

# Milton - Ulladulla

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## NEXT MEETING:

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# **Presidents Report**

The Winter Show was a great success and it was plain to see that changing the venue to the Civic Centre, Ulladulla was the right choice. The Centre is on the main road so the Show had good exposure to the locals and passing traffic. Another good point, there is plenty of car parking space. We had approximately 356 people through the door, benched 134 orchids and 10 fern/foliage. As we had less than 50 members, this was a terrific response from our members who have shown their loyalty and support, some over many years. I would like to thank you all for all the work you so willingly put into this event and CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS, well done. With your help, we can make the Spring Show a success too. Last Monday at our General Meeting we welcomed four

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one who went to our Display which was held in the Woolworths Complex, Ulladulla. Great work. Many thanks to you all. Sylvia

## **Show Dates**

# **Spring Shows:**

Eurobodalla orchid Society at Narooma August 21st/23rd Fri 10-6, Sat 10-3, Sun Batemans Bay O&FS at Batemans Bay Soldiers Club September 4-6 Fri 10-6, Sat 10-3, Sun 10-2

Shoalhaven Orchid Society at Presbyterian Hall Nowra, September 11th/12th Fri 8 -4 Sat 8-3

Milton Orchid Society at Ulladulla Civic Centre Sep 19th/20th Sat 10-3.30, Sun 9-2

**Canberra Orchid Society** at Wesley Centre Forrest 26-27 September. Sat 9-5,

## **GUEST SPEAKERS**

At our next General Meeting our guess speakers will be Craig and Graham Scott—Harden who are both accredited Judges and will give a very interesting and informative talk.



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14 Charles Street MOGO NSW 2536

A special mention must be made here of the tremendous support the Club receives from Eddie & Karen at Mogo Orchid and Fern Nursery. They provide assistance in the way of prizes and provide our members with a high level of service.

# **CLUB WINNERS from our monthly meeting:**

## **OPEN**

Cym Stan: Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube

Paphiopedilum: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

Native Hybrid: Michelle McIntosh Native Species: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

Onc Alliance: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

Miscellaneous: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

Foliage: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

**Novice:** 

Cym Stan: Annette Neilsen Paphiopedilum: Rod Thomas

Cattleya to

70mm: Annette Neilsen Native Hybrid: Rod Thomas

**Popular Vote:** 

**OPEN:** Michelle McIntosh with Den

unknown

**NOVICE:** Annette Neilsen with Cattleya

unknown



## TIMES FOR THE SPRING SHOW

Benching for the Spring Show held at the Civic Centre September 19 &20 will be Friday 18 benching time for members 2pm to 4pm

Saturday Show 10am to 3-30pm Sunday Show 9am to 2pm

For those of you who need a Show Schedule they will be available at the next meeting.



Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube



Elizabeth Karacsonyi



Elizabeth Karacsonyi



Popular Vote Open: Michelle McIntosh



Popular Vote Novice: Annette Neilsen



Elizabeth Karacsonyi

# **DISPLAY AT WOOLWORTHS**

Please don't forget our display at Woolworths on Saturday the 12 of September, this is to promote our show the following week. So if you are able to help with plants they need to be at Woolworths at 9am. Please park up the top and bring them down in the lift.





The Reef Motor Inn is the place to stay, dine and meet in Batemans Bay. Situated on the Batemans Bay's foreshore adjacent to the Batemans Bay Bridge and across from the Clyde River. The Motel is a short walk to the town centre and its vibrant shopping district. We offer an onsite steak and seafood restaurant "The Reef Restaurant" specialising in fresh local produce.

Tel: 02 4472 6000

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# WINTER SHOW WINNERS



CHAMPION OF Show
Chris Rock



Champion Novice: Rod Thomas



Reserve Champion: Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube



Champion Paphiopedilum Hybrid: John Warren



Champion Laeliinae Hybrid: Elizabeth & Tony Karacsonyi



Champion Cymbidium Hybrid: Peter Vaughan



Champion Seedling: Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube



Best Specimen Orchid Species or Hybrid: Garry McConnell

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We would like to welcome four new members to our club they are Lindy Bonser, Dee Sruhan, Wayne Hamilton and Bruce McIntosh.



Could the winners of trophies from last years Spring Show please return them at the next Meeting.

### IN THE GREENHOUSE

The first report of Dendrobium beetles has come to light so be on the lookout for them also I have heard that some people are having trouble with mealy bugs.

I thought that I would get a head start so this week I started repotting of my Dendrobiums that aren't going to flower this year, boy what a big job and the trouble being that once you start you soon run out of room as plants go into bigger pots I need a bigger greenhouse! but I guess we all face this problem.

## An Extract from Alan Miriam's Newsletter.

While away I spoke to a lot of growers about treating growing media. Most <u>do not</u> and the plants grow very well. In the trial work I did some years ago I found all of the main barks, the plants grew well – DEBCO, NEW ZEALAND, ORCHID CARE SERVICES and COIR products all grew plants grew very well for the first 12 months. No extra nutrients were applied. After the first year notable deficiencies were noted. Mainly, iron, calcium and nitrogen. During the following 12 to 24 months drainage problems and pH problems were noted. During this trip I was amazed that very few growers tested the pH of their growing media before potting and during growth. Peter Albery suggests that Air Space After Drainage is very important after the growing media starts to age. Many growers have complained about bad spiking using certain growing media. One commercial cymbidium grower on the south coast of NSW gets excellent <u>multi spiking using Coir Peat</u> with out all sorts of complicated treating. When using Coir, the control of the growing media pH is very important for growth and multi spiking. Drop an Email if you have had good or bad experiences using different growing medias.

## **AUSTRALIAN NATIVE ORCHIDS**

Australia has many native orchids the most commonly known are the Sydney Rock Orchid (Dendrobium speciosum), the pink rock orchid (Dendrobium kingianum) and the Orange Blossom or Fairy Bells orchid (Sarcochilus)



## **GROWING CONDITIONS:**

Australian Natives can be grown under 70% shade cloth or under trees so that they receive a heavy dappled light. Den. speciosum may be grown in full sun but a little shade during the heat of the day will prevent leaf burn. Sarcochilus like more shade so grow them in a darker spot in the shadehouse.

## WATERING/FERTILIZING:

Plants should be kept evenly moist but not too wet. Water regularly in summer when growing, easing off during winter. Fertilize using half strength fertilizer weekly when plant is growing. Do not use high Phosphorus fertilizer.

## **REPOTTING/POTTING MIXTURE:**

Any medium well drained orchid potting mix is suitable. A Dendrobium potting mix is available from nurseries. Repot after flowering when new growth is evident about every 2-3 years or when plant has outgrown its pot.