

# BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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# Newsletter – AUGUST 2020

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**President's Report** 



Zygo Nola Ezzy benched July (Novice)

Hello members.

Just as we think things are getting better...BANG!! ...something happens.

Stay safe, stay away from others and stay healthy.

I am glad members got to have the July meeting and well done to Ken, as chairperson.

Thank you to Brian, helping with the benching and congratulations for winning Plant of the Day - Open. Also congratulations to Hilary for her Plant of the Day - Novice, win.

Winter has been cold and damp, which means be careful when you water and watch out for fungus.

Orchids are showing themselves... they know there are no shows. Even I have cymbidiums opening at the moment.

If you have orchids flowering, grab that camera and send pictures in to Margaret. She will appreciate them for the newsletter.

There are a number of questions asked in this newsletter, so please think about your answers, then let Margaret know. Voice your opinion.

Unfortunately, with the virus happening, our next meeting is unlikely, but you will be kept informed of any new developments.

I am thinking of you all and wish you a safe and healthy August.

Best wishes

Anne-Marie Collins



Paph Yi Ying Twinkling Star Ron Boyd

### Our Next Meeting –

Unfortunately, because of the positive COVID-19 test results from the Soldiers Club in mid-July, the club is closed. At time of writing this newsletter, there is no reopening date. However, this means that until further notice BBOFS general meetings are again cancelled. Sorry. I think we were all looking forward to some normalcy returning, however not just yet.

#### From the Committee

The committee had planned to meet in July to plan for the remainder of the year and to gather member's ideas about a few activities for the remainder of 2020 and the start of 2021.

When reading the minutes, you will see that there was a discussion about the remaining two (2) shows for the year. The members present felt that the work and risks associated with holding the shows elsewhere were not balanced by the outcomes. Thus you will see that I have put cancelled beside our shows in the Diary Dates.

There is one activity that didn't happen this year and it was originally planned that we would roll it over into 2021 and that is our birthday party. It was hoped to have a "Sweet 16" at the Soldiers Club as a luncheon.

If we are going to do this, we need to start planning fairly soon. I realise that will need to wait until after our outbreak has settled and some of the restrictions have been lifted. But could members please let me know on either my mobile 0409442704 or by responding to this email, whether or not you would like that to go ahead?

The committee thanks Tony & Liz and Brian Coulton for accepting our request to be the speakers at the August and

September meetings. Will now have to wait & see what happens.

The AGM is due in November. This is usually held in conjunction with an orchid only auction. We are hoping that by November we will be able to have meetings, With that in mind will this auction also be a bic-a-brac as well as an orchid auction? Please let me know what you think.



Den Memoric Brain Gerhard Brian Coulton

#### **Club Members**

The BBOFS wishes any Member who may be unwell all the best for a speedy recovery. Please stay safe during this period.

#### **In Your Orchid House**

Culture Tips By Mike Pieloor •from the Canberra Orchid Society newsletter

Check your growing location daily to make sure your plants are getting appropriate moisture, warmth and light. • Continue to be sparing with water for plants that prefer a drier rest over winter. This includes soft cane dendrobiums and tropical deciduous species. While dormant, keep them dry until after new growth begins. • Many cymbidiums and native dendrobiums will be producing flower buds. Ensure spikes have room. Start staking early to get the best display. Keep an eye out for slugs and snails, which love to munch on buds! . Monitor for pests, including scale for plants grown in greenhouses or indoors. They thrive in the drier warm environment. • All Australian terrestrials should now have leaves. If any pots have not grown, don't throw them out as the tuber can still make a replacement for next year. You should

aim to keep them moist (but not sodden) until spring.



Den Unknown Margaret Turner

#### Wish List and For Sale for members

If any member is seeking a particular plant, would you like to see it listed then others may be able to assist you obtain one. This could also be used to place plants that you would like to give away or sell.

Margaret has a couple of hundred 50 and 60mm square and round pots to get rid of. Happy to give them away or for a small donation - all of them or in smaller groups. Please contact Margaret on the number at the top of the newsletter if interested in some or all of them.

#### **Dates for your 2020 Diary**

#### August

7- 9 Orchid Extravaganza Dural 14 -16 SCOC Winter Show Twyford Hall, Merimbula

22 - 23 E.O.C. Spring Show Narooma Cancelled

September

5 - 6 BBOFS Spring Show Soldiers Club Batemans Bay Cancelled

12 – 13 MUOS Spring Show Ulladulla

17 - 18 SCOC Spring Show September Civic Centre Bega

19 – 20 Canberra Orchid Society Annual Show Ainslie Football Club

#### October

9 – 11 Southern Orchid Spectacular Sutherland

17 - 18 BBOFS Native Show Soldiers Club Batemans Bay Cancelled

30 - 31 SCOC Native Show Twyford Hall, Merimbula



Zygo Arthur Ellen Arandel X Kiwi Choice Margaret Turner



Alcra Tahoma Glacier Tony & Liz

#### **Benching**

Lots of plants on the bench in both the Open and Novice sections which was great to see. I wish I had taken a few more photos of the plants, but did not expect that we would be locked down again.

**Open Section** 

Species: Tony & Liz

Cymbidium > 90mm: Tony & Liz Cymbidium 60 - 90mm: Liz & Tony Cymbidium < 60mm: Una Roberts Aust Native Orchid: Brian Coulton Laeliinae >70mm: Brian Coulton Laeliinae <70mm: Brian Coulton Paphiopedilum: Brian Coulton

Vandaceous: Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance: Una Roberts

Seedling: Liz & Tony

Miscellaneous: Liz & Tony

**Fern:** Margaret Turner **Foliage:** Una Roberts

#### Plant of the Night



Cattleya Peny Kuroda "Spots" Brian Coulton

**Novice Section** 

Species:

Cymbidium > 90mm: Cymbidium 60 - 90mm: Cymbidium < 60mm:

Aust. Native Orchid: Hilary Coulton

Laeliinae > 70cm:

Laeliinae < 70cm:

Paphiopedilum: Bec & Leo Vandaceous: Bec & Leo

Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance: Bec & Leo

Seedling:

Miscellaneous: Nola & Ian Ezzy

Fern:

Foliage: Ken Covington
Plant of the Night



Den Memric Brian Gerhard Hilary Coulton

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD SOLDIERS CLUB; BEACH ROAD BATEMANS BAY

Monday 6th July 2020

PRESENT: Members: 12 Apologies: 6

Visitors: 0

Vice President Ken opened the meeting at 2.00pm thanking all for coming

**MINUTES**: accept the Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at the Soldiers Club Beach Road Batemans Bay having been circulated as a true copy.

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded:

Una Roberts Carried

**BUSINESS ARISING:** included in the General Business.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) Magazines: Orchids Australia,
- Newsletters from Wagga Wagga, Sapphire Coast, Milton/Ulladulla, Canberra, NSWOS, Shoalhaven; EOC; Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts OS
- c) Bank statements
- d) Renewal of term deposit
- e) Cancellation notices for a number of events due to COVID- 19 lockdown
- f) Public Liability insurance renewal
- g) Gardner's Gazette from RHSV
- h) Invitation to participate in the Southern Orchid Spectacular 9 – 11 October
- i) Update AOCC Conference & Show in 2021
- j) Information from AOC regarding AGM & BOM meeting.
- k) Response from Lesley Bromley regarding show judges
- Response from Catlin at Ribbon company regarding lead up time for ribbons

#### Out

- a) BBOFS Newsletters
- b) BBOFS newsletters to other orchid clubs
- c) Letters to EOC, Shoalhaven,
   Sapphire & Canberra re change of days & dates for 2020 shows
- d) Email to Lesley Bromley regarding shows
- e) Contact with Ribbon company regarding shows.
- f) Letter to Soldiers Club regarding 2021 dates
- g) Contact with Soldiers Club regarding restrictions lifting.
- h) Response to VIEW Club, but nothing further at this time

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Leo Baumgartner Carried

#### 2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Margaret presented in Treasurer Leanda absence:- balance sheet for the past three (3) months. Opening balance as at 29/02/2020 \$9212.29 in operating account. Income \$361.96; expenditures \$678.00. There are no outstanding cheques. Float monies was deposited prior to the end of the financial year. The I.B.D. was reinvested, including interest in May. Balance as at 30/06/2020 \$8895.25.

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Tony Groube Carried

Margaret requested permission to pay outstanding accounts.

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Liz Cleaver Carried

#### 3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. Next General Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> August Tony & Liz will discuss "Orchid Culture" which is a very broad topic and will cover a range of things related to growing and showing orchids.
- b. Meeting schedules for rest of year were discussed. Brian Coulton offered to put something together for September. He said he might re do the Cattleya presentation he did in March or maybe something on dockrillias. Karen Ruiz from Mogo Orchid and Fern Nursery had been pencilled in for October. Anne-Marie has stated that she will follow up with Karen to see if she is still willing to be the speaker before we plan anything else.
- c. Meeting times the August meeting is planned for an afternoon again. Benching from 1pm, voting 1.30pm and meeting at 2pm. Hopefully to be finished by 4.30pm. The committee will recommence meeting this month. Margaret to

- check with Andrea regarding bookings and times. These will be confirmed in the newsletter.
- d. Ken has spoken with Peter Cordina from Apia regarding their ongoing support of shows. Peter contacted Apia and was told that the funding would just roll over into 2021 for any shows not held in 2020. Ken expressed his and BBOFS gratitude for their understanding and ongoing support.
- e. A discussion was held regarding the Spring and Native Shows. Margaret has spoken to Andrea Function Manager at BB Soldiers Club who expressed the belief that it was unlikely that they could host the shows due to the ongoing COVID restrictions. The members present discussed whether or not it would be a feasible option to explore other venues to hold the shows. A number of issues were raised which included:
  - Cleaning requirement before, during and after
  - Member capabilities in relation to setting up and taking down of tables etc
  - Social distancing
  - Access to the number of tables required for displays
  - Members confidence to be in a limited space with associated health risks
  - For further discussion by committee members
- f. Margaret asked for comments about newsletter the since lockdown. All agreed that it had been interesting. Margaret said that she would try to add a few more photos of plants each month not just PON. Tony commented that other newsletters often have interesting items that mavbe

- available to reproduce in BBOFS newsletter.
- g. Brian thanked committee for the work that they had done during the lockdown and getting us back together as soon as was practicable when restrictions started to ease.
- h. Brian also told us that Robin was slowly improving. She has finished her radiotherapy and is now having chemotherapy. She is anxious to get back to the Bay. The repairs to her home have now been finished and it is hoped that the yard will be finished in the foreseeable future.
- i. Ken thanked Margaret for her support of Anne-Marie during her chemotherapy treatment. This included driving her to Moruya each week and shopping for her. Margaret said that Anne-Marie is mostly recovered from the more severe side effects of the chemo and is due to start radiotherapy later in the month. The membership wished her well and supported Ken in his thanks to Margaret.
- j. Christmas party discussed and members present decided to go back to the Nelligen Pub if possible.
- 5. RAFFLES: Una x 5, Leo, Liz, Brian

**LUCKY DOOR PRIZE:** Una Roberts

**Plant of the Night** winners were announced. Results in the Newsletter.

Ken thanked Brian for collating the benching results in Lin's absence.

Meeting closed: 3.33pm

The next meeting will be on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August this has now been cancelled.

At Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay

Secretary Margaret Turner



Den Hilda Poxen Brian Coulton



Pot Shinfong "Orange" Brian Coulton

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Cym White September Una Roberts



Den Balnarring 2 Liz & Tony



Den (Hilda Poxen x Gai Ellen) x (Peewee x Graham Hewett) Margaret





Sergorara Yokosuka Story Liz & Tony



Cym Green Specacle "The Shah" Tony & Liz

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