

# Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.



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## Editors Notes

This is being written on a rather sad note, as we are retiring from being your newsletter editors this month. As far as I can remember we have done this job off and on for about 9 years and I must say I will definitely miss it, it's a very rewarding job, to receive accolades from national and over seas orchid growers is quite fulfilling but the time comes when we have to say enough is enough and pull the pin, I (Pete) am having a few health problems but believe me I'm not going to kark it, I'll still be around to plague you and so we've decided to give the job to somebody else.

It is at this stage I have to thank, first my dear wife who is a very tolerant person, she has to put up with a lot when I'm doing the newsletter. Then there is my daughter Kate who's computer knowledge I don't know what I would have done without, thanks a million kid I love you greatly.

But to all the members, I thank you for your tolerance and acceptance of my many typos and things I have forgotten. To the incoming editor/s I can only wish them good luck; my help is available if you require it. I have already thanked the few people who contributed articles, John, Jeff and John Green you have saved the day many times, thanks again.

This month is our AGM and we once again will have to beg you members to take over some positions, remember.

It has been said that membership of an organisation is made up of 4 kinds of bones.

WISHBONES: People who wish somebody else will do the work.

JAWBONES: People who talk a lot and do little of anything else.

KNUCKLEBONES: People who knock everyone else's ideas and never have any of their own.

BACKBONES: People who shoulder the load and work to get it completed.

*Pete, June & Kate*

**Notice to Members please assist with cleaning the hall after the meeting**

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**The closing date for articles to be included in the next newsletter are to be received by the 11<sup>th</sup> of March; articles received after that date will be included in the following month. *Ed.***

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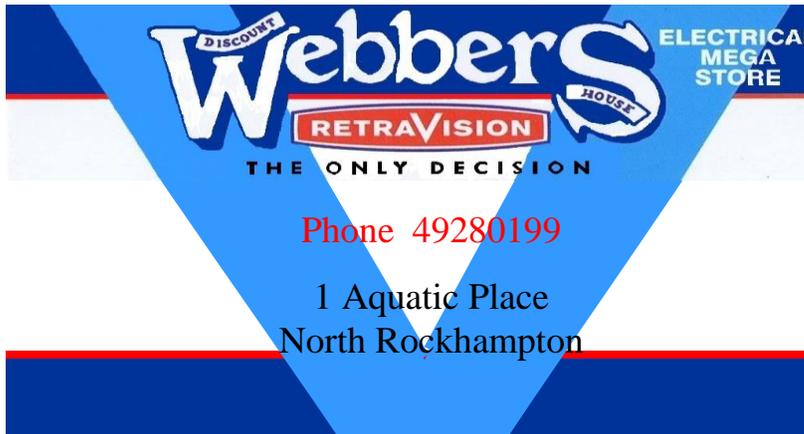
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**NEXT MEETING**

**Tuesday. 24/02/15**

**at 7.30pm**

**Plants to be tabled by**

**7.15pm**

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## PRESIDENTS REPORT – 2014

I have pleasure in presenting this, my report for 2014. As with previous years, our Society has enjoyed a very successful and prosperous year. Our Society certainly has grown over the years, from humble beginnings of around 12 members to what it is today at around 190 members. I think this alone attests to the success of our Society. In 2014 our Society celebrated its 60th anniversary, a prestigious milestone for any club. In my time as President I have seen many changes and watched our Society grow stronger every year.

In February an almost full coach of members traveled down to Boyne Tannum Orchid Society to celebrate the Tri-annual field weekend. As usual, all who made the trip enjoyed a great weekend. This year it is our turn to host the event, and will be held over the weekend 14th/15th March.

As usual our Autumn Show in April was an outstanding success, but was unfortunately marred when one of our members Richard Mann, had a serious accident; having a bad fall at the front of the hall in pouring rain. Richard has had to have several operations as a result, but happily is now on the road to recovery.

For the first time we hosted the General meeting of STOCQ and OQI in June. The whole weekend especially the venue where we held the meeting was outstanding. The only downside was the lack of southern delegates who did not attend. Usually this is a one day event, but because of the distance from most delegates it had to be turned into a weekend event and this could have been the reason for the lack of support. If we host another General Meeting in the future we would hope for better attendance even though the feed back form the President of STOCQ and others who attended was very complementary.

Our grand gala event for the year was our 60th Jubilee Show which was held in September. We had many visitors attend and celebrate with us. We even had a special orchid named in honour of this event, bred by Alice of Alice's Orchids in Townsville. The plant was a Phalaenopsis named Phal. ROSI Diamond Jubilee. Alice has been supporting and attending our shows for many years now. My personal thanks go to Alice, Stewie and Thomas for their continued generous support. As well this year Max & Sue Rawlings from M&S Orchids in Sarina had a sales area at the show as well. Hopefully they will also continue to attend and support our future shows. Our space in the hall is limited which hinders our ability to have more nursery/vendors, however, as for many years now the Rockhampton Cake Decorators were at our 60th show to display and demonstrate their cake decorating. As well Bethel Hughes from Bundaberg Orchid Society was in attendance displaying and selling her many and varied delightfully hand crafted items. Bethel seems to come up with something new every show. Over the years John and Bethel as well as the Cake Decorators Society have become part of our shows and add something just a little different. It was a magnificent show with a grand dinner held at the show venue on the Saturday night with around 150 attending. The outstanding support of members over this weekend made the event a huge success.

This year our only trip was the tri-annual visit, however; this coming year we intend having a great trip up to the AOC/TQOC conference in Mackay in September. A three night trip.

Again in October we held our now annual cent sale, organised by Gloria Wakefield. It was a huge success and the funds raised from this event go towards subsidising our trips away, thus making them more affordable for members to participate in weekends such as our proposed Mackay visit.

Our Website, which is maintained by Bob Lakey, is one of the best I have seen. Bob puts a lot of work into keeping our site up to date and interesting. Great job Bob, my thanks. It has proven a huge success with people all around Australia and overseas accessing our site. Our new grower's workshop sessions that are held the Saturday afternoon after our general meetings have always proven a rewarding and important part of our Society. They enable newer members to have hands on experience in a more informal setting, something we are unable to do at our monthly meetings. Keith Marsden has maintained and led these sessions since they were introduced many years ago. A great job Keith, thank you. I am sure these workshops will continue and be of great benefit to all our members in the future of our Society. Another one of the harder and time consuming jobs in our Society is that of News letter editors. To compile and find interesting articles to publish is difficult. Peter, Kate and June Shelton have been our editors for some years now and what a great job they have done. My thanks Pete. Due to health issues Pete said he won't be continuing with the position this year.

In the December edition of Orchids Australia, the official publication of The Australian Orchid Council Inc. we had a wonderful full two page article published on our 60th Anniversary show along with some great pictures. This was thanks to the efforts of Ellie Dean who I might add also produces Ellie's Corner for our newsletter each month and looks after all our publicity for shows etc. Great effort Ellie, thank you.

Again this year we held our annual Christmas party and presentation night at the Frenchville Club. With over 120 members attending, the evening was a huge success and a great time was had by all. Many quality orchids were given a new home by members who won in our huge \$2500 multi draw raffle.

My Personal thanks to all my executive and committee members who have helped and supported me through out this year. A special thanks to my treasurer Bill Richardson who is always there to help in all matters. In closing I would just like to wish all members a prosperous, healthy and happy year and enjoy the wonderful hobby of growing these magical plants known as Orchids.

*Jeff Bloxam* - PRESIDENT

# **ROCKHAMPTON ORCHID SOCIETY INC.** **ANNUAL COMPETITION RULES.**

The monthly popular vote competition is divided into two groups- Advanced and Novice. The members elect to enter either group when joining the society depending on their previous experience in orchid culture. The member who receives first place in the novice section each year goes up to the advanced group. Plants are tabled in both the advanced and novice groups under the following sections.

## **ADVANCED SECTION.**

CATTLEYA- OVER 75mm	PAPHIOPEDILUM
CATTLEYA- UP TO 75mm	PHALAENOPSIS
VANDACEOUS- OVER 50mm	ONCIDIINAE
VANDACEOUS- UP TO 50mm	SPECIES
DENDROBIUM-	MISCELLANEOUS

## **NOVICE SECTION.**

CATTLEYA	ONCIDIINAE
VANDACEOUS	SPECIES
DENDROBIUM	MISCELLANEOUS

Plants must be own and grown by the member for at least SIX MONTHS prior to being tabled at a meeting. Each section requires a minimum of three plants except in miscellaneous section. In the event of a section not having three plants, then, if in any of the two Cattleya sections, or any of the two Vandaceous sections they are combined, in any other section they are moved to miscellaneous. On recommendation from the registrar and at the discretion of the Executive Committee, sections may be increased or altered to suit flowering orchids tabled.

## **POPULAR VOTE COMPETITION.**

A grower is awarded one point for tabling a plant or plants – on a popular vote by all members a point is awarded to each winner in each section. The member with the greatest number of points for the year is the winner. In the event of a draw the grower with the greater number of plants shall be declared the winner.

## **JUDGES CHOICE COMPETITION.**

Three members which will include two accredited or associate AOC judges will be nominated in the ROSI newsletter each month to select three plants from all those tabled as being outstanding blooms of the night. The grower receiving the greatest number of points shall be the winner.

## **COMPETITION PRIZES.**

In winning a voting section or Judges Choice at each monthly meeting, cash prizes of \$5-00 per popular vote winner and \$10-00 per Judges choice will be presented at the Christmas function held at the end of each year by the ROSI. A perpetual trophy as well as a smaller trophy to keep will be awarded to the winners of the advanced and novice popular vote competition and the member gaining the most points in the Judges choice competition during the year.

## **OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT TROPHY.**

Competition for this trophy commences December 1<sup>st</sup> and closes November 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year and is awarded to the member/owner of a plant receiving the highest award/points for an orchid but if no plants have been awarded for the year then the trophy will go to the best prize winner of an orchid show. In the case of a draw the trophy will be shared and also be presented at the Christmas function.

(The allocation of the trophy in this section may be changed pending a decision by members)

## **BEST ORCHID EXHIBITOR – ANNUAL SHOWS.**

(Aggregate Trophy)

This trophy is awarded to the member who acquires the most points for plants exhibited at our combined two annual shows. Points are awarded as follows – 2pts for a first and 1pt for a second regardless of that plant attaining a major prize at the show.

**NOTE:** To enter any of the above competitions you must be an active member of the ROCKHAMPTON ORCHID SOCIETY Inc or have attended at least (2) official functions of the ROSI. This includes monthly meetings, social functions or ROSI shows.

## A Few Growing Tips.

How often do I get asked? “How do I get my orchid to grow roots?” This is a much debated subject, so I will give you my answer, please yourself whether you agree. First we take the plant or plants in question and ask ourselves, “How long has this been in this mix?” A long time maybe, let’s say Uncle Bill gave me this orchid for my birthday 4 or 5 years ago and it has never been repotted. Well no wonder its looking crook, the medium (mix) has broken down and the roots have stayed too wet and consequently the roots have rotted and the plant has problems getting any nourishment. That is easy fixed remove the plant clean it up removing ALL roots that show signs of rot, dust the base of the plant (where you want the roots to grow) with Rootex a rooting compound readily available at any plant nursery, or coat the area in molasses, (molasses does not attract ants,) repot in your favourite mix and Bob’s your Uncle, sorry, Bill wasn’t it. But even those who have been growing orchids for many years can find there are clones of some types that absolutely refuse to grow roots. When you get the warmth of the spring and summer most orchids will grow roots readily. In their natural habitat most orchids grow new roots as the new growth of leaves begins.

For orchids with rhizomes, this usually happens when a new growth is forming. For orchids that grow from a central stem, e.g. Phalaenopsis and Vandas, new roots appear at the onset of the wet season or warm weather (which usually go together.) Take your plant and inspect it thoroughly, because there are lots of reasons you plant is struggling, these include disease, insects, I find it is usually an insect problem. If you have an orchid that will not grow roots after having been repotted, once again an inspection is warranted, is the plant secure in the mix, remember loose plants WON’T grow roots ever, death is inevitable. Perhaps your orchid is a species, look it up in one of our appropriate library books and that should tell you if there are any special times with respect to new roots for that species. Many of the large bifoliate Cattleyas, e.g. *C. leopoldii* and *C. bicolor* have a specific time for producing new roots. These should be repotted only when they are ABOUT to get new roots. If your plant is a hybrid with no specific rooting issues then again an inspection is necessary. Has it any live roots at all? Are the leaves wilted or shriveled? If it has quite a few live roots and the leaves are shriveled then its time to look for insect pests, scale, mites, aphids and mealy bugs are some that can suck enough liquid from the plant to cause wilt or shriveling. It might be necessary to take the plant from its pot and check the living roots, you may find a magnifying glass helpful because some of these little suckers are very tiny, even if you only find one that means there are a lot more. A fine jet of water will remove scale from leaves, under the roots and between the leaves. I attack from all angles to make sure they’re all gone, because it only takes one to start a new colony in ultra quick time.

If most of the roots are dead then we have either a disease or decaying/decayed medium problem. Using a jet of water wash the entire plant thoroughly and let it dry, if you find soft spots on the rhizome or stem apply 3% Hydrogen Peroxide (the same stuff you’ve probably got in your medicine cabinet.) After 15 minutes, soak the entire plant not just the root system in a concentration of a hormonal stimulant. Some of the learned boffins say orchids will not respond to such treatment but they will. Soak for 15- 20 minutes and then let dry. Place your orchid in a shady spot, (I put mine under the bench.) If you have humidity problems (no air movement) some growers remove all dead tissues and put the plant in a clear plastic bag under the bench and hope new roots appear, don’t let any moisture accumulate in the bag, repot as soon as roots appear. Members of the Vanda group sometimes suffer from the palm tree effect, if so find a long plastic window box that will hold the roots and as much of the stem as possible, soak in a hormonal stimulant solution for 30 minutes, put it back in its normal spot and hope. Normally roots emerge from what looked like a dead stem. After these roots get to 2-3 inches long cut just below the lowest new root then pot the top section. Within a few weeks the lower part of the stem will sprout new leaves and bingo you’ve now got 2 plants.

Pinched from somewhere, I don’t know where, but thanks anyway,

*Hymn.*

## New Growers Report.

The first meeting for the new growers will be held at the home of **Pam and Keith Marsden at 463 Crane Avenue, North Rockhampton on Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> of February starting at 2 P.M.**

As in past years the meeting will plan the year's activities and places we would like to visit. So come along with your suggestions and requests, I will then do my best to make it happen.

We will be looking for places to hold our meetings, so put your hand up if you are interested.

If you can hold the meeting at your place in March and you're unable to attend the first meeting, please let me know beforehand, thanks.

If on the chosen day the weather is looking grim, please phone 49282752, for verification. The usual plate for afternoon tea and a folding chair if possible.

*Keith Marsden*

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### Dendrobium Beetle: (*Stethopachys Formosa*)

This pretty little beetle is one of the curses of the orchid grower, we have many pests that try to eat, suck and do other dastardly things to our babies. But the Dendrobium beetle is one you definitely don't want in your bush house. Some people say that they only like our Dendrobiums to eat but I have found over the years that they might have a preference for Dens but really aren't fussed too much what genera of orchid they eat.

The female lays her eggs on the new growths or buds and flowers, but you will mostly find them on new growths and when the eggs hatch out in approximately 10 – 12 days time, the larvae will then tunnel its way into the centre of the stem which will cause the whole stem to die back. They pupate in a white – waxy substance that resembles poly styrene, which is designed to protect the larvae until it becomes adult, this takes around 15 days.

The beetle is detectable by its gold stripe with a black band across the base and 3 black markings in the shoulder region. The larvae is a creamy colour short and dumpy and covered in a slimy goo, then when they advance in the stage towards adult hood they produce a whitish foam and are generally found at the base of your orchid.

They are then at their most destructive stage the adults will eat any flowers, and can decimate new growths as well as new leaves, this can happen in a very short space of time.

Control, first make sure your bush house is insect proof, I consider this is a must to boost your chances of having a grand champion. Some of the learned people will tell you that any spray suitable for beetles will bring about their demise but I have found the block A block B method to be the best. If you find one on a plant, place your hand beneath the beetle and try and grab the little sucker, if you miss him (or her), you'll find that they drop vertically and take it from me if they land on the mix or floor it's virtually impossible to find them. Hopefully they'll lob in your hand, you then decapitate them.

*Hymn*

# Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.

General Meeting Tuesday 27/01/2015

**Attendance:** As per register

**Apologies:** As per register

**New members:** Mrs Joy McCartney, Lyn Hopes & Pam Walker

**Lucky Member:** 66 Mrs Trish Craig.

**Minutes:** of previous monthly meeting with a correction in the General Business Jeff Glover speaking about why it can't be New Growers and David Eggleshaw spoke about leaving it like it is with these correction they were then Moved by Terry Ahern second Ellie Dean Carried.

**Correspondence: In** = Newsletters, Boyne –Tannum Orchid & Foliage Society. .Redcliffe District Orchid Society Inc .Pioneer River Orchid & Plant Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Bundaberg Orchid Society Inc, , Nightcliff Orchid Society, Maryborough District Orchid Society Inc. NSW Orchid News, Gladstone Orchid & Foliage Society, Nambour Orchid News, Orchids QLD, Mackay & District Orchid Society Inc. STOCQ, Bundaberg Orchid Society, John Rees, Australian Orchid Foundation.

**OUT** = Read Gloria Wakefield Moved Bev Powell Second by Shae Tjehstra Carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Bill Richardson Read and moved his report second Sandra Rowcliffe Carried

**New Growers:** Keith Marsden thanked everyone that helped him last year, and the first New Growers will be at Pam & Keith's house on the 28th Feb Please bring a plate & chair.

**General Business:** Bill Richardson moved Ellie Dean second that the prize money for Popular vote be \$5.00, with the Judges vote be \$10.00. Carried. For the Try-Annual weekend 14 & 15 March Lunch \$14.00 Dinner at Allies \$35.00 Sunday Lunch at Twiggs \$20.00. Numbers at the next meeting. 18 - 19th April Show Theme "Orchids in Autumn". With displays to be left as they are, Terry Ahern moved second by Brian Weaver that membership Fees be left the same as last year Carried

**Plant Commentary:** Jeff Glover did the Commentary very informative talk thanks Jeff.

**Lucky exhibitor:** Trevor & Marg Handley.

**Raffle:** Jan Hogan X 2, Moyna Richardson, Jeff Bloxsom & Ken Smith.

**Meeting closed:** 9.15 pm.

**Next Meeting:** 24th February 2015

**Jeff Bloxsom President**

**Gloria Wakefield Secretary**

## Monthly Competition Results. January 2015

(Plants tabled: Advanced: 24 Novice: 20)

<b>Judges Choice:</b>	<i>Aerdv.</i> Alice's Gold <i>Paph.</i> Hatsue Otsuka = ( <i>Paph.</i> Golddollar x <i>Paph.</i> rothschildianum) <i>Rhy.</i> retusa	T&E Dean B&H Hilse K&R Smith
 <b>Popular Vote - Advanced:</b>		
<b>Cattleya up to 75mm:</b>	<i>B. nodosa</i> x <i>C.</i> Anna Ingham	K&R Smith
<b>Cattleya over 75mm:</b>	<i>C.</i> Calico Spots = ( <i>C.</i> Netrasiri Beauty x <i>C.</i> Doris Schindel) x <i>C.</i> Lulu)	P&T Jenkinson
<b>Vandaceous over 60mm:</b>	<i>Aerdv.</i> Alice's Gold	T&E Dean
<b>Vandaceous up to 60mm:</b>	<i>V. (Ascda.)</i> Viraphandhu 'Cherry Red'	T&E Dean
<b>Paphiopedilum:</b>	<u>tie</u> <i>Paph.</i> Hatsue Otsuka <u>tie</u> <i>Paph.</i> Harold Koopowitz	B&H Hilse T&E Dean
<b>Species:</b>	<i>Rhy.</i> retusa	K&R Smith
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>	<i>Ctsm.</i> Bound for Glory x <i>Ctsm.</i> Penang	T&E Dean
 <b>Popular Vote – Novice:</b>		
<b>Cattleya:</b>	<i>Ctt.</i> Towering Inferno	M&C Dahler
<b>Vandaceous:</b>	<i>V. (Ascda.)</i> Somsri Nugget	M&C Dahler
<b>Oncidiinae:</b>	<i>Brat. (Mtssa).</i> Golden Spider 'Copious'	M&C Dahler
<b>Species:</b>	<i>Gram. scriptum</i> var. <i>citrinum</i>	J.Howes
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>	<i>Cl. russelliana</i> x <i>Ctsm.</i> Orchidglade	S.Rowcliffe



*Paph.* Hatsue Otsuka



*Rhy.* retusa



*Aerdv.* Alice's Gold

## A GUIDE TO GROWING CALLISTA TYPE DENDROBIUMS.

These are spring flowerers, coming from Asia. Common in north east India, northern Thailand and the surrounding areas. They unfortunately have flowers with a short life span but they put on one of the most magnificent displays you're likely to see. There are about 10 species in this section and we can grow most of them.

### Cultural requirements:

The most popular species in the group have very similar requirements. During spring and summer they grow robustly but they stop altogether in the winter. Most of these have pseudobulbs with their leaves at the top, (usually 2). *Den. farmeri*'s stems are sort of 4 angled shape, *Den. chrysotoxum*'s are swollen and ridged. When the weather starts to warm the inflorescence develops from a node on the stem below the leaves. *Den. lindleyi* and *Den. jenkinsonii* have a stumpy flattened pseudobulb.

### Temperature:

Where they grow naturally, the orchids have a warm daytime temperature in the spring and summer and cooler temps' in the winter. Their habitat has a range of temps' from approx' 8 to 15 degrees Celsius. Our temps' are somewhere in that range in the short winter that we have. *D. chrysotoxum* likes the warmer end of that range with *D. lindleyi*, *D. densiflorum*, *D. jenkinsii* and *D. thyrsoiflorum* like the cooler end of it.

### Light:

When the new growths are forming, give the plants all the light they can handle without burning, I think that if you grow them with the same amount of light as your Cattleyas you'll do well. Quite a few of these orchids grow in deciduous trees in nature so high light is recommended in the winter months. *Dens chrysotoxum* and *lindleyi* are prime examples of this. I suggest you grow them among your Vandas. Note here that the pseudobulbs of *chrysotoxum* are inclined to get a yellowish tinge, nought to worry about its quite normal.

### Water:

As with all orchids watering is a crucial part of growing good orchids. Callista Dens have it fairly wet in the late spring summer and sometimes into the autumn. Gradually taper off in the late autumn and leave fairly dry in the winter. A rule of thumb would be water when actively growing, plants on mounts need watering daily but only if your air movement is good. You'll see when your pseudobulbs are fully mature, and then you can reduce watering. Allowing the plants to dry out between waterings, it is normal for the pseudobulbs to shrivel a little but don't let the plant dehydrate completely.

### Fertiliser:

Like all plants these benefit from a regular feed. A fertiliser with 20-20-20 as its NPK is quite acceptable I don't feed mine in the late autumn and none in the winter, feeding is resumed when the new growths appear.

### Potting:

As all the species in this group have upright pseudobulbs you can grow them in pots, baskets or mount them on something like old hardwood palings or ironbark anything similar as long as its weathered and won't break down.

### Problems:

They have problems the same as your other genera orchids, leaf spotting fungal diseases. Scale can be a problem with *Den. lindleyi* and *jenkinsonii* but their biggest hate of all is stale potting mix so repot at least every 2 years. If a mature plant doesn't flower in the spring, something is wrong with its environment. Ask yourself did I give it too much water in the rest period, next winter try a light watering then dry out for 3 to 4 days water lightly again.

*Hymn*

# **TRI-ANNUAL FIELD WEEKEND – SAT/SUN 14TH-15TH MARCH**

This year is our turn to host this weekend

Attached is the agenda for the weekend

For our visitors and members

As you can see they will be starting at Mick & Caroline Dahlers's at Bajool on the way into rocky with a morning tea. If you are able to help at the Dahler's and welcome our guests please put your name down at our next meeting.

Hopefully we will have many of our members join in the weekend activities with our visitors and have a great time. At the moment we have a coach from Gladstone and one from Bundaberg coming up for the weekend.

We will not be hiring a coach for the weekend so if you wish to visit the various collections with our visitors you will have to use your own transport. Keeping in mind to be courteous and allow our visitors to be first at the various collections (sales etc). Also to make sure you are not parking in the way as we will have both coaches visiting each collection together. Allow the coaches to park first.

The costs for the weekend are listed below – you can par-take of all or only some if you wish. We encourage as many of our members as possible to come along to the Saturday night dinner and the farewell bar-b-que on Sunday

Also if you are able to make something for the morning and afternoon teas would be appreciated please let know at next meeting. We are looking for home make biscuits – slices – fruit cake etc nothing that needs to be refrigerated. The club will be supplying mixed sandwiches.

Costs as follows

Saturday lunch \$15-00 Saturday dinner \$35-00 Sunday lunch \$20-00

Names will be taken (with money if possible) at Feb meeting. We need to support these weekends if they are to continue so come along and socialise with our visitors. Catch up with old friends and have a great time.

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## **TRI-ANNUAL FIELD WEEKEND - RTON 14/15TH MARCH**

### **SATURDAY**

10.00am Mick & Caroline Dahler 93 South Ulam Road - Bajool (M/tea)

11.30am Rockhampton Botanical Gardens inspect glass house & gardens check out animals if interested

Lunch will be held at the rear of kiosk - under big fig trees

1.30pm Bob & Nat Lakey 4 Webber Avenue - Nth Rockhampton

2.30pm Terry & Ellie Dean 201 Grimley Street - Nth Rockhampton (A/tea)

3.30pm Craig Schultz & Allan White 188 Craig Street - Nth Rockhampton

Return to motel for some R & R

6.30pm Allenstown Hotel - function room upstairs 14 Upper Dawson Road - Rockhampton

Hot buffet dinner - Licenced bar & multi draw raffle

### **SUNDAY**

Early birds may want to visit Kern Arcade markets Bolsover Street - Rockhampton

8.30am Sandra Rowcliffe 53 Constance Avenue - Olive Est - Rockyview

9.30am Peter & Toni Jenkinson 92 Perrott Dve. Olive Est - Rockyview (M/tea)

10.30am Ray & Gay Bills 143 Emmerson Dve. - Glenlee

12 noon Rockhampton mini golf course 17 McMillan Avenue - Parkhurst (lunch)

2.00pm Finish of weekend

2.30pm Depart for home

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**YOUR SUBSCRIPTION FOR THIS YEAR IS DUE BY OUR A.G.M. THIS MONTH**

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**Your Orchid Diary 2015**

**March 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Tri –Annual ROCKHAMPTON**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Bribie Island Show**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> Gladstone OS Show, (Robertson Toyota)**

**April 18 & 19 ROCKHAMPTON AUTUMN SHOW**

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Gympie ADOS Show <sup>(36)</sup>**

**May 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Bundaberg OS Show, (Civic Centre)**

**May 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> Boyne Island/Tannum Sands Show**

**June ? STOCQ meeting hosted Nambour OS.**

**July 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> Caboolture OS Show**

**August 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Maroochydore OS Show**

**September 10<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Maryborough DOS Show**

**September 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> ROCKHAMPTON SPRING SHOW.**

**September 16<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> TOOC & AOC CONFERENCE & SHOW MACKAY.**