



BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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Committee: Rose Boyd, Lin Barnes, Maureen Anderson, Paula Brown, Brian Perkins.

President report

Hi members welcome to 2017 and a hopefully what will be a great New Year to grow the perfect orchid.

Our dates of Club meetings and events for 2017 are with this Newsletter, I hope you enjoy the guest speakers we have organised. The list will be updated as we get more replies back from other we have written to.

At our February 6th 2017 meeting, Jane Wright will be speaking on Masdevallias. Jane will have Masdevallias for sale as well as other plants.

We are updating our Native Show Schedule to represent modern views on some aspects in the schedule as requested by some of the senior Judges at last year's Native Show, I would like a panel of interest members to stay back after the general meeting is finished to check the changes. These will then need to go to a general meeting for final agreement.

Novice members remember when you bench your Orchids at Club meetings this year you will receive 1 orchid free in an 80mm pot at the 2017 Christmas Party, along with what has been won during benching.

We are preparing a new Growing Experience this year, one will be a surprise and a gift to members, hopefully available at the April Club meeting and another featuring *Dendrobium* Jonathon's Glory 'Dark Joy'. A fine shaped large purple kingianum type, a very good grower and top show orchid.

Hopefully, this will be available to members at the February 6th club meeting for around \$7 per membership.

There are good ideas on growing and in particular watering of orchids on the following website <http://www.orchidden.com.au/miss-orchid-girl.html>

Remember for all your Orchid needs - **Grumpy's Shed** is well stocked.

Good Growing and see you all at the meeting on Monday 6th February.

Ron Boyd

Our next meeting:

Our first meeting for 2017 will be Monday February 6th at 6.30pm for benching, 7pm for judging and 7.30pm for the meeting. Guest speaker will be Jane Wright from Canberra who will be speaking on Masdevallias. Jane has been a regular visitor to our shows as a judge so it will be good to have her here sharing her knowledge with the club.

A reminder that there are still two (2) committee positions vacant. It would be good if these could be filled as soon as possible, preferably by more experienced growers as the committee currently has a majority of Novice members.

Our last meeting:

Was a brief general meeting followed by the Christmas luncheon. This was an enjoyable affair with multiple Plants of the Night certificates handed out along with the plants for benching results. See minutes for further information & photos.

Also at that meeting, Ron presented Joy Guist with a Meritorious Award which recognises all the hard work she has completed for the club over the last 10 years.

There are still some members who need to collect plants that they were awarded for benching during 2016. Those members are Brian Coulton, Peter & Laurine Vanest, and Alan Bird. Could these members let either Margaret or Anne-Marie know which meeting they will be attending so that we can have their plants available for them?

Thanks

Memberships were due on the 1st January and can be paid at the February meeting. It remains at \$15 for single member and \$20 per couple.

*Happy Birthday for January:
Robin Baker; Allan Bird; Granine Funder-
Wright; Sylvia Hawkins; and Margaret
Turner;
& any others who have a birthday for both
January and February.*

ANNUAL ORCHID WORKSHOP IN CANBERRA

The Orchid Society of Canberra will be hosting the annual Orchid Workshop in Canberra over the weekend of 18-19 March 2017. Bill Miles of Orchid Species Plus and Stephen Stebbings of Orchids on Newbold will be our guest presenters and will have many beautiful orchids for sale. They will give a number of talks on species and hybrids in their areas of expertise. There will be something for everyone – from the beginner to the experienced grower. We hope also to have a couple of talks by local Canberra orchid specialists. The format will be similar to previous workshops, with morning and afternoon presentations on Saturday, starting about 9am, and a morning session on Sunday. Tea and coffee (with cake and biscuits), available during the breaks between sessions, will be covered by the registration fee of \$25. Lunch and dinner will be at the expense of participants. The brochure and registration form are available on <http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/Documents/Canberra17Workshop.pdf>

Dates for your Diaries for 2017

February 6 - First club night for 2017
March 18 – 19 March workshop Canberra
April 14 – 15 Castle Hill Orchid Fair
May 26 – 28 Orchids Out West
June 22 – 24 Royale Orchids open days and fair
June 23 – 25 Mingara Orchid fair
July 7 – 8 EOC Winter show Moruya
July 14 – 16 MUOS Winter Show
July 20 – 22 BBOFS Winter Show
August 11 – 13 Orchid Extravaganza Dural
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
October long weekend S&W Regional Show &

Conference Wodonga

October 6 – 8 Southern Orchid Spectacular
Caringbah

October 19 – 21 BBOFS Native Show.

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.

In your orchid house:

Fertilizing and watering and watching for bugs seem to be the order of the day at present, particularly during such changeable weather. Remember that orchids on mounts need to be watered at least daily depending on how hot it is or has been. Watering during the heat of the day is also not recommended, but misting is acceptable but should be done during the cooler times of the day ie morning or late afternoon.

Orchids like Stanhopea should be in flower and I have included a photo of mine which eventually came out on the hottest day (Tuesday 17th January) we have had for the summer.



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**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE GENERAL
MEETING HELD**

**THE GARDEN CAFÉ, BOTANTICAL
GARDENS**

BATEMANS BAY

Wednesday 7th December 2016

PRESENT: Members: 24 Apologies: 3
Visitors: 2

President Ron opened the meeting thanking all for coming

MINUTES: The Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday, 7th November at the Soldiers Club Beach Road; Batemans Bay having been circulated be accepted as a true copy.

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Robert Fish
Carried

BUSINESS ARISING: included in the General Business.

1. CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Magazines: Orchids Australia,
- b) Newsletters from Wagga Wagga, Sapphire Coast, Milton/Ulladulla, Canberra, N.S.W, Shoalhaven; EOC including best wishes for the festive season

c) Bank statement

Out

- a) Invitation to sponsors for our Christmas function
- b) BBOFS Newsletters

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Megan Quinlivan
Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Anne-Marie presented her report:- Balance as at 30th November 2016 \$15737.79. Income was \$2537.00 which was derived from Grumpy's shed \$898.90; BBQ (19/11) \$1168.40; membership \$100.00; Auction \$29.00; commission \$18.70; raffle \$82.00. Expenditure was \$1518.76 which was \$320.00 judges cheques from Native show; engraving \$64.00; stores \$54.95; printer ink \$143.16; name badge \$7.00; BBQ provisions \$293.65; benching plant gifts \$378.40; raffle plants \$257.60. There are no unrepresented cheques. Floats total \$535.00.

Moved: Anne-Marie Collins Seconded: Megan Quinlivan
Carried

Requested payment of outstanding accounts

Moved: Anne-Marie Collins Seconded: Robert Fish.
Carried

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. **Next General Meeting** February 6th 2017
- b. The amended annual financial report has been circulated with December newsletter. Anne-Marie read out her report and confirmed that the auditor had completed the audit with the corrected data. Anne-Marie asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the report. None were forthcoming. Anne-Marie then moved that the report be accepted. Seconded by Robert Fish. Passed by show of hands.
- c. BBQ on Friday 16th December - extra person required. Leanda offered to assist. Thanks Leanda.
- d. Ron spoke about a proposed bus trip on May 26th to Orchids Out West. Members from EOS & MUOS have also been invited to come. Ron is discussing costs and travel times with Marshall's bus lines from Moruya. More information will be available at February meeting where the suggestion will be ratified by the members. If members are interested in attending and are not planning to attend the February meeting, could you please let Ron know of your interest.
- e. There are still four positions vacant on the committee. Ron stated that he had spoken with Brian Perkins who has agreed to become a committee member and Dorothy has agreed to be Vice President for the year. Thank you to both these members.
- f. Plant of the Night certificates were handed out along with the recognition of those members who had benched plants during the year. Most successful were Tony and Liz in the Open and Margaret as the Novice. Margaret was again reminded that she will be in the Open section next year.
- g. The committee had spoken about providing Novices with an extra plant if they had benched a plant during the year. This is to encourage them to show their plants. This was agreed on show of hands.
- h. The NSW Orchid Society has a Meritorious Service Award which clubs are able to access and present to members who have provided outstanding service to

their club. The committee discussed this during the year and it was decided that the first recipient of this award for BBOFS would be Joy Guist. Joy was presented with this medal at the conclusion of the general meeting. Thank you to Joy for her years of support and hard work to our club.

Meeting closed 12.30pm

**The next meeting will be on Monday 6th
February 2017**

At Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay

Secretary Margaret Turner

Lunch was then served.

RAFFLES: were drawn between courses with Jim Quinlivan and Margaret Turner winning the raffles provided by the club. There were multiple other prizes provided by members which we thank you for. Unfortunately, the winners were not recorded, but congratulations to you all.





Batemans Bay Soldiers Club

Beach Road, Batemans Bay

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Kate Willis

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