

# Milton - Ulladulla

### ORCHID SOCIETY INC.

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### **NEXT MEETING:**

11 September 2017 CWA Hall Milton NSW Plants to be benched between 1pm and 1.30 pm

### **SHOW DATES:**

### Milton-Ulladulla at Civic Centre Spring Show

September 16th & 17th Saturday 10am to 3.30

Sunday 9am to 2.00pm

### Eurobodalla Orchid Club at Sports & Leisure Centre Narooma

### **Spring Show**

September 1st & 2nd Friday 9am to 4 pm Saturday 9am to 2 pm

### Batemans Bay Spring Show at the Soldiers Club

September 8th & 9th
Friday 8th 10 am to 6pm
Saturday 9th 10am to 3pm

### Batemans Bay Native Show at the Soldiers Club

October 20th & 21st
Friday 10am to 6pm
Saturday 10am to 4 pm

### The Australian Orchid Council's Conference

At Hawkesbury Indoor Stadium at Windsor on 18-22 July 2018

### **AUGUST 2017**

Tri-Club Fun Day, Mogo Orchid and Fern Nursery, 11am Thursday 21 September 2017

Eddy and Karen invite Members of the Eurobodalla, Batemans Bay and Milton/Ulladulla Clubs to the annual Tri-Club Fun Day. The idea is that Members bring along an orchid for display and judging (up to three plants is acceptable) by an accredited Judge (if available.) The Judge may split plants into categories, depending on the numbers benched. There will be no prize money or ribbons – just the glory of being commended, perhaps, for flowering a nice orchid. Eddy and Karen have provided a perpetual trophy for the event. Previous Fun Days have provided a great opportunity for Members of the three Clubs to mix, to share stories and their enjoyment of their hobby. Eddy and Karen have kindly offered to provide a sausage sizzle luncheon and the requisite beverages. Please bring your own chairs.



### 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. Phone 44742291

### Preparing your orchids for show benching

I have decided to provide the rules for staking of Orchids as a supplement to my recent presentation on preparing Orchids for showing.

The reason for this has been that I have noticed at recent shows that I have judged at that some growers are not staking their Orchids to present them at their best.

The exept below is the current one contained in the most recent update to the guidelines from the AOC.

## Exept from The Australian Orchid Council Inc Guidelines for Judging Handbook May 2017

- 5a. Minimal staking and tying and other means of support will be permitted, but shall not modify the natural inflorescence habit. The judging panel has the right to ask the owner to remove any staking and/or tie if necessary, in order to ascertain the strength of the inflorescence. In all genera, no inflorescence is to be tied or supported on any part of the flower or its attachment to the inflorescence.
- 5b. "Minimum staking" generally means to the first flower or first branch and unobtrusive. In some genera, where inflorescences are long and/or heavy, some discretion should be exercised. Where the ties are such that the strength of the inflorescence cannot be determined then the plant shall be penalised by 10% of the assessment.

Note: plants should be penalised and not disqualified.

 Any inflorescence being judged, from which a bud or flower has been removed or is missing, will be disqualified from judging unless the removal or loss happened during transport and the detached bud or flower is presented with the plant.

Remember start preparing your orchids as early as possible before the show.

Stake your orchids during this time to achieve the maximum presentation for the flowers.

Stake to avoid damage during transportation.

Stake correctly as per the above rules prior to placing the plants on the show bench.

Happy growing and success at your shows.

Peter Stubbs

**AOC** accredited Judge

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

### **OPEN:**

Cym. Stan: Peter Vaughan

Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube Cym Int:

Michelle McIntosh Cym Mini:

Paphiopedilum: Wayne Hamilton

2nd Wayne Hamilton

3rd Elizabeth Karacsonyi

Cattleya: Jean Virgo

Michelle McIntosh Native Hybrid:

2nd **Bob Harper** 

Native Species: Bob Harper

Species: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

Seedling: Michelle Mcintosh

Fern: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

Foliage: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

### **NOVICE:**

Cym Mini: Jo Church

Paphiopedilum: Alan Coulton

Native Species: Jo Church

**Rhonda Spry** Species:

### **GROW COMP:**

1st Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube

2nd Liz & Tony Karacsonyi

3rd Liz & Tony Karacsonyi

### **Popular Vote:**

Open: 1st Michelle McIntosh

2nd Michelle McIntosh

**NOVICE:** 1st Alan Coulton

2nd Jo Church



Popular Vote Open: Michelle McIntosh



Peter Vaughan



Popular Vote Novice: Alan Coulton



Wayne Hamilton



Elizabeth Karacsonyi



Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube



Michelle McIntosh



Jo Church

### **Winter Show Winners**



Champion Oncidiinae Hybrid: Michelle McIntosh



Grand Champion: Gary McConnell



Champion Novice:
Jo Church



Champion Cymbidium: Peter Vaughan



Champion Paphiopedilum: John Warren



Reserve Champion:
John Warren



Champion Seedling: Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube



Champion Specimen: Gary McConnell



Champion Native Hybrid: Jo Church



Champion Dendrobium: Elizabeth & Tony Karacsonyi



champion Species/Hybrid: Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube



Champion Laeliinae: Sylvia Hawkins

### **PLEIONES**

### This is from the club archives

Cool growing orchid, It needs open compost mix. They start growing in September and continue until the end of May. Repot by late autumn or when leaves drop off. Trim the roots to within 1cm from the old bulb. If possible repot every year. Bulbs are planted to one third the depth of each bulb. Parent bulb lives only for a year, shrivelling up when the flowers have finished. Flowers in Spring before leaves emerge. After flowering nutrients go to the production of new side bulbs. Keep damp and lightly shaded during Spring/Summer.

About November feed with chook manure or Dynamic lifter and wash it in so that the tender bulbs do not burn. This is repeated in February. For an effective display you can plant a number of bulbs in a large attractive pot. The larger you grow the bulbs, the better the flowers will be. Always be carful not to damage the flowing bud when planting and avoid wetting the leaves on hot days.

They are native to snowline of Himalayas and mountainous areas of Taiwan and China, average 15cm in height and are extremely hardy.

Ideal for planting under trees in friable soil which has had plenty of organic matter added. Begin watering when leaves have grown to about 10cm.



Could all the people who won trophies at last years Spring Show and haven't returned them yet please remember to bring them to the September Meeting. Thank you.

Could members please not water their orchids the day before a Meeting. It makes such a mess.

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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.



