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PREZIDENT’S 2019 B.B.Q.
President’s B.B.Q. is on the 17th March at 12 midday.
Address is 27 Jubilee Ave, Ulladulla.
See you there. :)

Thank you to those who help put things away after the meeting. If you are putting things down the bottom [in the downstairs storeroom], please remember to put our tables totally in front of the cupboard, ensuring they do not hang out the sides. This would be gratefully appreciated. :)

RAFFLE WINNERS from JANUARY Meeting—
A.M. Collins 2, H. Douglass 1, L. Cleaver 2, L. Phelan 1, J. Church 1, H. Thompson 3, M. Martin 1, G. Callaghan 2, B. Harper 2, R. Thomas 1, I. Smythe 2, R. Spry 3, M. Hughes 2, K. Moody 4, D. Cambourn 2, J. Foster 4, L. Bonser 3, B. Williams 1, B. Foster 1, M. Glading 3, S. Jackson 1, B. Rutledge 1, T. Legge 1, & M. Harris 1.

Well done to all who bought tickets.

A big thank you to those who bring in items for the monthly meeting raffle or for either of our 2 auctions each year. :)

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GROW COMPETITION.
Grow Comp. plants will be available at the March meeting, but be quick, not many left. Here is a photo of Brassidium Tigerlily “Tinonee” currently in flower in Dalmeny. It is owned by Una Roberts.
Good growing all. :)

FEBRUARY 2019
The Eric Young Orchid Foundation, Jersey

Last meeting we had a lovely, informative slide show presentation by Lynne Phelan, helped by Brian Phelan. The topic was their trip to the Eric Young Orchid Foundation, Jersey. { https://ericyoungorchid.org/ }

The Foundation have multiple wins at the Chelsea Orchid Show [ 8 gold medals].

This place was funded by the original owner and they are independent of financial restraints.

They rotate orchids, as they bloom, through display rooms plus have some permanently planted.

There are 8 glass houses and they went through 7 with the curator—quite an honour.

They hybridise cymbidiums and cultivate any cool intermediate grower. The glass houses are generally not heated.

The glass houses are huge and have rolled benches, which means only one aisle is needed = saving space.

Other places of interest on Jersey are Maritime Museum, Gerald Durrell Conservation Trust & Zoo, Steam & Motor Museum and ancient archaeology sites.

Thank you Lynne and Brian for such an informative presentation. I hope to go there one day. :)

Thank YOU to Mildred Hughes

—she made those lovely Christmas cakes handed out at our Christmas Party. They were yummy. A.M.

M.U.O.S Library

Jo Church has bundled together 4 magazines and a book in a plastic pouch. This will make a month’s good reading. So next meeting, have a look and get one. I have mine. :)

WISH LIST

Bob Harper—Sarc. George Coulthorpe X Bessie
Suzanne Brennan—Den. densiflorum
Sam Burton—yellow Psychopsis
Michelle McIntosh—angraecum, Oncidium cheirophorum.
Mary Glading—Laelia anceps ‘alba’
Doreen Cambourn—Den. Hagoromd ‘Spring Beauty’
X sailor boy ‘Shirasagi’, Dendrochilum Cobbianum

FOR SALE—

Speciosums for sale
— $50 each, large plants with new growths
— contact Michelle McIntosh.

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. See the Secretary if interested in one.

Ladies 8-24 Mens to 5XL

Did you know?

If you receive your newsletter by email, we are now sending to you [ interesting reading] newsletters sent by other clubs that the Secretary receives.

If you don’t want this to happen, please let Anne-Marie know—by email [ ARIMANEE@YAHOO.CO.UK ].

Thanks A.M.
2019 Dates for your diary.

11th March  - General Meeting – guest speaker Ron Boyd, Paphiopedilum

17th March  - Club day at President’s home at 27 Jubilee Ave., Ulladulla, at 12.00 pm.

March 23rd & 24th  - Workshop [ B.B.O.F.S.]

8th April  - General Meeting - guest speaker Peter Stubbs

28th April  - Fund Raiser, Bunnings, Sausage Sizzle, 9.00am to 4.00pm

11th May  - Roving Day. Phelans, Clancys, Callaughans

13th May  - General Meeting – Bric A Brac auction. All proceeds to Club.

9th June  - Bunnings Display and Promotion, 9.00am to 3.00pm.

10th June  - General Meeting – guest speaker Mitch Karnaghan TBA

29th June  - Woolworths Promotion 9.00am to 3.00pm

8th July  - General Meeting – guest speaker Trevor Hughes/ Kevin Black, Cymbidiums

13/14th July  - MUOS Winter Show

19/20th July  - Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society, Winter show.

27th July  - Eurobodalla Orchid Club Exhibition at Moruya.

12th August  - General Meeting, winter show presentation. Guest Speaker Bob Bishop Growing Orchids semi-hydroponically.

24/25th August  - Eurobodalla Orchid Club, Spring show at Narooma.

6/7th September  - Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society, Spring show.

7th September  - Woolworths Promotion, 9.00am to 3.00pm.

9th September  - General Meeting, Member’s orchid auction, 10% of proceeds to Club.

14/15th September  - MUOS Spring Show.

21st September  - Graham Jackson’s Workshop.

28th September  - Combined BBOFS, EOC & MUOS BBQ at Nelligen.

4/6th October  - Eurobodalla Orchid Spectacular - N.S.W. S. & W. Regional Conference of Orchid Clubs, hosted by Eurobodalla Orchid Club Moruya Basketball Stadium

14th October  - AGM/General Meeting, Spring show presentation of trophies.

18/19th October  - Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society, Native Orchid Show.

26th October  - Visit to Paula Brown’s at Tuross Heads to see her Sarc display

11th November  - General Meeting, guest speaker, Gary Hodder, Dendrobiums.

9th December  - Christmas Party.

There are still spaces for this event and it will be a great learning experience, plus a chance to add to your collection, without postage [ means more plants]. :)

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Well done to those who benched & the best of luck to everyone with your growing, flowering and benching in 2019. :)
EPSOM SALTS
At our last meeting there was Epsom salts for sale on the sales table. Here are some of its benefits.

Barbara Haywood: If you grow in very high light, what is already in fertilizer may be not enough as it acts in photosynthesis and production of Chlorophyll. So it can be beneficial in the peak of Summer or towards the beginning of Autumn in particular. If people use high nitrogen fertilizer plants can grow too quickly and have floppy canes, so Epsom Salts ie Magnesium Sulphate is beneficial in finishing off these floppy canes and hardening them off to be nice and straight and strong.

Jeff Ahern: I use Magnesium every few months, good for cell structure and some say good for initiating flower spikes, I am not sure though. I give 2 t/spoons in 9 ltr water can.

Barbara Haywood: I regularly fertilizer half strength twice each week from around October to June. I use a low N with high K type of fertilizer on mature plants. And a high N with lower K on small seedlings. Because we have high light here, I need to use MS (epsom Salts) to assist photosynthesis ie: to keep my plants green. So I use it once a month in a separate watering from around October to June while plants are actively growing.

J.D. Breaux: If you’re growing anything cerulean, mix a tablespoon into a gallon and water it with that for a few weeks when you see a flower stalk forming. It will help to bring in the blue.

Barbara Haywood: I dilute mine in water I use .5gm in 10 litres of water approx once a month. I use this amount as there is already Epsom Salts (Magnesium Sulphate in my fertilizer).

Bob Bishop: Gets the chlorophyll going. Be careful mixing it with other chemicals and fertilisers - does not mix well with many. Best on its own. If you mix with calcium nitrate for example you finish up with a mess in the bottom of the can.

Barbara Haywood: It promotes healthy roots and is a beneficial element for many plants. It also helps green up yellowing orchids due to being in overly bright light or deficiency. It helps harden up your new growths on Australian Dendrobiums and other types of orchids as well. It is in most fertilizers as its chemical name...Magnesium sulphate.

A good site to look at is == Mark Nieuwenhuys : https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Magnesium_in_biology

WHEN TO FEED—over Winter
Steve Howard: Let the plants roots tell you. If they have active green, red or white growing tips they are still active and receptive to feeding. I cut down in frequency over winter as plants metabolism slows down with cooler weather and shorter days. I have a preference to foliage feeding over winter. If the roots have sealed I still feed thru the leaves. Best in the late morning on a sunny day so dry by night.

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All novices need help.
Our questions need answers and we learn by doing, seeing, hearing and picking the brains of experience growers. If you have a question—send it to the editor and we will try to find the answer for you.
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Virtual Orchid Crawl.
Michelle McIntosh’s orchid growing areas. [OPEN grower] See the new area at the President’s B.B.Q. [17th March]
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Get Well Wishes to any club member recovering from surgery or sickness . :)

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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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**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.

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**Woolworths**

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**Orchid Supplies**

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