



# Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.



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## Newsletter – June 2024



We are almost into the second half of 2024; the year is really flying. Though I was getting tired of the continual months of hot, humid weather, I must admit the cold change isn't something that I enjoy, the downfall is the much shorter days. This is especially inconvenient when working full time as it means the greenhouses are watered early, in the darkness or fog, then by the time I get home the night is upon us and this leaves me no light to admire the gardens. It is a pity there wasn't a happy medium for the entire year, but our various genera of orchids need these weather changes. By now, the soft cane dendrobiums will start thinking about budding for hopefully a prolific spring flowering. The Catesetums in my greenhouse are dropping most of their leaves. I wrapped my large greenhouse in early May to ensure the Dendrobiums were protected from the cold south westerly winds. When I initially started growing orchids, I must admit I had many leafless Dendrobiums following cold winter winds. Some growers will have sprayed their plants with Envy to protect against the cold. 66

Our last Grower's Group was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> June, an excellent location in the back garden of Mary & Robert Semple's home but sadly numbers were down. An article on this is following in newsletter.

Quite a few members and judges/student judges attended the recent STOCQ Meeting held at Calliope on the 8<sup>th</sup> June, there are notes and photos following. The visits to the three collections were enjoyed by most, some members came home earlier, and a majority stayed and some of us brought home several plants.

Our next event to look forward to is our midyear function at Kershaw Gardens, information included. I have included an article on *Dendrobium bigibbum*, our state floral emblem.

Jeff Glover has compiled a Judge's Report in this newsletter. So, sit back with a cuppa and enjoy this month's newsletter.

**Sandra Rowcliffe - Editor.**

**Next Monthly Meeting: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024.  
Doors Open 12.30pm and Meeting Starts at 1:30pm.**

**Plants must be tabled by 1.20pm at the latest.**

**Notice to Members:** Please assist if you can with cleaning the hall after the meeting.

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**Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.**  
**General Meeting Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May commencing 1.27 pm**

**Attendance:** As per register

**Apologies:** As per register

**New Members:** Nil

**Visitors:** Nil

**Popular Vote** – Members completed their popular orchid voting.

Minutes of April 2024 monthly meeting as published in the newsletter were approved as correct and accurate.

**Moved** Dennis Ratcliffe

**Seconded** Peter Rankin

**Carried**

**Treasurer's Report** – This was sent out with our May Newsletter.

Karen moved that her report be accepted

**Seconded** Kay Ratcliffe

**Carried**

**CORRESPONDENCE FOR GENERAL MEETING OF R.O.S.I. ON SATURDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JUNE 2024**

**IN** –

- Newsletters – Blackwater Orchid Society, Caboolture Orchid Society, Caloundra Orchid Society, Glasshouse Country Orchid Society, Hervey Bay Orchid Society, Mackay and District Orchid Society, Maryborough Orchid Society, North Qld Orchid Society, Pioneer River Orchid Society, Townsville Orchid Society.
- Emails from RRC MyCity re: Show Advertising.
- Grant Application Success Confirmation from Rockhampton Regional Council.
- Advice on success of Volunteers Grant Application.
- Remittance advice from Volunteers Grant Application.
- Email from Orchid Pot Company advising of a change to their email address.
- Emails from John Rees regarding STOCQ Meeting in Calliope on 8<sup>th</sup> May.
- Emails from Gladstone Ports Corporation about a grant they have closing on 31<sup>st</sup> May and advise of an information session they were holding.
- Email from Hervey Bay Orchid Society advise of their upcoming Spring Show in September on 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September.
- Email from Mackay Orchid Society about their change of venue for shows and meetings.
- Email from STOCQ inquiring about 2025 Show Dates

**OUT** –

- Copies of various clubs' newsletters sent to members.
- Submitted Rockhampton Regional Council Sponsorship Acquittal 18-05-24.
- Grant Application submitted to the Gambling Benefit Fund to purchase a defibrillator.
- Email to STOCQ giving our 2025 Show Dates

Sandra Rowcliffe moves that Inwards correspondence acknowledged as received and outwards correspondence endorsed as sent.

**Seconded**

Shirley Cantwell

**Carried**

**Growers Group:** Next grower's group gathering will be on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June, commencing at 2.00pm. It is at Mary Semple's residence at 17 Hendy Drive Glenlee. Keith Marsden will do the presentation. Jeff spoke about our successful Volunteers Grant and that we were able to purchase a portable PA System which will be used for these gatherings and other social functions.

**Business Arising from the last meeting:** Nil

**General Business:**

- The old Art Gallery has been booked for our Spring Show on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> September. Dennis Ratcliffe said he had heard that maybe the Frenchville would be available then, Jeff said that he would check and come back to members. Chaos Coffee Food Van will not be available for the next show, so would need to find another food/drink business for refreshments.
- Jeff has booked the Rockhampton Jockey Club for our Show Dinner on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September.
- Jeff has booked the Rockhampton Jockey Club for our Christmas Dinner on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November.
- Our November Meeting will be brought forward one week to Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November to allow a fortnight to get the certificates and trophies engraved.
- The STOCQ Meeting is coming up on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June at Calliope. Lunch will be at the Calliope Bowls Club - \$15 per head. There will be a raffle on the day, and after 2.00pm visits to three members gardens.
- The PROPA trip is on 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> October. otherwise,ioned that to have a bus we need at least 30 members to commit, otherwise if less, members will have to get their own way up there.
- The next social function is our midyear event on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July. It will be a Barbecue with a cost about \$5.00 for members. Jeff said there may be a different venue with Seeonee Park being looked at instead of Kershaw Gardens. Jeff and Bob will check out the facilities and get back to members. Payment will need to be made at our June Meeting. There will be fun, games, sports and our usual multi draw raffle.

- It was mentioned our midyear Social clashes with Mackay Winter Show, it was discussed that the judges would have already finished, and that anyone wishing to visit the show could still do on a Saturday and attend our social on the Sunday.

**Plant Commentary:** Jeff Glover did the commentary, he mentioned that there was a good display of Cattleyas and that the Novice Growers orchids were a great display. Jeff spoke about the members who have received cultural awards. Jana Bennett mentioned that her new Cattleya crosses were already beginning to flower. Jeff mentioned that some of the larger Cattleyas were very difficult to display properly, with hybridisation the flower sizes are getting larger, but the blooms sometimes flop around and a lot fall short of being awarded.

**Lucky Number:** #94 – Rosemary Wines

**Exhibitor's Raffle:** #74 - Miriam Black

**General Raffle** – Kay Bauman, Daphne Jenkinson, Tony O'Connor x 2, Rosemary Wines x 2, Sandra Rowcliffe x 2, John Jenkinson, Kay Ratcliffe, Jeff Glover x 2 and Alan Cunningham.

**Next General Meeting** – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024.

**Next Committee Meeting** – Not on this month, there will be one following June Meeting.

**Meeting closed at 3.30pm**

*Jeff Bloxson*

President

*Sandra Rowcliffe*

Secretary

### JUDGES CHOICE WINNERS – MAY GENERAL MEETING



## Annual Competition – May 2024 Results

### Judges Choice

<i>Pot.</i> Lisa Taylor Gallis	J & P Bennett
<i>Asco.</i> Tien's Delight	J Scott
<i>Fdk.</i> Kimberley Ariel	J & P Bennett

### Popular Vote

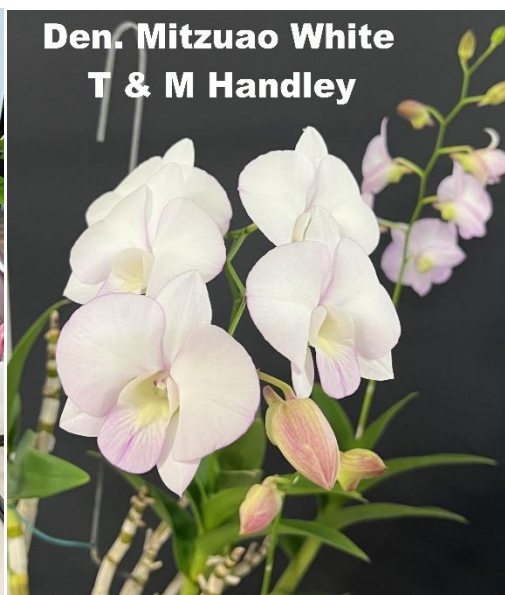
#### Advanced (Plants Tabled: 54)

Cattleya up to 100mm & Cattleya 100mm and over	<i>Pot.</i> Lisa Taylor Gallis	J & P Bennett
Vandaceous up to 65mm	<i>Vanda</i> Marissa's Little Doll 'Baby Pink'	J & N Glover
Vandaceous 65mm & over	<i>Vanda</i> Kulwadee Fragrance	J Scott
Oncidium	<i>Gom.</i> Moon Shadow 'Tigers Tail'	J Scott
Dendrobium – Intermediate & any other type	<i>Den.</i> Red Center	J & N Glover
Dendrobium - Phalaenathe	<i>Den.</i> Mitzuao White	T & M Handley
Catasetinae	<i>Clo.</i> Penang Waltz	J & P Bennett
Species	<i>Bulb. lilliana/rothschildiana</i>	R Wines
Miscellaneous	<i>Onc.</i> Copper Scarab 'Brass Brethren'	B Jenkins/S Kuhl

#### Novice (Plants Tabled: 35)

Cattleya up to 100mm	<i>Rth.</i> Glenlee Emperor 'Glenlee'	K & D Clarke
Cattleya 100mm and over	<i>Cattleya</i> Alma Kee	M Semple
Dendrobium	<i>Den.</i> Aridane Blue 'Blue Razz' x <i>Den.</i> Hubane 'Blue'	D & K Ratcliffe
Species	<i>Vanda lamelatta</i>	T O'Connor
Miscellaneous	<i>Paph.</i> Hung Sheng Citron x <i>Paph.</i> Hung Sheng Jewel	T O'Connor

**POPULAR VOTE WINNERS – MAY GENERAL MEETING**

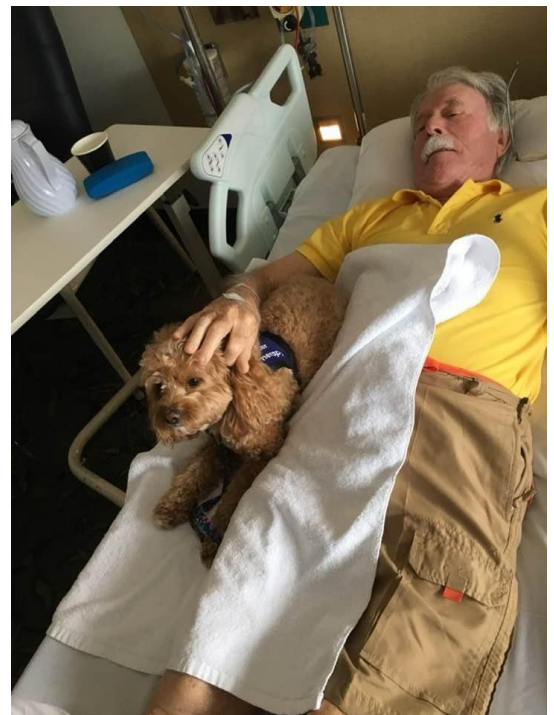




*Best Wishes to Bill Richardson who is recovering from surgery to repair a ruptured disc in his back.*

*Moyna kindly shared this photo on Facebook. Bill was being visited by a therapy dog to help cheer him up.*

*We wish Bill a full and speedy recover.*



## **Rockhampton Orchid Society Orchid Store**

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**Closed Every Thursday**

**& Daily between 12.00pm to 2.00pm**

**LARGE RANGE OF ORCHID SUPPLIES**

**SALES BY APPOINTMENT ONLY!**



Member Marilyn Bloxsom (third from left) took part in the Rocky River Run in May with the U3A group



President Jeff Bloxsom accepting our Certificate from Frenchville Sports Club for their Community Grant \$500 Donation towards our 2024 Show Costs

## Growers Group Workshops

Our upcoming Growers Group workshop is :-

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August – Clarke's Residence 35 Schlencker Drive Glenlee – Subject - Repotting

# Orchid of the month

## *Dendrobium bigibbum*

Source – [www.anpsa.org.au](http://www.anpsa.org.au)

**Family:** Orchidaceae

**Distribution:** Far north Queensland. Also occurs in New Guinea

**Common Name:** Cooktown orchid

**Conservation Status:** Not considered to be at risk in the wild

**Derivation of Name:** *Dendrobium*...from the Greek *dendron*, a tree, and *bios*, life, referring to the growth habit of many, but not all, species.

*bigibbum*..."2-humped", referring to the shape of the spur, a floral structure.

*Dendrobium* is a large genus with around 1400 species spread throughout Asia and the Pacific. Australia has about 56 species, many of which are cultivated. Considerable hybridisation has been carried out within the genus to produce improved horticultural forms and a number of naturally occurring hybrids are also in cultivation.

Major taxonomic revision of the *Dendrobium* group has occurred in recent years with many species being transferred to new genera. Some of these changes have been reasonably widely accepted while the status of others is less certain. The taxonomy of *Dendrobium bigibbum* is also confused. In 2002, Clements and Jones\* re-classified it as *Vappodes phalaenopsis* but this re-classification has not been taken up in the [Australian Plant Census](#) (which ANPSA accepts as the authority on Australian plant taxonomy).

*Dendrobium bigibbum* (the "Cooktown Orchid") is the floral emblem of Queensland and is probably the best known and most colourful of Australia's orchid species. It is an epiphytic orchid which means that it grows on the trunks and branches of trees and receives nutrients through the breakdown of leaf litter that accumulates around its root system.

The plant occurs in the forests of Queensland north from around Cooktown and it is common on the Cape York Peninsular. The purple or mauve flowers are borne on long, terminal racemes and there may be as many as ten flowers on each raceme. Flowers are large, being up to 65 mm in diameter. Occasionally white flowered forms are seen.

The "Cooktown Orchid" has been cultivated for many years by orchid enthusiasts and has been used in hybridisation work with other Australian and exotic "hard cane" dendrobiums. It grows fairly easily in cultivation in sub-tropical and tropical areas where cultivation in a bush house is adequate. In temperate districts the plant requires a heated glasshouse although it can be flowered (with luck!), in temperate coastal areas in a very warm bush house. Plants can usually be obtained through specialist orchid breeders.



Following is an informative article by [David Hunter](#) on *Dendrobium bigibbum* that I sourced off Facebook.

There are three main varieties in the *Dendrobium bigibbum* complex. They are *Dendrobium bigibbum* var. *bigibbum*; *Dendrobium bigibbum* var. *compactum*; and *Dendrobium bigibbum* var. *superbum*.



## Distribution

Climate Statistics

### Weipa elevation 18m

Statistics	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Temperature													
Mean maximum temperature (°C)	31.9	31.4	31.8	32.2	31.8	31.1	31	32	34.4	35.6	35.6	33.9	32.7
Mean minimum temperature (°C)	24.2	24.1	23.8	22.8	21.3	19.9	18.9	18.7	19.7	21.8	23.4	24.2	21.9
Rainfall													
Mean rainfall (mm)	482	536	409	99.4	17.7	3.9	1.5	5.8	1.3	22.7	109	271	2009
Decile 5 (median) rainfall (mm)	500.8	440.5	372.3	65.9	5.3	1.1	0.4	0.2	0.0	8.4	59.4	259.8	1907.0

### Port Douglass elevation 8m

Statistics	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Temperature													
Mean maximum temperature (°C)	30.3	30.1	29.5	28.3	26.7	25.1	24.6	25.3	26.7	28.3	29.5	30.3	27.9
Mean minimum temperature (°C)	23.7	23.5	22.8	21.5	19.5	17.7	16.8	17.1	18.6	20.8	22.3	23.3	20.6
Rainfall													
Mean rainfall (mm)	401	429	427	204	72.8	47.4	25.6	24	31.8	51.7	107	210	2032
Decile 5 (median) rainfall (mm)	354	394	377	152	59	34.8	18.1	17.6	23.4	35.6	79.8	137	1992

## Mareeba elevation 400m

Statistics	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Mean maximum temperature (°C)	31.3	30.8	29.8	28.6	27	25.4	25.3	26.6	28.1	30.5	32.1	32	29
Mean minimum temperature (°C)	20.9	21.2	20	17.8	15.4	12.3	11.2	11.7	13.5	15.9	18.7	20.2	16.6
Rainfall													
Mean rainfall (mm)	200	250	192	46.6	22.2	14.7	7.1	6.8	5.3	14.3	52.2	105	918
Decile 5 (median) rainfall (mm)	173	218	155	29	14.7	8.5	3.8	2.8	2	6.3	29.6	102	880

John Green highly recommends keeping the pots as small as possible when repotting *Dendrobium bigibbum* allowing as many roots to grow outside the pot as possible as they need plenty of air around the roots for healthy growth. Use an open mix that will hold some moisture around the roots in the heat of the greenhouse over the summer months but capable of drying out within 12 hours. It is important to remember their natural environment and to imitate this as best as possible for each variety. The type of potting mix will of course depend on many variables. I use a simple mix of medium grade treated pine-bark with similar sized charcoal and a small addition of coco chip. I mix these items in the following ratio (all by volume not weight):- 45% medium grade treated pine-bark; 45% medium grade charcoal; and 10% coco chip. If your mix is different, it doesn't matter as these orchids are very tough.



### *Dendrobium bigibbum* var. *compactum*

Another important point on repotting needs to be emphasised here and that is that because you are only watering these pots for six (6) months a year (see below), the decomposition of the potting mix is slower than normal orchid growing but I still recommend adding lime on the following year after potting and replacing the mix after the second year around mid-November. Stale mix only invites issues with the roots and because they only require small pots the expense is minimal- it's not worth risking damaging your orchid roots.

**In summer** we need high temperatures to get good, strong growth. With light watering once weekly commencing in late October till late November-early December. Then water heavily daily till Mid-March then reduce to every 3rd day from mid-March till late April. Then watering ceases until mid-October with light watering commencing again.

Fertilising (mixed at 1/4 recommended strength) commences around early December, applied daily with watering, ceasing in mid-March. The fertilising regime should alternate between a high Nitrogen (I use Calcium Nitrate) and a high Potassium blend. This will provide lush growth with strong flowering potential in the autumn. It is important to keep in mind that in late October in South-East Queensland minimum temperatures are still only 16-17 degrees C

(check the corresponding temperatures in the tables above in October-Weipa: 21.8 degrees C). So don't be too keen to give them that "Tropical deluge" via the hose just yet.

Remember good growth is dependent on HEALTHY roots and this is what we are aiming for... the plants will do the rest provided the roots **are** healthy.



*Dendrobium bigibbum* var. *bigibbum*

**Over winter** *Dendrobium bigibbum* can cope well with cold nights so long as the days are warm, and the roots are **DRY**. A covered greenhouse provides ideal conditions and also keeps rain off the plants when you don't need it in winter. Position the plants at the highest place in the greenhouse. Dry conditions are essential with only occasional misting and then only once every 3 weeks or so and only on above average day time temperatures.

**They must be completely dry again by sunset!!!** This cannot be over-stressed



and will stave off too much pseudobulb shrivelling and minimise leaf drop. Keep in mind between May and the end of October the median rainfall is 18mm (Weipa) with each rain day only dropping 0.2-0.5mm.

This would barely wet the leaves and barely touch the roots and average daily temperatures are still @ 32 degrees C. Although the other statistics show more rainfall at this time of year the trade winds are strong and very drying in these locations over the drier months and so create what most of us would consider terrible conditions for orchid growing, yet this is **their** natural environment. As stated earlier these **are really tough plants**.

**In summary** I would like to stress that although I have included a large amount of detail to digest, it really is not hard to have complete success with the Queensland floral emblem in your collection and furthermore many 'southerners' will be so envious every Easter when they come to visit to see your beauties blooming profusely and you comment "Oh they are so easy to grow here". Enjoy your *Dendrobium bigibbum* collection and you will appreciate how rewarding they really are.

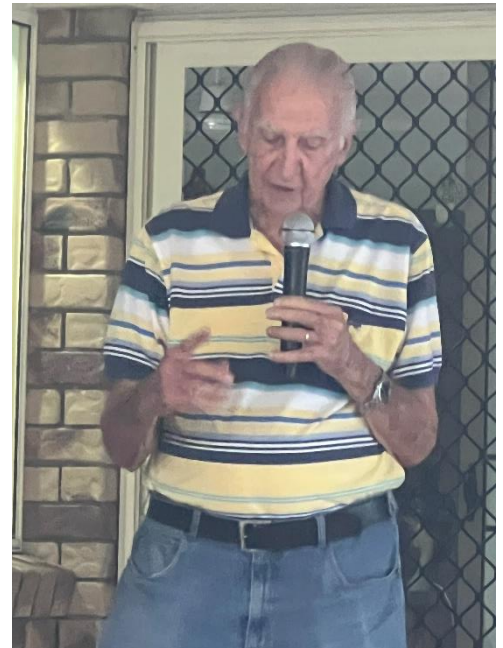


*Note: the climate statistics quoted in this article are via the Bureau of Meteorology web site and are copyright for research/discussion purposes only.*

**Author: David Hunter**

# June Grower's Group Gathering

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June was our recent grower's group gathering at the home of Mary and Robert Semple at Glenlee, with the promise of a rainy weekend we were surprised with quite a fine day with lots of clouds around. Sadly, the turnout of about 33 members was a tad disappointing. Understanding that some of our members may have had health problems or other commitments it was a stark contrast to when we used to get up to around 80 attendees to these events. The effort put in by the hosts is greatly appreciated presenting their greenhouses and gardens in a neat and tidy state. Keith Marsden presented an informative presentation on his history with orchids and discussing orchid care, even some of our oldest serving members took away some helpful information. Our next grower's group gathering will be at the home of Kerrie and David Clarke again in Glenlee, as the topic for that meeting is a repotting workshop it would be great if some of our novice growers could attend to learn about this process and gain more knowledge. These gatherings are designed to be the learning time and sharing of ideas between our members.



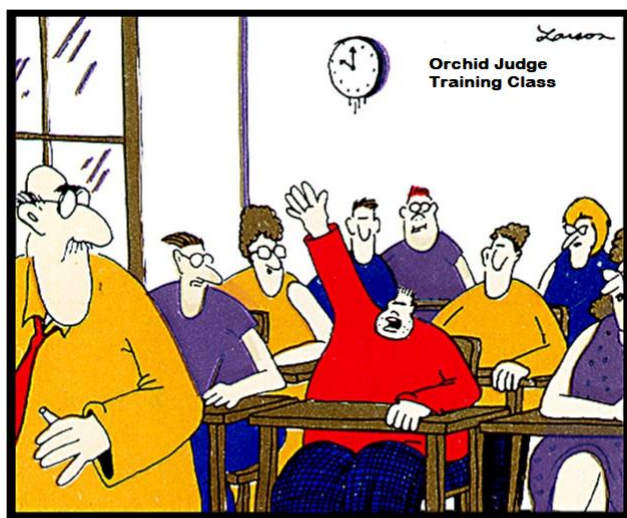
Following the meeting we were invited to attend the home of Jana and Paul Bennett and check out Jana's array of greenhouses, most with a name. Her layout is impressive, and we were greeted by a healthy and happy collection with lots of flowering orchids and many more buds in sight. We thank them for inviting us, and apart from a quick light shower we all stayed dry.

Below are some photos of our visit to the Semple's home.



# June STOCQ Meeting - Calliope

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June the Calliope Garden Club hosted the June STOCQ Meeting and Judges Meeting. The Day commenced at 9.00am with the STOCQ Meeting commencing at 9.30am. We had an early morning tea waiting for Registrar Royal Rea to arrive, after morning tea Royal did a presentation on Paphs and Phrags. This was followed by the drawing of their raffle. A quick Judges Meeting followed this and then it was off to the Calliope Bowls Club for lunch. The day concluded with visits to three member's gardens, Kathryn & David Frazer's impressive gardens in Gladstone, Jenni Scott's in Calliope, and Richard and Di Cornale's just outside of Calliope. We thank the hosts for putting on this event and allowing our members to attend without driving the many hours to attend the STOCQ Meetings normally held around the Sunshine Coast area or southern cities.



**"Mr Glover, may I be excused? My brain is full."**

Below are photos of the day as well as a funny cartoon submitted by one of our student judges for inclusion in this newsletter. I think most judges can relate to how much of a brain load takes place when we first start on our



judging journey, so much to learn, so many unpronounceable names to remember, orchids that keeps changing genera names, and the list goes on and on and on!!!!



## *Judges Notes April-May by Jeff Glover*

Including from the Easter Gladstone Orchid Foliage Society Show and ROSI Autumn Show, through to the Bundy Mothers-Day Show, it has been a very busy time in the last 6 weeks for our CQ Judging Panel members. There have been six awards granted, a student judge workshop, a full panel meeting with a great program on setting judging benchmarks and, in addition, the STOCQI mid-year meeting was held in early June .

The first awards went to the Champion Orchid of the ROSI Autumn Show, *Den. Adrian Lonne ' Krisett- Charlie ' HCC-ACC/AOC* . Two weeks later, it had even more flowers out than at the Autumn Show, and as it wasn't accessed at the show; it was still eligible for judging for an award. As a result, it received a Quality Award an HCC, and a Cultural Award an ACC so congratulations, a double celebration, Champion of Show and AOC awards for the owners, Jeff and Norma Glover.

The second set of awards went to Tony and Jodee March for their *Coelogyne trinervis 'Nathaniel's Surprise' HCC-AOC/AOC*; which also received both a quality and a cultural award . Named after their son Nathaniel, who can now compete with his big sister who holds the title for their first award. This plant was judged at the ROSI April meeting which is again really great to see as for many years we did not have enough judges to have this service available to our members. Whereas, other societies and clubs, especially in SE Qld were able to offer this to their members at monthly meetings for many years, while we missed out. However, we do now; thanks to members committing to becoming judges. Congratulations Tony and Jodee!

The next two awards went to two really beautiful high-quality plants both belonging to Jenni Scott. Jenni brought these two plants with her for the April meeting and as they were deemed to be not fully at their peak by two other judges, she decided to leave them at the Glover's residence in Rockhampton rather than take them back to her home in Calliope. The gamble paid off and a week later, both were awarded the highest possible cultural awards, an ACE at a convened panel meeting. Congratulations Jenni in what is an outstanding accomplishment, to achieve two ACC awards at once, and well deserved! The plants are *C. Jungle Queen 'Southern Cross' AM-ACE/AOC* and *Aerides quinquevulnera 'Jeni Scott' ACE/AOC*.

A great day was had by judges and ROSI members alike at the STOCQI meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> June hosted by the Calliope society. While the formal section might not have run to the proposed schedule, the morning tea, lecture on Paphs and Phrags, by the new STOCQI Registrar, Royal Rea, lunch at the bowls club and visits to 3 member's collections were enjoyed by all who attended.

However, without doubt, the highlight for the panel was the elevation of Sandra Rowcliffe to full judge status. It has been a long road for Sandra who took a couple of years off after qualifying as an Associate Judge. Unfortunately, she then had to catch up that time . It is a five-year process to become a judge, and she almost let it slip and wasn't going to go back due to a lot happening in her life; but I am happy to say after a little bit of persuading on my behalf, she re-committed and now has made it, finally. A big congratulations Sandra, well done !

Jeff Glover, Registrar/Training Officer STOCQI Northern Panel



*Den. Adrian Lonne 'Krisett -Charlie' HCC/AOC*



*C. Jungle Queen 'Southern Cross' AM-ACE/AOC*



*Aer. quinquevulnera 'Jenni Scott' ACE/AOC*



*Coelogyne trinervis 'Nathaniel's Surprise' HCC-ACC/AO*

Abbreviations : HCC Highly Commended Certificate (Bronze )

ACC Award of Cultural Commendation (Bronze)

ACE Award of Cultural Excellence (Gold )

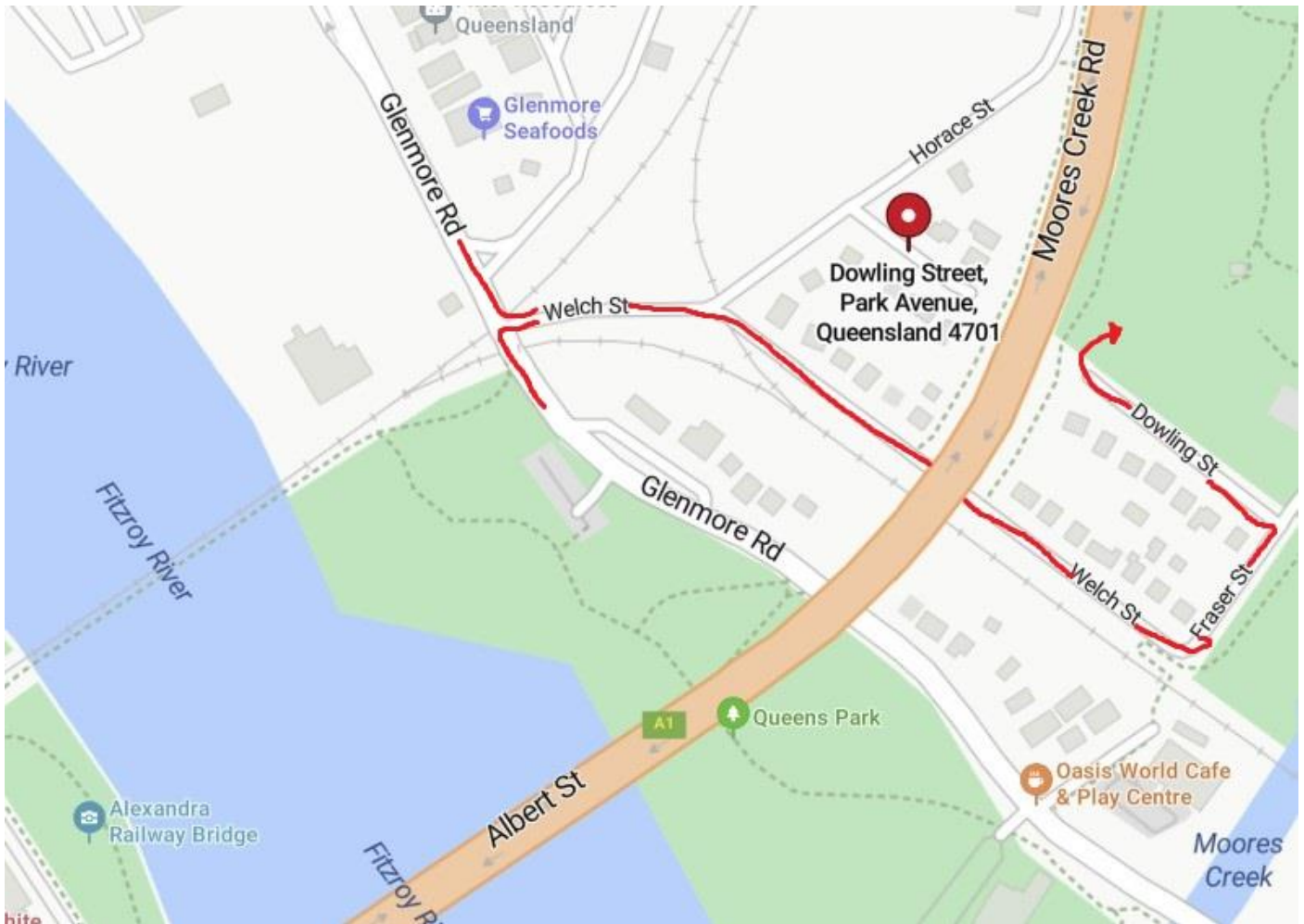
AOC Australian Orchid Council

**STOCQI Sub Tropical Orchid Council Qld Inc.**

# *Mid-Year Function – Picnic in the Park*

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Commencing around 9.30am**

**Location – Kershaw Gardens – Dowling Street entrance.** Turn off Glenmore Road near the Railway Boom Gates (coming from the Old Bridge – turn right just before railway lines if coming from Parkhurst area turn left just over the railway lines. Cross another set of rail lines, drive under the New Bridge to Fraser Street then turn into Dowling Street which leads directly into the Kershaw Gardens Car Park. To the right of the carpark under the spreading tress we will hold the event.



This year it is a Barbecue lunch (not a packed one as previously). We ask members to bring a plate for morning tea etc. BYO drinks - there will be coffee/tea/milk/sugar supplied.

We hope to have some fun activities and games organised. A big multi-draw raffle will be as usual.

**Cost will be \$5.00 each and payable by the June Meeting or prior to 6<sup>th</sup> July. Numbers attending will be required at our next meeting as this one will be the last meeting before the function.**

Toilet facilities are close by. There will be some gazebos set up for shade but will not accommodate all.

**ITEMS TO BRING – Folding Chairs – tables – coffee/tea mug, hat, plate for morning tea and of course raffle money.**

These functions have been very well attended in the past and a great day enjoyed by all, so come along this year and join in all the fun!!!



## 2024 Show Dates

Supplied by John Rees

**\*\* ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE \*\***

## 2025 Dates

**\*\* ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE \*\***

- July** 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Caboolture OS Show
- August** 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> August Maroochydore Orchid Society Show  
30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> Childers Isis District Orchid Show
- September** 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Nambour Orchid Show  
12<sup>th</sup> Caloundra Closed Show  
12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Maryborough Orchid Show  
13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> September Noosa Orchid Show  
14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Rockhampton Orchid Society Show  
20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Glasshouse Country Orchid Show  
20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> Hervey Bay Orchid Show  
21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Pine Rivers Spring Show
- October** 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Bribie Island Orchid Show
- November** 9<sup>th</sup> Nambour Species Show  
STOCQ Meeting hosted by Maroochydore OS

## 2025 Dates

- June** STOCQ Meeting hosted by Bundaberg Orchid Society
- September** 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> STOCQ Meeting to be held at Nambour OS & STOCQ conference
- October** 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> – AOC Conference & Show Woolgoolga NSW

## 2024 ROSI MEETING DATES

- 22<sup>nd</sup> June
- 27<sup>th</sup> July
- 24<sup>th</sup> August
- 28<sup>th</sup> September
- 26<sup>th</sup> October
- 16<sup>th</sup> November
- No Meeting in December

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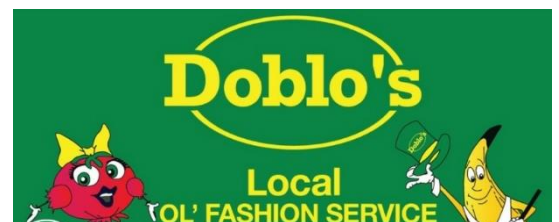
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