



# Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.



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## Newsletter - March 2021

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**Those who have not paid their ROSI Membership for 2021, this will be your final Newsletter.** Payments can be made directly to the ROSI bank account, or by cash on the night. Further details later in this Newsletter.

Our Newsletter is a bit light on for content this month with nil Member submissions. As such, I have written a small article after reading an interesting article about cloning of plants. I have read several cloning/tissue-culture type articles and this topic seems to arise every now and again. I have not completed any formal training in these fields and do not claim to be an expert. This article is more “food for thought”.

### Clones - Replica's, Copies or Other?

A fair share of the orchids available for purchase are “mericlones”, which are produced through a technique known as “meristem propagation”. This is basically the extraction of certain cells from the desired (donor) plant that are capable of reproducing and eventually forming a new plant. The new plant contains traits and characteristics from the desired plant, however it may not be an exact replica. Studies have shown that clones are not identical and vary in characteristics much the in same what that identical twins have differences.

A seasoned Orchidists would likely have experienced this. Take a mericlone of a plant has been on the market for some length of time, the quality of the flowers and growth habit is often a disappointment and not what was displayed or depicted in the original cloned plant or from the same clone obtained from years ago. Think of a document that you have, and original. Now photocopy that document 10, 50, 100 times. Each of the photocopies will have random small blemishes on it (black/colour dots or artefacts) that are not found on the original thereby affecting the overall quality and appearance of the end product compared to the original. These blemishes therefore make the copy different from the original. (I can hear a few of you saying that this is a flaw in this particular copying process, it doesn't apply to plants. I got you thinking though....)

Now I ask you: Is that clone of an award-winning plant which you likely paid too much for, deserving of the award title written on its label? Is it the same plant or is a replica based upon the award-winning plant that originally supplied the meristem cells and has grown with its own unique characteristics? Should its characteristics be assessed an individual plant or as a “copy” of its donor parent ... ?

Here is a web article for those who would like to read further:

University of Oxford (2011, August 8) Why plant 'clones' aren't identical. *ScienceDaily* Retrieved March 3, 2021 from [www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2011/08/110804212931.htm](http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2011/08/110804212931.htm)

***-Editor.***

# Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.

## General Meeting Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

**Attendance:** As per register.

**Apologies:** As per register.

**New Members:** Jessica Dawes **28**, Colin & Vi-Eni Forester **18**.

**Visitors:** Martin (a friend of member Peter Rankin).

**Lucky Number:** **8** - B & S Peters.

Next General Meeting – 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

Minutes of January monthly meeting as published in the February newsletter were approved as correct and accurate.

Moved M Maunder                      Seconded J Rawlings                      **Carried**

### Correspondence:

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##### NEWSLETTERS

Blackwater Orchid & Foliage Society Inc.

Bundaberg Orchid Society Inc. - January & February

Bundaberg Orchid Society Inc. – various emails regarding Triennial Field Trip in March

Childers & Isis District Orchid Society

Gladstone Orchid & Foliage Society Inc. – February & March

Gympie & District Orchid Society Inc.

Mackay District Orchid Society Inc.

North Queensland Orchid Society Cairns

The Sunshine Coast Orchid Society Caloundra Inc.

Townsville Orchid Society

Update 22<sup>nd</sup> Australian Orchid Council Conference & Show – postponed to 31/8/22 to 4/9/22.

AOC – minutes of 2020 AGM & BOM meetings (Marion Davey)

John Rees – minutes and financial reports etc. of STOCQ AGM and general meetings on 13/2/21,

Notice of winding up of Boyne Tannum Orchid & Foliage Society Inc.

Updated show schedule for 2021

Minutes of OQI general meeting on 12/2/21

Query re report to STOCQ from ROSI on the Orchid Fest held in Rockhampton in September 2019.

Letter from Banana Shire Council regarding an exhibition at Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery in Biloela: *Artistic Endeavour*. 12/2/21 to 1/4/21.

Annual return of association form 12-1

Letter of resignation from the society from Margaret Kydd.

Orchids Australia – subscription renewal

Invoice from Aardvark Self Storage – rent for 12 months 2021 and receipt of payment.

My State Bank – final statement

Bendigo Bank -statement 22/10/20 – 30/1/21.

Subscription payment – Rodney Russell & Di Lindley (cash)



# Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.

## Annual General Meeting Tuesday 23rd February 2021

**Attendance:** As per register

**Apologies:** As per register

**Minutes** of previous AGM meeting were approved as correct and accurate.

Moved K Carr Seconded B Lakey Carried  
No business arising from the minutes.

**President's Report:** The president, Jeff Bloxsom, commented that his annual report for 2020 had been published in the February newsletter so did not read it out in full.

**Treasurer's Report:** As the treasurer, Sandra Rowcliffe was in hospital, the president, Jeff Bloxsom presented the treasurer's report prepared in advance by Sandra.

Jeff Bloxsom proposed that the report be accepted Seconded P Rankin Carried

**Grower's Group:** The group coordinator, Marg Handley, gave her report on the severely curtailed activities of the group during 2020.

**Election of Officials:** President Jeff Bloxsom thanked committee members for patiently waiting for activities etc. to resume through the pandemic during the year as well as all members whose participation at the few meetings we could hold have kept the club strong.

All positions were declared vacant.

Jeff then handed the Chair over to Peter Jenkinson who read out the nomination for president.

As there was only one nomination for president, Jeff Bloxsom was re-elected unopposed. Jeff Bloxsom then resumed the Chair and read out the remaining nominations.

**Patron:** Neil Fisher - Elected unopposed

**Vice President:** Peter Jenkinson - Elected unopposed

**Secretary:** Trish Craig - Elected unopposed

**Treasurer:** Diane MacKenzie - Elected unopposed

**Committee:** 1. Jeff Glover - Elected unopposed

2. Tony March - Elected unopposed

3. Terry Dean - Elected unopposed

4. Bill Richardson - Elected unopposed

5. Karen Carr - Elected unopposed

**Librarian:** Yvonne Manning - Elected unopposed

**Editor:** Tony March - Elected unopposed

**Assistant Editor:** Karen Carr - Elected unopposed

**Growers Group Co-ordinator:** - No nomination

**Publicity Officer:** - No nomination

**Registrar:** Terry Dean - Accepted

**Technical Advisors:** John Frisch - Accepted

Jeff Glover - Accepted

**Provedore:** Maxine Maunder - Accepted

**Door Monitor/Hostess:** Lorraine Weaver - Accepted

**Door Monitor/Hostess:** Sue Eggleshaw - Accepted

**Property Officers:** Faye & Barry English - Accepted

**Plant Caretaker:** Terry Dean - Accepted (temporarily)

**Web Master:** Bob Lakey - Accepted

**Facebook Administrator:** Doug Chippendale - Accepted



At the conclusion of the election the president, Jeff Bloxsom, closed the meeting at 8.22pm.

Jeff Bloxsom  
President

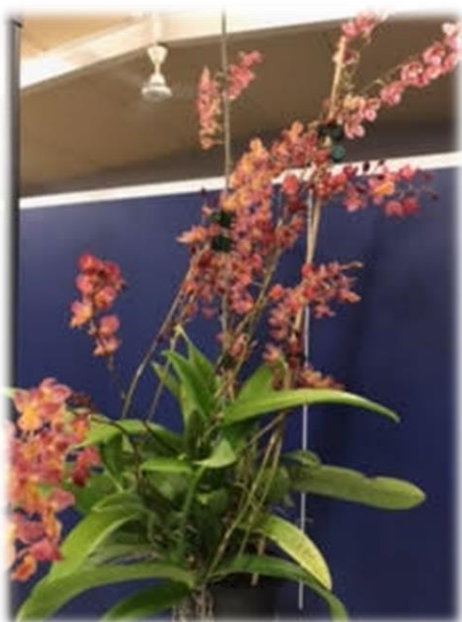
Trish Craig  
Secretary



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#### Office Bearers - Executive:

**Patron:** RRC Councillor, Neil Fisher  
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**Technical Advisors:** John Frisch, Jeff Glover  
**Growers Group Coordinator:** TBA  
**Providore:** Maxine Maunder  
**Promotion Officer:** TBA  
**Door Monitors:** Lorraine Weaver / Sue Eggleshaw  
**Librarian:** Yvonne Manning  
**Assistant Librarian:** TBA  
**Raffle Plant Caretaker:** Terry Dean (*temporary*)  
**Property Officers:** Barry and Faye English

The closing date for articles to be included in the next newsletter are to be received by the 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021; articles received after that date will be included in the following month.

**-Editor-**



Den. (Burana Candy X Chao Praya Gem)



V. Tien's Delight



Ctsm. Vaseito's Moonlight



V. Brightons Gold 'Korat'



Rlc. Willette Wong 'The Best'



V. Gulf of Diam X V. sanderana

For the LOVE OF ORCHIDS  
AOC 2021

22nd Australian Orchid Council  
Conference & Show

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# Annual Competition - February 2021 Results

## Judges Choice

<i>Van.</i> Tiens Delight	J&M Bloxsom
<i>V.</i> Nam Phung x <i>V. miniatum</i>	J&M Richardson
<i>Oncsa.</i> Sweet Sugar	K&R Smith

## Popular Vote

### Advanced (Plants Tabled: 39)

Cattleya up to 100mm	<i>Ctt.</i> Deception Drop	T&M Handley
Cattleya over 100mm	<i>R/c.</i> Willette Wong 'The Best'	J&S Frisch
Vandaceous up to 65mm	<i>V.</i> Brighton's Gold 'Korat'	J&M Bloxsom
Vandaceous over 65mm	<i>V.</i> Gulf of Siam x <i>V. sanderana</i>	J&M Bloxsom
Dendrobium	<i>Den.</i> (Burana Candy x Chao Praya Gem)	J&S Frisch
Oncidiinae	<i>Oncsa.</i> Sweet Sugar	K&R Smith
Miscellaneous	<i>Ctsm.</i> Veseito's Moonlight	T&M Handley

### Novice (Plants Tabled: 11)

Cattleya up to 100mm	<i>Grt.</i> Why Not	D&S Eggleshaw
Cattleya over 100mm	<i>C. Mem.</i> Vida Lee 'Limelight'	D&L Humble
Miscellaneous	<i>Howera</i> Lava Burst 'Puanini'	D.MacKenzie

### Committee:

Karen Carr	0418877420
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Jeff Glover	49287701
Tony March	0401280352
Bill Richardson	<a href="mailto:william.r@optusnet.com.au">william.r@optusnet.com.au</a>

### Shows and Meetings - Officials

<b>Show Marshall:</b> Jeff Glover (STOC) <a href="mailto:j-glover@bigpond.com">j-glover@bigpond.com</a>
<b>Chief Steward:</b> Moyna Richardson
<b>Plant/Barcode Collators:</b> Trish Craig & Barry English

**Next Monthly Meeting: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021.  
Starts 7:30pm.**

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



## Articles Wanted!



Your ROSI Newsletter is not only your source of information regarding what is happening in the Club, it is also an avenue for our members to share ideas, tips and tricks, and information on growing Orchids.

If you would like to write an article, or share something Orchid related with your fellow members, please write it down and send it in. Our Newsletter is always looking for to publish Orchid growing related content to enrich your reading each month.

Send any original content to the Editor and it will be considered for publishing in a Newsletter.

*-Editor.*

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## 2021 Show Dates

As Supplied by John Rees.

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

### March:

19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> - **Childers & IDOS** show (setup 18<sup>th</sup>).

### April:

2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> - **Gladstone** O&FS show ~ Bill Robertson Toyota, Hansen Road, Gladstone (setup 1<sup>st</sup> from 5:30pm).

9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> - **Sunshine Coast** OS show ~ Uniting Church Hall, Cnr Ulm and Queen St's Caloundra (setup 8<sup>th</sup>) – **POSTPONED**

17<sup>th</sup> April – **South Burnett** – **CANCELLED**

29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> May - **Caboolture** OS closed show ~ Morayfield Shopping Centre.

### May:

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> - **Gympie** ADOS show ~ Albert Park Bowls Club (setup 30<sup>th</sup> April from 2pm).

7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> – **Noosa** DOFS closed show.

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> – **Bundaberg** OS show (setup 6<sup>th</sup>).

### July:

23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> - **Caboolture** OS Winter show ~ Morayfield Community Centre.

### August:

6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> - **Maroochydore** OS show (setup 5<sup>th</sup>).

14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> - **Agnes Water** show **and hosting STOCQ.**

27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> - **Childers & IDOS** show (setup 26<sup>th</sup>).

### September:

1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> - **AOC conference and show ~ POSTPONED TO 2022**

3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> - **Nambour** Orchid Society show (setup 2<sup>nd</sup>).

16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> - **Maryborough** DOS show ~ St. Paul's Hall (setup 15<sup>th</sup>).

16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> - **Noosa** DOFS closed show (setup 15<sup>th</sup>).

24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> – **Glasshouse Country** OS show ~ Beerwah Community Hall (setup 23<sup>rd</sup>).

24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> - **Hervey Bay** OS show and Garden Spectacular (setup 23<sup>rd</sup>).

25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> - **Rockhampton** OS Spring show.

### October:

1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> – **Caloundra** OS show ~ Uniting Church Hall, Queen Street, Caloundra (setup 30<sup>th</sup>).

8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> – **Bribie Island** OS Spring show (setup 7<sup>th</sup>).

21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> - **Caboolture** OS closed show ~ Morayfield Shopping Centre.

29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> - **Nambour** species show (setup 28<sup>th</sup>).

### October/November:

**Caboolture will host STOCQ meeting.**



## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

**Unpaid memberships for 2021 are now overdue!** The March General Meeting is the cutoff date for membership payments to be paid if you wish to retain your existing membership number. Payments can be paid by cash on the night, or preferably by Electronic Funds Transfer / Bank Deposit directly into the ROSI bank account (details below).

Non-financial members will cease to receive newsletters after this March edition unless they renew/rejoin.  
72 Non-renewed membership numbers will be eligible for reassignment to new joining members and may not be available to existing members should they elect to re-join at a later date.

Every ROSI Member is to complete a Membership Renewal Form when renewing their membership, regardless if their details have changed or remain unchanged.

The Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc. has a **single membership fee per household** policy, which allows for a single fee to apply for a Family/Couple or Single.

### ANNUAL FEE \$30-00

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EMAIL (2<sup>nd</sup> Member) .....



### Name Badges / Membership Number Tip

Having troubles remembering your membership number when you go to sign in each meeting? How about writing your number on the back of your name badge? All you have to do now is remember to bring your name badge to meeting.

Don't have a name badge? Members can approach our Treasurer, Diane MacKenzie, at one of our General Meeting and order one. The badges cost \$15 each and are normally available for collection at the next General Meeting.

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Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month (excluding December) at Calvary Lutheran Church Hall, Burnett Street, North Rockhampton. Meetings commence at 7:30pm and plants must be tabled by 7:15pm.

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