



Nambour Orchid News

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

MEETINGS:

Business Meeting is held on the 4th 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 4th 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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Spring has arrived and how wonderful it feels to have that energy that spring brings running in your veins and making one feel that you really WANT to get out in the garden and be doing things. I am sure our plants feel the same way as they are all bounding off after the Winter.

Our late August meeting was great with lots of lovely blooms on the showbench. Bob and Joan Raabe brought along the most beautiful *C loddigesii* which took out the Plant of the Month.

Wayne Harris was our lecturer of the day and he spoke and showed us pictures of some of his 101 Dalmations (oops, I meant bulbophyllums.) He certainly had a lovely collection of slides of a good selection of this massive genera. They are from the beautiful to the bizarre and to the ridiculous. Mother Nature sure let herself loose with this lot. Thank you Wayne for a great afternoon. Wayne shot through to Kempsey to see the great native show and we are hoping to see some slides etc of the lovely speciosiums etc displayed down there.

Well, we had a whopper of a show, didn't we just!!! In my opinion it's the best show Nambour has ever put on!! I think you all need to come out and take a bow! The big wet which we so much dispised while we were going through it gave our plants an enormous boost with so many wonderful plants on display. All those cymbidiums were just beauty beyond belief.

Some of our people who went down to Lawnton for the Kabbi Native Orchid Show had the same report and in Noosa last weekend the flowers were in abundant supply and of wonderful quality. Nambour did well in taking out the Champion, Reserve Champion and Best Native Species. Good going friends! We give our thanks for the great hospitality enjoyed by all at Noosa.

Now the big question comes. Will the Glasshouse Hall be big enough for all the flowers that are sure to arrive down there? If you havn't been to a Glasshouse show lately may I suggest that you do make the effort this year. I am making the sure tip it will be a beauty this year.

Our species meeting was held up on the Range again at Val and Hazel's home. It was a windy, chilly afternoon but the welcome and the company was warm. Lots of lovely blooms were bought along and admired by the large contingent of members who gathered in Val's garage. These are great afternoons and there are always lots of new plants to see. Thank you Val and Hazel for your shareing of your home and the lovely afternoon tea that we all enjoyed afterwards.

Regards Pat and Clive.

Growing Brassias.

The Brassia is a genus of some thirty species which grow throughout tropical America. Most are epiphytes which grow in wet rainforest conditions from sea level to 5,000 ft.

This means that they grow very well in our climatic conditions and many of our local collections include such beauties as *Brs longifolia*, *Brs gireoudiana*, *Brs verrucosa* and *Brs caudata*. *Brs Rex* is a well known primary hybrid between *Brs gireoudiana* and *Brs verrucosa*.

They all produce lovely long sprays of huge spider like flowers. *Brs New Start* and *Brs Eternal Wind* are two more to look out for.

Brassias can be easily cultivated in baskets using a well drained mix. Keep at intermediate temperatures. Allow enough area to accommodate a large plant as this fellow can soon reach big proportions. Some people like to plant them out in the garden where they will grow very well under the light shade of a tree but out of the wind.

Brassias will hybridise well with the oncidium alliance and many bracidiums are also on the easy grow list.

Keep well watered and well fertilized and you will soon be amply rewarded next Spring.
Patricia Mann

Below is a picture of three plants of *Brs verrucosa* grown by Alison & Alan. The picture was taken last year.



Cattleya loddigesii grown by Bob & Joan Raabe. Plant of the month for August

POPULAR FOR AUGUST 2011

HYBRIDS

Cattleya Alliance

First & JC Middlebrook	Slc Dal's Choice	Des & Elaine
Second	Slc Orblades Early Harvest	Judy Harvest
Tie Thurd	Rlc Momilani Rainbow	Mal & Jo Rivers
Tie Third	Slc Jungle Beau	Des & Elaine Middbrook
Tie Tie Thitd	C Mari's Song x Dal's Good One	Judy Robbins

Oncidium Alliance

JC	Onc Misaki Twinkle Obry	Judy Robbins
First	Vuyl Mem. Mary Kavanagh x Oda Helen Stead (Reg as Vuyl Fall In Love)	Beryl & Graham
Robertson		
Second	Colm Eildcat 'Bloodshot'	Marty & anita Vlekkert
Third	Oda Hot Pants	Judy Robbins

Paphiopedilum Alliance

First	Paph Sierra Lace x Ambar Low x Winston Churchill	Nathan Gould
Second & JC	Paph Norito Hasegawa	Nathan Gould
Third	Paph Lyxel x <i>Paph sukhakulii</i>	Nathan Gould

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First & JC	V laura Lynn House	Rob & Joan Raabe
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Dendrobiums

First & JC	Den Crystal Pink 'Greeneye'	Marty & Anita Vlekkert
Second	Den Kurenai	Bill Letcher
Third	Den Maiden Charlotte	Bill Letcher

Any Other Genera

Tie First & JC	Coel Unchainrd Melody	Val Siebenhausen
Tie First	Den New Guinea	Bill Letcher
Second	Cym Red Promise 'Vibrant'	David 7 Julie Tyler
Third	CymTrinity Rah 'Painted Desert' x Cym Amber Sands 'Harlequin'	Alan shield

SPECIES

Tie First & JC	<i>C loddigesii</i>	Rob & Joan Raabe
Tie First	<i>Dendrochilum wenzelii</i>	Nathan Gould
Tie Second	<i>Rhy gigantea</i>	Rod & Janet Aisthorpe
Tie second	<i>Rl glauca</i>	Judy Robbins

AUSTRALIAN NATIVES

Hybrid

JC	Den Class 'WOC'	Marty & anita Vlekkert
First	Den Australian Robbie McInnes	Tom Buckley
Second	Den Victorian Frost 'Icy'	Marty & Anita Vlakkert
Tie Third	Den Delicatum 'Daybreak'	Marty & anita Vlekkert
Tie Third	Ptst X igens	Alan & Alison Parkes

Species

First	<i>Den speciosum var curvicaule</i>	Rob & Joan Raabe
Second	<i>Den kingianum</i> 'Lauren'	Marty & anita Vlekkert
Third & JC	<i>Csy subulata</i>	Alan 7 alison Parkes

NOVICE

JC	Den Brinawa Charm	Anita Mooney
First	<i>Den jonesii</i>	June Hutchins
Second	Onc Wildcat	Pat Cairns
Third	Cym Lisa Rose	Anita Mooney

FOLIAGE

First & JC	Tillandsia subsecundifolia	Judy Robbins
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September 2011

September meeting will be potting time. Please bring along any plants you would like some help with, as well as the media you would like to pot it in. Our experts will be ready and willing to help.

Meeting day is also the breakdown of Glasshouse show, so this will involve several of our members.

Christmas party

The Christmas party has been booked for Saturday 10th December at the Red Bridge Motel. The format will be the same as last year. Arrival time 12 noon for 12.30pm meal. Numbers needed by the October meeting please.

Species appreciation:

The September species appreciation was held at the home of Val & Hazel. We had a very good roll up of members and visitors on what turned out to be a very windy & cool afternoon. Thank you to Val & Hazel for their hospitality. It is hard to believe we started this get together in January 2006 at Rod & Jan's place. It just goes from strength to strength. Members of all STOCQ societies are welcome to attend this very informal get together.

Below is the list of plants on display.

Cattleya loddigesii – *Laelia harpophylla* – *Cattleya crispata* – *Epidendrum densiflorum* – *Cymbidium lowianum* – *Vanda hookeriana* – *Trichoglottis geminata* – *Dendrobium lituiflorum* – *Phragmipedium lindleyanum* – *Calanthe argenteostriata* – *Dendrobium fimbriatum* – *Cattleya intermedia* – *Cattleya intermedia var aquinii* – *Coelogyne tomentosa* – *Pabstiella hypnocola* – *Plectorrhiza tridentata* – *Bulbophyllum bracteatum* – *Dendrobium tetragonum* – *Dendrochilum cobbianum* – *Dendrochilum formosum* – *Epidendrum stamfordianum* – *Cattleya walkeriana* – *Cattleya loddigesii* – *Dendrochilum yuccifolium* – *Dendrobium prenticei* – *Dendrobium lichenastrum* -

The October species will be at the Parkes residence. As we have finally got some nice Spring weather, we will have a BYO BBQ lunch starting at around 11.30am for those who wish to come. Otherwise meeting time will be 2pm as usual.

Shows:

Well our spring show has finished for yet another year. What a great couple of days we had. Congratulations to all the winners, and thank you to all members for their efforts in setting up our spectacular island display. To all those who helped at any stage over the 3 days, thank you, your help is very much appreciated. I know many hands sure make light work when it comes to clean up time on Saturday.

Noosa show was also held at Cooroy during the month. What a great display of benching at this show. Members who are not in the habit of visiting our local shows, should make the effort. It really was a sight to behold. I don't have a full result sheet but our own John Robertson took out Champion Orchid with *Paph. Fanaticum*, and Champion species with *Phal. schilleriana*, and Marty and Anita Vlekkert took out Champion Australian Native with one of their beautiful *Den. kingianum* plants. Congratulations to the Robertson's and Marty and Anita, and also to all the other members who took home prizes from the show.

Nambour Show Results.

Des & Elaine Middlebrook	<i>Rhy. gigantea</i>	1 st
Pat Cairns	<i>Onc. Misaka</i> Twinkle Obry <i>Epi. Suede</i> Rose x Pacific Glory	2 nd Novice section NOS Members only 3 rd Novice Section
Judy Robbins	<i>V. lamellata var. remediosae</i>	2 nd

	<i>C. Butterfly Wings</i> <i>L. harpophylla</i> <i>Lyc. Aquila</i> <i>C. Mari's Song x C. Dal's Good One</i> <i>Aglaonema Siam Aurora</i> <i>Aglaonema Amyamanii</i> <i>Aglaonema Galaxy</i> <i>Tils. subsendfolia</i>	2 nd 3 rd 3 rd 3 rd 1 st 2 nd 2 nd 3 rd
Marty & Anita Vlekkert	<i>Den. kingianum</i> 'Bigfoot Opal'	2 nd
Clive & Pat Mann	<i>Anthurium scherzerianum</i>	3 rd
Beryl & Graham Robertson	<i>Paph maliopense</i> <i>Paph. maliopense</i> <i>Paph. Fanaticum</i> <i>Rlc. Goldenzelle</i> <i>Paph. Mem.Larry Heuer</i> <i>Paph. sukhakulii</i> <i>Dtps. Sogo Berry</i> <i>Phal. Leopard Prince</i> <i>Onc. Misaki Twinkle</i> <i>Paph. maliopense</i> <i>Paph. James Bacon x Greyi</i> <i>Phal. schilleriana</i> <i>Den. Roy Tokunaga</i>	Reserve Champion & Champion species 1 st 1 st 2 nd 2 nd 2 nd 2 nd 2 nd 2 nd 2 nd 3 rd 3 rd 3 rd 3 rd
Cliff Alexander	<i>Den. Frans Twist x Den. gouldii</i>	1 st Novice & open
Richard Hand	<i>Milt. Breathless</i>	1 st
Nathan Gould	<i>Phrag. Calurum</i>	3 rd
Alan Shield	<i>Z. Port Vincent x Z. Kiwi Auckland</i>	2 nd
Rod Aisthorpe.	<i>V. Kultana</i> <i>Cym. Pee Wee</i>	1 st 3 rd
Alan & Alison Parkes	<i>Ptst. furcata x ingens</i> <i>Serapis neglecta</i> <i>Caladenia flava x Caladenia latifolia</i> <i>Ptst. pedunculata</i>	1 st 2 nd 2 nd 3 rd
Bob & Joan Raabe	<i>C. loddigesii</i> <i>V. Laura Lynn House</i>	2 nd 2 nd

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.

For Sale

Plug in Microphone with speakers \$200 Phone 54417201 or email nambourorchids@gmail.com

Wanted to buy

If any members have anything orchid related they would like to buy or sell in this section, email nambourochids@gmail.com with the details.

Show Dates Catalogue 2011

Nambour Orchid Society commitment (in bold)

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

Sat. Sept. 24th N.O.S. Cultural meeting

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

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

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

Sat. 22nd Oct. N.O.S Cultural meeting

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

Sat. 12th Nov. N.O.S. Species appreciation

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

Sat. 26th Nov. N.O.S Cultural meeting

Sat. 2nd June 2012 STOCQ meeting Gladstone

Fri. 31st Aug & Sat. 1st Sept 2012 Nambour Orchid Society Spring Show.

Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular
10th, 11th, 12th June 2013
The Pavilion
Gympie

