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SOCIETY INC.**

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**Newsletter –
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President's Report

Since the A.G.M. last year, I have had the honour of being President of this Society and now will carry on into 2020. ☺ I would like to thank the 2018 / 2019 Committee for all their hard work. Well done all. I am sorry that Paula Brown isn't going to be on the committee again but she has done a great job and will be missed.

On the 26th October, we had our visit by the three clubs to Paula and Michael Brown's place, to see her orchids, especially her sarcs and a speciosum potting demonstration. We had 32 people from 3 clubs there. It was a great way to meet other orchid growing people. We had a good auction at our A.G.M., making nearly \$40 for our club. Many went home with both orchids and foliage. Our Bunnings B.B.Q. went very well, selling out all sausages. With one small girl coming back 4 times, there were a few siblings in the station wagon. We still need more helpers or people to go on an emergency list, we had a morning person and an afternoon person pull out. Luckily Una and Leanda extended their hours when asked to, plus I did a full day. So, we do need more people, just in case. We have our Christmas Party and Awards Night to look forward to, plus we are having a Secret Santa, this year. The Committee and I are looking into speakers and activities for 2020. If you have suggestions or contacts, please pass on your information to any Committee member.

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a healthy New Year. ☺

I look forward to an even better year in 2020. ☺

Anne-Marie Collins 2019 / 2020
President



Our Next Meeting –

1. December 2nd will be a brief general meeting followed by our Christmas party. Please be seated at 6.30 p.m. at the SteamPacket Hotel, Nelligan for our general meeting.
2. There will be no benching at our December meeting, for which Lin Barnes will be delighted.

Christmas Party and Presentation night

This year the Christmas Party will be at the SteamPacket Hotel in Nelligen.

The SteamPacket have a courtesy bus, which they will run for us that night. However, each member is personally responsible to notify the SteamPacket Hotel, that they wish to use the bus.

This ensures that the hotel knows how many people will be using the bus. This will dictate the number of trips. However, there is only one pick-up and drop off point, which will be at the Promenade, Batemans's Bay (junction of north Orient Street and Clyde Street). Members can use the Woollies carpark during the evening. If members wish to participate in a 'Secret Santa', a gift to no greater value than \$5.00 can be purchased. Members are reminded that it needs to be gender neutral.

Club Members

The BBOFS wishes any Member who may be unwell all the best for a speedy recovery.

In Your Orchid House

Lack of rain means the we should be vigilant to water as necessary and always be on the look-out for pests and diseases. Provide (liquid) fertilizer to the plants, as necessary and as preferred.

Dates for your 2020 Diary

Our first general meeting next year will be on Monday 3rd February 2020.

Committee members our first committee meeting will be Monday 20th January 2020.

Benching

Once again, not a large display of flowers in November but what was there were beautiful. Thank you to all who bench plants occasionally or all the time. Your efforts to display your plants is greatly appreciated. Thank you Lin Barnes for overseeing the benching and compiling the votes.

Open Section

Species: Liz & Tony

Cymbidium > 90mm:

Cymbidium 60 - 90mm:

Cymbidium < 60mm: Liz & Tony

Aust Native Orchid: Margaret Turner

Laeliinae >70mm:

Laeliinae <70mm: Liz & Tony

Paphiopedilum: Ron Boyd

Vandaceous:

Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance: Liz & Tony

Seedling:

Miscellaneous: Liz & Tony

Fern:

Foliage:

Plant of the Night



Paphiopedilum St. Switin - Ron Boyd

Novice Section

Species: Una Roberts

Cymbidium > 90mm:

Cymbidium 60 – 90mm:

Cymbidium < 60mm:

Aust. Native Orchid: Ken Covington

Laeliinae > 70cm:

Laeliinae < 70cm:

Paphiopedilum:

Vandaceous: Rebecca & Leo

Baumgartner

Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance: Ken Covington

Seedling:

Miscellaneous:

Fern: Una Roberts

Foliage: Una Roberts

Plant of the Night



Sarcochilus "Perky" – (hartmannii x spathulatus) – Ken Covington

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD SOLDIERS CLUB; BEACH ROAD, BATEMAN'S BAY Monday 4th November 2019

PRESENT: Members: 18 Apologies: 1
Visitors: 1

President Anne-Marie opened the meeting at 7.30pm thanking all for coming

1. MINUTES:

accept the Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday 7th September at the Soldiers Club Beach Road Batemans Bay having been circulated as a true copy.

Correction and apology: In our November newsletter on page 7 – General Business item h. it should read - "According to Robert (Fish), there were 40,000 (not 4653) flowers on the plant"

Moved: Ken Covington

Seconded: Ron Boyd

Carried

2. BUSINESS ARISING:

included in General Business.

3. CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- a) Magazines: Orchids Australia,
- b) Newsletters from Canberra, Blue Mountains, Orchid Society on NSW, North Shore
- c) Bank statement
- d) email from NSW Fair Trading department, advising that our AGM needs to be held no later than December 2019
- e) Thank you for card from Peter Stubbs

4. CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

- a) BBOFS Newsletters to club members
- b) BBOFS newsletters to other orchid clubs
- c) Cards to Peter Stubbs x 2
- d) Card to Rebecca and Leo Baumgartner

Moved: Ken Covington

Seconded: Una Roberts

Carried

5. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Leanda presented: Opening balance \$8,723.22; Income \$894.19; Expenditure \$1,730.46 (includes Native Show); Unpresented cheques \$64.00; current balance \$7,886.95.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor
Seconded: Tony Groube Carried

A Native show reconciliation was also presented, which indicated that the show made a loss of \$231.74.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor
Seconded: Ron Boyd Carried

Leanda requested permission to pay outstanding accounts.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor.
Seconded: Sue Fish Carried

6. A.G.M.

commenced at 7.39 p.m. and was completed at 8.02 p.m.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS:

a. **Next General Meeting and Christmas Party:** 2nd December

b. **Native Show:** we had a financial loss, as previously presented. We need more plants on the sales table and more posies. The 2018 Native show profit was a fluke. Native shows might never make a profit. Because of the increase in prize money (to go back to the way that it was), we could well make a loss of \$900 next year. There was probably a record number of plants displayed by two member couples. Maybe we could utilise succulents in the next posies. We are holding the Native Show on the Saturday and Sunday next year, so we might not be able to compare results.

c. Sunday 10th November is the date of our next Bunnings B.B.Q. Anne-Marie asked for more helpers. Rob Fish offered to help in the lunchtime period from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

d. Those attending our Christmas party function, need to pay by 20th November please, so that Anne-Marie can inform

the SteamPacket Hotel of our numbers. It can be paid after 20th by electronic transfer. Desserts need to be decided upon and advised to Anne-Marie. She will contact those going, to obtain their dessert selection. There will be a 'secret Santa' present (\$5.00 max.) non-gender specific.

e. It was suggested (by Peter Cordina) that at our show, we have a 'visitor choice' of selected plant. Canberra has had this for many years, said Tony Groube. How to do it? Maybe give entrants a ticket to place in front of their plant of choice. Or on their lucky door ticket, maybe they could also list their postcode and where they heard of the event. Perhaps the person on the door could have a clipboard and record these. Brian Perkins stated that the person on the door is too busy to do this, when several people come in the door at once, as they most often do. Maybe a floor walker could go around the show display and ask people this information.

f. Motion for reduction in fees was presented by Ron Boyd. Members - Single rate now to be \$10 (previously \$15); 'Dual / Couple' to be \$15 (previously - was listed as being 'Family' \$20); Junior (under 16) to be \$5; postage (not email) of newsletters to be \$5 p.a. (previously nil).

Moved: Ron Boyd

Seconded: Anne-Marie Collins

Commended by: Tony Groube – other clubs in the adjacent areas have done this also.

Passed: Unopposed by members, however with 3 abstentions

(Anne-Marie Collins said that our loss might be \$200 but don't hold me to it).

g. Potential bus trip to an orchid show next year. This Society has made a loss on these in recent years. Not enough of our local members are going. Quite a

bit of discussion ensued. Rob and Sue Fish said that they would not go – you are 10 hours (back and forth) on a bus for only being 2 hours at a show. We would always arrive after the sales table had been ravaged. Ron Boyd said that he would go again but in personal transport. Tony Groube agreed that he would only go to shows in personal transport. Should we have a bus trip at all. Bus must be full and we might even then make a loss. There was a suggestion that ‘a bus seat’ could even be a raffle prize at next year’s general meetings. Possibility of taking turns, with other societies, to run the bus trips. As President of the EOC, Tony Groube said no.

- h. Supper break at 8.39 p.m. to 8.55 p.m.
- i. Ron Boyd requested that we move the Native Show, one week later in the year, as there were not many sarcs in flower this year. Maybe to be on October 31st or November 1st. Anne-Marie said that this would have to be investigated with the Soldiers’ Club, first. Leave it as it is next year and see what happens, as the climate varies from year to year. In 2021 there are 5 weekends in October. Ron Boyd moved a motion that in 2021, we move the date of the Native Show to the 4th weekend in October.
Moved: Ron Boyd
Seconded: Liz Cleaver
Carried: 5 for; 4 against; 8 abstentions
- j. Nicely painted and framed Phalaenopsis painting donated by Jim Chaffey to be raffled next year, starting at the Christmas party this year and during meetings next year.
- k. A thank you from Anne-Marie to Paula and Michael Brown for the 3 club visitation at their house in Tuross Heads on Saturday October 26th, to view their blossoming sarcs and for the speciosum dividing and re-potting.

- l. There is a re-potting day at Leanda O’Connor’s house on Saturday 16th November, starting at 10.30 a.m. it will also help novices to learn. Please let either Leanda or Anne-Marie know if you are coming as morning tea and lunch is to be provided and they need to know numbers.
- m. Floral Art Group to be started up, with the possibility of a workshop by Joycie. What do we think? Bring floral art back to the shows. More members to be interested.
- n. Christmas Party is Monday 2nd December at SteamPacket Hotel. Courtesy bus is available. Our presentation night. Christmas raffle. Bring along a flowering orchid to go into a display. It was proposed and carried that we have a “Secret Santa” to the value of \$5.00 and it must be gender neutral.
- o. Coffee club will be Thursday 21st November. Botanical gardens from 2pm to 4pm. Come and join us.
- p. An auction night was held - many plants were sold with \$38.80 commission going to the club.

8. RAFFLES:

Megan Quinlivan x 2, Nola Ezzy x 2, Sue Fish, Una Roberts x 2, Brian Perkins, Rob Fish x 2, Paula Brown.

9. LUCKY DOOR PRIZE: Una Roberts

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

Meeting closed 9.47pm

The next meeting and Christmas party will be on Monday 2nd December at the SteamPacket Hotel, Nelligen

This meeting was at the Soldiers Club, Batemans Bay.

Acting Secretary: Ken Covington

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