moody's place [ 43 Voyager Crescent, Bawley Point ] , at 11 to 11:30am for a look around followed by a BBQ lunch.



#### 2] Benching—

please check your orchids —you need to know what class they belong in, and the size of your orchids for cymbidiums and cattleyas.

3] Thank you to those who bring in afternoon tea items.

Thank you to Bob Harper for being an excellent server and kitchen gentleman.

4] Remember, **COVID procedures** to be observed—safe distancing, stay home if unwell and wash your hands often. A.M. :)

### APRIL 2021

#### NEXT MEETING:

Monday, May 10th, 2021



Speakers— Brian & Lynn Phelan, preparing your orchids for the show .

**WHERE:- Civic Centre Ulladulla**

[ main street].

There is parking available around the back. :)

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**Plants are benched when the area is ready and please fill out your benching cards carefully.**

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### April raffle results

M. Hughes 4, G. McConnell 4, R. Thomas 3, J. Verdino 3, C. Campbell 2, F. Sikora 2, P. Owen 2, L. Kirkpatrick 2, S. Gallant 2, A.M. Collins 2, F. Sheil 1, J. Church 1, M. Martin 1, M. Wright 1, K. Moody 1, Y. Young 1, & B. Harper 1.

**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. :)

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### GROWTH PLANTS

—well done, those that came in. :)



## MILTON ULLADULLA ORCHID SOCIETY INC.

### PROGRAMME OF EVENTS 2021

VENUE FOR ALL MUOS ACTIVITIES - DOWNSTAIRS CIVIC CENTRE, ULLADULLA, unless otherwise stated

8TH February	General Meeting -	Speaker - Jim Cootes - Orchids of the Phillipines.
8th March	General Meeting	Speaker - Ron Boyd - Fertilizing
14th March	Presidents Meet & Greet	22 Lomandra Pl, Ulladulla. 11.00am - 3.00pm. Bring chair
12th April	General Meeting	Speakers George Birss & Mike Hitchcock. Orchid Supplies by George & I Mike. 'What's new in orchid growing'. Order now
10th May	General Meeting	Brian & Lynne Phelan - 'Preparing plants for Show benching'
22nd May	Roving Day	27 Jubilee Ave. Ulladulla then to 43 Voyager Cr. Bawley Point BBQ lunch, bring chair
14th June	General Meeting	Speaker - Mitch Karnaghan
3rd/4th July	MUOS Winter Show	
10th July	Shoalhaven Orchid Society - Winter Show	Bomaderry Community Centre. 19 Birriley St.
18th June	Bunnings Orchid Display -	Bunnings Store, Ulladulla
8th - 10th July	Eurobodalla Orchid Club - Winter Show	
12th July	General Meeting: - Novice Hour - Presentation of Winter Show Trophies.	Novices bring any 2+ plants for general discussion and assistance from members.
17th - 18th July	Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society - Spring Show	Batemans Bay Soldiers Club
9th August	General Meeting: Bric a Brac Auction	
28th - 29th August	Eurobodalla Orchid Club - Spring Show	
4th-5th September	Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society Spring Show	Batemans Bay Soldiers Club
4th September	Shoalhaven Orchid Society - Spring Show	Bomaderry Community Centre, 19 Birriley St.
11th-12th September	MUOS Spring Show	
13th September	General Meeting: Speaker Gary Hodder 'Pollination of Dendrobium Orchids'	
11th October	AGM & General Meeting: Presentation of Trophies Spring Show	
16th October	MUOS Native Show: Presentation of Awards	
23rd October	Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society - Native Orchid Show	Batemans Bay Soldiers Club
8th November	General Meeting: Anything Orchid Auction	
13th December	Christmas Party	



FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK:

Hi everyone

I hope you all enjoyed our speakers *George Briss & Mike Hancock* at our last meeting and took advantage of their fine display of orchid accessories. I know a few of us went away with much lighter wallets & purses.

Our first show of the year is coming up at us at a pace, so it will be very opportune at our *May* meeting to hear from **Lynne & Brian Phelan** who are going to give us some tips on how to best present our flowers to the judges.

Also in *May* is our Roving Day on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> at the homes of **Bruce and Michelle McIntosh** followed by **Keith and Anne Moody**. Times and addresses for the day will appear on other pages of this newsletter and in the programme of events. should be a great day, so update your diaries now.

A few members took advantage of the orchid sale on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April, many well grown plants available at very reasonable prices, and well organised by Shoalhaven Orchid Club members.

Remember that if you have a plant that is good enough to bench, but you have owned it for less than 6 months, please bring it in to show us. Just put a small notice on it that records 'for display only'.

With Mother's Day coming up, it is a reminder to cease additional watering to Soft Cane Dendrobiums until Father's Day. A reminder also that it is best not to use high nitrogen fertilizers on these plants as it adversely affects good growth and flowering.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the 10<sup>th</sup> May meeting.

Rod



## APRIL BENCHING AWARDS

### OPEN:

<b>Cymbidium Standard</b>	1st	1	T. Groube & L. Cleaver
<b>Cymbidium Intermediate:</b>	1st	2	P. & G. Callaghan
<b>Cattleya to 70:</b>	1st	10	P. & G. Callaghan
<b>Cattleya over 70:</b>	1st	13	H. Douglass
<b>Dendrobium:</b>	1st	16	H. Douglass
<b>Onc Alliance:</b>	tie 1st	<b>19&amp;26</b>	P. & G. Callaghan
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>	1st	28	H. Douglass
<b>Species:</b>	1st	39	J. Church
<b>Vanda :</b>	1st	46	M. McIntosh
<b>Phalaenopsis:</b>	1st	47	M. McIntosh
<b>Seedling:</b>	1st	48	D. Hogan

### INTERMEDIATE

<b>Cattleya to 70:</b>	1st	57	F. Sikora
<b>Cattleya over 70:</b>	1st	56	G. Douglass
<b>Native Hybrid:</b>	1st	59	F. Sikora
<b>Onc Alliance:</b>	1st	63	G. Douglass
<b>Species:</b>	1st	61	R. Thomas

### NOVICE:

<b>Cymbidium Intermediate:</b>	1st	64	M. Hughes
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>	1st	67	C. Campbell
<b>Species:</b>	1st	65	K. & A. Moody

**FERN:** 1st 49 R. Thomas

**FOLIAGE :** tie 1st 53 D. Hogan

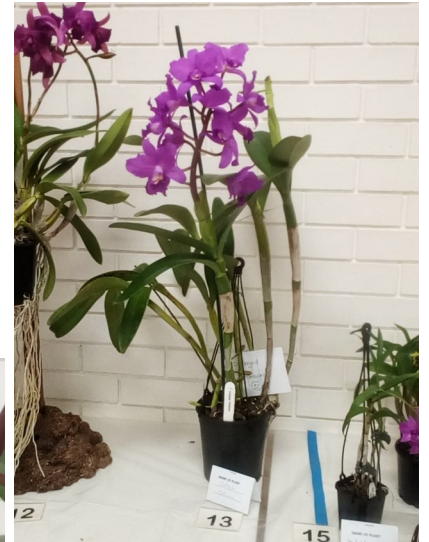
### Popular Vote:

<b>Open:</b>	1st	13	H. Douglass
<b>Intermediate:</b>	1st	56	G. Douglass
<b>Novice:</b>	1st	66	F. Sheil

Well done to all who benched.

A lovely display of cattleyas. :) A.M.

13 close up.





## \*\*\*\*\*NOVICE CORNER\*\*\*\*\*

As we get new members I have noticed, they need more help. They need ideas to enable them to show/bench successfully. It can be a very much, unknown territory, which could be made easier with a few easy suggestions.

Here are my ideas, from my experience as a novice.

1. When you first get a new orchid, write on the tag the date [ you need to have had the orchid in your care for 6 months before benching or showing it. Unless it is only on display.] Have a book to write down the details from the tag, then number your pot [ on the bottom]. If you should lose your tag, you have still got its name, this prevents "Orchid Unknown".
2. Ask for a voting slip that you can take home, work out which section your orchid will be benched in. GOOGLE can help here or ask a committee member for help—even if they don't know, they will know someone who can help. Knowing before hand makes things less worrying on the day.



3. Prepare your orchid before bringing it in, clean pot, remove dead leaves, no weeds and no livestock [ pests or disease].

**For a novice, if it flowers, bring it in—let others be the judge.**

4. Arrive early, observe other more experienced growers, from a distance, so not to disturb them. Where did they put their plant, that looks like yours? Did they raise it up with a pot or a stand? How did they present it to the voters—best orchid facing the front?

5. Keep a list of orchids you have seen that you would like to have. Ask questions about them, of the owner, over afternoon tea. Most orchid growers are happy to talk about their orchid, at the most relaxed time [ not in the middle of them benching their many plants].

6. Keep your eye out for orchids that interest you, ask experienced growers, if they would do well in your area—conditions needed, orchid house [ bush, heated, indoors—light, water, air movement].
7. Record on your tag when they flowered or if they are in flower when you bought it—was the flower spike supported [ helps for when you are taking it through its next flowering].



There are many ideas which can help a novice.....



**The best is asking other members for help.**

Cheers A.M.

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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.

Ladies 8-24

Mens to 5xL

**See the Secretary if interested in one.**

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See you there. A.M. :)

## **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. :)

Contact Michelle McIntosh—she has Dendrobium speciosum divisions for sale —well named and very well grown.

" 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 .

## **TIPS for May / June [ Autumn/Winter].**

After a slight flush of heat, we are now heading into winter.

Cymbidiums should be showing spikes, although new growths look very similar [ even the best open growers can be mistaken, I am told.] So to give them something to build on, fertilise and check regularly for insects and fungus. Both of these can reduce a healthy spike to a budless stick. :(



## **WISH LIST**

**Bob Harper**—Sarc. George Coulthorpe X Bessie

**Sam Burton**—yellow Psychopsis

**Michelle McIntosh**— Oncidium cheirophorum.

**Liz Karacsonyi**— Dock. Aust. Ginger

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

**Anne-Marie Collins**- Ming fern, foptail fern, aspidistra [variegated and normal] [ for floral art ], also an alba stanhoepa or any Oncid. Twinkles or a psychopsis [ any variety].

Plus bamboo, both clumping and non-clumping, and a small Christmas bush [ Australian native] .

**Rod Thomas**—Den. Enobi Purple 'splash'

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

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

We stock an extensive product range for all your orchid needs.

Take advantage of your V.I.P. Customer Pricing.

Come in and visit us at 21 Bellevue Street, South Nowra or ring 44232359



5% discount—show your card.



### Get Well Wishes

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

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*Pyp. Mariposa var alba*  
(Pyp. papilio x Pyp. Kalihi)

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. :)



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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                Thanks A.M. [ arimaneeorchids2020@gmail.com ].