



# Nambour Orchid News

September 2019



Champion Orchid – J Robertson – *Paph. Fanaticum*



Reserve Champion – D & L Lee – *Dendrobium speciosum*  
Champion Specimen, - Champion Species  
Champion Australian Native



Why would he not be smiling



## Secretary news September

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**September meeting:** This meeting has a date change. It will be on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>, which is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday instead of the 4<sup>th</sup>. This will allow members who pull down Glasshouse show display to attend the September meeting that normally they have to miss.

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**Glasshouse Show:** Set up for Glasshouse show Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September. Plant label names to Alison by Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Glasshouse is our last display show for the year.

**Spring potting time:** An afternoon to assist all our new growers will be held at the home of David & Lorraine on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 1pm. BYO a plate to share for afternoon tea, your cup and chair. More information will be available at the September meeting.

**Bribie Island Show:** This is a benched show. Set up Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October for a Friday/Saturday show. Members are required to do their own labels.

**Nambour Species Show:** Set up from 3pm Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Benched show.

**We ask that members drive up to the hall to unload their cars for this show and then park in the bottom car parking area.**

This will allow access to the top area near the hall for visitors to also drive up and unload their cars. This will be a requirement for the duration of the show. Car parking attendants will be available to assist.

**NOTE: For safety reasons, access to the Uniting Church Hall is via Donaldson Road only. The Coronation Ave. access is signed NO ENTRY**

**Christmas Party:** Our last event for 2019 Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Charlie's Cultural corner continues to be very popular this year from 1.15pm to 1.45pm each meeting day. If you can help Charlie at any time, please see him and offer your assistance.

**Direct deposits for Shirts, name Badges and Membership are encouraged to the Club Bank Account. Commonwealth Bank BSB 064424 A/c No 00909232.**

**Add your name as a reference so our Treasurer knows who the money is from.**

**Thank you to the members who bring a plate and assist at the meeting with afternoon tea. As we are a fairly large gathering at our meetings, some extra volunteers to set up for afternoon tea would be appreciated. The hall is opened at 12.15 each meeting day.**

**Thank you also to those who assist with the many other tasks associated with the set up & smooth running of our meetings. Your efforts are very much appreciated. It would assist us greatly if you put your chair away after the completion of the meeting.**

**There was no species get together for September due to our Spring Show. October species is at the home of Alan & Alison on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> at 2pm.**

Our species get togethers are always held at the private homes of our members. We are very privileged that we have several members who are willing to allow us the pleasure, and for that reason they are open only to members of a society that is affiliated with the Sub-Tropical Orchid Council Qld (STOCQ)

## President's Report

This year, September has been and will continue to be an exceptionally busy month. Apart from the shows by the local clubs on the Sunshine Coast, we have had the ANOS Conference and the Rocky Roundup thrown in too. It was very gratifying to have a wonderful Spring Show this year with such attractive displays featuring the Australian native species and hybrids that come into their best at this time, as well as a great variety of exotic orchids. Many thanks to the other societies who arranged displays and made the hall look splendid. We were at the mercy of the weather, with strong winds bringing a lot of dust from the west and making conditions unfavourable for anyone with breathing complaints to go outside. This was reflected in lower attendance this year.

I am very grateful for the superb effort that our members made in so many areas and as always, done with cheerfulness and such willingness. You are all stars and like the stars in the heavens, too many to count!

To all prize winners, congratulations and if you missed out, don't be disappointed as your plants helped to make the displays so attractive. As you will see from the results, we were fortunate to scoop the pool with the champion orchids and to David, John and Marty and Anita, congratulations on your AOC Awards that were made after the show judging. Special thanks to the judging panel for staying back to participate in these awards.

With the Species Show coming up soon, I am looking forward to our members putting in a great effort to complete the year.

And as Roger Rankin says "Orchid growing is the toy department of life" **Gina**

### Spring Show winners; Congratulations to all our winners

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Reserve Champion – D & L Lee – *Dendrobium speciosum*

Champion Specimen, Species, Australian Native – D & L Lee – *Dendrobium speciosum*

W & J Harris		2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
J Robbins	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 x 3 <sup>rd</sup>
M & A Vlekkert	1 <sup>st</sup>		
C Basic	1 <sup>st</sup>		
J Robertson	5 x 1 <sup>st</sup>	8 x 2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
G Rann	1 <sup>st</sup>		
C & G McMonagle	2 x 1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
B & M Morris			3 <sup>rd</sup>
M & J Rivers			3 <sup>rd</sup>
D & L Lee	1 <sup>st</sup>	3 x 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 x 3 <sup>rd</sup>
D Elms		2 <sup>nd</sup>	
R Aisthorpe	2 x 1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 x 3 <sup>rd</sup>
C & B Haack			3 <sup>rd</sup>

**August Meeting**



**Judges Choice - August**  
***Cattleya loddigesii* 'Brooke'**  
grower **Steve**



*Den. Yukidaruma*  
David & Lorraine



*Cym. Bay Breeze* - Don



*Epi. stamfordianum* - Col & Bev



*Epi. Comet Valley* Graham & Beryl



*Den. normanbyense* x Wonder Nishi  
Graham & Beryl



*Den. speciosum*  
Wayne & Jean

# Spring Show



## Growing Dendrochilum species

At last months meeting several specimens in this genus were tabled and I gave a short discourse on this group that has led to these notes.

*Dendrochilum* Blume is a genus of about 285 described, mostly lithophytic or epiphytic species distributed from Myanmar thru Indonesia to the Philippines. Papua New Guinea has one species *D. longifolium* and Australia none. Habitat is typically lower to upper montane forest. Many of the species are small growing and are therefore easily accommodated in smaller collections.

A few, such as *D. longifolium* and *D. latifolium* can grow to much larger sizes.

### Morphology

Pseudobulb shape and size varies greatly between species many being very narrow and others being more lanceolate in shape. The arrangement of flowers in the raceme is distichous.

In some species the rachis twists to form a cylindrical spiral (e.g. *Dendrochilum convallariiforme*).



### Cultivation



As noted earlier most species are from the montane regions of their natural habitats and are very suitable to our climates either on the coast or the hinterland. The most important factor is water. Copious watering in summer is mandatory.

The plants must not become dry at this time.

They will survive our winters with less water. Fertilize as you would the rest of your collection. Potting mix will vary with the owner. I have had success with fine mixes such as 90% perlite, 10% peat. This mix is excellent for the smaller growing species

Don't be afraid to experiment! But remember that the roots of these species are often quite thin. Keep evenly moist at all times. I have also had good success with growing the smaller ones on ironbark mounts.

### Some species that are readily available and easy to grow:

*Dendrochilum arachnites*, *Dendrochilum cobbianum*, *Dendrochilum cootesii*

*Dendrochilum convallariiforme*, *Dendrochilum filiforme*, *Dendrochilum glumaceum*

*Dendrochilum latifolium*, *Dendrochilum niveum*, *Dendrochilum pulcherrimum*

*Dendrochilum pangasinanense*, *Dendrochilum stenophyllum*, *Dendrochilum tenellum*

*Dendrochilum uncatum*, *Dendrochilum wenzelii*, *Dendrochilum yuccifolium*

## BUS TRIP TO THE ANOS SHOW

We were a small but happy group of members from our society and a few from Maroochydore Orchid Society who attended the show at the Strathpine Community. Roger was the lucky winner of a voucher that he promptly spent at one of the vendors, on a well grown *Den. Speciosum*. I'll be looking out for it at our spring show next year! The show was quite a sight with many varieties of Australiasian species and hybrids, several attractive displays and walls of photos and botanical art as well as a vendor area which as always, is the first port of call. After lunch at the Kallangur Tavern we called in to the Frizzo's home for afternoon tea, raffles and some more retail therapy before returning home. An enjoyable day and as several of our group mentioned, it was relaxing to be driven instead of taking the wheel! **Gina**

Photo's courtesy of Peter Adams



Champion Species, *Den speciosum* .



Champion Australian Hybrid  
Australian Freckles

## Nambour Orchid Society Show Calendar 2019

Set up is the day before Show date unless otherwise noted.

(NOS commitment in blue)

September		
Fri/Sat 27/28	Glasshouse Country OS show	Beerwah Community Hall, Peachester Road.
Fri/Sat/Sun 27/28/29	Hervey Bay OS show	Xavier Catholic College, 1 Wide Bay Drive, Eli Waters
October		
Fri /Sat 11/12	Bribie Island OS Show	The Orchid House, 156A First Ave. Bongaree
November		
Fri/Sat 1/2	Nambour OS Species Show	Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour
Sat. 16th	STOCQ & OQI meetings	Orchid House, 156A First Ave. Bongaree

## Popular Vote & Judges Choice August 2019

Class & Judges Choice	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
<b>Cattleya.</b> <i>Epi.Comet Valley.</i>	<i>Lc. Little Fairy.</i> Col & Bev.	<i>Epi.Comet Valley,</i> Graham & Beryl.	<b>#Bc.Glorious May,</b> Col & Bev.
<b>Oncidium.</b> <b>#Onc. Dorothy Wisnom</b> <b>'Jean'</b> Col & Bev.	<i>Onc.Dorothy Wisnom 'Jean',</i> Col & Bev.	<b>#Onc.Sunlight</b> <b>'Pesky Panther'</b> Col & Bev.	No entry.
<b>Vanda/Phal.</b> <i>Phal. unknown,</i> Pat.	<i>Phal. unknown,</i> Pat.	<i>Phal. unknown,</i> Graham Dean, tied <i>Phal. unknown,</i> Pat.	No 3 <sup>rd</sup> .
<b>Dendrobium</b> <i>Den. Yukidaruma,</i> David & Lorraine.	<i>Den. normanbyense</i> x Wonder Nishi, Graham & Beryl.	<i>Den. Roonkamol Vejvarut,</i> Charlie & Gina, tied <i>Den.</i> Yukidaruma, David & Lorraine.	No 3 <sup>rd</sup> .
<b>Any Other.</b> <i>Cym. Bay Breezem,</i> Don.	<i>Cym. Bay Breeze</i> Don.	<i>Fdk. Providence,</i> Charlie & Gina, tied <i>Angcm. Veitchii,</i> David & Lorraine.	No 3 <sup>rd</sup> .
<b>Paph/Phrag.</b>	No entries.		
<b>Exotic Species Americas.</b> <i>C. loddigesii,</i> Steve.	<i>Epi.stamfordianum,</i> Col & Bev <i>C. loddigesii,</i> Steve.	No 2 <sup>nd</sup> .	No 3 <sup>rd</sup> .
<b>Exotic Species Asian.</b> <i>Den. convolutum,</i> Graham & Beryl.	<i>Ddc. cobbianum,</i> Mal & Jo.	<i>Bulb. romyi,</i> Steve.	<i>Den. convolutum,</i> Graham & Beryl.
<b>Aust. Native Hybrid.</b>	No entries.		
<b>Aust. Native Species.</b> <i>Den. speciosum,</i> Wayne & Jean.	<i>Den. speciosum,</i> David & Lorraine <i>Den.tetragonum,</i> Don, <i>Den. tetragonum,</i> Don.	No 2 <sup>nd</sup> .	No 3 <sup>rd</sup> .
<b>Novice.</b>	No entries.		
<b>Foliage</b>	No entries.		

**Judges Choice overall: *Cattleya loddigesii,* Steve.**

A crosshatch # beside the name of an orchid on this sheet indicates a correction or the new name of your plant.



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## Nambour Orchid Society Information and Contacts

### 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.

### Cultural meeting

Is held on the 4th Saturday of the month at the Nambour Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave., Nambour at 2pm.

All members and visitors are welcome. **Plants are to be tabled by 1.30pm for judging.**

**The Species Appreciation Group** 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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**A reminder for all winners of Judges Choice, cultural awards etc. at both our meetings, please send a few lines on how you grow your plants, growing conditions and anything relevant, for inclusion in the Newsletter to - [rhand39@gmail.com](mailto:rhand39@gmail.com). Information is required two weeks prior to the monthly meeting**

**Our new shirts are available to Order. If you would like one, please Email or see Alison at the meeting. Cost to members is \$25 for the shirt with logo + \$5.50 if you require a pocket. Name badges are also available to order. Cost is \$5.00 new members or \$10.95 if you require a replacement.**

### FOR SALE

Nambour Orchid Society members may use space in the Newsletter free of charge, if you have any Orchid related items for sale, please send your ad to [rhand39@gmail.com](mailto:rhand39@gmail.com) no later than 2 weeks prior to the monthly meeting

Members can sell Orchids or foliage plants at our meetings. Only plants that we would use in show displays are permitted. **Please remember to add your gold coin donation to the honesty box.**

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