

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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Newsletter - June 2017

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President report

Hi members,

Welcome to our Club's June meeting.

Thanks to all members who brought in and donated plants for our Annual May Cub night plant Auction, also to all the buyers who made the auction a big success raising \$427 that will be go towards our Christmas party.

The cold changes to our weather pattern as winter rushes upon us is having a big impact on many species of orchids to produce their flower spikes. Keep a good lookout for bugs that may try and ruin your plants long growing season by eating your plants' new emerging flower spikes.

Benching of plants for display on club nights is between 6.30 and 7pm. Then voting start will be announced by me or Lin Barnes.

Lin Barnes is our coordinator for this. I and a couple of other nominated Members will be helping out in the setting up area.

I would like to see all refrain from benching plants until tables are setup with dividers and orchid classes setup.

This will make it easier for all, especially Lin, remember to make sure all orchid names are spelt correctly and printed clearly on plant label as well as card in front of plant.

Bus trip 'Orchids Out West' Friday 26th May is now fully booked and I thank all Members of our Club, and other district clubs as well, for making this bus trip a success.

Our Committee has updated the raffle table's stock of plants for the rest of the year. These plants are now under cover in my greenhouse. As requested by Club Members we have ordered a mixture of plants in 80mm size pots. The order was done through one of our most reputable nurseries, Tinonee Orchids. The size of the plants in the pots is exceptional; most are near flowering size and I suspect a lot will flower this spring. Check them out on the raffle table at the June Club Meeting.

The Committee is currently working on producing our updated 2017 version of the Club's Constitution, not done since 2005.

The Committee is also updating our Club's By-Laws. These by-laws have all been passed by Members at various times over the years. We will have it all done soon and then it will be made available to all of our Club Members.

At our upcoming meeting, I would like the Members to have a discussion and then hopefully pass the following new By-Law.

a) Life Membership is the highest honour the Club can bestow on a Member and is to be restricted accordingly. Life Membership may be granted to a Member who has served the Club in an exemplary manner for a minimum of 10 years. (Dating back to foundation of the Club, 7 February 2005)

b) Nominations, including the reasons for nomination, should be lodged with the Secretary and decision discussed at Committee level and passed by Members at Club meetings.

Another idea that came out of the last Committee Meeting was for Plant of the Night winners in Open and Novice Section to give a short talk on how they have grown their prize winning plant. Please give the idea some consideration so members may benefit from your growing information.

At the June Club Meeting I will be leading a short talk on watering orchids throughout the growing seasons, and what to do during the cooler to cold winter months, aimed at helping the newer Members of our Club to grow and water their orchids more successfully. Please feel free to join in this discussion.

Good Growing and see you all at the next Club Meeting.

Ron

Other items

Item 1: Members can you please save the bases of the 1.25Lt plastic soft drink bottles for the posie making. We will also be looking for flowers and greenery to use in the posie making. Offers gratefully accepted.

Item 2: Once again it is the even Membership numbers who will be bringing in the supper. Thanks to all those who brought in goodies in May, There was a great choice.

Item 3. Members will be asked to bring "Growing Experience plant & mounted club emblem plant into September meeting. More information to follow.

Item 4. 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. They are asking

Members to make suggestions as to what the display might be, working on the nominated theme. If anyone has any suggestions, could you please forward them to Secretary Margaret so the group can start working on this project. We are also hoping to get some practice at doing this at the upcoming Club Shows. We will also need flowering plants and greenery for the display.

Our next meeting:

Our June meeting will be a general discussion relating to watering and general care of orchids during the winter months.

After the mix up that occurred at the benching process last meeting, the Committee will arrange to have extra tables available for Members to place their orchids on until the section name labels and the dividers are out. We are also asking that Members do not start benching or voting until asked to do so. Hopefully this will result in a more orderly benching process. Thank you for your cooperation.

Our last meeting:

Action Night: Thanks to all those who provided items for the raffle table. It was mostly plants, but there were also other items as well. It raised \$427 which will help to support Club Members at the Christmas function.

If you know a Member who usually gets 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

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

Happy Birthday for June: Liz Cleaver and Robert Fish and any other members whose birthday falls in June.

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

In your Orchid House

Hope all your shade cloth orchid houses are now covered. We have had some cold nights this month to say nothing of this recent rainfall. Be on the lookout for pests as they like to catch us unawares and start eating the developing spikes.

This is the last of the growing season; however some orchids will still be maturing their growths so remember that they still need food and water but not as much.

Anne-Marie has provided a link to an American website that she has found useful. Hope others do too.

http://www.aos.org/orchids/culturesheets.aspx

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

I have left the April benching results in as I am sure I did not finish the list in the last newsletter. My apologies for that. My reason is I was looking after grandchildren and I got distracted.

Open Section (April)

Species: Rob & Sue Fish & Liz & Tony

Cymbidium over 90mm:

Cymbidium 60 – 90mm: Liz & Tony

Cymbidium under 60mm:

Australian Native Orchid: Liz & Tony Laeliinae over 70mm: Brian Coulton Laeliinae under 70mm: Brian Coulton

Paphiopedilum:

Vandaceous: Rob & Sue Fish

Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidinae Alliance: Liz & Tony

Seedling:

Miscellaneous: Liz & Tony **Foliage:** Robert & Sue Fish

Fern: Rob & Sue Fish

Plant of the Night Phal Hsinying Sakura

Robert & Sue Fish



Novice Section (April)
Species:

Cymbidium over 90mm: Cymbidium 60 - 90cm:

Cymbidium under 60mm: Alan Bird

Australian Native Orchid: Laeliinae: over 70cm Laeliinae under 70cm:

Paphiopedilum: Vandaceous: Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance: Alan Bird

Seedling:

Miscellaneous:

Fern: Foliage:

Plant of the Night Miltonia Ruffles "Scent

of a Woman" Alan Bird



Open Section (May)

Species: Rob & Sue Fish **Cymbidium over 90mm:**

Cymbidium 60 - 90cm: Liz & Tony

Cymbidium under 60mm:

Australian Native Orchid: Leanda

O'Connor

Laeliinae: over 70cm: Maria Kacarovski Laeliinae under 70cm: Brian Coulton

Paphiopedilum:

Vandaceous: Sue & Rob Fish

Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance: Ron & Rose Boyd

Seedling: Sue & Rob Fish **Miscellaneous:** Brian Coulton

Fern: Rob & Sue Fish Foliage: Leanda O'Connor

Plant of the Night



Oncidiinae Sweet Sugar "Million Dollar"

Novice Section (May)

Species: Maureen Anderson Cymbidium over 90mm: Cymbidium 60 - 90cm:

Cymbidium under 60mm: Alan Bird

Australian Native Orchid:

Laeliinae: over 70cm Min Purtell Laeliinae under 70cm: Una Roberts

Paphiopedilum: Vandaceous: Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance: Min Purtell

Seedling:

Miscellaneous: Robin Baker **Fern:** Meg & Jim Quinlivan

Foliage:

Plant of the Night



Sophrolae Liocattleya Precious Red Jewel x "Chester Arms" Una Roberts



Miltonia Spectabilis var Moreliona Maureen Anderson

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

Monday 1st May 2017

PRESENT: Members: 30 Apologies : 2 Visitors: 2

President Ron opened the meeting thanking all for coming

MINUTES: The Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday 3rd April at the Soldiers Club, Beach

Road, and Batemans Bay having been circulated be accepted as a true copy.

Moved: M. Turner Seconded: Kate Willis Carried

BUSINESS ARISING: included in the General Business.

1. CORRESPONDENCE: Out

- a) Email to Lesley Bromley confirming 2 panels for Native Show
- b) BBOFS Newsletters
- c) 7 letters to potential vendors regarding sales tables at shows. Mogo Orchid & Fern Nursery; Batehaven Nursery & Hardware; Riverview Orchids; Steve Morgan; Tom & Elaine Kelly; Michael & Grainne Funder-Wright; Robert Pollock.
- d) Letters to Cameron's Hardware re banner on old Bunning site fence & to Coast & Country to place banner near the Mogo Zoo banner.
- e) Emails between committee members
- a) Magazines: Orchids Australia
- b) Newsletters from Wagga Wagga, Sapphire Coast, Milton/Ulladulla, Canberra, N.S.W, Shoalhaven; EOC.
- c) Confirmation of judges for shows for 2017
- d) Bank statement;
- e) Information relating to Australian Orchid Foundation
- f) Response from Albury Wodonga re acceptance of our agreeing to attend Regional Show & Conference.

Moved: M. Turner Seconded: Una Roberts Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Anne-Marie presented:opening balance \$17041.37. Income was \$1975.77 with expenditure of \$775.92. There were no unpresented cheques which gave us a balance at 30th April of \$18,239.22. Floats to the value of \$535 are maintained.

Moved: A.M. Collins. Seconded: Una Roberts Carried

Anne-Marie requested approval for payments of outstanding accounts.

Seconded: Robin Baker Carried

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. Next General Meeting will be Monday 5th June, which will be a general discussion relating to managing your orchid collection during the winter months.
- b. The second championship trophy for the Native Show was on display along with the smaller trophies for all the shows.
- c. Ron followed up the discussion at the end of last month's meeting with a discussion the Committee had. The Committee endorsed the decisions made at the General Meeting to keep a lower profile for Grumpy's shed. This would include no advertising (which is currently done), no cheques cash only sales, and not to have a table at the shows.
- **d.** Ron spoke about encouraging Members to sponsor a

- championship at shows in an effort to offset the negative impact the prize monies has on the Club's finances. Margaret will have the sponsorship sheets June and at the subsequent meetings. Some Members have already volunteered to sponsor champions for which we extend our thanks.
- **e.** Next BBQ at Bunnings is this Friday. Volunteers in place. Thank you.
- f. The June BBQ is Saturday 3rd June. Volunteers called for. Once again thank you to those who offered to assist.
- g. The next Bunnings Garden Workshop will be Tuesday 30th May between 11am & 1pm. Volunteers were called for and Ron, Leanda & Anne-Marie offered to assist. Thank you.
- **h.** The bus trip to Orchids out West is full. Thanks to all those attending.
- i. Margaret apologized for not completing the benching results in the newsletter. She was looking after grandchildren and obviously got distracted. The results for both April and May will be in the June newsletter.

Supper break 8.15

Returned 8.35

Auction was then conducted. There was a good collection of plants and other items on the table. Thank you to those who contributed to this collection and those who purchased items. The auction raised \$427.00.

These funds will be used to supplement the cost of the Christmas party for Members.

4. RAFFLES: Maureen Anderson, Dorothy Kauffman x 2, Margaret Turner, Jim Purtell x 3, Anne-Marie Collins, Paula Brown, Liz Cleaver, Norm Haslow, Brian Perkins.

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE: Una Roberts

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

Meeting closed 9.20pm

The next meeting will be on Monday 5th June at Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay

Secretary Margaret Turner

Pickup and drop off times for Bus trip to Orchids out West Friday 26th May

I would like to request passengers to arrive 5 minutes early at pick up points so all can enjoy maximum time at the Show looking at and buying orchids, your support will be appreciated. Ron.

Departure at 6.30am - Moruya CWA (off Queen St.) rear car-park

Departure time: 6:50am Batemans Bay Bowling Club Car park facing Princess Highway

Departure time: 7:35am Ulladulla big pick-up bus stop opposite the Marlin Hotel.

Departure time: 8:15am Bewong main bus and coach stop

Arrival time: 8:30am Departure time: 9:00am Nowra South McDonalds; (02) 4422 1099

Arrival at Destination 11:45am; Hawkesbury Racecourse, Racecourse Rd,

Clarendon **Estimated Departure time:** 2:30pm

Arrival time: 5:15pm Departure time 5:45pm Nowra South McDonalds

Arrival time: 6:00pm Bewong main bus and coach stop

Arrival time: 6:50pm Ulladulla big pick-up bus stop opposite the Marlin Hotel.

Arrival time: 7:35pm Car park at Bowling Club Batemans Bay,

Arrival time: 8:00pm Moruya CWA (off Queen St.) rear car-park

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EDWARD RD BATEHAVEN-FOR ALL YOUR GARDEN SUPPLIES!

Bunnings of Batemans Bay

Sponsoring our Club through its BBQs

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