

Nambour Orchid News

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Articles for the newsletter are very welcome. Please forward to the editor by post or email to <u>nambourorchids@gmail.com</u> by the 15th of each month.

MEETINGS:

Business Meeting is held on the 4th Saturday of each month at 12.45pm prior to the cultural meeting. All members are welcome to attend the business meeting.

Cultural Meeting is held on the 4th Saturday of the month at the <u>Nambour Uniting Church Hall,</u> <u>Coronation Ave. Nambour</u> at 2pm. All members and visitors are welcome.

Plants to be tabled by 1.45pm for judging

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

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

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July has been a busy month for us Orchid growers, starting with setup of Garden Expo and then 3 days manning our display, Caboolture show and our own species get together have kept us busy for the month.

Our June meeting was a very informative afternoon with Wayne Harris giving us a presentation titled Vanda the Species behind the Hybrids. I am not a Vanda grower, but after seeing what is on offer, it makes you think there might be space for just a couple in the shade house, that is if it is ever possible to stop at a couple when it comes to growing Orchids. We are very appreciative of the amount of effort and knowledge behind each presentation from Wayne.

The computer operator wasn't as good as the presenter though; I think she needs a bit more practice at being a mind reader. Thank you Wayne it really was a great afternoon.

A large number of plants were benched at the meeting, plant of the month also chosen by Wayne, was Beryl & Graham's *Den.* Pacifc Pride, a Primary hybrid between *Dendrobium alexandrae* & *Dendrobium forbesii*. It was registered in Australia in 1997.

Not an easy choice considering the number of good quality plants there were to choose from.

Garden Expo was a great event as always, with the weather being kind to us right up until breakdown time and then down came the rain and we all got soaked packing up.

Our plant numbers were slightly down on last year, but this seems to be mostly due to the lack of sunshine we have had here on our Sunshine Coast.

Thank you to all our volunteers who filled the shifts over the 3 days and sold all the raffle tickets.

Our raffle was a big hit as always, and the winners were all local so I didn't have to travel too far to deliver the prizes.

1st Prize – Kate Strickland - Maroochydore, 2nd Prize Y Vandermere – Buderim, 3rd Prize Penny Cooper – Buderim.

After setting up garden Expo on the Thursday morning, several of us headed to Caboolture to set up a table display at their show in the evening. Congratulations to all the ribbon winners on the night. Yours truly managed to also win the set up raffle and came home with a large Coelogyne species plant.

The weather managed to fine up for a great afternoon at Neil & Ella's place for our species get together. A good number of members attended with some nice species to talk about. Thank you both for allowing us into your Orchid houses and for your hospitality.

I am standing in for Pat & Clive this month, as Clive has not had a good month health wise. Also on the sick list is Alan Shield who had a heart valve replacement during the month. Alan is home again and on the mend. Best wishes to you both from all of your fellow orchid society members.

Alison

CATTLEYA HYBRID		
Judges Choice	<i>Rlc</i> . Lakehaven Pearl *	G & B Robertson
1 st	C. Melody Fair	Tom Buckley
Tie 2 nd	<i>Rlc</i> . Redlands Beauty x C.	Judy Robbins
	Platinum Sun	
Tie 2 nd	<i>Rlc</i> . Burdekin Bells	Neil & Ella Walker
3 rd	C.White Spark 'Panda'	Judy Robbins
ONCIDIUM HYBRID		
1 st & Judges Choice	Tolu.Pink Profusion *	Neil & Ella Walker
2^{nd}	Onc. Sharry Baby	A & A Parkes
3 rd	Onc. Chaculatum 'Golden Pacific'	Neil & Ella Walker
VANDA/PHALAENOPSIS		
1 st & Judges Choice	Dtps. Ho's Dream Works	Judy Robbins

June Popular Vote - Names with * as per Orchidwiz

DENDROBIUM		
1 st & Judges Choice	Den. Pacific Pride	G & B Robertson
2 nd	Den. Jennifer Sng *	Neil & Ella Walker
ANY OTHER GENERA		
1 st & Judges Choice	Cal. George	Neil & Ella Walker
2^{nd}	<i>Cym.</i> Jessie Blakiston x <i>Cym.</i>	Alan Shield
	Wyong Khan	
3 rd	Bulb. Wayne Oyama	D & E Middlebrook
PAPHIOPEDILUM		
1 st	Paph. Cherished Gold	R & J Raabe
2 nd & Judges Choice	Paph. Lavertonianum x Paph. My	Alan Shield
	Valentine	
EXOTIC SPECIES		
1 st & Judges Choice	Pterostylis tenuicauda	A & A Parkes
Tie 2 nd	Vanda brunnea	Mal Rivers
Tie 2 nd	Restrepia brachypus	A & A Parkes
AUST. NATIVE HYBRID		
1 st & Judges Choice	Den. Hilda Poxon	Neil & Ella Walker
2 nd	Den. Duno Eleerose x Den.	G & B Robertson
	speciosum	
AUST. NATIVE SPECIES		
1 st	Pterostylis baptistii	A & A Parkes
2 nd & Judges Choice	Bulbophyllum longiflorum	D & E Middlebrook
3 rd	Pterostylis baptistii	A & A Parkes
NOVICE		
1 st & Judges Choice	Onc. Twinkle	June Hutchins
2nd	Ctt. Golden Wax *	June Hutchins
FOLIAGE		
1 st & Judges Choice	Aglaonema	Rob Wright
2^{nd}	Begonia	Neil & Ella Walker
3 rd	Dracena Goldie	Rob Wright

Plant of the month was Den. Pacific Pride grown by Robertson's Beryl's notes below:



Den Pacific Pride is a latourea primary hybrid (*alexandrae x forbesii*). Both parents are from New Guinea and grow in moist mossy open valleys at about 1500m or higher, so they are well suited to cultivation in this area. (particularly the current moist misty weather at present). Generally they grow in shady conditions on moss covered trees and as with most primary hybrids it seems to be more vigorous and easier to flower than either of the parents. Our plants are potted in bark, charcoal and perlite with slow release fertiliser. The flowers are long lasting and to date the racemes have carried 7-8 flowers on the first flowering but this may increase as the plant become larger.or July I found this little cutie in our Presidents shade house during the month.

Angraecum distictum is an African species that grows in large trees in the rainforest. It prefers hot humid conditions and can flower anytime of the year. Its fragrant flowers are approx. 6mm across. It can be grown from cuttings taken from the side branches. Bill grows it on a mount on the Southern wall under cover in his shade house.



On Saturday 21st July four of us went to Mt Cootha to see John Oxley Orchid Society show. Below are some photos of the Champions.



Champion Orchid & Champion Cattleya *C*. Elusive Dream 'Ruby Lip'



Reserve Champion & Champion Paph. *Paphiopedilum villosum*



Champion Specimen Dendrochilum wenzelii



Sartylis Toowoomba Sparkle Champion Any other Genera



Paph. Macabre x Paph. Impulse Champion in the Paph section



Phal. Nobbys Pink Lady Champion in the Phalaenopsis section

Secretaries News Update

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Guest Speakers:

July: Grahame Muller - Dendrobium speciosum & delicatum August: Sue Jones – Cymbidiums September: Cultural Day - Potting time October: No Meeting: N.O.S. Species show

July/August N.O.S. Society Events:

Saturday 28th July N.O.S. Cultural meeting Friday 10th August Maroochydore show set up Saturday 11th August N.O.S. Species appreciation Saturday 25th August N.O.S. Cultural meeting Thursday 30th August N.O.S. show set up The July Species get together was held at the home of Neil & Ella Walker. Thank you to you both for making us all feel so welcome.

The August get together will be on Saturday 11th August. Venue to be advised at the meeting on Saturday. BYO flowering species plants, a chair, your cup & a plate of goodies to share for afternoon tea.

Species Orchid of the Month chosen by Tom Buckley was *Dendrobium glomeratum* owned by Alan & Alison Parkes.



I purchased this plant in 2009 from Geoff Stocker's nursery and this is the first time I have flowered it.

The only information I can find, says it is an uncommon species that is found in Maluku and was originally described as Den. crepidiferum.

I grow it hanging high in an uncovered shade house where it gets food and water with all my other plants.

URLs: for checking species plants-:

World Checklist of Selected Plant Families: http://apps.kew.org/wcsp/

International Plant Name Index: http://www.ipni.org/

It may be easier for some to just type into their Google Search: "World Checklist of Selected Plants" or for the other one "International plant names index". Either way should work.

The correct spelling of the genus is imperative otherwise you won't get any results.

If you save both of these to favourites in your web browser, it makes checking a plant much quicker & easier. Richard also has the link to both these sites on our website.nambourorchidsociety.com go to forms/links.

Club Shirts:

Club shirts are available from the Monogram Man, Shop 2a/6 Norval Court, Maroochydore 4558. Phone/Fax 54793206. Prices include Club logo & are subject to change. Please check price when ordering.

Ladies Metro Shirt, Colour Stone, ³/₄ sleeve Style B7300, Short sleeve Style B7301

Mens Metro Shirt, Colour Stone, Long sleeve Style SH714, Short sleeve Style SH715.

Short sleeve in Mens & Ladies Metro \$35.

Civic Polo Shirt Colour Stone/Black, \$28 Ladies - Style P9725, \$31.30 Mens - Style P9700.

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.nambourorchidsociety.com - Go to links/forms and print off what you need.

Show Dates Catalogue 2012

Nambour Orchid Society commitment (in bold)

Saturday 28th July N.O.S. Cultural meeting

Sat. & Sun 11th & 12th August Maroochydore Orchid show, Millwell Rd. Community Centre.

Sat & Sun 25th & 26th August ANOS Kabi show- Lions Hall, Lawnton- Set up after 2pm Friday & between 7 & 9am Saturday

Fri 31st Aug. & Sat 1st Sept. Nambour OS Spring show- Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour- Set up Thurs. 30th August.

Fri. 31st August Childers & Isis District OS Spring show.

Fri 21st & Sat 22nd September Noosa District Orchid & Foliage Society Show- RSL Hall Cooroy. Set up Thurs. 20th

Fri. 28th & Sat. 29th Sept. Glasshouse Orchid Society Show – Set up Thurs. 27th Sept.

Sat 13th & Sun 14th October Bribie Orchid Society Show – Set up Fri. 12th Oct.

Fri. 26th & Sat. 27th Oct. Nambour Orchid Society Species Show & Trade Fair - Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour.- Set up Thurs 25th Oct.

Sat. 17th Nov. STOCQ meeting Hosted by Maroochydore Orchid Society- Uniting Church Hall, Lefoes Road, Bli Bli.

2013 Major Events:

Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular - 8th & 9th June 2013 The Pavilion, Gympie Showgrounds

ANOS Kabi Group Inc. 7th Australasian Native Orchid Conference & Show Strathpine - 21st - 25th August 2013- Strathpine Community Centre, Cnr Mecklem Street & Gympie Road, Strathpine.