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SOCIETY INC.**

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President report

Hi Members, welcome to our August meeting.

First up a big thank you to all who placed orchids in our Winter Show. There were 169 on display, which was very nice for Members and the public who visited over the 2 days. There were many positive comments from them.

A big thank you to the Committee Members who worked so hard to make it all possible and to the Club Members who came in and helped out over the 3 days of the show, and Leanda O'Connor and her crew for putting together the table top display.

Congratulations to Ron & Rose Boyd for taking out Grand Champion with a

Paphiopedilum, Rob and Sue Fish as Reserve Champion with a Phalaenopsis, Tony Groube & Liz Cleaver as the Most Successful Exhibitor of the show with their amazing collection of Cymbidiums. In the Novice Section, Maureen & Noel Anderson were Champion with a Paphiopedilum & Min Purtell was the most successful. Congratulations and well done to all winners. A list is included at the back of the newsletter.

Congratulations and thanks to other clubs' members who supported the winter show by bringing in their orchids.

Leander O'Connor and her group put on the lovely table top display just inside the main entrance door and thank you also to those who provided orchids for this.

It was nice to see Joy and Bill Giust coming along to see the show on the Saturday and receive a very nice surprise in the way of being awarded the Club's first Life Membership badges. It gave us great pleasure to award these for their many years of loyal service to the Club. They were among the original members at the Club's inception in February 2005. They also received a framed certificate along with a big bunch of flowers. Thanks Joy and Bill for adding so much to our Club over the years.

Guest speaker for August will be Graeme Krake. A well-known grower of Australian Native Terrestrial orchids, and we hope he will bring some plants for sale. Graeme will give a talk on how he grows his terrestrial orchids and mixes he uses.

I would like to apologise to all members at the July Club meeting for the time taken up with the review of the Constitution and By-laws. The committee spent quite a lot of time reviewing and updating these, unfortunately no lawyers amongst us and we got a few wrong. Thanks to the Members at the meeting who helped clarify a few items. The Committee will again

review these and then they will be re-presented. It is not acceptable by me to turn Club night meetings into a long drawn out process and will not happen again.

The July Club meeting benching display was great. Lots more flowering orchids benched with the extra tables. This was a much-needed boost to our benching area.

The Club decided earlier in the year that all new members would receive two (2) young plants as part of their welcome to the Club. They are Dendrobium Johnathon's Glory 'Dark Joy' and Sarcophilus falcatus, which is mounted on cork and our club emblem. I will be giving both to new members when the weather warms up and growing conditions are better, most likely the September meeting.

Good Growing and see you all at the next Club meeting August 4th.

Ron

Other items

Item 1: Members can you please continue to save the bases of the 1.25Lt plastic soft drink bottles for the posie making.

Item 2: Supper is to be provided by Members with an **even membership** number in August. Thanks to all those who brought in goodies in July.

Item 3. The South and West Regional Show and Conference is on the long weekend in September/October (see dates in diary notes). The theme is "Orchids on the Murray". A small group of Members have put their hands up to plan the Club's display for it. There were lots of suggested sub themes put forward at the last General Meeting. We will be practising this at the upcoming Club Shows.

Our next meeting:

Graeme Krake, speaking on Australian Native Terrestrial Orchids. It is hoped that he will also have some plants for sale.

Our last meeting:

See the minutes for a summary of Peter Stubbs very enlightening talk on preparing your plants for showing.

If you know a Member who usually get a newsletter and hasn't this month, it will be because they are no longer financial. Newsletters will not be sent to non-financial Members.

Dates for your Diaries for 2017

August 11 - 13 Orchid Extravaganza Dural

August 20-22 Sapphire Coast Winter Show

August 18 – 20 St Ives Orchid Fair

August 25-27 Melbourne Orchid Spectacular

September 1 – 2 EOC Spring show Narooma

September 7 – 9 BBOFS Spring Show

September 15 – 17 MUOS Spring Show

September 20 – 22 Sapphire Coast Spring Show

September 29 – 1 October (long weekend) S&W Regional Show & Conference Wodonga (See other items for more information)

October 6 – 8 Southern Orchid Spectacular Caringbah

October 19 – 21 BBOFS Native Show.

November 2 – 4 Sapphire Coast Native Show

A little something to lighten your day

A woman applying for a job in a lemon orchid in Queensland seemed to be far too qualified for the job; given her arts and education degrees from a Melbourne University and her previous job as a social worker and teacher at a local TAFE College. The foreman frowned and said, "I have to ask you this, have you had any actual experience at picking lemons?" "Well, as a matter of fact, I have" she replied. "I've been divorced three times, owned a Ford station wagon, a Leyland P76, supported Collingwood the last four years and bought shares in Dick Smith P/L."

***Happy Birthday for August:
Maureen Anderson and Michael
Wright
and any other members whose
birthday falls in August.***

Welcome to New Members.

There have been a few new members this year, which is great to see. We hope you have a learning journey with us and your orchid collection continues to grow and thrive.

In your Orchid House

Remember the comments regarding water from last month's newsletter. Continue to watch out for bugs who might like the developing cymbidium spikes. Apparently, there are aphids about as well as scale insects both of which can damage the spikes as well as the plants.

Wanted

There has been a request made by a member of the Milton – Ulladulla club, Gary McConnell who is looking to buy a Paphiopedilum "Niven". Please contact the secretary of BBOFS and we will pass on the information. Thank you.

Coffee Club continues on the third Thursday of the month from 2-4pm at the Garden Café Botanical Gardens. This is a social get together for Club Members and friends.

Benching

Once again there was a great range of plants benched. Thanks to all members who bring plants in each month.

Open Section

Species: Liz & Tony

Cymbidium > 90mm: Liz & Tony

Cymbidium 60 – 90mm:

Cymbidium < 60mm: Brian Coulton

Australian Native Orchid: Brian Coulton

Laeliinae >70mm: Brian Coulton

Laeliinae <70mm: Brian Coulton

Paphiopedilum: Ron & Rose Boyd

Vandaceous: Rob & Sue Fish

Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance: Rob & Sue Fish

Seedling:

Miscellaneous:

Fern:

Foliage:

Plant of the Night



Paph Pacific Flight x Hampshire Zoo

Novice Section

Species: Lin Barnes

Cymbidium > 90mm:

Cymbidium 60 - 90cm: Min Purtell

Cymbidium < 60mm: Min Purtell

Australian Native Orchid: Ken Covington

Laeliinae > 70cm:

Laeliinae < 70cm:

Paphiopedilum: Maureen & Noel
Anderson

Vandaceous:

Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance:

Seedling: Min Purtell

Miscellaneous:

Fern: ken Covington

Foliage: Ken Covington

Plant of the Night



Cymbid. Shoalhaven Touch of Class Min & Jim Purtell

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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

Monday 4th July 2017

PRESENT: Members: 21 Apologies: 6 Visitors: 2

President Ron opened the meeting thanking all for coming.

Ron then welcomed Peter Stubbs, a local orchid grower and Registrar of the South-West Judging Panel. Peter spoke about presenting orchids for the show bench as well as saying these guidelines should be used when putting plants on the meeting night benching.

Peter stated that planning to show plants should begin early.

- Put plants with spikes in a protective position with good light to help flowers develop. Control pests and water according to the plants' needs.
- When staking, the stake should not protrude above the flower spike. It should be about 10 – 15mm above the last tie, which should be below the first flower. Do not use cable ties or tape on stakes/spikes – the judges may want to unstage the flower to note how strong the stem is – should support the flowers unaided. Remember not all orchids need staking.
- Clean up the pot – if does not come clean, place in a second pot that is clean (looks better).
- Clean the leaves but avoid excessive oiling.
- Water plants well in advance of the show – stops damaging the display table covering.
- Remove weeds
- Trim damaged leaves into natural shape of plant leaf.
- Plant name label should be clear and easy to read
- Plants should be disease and pest free.
- Transporting plants to show/meeting – aim to arrive undamaged
- Can use temporary stakes but remove before placing on show bench.

Peter then walked along the display bench and discussed the staking

habit of the plants on display, some were staked well and others not so well. He explained that you could use artificial means to make sure flowers are presented in the best possible way and explained some of those methods.

Supper break 8.05pm

Returned 8.25pm.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday 1st June at the Soldiers Club Beach Road Batemans Bay having been circulated be accepted as a true copy.

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded:
Brian Coulton Carried

BUSINESS ARISING: included in the General Business.

1. CORRESPONDENCE:

Out

- a) Letter to Soldiers Club re water feature, Paul presenting championship sashes, & storing 2nd Native Show trophy;
- b) Letter to Bunnings requesting major raffle prize for each of the shows and for Krystal to be present to draw the raffles and lucky door prize.
- c) Welcome letter to new members
- d) Follow up phone calls to vendors
- e) Letter to council re banner at Hanging Rock
- f) BBOFS Newsletters

In

- a) Magazines: Orchids Australia, Royal Horticultural Society Victoria.
- b) Newsletters from Wagga Wagga, Sapphire Coast,

Milton/Ulladulla, Canberra, N.S.W, Shoalhaven; EOC.

- c) Response from Paul Biddlestone, Soldiers Club
- d) Acknowledgement from Council re letter about hanging banners at Hanging Rock
- e) Reminder that Orchidwiz subscription has expired
- f) Roselle Orchids catalogue (taken by members)

Moved: Margaret
Turner Seconded: Sylvia
Hawkins Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Anne-Marie presented:-
Opening balance of \$20198.96.
Income \$1975.38 and expenditure \$1342.99. Unpresented cheques to the value of \$1771.90. All income has been deposited. Balance once cheques presented \$19059.45.

Moved: Anne-Marie
Collins Seconded: Min
Purtell Carried

Anne-Marie requested that outstanding accounts be paid. Seconded Robert Fish.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. **Next General Meeting** Graeme Krake, speaking on Australian Native Terrestrial Orchids
- b. The updated copies of the Constitution were discussed. Changes were recommended and accepted. It was suggested that just the pages with changes be sent out with the next newsletter as there is not a large number. This was accepted.
- c. The updated By-Laws were then discussed. A number of changes

were suggested. The area that had the largest amount of discussion related to the section about the elevation of the Novice grower to the Open section. However, due to the lateness of the hour, it was decided to postpone any further discussion until next meeting. Tony agreed that he would send Ron & Margaret the wording from EOC By-Laws for this section.

- d. Next BBQ is Friday 7th. One of the members is now unable to attend. A replacement is required however no-one was able to assist.
- e. Leanda asked members if it would be possible to use some plants for the club display which will be judged along with the plants on the bench. It is understood that a list of the plants on the display would be provided to the Show Marshall and the judges on the night.
- f. It was noted that the two plants awarded at the Native Show 2016 were acknowledged in the latest edition of Orchids Australia magazine. Well done to those growers.
- g. Dorothy requested permission to purchase supplies for Grumpy's Shed to the value of \$5000.00.

Supplies would include – bark; osmocote; hangers; perlite. After a discussion and a vote was called. Seconded by Min Purtell and agreed by show of hands.

- h. Robert Fish asked about advertising for the upcoming show. While nothing has been done at this point, it is planned and will include – The Bay Post; The Independent; The Beagle; ABC radio & 2FM EAR.
- i. Anne-Marie is almost finished painting the banners in preparation for Ron to put up next week.
- j. Plant of the Night certificates were handed out.

4.RAFFLES: Min x 2; Margaret; Rebecca; Ron B; Dorothy; Anne-Marie x 2; Lin.

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE: Rose Boyd

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

Meeting closed 10.10pm

The next meeting will be on Monday 7th August

At Soldiers Club, Batemans Bay

Secretary Margaret Turner



Bill and Joy having received their Life Membership badges, certificate and flowers.



Ron & Rose Boyd with the Grand Champion trophy



Maureen Anderson with Champion Novice trophy.

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Winter Show Champions 2017

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| Grand Champion of the show | Paph. Pacific Flight X Hamshire zoo | <u>R. & R. Boyd</u> |
| Reserve Champion of the show | Phal. I-Hsin Angel X Taisvco Jewel X Yu Pin Coral | <u>R. & S. Fish</u> |
| Most Successful Open Exhibitor of the Show | <u>L. Cleaver & T. Groube</u> | |
| Champion Cymbidium 90 mm and over | Cym. tracyanum 'spice' X Death Wish Saratoga | <u>L. Cleaver & T. Groube</u> |
| Champion Cymbidium 60 to 90 mm | Cym. Golden Ransome X Golden Princess | <u>L. Cleaver & T. Groube</u> |
| Champion Cymbidium up to 60 mm | Cym. Gene Siskel 'Peggy' | <u>Gordon Marion</u> |
| Champion Cymbidium Seedling | Cym. tracyanum 'spice' X Death Wish Saratoga | <u>L. Cleaver & T. Groube</u> |
| Champion Specimen Orchid of the show | Paph. insigne | <u>John Stubbs</u> |
| Champion Paphiopedilum | Paph. Pacific Flight X Hamshire zoo | <u>R. & R. Boyd</u> |
| Champion Laeliinae Alliance | Epi. 'Trixie' X Epi. 'Topaz' | <u>Matt & Anna Janjak</u> |
| Champion Phalaenopsis Classic / Novelty | I-Hsin Angel X Taisvco Jewel X Yu Pin Coral | <u>R. & S. Fish</u> |
| Champion Vandaceous Orchid | Rhyn. gigantean var Peach | <u>John Stubbs</u> |
| Champion Orchid, any other Genera | Eria globifera | <u>Jean Swindley</u> |
| Champion Australian Native Seedling Orchid | NO AWARD | |
| Champion Australian Native Species / Hybrid | Aussie Angel X Windermere | <u>P. & M. Brown</u> |
| Champion any other Seedling Orchid | Paph. Pacific Flight X Hamshire zoo | <u>R. & R. Boyd</u> |
| Champion Pleurothallia Alliance | Mas. Rein Dancer 'Top Red' | <u>P. & L. Vanest</u> |
| Champion Species Orchid | Paph. insigne | <u>John Stubbs</u> |
| Champion Oncidiinae Alliance | Onc. Twinkle Chian-Tzy Golden No.2 | <u>R. & R. Boyd</u> |
| Champion Fern | Tassel Fern | <u>T. Groube & L. Cleaver</u> |
| Champion Foliage | Vreisia Bromiliade | <u>Robin Baker</u> |
| Novice; Champion | Paph. Unknown | <u>M. & N. Anderson</u> |
| Most Successful Novice Exhibitor of the Show | <u>Min Purtell</u> | |