

Bribie Island Easter Orchid Show 2011

"Bribie Island turned on its finest Autumn weather for the Easter Orchid Show which was held at Bribie Island State High School held on Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd April. At 9.00am all was in readiness as folk poured into The Student Centre which was filled with hundreds of colourful, fragrant orchids, elegant floral art arrangements and brilliant foliage.

Members were kept busy on the various Craft and Cake and Plant Sales stalls while the Kitchen Staff supplied cups of tea and coffee with lovely home made cakes and biscuits. Commercial vendors sold plants, pots, shade houses and all the necessities for successful plant growing. The bromeliads and African Violet plants were well patronized and added variety to the show.

The potting demonstrations were very popular with the visitors and members alike. The Champion Orchid of Show grown by A Sales was Den Velvet Majestic, Champion Specimen Orchid was I & N Frizzo's Coel ovalis, Champion Species and Reserve Champion owned by R & J Hopkins was Onc rochussenii, Champion Foliage was Vriesea Talbot Green owned by L & S Waite. Champion Floral Art was "What Easter Means to Me" arranged by V Cameron. The show came to a close with Patron Carryn Sullivan MP and Cr Gary Parsons presenting the awards to the prize winners of the various classes.

The Management Committee and Members would like to thank Moreton Bay Regional Council for funding towards the staging of this show. Thanks must also go to the community for their continuing support in our endeavours. Without these folk, the local businesses and members who donate time, effort and financial assistance to the Society, we would be unable to achieve our levels of success.

In conclusion, President Ian McLaren would like to congratulate the winners and thank Show Organiser Mel Wheeler and the members for all their hard work before and throughout the show. To the record number of visitors who came through the doors this was a show to remember on a beautiful, sunny day. Well done all."





