



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 (except December) 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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Lovely Spring weather welcomed us in to our September meeting. Unfortunately some of our members had to go down to Glasshouse to pick up their plants after the Glasshouse Show and this left our numbers down a bit at the meeting. We had a nice afternoon with several of our members giving a potting demonstration and a general discussion on potting and orchid growing problems gave lots of people plenty of things to think about and perhaps try. It was great to see several new faces and we hope to see a lot more of them in the future.

We made a fair profit from our Spring Show and the committee has decided to make a donation towards the Rideing for the Disabled who are at present raising funds towards a new venue for their sport. We hope that our contribution will help towards this very worthy endeavour.

Our entry into the Glasshouse Show gave all who attended a lovely spectacle to view. As usual the hospitality of their club is always very enjoyable and many thoughts on orchid growing were exchanged and many old friends caught up with. Congratulations to all the prize winners and thanks to all who helped stage the display.

Did anyone get the chance to see the Caloundra Societys display at Pelican Waters? It was very nice with a large *Chisis aurea* being billed for Champion and a *C amethystoglossa* running very close for Reserve. It is well worth coming down to this show. Keep it in mind for next year!

Bribie Island Show once again gave us a wonderful collection of orchids to be admired. This is a great show to explore all the Indian dendrobiums as they burst into magnificent displays. A beautiful *Den amethystoglossum* received Champion and a huge white *plalaenopsis* received Reserve Champion. The species benches were just groaning with wonderful orchids. One that I especially liked was a huge and well flowered plant of one of our very old favourites – *Den nobile*. Bribie is always good as one can get up close and personal with the show bench style of displaying.

Alan and Alison were our hosts for our monthly species meeting. Despite the awful cold and wet morning everyone who turned up enjoyed the B.B.Q. lunch and by then the sun was clearing when the meeting got away. We had nearly full attendance with lots of flowers on show. Owners gave their descriptions and hints on growing their particular genera – and many there were too. Lots to enjoy.

Our next show will be the Nambour Species show and we are all looking forward to that. It will mean an early start to get things judged and the show judged and open at a reasonable time for the general public to enjoy.

Well the weather is great for potting and a bit of rain to boost – Orchid growers go forth and do what needs to be done!!!

Regards Pat and Clive.

POPULAR VOTE FOR SEPTEMBER 2011

HYBRIDS

Cattleya Alliance

First	Slc Jungle Beau	Des & Elaine Middlebrook
Second	Blc Mary Scalia	Des & Elaine Middlebrook
Tie Third	Pot Jomal's Sunrise	Mal & Jo Rivers
Tie Third & JC	Rth Rosella's Horace	Des & Elaine Middlebrook

Vandaceous & Phalaenopsis

First & JC	Ascda Ken Kone	David & Julie Tyler
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Dendrobium

First & JC	Den Unknown	David & Julie Tyler
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Any other Genera

First	Cym Alexandra's Flame 'Margerita' x Cym Flaming Vulcan 'Dural' (Reg as Cym Ruby Flame)	Alan Shield
Tie Second	Cym Bellissimo 'Pose'	Alan shield
Tie Second & JC	Cym Bellissimo 'Pose'	Alan Shield

EXOTIC SPECIES

First	<i>Aerangis citrata</i>	Rod & Jan Aisthorpe
Tie Second	No growers slip	Bill Letcher
Tie Second	<i>Coel flaccida</i>	Alison & Alan Parkes

AUSTRALIAN NATIVES

Hybrids

First	Den You Beaut	Marty & Anita Vlekkert
Second & JC	Den Ella Victorea Leaney	Marty & Anita Vlekkert
Third	Den Ella Victorea Laeny 'Westernport'	Marty & Anita Vlekkert

Species

First	<i>Den kingianum</i> 'Jazzy'	Marty & Anita Vlekkert
Second	<i>Den linguiforme</i>	Alan & Alison Parkes
Third & JC	<i>Den kingianum</i> 'Tunstead's Pink'	Marty & Anita Vlekkert

NOVICE

First	<i>Den nobile sp</i>	Anita Mooney
Second & JC	<i>Coel flaccida</i>	Anita Mooney
Third	<i>Den fimbriatum</i>	Anita Mooney

The plant of the month was Ascda Ken Kone grown by David & Julie Tyler.



The two photos above show that you are able to enjoy some orchids without giving them too much TLC. It is nice to know that some will grow and flower without regular watering, fertilizing, no use of insecticides or fungicides.

At our September show some of our members asked Anita for her recipe of her Carrot Cake. As Clive did not check his emails until after we had finished last month's newsletter the recipe was not included, so here it is this time.

Anita's Carrot Cake.

I cannot take any credit for the tastiness of this cake, as I found the recipe in a library book. The ratio of icing ingredients for the topping came courtesy of a friendly Chef I was talking to one day.

90 gms	Walnuts
335 gms	Carrots
170gms	Plain Flour
2 tspn	Baking Powder
½ tspn	each Bi-carb soda and Salt
1 tspn	Ground Cinnamon
½ Tspn	Freshly grated Nutmeg
2 large Eggs	
225 gms	Brown Sugar
110 mls	Milk
110 gms	Unsalted Butter, melted and cooled to room temperature. I use Canola Margarine, it makes no difference
100 gms	Sultanas

For the Frosting

200 gms	Lite Philly cheese,
58 gms	Sifted Icing sugar,
58 gms	Butter, or as above Canola
1 tspn	Vanilla Extract

Lightly toast the walnuts, and skin as much as possible. Coarsely chop, set aside. Peel carrots and cut into thinnish slices. Cook carrots until tender. Drain and let cool. In a food processor puree the cooled carrots.

Pre-heat Oven to 180C/350F. Line a 20cm square baking pan with baking paper. Make the paper higher than the sides of the pan.

Sift flour, baking powder, bicarb, salt, cinnamon, and nutmeg together onto a sheet of baking paper, set aside.

In a large bowl, whisk the eggs and brown sugar until well combined. Whisk in the milk, and melted butter. Whisk in the dry ingredients and then the carrot puree. Using a large spatula, stir in the walnuts and sultanas.

Pour the batter into the prepared pan and smooth the top. Bake until lightly brown. Let cool completely on a wire tray. With baking paper higher than sides of pan, to remove just pull out and peel off paper.

To make the frosting, using a hand mixer beat the cheese, icing sugar, butter and scant teaspoon of vanilla extract. Spread it to your hearts content, makes plenty. I usually keep this cake refrigerated. It keeps very well this way. But with Marty around it doesn't need to keep very long. Enjoy.

The two photos below are of the Champion Orchid and Champion Species (*Den amethystoglossum*) and Champion Specimen (Den Chet's Choice) shown at the Bribie Show.



Secretaries News Update

October 2011

STOCQ meeting

The next STOCQ meeting will be hosted by Hervey Bay Orchid Society on Saturday 29th October at the Presbyterian Church Hall, Cnr. Bideford & Freshwater St, Torquey.

Members attending please advise me so I can notify Hervey Bay of our lunch numbers.

Details below from John Rees

Enter Hervey Bay from Maryborough and proceed down Boat Harbour Drive through town passing roundabouts and at 3RD TRAFFIC LIGHTS (cnr Denman Camp Rd.) turn left and head towards water (go across bendy backpackers cnr. Torquay tce) and 3 street down on left corner is Presbyterian church . Cars can park along the Freshwater St. Side next to Bowling club also.

8.30am - Hall open

9am - Judges meeting starts.

9.45am - Members & visitors MORNING TEA

10.00 - Main STOCQ Meeting

11.05 - Sue Jones speaking on Cymbidiums

11.30 - Terri Bade speaking on Paphiopedilums

12md - **LUNCH provided at \$10 hd. Numbers needed please.**

1pm - Bush house visits to be arranged

Open day

Drysdale funerals, 33 National Park Road, Nambour is having an open day on Sunday 30th October from 12.00 – 3.00pm. We have been invited to put up a small display in the foyer to promote our species show.

Theme for the day is “Summer of Flowers & Art”

Gold coin donation for entry ~ donated to student participating in Duke of Edinburgh Awards

Local Art displays by Nambour Special Education Unit.

Anglican Church, Nambour Orchid Society & Local florist Floral Displays.

Refreshments Provided

Members please advise Alison if you have any plants to build this display. Some volunteers needed to man the display.

Nambour Orchid Society species show

Our species show is fast approaching. We will need volunteers to put their name on our list to be passed around at the October meeting, for all the jobs associated with the running of a show. This one will be an early start. The hall will be open by 5.45am on Saturday 5th. Members will also be required on Friday the 4th for a couple of hours at 5pm to set up the hall ready for the show on Saturday. This is an open show so members of all orchid societies are invited to bench their plants. Judging commences at 7.30am.

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. Members \$15 each

Species appreciation:

The October species appreciation was held at the home of Alan & Alison. After a very stormy start to the day, the weather cleared and most of us enjoyed a BBQ lunch prior to the 2pm meeting. That was our last species meeting for 2011 as our species show on the 5th November, will take the place of the next meeting. We will resume again in February 2012. Members of all STOCQ societies are welcome to attend these very informal afternoons.

Below is the list of plants on display. 51 in total were on the table for the afternoon.

Dendrobium fimbriatum – *Coelogyne mooreana* – *Dendrobium keithii* – *Cattleya schilleriana* – *Trichopilia tortilis* – *Bulbophyllum sulawesii* – *Cattleya aurantiaca* (3plants) *Ceratochilus biglandulosus* – *Jumellea arachnantha* – *Dendrobium atroviolaceum* – *Laelia harpophylla* – *Bifrenaria harrisoniae* – *Vanda tassellata* – *Dendrobium jenkinsii* – *Dracula woolwardiae* – *Cattleya intermedia* (5 different var.) – *Laelia mantiquerae* – *Dendrobium albosanguineum* – *Phalaenopsis philippinense* – *Trichocentrum stramineum* – *Paphiopedilum micranthum* – *Phalaenopsis mariae* – *Ada aurantiaca* – *Baptistonia echinata* (3plants) – *Cattleya walkeriana* – *Lockhartia* sp. - *Phalaenopsis stuartiana* – *Trichoglottis cirrhifera* – *Ascocentrum ampullaceum* – *Oncidium isthmi* – *Dendrobium signatum* – *Dendrobium cariniferum* – *Coelogyne huettneriana* – *Leptotes bicolor* – *Dendrobium signatum* – *Dendrobium wardianum* – *Cattleya amethystoglossa* – *Pleurothallis stricta* – *Pleurothallis grobyi* – *Dendrobium farmeri alba* - *Bifrenaria harrisoniae alba form*.

Plant of the month at the species get together was *Dendrobium wardianum* grown by Brian & Lynn Ross.

This species is found in China, Himalayas, Thailand & Vietnam. Requires cool to warm conditions. Common name is Ward's Dendrobium. This plant likes a dry period during winter.



Shows:

Glasshouse show was our last display show for the year. Display prizes were awarded to Glasshouse 1st - Caboolture 2nd - Caloundra 3rd - with our own Nambour display coming in 4th.

Thank you to all the helpers, we had to set up the display, your efforts are very much appreciated.

Glasshouse Show Results.

Judy Robbins	<i>C. Fire Magic</i> <i>Onc. Ruffles</i> <i>Gongora truncata</i> <i>Aglaonema</i> <i>Foliage</i> <i>Tillandsia</i>	2 nd 2 nd 3 rd 2 nd 1 st & 2 nd 1 st
Tom Buckley	Rlc. Pauka'a Purple Hawk	3 rd

Marty & Anita Vlekkert	<i>Den. kingianum</i> 'Arnold' <i>Den. kingianum</i> 'Jazzy' <i>Den. kingianum</i> 'Minnie' <i>Den. You Beaut</i> <i>Sarco. Melba x falcatus</i>	1 st 2 nd 3 rd 2 nd 2 nd
Clive & Pat Mann	<i>Anthurium</i>	3 rd
Beryl & Graham Robertson	<i>Paph. Fanaticum</i> Dtps. Sogo Vivien <i>Trichocentrum stramineum</i> Phal. Chain Xen Pearl <i>Paph. Chili Colorado x Red Prince</i> <i>Paph. Toni Semple</i>	1 st 1 st 1 st 2 nd 2 nd 3 rd
Nathan Gould	<i>Coelogyne flaccida</i>	1 st
Rod Aisthorpe.	<i>Ascda. Su Fun Beauty</i>	3 rd

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 nambourorchids@gmail.com with the details.

Show Dates Catalogue 2011

Nambour Orchid Society commitment (in bold)

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

Sat. 29th Oct. STOCQ meeting, hosted by Hervey Bay Orchid Society - Presbyterian Church Hall, Cnr. Bideford & Freshwater Streets, Torquay

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

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 Showgrounds

