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NEWSLETTER March 2012

Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.

PO Box 5949 Red Hill Qld. 4702

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday. 26/3/12

at 7.30pm

Plants to be tabled by

7.15pm

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Judges for the Meeting

T. Dean, P. Shelton

B. Hilse, Nat Lakey

Notice to Members

**Please assist with
cleaning the hall after the
meeting!**

Editors notes,

Well here goes nothing, I know we have done this before many, many years ago but it doesn't seem to make it any easier.

June and I are both a bit longer in the tooth now and the old grey matter doesn't work as well as it used to but if you are patient with us I'm sure we can turn out some kind of informative bulletin.

We have included in this newsletter the show schedule and hopefully all things relevant, including rules etc.

June and I just spent an enjoyable week in Brisbane with our good friends and yours Albert and Ann Gibbard who took us to the Brae Park orchid sales in Pine Rivers. It was what you all will remember crowded, and very, very warm or one could say hot. Alice and Stew were there and they had more people round their area than any one else, no need to tell you why, they are both lovely people and are held in high esteem throughout the orchid growing fraternity. The 3 days of rain dampened things a little but thoroughly enjoyed the week.

As a judge I notice some people are still putting *Milt.spectabilis* var *moreliana* on your spear tags, it is incorrect *Milt.moreliana* is a species in its own right and has been for quite a number of years, perhaps I had best write an article on the whys and wherefores on it I did so many years ago but it seems you have forgotten. *.moreliana* flowers quite a time before *spectabilis*.

I also notice a lot of you purchasing plants of the *Catesetum* family which includes *Cychnoches* and *Mormodes* these as you have seen them tabled at the meetings are very floriferous plants, however watch them carefully in the coming winter, I recommend that you place them in an area where they will get NO water at all, only the moisture you provide to keep the psuedobulbs from desiccating.

I hope we can serve you well in the coming months. All contributed material will be gratefully received.

May all your favorite orchids be in flower for the show.

Pete & June

General Meeting Tuesday 28/2/2012

Attendance: As per register

Apologies: As per register

New members: Andrew Woron, Alan & Carol Hine, Gloria Kane

Lucky Member: 37 Jan Hogan

Minutes: of previous monthly meeting with two spelling mistakes corrected approved as correct and accurate, Moved Rosalie Smith second Graham Maunder Carried.

Correspondence: In = Newsletters, Redcliff District Orchid Society Inc., The Sunshine Coast Orchid Society Caloundra Inc, Nambour Orchids News, Childers & Isis District Orchid Society Inc, Caboolture Orchid Society Inc, Capricorn Orchid & Foliage Club Inc. Rockhampton Horticultural Society Inc. Gladstone Orchid & Foliage Society Inc., Boyne-Tannum Orchid \$ Foliage Society Inc. Mid-Murry Orchid Club Inc. Mackay & District Orchid Society Inc, Orchid News NSW, Bundaberg Orchid Society Inc, Bribie Island Orchid Society Inc. Maryborough District Orchid Society Inc. Central QLD Bush house & Orchid Society Inc. Nightcliff Orchid Society, Pioneer River Orchid & Plant Association, Gympie & District Orchid Society Inc, Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Sub-Tropical Orchid Council, Orchids Australia, Orchid Australia, Australian Orchids Review. Perth Conference, Sunshine Coast Orchid Society, New Memberships Andrew Woron, Alan & Carol Hine Gloria Kane. Herbert River Orchid & Allied Plant Society Inc. Gladstone Orchid & Foliage Society Inc, Membership Beryl Ledway. Orchidaceous Supplies, Post Office Account, Church Account, Maleny Botanic Gardens.

OUT = Moved Gloria Wakefield Second by Sharyn Frisch Carried.

Treasurers Report: Bill Richardson read and moved his report Second by Ken Smith carried,

New Growers: The first New Growers for the year is at Keith & Pam Marsden at 463 Crane Ave North Rockhampton.

General Business: The bus trip to Gladstone on March 11th this will be a day trip the cost for the day will be \$28.00 Bus with \$12.00 lunch & morning & afternoon tea. The bus will leave at 6 am from the usual place.

SHOW Theme for the next show will be “**Song Title**“ Do not forget to put your name on your display after the judging. Names for displays will be needed at the next meeting.

Plant Commentary: John Frisch did the commentary, again gave a very informative talk. It was good to see some questions being asked, Thanks John.

Lucky exhibitor: Bernard Hilse

Raffle: Terry Dean, Peter Jenkinson, Ken Smith, Lionel Reeves, Joy Dwyer, Joy Dwyer.

Meeting closed: 9.20 pm.

Next Meeting: 27th March 2012

Jeff Bloxsom President

Gloria Wakefield Secretary

Monthly Competition Results. February 2012.

(Plants tabled: Advanced: 34 Novice: 19)

Judges Choice

Cyc. Tawny Bar
Paph. Transvaal
Paph. Imperial Jade

K&R Smith
B&H Hilse
J&N Glover

Popular Vote: Advanced

Cattleya
Dendrobium
Oncidiinae
Species
Miscellaneous

Blc. Mahina Yahiro
Den. Mini Pink x *Den. bigibbum*
Brs. Rex x Mtssa. Goodale's Gift
Ctsm. pileatum ?
Cyc. Tawny Bar

K&R Smith
J&S Frisch
K&R Smith
B&H Hilse
K&R Smith

Popular Vote: Novice

Cattleya
Dendrobium
Oncidiinae
Miscellaneous

Blc. Glenn Maidment 'Southern Cross'
Den. name unknown
Onc. Moon Shadow 'Tiger Tail'
Milt. spectabilis

G&M Maunder
R. Wines
G&M Maunder
R&L Mann



Paph. Transvaal



Paph. Imperial Jade



Cyc. Tawny Bar

New Growers Report

On Saturday The 3rd the new growers met at our place for their first meeting for 2012. Pam and I were pleased at the good rollup of members considering the fact that we missed out on having the notice date in the last newsletter.

On arrival the members were able to settle down and enjoy each others company and a cuppa before the business of the afternoon started.

The idea of this meeting was to plan the coming year's activities. The planning of places to visit for our meetings was organized but the list of things they would like to do drew a blank at this stage. No problems, we will take it as it comes and make the year as informative and interesting as we can.

Our President addressed the members on the planned trip to Gladstone the 11th. The troubled plant section of the meeting was the next item on the agenda and members concerns were answered.

The afternoons raffle completed the meeting giving the winners a plant or two to add to their collections.

Thank you, to all who donated to the raffle, also to all members who helped in making the meeting an enjoyable afternoon.

The next meeting is to be held on Saturday the 31st of March at the home of Bernie and Shirley Peters at 18 Sunrise Crescent Gracemere starting at 2-00 P.M.

Please bring along a folding chair and a plate for afternoon tea if possible.

Keith Marsden

Notice to Members.

Fees were due and payable in February

Remittance from non financial members

would be appreciated

Field Day in Gladstone Sunday 11 March 2012



Our coach left Lawrence's Motors for Gladstone at 6.00 am with 38 happy members aboard. A few others travelled by private car. We were met and welcomed by members of our host society – The Gladstone Orchid and Foliage Society Inc. at the Show Grounds Hall. We also greeted folk from Boyne Island and Bundaberg. The Hall was filled to capacity, and the hosts were very thrilled with the number of people who attended.

After Morning Tea we set off on the first of our 8 visits. We travelled to Calliope to Richard and Diane Cornale's property. It was a lovely drive on a Sunday morning. We enjoyed the rural setting

and viewing their very large bromeliad collection. We then visited Neville Spencer, a long time member of the Gladstone Society.

Next port of call was to Jeni Scott. Jeni is currently a Student Judge in our region and is already demonstrating her prowess at growing a large variety of orchid and foliage plants very well. An excellent attribute for anyone aspiring to be a judge. Her plants all looked so happy and healthy, and her spacious garden was very well cared for.

Then on to Doug and Sharon Stephen at Beecher where we all admired their extensive gardens and walked down to their dam – a beautiful country setting.

After lunch we visited Max Marskell who has a lovely bromeliad collection.

It was a pleasure to visit Jean and Martin Lowry next. They have a very pleasant, neat, bright garden and orchid house.

Sunny and Mackie Jenkinson welcomed us next and it was good to spend time with them and view their orchid house and garden.

Our final port of call was to Phil and Pam Brown who have an interesting collection of bonsai as well as a Japanese style garden.

President Jeff celebrated his Birthday during the trip so he was able to be surrounded by many friends in the orchid world on his special day. It was also Lynne Mann's Birthday on that day. I am sure we are all grateful to our Gladstone friends for the way they organised this Field Day. The Morning and Afternoon Teas and Lunch were delicious and very well presented. I feel the real value of the day, apart from the opportunity to visit fellow orchid growers was the way we all benefited from meeting people who love orchids and foliage from other areas and spending quality time with them.

Our Coach Captain John Jenkinson drove us superbly and looked after us all in his courteous and caring manner. He was delighted when President Jeff told him our Society had awarded him Honorary Membership. I know we all regard John as part of our ROS family.

Once again I am sure we are all very thankful to President Jeff and Treasurer Bill for the amount of time and effort they put into organising our trips away.

ELLIE DEAN.

PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER.



Ellie's Corner

Hello everyone. The last couple of weeks have been rather frustrating for us. Thanks to Optus our landline telephone is "out" and therefore no internet! It is so inconvenient and we have missed some important calls and e-mails. Of course, if we don't meet our family and friends in person, we really don't know who has been trying to contact us! We do have a mobile which is 0431 358 869 if you need to get in touch with us.

Jenny and Peter Moore welcomed a grandson on 24 January. He is the son of their youngest daughter Kelly and her husband Warren who already have two daughters Kenzy (3) and Millie (1). They live in Rockhampton so their proud grandparents enjoy lots of baby sitting duties and happy family times. Congratulations to a lovely family.

Richard and Lynne Mann's grandson, Brendan Palmero married Ellie Geljon at the Marina in Gladstone on Saturday 10 March. Richard and Lynne were at the Field Day with us the next day and told me that the wedding and the Reception were absolutely beautiful. It was Lynne's Birthday on Sunday so what a great weekend they enjoyed.

Jill and Don Howes' grand daughter, Addison Grace, was born on Christmas Eve in Brisbane. Her parents are Jodie and Rod. Jill spent some time in Brisbane with the family and Addison's Aunty Kristy (Jill and Don's other daughter) came home from London to meet the precious little addition to their family. Addi is a beautiful bright little baby and Kristy calls her "her party girl". She is Jill and Don's first grand child so naturally there is great excitement in the family.

Happy Birthday to those members celebrating in April:

Val Hewitt and Terry Ahern (7th); Sue Robb (8th); Shirley Peters (10th); Ted Mannion (11th); Rose Tregea (17th); Eileen Shanks (23rd); Jack Martin (25th); Bernie Peters and Dave Johnston (28th).

Till next time. My love and prayers. *Ellie Dean*

Don't forget our SOCIETY - STORE (members only)

For all you Orchid Supplies



49222637 Barry & Faye English

Hours of Business: 8am -12 – 2- 5pm (Closed: 'Thursdays' and 'Lunchtime' each day)

No cheques please

Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc. Autumn Show
at Rockhampton High School Assembly Hall on 14th & 15th April 2012

Major Prizes

Grand Champion:	\$100.00 plus \$100.00 Bunnings Voucher, Trophy, Rosette & Card
Reserve Champion:	\$100.00 plus Rosette & Card
Best Specimen:	\$50.00 plus Trophy, Rosette & Card
Best Exotic Species:	\$20.00 plus Trophy, Rosette & Card
Best Aust. Species:	\$20.00 plus Trophy, Rosette & Card
Best Orchid by Novice Grower:	\$20.00 plus Trophy, Rosette & Card
Runner up to best Novice Grower:	\$10.00 plus Ribbon
Class Champions (Classes 1 to 6 & 8):	\$20.00 plus Rosette & Card
Runner up to Class Champions & Best Species:	\$10.00 plus Ribbon
Class Sections:	1 st \$5.00 ; 2 nd \$3.00 plus Ribbons & Cards

<u>Floral Art</u> (Class 9) Container Garden:-	1 st \$40.00;	2 nd \$20.00 plus Ribbon & Card
Arrangement :-	1 st \$20.00	2 nd \$10.00 plus Ribbon & Card
Corsage :-	1 st \$10.00	2 nd \$5.00 plus Ribbon & Card

Displays

Large Display (Max. 2 meters x 1.5 meters):	1 st \$80.00 plus \$50.00 Bunnings Voucher, Rosette & Card
	2 nd \$60.00 plus Ribbon and Card
Small Display (Table, approx. 1 sq. metre):	1 st \$40.00 plus \$50.00 Bunnings Voucher, Rosette & Card
	2 nd \$40.00 plus Ribbon & Card

Class 1.00 Laeliinae

- 1.01 Standard shape, bloom size over 100mm, predominately White
- 1.02 Standard shape, bloom size over 100mm, Mauve/ Purple shades
- 1.03 Standard shape, bloom size over 100mm, any other colour
- 1.04 Standard shape, bloom size up to 100mm, predominately White
- 1.05 Standard shape, bloom size up to 100mm, Mauve/ Purple shades
- 1.06 Standard shape, bloom size up to 100mm, any other colour
- 1.07 Standard shape, miniature plant size, bloom size up to 75mm
- 1.08 Non standard, Cluster, not less than five (5) blooms per stem
- 1.09 Non standard, any other

Class 2.00 Vandaeae

- 2.01 Vanda / Ascocenda, bloom size over 60mm
- 2.02 Vanda / Ascocenda, bloom size up to 60mm
- 2.03 Vandaeae any other, bloom size over 60mm
- 2.04 Vandaeae any other, bloom size up to 60mm
- 2.05 Phalaenopsis / Doritis hybrid

Class 3.00 Dendrobium.

- 3.01 Phalaenanthe type, predominately White
- 3.02 Phalaenanthe type, predominately Purple
- 3.03 Phalaenanthe type any other colour.
- 3.04 Phalaenanthe /Peloric (Pansy or Ekapol types)
- 3.05 Intermediate type
- 3.06 Spatulata type
- 3.07 Any Other type

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Class 4.00 Oncidiinae

- 4.01 Oncidium, Varicosum type
- 4.02 Oncidium, Equitant type
- 4.03 Oncidiinae, Inter-generic hybrid
- 4.04 Oncidiinae, any other

Class 5.00 Paphiopedilum

- 5.01 Standard type
- 5.02 Maudiae type characteristics
- 5.03 Brachypetalum / Parvisepalum type characteristics
- 5.04 Any other type (including Multi-florals & Phragmipedium)

Class 6.00 Other Genera

- 6.01 Genus Catasetum or alliance hybrid
- 6.02 Genus Epidendrum
- 6.03 Any Other Hybrid

Class 7.00 Species

- 7.01 Laeliinae (Cattleya, Laelia, Sophronitis, or Brassavola ,or new renamed genus names)
- 7.02 Vandae (excluding Phalaenopsis & Doritis)
- 7.03 Phalaenopsis or Doritis
- 7.04 Dendrobium, Australian
- 7.05 Dendrobium, Exotic
- 7.06 Oncidiinae
- 7.07 Paphiopedilum or Phragmipedium
- 7.08 Catasetum
- 7.09 Any other Exotic species
- 7.10 Any other Australian Species

Class 8.00 Foliage / Fern

- 8.01 Anthurium (var. andreanum or schizeraenum)
- 8.02 Bromelaid
- 8.03 Tillandsia or Cryptanthus
- 8.04 Succulent or Cactus
- 8.05 Bonsai
- 8.06 Any other foliage
- 8.07 Adiantum (Maiden Hair Fern)
- 8.08 Lycopodium (Tassel Fern)
- 8.09 Nephrolepis (Boston Fern)
- 8.10 Any other fern

Class 9 Floral Art

- 9.01 Container Garden - Area 50cm x 50cm. (see rule 23)
 - 9.02 Arrangement - using predominately orchid blooms with embellishments
 - 9.03 Corsage - using predominately orchid blooms
- (Please note: No Class Champion Ribbon is awarded in Class 9.00)

Judging Rules Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.
Autumn Show - 14th - 15th April 2012
Rockhampton High School Assembly Hall, Campbell Street, Rockhampton.

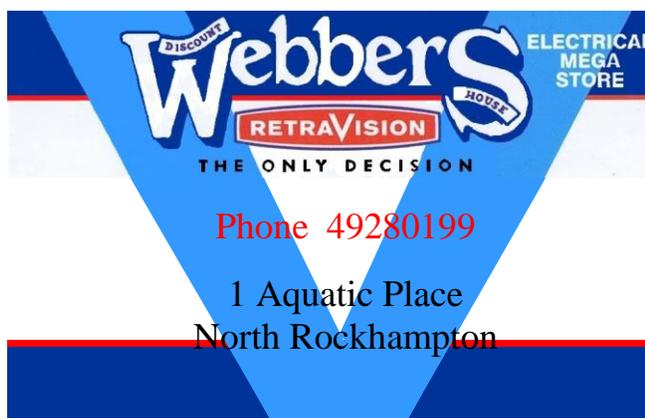
- (1) Entries are free and open to all current financial members of Orchid Societies in Rockhampton Regional Council area.
- (2) Requests for display space should be with the Secretary by Tuesday 10th April.
- (3) Plants, displays and floral art may be entered between 5pm and 10pm on the Friday. **Additionally, tabled plants** (max. 3 per member) and Floral Art may be entered up to **7.30am on Saturday** with judging to commence as soon as possible
- (6) Displays are to be judged first. Points allocated - Arrangement & effect 30, Quality 25, Variety 25, Labels 10, Theme 10.
- (7) Show judging shall conform to the judging standards of the Aust. Orchid Council.
- (8) All plants entered shall be the property of the exhibitor. The plants shall have been in the possession of the exhibitor for the preceding six months.
- (9) The only flowers other than orchids to be included in displays shall be Bromeliads, Anthuriums, or related types. Foliage and fern must be accessible at the front / sides of displays, or tabled, to enable judging.
- (10) Cut blooms are allowed in displays, but are not eligible for judging.
- (11) Classes refer to orchid hybrids unless otherwise indicated. Plants are only eligible for judging in one section in a class.
- (12) Exhibitors are responsible to see that all plants are correctly labelled with their member number on the reverse side of the label or on the pot. Novice growers must attach identifying sticker to front of label.
- (13) If there are five or more plants in a specific group, an extra section **may** be created by the Show Marshall together with two committee members.
- (14) A bloom or blooms damaged or broken from an inflorescence in transit to the show will not disqualify that inflorescence, provided the damaged or detached bloom/s is placed on the pot. A bloom/s missing from an inflorescence of a plant that flowers progressively shall not disqualify that inflorescence.
- (15) Staking and tying for support will be permitted. In all genera, no inflorescence is to be tied or supported on any part of the flower or its attachment to the inflorescence. Parafilm or florists tapes are not allowed as ties.
- (16) The Judge/s shall have the power to withhold any prize in any section. The Judge/s decision will be final.
- (17) The Show Marshall in conjunction with the Chief Steward shall have the right to refuse the exhibition of any plant which, in their opinion, appears diseased or pest infected.
- (18) Both plant sales supervisors will have the authority to accept or reject any plant/s submitted for sale. Commission to the Society on plant sales is 20%.
- (19) Class Champions shall be selected from the winners of each section in that class. **Best Aust. Species and Best Exotic Species** shall be selected from the species class.
The judge will also select from all other plants in their class the plant deemed to be runner up to the Class Champion, and Best Aust. Species, and Best Exotic Species. **Best Specimen Orchid** shall be selected from all plants exhibited. **Best Orchid by R.O.S. Novice Grower** plus the runner up shall be selected from plants identified on plant label as "novice grower".
- (20) Grand Champion of the show shall be selected from the Class Champions plus both "Best Species" and "Best Specimen".
- (21) The Reserve Champion of the show shall be selected from the remaining Class Champions, or Best Species, or Best Specimen, plus the plant previously chosen as runner up, in the section from which the Grand Champion was selected.
- (22) The Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc. or its agents will accept no responsibility for theft, loss, destruction or damage to plants or property
- (23) Container Gardens. The container may be a pot, saucer, basket, part of hollow tree or other device to house and support the display. Overall dimensions shall fit within a 50cm. square area. At least one flowering orchid plant along with cut flowers shall be in the display plus embellishments using ferns and/or foliage plants and other props which may be used to highlight a theme. The only flowers allowed in display other than orchids are bromeliads and anthuriums or related types. Plants in container gardens will not be judged individually. Judging will be based on the overall aesthetic appearance and the quality of the plants included.

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Your Orchid Diary 2012

Mar 31st –April 1 Tannum Sands O&FS Show
Mar 31st-April 1 Capricorn O&F Society Show
April 6-8th Gladstone Orchid Society Show
June 8th-10th TQOC Ingham Conference & Show
August 11-12th Childers & Isis District Orchid Society Spring Show
September 8-9th Rockhampton Orchid Society Spring Show
Sept 11th – 16th Aust Orchid Conference Perth
Sept 28-29th Glasshouse Orchid society Show

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2014 TQOC Atherton
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