

# Nambour Orchid News JUNE 2011

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#### **MEETINGS:**

Business Meeting is held on the  $4^{th}$  Saturday of each month at 1pm prior to the cultural meeting. All members are welcome to attend the business meeting.

Cultural Meeting is held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at the Buffalo Lodge Hall, Price Street, Nambour at 2pm.All members, prospective members and visitors are welcome.

Species appreciation get together is held monthly from February to November at members homes. Contact the Secretary for details. All STOCQ members welcome.

Bring your flowering species plants, a chair and a plate to share for afternoon tea

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May has proved to be a busy, busy busy month. Our meeting was a great afternoon We enjoyed our guest lecturer Elaine Grant and her friend Erica Lucas who spoke on the cultivation of the different fern species. Now that is a whole new realm and as fascinating as our orchid family to follow. We all gained from their knowledge and it was good to find out the names of some of our ferns which we regularly use and to see some of the rarer varieties as well.

We had a lovely array of plants benched. Tom's Ett Volcano Trick "Orange Fire" was a little beauty. It is a cross between Lc Trick or Treat and Epi stamfordianum.(Epicatanthe). Now there is a new genera for us to keep in our brains!

Lots of cattleya genera pleased the eye and Zga (Zygoanaria) Seaforth was very beautiful. Marty and Anita's lovely flat Zygo type flower was a lot more complex in its breeding (Z Titanic "June" HCC x Pabstia jugosa. All these new names and name changes of species make it very difficult to keep up with the new genera appearing today.

Richard will be doing the labels for the Caboolture Show. Please have your names in to him as early as possible.

Garden Expo will be staged at the same time as the Caboolture Show and as usual this calls for a super human effort. We do not have to be as particular with the flowers for The Garden Expo as the flowers are not for judging and sprays with a missing flower or an odd spot will still help make a good showing. Bring along your foliage too.

At the April Meeting or just afterwards Richard lost his Photographic monopod. It looks a bit like a walking stick. If anyone has seen it around please tell him as he is keen to reunite with it.

Last weekend we made the trip out to Murgon where the South Burnett Orchid Society hosted our STOCQ Meeting. We all had a wonderful day. Mr Alan Merryman was the lecturer for the day and he gave many interesting tips from his time as a commercial nurseryman outside Sydney. We were able to purchase a DVD of his lectures to go in the library.

After a wonderful winter dinner of camp oven stew and apple crumble and custard we set out to visit two orchid houses. One was just around the corner in Murgon and the other was the farm home of Murray and Felicity which is fifteen kms out of Murgon. Their orchid houses and home are set on the top of a hill with the rolling hills of the south Burnett all around. The cattle in the background made this a little bit of Paradise to visit and have afternoon tea. We also observed some Blue Fairy Wrens near the shed. It was a wonderful day with great company.

Our thoughts have been with our Bennie and also Hazel Thomas as she recovers from a bout of pneumonia. We hope that you both are ever so much better.

Rod and Janet were our warm hosts of our Species group meeting on Saturday. It was a miserable day weather wise but we all enjoyed a great afternoon of fun and orchids. Lots of lovely species with a cologyne taking my eye. Bill had a fine grass like Dendrobium which was covered with tiny white blossoms and Doug presented an outstanding dendrochilum of brilliant wattle yellow. June broke the ranks and brought along the lovely hybrid Onc. Twinkle which was much admired. A high tea followed a most enjoyable afternoon. Thank you Janet and Rod.

Reguards Pat and Clive.

#### POPULAR VOTE FOR MAY 2011

**HYBRIDS** 

Cattleya Alliance

Epicatanthe (Ett) Volcano Trick First Tom Buckley Lc Molley Tyler David & Julie Tyler Second Tie Third & JC Blc Dal's Grace Marty & Anita Vlekkert

Tie Third Blc Andean Treasure Tom Buckley

Tie Third Lc Prophesy 'Monterey' Terry & Hazel Thompson

Blc Mem. Anna Balmores Tom Buckley TieThird

Oncidium Alliance

Miltonia (Milt) Lillian Nakamoto 'Tanto' Richard Hand First Second Odontonia (Odtna) Troplcal Heat Wave Rob & Joan Raabe Alan Shield

Third & JC Onc Ruby Doll

Paphiopedlum

First 7 LC Paph Prim-n-Proper Rob & Joan Raabe

Vandaceous/Phalaenopsis

Aerides (Aer) Unknown Lesley Beare First Second & JC V Charungraks x Ascda Meda Arnold Mal & Jo Rivers Third V Roberts Delight Rob & Joan Raabe

Dendrobiums

Den Lady Kiesel x Den Peter Petersen (Reg as Den Kuranda Blue) x First

Den carronii Cliff Alexander Den Kiilani Stripe Rod & Janet Aisthorpe Second

Marty & Anita Vlekkert

Third & JC Den C.K.Ai Bill Letcher

Any Other Genera

First & JC Z Titanic 'June' HCC x Pabstia jugosa

Tie Second Masdevallia (Masd) Copper Angel x Masd panguiensis David & Julie Tyler Tie Second Cym Canary Feather 'Beenak' Marty & Anita Vlekkert Masd Hot Shot 'Violet Glow' David & Julie Tyler Tie Third Zygoneria (Zga) Seaford **Judy Robbins** Tie Third

PRIMARY HYBRIDS

First Paph Notito Hasegawa Beryl & Graham Robertson

Second C sparkling Spot Nathan Gould

Third & JC **Bulb Wilbur Chang** Des & Elaine Middlebrook

**EXOTIC SPECIEs** 

First Rod & Janet Aisthorpe L anceps

Judy Robbins Second Paph insigne

Tie Third & JC Beryl & Graham Robertson onc ornithorhynchum Tie Third L anceps var veitchiana Rod & Janet Aisthorpe

Tie Third C walkeriana Judy Robbins

Rod & Janet Aisthorpe Tie Third Paph specerianum

**AUSTRALIAN NATIVES** 

Hvbrid

First & JC Marty & Anita Vlekkert Den Beast 'Red/Gold' x Den speciosum curvicaule 'Daylight Moon'

Second Ptst x furcillata Alan & Alison Parkes Den Jonathan's Glory 'Dark Joy' Marty & Anita Vlekkert Third

**Species** 

JC Ptst aff. Tenuicauda Alan & Alison Parkes First Ptst baptistii Alan & Alison Parkes

Tie Second Den tetragunum Bill Letche

Tie Second Ptst collina Alan & Alison Parkes Corybas barbarea Tie Second Alan & Alison Parkes Tie Second Corybas barbarea Alan & Alison Parkes

**NOVICE** 

First & JC Doritis pulcherrima June Hutchins

**FOLIAGE** 

First & JC **Judy Robbins** Anthurium Second Judy Robbins Fern Unknown

The plant of the month was Zygopetalum Titanic 'June' HCC x Pabstia jugosa grown by Marty & Anita Vlekkert.

Below are two of the orchids on display at the Species Group Meeting on Saturday 11th June 2011



## Coelogyne fuscescens

This species was originally found on the Dawna Range in Burma.

It is a strong growing plant, likes diffused light. Should grow well in bush house conditions in this area.

Well watered during the growth period. Less water after growth is completed and very little in winter.



Dendrochilum javieriense

# Secretaries News Update

# **June 2011**

May - Our Guest speaker for our May meeting was Erica Lucas from the Fern Society. Erica gave us an insight into how she grows her ferns. We thank her very much for her time and effort in coming along to our meeting.

## June - Return growing competition plant Bulbophyllum macranthum

Guest speaker - Richard Hand will give a power point of his trip to Singapore at Christmas time. **July**- John Green from Gympie Orchid Society will talk on growing seedlings.

#### Popular vote & Judges choice.

Cultural meetings are now very busy afternoons. Members are asked to have their plants on the bench by 1.45pm to allow the judges to complete the judging by the time the meeting starts at 2pm. We rent the hall for 4 hours each meeting day, so have a time frame to complete our business, pack up and clean the hall. With judging complete by starting time of 2pm, members will then be asked to do their popular vote before we start the business of the meeting. (Please refrain from doing your popular vote before the President gives the Ok) This will also allow the vote counters to complete their task & join the rest of us for the guest speaker segment of the meeting. The hall is often rented by another group after our meeting, so we need to ensure we are completed on time.

#### **Species appreciation:**

Thanks to Rod & Jan for hosting the June species appreciation. It was a very chilly afternoon, but we were all nice & cosy indoors. Rod & Jan have had a lot on their plate over the last few months, we really appreciate them taking the time to host the afternoon.

Plants tabled are as follows:

Masdevallia infracta; Dendrobium bigibbum; Phragmipedium longifolium; Dendrochilum javieriense; Paphiopedilum spicerianum; Paphiopedilum villosum; Bulbophyllum dryas; Vanda brunnea; Dendrobium glomeratum; Brassavola tuberculata; Pleurothallis stricta; Coelogyne speciosa; Coelia bella, Acampe ochracea, Cattleya walkeriana, Dendrobium acinaciforme; Vanda lamellata; Bulbophyllum lilacinum; Paphiopedilum insigne; Cattleya lundii(Laelia); Cymbidium tracyanum; Oncidium maculata; Bulbophyllum lasiochilum; Coelogyne fuscescens; Corybas hispidus; Corybas barbarea; Pterostylis aff tenuicauda; Dracula circe; Pelatantheria insectifera; Bulbophyllum fascinator; Bulbophyllum rufinum; Pleurothallis allenii; Pleurothallis viduata; Liparis reflexa;

There will be no get together for species in July due to Garden Expo & Caboolture Show. Cultural plant of the day was awarded to Doug's *Dendrochilum javieri* 

#### **Shows:**

Garden Expo & Caboolture show are both on the second weekend in July. As we support both of these shows, all your flowering plants are needed. Our Garden Expo site is a 5m x 3m site, and requires lots of plants to fill. Members will be required for the roster at Garden Expo to sell raffle tickets and answer the many orchid growing questions from the public Friday, Saturday & Sunday. If you can give a minimum 4.5 hour shift your time would be appreciated. We have a limited number of entry passes per day for members working on our stall. Hazel will have these passes and a roster at the June meeting.

We have a plant sales table at each meeting for members to sell any surplus plants. If you have any you would like to sell, bring them along tagged with your name & price so members know who to pay. A 10% commission is payable to the Treasurer. Members are responsible for their own plants. Plant sale tags are on our website.

#### Website update.

A Pdf version of each newsletter is available on our website. This is still a work in progress, if you have any feedback or any articles to include please email the Secretary or our Webmaster.

We are looking for some cultural notes from our members to add to the web page.

#### Show Dates Catalogue 2011

### Nambour Orchid Society commitment (in bold)

Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> June – N.O.S Cultural meeting

Fri. to Sun. 8th to 10<sup>th</sup> July Nambour Garden Expo- Nambour Showgrounds – Set up Thurs. 7<sup>th</sup> at 9am Fri. to Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> July Caboolture Orchid Society Show – Morayfield Community complex next to Bunnings Morayfield - Set up Thurs. 7th

No NOS Species appreciation for July due to Garden Expo & Caboolture Show.

Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> July – N.O.S Cultural meeting

Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> & Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> Aug. Maroochydore Orchid Society Show – Milwell Community Hall- Milwell Road Maroochydore - Set up Fri. 5<sup>th</sup>

Sat. 13<sup>th</sup> August – N.O.S Species appreciation

Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> August – N.O.S Cultural meeting

Fri. 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup> September - Nambour Orchid Society Spring Show – Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour. Set up Thurs. 1<sup>st</sup>

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Childers Orchid Society Show. Set up Thurs. 1<sup>st</sup>

Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> September – N.O.S Species appreciation

Fri. & Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> September, Noosa Orchid & Foliage Society Show, Cooroy RSL Hall Set up 15th

Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> September – N.O.S Cultural meeting

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> & Sat 24<sup>th</sup> September Glasshouse Country Orchid Society Show. Set up Thurs. 22<sup>nd</sup>

Sat 1<sup>st</sup> & Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct Hervey Bay Orchid Society Show- Great Hall HBSHS. Set up 30<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Sat. Oct. 8th N.O.S Species appreciation

Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> & Sun 9<sup>th</sup> October – Bribie Island Spring October Orchid Bonanza- Bribie State High School, First Ave. Bribie. Set up Fri. 7th

Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct. N.O.S Cultural meeting

Sat. 5<sup>th</sup> November – Nambour Orchid Society Species Show – Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour. Set up by 7.30am for judging

Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> Nov. N.O.S. Species appreciation

Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> & Sun. 13<sup>th</sup> November Orchid Species Society open show – Mt Cootha Botanical Gardens Auditorium-Set up Fri 11<sup>th</sup>.

Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov. N.O.S Cultural meeting

Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013 The Pavilion Gympie Showgrounds

