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#### MESSAGES:

- 1] The JUNE meeting our speaker is Peter Stubbs, a well known orchid judge, from our area.
- 2] Please bring in your grow plant—it is the one that novices received earlier in the year. Any Intermediate or Open grower, who bought one, can also bring it in.
- 3] ROVING DAY at the Bay is this Saturday, on the 3rd June. Starting at Mogo Orchid Nursery, See you there.

Details—start at Mogo Orchid Nursery 10 to 10:30am, then to Liz Cleaver's place [ 5 Garagarang Street, Malua Bay ], followed by B.B.Q. Lunch at Corrigans Park, Batehaven [ bring own drinks], then on to Ron & Rose Boyd's place [ 14 Gull Crescent, Catalina ], for more orchids.

- 4]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.
- 5] The combined visit to Lynne and Brian's place on the 7th May, with S.O.S. went well and I am sorry I missed it. There are pictures from this outing, throughout this newsletter.
- 6] St Ives bus trip—if you are interested, please let Rod know.
- 7] We need bases from 1.25l plastic bottles for posy making at our shows this year. Also recyclable plastic bags—save them too.
- 8] 50th Anniversary Dinner is on Wednesday, September, 20th at the Ulludulla Civic Centre.

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

:) A.M

## **MAY 2023**



#### **NEXT MEETING:**

Monday, 12th June 2023 - Our speaker is Peter Stubbs.

WHERE:- Civic Centre Ulladulla [ main street].

There is parking available

around the back. :)

## **May Raffle Winners**

A.M. Collins 4, G. Callaughan 3, S. Montebello 3,

A. Moody 3, P. Owen 3, J. Hunter 3,

L. Gosewinckel 3, M. Montebello 2, J. Verdino 2,

Y. Young 2, F. Sikora 2, L. Kirkpatrick 2,

R. Thomas 2, T. Scott 2, M. Wright 2, S. Ellis 2,

I. Smythe 1, J. Cameron 1, L. Cleaver 1 and B. Harper 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.:)



Everyone rugged up for a cold but enjoyable time at the Phelan home. About 30 people from MUOS & SOS listened to the guest speaker Jeanne Dunn .

## FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK:

G'day Everyone

Hope you are all getting used to the cooler weather, we have had a few rather cold nights to start winter. Your orchid winter care programme should now be in full swing.

There is a good slide show on winter care on the internet Google Chris Dalrymple Orchids.

I hope those who attended the joint MUOS/SOS Day at the Phelans' house in Falls Creek on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May enjoyed the facilities and a good look around their greenhouses and wonderful display of so many different orchid plants. Both Lynne & Brian were eager to share their experiences. Jeanne Dunn, an orchid grower from Victoria, gave us a talk on mounting plants which was very interesting. There were also plants for sale. Lunch was then held at Club Jervis Bay at Huskisson. A great day for all attendees.

Please do not forget the Roving Day on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. All the details were in last month's newsletter. I hope to see many members come out for the day.

Next meeting, we are going to have Peter Stubbs giving us a talk. Peter as most of you know judges many of our shows and has a wealth of knowledge in orchid growing.

The Winter Show, on  $1^{st}$  -  $2^{nd}$  July is coming up fast, and we will be looking for volunteers to help with the various jobs throughout the weekend. The Committee is to meet shortly to discuss all the arrangements and will have a chat about it at the June meeting. So please note your diaries.

Look forward to seeing everyone on June 12th.

## Rod





# **2023 Calendar of Events**

29th/30th April South & West Region Orchid Workshop. Canberra

7th May MUOS/Shoalhaven 'Get together' from 10.00am.

Speaker - Jeanne Dunn, , then lunch . Bring chairs, mug and plate for morning tea.

206A Woolamia Rd, Falls Creek

8th May General Meeting Speaker - Ron Boyd

18th May Bunnings orchid display 10:00—3:00pm Bunnings store, Ulludulla

3rd June Roving Day Mogo Nursery then Liz Cleavers place, followed by a B.B.Q at Corrigans Reserve, Batehaven, then

on to Ron & Rose Boyd's place. Batemans Bay area

12th June General Meeting Speaker - Peter Stubbs

17th June Orchid Display at Bunnings , Bunnings Store - Ulladulla 9 to 3 pm

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 Shoalhaven Orchid Society - Winter Show Bomaderry Community Centre. Birriley St.

10th July General Meeting Speaker - Mitch Karnaghan

15/16th July Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society - Winter Show Batemans Bay Soldiers Club

14th August General Meeting Speaker - Jane Wright

18-20th August St Ives Orchid Fair St Ives Showground

2nd September Shoalhaven Orchid Society - Spring Show Bomaderry Community Centre, 19 Birriley St.

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 Eurobodalla OC - Spring Show Leisure Centre, Narooma

20th September 50th Anniversary Luncheon - 12 - 3.00pm. Presentation of Spring Show awards.

## 2023 Calendar—continued

#### 9th October AGM & General Meeting. Speaker

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 & Sapphire OC joint show.

13th November General Meeting - Anything Orchid Auction

11th December MUOS Christmas Party - Upper level, Civic Centre, Ulludulla

## Ron Boyd—May speaker.

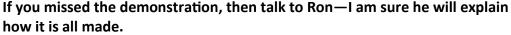
Ron gave an excellent demonstration on how he makes useful items to be used in any orchid house. Not the talk I was expecting, but definitely the demonstration we all needed.



He showed how to make metal stakes, with a safety twisted end, for orchids tall [cymbidiums] and small [massies].

We also saw how to make pot holder hooks which could be hung on rebar or any solid latticework—either on a wall or from a ceiling or a bench.

The hanging potholders were most impressive.



Ron has kindly donated to the club a variety of his items which will be sold at our next meeting.

Thank you Ron, for a very entertaining and educational demonstration. :)







## WINTER

## Iune

- Water sparingly, about once a week, in the mornings.
   Make allowances for drying winds, but don't water if it is wet.
- Clean up the orchid house and weed your plants.
- Start to think about what is required to present your orchid at the upcoming Winter Show. As the flower spikes grow attach any supporting cane and yoyo clips, these support the stem and help to straighten them up. Other species and Hybrids of orchids should be cleaned and pets free at time of benching.
- Dendrobiums, Cattleyas, Laelias or Epipdendrums should not be fertilized at this time.

# July

- Water with care once a week, less if rain has fallen.
   Mist any plant that is resting if the pseudobulbs are shrivelling.
- Don't fertilize these months (resting period) for Dendrobiums, Cattleya and Lealia.
- Give plants maximum light requirements.
- Epidendrum flowers winter.
- Pterostylis and Bulbophyllum flowers from mid winter to early spring.

# August

- Water with care once a week keeping water off the leaves. Those plants in bud should be kept just moist.
- Add small amounts of blood and bone to the top of the compost to assist plant over flowering period.
- Pests such as slugs and snails are coming out of their winter dormancy so be on the lookout for them and take appropriate action.
- Odontoglossum and Maxillaria flower in late winter.
- Start to think about what is required to present your orchid at the upcoming Spring Show. There are still Cymbidiums around. As the flower spikes grow attach any supporting cane and yoyo clips, these support the stem and help to straighten them up. Other species and Hybrids of orchids should be cleaned and pets free at time of benching.

At the Novice table Michael Wright talked about what to do with orchids throughout the year.

He handed out an excellent sheet on what to do, season by season—month by month. [It has been attached to the newsletter email—if you get your newsletter by post, talk to Michael about a copy—if you didn't get one at the table in May.]

I have copied the winter section for easy reference, this season.

As you notice things changing and working with your orchids you can make notes on your own copy or in an orchid diary.

As our memory becomes less reliable, an orchid diary is an excellent idea or even make notes on your orchid calendar, for future reference.





## **2023 MAY BENCHING RESULTS**

#### **OPEN:**

Cymbidium STD.: 1st 1 L. Cleaver
Cymbidium INT.: 1st 4 L. Cleaver

Cymbidium Min.: 1st 5 P. & G. Callaughan

Paphiopedilum: 1st

Cattleya under 70: 1st 9 F. Sikora

Cattleya over 70: 1st 11 M. & B. McIntosh

Den- Hard & Soft Canes: 1st 15 M. & B. McIntosh

Australian Native Hybrid: 1st

Oncidium Aliance: 1st 23 M. & M. McIntosh

Oncidium Species: 1st 24 M. & B. McIntosh

Miscellaneous: 1st 26 L. Cleaver

Species: 1st

Vandaceous: 1st 28 M. & B. McIntosh

Phalaenopsis: 1st Seedling: 1st

#### **INTERMEDIATE**

Phaphiopedilum: 1st 33 S. Ellis Cattleya less than 70mm: 1st 34 R. Thomas

**Den- Hard & Soft Canes:** 1st **Australian Native Species:** 1st

Oncidium Alliance: 1st 35 R. Thomas

Oncidium Species: 1st

Miscellaneous: 1st

Species:1st47 R. ThomasMiscellaneous:1st36 R. Thomas

#### **NOVICE:**

Cattleya less than 70mm: 1st
Australian Native Hybrid: 1st

Oncidium Alliance: 1st 30 L. Kirkpatrick

Miscellaneous: 1st

**Species:** 1st 32 L. Kirkpatrick

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FERN: 1st 29 G. & P. Callaughan

FOLIAGE: 1st

## **Popular Vote:**

Open: 1st 11 M. & B. McIntosh

Intermediate: 1st 33 S. Ellis

Novice: 1st 32 L. Kirkpatrick

GROW COMPETITION May 2023

Cymbidium [3] 1st J. Cameron 2nd A.M.Collins

Novices are asked to bring their deflasked plants. We hope they have done well.

















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A lovely group of orchid enthusiasts.

## **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'

# **FOR SALE**

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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

## **CLUB SALES TABLE**

Make sure you check out our SALES TABLE at our meetings—there are always very interesting orchids and folia/ferns for sale—at very reasonable prices.

Plus there are the club's sales items—pots, clips, tags, pencils, etc.

## **50th ANNIVERSARY**

# **Society Polo Shirts**

50 th Anniversary Society Polo Shirts can be ordered from the Secretary.

They will only be available this year, so get your order in as soon as possible.

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.



# **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. I am about to harvest my first 2 oranges.

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Luke Forster - Manager

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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. :)

