

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID & FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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DECEMBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

Xmas Party 6.30pm for 7pm Monday 1st December 2014

Special General Meeting

The Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society Inc., is calling a "Special Meeting starting 7.30pm to discuss the Treasurer's Report that was not accepted at the AGM in November 2014.

Also at this Special Meeting we will discuss the Treasurer's Report that was put forward at the General Meeting, this was also not accepted.

This Special Meeting will be held on 2^{nd} February, the first Monday night of the month, prior to our normal general meeting . 2015.

Future Dates

1st December Our Xmas Party at the Soldiers Club . If you still wish to come ring Leanda O'Connor on 44 725 961.

4th December Bunning's Family Night

Peoples names on the list to help, Robert, Sue Fish, Liz & Tony, Leanda, Jim and Meagan. Please turn up between 4pm to 4-30pm. Any one else that wishes to help, please come along.

13th December Bunnings BBQ

Peoples names on list 8.30 to 11.30 am Robert & Sue Fish & Peter Stubbs.

11.30am to 2.30pm Leanda , Val & Anne-Marie.

From the President

How time flies, it is now towards the end of another year.

I would like to thank my committee for putting up with myself as President, sometimes I can be a bit loud putting various things across. As for my committee, your committee I feel we have achieved some great things through the year.

We are still going strong with our coffee/chat day at the Batemans Bay Botanical Gardens, most days up to 12 people have attended.

We also continue to work at Bunning's sausage sizzles and this is a good way of making money for our orchid club.

Once again I feel we put on 3 great Orchid Show's throughout this year.

The Winter Show , once again great , the Spring Show also as good , as for the Native Show , we do have some great Orchid grower's in our area coming away with 4 growers gaining awards for various orchids. I would like to thank Rob Pollock for his support throughout the year as Show Marshall for all our Orchid

Show's, also during the year working out the placing for benched plants at our normal meeting's.

We wish Joy well in her retirement from making our Posies to sell at all our Orchid displays, also for all our Show's.

We have gained Leanda, Megan and Sue to step up and make posies for all these events, I must say the Posies looked great, thanks.

In 2015 we do have all our orchid Shows once again, but to add to this we are hosting the 2015 South and West Region Biannual Conference and Show on the October long week-end at the Batemans Bay Soldiers Club.

To finish off I would like to thank all our members that have turned up at our general meetings and benched plants through the year and to all members that have helped at various functions that we have been involved with.

I would like to thank the Batemans Bay Soldiers Club for their generous use of their magnificent facility we really appreciate their support.

To finish off I would like to encourage all our new members to enjoy our club and to grow orchids.

Robert Fish President 2014.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO Our December Birthday members A.Collins, B.Coulton, S.Del Nido, M.Kacarouski, B.Perkins.

Because the Club will not be meeting in January an early Birthday wish to R.Baker, A.Bird, S.Hawkins, M.Turner



AGM Minutes for Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Soc. Monday 3rd November 2014

President Robert Fish opened the meeting at 7.30pm

Apologies; Treasurer Margaret Turner

President Robert Fish welcomed 3 new members, Valerie Dundas, Peter & Annette Stubbs

<u>Secretary's report</u>, AGM November 2013 minutes have been circulated, moved they be accepted Ron Boyd, 2nd Phil Bailey, accepted on the voices!

<u>**Treasurer Report:**</u> read out by acting treasurer Leanda O'Connor, due to incorrect reporting a motion was moved to leave it in abeyance, it will need to be re-done and presented to a special meeting in 2015, passed on the voices.

President Robert Fish read out his presidents report, move it be accepted and 2nd by Tony Groube, passed on the voices! (See attachment)

Discussion on club fees etc., fees to remain at \$15 single members and \$20 for dual (Family) membership. Club members name badges to remain at \$8 each.

All positions on the committee were declared vacant and meeting handed over to Returning Officer Tony Groube. Tony opened all applications forms, and all positions were returned unopposed except one positions

was vacant, Tony called for nominations for 1 (one) committee position from the floor and 1 (one) application was received and applicant Phil Bailey was elected to that position.

Returning officer, Tony Groube read out final results as listed below and declared all positions full.

President; Robert Fish

Vice President; Leanda O'Connor

Secretary; Ron Boyd

Treasurer; Margaret Turner

Committee; Robert Pollock, Jill Bailey, Jim Quinlivan, Megan Quinlivan, Phil Bailey

President Robert Fish thanked Tony Groube and declared AGM closed at 8pm



Ron Boyd Secretary



Minutes for Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Soc. Monday 3rd November Club meeting 2014

President Robert Fish opened the meeting at 8pm and welcomed new members Valerie Dundas, Peter & Annette Stubbs and potential new member Matt. Apologies; Margaret Turner, Robin Baker, Mitch Karnaghan, Norm Kemp.

<u>Secretary's report</u>, October 2014 Club meeting minutes have been circulated, moved they be accepted Ron Boyd, 2nd Phil Bailey, accepted on the voices!

Incoming and Outgoing correspondence read out, moved they be accepted Ron Boyd, 2nd Ann-Marie Collins, accepted on the voices!

Treasurer Report! Acting Treasurer Leanda O'Connor read out the treasurers report, questions by club members about the accuracy of the treasurers report were raised, a motion was moved by President Robert Fish, & 2nd by Tony Groube, "That treasurers report not be accepted and needed to be redone and re-presented at February Club meeting in 2015, passed on the voices. Comments from club members that figures from the report may need looking into!

General Business

Item 1; President Robert Fish spoke on the upcoming Christmas party Monday 1st December at the Bubble Restaurant in the Soldiers club, arrive by 6.30pm and meals start at 7pm, cost \$20 per member.

Item 2: President Robert Fish spoke on a picnic day for all club members next Saturday 8th November at George Boyd Lookout up near Ulladulla, all to meet opposite Ulladulla Harbour at 11am and Phil Bailey will then lead all off to the lookout!

Item 3: Deflasking Phalaenopsis flask demonstration on Sunday 9 November 2014 at Robert Fish home.

Item 4: President Robert Fish spoke on Bunnings family night BBQ Thursday the 4th December with a start at 4pm; need at least 8 names of helpers. He explained they would be running 2 BBQ's and customers bought their food & drinks with vouchers supplied by Bunning.

Another Bunnings BBQ Saturday 13th of December, names needed for morning and afternoon shift

Item 5: Tony Groube spoke on the article about our clubs winter show results in Orchids Australia Magazine.

Item 5: President Robert Fish spoke on the 2013 Australian Native Show results and awards given out, Peter Stubbs explained how the judges awarded orchids, awards by group voting, HCC, AM & FCC also cultural awards such as an ACM, this award is given to the grower were as the other 3 awards are given to the plant.

President Robert Fish called up members Michael & Paula Brown and presented them with 6 award certificates from the 2013 Australian Native Orchid Show, then Peter & Laurina Vanest and presented them with 4 award certificates from the 2013 Australian Native Orchid Show.

Item 6: Ron Boyd attempted to move a motion of 'Changing the price club members paid on hire of sales tables that they may hire to sell their own plants from, price of 1 table \$50 and price of 3 tables at maximum \$70 at our Clubs shows" motion elapsed after a vigorous exchange of ideas.

Coffee Break

Item 7: Bunnings \$20 vouchers, President Robert Fish asked Tony Groube to come up and draw names from the envelopes presented,

1st one was for the workers who made posies for the village centre display Saturday18th October 2014, winner Sue Fish

2nd draw for helpers who made posies at the Australian Native show; Leanda O'Connor

3rd draw for helpers at the Australian Native show; Jim Quinlivan

4th draw, for workers at the Village Centre; Margaret Turner

 5^{th} draw, for helpers at the Australian Native show who wrote the prices on the plants the club bought to sell; Sue Fish

Item 8: President Robert Fish explained the conditions of the Mini Auction of orchids being done next, also explanted all the pots Sarcochilus orchids left over from the Native Orchid show were for sale at \$15 and were not being auctioned.

Auction then commenced! And finished about 20 minutes later!

Item 9: After the Mini Auction was finished the lucky door prize of \$25 voucher from Batehaven Garden Plus nursery was drawn, winner is Dorothy Kauffman.

Item 10: President Robert Fish drew the raffle, congratulation to all the lucky winners, President Robert thanked all for supporting the raffle

Item 11: Show Marshal Robert Pollock read out the plant of the night winners in the novice section and open section.

Item 12: President Robert Fish handed out certificates for September & October plant of the night. To Brian Coulton, Megan and Jim Quinlivan, Robert & Sue Fish.

Being not further business, President Robert Fish closed the meeting down at 10.05pm;

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Ron Boyd Secretary 14/11/2014

6/11/2014

<u>Growing tips from the Orchid Society of N.S.W.Website</u> <u>Growing Paphiopedilums in Temperature Climates (Sydney)</u>

Lycaste

This genus produces large, showy, triangular flowers that are waxy and long lasting. Two cultural groups are generally recognized - the evergreen skinneri-type that flowers from leafy pseudobulbs, and the deciduous aromatic-type, that flower from leafless pseudobulbs.

Light

Requirements vary. Deciduous species prefer light conditions as for cattleyas, 50% to 70% shade. More light is usually provided as new growths form pseudobulbs. Evergreen species prefer less light, 60% to 80% shade.

Temperature

The evergreen species should be fairly constant and never to hot. Nights of 5 to 20 degrees C and days of 25 to 30 degrees C are desirable. The deciduous species of Lycaste can tolerate a upper range up to 40 degrees C during the day and down to 5 degrees C at night when dormant in the winter.

Water

Apply in larger amounts during active growth (usually summer) than when the plants are not producing new leaves and pseudobulbs. The potting medium should just begin to dry out before watering. Deciduous species should be kept almost completely dry when leafless; evergreen species should be kept only slightly drier than normal after pseudobulbs form. Water should be kept off the leaves, and especially out of new growths, to prevent rot or leaf spotting.

Humidity

This should be maintained at 40% to 70%. Deciduous species need less humidity when dormant. Brisk air circulation will help prevent damage to leaves by leaf spot fungi.

Fertilizer

Apply regularly and heavily when plants are actively growing. A high nitrogen formulation is recommended during active growth (usually summer); some grower's top- dress the potting medium with blood meal as new pseudobulbs form. In autumn or as growths mature and pseudobulbs are produced, fertilizer is reduced and/or switched to a high'-phosphorus formulation to stimulate flower production.

Potting

This is best when new growth start, usually in spring. A fine-grade potting medium is often used; bark and perlite (3:1) is a common well-draining mix, and sphagnum moss is also used with good results. When reporting, split plants into no less than two bulbs per pot and choose a pot to allow for two years of growth. The bottom one quarter to one third of the pot should be filled with drainage material, either bark, or Styrofoam The plant should be positioned in the pot so that the newest growths are farthest away from the edge of the pot, allowing the maximum number of new growths without crowding the pot. Spread the roots over a cone of potting medium and fill in around the roots with potting medium to the junction of the roots

and the pseudobulbs. Firm the medium well around the roots by applying pressure. Keep humidity high and the potting medium on the dry side until new roots form. These are a rewarding and generally easy orchid to grow, dare I say a good beginners orchid and an excellent subject for the specialist grower. A large specimen sized pot of any Lycaste in full bloom is a sight to behold and one that will always remain embedded in one's mind.

OPEN SECTION		NOVICE POPULAR VOTE RESULTS	
Species	1st P&L Vanest 2 nd P&L Vanest	Species	1 st Brian Coulton
	3 rd Liz & Tony	Aust Native Orchids	1 st D.Kauffman 2 nd Brian Coulton 3 rd Ted Richards
Cymbidium over 90`			5 Ted Richards
Cymbidium 60 - 90		Cattleya	
	1 st I = 0 T	Cattleya under 70mm	
Cymbidium under 60	1 st Liz & Tony	T 7 I	1 st D : C 1
Cattleya	1 st Rob Pollock	Vandaceous	1 st Brian Coulton 2 nd Brian Coulton
Cattleya under 70 mm	1 st Rob Pollock	Oncidium Alliance	
Pleurothallidinae	1st P&L Vanest 2 nd P&L Vanest	Misc. Hybrids Foliage	
	3 rd P&L Vanest	NOVICE PI	ANT OF THE NIGHT
		BRIAN COULTON	
Australian Native	1 st Maria		
	2 nd Liz & Tony		
Miscellaneous	1 st Liz & Tony		
Vandaceous	1 st Rob Pollock	10Kg	
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Fern Foliage

PLANT OF THE NIGHT MARIA KACAROVSKI LC"CHIT CHAT TANGERINE"

Growing Comp DEN. ELLEN.

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Recent field Trip









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Picnic day 9 November 2014.

Subtitled in search of the wet dog orchid (Liparis relflexa)

On Sunday 9 November a number of intrepid picnickers met at Ulladulla Civic Centre in readiness for our visit to George Boyd Lookout in Morton National Park.

Our guide Phil (Beetle) Bailey led the convoy to the lookout for what turned out to be a very enjoyable day with 8 species orchids observed.

On arrival at the lookout we saw *Dendrobium striolatum* [*Dockrillia striolata*] growing on very exposed sandstone outcrops.

After taking in the view it was down to the picnic area for lunch and what turned out to be more orchids growing insitu. In total 8 Species orchids were observed along with an array of ferns.

Orchids observed were *Dendrobium striolatum* [*Dockrillia striolata*], *Dendrobium pugioniforme* [*Dockrillia pugioniformis*], *Dendrobium aemulum*, *Plectorrrhiza tridentata*, *Bulbophyllum exigum*, *Sarcochilus falcatus*, *Cymbidium suave* and a *Chiloglottis* species not in flower. Whilst we were not able to observe *Liparis relflexa* we knew it was in the vicinity by a strong smell (for those who don't know *Liparis relflexa* has a distinctive smell of urine).

Peter Stubbs November 2014

Some of the orchids observed



Figure 1 <u>Dendrobium striolatum</u> exposed position



Figure 3 Chiloglottis species not in flower



Figure 2 *Dendrobium striolatum* shady position



Figure 4 Sarcochilus falcatus

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