

# The Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society Inc.

APRIL NEWSLETTER Next Club Meeting 7.30pm Monday 1<sup>ST</sup> April 2013



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## Hi Members welcome to our April 2013 newsletter.

What a wonderful talk Scott Barrie gave at our last club meeting on how he grows his Sarcochilus and Oncidiums commercially. Especially his Sarcochilus and his famous Sarc Kulnura Dragonfly's.

I hope our members picked up a few good tips on how they can improve the growth of their Sarc's as I certainly will give his method a try.

Diane Hay, Secretary of Eurobodalla Orchid Club and our own Margaret Turner have both been working hard on our club's new webpage. It is now up and running but still in its infant stage, work is always in progress, please check it out and let us (committee) know what you think of it.

<http://batemansbayofs.weebly.com/>

**April meeting** will be a get together of members who would like to ask questions and seek answers on any orchid related problems they would like to discuss, i.e. where do you buy certain types of orchids, products etc. If you have a plant at home and not too sure how or where to grow it, please bring it in and we will try to sort out where and how to grow it.

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Report back on Eurobodalla Orchid Soc. workshop 9-10<sup>th</sup> March of which I attended, there were 2 very good speakers in Bill Miles and Ray Clements. I enjoyed their talks and picked up quite a few tips to improve my way of growing my orchids and this is what these workshops are all about. Plenty of quality orchids on the sales table and the club should be proud of running a very successful event.  
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Plant of the night Winner March meeting  
OPEN Mitch Karnaghan  
with Rossioglossium Grand



Plant of the night  
**Novice section;** Winner  
March meeting  
Phalaenopsis unknown  
Leanda O'Connor.

**For all those lovers of orchids** (us?) check out the Taiwan International orchid Show, March 2013 that finished a week or so ago. This is the Cattleya section but check on the right-hand side for other orchids.  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EHqK02LrSF0>

Orchid Society of Canberra will run the **South and West Regional Orchid Show and Conference** over the long weekend of October, on Saturday 5th October 2013 (11:00am - 5:00pm) and Sunday 6 October 2013 (noon - 4:30pm). It will be held at the Wesley Centre, National Circuit, Forrest ACT

Further info will be supplied as it comes to hand. Currently Leanda O'Connor, Margaret Turner and myself are looking into the possibility of setting up a display representing our club.

**Grow Comp** plants still in the run are; Sarc, Dend. Ellen and the Cattleya. Could all members bring in there plants that are still alive please.

### **Grumpy's shed.**

Run by Dorothy at her home in Mogo, its main aim is to have supplies of pots, potting mixes of several different types, flower stakes, and fertilizers etc. All members are welcome to come and look at what is available to buy, please give Dorothy a ring first on 44740884.

### **What's up in the 'Greenhouse?'**

The cooler months of autumn bring new excitement in the orchid house, Cymbidium flower spikes should now be emerging in good quality, keep up the pest program to prevent snails, crickets and mice from eating the emerging soft flower spikes.

For those who follow the Club's Cymbidium slow release fertilizer program, St Patrick's Day has come and now I am re-fertilizing with the club's slow release fertilizer, this should get the plant through the flowering season and last the plants to spring.

Members often are in a puzzle when to re-pot their Sarcophilus orchids, as often recommended by the experts autumn is their start of the growing season and I have just broken up mine and repotted them, nice roots are starting to appear so all should be good.

For all those not feeling well or in hospital we hope to see you all well and healthy soon. Back at enjoying what you do best, growing orchids.

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**ENGLISH, BLESS IT!**  
**How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites? Where are the people who are spring chickens, who actually would hurt a fly, who can cut the mustard?**

## **Minutes for Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March meeting 2013 of Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Soc.,**

President Garry Callaghan opened the meeting at 7.30pm and introduced our guest speaker Scott Barrie from Barrita Orchids.

Minutes from February meeting have been circulated, Move they be accepted, Ron Boyd, Seconded by Phil Bailey

**Incoming correspondence** read out, newsletters from Eurobodalla Orchid Club, Sapphire Coast, Orchid Club, NSW Orchid Society, Orchid Soc of Canberra and Southern Riviera Orchid Soc.

**Outgoing correspondence.** Letters to Andrea Thompson Soldiers Club regarding booking for our 3 shows, committee meeting and Club meeting dates for 2013,

Question on Newsletter by Tony Groube, "Why was the treasurer's report not included in the newsletter" Treasurer Margaret Turner answered they would be in the future and a sheet with the report are available from her!

Move Correspondence be accepted Ron Boyd & Seconded by Leanda O'Connor.

**Treasurer Report.** Treasurer Margaret Turner read out Treasurers report, Moved it be accepted by Margaret Turner, seconded Pat Callaghan.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**1;** Plant of the night judging system! What is going on! President Garry said it was still being looked into!

**2; Bunnings BBO** next date Easter Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April helpers needed! List quickly filled with volunteers names.

**3;** President Garry said if any of the club's new members wished to have someone help them in their setting up of an orchid house and where to grow orchids, Robert Pollock, Ron Boyd & Mitch Karnaghan were available to help out!

**4;** President Garry introduce guest speaker Scott Barrie who gave a wonderful talk on the way he grows his Sarcophilus orchids followed with slides of his breeding stock Sarcs.

### **Coffee break (30 minutes)**

After the coffee break Scott Barrie spoke on growing his Oncids, especially the dancing lady types and followed up with slides of his Oncidium breeding stock.

**5;** Plant of the night results. **Open Section;** Mitch Karnaghan with Rossioglossium Grand.

**Novice Section;** Leanda O'Connor with Phalaenopsis.

**6;** Lucky door draw certificate \$25 From Batehaven Garden Centre; won by Joy Giust.

