



Milton - Ulladulla

ORCHID SOCIETY INC.

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To all members and their families, we wish

you a Very Merry Christmas and

a Happy New Year for 2018 from

the Milton-Ulladulla Orchid

Society Committee.



No Plants are to be benched at the December meeting as it is our Christmas Party.

Orchiata Bark 40L bags can be ordered from Budget Produce Ulladulla on 44541373 for \$31.50 per bag. It takes a few days to come in.

WISH LIST

If there is an orchid you are after—on your “WISH LIST” —then let the Editor know and it will be in the next Newsletter. :)

CHRISTMAS PARTY

A list was at the last meeting for you to put your names down for those of you who are coming to our Christmas Party, **remember partners are welcome at a cost of \$10.**

The list was there to put your name down to bring either a salad, desert or nibbles .

If you wish to come, please phone Michelle on 44541220 to put your name on the list.

The club will provide the ham, chicken and bread rolls plus plates, plastic cups & cutlery, bring along your own cold drinks of whatever persuasion.

Please don't come too early as the committee needs to set up the hall and we can't get in until 12 so arrive around 1pm. Thank you. :)



WISH LIST

Anne-Marie C. — is after an Oncidium “Twinkles”, any colour or size, unnamed is fine.

Happy New Year

Dates for your 2018 Diary:

February 12th – First Club Day for 2018

March 17&18th – March Workshop, Tuross Head

May 14th - MUOS Auction [mixed]

May 18-20th - Orchids Out West

June 21-23rd - Royale Orchids Open Days and Fair TBC

June 22-24th - Mingara Orchid Fair TBC

July 13&14th – EOC Winter Show, Moruya

July 20-21st - BBO&FS Winter Show

July 20-22nd - AOCC 2018 'Orchids in the Foothills'

July 28-29th -MUOS Winter Show

August 10-11th – Orchid Extravaganza, Dural

August 17-19th Sapphire Winter Show, Merimbula TBC

August 17-19th – St Ives Orchid Fair

August 24-26th – Melbourne Orchid Spectacular (OSCOV) TBC

August 25-26 th - EOC Spring Show, Narooma

September 7-8th – BBO&FS Spring Show

September 15-16th – MUOS Spring Show

September 20-21st – Sapphire Spring Show TBC

October 5-7th – Southern Orchid Spectacular, Caringbah

October 8th - MUOS A.G.M.

November 2-3rd – Sapphire Native Show, Merimbula

November 12th - MUOS Orchid Auction

December 10th – MUOS Christmas Party

Club meetings are 2nd Monday of the month at C.W.A. Hall, Milton.

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.

Our **November 2017 Orchid Auction** went very well, so much to pick from and some very fierce bidding was heard. A fun experience for all. :)



A keen buyer or seller, checking out a lovely orchid.



Orchid Supplies

Over several years, we have been fortunate to have access to the Batemans Bay Club's "Grumpy's Shed."

Dorothy and Keith Kauffman have had to relinquish that facility and the Bay Club has sold most remaining stock to Mogo Orchid and Fern Nursery.

Karen and Eddy have new stocks of Orchiata bark at \$35 per bag and are offering 15% discount on pots to orchid club members – proof of membership should be provided please.



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CLUB WINNERS from our November meeting:

OPEN:

Cym Mini: Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube

Cattleya over 70: Rod Thomas

Dendrobium: Sylvia Hawkins

Native Hybrid: Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube

Onc Alliance: Harry Harris

Native Species: Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube

Miscellaneous: Liz Cleaver & Tony Groube

Species: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

Vandaceous: Elizabeth Karacsonyi

Phalaenopsis: Sylvia Hawkins



NOVICE:

Cattleya: to 70: Jo Church

Native Species: Jo Church

Oncidium Alliance: Anne-Marie Collins

Phalaenopsis: Jo Church



Popular Vote:

Open: 1st Elizabeth Karacsonyi [Species]

Novice: 1st [equal] Jo Church [Species] &

Jo Church [Phalaenopsis]



Well done to those who benched & the best of luck to everyone with your growing, flowering and benching in 2018. [Will improve with names on photos, next time. A.M.]



Merry Christmas



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-5xL



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FAREWELL VICKI.

Farewell to Vicki Sansom, Activities Co-ordinator at Ulladulla Bunnings, your efforts have been greatly appreciated by our club. Thank you for your donation.



ON DISPLAY

At our last meeting in the Novice section was an unusual orchid on display. It was brought in by Jim Foster and it is called *Microtis* sp. [local]. Here is what it looked like. :)




Yatte Yattah
NURSERY
Garden Cafe

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-REMEMBER -

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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HAPPY
NEW
YEAR
2018

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ALAN & MIRIAM MERRIMAN'S NEWSLETTER

ALAN'S COLUMN NOVEMBER 2017 – SUMMER 2018

At last we have finally got away for a short break down to Batemans Bay with our son Colin. Now back to work called Orchid growing. This is maintenance, cleaning up, repotting, spraying feeding etc. It is a good idea to sort out plants that need attention put to one end of the bench those that need weeds pulling out, pull out the weeds and top dress with MERRI COTE around the top rim of all the pots. When you put the prills on the top of the pot – cover the prills over with new mix. DO again in 8 weeks time for a summer spurt of growth. By covering the mix you will not wash the prills off! If you are using the prills, spray the foliage with MERRI FERT every six weeks. Don't forget the use Magnesium sulphate every four weeks if the weather is very hot. Spray on the foliage to run off. If you have a good wetter add it to the magnesium. Don't use an OIL or cheap wetter.

Watering should be carried out during the early evening to drop the bulb temperature down. This applies mainly to Cymbidiums, remember Cattleya need a day length to encourage flowering! Your cymys may need a little more shade to save from leaf burn. After dividing you could save leaf burn by spreading ENVY over the leaf surface. Watering can be a problem during hot weather. Plants need a good soaking twice a week during hot weather, not in the middle of the day, late afternoon is ideal. In between on very hot days a overhead sprinkle around sunset to cool plants down. In glass houses and poly tunnels the plants will need more misting and less watering. During late Spring and Summer fertilising plants will need some organic as well as their usual feeding programme Remember they like a change in diet SEAWEED SECRETS is a good organic. It has FULVIC ACID added to it. It helps plants combat heat stress during the summer period. It is absorbed through roots and foliage especially in young plants and recently potted plants! The general rate of use is 2 ml mixed in 1 litre of water. Once mixed it is important to use within four weeks for best results. I know some growers who use seaweed or fish all the year with great results! Remember there is no such thing as the perfect fertiliser. There are too many variables! Growing media, temperature, light, watering etc.

Only change one item at a time if you have a problem with growth and or flowering. First check the pH. of the potting mix before you do anything. This is very important. Try and keep it between pH5.00 and pH 6.0 Remember the older the mix the lower the pH will be. This is why you put some lime and dolomite in the mix. In case you have forgotten the rate, it is one part lime + two parts dolomite by weight. This will give you a ratio of 2 :1 Ca to Mg. This will settle down to 4 : 1 in around 5 months. Remember this is a top dress to settle the pH down.

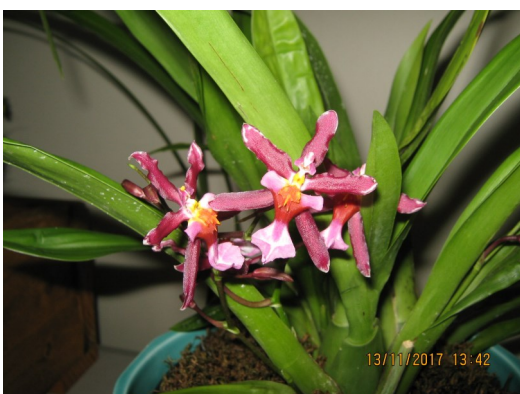
CERCOSPORA DENDROBII is raging in all states over the last couple of months. What you can use is an old mixture that has been handed down over the ages from generation to generation! I have heard it can cause leaf drop to soft cane dendrobiums! Try before use! Below is the formula

ZINEB 1.5 gm COPPER OXY 1.5gm

The above is mixed in 1 litre of water. Let mixture stand for three hours, Agitate thoroughly before use. Use a sticker NOT OIL.

Have you had a look at the label of COLIN CAMPBELLS'S ORCHID FERTILISER. The formulation has changed! Have a look at the label of the Yellow . It has a slight change in the trace element content I do not think the plants will tell the difference! Hand up who noticed the difference.

Thank you for this excerpt, lots of great information to think about and activities to work on over the holiday break.



Another Novice benched plant and more of our Auction orchid plants.

