

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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President's Report

Welcome all members to our next club meeting Monday September 3rd

Guest speaker this month is well known local grower of Bromeliads, Steve Morgan and Steve will have some beauties for sale as well as great advice and tips for growing these beauties

The Spring Show is approaching and with the warmer weather I hope many of your natives orchids will be open and in show condition. Setup Thursday 6th September from 12 noon and plant on bench between 2pm and 5pm

Again I would like to ask for volunteers to help out on both days of the show. We need more members to volunteer to stand in front of the sales area and give help and advice to the public buying orchid. Many thanks in advance

Our bus trip to St Ives Friday 17 August, for those who went on it, was a great success. Good trip up and back on the bus due to driver Peter's driving skills. On arrival, many members headed for the sales room, including myself, unbelievable amount of plants on sale, many new vendors since last trip, even managed to buy myself a few hard to get Natives, Dendrobium tetragonum (*Dendrobium melaleucaphilum* Clements *et.* D. Jones (syn. *Dendrobium tetragonum* 'North Coast Form').

The Show room was an outstanding success, and a Masdevallia owned by Clive and Agi Hall from Beenak Orchids took out Grand Champion.

At leaving time, there was a big procession of people carrying large boxes and armful of orchids to be loaded underneath the bus. I think driver Peter had a rather difficult time loading all in, however a great time and a great success for all who attended.

Many thanks to all those members who went and those who went from other clubs in the area and help make this bus trip worthwhile event.

I and another club member just got home late Saturday afternoon from attending the Victorian premiere Orchid Show at Skye stadium. We were there all day Friday24th, what a great show with thousands of plants on display and a room full of great vendors. If you can, give this a must go there once in your orchid calendar of must see events, Long trip but certainly worth seeing. Spotted 2 of our new members enjoying the show and sales area, nice to see them both down there.

Sincere thanks to all the members that bring supper along to the monthly meetings of the Society, your efforts are much appreciated. Your continued support and assistance to the Society greatly appreciated. Karen Ruiz of Mogo Orchids and Fern Nursery and are now stockist of all your orchid needs, pots, bark, and fertilizer etc., They have a good range of flowering orchids on sale as well, just give Karen a ring on 44742291.

Good growing Ron

Other items

- September is an uneven month so members with an even membership number, it is your turn to provide something for supper. Thanks.
- 2. Sponsorship for the Spring show is still available.
- 3. The Club has now received a copy of its licence to sell Native Plants.

Our Next Meeting -

Steve Morgan will be speaking about his bromeliads. I am sure he will also have some of these interesting plants for sale.

Bus Trip

The bus trip will be over by the time the newsletter is published. I hope those members who participated enjoyed it.

Club Members

The BBOFS wishes any member who maybe unwell all the best for a speedy recovery. We also pass on our sympathies to Anne-Marie on Colin's passing, Liz Cleaver on the loss of her brother and Rod Thomas from MUOS on the loss of his wife.

Dates to keep for 2019 Interclub workshop in March

Put in your diaries that BBOFS will be running next year's workshop on 23rd & 24th March 2019. The four speakers invited have all accepted. Anne-Marie and Margaret will be putting together a program and advertising over the next month.

South and West Regional Show

The EOC will be running the Regional Show and Conference in October 2019. It is to be held in Moruya and the theme is "Nature's Way". We will receive more information as it draws closer.

Orchids for sale

Remember that any member can put orchids on the table for sale at the meetings. Also, we have now received our licence to sell native plants. But we cannot sell these plants at shows to the public. Members wishing to do this must have their own licence.

In your orchid house.

Spring is not that far away (not that our weather is allowing us to think that now). We need to start thinking about watering plants more regularly, particularly with this wind as it can be very drying. With the increased watering, the need to fertilize increases, so look at what your plants need at this time. Pest control is important at this time of year with the changing climate and new growths and spikes appearing. When checking plants for scale and mealy bug, make sure you check your spike sheaths as well. Some cymbidiums may be ready to repot if flowering has finished. Seedlings may also be ready to pot on.

Dates for your Diary

EOC Spring Show 25 & 26 August Leisure Centre Narooma

Shoalhaven Spring Show 1 & 2 September Bomaderry Bowling Club

BBOFS Spring Show 7 & 8 September Soldiers Club Batemans Bay

MUOS Spring Show 15 & 16 September Civic Centre Ulladulla

SCOC Spring Show 20 & 21 September BV Commemorative Hall Civic Centre Bega

BBOFS Native Show 19 & 20 October Soldiers Club Batemans Bay SCOC Native Show 2 & 3 November Twyford Hall Merimbula

Bunning BBQ's

As you are aware, Margaret has nominated BBOFS to again participate in this activity. We have received an offer to run the BBQ on **Sunday 9th December**. Offers of assistance on this day will be gratefully received. Please let Margaret know if you are able to assist.

Benching

Open Section Species: Liz & Tony Cymbidium > 90mm: Cymbidium 60 – 90mm: Liz & Tony Cymbidium < 60mm: Liz & Tony Aust Native Orchid: Margaret Turner Laeliinae <70mm: Paphiopedilum: Vandaceous: Pleurothallidinae: **Oncidiinae Alliance:** Seedling: Miscellaneous: Tony & Liz Fern: Margaret Turner Foliage: Plant of the Night



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Novice Section

Species: Noel & Maureen Anderson Cymbidium > 90mm: Ken Covington Cymbidium 60 - 90cm: Alan Bird Cymbidium < 60mm: Alan Bird Australian Native Orchid: Alan Bird Laeliinae > 70cm: Laeliinae < 70cm: Una Roberts Paphiopedilum: Vandaceous: Una Roberts Pleurothallidinae: Una Roberts Oncidiinae Alliance: Seedling: Miscellaneous: Una Roberts Fern: Foliage: Ken Covington

Plant of the Night



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

Tuesday 7th August 2018

PRESENT: Members: 18 Apologies: 8 Visitors: 0

President Ron opened the meeting thanking all for coming

MINUTES: The Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday,2nd July at the Soldiers Club Beach Road Batemans Bay having been circulated be accepted as a true copy. Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Maureen Anderson 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; Orchid Society Victoria;
- c) Orchids in the Foothills USB available (\$42.00)
- d) Membership renewal for Orchid Society of NSW
- e) Payment advice from Apia
- f) Letter from Coast & Country informing us that we cannot hang banner on their sign for Spring & Native Shows.
- g) Bank Statement Out
 - a) **BBOFS** Newsletters
 - b) Sympathy card to Norm Kemp's wife Ellen

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Alan Bird Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Treasurer Anne-Marie presented:- Income \$3393.59 Expenses \$1416.85 (includes Winter Show). Unpresented cheques to the value of \$502.14. Closing balance after unpresented cheques are cleared \$27571.86.
- Moved: Anne-Marie Collins Seconded: Una Roberts Carried
- Treasurer requested permission to pay outstanding accounts Seconded: Maureen Anderson
- Anne-Marie then presented Winter Show reconciliation for winter show which indicated a profit of \$227.35. Seconded: Ken Covington

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- **a. Next General Meeting:** Steve Morgan bromeliads.
- b. Ron informed the membership of the death of long time member Norm Kemp. His funeral will be at Broulee Memorial Gardens on Wednesday 8th August, Ron will be attending to represent the club. Other members are welcome to attend.
- c. Lin had offered her apologies as she is overseas attending her daughter's wedding.
- d. Bus trip planned for Friday 17th. It was suggested that the Garden Club be offered the opportunity to attend to fill some of the empty seats. Min had emailed Ron saying the she will be unable to assist with the raffle on the bus. Una offered to help. Thanks Una.
- e. Spring Show is not far away. Looking for helpers again please. Also need flowers and foliage for posies. Please contact Leanda. Sponsorship is also still available.
- f. Banners still to be collected from Dot and Karen at Mogo. Ron to follow up. As we cannot use Coast and Country to hang signs, Leanda offered to speak to the Vet again.
- **g.** Ron requested his mobile number be added to the newsletter due to ongoing issues with his landline.
- **h.** Ron then presented a slide show on viruses. It was from Taiwan and was involved and technical, however it did give an overview of what the most common viruses look like and some suggested treatment. Tony/Ron had brought in some leaves that were marked which could be considered suspect for members to see. They were in a sealed plastic bag. Ron handed out a pamphlet produced by the Australian Orchid Council, which has good basic information on it. (I

will try to copy for newsletter). Ron recommended that plants are treated with Epson salts about every 2 weeks between Spring and Autumn to help control viruses at a rate of a tablespoon per 10L and spray over the top of the leaves. However be sure not to mix with other fertilizers. Sometimes the viruses manifest themselves in colour breaks in the flowers particularly odents, oncids and Phaphs. Tony made the comment that the plants benched at the Winter show were very clean.

4. RAFFLES: Ken, Una, Judee x 2, Anne-Marie x 2, Laurine, Robin

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE: Rebecca Baumgartner

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

Meeting closed: 9.10pm Next meeting: Monday 3rd September At Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay Secretary Margaret Turner



Some of the posies made by Anne-Marie, Megan, Judee and Leanda



Bec was the winner of the lucky door prize. Enjoy the plant Bec.

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Bunnings of Batemans Bay Sponsoring our Club through its BBQs

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