



Bribie Island Orchid Society **Bulletin April 2011**

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 **MEETINGS**

Committee Meeting

Held on the first Tuesday of the month. The meeting commences at 1.30 pm at The Bribie Island Bowls Club. Any financial member may attend the Committee Meetings.


Cultural Meeting

Held on the fourth Tuesday of the month , at The Orchid House, 156A First Avenue, Bribie Island. Meeting time is 1.30pm.

New Growers Meeting

Held on the second Saturday of the month. These meetings are also held at The Orchid House commencing at 1.30pm.

Vale - Val Yaxley



Val was a Foundation member of the Society and during her membership of seventeen years always held a position on the Committee. Commencing on the original committee in the position of Librarian, Val went on to be Treasurer, Labeller, Secretary, Assistant Treasurer and Committee Member. Val was awarded Life Membership of the Society at the Annual General Meeting in May 2004. She was always to be found at meetings welcoming new members or helping with the paperwork. Throughout the years, several New Grower's meetings were held at her home in Woorim where her Stanhopea Orchids growing on the clothes hoist and flowering beautifully were often the subject of much discussion. Somehow we couldn't get ours to flower like Val's. The members of our Society wish to express our sympathy to Val's family.

R.I.P Val – Never Forgotten



Cultural Meeting

Not a large turn-up probably due to the opening function the previous Saturday. The guest speaker was John Ward, our next door neighbour from the Wallum Action Group who told us about the history and activities of this organisation and then gave us a guided tour of his organisation's premises.



Close-up of Judy's
*Dendrochilum
macranthum*



Jim McKinnon's
Herringbone Fern



Dries' Den. Kiyomi Beauty x
Mongkorn Star

By popular request your Committee has decided to add a plant commentary to the format for future Cultural Meetings. Come prepared to learn more about what those pesky judges are looking for on the show bench.

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OPENING DAY

After many years of saving, fund raising and hard work, our Society's dream of building a 'home' to hold our meetings, store our equipment and hold orchid displays has finally come true. This will make the day to day running of our Society so much easier as our library, show display equipment and all our needs will now be located in one venue. Apart from the meeting room, there will be an area which will allow members to meet with folk who need assistance in learning how to pot up plants etc. Potting mediums, fertilisers, pots, hangers and all the items required for growing healthy orchids will be on hand.



Around 130 people turned up for the opening including members of Tweed Heads District Orchid Society and Maryborough Orchid Society and all points in between. Torrential rain made driving from anywhere to the island a hazardous undertaking so our members were thrilled that so many made the effort and the positive feedback from those who attended was very heartening.

It has been a long process from the start to get to our home finally built as the Society was involved in the consultation with the Caboolture Shire Council when the Master Plan was developed for the Bribie Island Recreation Reserve and also through the amalgamation of the Councils and it would not have been possible without the constant support of Cr Gary Parsons and the Staff in the various Council departments. They were helpful, supportive and very patient. Apart from staging shows, holding raffles and other fund raisers, the Society received funding from various State and Local Government grants and businesses throughout the Bribie Island region. Society Patron, Carryn Sullivan MP has also contributed to achieving this goal and is delighted for the members.



Our tireless team of member builders, Mel Wheeler, John Hopgood and Merv Anderson were presented with plaques at the opening in recognition of their critical role in finishing off the building after the shell was erected.

Many of the members who served on the Committees throughout the years but are no longer able to attend the meetings will be thrilled to see their efforts finally rewarded. Our first meeting in our new "home" was held on Tuesday 24th August 2010 with members and guests enjoying the facility and all who were there believed that all the years of hard work had been worthwhile. The building will be available for hire to local community groups as there is quite a shortage of suitable venues on the island. Total floor space is 27.5 metres by 12 metres making a sizeable venue for all sorts of activities.

The Committee and Members would like to thank the business community and other community groups for their assistance and support and all the other folk who have contributed in so many ways to make their dream come true. Naturally, none of this would have become a reality without the support of our members, past and present. A final big thank you also goes to the Gambling Community Benefit Fund and Moreton Bay Regional Council with their assistance with funding grants, allowing us to make our dream of our own 'home' a reality.



OPENING DAY CONTINUED



Florence hands a token of the Society's gratitude to Lynn, our tireless Secretary.



Our Guest of Honour does the honours

Our amazing ladies in the kitchen ensured no one would go hungry.

Janet presents her embroidered-tablecloth and napkins to our Patron, Carryn Sullivan MP



A full car park. For Bev! It pays to flatter the Editor!



MARCH BENCHING RESULTS

	1 st (Plant Name)	1st	2nd	3rd
Cattleya	.			
Miniature/compact	Ctna. Why Not	M&V Anderson	B&M Elliot	
Novelty	Otaara Midden Gold	J&J McKinnon	J&J Stokes	J&J McKinnon
Species	<i>C. bowringiana</i>	S. Maller	J&J McKinnon	I&F McLaren
Dendrobium				
Spatulata/Intermediate	Den. Blue AP	S. Maller	J&B Hopgood	D&M Neldner
Any Other	Den. Chao Praya	D&M Neldner	J&J Stokes	K&J Carleton
Vandaceous				
Over 60mm	Ascda. Kenny Gold	J&B Hopgood		
Under 60mm	Ascda. Ken Kone	J&B Hopgood	J&B Hopgood	
Species	<i>Trgl. Philippenensis var. bracheata</i>	J&B Hopgood	B&M Elliot	D&M Neldner
Phalaenopsis				
Species	<i>Dor. pulcherrima</i>	M&F Wheeler	M&F Wheeler	M&F Wheeler
Paphiopedilum				
Any Other	None benched			
Oncidium				
Any Other	Onc. Liz	M&F Wheeler	J&B Hopgood	M&V Anderson
Other Alliance	<i>Hwra. Mary Eliza</i>	D&M Neldner	M&V Anderson	I&F McLaren
Miscellaneous				
Species	<i>Ddc. macranthum</i>	K&J Carleton	M&V Anderson	J&J Stokes
Hybrid	Cnth. (Cochleanthes) discolor x amazonica (now Moliere).	J&J Stokes		
Aust Natives				
Species	Den. bigibbum	D&M Neldner	K&J Carleton	S. Maller
Novice				
Cattleya	None benched			
Hybrid	Den. Kiyomi Beauty x Mongkorn Star	D&T Walterfang	D&T Walterfang	D&T Walterfang
Native	Den. bigibbum	D&T Walterfang		
Foliage				
Anthurium		D&M Neldner	D&M Neldner	D&M Neldner
Tillandsia		J&K Carleton	M&V Anderson	D. Haupt
Ferns	Herringbone	J&J McKinnon	D&M Neldner	
Bromeliad		M&V Anderson	D&M Neldner	
Foliage other		J&K Carleton	M&V Anderson	D. Haupt

Popular Vote Orchid– *Ddc. macranthum* (K&J Carleton)

Popular Vote Foliage–Herringbone Fern (J&J McKinnon)

Best Perfume–*Onc. Sharry Baby* (S. Maller)

Judges Choice– *Ddc. Macranthum* (K&J Carleton)

Novice– *Den. Kiyomi Beauty x Mongkorn Star* (D&T Walterfang)

Judges– M. Wheeler, J. Hopgood, J. Carleton. Scribe—B. Hopgood Fragrant–J&J McKinnon



NEW GROWERS

Guest Speaker for the March meeting was Mrs Lynne Langford of Caboolture who, in an interview with Don, described her journey from growing orchids as a small hobby to selling them on eBay. Lynne donated a lovely flowering cattleya packaged as she would send them. Plant winners were: Experienced: J&B Hoppood, M&V Anderson and D&M Neldner. Learners: G&J Watson 1 & 2, and P&T Thomas. Foliage: M&V Anderson, G&J Watson and D&M Neldner. Approximately 24 members and visitors present supported the raffle again which raised \$66. New Growers are urged to bring along their flowering plants even if they are not perfect. We are all still learning.

At the meeting on April 9th Information on the Easter Show and procedures involved will be explained by the coordinators from notes prepared by Judy Carleton. Please check your plants regularly in preparation for benching them.



Our Guest Speaker very kindly donated this orchid for our raffle and presented it wrapped as she would send to an Ebay buyer. With her is the winner Brian McKane.



The famous Aglaonema of Merv Anderson won the Foliage section.



Ddc. macranthum.
Experienced section winner.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Cancellation Notice

The EDOS bus trip has been cancelled.

9 April and 14 May	New Growers Meeting.
26 April	BIOS Cultural Meeting
12 April	Craft Workshop, 9.30 to 1.30, bring own lunch.
16-17 April	EDOS Show (Note: bus trip has been cancelled).
22-23 April	BIOS Easter Show
30 April-1 May	Gympie Show
7-8 May	Pumicestone Show
7-8 May	Noosa Mother's Day Show
4 June	STOCQ Meeting at Murgon
4-5 June	QLD Week Orchid & Garden Expo on Bribie
8-10 July	Caboolture Orchid Show
6-7 August	Maroochydore Show
2-3 Sept	Nambour Show
23-24 Sept	Glasshouse Show
5 November	Nambour Species Show

National/International Shows.

14-23 Nov 2011, 20th World Orchid Conference, Singapore

10-16 Sept 2012, 19th AOC Conference and Show, Perth (more info at website www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/19th_AOC_Conference.htm - note underscores before and after AOC)

June 2013, STOCQ Orchidfest at Gympie.

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NEWS/NOTICES

Membership Renewals

Due by end April. \$15 to the Treasurer please.

Birthdays for the month—Daphne Lloyd, Fay Wheeler, Margaret McMurdo. Best Wishes ladies.

Craft Day

Tuesday 12th April. Drop in day as members come and go. Still working on items for our Easter Show, sorting and packing. Time 9.30 to 1.30. Bring lunch.

Stephanie Maller

Has the latest catalogue from Fraser Coast Dendrobiums and wonders if anyone is interested to join her for a bulk order to save on freight. Contact her if interested (34107850).

Easter Show-

Once again we are calling for sponsors for the various classes (commercial and private). For anyone able to help with this cost for full class is \$35 or individual prize sponsorships also gratefully accepted (First \$20, Second \$10, Third \$5). Also of course there are the Champion Classes for those wishing to make a grand gesture (\$110 Champion, \$50 Reserve and four \$40 prizes). Thanks to those who have donated so far—B&L McKane, A&E Wrigley, W&J Corney, J&J Stokes.

Also Val has a **LIST** (or several actually) and she is asking for people who are contributing items (or cash) for the Judges Dinner on judging night to please put the details on her list.

Library News

New acquisition which will soon be available for borrowing from Jeanette is a book on Bulbophyllums by Bill Thoms.

Sad News from Maroochydore Society

John Salway's lovely wife, Ruth, has passed away prematurely. Our sympathy goes to John and his family at this sad time.

Bus Trip Cancelled

Unfortunately we have had to cancel the EDOS bus trip. Despite Di's best efforts we did not get enough interest to make it a viable proposition.

Orchid Flasks Donated

At our opening of the new club house we received a very generous donation of a number of orchid flasks from our new members Dallas and Jeanesse Minns. The committee intends to grow these on a little before deflasking and will advise members in due course how they will be disposed of. In the meantime we would like to express our gratitude to the donors for their gift.

Orchid and Garden Expo

A good response from vendors will ensure that this will be a show worth visiting and Judy and Mel (the organisers of this event) are to be congratulated for making the Expo viable. Members are reminded that there will be a club sales table available and we will have benching of both orchids and foliage plants for judging.



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SHOW AND TELL



This photo is for all those Phalaenopsis Dendrobium growers striving for perfection! This is what the judges are looking for. An almost perfect example of the two main criteria—shape (circular, sepals wide and evenly spaced with dorsal erect, petals broad and rounded, spaced evenly and overlapping the sepals, labellum symmetrical, not projected forward nor turned under at tip and of sufficient size to balance flower) and colour and texture (well-defined, clear and vibrant, texture should enhance colour making it lustrous or glistening). Bred by John Kemp, a renowned dendrobium grower from Caloundra. Breeding is JK's Magic x JK's Galactic Storm.



Bev's lovely wall hanging donated for the Opening Day raffle.

Janet Watson also donated a table cloth and napkins embroidered with orchids which was presented to our Patron, Carryn Sullivan MP at the Opening but unfortunately it was wrapped and the Editor didn't get a photo.

Nambour Show included a good number of species not often seen (eg pterostylis and bulbophyllum) and the Reserve Champion, *Haraella odorata* or *retrocalla* (owned by Bill Letchner, below left) but Beryl Robertson took out Champion with *Paph. Asteroid* (below right). In the centre is another unusual one, *Cerastostylis rubra* or *retisquama*.





Bribie Island Orchid Society Inc
Easter Orchid Show Schedule
 Bribie Island State High School
 Good Friday 22nd & Easter Saturday 23rd April 2011

Set up Thursday 21st April between 5.00pm and 7.00pm

No Plants or Floral Art Arrangements may be removed from display before Presentation of Awards on Saturday at 2.00pm

All plants displayed MUST be owned by exhibitor for six (6) months prior to benching unless marked "Not for Judging"

Champion Classes

- 0.01 Champion Orchid of Show
- 0.02 Champion Species
- 0.03 Champion Specimen
- 0.04 Reserve Champion
- 0.05 Champion Foliage
- 0.06 Champion Floral Art

Cattleya

- 1.01 Exhibition Lavender/Mauve/Purple
- 1.02 Exhibition Any Other Colour
- 1.03 Miniature - Compact
- 1.04 Novelty
- 1.05 Cluster
- 1.06 Species

Dendrobium

- 2.01 Phalaenthe Lavender/Purple
- 2.02 Phalaenthe Any Other Type
- 2.03 Spatulata Type
- 2.04 Any Other Type
- 2.05 Intermediate Type

Vandaceous

- 3.01 Ascocenda/Vanda over 60mm
- 3.02 Ascocenda/Vanda under 60mm
- 3.03 Vandaceous Any Other
- 3.04 Vandaceous Species
- 3.05 Phalaenopsis Exhibition White
- 3.06 Phalaenopsis Exhibition Pink
- 3.07 Phalaenopsis Exhibition Any Colour
- 3.08 Phalaenopsis Novelty
- 3.09 Phalaenopsis Species

Paphiopedilum

- 4.02 Primary Hybrid
- 4.03 Species
- 4.04 Any Other Type

Oncidium

- 5.01 Any Type
- 5.02 Intergeneric Hybrid
- 5.03 Oncidium Species

Australian Native

- 6.01 Any Species
- 6.02 Native Hybrid
- 6.03 Terrestrial Species

Miscellaneous Orchids

- 7.01 Any Other Genera Species
- 7.02 Any Other Intergeneric Hybrid

Foliage

- 9.01 Bromeliad
- 9.02 Fern
- 9.03 Anthurium
- 9.04 Any Foliage under 250mm
- 9.05 Any Foliage over 250mm

All plants must be owned for six (6) months to be eligible for judging.

Floral Art - Open

- 11.01 "What Easter Means to Me"
 - 11.02 "Stately Splendour"
- Flowers other than orchids may be used in Floral Art Classes. Accessories (anything in plant material, containers, background or base) are permitted in arrangements.

Novice

- 13.01 Cattleya
- 13.02 Dendrobium
- 13.03 Any Other Genus
- 13.04 Species inc. Aust. Natives

Please Note – Novice Section is open to Bribie Island Orchid Society Members only.

Show Prizes

Champion Orchid of Show	\$100
Reserve Champion	\$50
Champion Species	\$40
Champion Specimen	\$40
Champion Foliage	\$40
Champion Floral Art	\$40

Class Prizes

First	\$20
Second	\$10
Third	\$5














THE FINAL WORD

Please note that the May Issue of the Bulletin will be later in the month than usual (around 17th May) due to the slack Editor taking leave of absence (to improve his border art skills!)



Attention Lexiphiles

-  When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
-  A will is a dead giveaway.
-  He had a photographic memory which was never developed.
-  A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tired.
-  The batteries were given out free of charge.
-  If you don't pay your exorcist, you can get repossessed.
-  You are stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.
-  With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
-  A boiled egg is hard to beat.
-  The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine was fully recovered.
-  Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.



That's all folks.

(Note-Bulletins can be viewed in colour on our website)

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