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MESSAGES:

1] The **April meeting** our speakers are Lynne and Brian Phelan, on cattleyas from Brazil.

2]NOVICES—please read the President's report, John Clancy will be our instructor in April, due to a swap with Bob Harper 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.

It went really well. Great food, beautiful surroundings and much socialising was had by all. Thank you to those who brought food. A very big thank you to Anne & Keith Moody your home is magnificent. :)

5] The combined visit to Lynne and Brian's place on the 7th May, with S.O.S. will be a great chance to socialize with our neighbours. Lynne has sent an information page, which will be sent out with this newsletter. This information will not be up on our site—for privacy reasons.

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

:) A.M



NEXT MEETING:

Monday, 10th April 2023 - Our speakers are - Brian & Lynne Phelan on cattleyas from Brazil .

MARCH 2023

WHERE:- Civic Centre Ulladulla [main street].

There is parking available around the back. :)

March Raffle Winners

- L. Bonser 4, H. Thompson 3, R. Boyd 3, T. Scott
- 3, A.M.Collins 2, J. Brennan 2, A. Moody 2,
- J. Church 2, M. Montebello 2, J. Verdino 2,
- I. Smythe 2, M. Martin 1, L. Gosewinckel 1,
- G. Rea 1, P. Stubbs 1, S. Williams 1,
- G. Callaughan 1, L. Cleaver 1, S. Montebello 1, & P. Callaughan 1.

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone who bought tickets. A special thank you to those who donate to our raffle. A.M.:)

DAVID BROOKS

Our speaker, at our March Meeting, spoke about the progress that has been made in the growing and changing of cymbidiums. David Brooks was very enlightening and through his slides we saw how the cymbidiums were from nature and to ones that man has developed. Here are a few pictures of them.







FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK:

It was very pleasing to see so many members attend the March meeting, and it was a good one too. David Brooks gave an excellent talk on cymbidiums; He has a wide knowledge on the subject, and I hope we can entice him back next year.

The 'President's Meet and Greet' was held at Bawley Point on a beautiful sunny Sunday with 28 or so members and guests attending. We enjoyed looking around at the beautiful gardens and orchid collection. Many orchids were found growing on trees in net planters, a bit hard to bench, but a great idea. Keith & Anne Moody cooked up a delicious lunch/BBQ, Pork smoked in their 'egg' was a big hit. A big thank you to all those who gave people a lift, and especially to Keith & Anne for hosting us at their home.

Next meeting is on 10^{th} April, We have been told by Civic Centre Management that we are not allowed to use the lounge area, therefore the Novice corner will be held in the main room near the front doors. If the talk is going on when the tables are being set up, please be a quiet as possible to allow the speakers to be heard. The good news is that **Lynne & Brian Phelan** will be talking to us about Cattleys' in Brazil. It all sounds very intriguing.

The Roving Day venue(s) are yet to be determined, so if anyone from the Bay area can manage to put up with us for a couple of hours, please let me know. We will arrange a BBQ at a suitable location.

Look forward to seeing all members at the April meeting. In the meantime - stay safe.

Rod





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.

chairs

10th April General Meeting Speakers - Brian & Lynne Phelan 29/30th April South & West Rtegion Orchid Workshop. Canberra

7th May MUOS/Shoalhaven 'Get together' from 10.00am. Speaker - Jeanne Dunn

206A Woolamia Road, Falls Creek, then lunch Bring

8th May General Meeting Speaker - Ron Boyd

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 MUOS Winter Show Set up 30th June, 12.01pm. Benching 2-4pm.

uly 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/17thy September Eurobodall OC - Spring Show

Leisure Centre, Narooma

20th September 50th Anniversary Luncheon - 12 - 3.00pm. Presentation

of Spring Show awards.

29th Sept-!st Oct. South West Regional Show

Cobargo Showground.

9th October AGM & General Meeting. Speaker

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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.



B.B.Q.Get together at Keith and Anne Moody's place.









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Novice Talk Part 2 by Michelle McIntosh

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 2. Well done, Michelle.

- Look up a Glossary of words connected with Orchids, either in the back of an Orchid publication or online.
- Make sure that you stake your plants, as if they move, even a little bit. The tips of the roots break and that is the end of that root. Cockroaches also eat the green tips so put baits around.
- Put ant baits, and cockroach baits around. Woollies & Coles sell the ant ones, Bunnings doesn't. if you see ants on your plants as they carry scale and mealybugs from plant to plant. When you see ants/mealybugs/scale check your plants and spray. I also like to soak my plants in a bucket of Systemic pesticide for at least 10/15 minutes or longer if infection is very bad. They also cling to the roots and slowly kill the plant. Boisduval scale has a 50-day cycle and it lives down in the mix as well so you need soak and spray with a Systemic spray every 10 days to break the cycle and stop them. This is the worst of the scales and the one that reappears the most, as it is so hard to get rid of.
 - Cockroaches eat the nice new green tips of the roots, so you need to get rid of them as well.
- One of the most important things for the novice growers is when to repot. Only do this when you see new growths starting, as this is the best time to do it.
- If you have an Orchid that has lost all it's roots, don't throw it away. You can try to save it by using sphagnum moss packed very tightly into a pot just big enough to hold the plant and stake it.
- 19 Keep your growing area clean. Pick up all dropped leaves and rubbish.
- Buy yourself a cheap coffee grinder to grind up snail bait (the blue bait is the best one). Use this for garlic snails. If you haven't seen them, they are very small round snails that eat your plants.

 The large snail bait doesn't work on them.
- If you have a computer join Facebook and then join some of the Orchid groups. A few of them are as follows:- Orchid Culture & Discussion Australia, Orchid Growers Australia, Australian Native Orchids Cultural Notes, Pic & Conversation. There are many more sites for Orchid growers: I have found these sites a marvellous help as you can ask any question you like and lots of people will answer your questions. You just learn so much from other people's questions.
- Each grower has their own ideas, so you will get many different answers on things like what mix to use and what fertilizers, pesticides, fungicides to use.







2023 MARCH BENCHING RESULTS

NO. 29

OPEN:

Paphiopedilum: 1st 1 M. & S. Montebello

Cattleya under 70: 1st 2 M. & B. McIntosh

Cattleya over 70: 1st 6 J. Church

Den– Hard & Soft Canes: 1st 7 P. & G. Callaughan **Australian Native Hybrid:** 1st 8 P. & G. Callaughan

Oncidium Aliance: 1st 11 P. & G. Callaughan

2nd M. & B. McIntosh

Oncidium Species:1st18B. & L. PhelanMiscellaneous:1st21 P. G. CallaughanSpecies:1st25 M. & B. McIntoshVandaceous:1st27 M. & B. McIntoshPhalaenopsis:1st29 M. & S. MontebelloSeedling:1st30 M. & S. Montebello

INTERMEDIATE

Cymbidium MIN: 1st
Cattleya less than 70mm: 1st
Den- Hard & Soft Canes: 1st
Australian Native Hybrid: 1st
Australian Native Species: 1st

Oncidium Alliance: 1st 32 R. Thomas

Oncidium Species: 1st
MIscellaneous: 1st

Species: 1st 34 M. Martin

Vandaceous: 1st

NOVICE:

Catleya less than 70mm: 1st 35 L. Saddleton

Australian Native Hybrid: 1st

Oncidium Alliance: 1st 36 A. & K. Moody

Miscellaneous: 1st 44 L. Kirkpatrick

Species: 1st 41 A. Neilson

Vandaceous: 1st

FERN: 1st 31 R. Thomas

FOLIAGE: 1st 42 P. & G. Callaughan

Popular Vote:

Open: 1st 29 M. & S. Montebello

Intermediate: EQUAL 1st 32 R. Thomas & 34 M. Martin

Novice: 1st 36 A. & K. Moody

GROW COMPETITION March 2023

none



















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

<u>Anne-Marie Collins</u> – Loquat tree, any kind of fruit tree or bush or vine.

- Neofinetia falcata
- Stenoglotis woodii
- Daphnia bush

Rod Thomas - Den. Enobi Purple 'splash'

Contact Anne-Marie to put you wish plant here. :)

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.

This picture from John Harriman. He has flowered the 2021 grow comp orchid and this concludes it. Well done John.



Lc Miss Wonderful 'Bright Spark'

Happy times at the B.B.Q.



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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.

P.S. So far I have harvested [small quantities] - cherries, mulberries, blueberries, blackberries, lemons and raspberries.



Decisions at the B.B.Q.

So much food to pick from.



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

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Get Well Wishes

to any club member recovering from treatment, 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. :)

