



BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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President report June 2016

Hi fellow members, welcome to the next club meeting on June 6th we will have **Lynne Phelan** speaking on the Laelia Cattleya family. Will be interesting to hear Lynne speak on how she grows all her Laelias.

The Orchid crawl on Saturday 8th May went very well, thanks to Brian & Hillary for their hospitality and morning tea as well as Tony & Liz for their hospitality and lovely BBQ lunch, so pleased to see so many different orchids in flower.

At the May meeting our annual orchid & miscellaneous products auction went very well raising \$387 towards subsidising our members cost for the Christmas Party. Many thanks for those who donated items for the raffle and a big thank you to the buyers.

I would also like to thank a few helpers at the regular meeting and especially last month's meeting. Leanda O'Connor for stepping in at the last minute to do the Plant of the Night voting and results as Brian Coulton was ill. Job well done Leanda. Also Jim Quinlivan and Robin Baker for looking after the raffle table, many thanks.

A big thank you to Kate Willis for the donation of \$250, which will go towards covering the costs of posting our newsletters.

Our May meeting was a special occasion, I was very proud on behalf of the Batemans Bay Orchid and Foliage Soc Inc. to present a cheque of \$250 donation to Mrs L Harris, Treasurer of the Batemans Bay Hospital Auxiliary. Tuesday morning at 10.30am Margaret Turner and I arranged to meet at the Batemans Bay Soldiers Club to meet Kath Smith, Secretary of the Moruya

Hospital Auxiliary and present her a cheque of \$250 as a donation.

We also presented a cheque of \$283.44 to Carolyn Harding & Jacki Harding representing the Snowy Hydro South Care as the donation profit from April Bunnings BBQ.

We have a change of BBQ dates, our June date is Sunday the 5th, and we need a volunteer for the 8am to 12 noon time frame. Please give me a ring on 44721934 if you can help out as this is a day before our next club meeting.

Our next Bunnings BBQ will be on Saturday 21 May. Many thanks to all who volunteered to help out. Most of the money raised will be going towards the prize money, ribbons and trophies at the upcoming Club's 3 shows and Christmas Party. Again thanks to all who regularly help out.

The committee has been looking at ways to encourage the novice members to bench orchids, ferns or foliage plants at club meetings. To encourage this, the committee decided any novice who benched a plant during the year would be awarded one bonus plant at the Christmas party.

Good Growing and see you all at the June 6th meeting.

Ron Boyd

Our last meeting.

We started the meeting by presenting Lanine Harris, Treasurers of the Batemans Bay Hospital Ancillary with a cheque to assist their fundraising. After the coffee break, a very successful auction was held which raised \$387. Well done to those who provided the articles for the auction and those who purchased these items.

Our next meeting:

The guest speaker is Lynne Phelan who will be speaking about the Laelia Cattleya family.

Anyone who has any suggestions for books on Orchids that you think might be good for our library or wish to donate to our library, please speak with Lin Barnes. Thanking you in anticipation.

Club Program: Please let a committee member know if you have any suggestions for speakers or activities. This is updated on the website when speakers or activities are confirmed.

We send our best wishes to any member who is ill or undergoing treatment. We hope you are soon feeling much better.

Dates for your Diaries

June 25 -26 Mingara Orchid Show & Fair
July 8 – 9 EOC Winter Show
July 16 – 17 Milton/Ulladulla Winter Show
July 21 – 23 BBOFS Winter Show
August 5 – 7 National Orchid Extravaganza Dural
August 19 – 21 St Ives Orchid Fair
August 19 -21 Sapphire Orchid Club Spring Show
August 26 - 28 EOC Spring Show
August 26 – 28 Melbourne Orchid Spectacular
September 8 – 10 BBOFS Spring Show
September 22 - 23 Sapphire Spring Show
September 24 – 25 Milton/Ulladulla Spring Show
October 7 - 9 Southern Orchid Spectacular
October 20 – 22 BBOFS Native Show
October 24 – 25 Sapphire Native Show
If you are interested in all the NSW shows a list

can be found on the Orchid Society of NSW at www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/shows2016

Coffee Club will continue 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.

Orchid Appreciation Course

Doing the homework for this course was interesting as it helps one learn about the parents of the orchids we know as well as some facts relating to their breeding. Having Orchid Wiz on the computers has certainly made this process a lot easier and as most of the plants have photos of both the parents and the offspring. It was an

informative and knowledgeable exercise.

In your orchid house:

Check your plants for spikes. It seems like a good idea to mark them, so that one can monitor their progress.

It is also worth thinking about any creepy crawlies

Don't forget the website:

www.batemansbayofs.weebly.com and the Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/bbofs/?fref=ts>

that maybe out and about that might like to eat the spikes.

It is past time to think about covering the orchid house to protect it from the colder winter nights. Apparently there have been a couple of light frosts in Mogo already.

Anne-Maree is looking for photos and information to put on the Facebook page. If you have orchids flowering, please take a photo and send to her and she will post it on the page. All items posted need to have her approval prior to posting. This is a protective mechanism to ensure the integrity of the page is maintained and it is not hacked.

Benching

In last month's newsletter there were a couple of mistakes relating to benching and for which I apologize. Firstly, the plant of the night was wrongly named in that it is a Psychopsis and secondly the species first prize was shared by Tony & Liz and Brian Coulton.

There was a good display of plants offered in both the Novice and Open sections. It was good to see the Novices with plants on the table.

Open Section

Species: Tony & Liz

Cymbidium under 60cm: Liz & Tony

Australian Native Orchid:

Laeliinae under 70cm: Rob & Sue Fish

Laeliinae over 70cm:

Vandaceous: Rob & Sue Fish

Paphiopedilum: Liz & Tony

Oncidiinae Alliance: Liz & Tony

Seedling: Liz & Tony

Miscellaneous: Liz & Tony

Foliage: Liz & Tony

Fern: Rob & Sue Fish

Plants of the Night

Happy Birthday for June:

Liz Cleaver, Maureen Miller, Robert Fish, Manuel del Nido & any others who have a birthday this month.

Rob & Sue Fish Vandaceous Phal. Sogo Yukidian & Phal hybrid Lueddernaniana x ambanensis.



Phal. Sogo Yukidian



Phal hybrid Lueddernaniana x ambanensis.

Novice Section

Species: Lin Barnes

Cymbidium 60 - 90cm: Alan Bird

Australian Native Orchid:

Laeliinae under 70cm:

Laeliinae over 70cm:

Vandaceous:

Paphiopedilum:

Pleurothallidinae: Margaret Turner

Oncidiinae Alliance: Margaret Turner

Miscellaneous:

Fern: Margaret Turner

Foliage: Jim & Meg Quinlivan

Plant of the Night

Margaret Turner's Oncidiinae "Sweet Sugar"



Onc Sweet Sugar

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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

Monday 2nd May 2016

PRESENT: Members: 21 Apologies: 3 Visitors: 1

President Ron opened the meeting thanking all for coming.

Having opened the meeting, Ron welcomed Lanine Harris, Treasurer of the Batemans Bay Hospital Ancillary to receive a cheque for \$250 as a donation from the club. Once presented, Lanine thanked the members for considering the hospital and explained that the ancillary provides the funds to purchase equipment that makes it easier for staff to care for patients and ensures patient comfort and promotes wellness for the patient. Lanine then left the meeting.

It was explained that members of the Moruya Hospital Ancillary and Snowy Hydro Southcare Helicopters had also been invited to the meeting but had been unable to attend. Ron & Margaret have planned to meet with their representatives at the Soldiers Club on Tuesday morning. (This was done – information in the newsletter).

MINUTES: The Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday 4th April at the Soldiers Club Beach Road, Batemans Bay having been circulated be accepted as a true copy.

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: A. Bird
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, North Shore
- c) Updated information for request for Show judges; Orchids out West flyer; 2FM EAR general meeting notice.
- d) Membership cheque

Out

- a) Letter re number of judges needed for Native Show
- b) Letter to Soldiers Club regarding water feature;
- c) Letter to Eurobodalla Shire Council requesting permission to ask Marine Rescue to hang banner at Hanging Rock.
- d) BBOFS Newsletters & amended show schedule
- e) Phone calls – Visitor information Centre requesting permission to hang banner – permission given – dates from 11th July; 29th August & 10th October. Banner is to be removed by Monday morning after each of the shows. Village Centre – confirm dates for Centre displays 16th July; 3rd September & 15th October; confirm cheque presentations with BB & Moruya hospital auxiliaries & Snowy Hydro Southcare helicopters; Robert Fish re hanging banner on the fence at their access road.

Moved: Margaret Turner
Seconded: K. Willis
Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Anne-Marie Collins presented the April financial report. Opening balance was \$16,544.86. Income from raffle, Grumpy's shed; BBQ and membership totalled \$1,661.20. Expenditure was ink & gifts \$164.97, Tinonee Orchids \$400.00,

BBQ expenses \$280.14, computer \$599, Orchid Wiz \$418.34, name badges \$28, and copy paper \$14.15 totalling \$1904.80. There being no questions

Moved: Anne-Marie Collins Seconded: Robert Fish
Carried

Profit from BBQ on 8th April was \$283.44 which will be donated to Snowy Hydro South Care Helicopter as per resolution at the last meeting.

Request that outstanding bills be paid.
Moved A-M Collins Seconded T. Groube
Carried

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

a. **Next General Meeting** Speaker will be Lynne Phelan speaking on Laelia-Cattleya family. This is still to be confirmed as Lynne is overseas at present. Ron will follow up with her.

b. **Donation:** Kate Willis has given a donation of \$250 to cover the cost of postage of the newsletter for the remainder of the year. Thank you Kate.

c. **Benching:** Rob Fish asked about the new form for benching and asked why it was not explained to members prior to its use. It was explained that Brian Coulton had explained it to the committee and had expected to be at this meeting to speak with members prior to voting. However, as explained at the start of the meeting Brian is unwell but had provided the club with the items that he had completed. The main change was to the form itself in that the novice and open sections were separated instead of being on each side of the voting sheet. This had confused members as the novice section is usually where members start the voting because of the layout of the room. The other question was introduction of the two sizes of the Laeliae (under & over 70mm). It was explained that this is now included in the show schedule so it seemed appropriate to put it in the benching. Members were happy with the explanation provided.

d. **Computer:** Margaret stated that the computer had been purchased and set up. Orchid wiz has not arrived as yet. Ron put

the motion that “a second computer be purchased for the secretary’s use”. This generated a lot of discussion however after some time it was seconded by Tony Groube on the proviso that both computers were bought to each meeting for members’ use. Votes were for 17 against 4. Carried. Margaret to follow up.

- e. **Bunnings Family night:** time has been brought forward to a 5.30pm start. Ron thanked those members who had offered to attend with him at the last meeting. There was some discussion as to whether or not this is a worthwhile activity. For further discussion once this Family night was over.
- f. **Bunnings BBQ:** next one is 21st May. Members have volunteered for the morning shift. Members still required for the afternoon shift (12 – 4.30). Please contact Ron if you are able to assist. Date for BBQ in June is Friday 10th. Ron will request assistance for this at the June meeting.
- g. **Show Schedule:** Ron discussed the changes made to the show schedule. There was no discussion regarding these changes. Moved Ron Boyd; Seconded Matt Janjak. Carried. Margaret will redistribute with next newsletter.
- h. **Trophies:** Could members who have perpetual trophies for the Winter Show please return them before the July meeting? Thank you.
- i. **Orchid Crawl:** Due to Brian Coulton’s ill health, it is unsure as to whether we will be able to visit his place. Also Tony & Liz’s address was wrong in the last minutes – it should be Garagarang St, Maula Bay. Margaret to correct on member lists.
- j. **Colour charts:** Matt asked if it is still possible to purchase the colour charts used by judges when awarding plants. They were expensive but he is interested in knowing if it is possible to purchase them. Margaret will follow up with the Orchid Council of NSW. (found out that they are 199 pounds plus postage from the Royal Horticultural Society London shop). This started a discussion about judges at shows, the difficulties in getting same, should we request an extra panel

for the Spring show and the requirements of the judges present to find extra judges if the judges felt that a plant was worthy of an award. Those of us who are participating in the Orchid appreciation course explained that Ian Chalmers had made it very clear that two extra judges would be found to be able to award the plant if it was required.

Coffee break 8.35pm

Returned 8.50pm

4. **Auction** was conducted raising \$387.00 – well done everyone.

5. **RAFFLES:** Liz Cleaver; Robert Fish; Anne-Maree Collins x 2; Dot Kauffman; Lin Barnes; Jim Quinlivan.

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE: Margaret Turner & Rose & Ron Boyd.

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

Meeting closed 9.50pm

The next meeting will be on Monday

At Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay

Secretary Margaret Turner



Ron, Lanine Harris & Margaret



**Kath Smith, Chris Smith (Moruya Hospital)
Ron, Carolyn Harding, Jacki Harding (South Care) & Margaret**



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