

John Oxley District Orchid Society Inc.

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Den. Mangosteen 'Kanjana'

Society Founded 8th April 1970

Society meets at 7.30pm on the Second Wednesday each month at Oxley Bowls Club

Committee Meeting Monday 24 June 7.00 pm

General Meeting Wednesday 10 July at 6.30 pm

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President's Report

Tonight we mourn the loss of one of our long standing members, Reg Matthews who passed away last month. We will be acknowledging him during the meeting with a moment of silence. He will be sorely missed. Reg was a tireless worker at our yearly shows and only too willing to give advice to our new growers and to assist in any way he could.

The committee has organised the last of the show preparations. We are all again looking forward to a successful show. Thank you to all those who have volunteered your valuable time. We are looking forward to another great show and know that it takes everybody's participation as far as possible to make it great.

The judging will be the same as last year with people committing to being a part of the judging team rather than just have people turn up on the night. As well as Barry Scriven being the Show Marshall, we will again need 2 people to be stewards and 3 x 3 Judging panel scribes. Please put your names down commit to turning up and doing the required roles. Please again turn up early on the night so the requirements of the roles can be explained, especially if you have never done it before.

This year will be the fourth year that we have had eftpos for plant sales. So hopefully that encourages people to feel free to spend up big. Just as last year the committee have had to pay a \$300 deposit for the key to include a cleaning fee because other people using the facilities have not

been doing the right thing. We thank the volunteers who make a huge effort to help clean up at the end. It will be vital this year that we leave it very clean so we can get our deposit back.

We thank all the people who have already put their hands up to work at the show. As usual we need the donations of food for the workers and judges and slices and cakes, etc for the kitchen, as well as plenty of plants for sale and for the benches and donations for the floral art.

Our guest speaker tonight is Gary Yong Gee who is doing a presentation of 'Trekking in Yunnan'. We look forward to tonight's presentation and are grateful to all the people who give up their time to enlighten us and help us improve our orchid collection.

Have a great night and the final prep for the show will be at our next meeting.

Thank you again in advance for the people who work so tirelessly not only at the show but also every meeting.

Thanks

Michael Byrnes

From the Editor

See page 4 for Richard Mollee's notes from the May meeting.

The name of the 2018 growers competition plant is Rlc Yen Majesty Pink x (Rlc Laddawan Beauty x Rlc Chai Lin)

Name tags will be available from Sonia on the night.

Editor

Judges:- JODOS Judges: John Buckley–Don Nitschinsk --, Emeritus Judge Les Lobley – Plus			
Q.O.S. Judges			
Life Members :- Les Lobley - Margaret Lobley - Don Nitschinsk - Barbara Shooter			
COMPETITION WINNERS for May 2019			
CATTLEYA	1	J & H Rutter	C. Dal's Choice 'Rudak'
Exhibition	2	J & H Rutter	R/c. Mem. Susan Hawkins x Bethune 'Mendenhall'
Over 100 mm	3	J & H Rutter	R/c. Donna Kimura 'Paradise Tami'
CATTLEYA	1	J & H Rutter	C. Dal's Choice 'SJC'
Compact / Mini	2	J & H Rutter	C. Dal's Tradition
Under 100 mm	3	R Kerr	R/y. Mailis Surprise 'Alaska'
CATTLEYA	1	M Byrnes	C. Little Suzie
Any Other	2	N Donsky	C. Maikai Mayumi
Cluster, novelty etc	3	C & H Barker	Gur. Barbara Kirch
PAPHIOPEDILUM	1		
	2		
	3		
PHALAENOPSIS	1		
	2		
	3		
DENDROBIUMS	1	C & H Barker	Den. Mangosteen 'Kanjana'
	2	C & H Barker	Den. Alice's Mark Bron
	3	C & H Barker	Den. (Ray's Twist x Meala Green ??) xx <i>canaliculatum</i>
ANY OTHER GENERA	1	S Cavalea	Epi. Wedding Valley
	2		
	3		
NOVICE	1	M Cole	Den. Fantasy Land 'Princess'
	2	M Cole	??
	3	M Cole	Den. Burana Stripe x Fraser's White Lady
FLORAL ART	1	L & J Abbate	Floral Art – Up & Away
	2	N Donsky	Floral Art – Up & Away
	3	B & M Byrnes	Floral Art – Up & Away
VANDACEOUS & OTHERS	1	R Kerr	V. Seeprai x (Thananchaisand x Yellow Pacific)
	2	C & H Barker	V. Boonyarit Little Flame 'KBR'
	3		
ONCIDIUMS '& OTHERS	1	J & H Rutter	Mtssa. Lavender Kiss 'Lavender Taffy'
	2	W Semple	Onc. Sweeey Sugar
	3	R Mollee	Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'
SPECIES	1	C & H Barker	Bulb. <i>rothschildianum</i>
	2	S Cavalea	Orn. <i>radicans</i>
	3		
AUSTRALIAN NATIVES	1	R Mollee	Den. <i>bigibbum</i> var Superbum 'Ray's Best' x 'Timberlea'
	2		
	3		
AUSTRALIAN NATIVE HYBRID	1	S Cavalea	Den. Pearl Vera
	2	R Mollee	Den. Superbiens
	3	R Mollee	Den. Fantasy Land 'Princess'
JUDGES CHOICE	1	C & H Barker	Den. Mangosteen 'Kanjana'
	2	R Kerr	V. Seeprai x (Thananchaisand x Yellow Pacific)
	3	J & H Rutter	C. Dal's Choice 'SJC'
POPULAR VOTE	1	R Kerr	V. Seeprai x (Thananchaisand x Yellow Pacific)
	2	J & H Rutter	R/c. Mem. Susan Hawkins x Bethune 'Mendenhall'
	3	C & H Barker	Bulb. <i>rothschildianum</i>

Show Dates for 2019			
Society	Month	Dates	Venue
North Moreton Qld. Orchid Council Inc. 3865 5615	June	22 - 23	Auditorium Mt. Coot-tha Botanic Gardens (Open)
John Oxley District Orchid Soc. Inc.	July	13 - 14	Auditorium Mt. Coot-tha Botanic Gardens. (Open)
Australian Native Orchid Soc – Kabi Group 3399 9208	Aug	17 - 18	Strathpine Community Centre, 199 Gympie Rd, Strathpine
North Brisbane Orchid Society Inc. 3355 7175	Aug.	17 - 18	Auditorium Mt. Coot-tha Botanic Gardens (Open)
Logan & District Orchid Society Inc. 0431 180 151	Aug	24 - 25	Springwood Rd State School Hall
Redlands Orchid Society Inc. 3824 5931	Aug	31	Donald Simpson Centre, 172 Bloomfield St., Cleveland
Beaudesert Districts Orchid and Foliage Society Inc.	Sept	7 - 8	Canungra Hall, 3/7 Pine St, Canungra
West Brisbane Orchid Society Inc. 3351 3251	Sept	14 - 15	Auditorium Mt. Coot-tha Botanic Gardens.
Eastern District Orchid Society Inc. 0438 223 880	Sept	21 - 22	Belmont Shooting Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Rd., Belmont
Toowoomba Orchid Soc Inc. 0428 383 403	Sept	20- 24	St Paul's Hall, Cnr James & Phillip St, Toowoomba
Ipswich Orchid Society Inc. 3201 8307	Sept	28 - 29	Silkstone State Primary School, Prospect St, Silkstone
Queensland Orchid Society Inc. 3824 5931	Oct	12 - 13	Belmont Shooting Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Rd., Belmont
Boonah Harrisville Anglican Parish Charity Show 0418 764 838	Oct	19 - 20	Boonah High School, Macquarie St, Boonah
North Moreton Qld. Orchid Council Inc. 3865 5615	Nov	2 – 3	Auditorium Mt. Coot-tha Botanic Gardens. (Open)
Orchid Species Society Inc. 3351 6138	Nov	23 - 24	Auditorium Mt.Coot-tha Botanic Gardens.
Floral Art			
June:	The Way of the Wind		July: Touch of Frost
August:	Double Delight		September: Welcome to Spring
October:	Horizontal		November: Night Before Christmas

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TOP 12 ORCHIDS IN RICHARD MOLLEE'S SEQ COLLECTION

Dendrobium x superbiens – flowers all year round and spikes last up to 12 weeks. Look for plants in flower that have a clear purple colour rather than pale pink. Can be grown outdoors and used for cut flowers.

Dendrobium bigibbum – Qld's floral emblem, the Cooktown orchid. Large, well-shaped purple flowers in autumn are long lasting (up to 2 months); also available in lavender and white. Can be grown outdoors on a suitable host tree like Bottle Brush, mounted or in well-drained pots. Distinct rest period in winter.

Den. Yukidaruma – easy to grow and flower soft-cane dendrobium, white blooms with prominent maroon blotch in labellum; spring flowering. When purchasing soft cane dendrobiums, look for plants flowering 2/3 or ¾ along the length of the canes, rather than those only blooming towards the tip of the canes. They also have a lovely fragrance and last around 4 weeks in bloom. Distinct rest period in winter.

Onc. Sharry Baby – flowers throughout the year (approx. every 9 months) with a fantastic fragrance. "Sweet Fragrance" is one of the best scented cultivars. Well grown plants can have several inflorescences and last up to 6 weeks in flower. Prone to develop dark spots in cool conditions on leaves – don't worry.

Onc. sphacelatum – yellow spring flowering species, easily grown outdoors, free-flowering. A great option for specimen cultivation. Mature plants can have flower spikes up to 1m long. Watch out for grasshoppers if growing outdoors.

Rlc. Dona Kimura 'Paradise Tami' – proven show bench quality large pink typically in autumn. One of the best pink Cattleyas that need little to no grooming to look their best. If I could only grow 1 orchid, it would be this one.

Rlc. Burdekin Bells 'Rosco' – proven show bench quality large white in autumn/winter. Ensure emerging buds are separated and opening flowers are groomed to present at their best. Consider bringing indoors or placing under cover to ensure blooms remain free of blemishes/marks.

Rlc. Golden Majestic – exhibition quality large yellow flowers with contrasting red labellums in spring. Ensure emerging buds are separated and opening flowers are groomed to present at their best. Purchase in flower where possible to ensure you are happy with the coloration and form, as there is some variability in seedlings from this cross.

Ctt. Portia – easy to grow and flower, Autumn blooming bifoliate cluster. A reliable grower and well worth a place in a SEQ collection. Mature plants can be 2-3 feet tall. Ensure enough room is provided for these plants, so that the tower of blooms can open radially all around. There are a range of clones available, varying in colour and shape to suit your preference.

Rlc. Royal Beau 'H & R' – flowering multiple times a year with clear bright yellow flowers and red-edged labellum; a small plant well worth including in your collection. Can also be grown successfully on mounts. Ensure emerging blooms are spaced apart and free from interference by other pseudobulbs.

Epc. Leaf Hopper – long lasting summer blooms of lime green contrasting with magenta labellum. New growths appear following flowering, and the plants have a distinctive rest in winter. Flower spikes will appear and grow throughout spring. I love the colour contrast, and the fact it is typically in flower over Christmas time.

Phal. Tinny White – easy to grow and flower exhibition quality white blooms in winter/spring; long lasting and repeat flowering on mature plants. I have had repeated success with a couple of these, and grow them indoors between May and September. I also keep flowering plants inside which helps to avoid/minimise botrytis.

Aerides odorata

At the April meeting Barbara Shooter donated a number of kikis as raffle prizes. These were *Aerides odorata* (Note the American spelling) and should be labeled as such.