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MESSAGES:

1] The **March meeting** our speaker is David Brooks—an excellent cymbidium grower.

2] **NOVICES**—please read the President’s report, John Clancy will be our instructor in March.

3] Bringing in supper and / raffle items is always greatly appreciated. Thank you to those who usually do. Raffle items do not have to be plants.

4] **19th March—President’s Meet and Greet.**

Details of time, where and what to bring are in the calendar on page 3

Covid is still active. Masks are an option. If unwell please stay home and feel better soon.
) A.M



Novices were asked to bring in 2 plants that they either were very happy with or were worried about. Michelle, with Michael’s help, discussed with the owners and other novices how things could be improved or a “well done” was given out. Everyone was most interested and happy with the knowledge and expert advice passed on to them. Thank you Michelle and Michael.

FEBRUARY 2023



NEXT MEETING:

Monday, 13 th March 2023

David Brooks will be talking on cymbidiums.

WHERE:- Civic Centre Ulladulla [main street].

There is parking available around the back. :)

February Raffle Winners

M. Martin 4, T. Scott 3, L. Gosewinckel 3, C. Weir 3, J. Cameron 3, A. Neilsen 3, R. Spry 3, J. Verdino 2, R. Boyd 2, R. Baker 2, S. Ellis 2, M. McDougall 2, R. Hahn 2, S. Williams 1, H. Thompson 1, M. Montebello 1, S. Montebello 1, A. Moody 1, M. Wright 1, L. Cleaver 1, M. Higgins 1, P. Owen 1, A.M.Collins 1 and G. Callaghan 1.

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone who bought tickets. A special thank



FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK:

G'day Everyone

My apologies for being unable to attend the last meeting, the day being the last day before a colonoscopy was bad timing on my part.

However, I gather it was a very good meeting, and my thanks **Bob Harper, Michelle McIntosh and Brian Phelan** for their fine work demonstrating the flasks. In three months' time we will see how you are all going with them.

In this newsletter the revised year's programme is included, please change your diaries accordingly.

I expect you have noticed the appearance of those pesky dendrobium beetles, they seem to be regular callers this time of year, and they love those new growth, so check your plants regularly. Also the sheaths on dendrobium plants should be removed as soon as practical as they can be havens for moisture, mealy bug and scale.

At our next meeting we look forward to hearing from **David Brooks**, who is a well known orchid grower, and a whiz on cymbidiums, so I am told. At the time of writing, he has not advised me of the title of his talk, so a surprise awaits us all.

The 'novice corner' was well attended last month, and a big thank you to **Michelle McIntosh** for her participation and very informative notes. **John Clancy** will be back in the chair for next months' session.

Wonderful news to hear that **Don Hogan** is out of hospital, and now recovering at home which we hope will not take too long. We all send our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

I look forward to seeing you all on 13th March.

Rod



Novice time with Michelle—her talk was excellent and Part 1 is included in this newsletter.



2023 Calendar of Events

Novice Corner - 1.pm - 1.30pm each meeting in Conference Room

13th February	General Meeting -	Deflasking Demonstration.	
13th March	General Meeting	Speaker - David Brooks	
19th March	Presidents Meet & Greet	43 Voyager Cres, Bawley Point, 11.00am - 3.00pm Chairs limited so bring one just in case needed.	
10th April	General Meeting	Speakers - Brian & Lynne Phelan	
29/30th April	South & West Rtegin Orchid Workshop.	Canberra	
7th May	MUOS/Shoalhaven 'Get together' from 10.00am.	Speaker - Jeanne Dunn	
8th May	General Meeting	Speaker - Ron Boyd	Bring chairs
3rd June	Roving Day	TBA Batemans Bay area	
12th June	General Meeting	Speaker - Peter Stubbs	
TBA	Orchid Display at Bunnings	Bunnings Store - Ulladulla	
30th June, 1st-2nd July	MUOS Winter Show	Set up 30th June, 12.01pm. Benching 2-4pm. Judging 5.00pm	
7th/8th July	Eurobodalla OC	Winter Show CWA Hall, Moruya	
8th July	Shoalhave Orchid Scoiety - Winter Show	Bomaderry Community Centre. Birriley St.	
10th July	General Meeting	Speaker - Mitch Karnaghan	
15/16th July	Batemans Bay Olrchid & Foliage Society - Winter Show	Batemans Bay Soldiers Club	
14th August	General Meeting	Speaker - Jane Wright	
TBA	Eurobodalla Orchid Society - Spring Show		
18-20th August	St Ives Orchid Fair	St Ives Showground	
2nd September	Shoalhaven Orchid Society - Spring Show	Bomaderry Community Centre, 19 Birriley St.	
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2nd/3rd September	Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society - Spring Show	Batemans Bay Soldiers Club	
9/10th September	MUOS Spring Show	Set up 8th September, Benching 2-4pm Judging 5.00pm	
11th September	General Meeting -	Bric a Brac Auction	
16th/17th September	Eurobodall OC - Spring Show	Leisure Centre, Narooma	
20th September	50th Anniversary Luncheon -	12 - 3.00pm. Presentation of Spring Show awards.	
29th Sept-1st Oct.	South West Regional Show	Cobargo Showground.	
9th October	AGM & General Meeting.	Speaker	

2023 Calendar—continued

21/22nd October	Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society - Native Orchid Show Batemans Bay Soldiers Club
21st October	Shoalhaven Orchid Society - October Show Bomaderry Community Centre, 19 Birriley St.
6th November	SARC Challenge - EOC & Sepphire OC joint show.
13th November	General Meeting - Anything Orchid Auction
11th December	MUOS Christmas Party Upper Level, Civic Centre.

NOVICE DEFLASKING

Thank you to Bob Harper, Brian Phelan and Michelle McIntosh for showing how they pot up a newly deflasked seedling. Each novice present, potted up 2 different seedlings to take home and to care for.

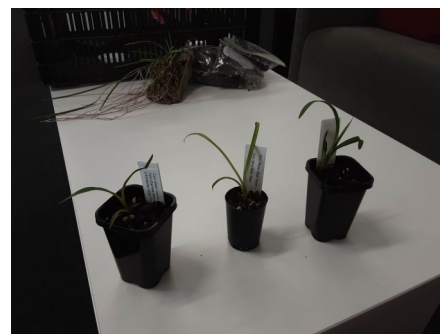
The choices were - Cym Pepper Blaze 'Warith' [dk red] X Cym Barry Baker 'Miley' [dk pink]

Cym Green Connie ' V2' X Cym { Daintree Showers X Kimberley Valley} 'Fluro [green]

Cym Flaming Joy 'Stars & Bars' [pink] X Cym Elle Ronis 'Remake' [white]

Michelle also gave a talk and slide show on how to deflask the seedlings. The pictures from the slide show will be in the next newsletter.

Michelle was very busy at our February meeting. Thank you Michelle.



There were a lot of happy novices.



Novice Talk Part 1 by Michelle McIntosh

- 1 Ask lots of questions. It doesn't matter if you think it is silly, as most growers are more than happy to help you
Visit growers in their own backyards, as you can learn more in a 2-hour visit to see somebody's set up than you can at meetings. Try to go to the roving days as they are a great social day. The committee members are very busy on meeting days, they can't always find the time to meet and greet new members. We are working on setting up new members with a buddy to show them what goes on at meetings.
- 3 Buy the right type of ingredients for your plant mix, as this is one of the most important things when growing orchids. Make sure that you soak the mix for a day or more before you use it.
Don't buy Bunnings Orchid mix. It is only fit for the compost bin.
- 4 You can use any type of fertilizer, and use more than one brand.
- 5 Mount versus pots, mounts need to be watered every day in summer, and every second or third day in Winter.
- 6 Face your orchids to the North if you can, for max sun.
- 7 Place tubs of water under your benches to help with humidity, as Orchids need it to grow well. Also hang some old man's beard moss around, as this also helps with humidity.
- 8 Don't buy tropical plants from far north QLD, unless you have a heated glass house.
- 9 Try and go to places like Orchids out West , [I think that it is in May. St Ives is held in August.] They not only have wonderful shows but they have lots of different nurseries to buy from.
- 10 Don't buy seedlings, as they are harder to grow. Instead of buying 3 seedlings I would suggest that you buy one bigger plant. It will have a much better chance of surviving.
- 11 Any seedlings in 50mm/2" pots need to be watered much more often than your bigger plants.
- 12 Always take your new knowledge with some caution, for no other reason than , what happens in your backyard will be way different to what happens in mine as the environment is different in every way.
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 - a. A species is a plant made by nature and you can tell from the tag as the name will start in lower case.
 - b. A hybrid is man made, by crossing two or more Orchids. The tag on these will start in upper case.
 - c. A mericlone is a plant made from the meristem tissue cut into minute pieces and cultured in a sterile medium in a laboratory, so that they can make many plants quickly.
 - d. An Epiphyte is a plant that grow on branches or trunks of trees well above the ground.
 - e. A Lithophyte is a plant that grows on the rocks, virtually in the absence of soil.
 - f. A keiki is an aerial growth, which is produced randomly on a pseudobulb.

Here are the notes from Michelle McIntosh's talk to the novices, which happened at our February meeting. She did an excellent talk and the novices were very attentive. I hope they learnt a lot. This is part 1, the rest will be in the next newsletter. Well done, Michelle.

2023 FEBRUARY BENCHING RESULTS

OPEN:

- Paphiopedilum:** 1st 1 R. Boyd
- Cattleya over 70:** 1st 4 M. & B. McIntosh
- Den– Hard & Soft Canes:** 1st
- Australian Native Hybrid:** 1st 6 M. & B. McIntosh
- Oncidium Alliance:** 1st 15 M. & B. McIntosh
- Oncidium Species:** 1st 11 B. & L. Phelan
- Miscellaneous:** 1st 13 P. G. Callaghan
- Species:** 1st 16 L. Cleaver
- Vandaceous:** 1st 19 M. & B. McIntosh

INTERMEDIATE

- Cymbidium MIN:** 1st
- Cattleya less than 70mm:** 1st 23 J. Harriman
- Den– Hard & Soft Canes:** 1st
- Australian Native Hybrid:** 1st 24 J. Harriman
- Australian Native Species:** 1st
- Oncidium Alliance:** 1st 26 J. Harriman
- Oncidium Species:** 1st 29 R. Thomas
- Miscellaneous:** 1st 27 J. Harriman
- Species:** 1st 31 R. Thomas
- Vandaceous:** 1st

NOVICE:

- Den-Hard & Soft Canes:** 1st
- Australian Native Hybrid:** 1st
- Oncidium Alliance:** 1st 21 A. & K. Moody
- Species:** 1st 22 A. & K. Moody
- Vandaceous:** 1st

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- FERN:** 1st
 - FOLIAGE :** 1st 20 P. & G. Callaghan

Popular Vote:

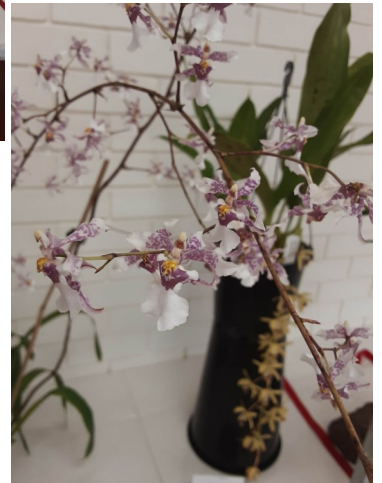
- Open:** 1st 16 L. Cleaver
- Intermediate:** 1st 31 R. Thomas
- Novice:** 1st 21 A. & K. Moody

GROW COMPETITION February 2023

1st B. Phelan



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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.

WISH LIST

Bob Harper—Sarc. George Coulthorpe X Bessie

Sam Burton—yellow Psychopsis

Michelle McIntosh— Oncidium cheiroporum.

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

Anne-Marie Collins— Loquat tree, any kind of fruit tree or bush or vine.

- Neofinetia falcata
- Stenoglotis woodii
- Daphnia bush

Rod Thomas—Den. Enobi Purple 'splash'

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. :)

Ron BOYD has Cymbidium Sarah Jean 'Ice Cascades' for sale. A beautiful white miniature in 150mm pots. Contact Ph 0421 366 823

" 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 .

ORCHID PHOTO TIME

If you have an orchid , which you think is pretty spectacular—send me a clear picture of it , with its name. I will use it to make our newsletter look more interesting. Thank you for your picture, in advance.

It is our 50th Anniversary, I felt as Bruce was such a great model—his picture would be our feature picture this month.

If you are interested in a souvenir polo shirt of our 50th Anniversary, see Bruce to put your order in.



He did a great job showing off our anniversary polo.

Remember, it is only available for sale - this year.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who have donated. Everything is thriving at the block. I still have more room for fruit trees, vegetable and herb seedlings and cuttings—anything that produces edible products.

Thank you A.M.

Our speaker, in March, is David Brooks talking on cymbidiums.



Get Well Wishes

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

A special call out to

Don Hogan

who has been very ill. We hope you are on your way to a quick and full recovery. :)



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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.



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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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