



Nambour Orchid News.

May 2020



Judges Choice - April

***Phalaenopsis* I-Hsin Snow Bear**

Phalaenopsis I-Hsin Snow Bear is a consistent performer in the section for exhibition white flowers. This *Phalaenopsis* is one from a compot of five plants purchased in 2010 and has flowered consistently each year at a later time than other phals in our collection. This year has seen the latest flowering time yet and at the time of writing it is still looking in good order. This makes close to 8 weeks that it has been in flower. It is housed in a glass house covered with 70% cream shade cloth and a poly-carbonate roof. In winter, we attach plastic to the western wall and with sliding sections, the house can be closed fully or opened as needed. Fans and a misting system work on timers and keep the air moving and humidity high on hot or dry days. **Gina and Charlie**



Secretary news May

Covid reminders as per Government regulations.

Social distancing is still in place please be mindful of this while moving around and doing the popular vote.

Hands to be sanitized before entering the hall.

Do not come to the meeting before 12.45pm or if you have any cold or flu symptoms.

As we are now registered to use the check in Qld app there is no need to notify me if you are coming to the meeting. You will still be required to sign on for our fire safety check list.

Please bring your own pen to the meeting.

Reminder to use the same chair for the duration of the meeting.

Bring your own cup if you wish to have afternoon tea. Afternoon tea will be served by members who have completed the Tafe Covid safe for dining in food handling course. This is required by Qld. Govt. regulation. You may bring your own afternoon tea if you prefer.

Plants must be tabled by 1.30pm. Judging starts at 1.30 sharp. Your pot number is required for display of plants. Lorraine will hand out the stickers for your pot.

CLEANING: Thank you to those on the April cleaning roster. It does help at clean up time. May roster will be attached to your newsletter. Please let me know if you are unable to attend the meeting so I can get a replacement.

SHOWS: During the month we booked a 1 day show at the Buderim Uniting Church Hall for Saturday 5th June. This is a members only closed show so please help support it by bringing along any display or sale plants you might have. Label format will be emailed to you for plant sales. Helpers will be needed on the day.

Thank you to Roger who has agreed to help with publicity. You should have already received details sent by Roger after we made the booking.

Sausage Sizzle: We have been allocated a fundraising sausage sizzle by Bunnings on the 27th June. Makes it feel like things are slowly returning to normal. Alison

Presidents Thoughts

Busy times are coming! Suddenly we are looking at some major activities for our Society. In June, a orchid show and sausage sizzle. July will see the Garden Expo return to the Nambour Showgrounds. All being well it will go ahead and we are hopeful to be participating in the area set aside for various horticultural societies. Caboolture Orchid Society will be the other activity for July with our input will be benching rather than a display stand.

This is where I encourage you to support our team by volunteering your time to assist the various activities planned. Our Spring Show will be followed by the Species show to round off the year. In the meantime, our monthly meetings are running well, thanks to the roster for organizing and cleaning the hall and our intrepid kitchen folk who prepare our afternoon tea so efficiently. My thanks to all who help to make our meetings run smoothly.

Final thoughts from "Orchid Wise" with thanks to Roger Rankin :

"Without orchids, an orchid club meeting is nothing"

Gina

A selection of Plants on display at the April meeting



Blc. Hawaiian Star - Col & Bev



Bulb. rothschildiam - Glenda



C. Aloha Case - Col & Marilyn



C. Chief Journey - Patrick & Heather



Den. Carron Deb x lineale. - Wayne



Cattleya gloedeniana. - Judy



Liparis condylobulbon - Don



Cattleya aelandiae - Luda



Galeandra leptoceras - Peter



Bulbo. Elizabeth Anne - Col & Bev



Gongora grossa - David & Lorraine



Liparis parviflora - Rod & Jan

REJUVENATING ORCHIDS

by Alan Hope

Orchid growers often need to attend to an orchid that is old, pot-bound or shows signs of decline. Previous re-potting may have been neglected or the plant, having been recently acquired at an orchid auction, nursery or as a gift, is in poor condition. Damage to the plant by frost, sunburn, insect bites or various rots and fungal attacks may also require remedial action. Signs that an orchid requires attention include weak and straggly growth, moss on the surface of the mix, die-back, rot and poor flowering.

Plants that have overgrown their pots may also need attention. However, first assess whether you wish to keep the plant, as space and resources are scarce and your effort may be better spent on other plants. Typically, friends and relatives may have unknowingly donated diseased plants, more often than not cymbidiums that have belonged to the family for some time. It is probably in the best interests of your collection to discard such family heirlooms. Re-potting requires the complete removal of the old orchid mix and replacement with new mix in a new or sterilized pot of an appropriate size. Any dead portions of plant should be removed with sterilized secateurs and the plant sprayed for pests such as scale. The re-potted plant should also have some long-life fertilizer scratched in around the edge of the pot, and then watered well and placed in a protected area off the ground to re-establish.

Highly valued plants that would be difficult and/or costly to replace present a greater challenge. In many cases only a small part of the plant may survive, perhaps a single pseudobulb, cane or growth. For cymbidiums and other orchids with bulbs, cleaning up the back-bulb and placing it with fresh sphagnum moss in an inflated plastic bag, offers a good chance of new growth being generated. Some genera, such as lycastes, will often produce a new growth only if two or more joined pseudobulbs are used. Orchids with bare canes (e.g. dendrobiums), a creeping growth habit (e.g. bulbophyllums) or ones with no roots (all genera) are best tackled during the growing season (spring-summer-early autumn). The best option is to find a piece of the plant with a leading growth, as this is the most vigorous. However leafless canes, as is the case with many dendrobiums, may be all that is left to work with. If so, the canes can be cleaned and cut into sections containing two or three nodes. Each section should then be placed horizontally on a bed of live sphagnum moss and pinned down with small pieces of bent wire. It may take some time for the nodes to produce new growths.

Orchids with a creeping growth habit, such as bulbophyllums and epidendrums, should be re-started by attachment to a mount. Placing fresh sphagnum moss around (but not under) the growth helps to retain moisture and allows the emerging roots to attach themselves to the mount. Both the growth and surrounding moss should be fastened firmly to the mount with twisty-tie, and the plant then regularly misted, especially during hot, dry weather. Root loss is a serious problem and paphiopedilums are among those orchids that can lose all their roots. I have had best results re-planting these plants in fresh sphagnum moss in a small pot. Secure the plant with a small wooden skewer to avoid movement and place it in a sheltered, shady position to recover. Once again patience is required as it can take many months for some paphiopedilum plants to re-grow roots, if ever!

Finally, how do you rejuvenate plants devastated by rot or fungal attack? The rot may move so quickly that the whole plant is at risk and remedial action is required without delay. The affected section of plant should be removed with a sterilized knife, razor blade or scissors and appropriate fungicidal sprays or sealants then applied to minimize further outbreak.

Helena's Gallery



Popular Vote & Judges Choice - April 2021

Judges Choice in Blue		Red See Notes	
Cattleya	1	<i>Rlc. Chief Journey</i>	Pat & Heather
	2	<i>Btc. Chushan</i>	Col & Bev
	3	<i>Cattleya Hawaiian Star</i>	Col & Bev
Oncidium	1	<i>Oncidesa Sweet Sugar</i>	Col & Marilyn
	2	<i>Oncidium Sharry Baby</i>	Wayne
	3	<i>Aliceara Pacific Treasures</i>	Rod & Jan
Vanda/ Phalaenopsis	1	<i>Phalaenopsis I-Hsin Snow Bear</i>	Charlie & Gina
	2	<i>Vanda Pakchong Blue</i>	Col & Marilyn
	2	<i>Phalaenopsis Unknown</i>	Richard
Dendrobium	1	<i>Dendrobium Burana Stripe</i>	Judy
	2	<i>Dendrobium Chao Praya Candy x Classic Gem</i>	Charlie & Gina
	3	<i>Dendrobium Carron Deb x lineale</i>	Wayne
Any Other Genera	1	<i>Fredclarkeara Turning Point</i>	Don
	2	<i>Bulbophyllum Elizabeth Ann</i>	Col & Bev
	3	<i>Bulbophyllum Plemont</i>	Duncan
Paphiopedilum/ Phragmipedium	1	<i>Phragmipedium Calurum</i>	David & Lorraine
	2	<i>Paphiopedilum charlesworthii*</i>	Col & Bev
	3		
Species America's	1	<i>Prosthechea boothiana</i>	Judy
	2	<i>Cattleya maxima</i>	Pat & Heather
	3	<i>Gongora grossa</i>	David & Lorraine
Species Asian	1	<i>Paphiopedilum spicerianum</i>	Col & Bev
	2	<i>Liparis parviflora</i>	Rod & Jan
	3	<i>Bulbophyllum rothschildianum</i>	Glenda
	JC	<i>Gastrochilus retrocallus*</i>	Luda
Aus. Native Hybrid	1	<i>Dendrobium Star Sparkler</i>	Wayne
	2	<i>Dendrobium Superbiens</i>	Wayne
	3		
Aus. Native Species	1	<i>Dendrobium antennatum</i>	Cliff
	2	<i>Liparis condylobulbon</i>	Don
	3	<i>Dendrobium bigibbum</i>	Col & Marilyn
Novice	1		
Foliage	1	<i>Aglaonema</i>	George & Helena
	2	<i>Philodendron</i>	David & Lorraine
	3	<i>Anthurium Prince Elegance</i>	George & Helena

Notes

**Haraella retrocalla* ; *Gastrochilus retrocallus*

**Paphiopedilum charleworthii* should be in Asian Species section

Nambour Orchid Society



Nambour Orchid society meets on the 4th Saturday each Nambour Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave., Nambour

Charlie's Cultural corner from 1.15pm to 1.45pm each meeting day.

Cultural meeting 2pm.

Plants are to be tabled for judging by 1.30pm .

Business meeting 1pm 3rd Sunday of the month at member's homes.

The Species Appreciation Group is held monthly from February to November at member's homes .

Contact the Secretary for details. at nambourorchids@gmail.com

All **STOCQ** members welcome. Bring your species plants, a chair, a cup and a plate to share for afternoon tea

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All correspondence to the Society should be addressed to nambourorchids@gmail.com

Articles for inclusion in the Newsletter should be sent to the editor at rhand39@gmail.com

Send all adds, articles and photos etc. no later than 2 weeks prior to the monthly meeting

Members may use space in the Newsletter to sell Orchid related items free of charge.

10% commission is payable to the Society by members selling plants at meetings

Members must sell their own plants, only plants that we would use in show displays are permitted

**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.

Club shirts are available , cost to members, \$25 for shirt with logo + \$5.50 if you require a pocket

Name badges, cost is \$15.00. Please order from secretary

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Cittamani Hospice Services are in Palmwoods and provide end of life palliative care for people in need in their own homes.

They also provide essential equipment free of charge for patients use in their own home.

ORCHID SHOW



Buderim Uniting

Church Hall

Gloucester

Road Buderim

9am—3pm

Saturday 5th June

Benched Orchid Display

Orchid & Foliage Plant Sales

Raffles \$1

Admission \$4

COVID Safe Event

Contact nambourorchids@gmail.com Phone

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Nambour Orchid Society Show Calendar 2021

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

(NOS commitment in blue)

May

Sat/Sun 1/2
Fri/Sat/Sun 7/8/9

Gympie OS Show
Bundaberg OS

Albert Park Bowles Club

July

Fri/Sat/Sun 9/10/11
Fri/Sat/Sun 23/24/25

Nambour Garden Expo.
Caboolture OS show

Nambour Showgrounds, Coronation Ave. Nambour
Morayfield Community Centre (Behind Bunnings)

August

Fri/Sat 6/7
Sat/Sun 14/15
Fri/Sat 27/28

Maroochydore OS show
Agnes Water OS show
Childers OS Spring Show

Buderim Uniting Church Hall, Gloucester Road, Buderim
Agnes Water Community Centre, 71 Springs Road,

September

Fri/Sat 3/4
Thurs/Fri/Sat 16/17/18
Fri/Sat 16/17
Fri/Sat 24/25
Fri/Sat/Sun 24/25/26
Sat/Sun 25/26

Nambour Orchid Society
Maryborough OS Show
Noosa DOFS Show
Glasshouse Country OS show
Hervey Bay OS show
Rockhampton OS Spring Show

Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour
St Paul's Memorial Hall, Maryborough
Beerwah Community Hall, Peachester Road.
Xavier Catholic College, 1 Wide Bay Drive, Eli Waters

October

Fri/Sat 1/2
Thurs/Fri/Sat 21/22/23
Fri/Sat 29/30

Caloundra OS Show
Caboolture OS (closed)
Nambour Species Show

Uniting Church Hall, Ulm St Caloundra
Morayfield Shopping Centre
Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave. Nambour

November

Sat/Sun 6/7

Tweed Show