

## BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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# Newsletter – December 2019

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This is a very abbreviated newsletter for December.

#### **Our Next Meeting -**

- December 7<sup>th</sup> 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. See attached flyer.
- 2. Our first meeting for 2021 will be Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February. Before then you will receive a January newsletter with a calendar of events for 2021. Any suggestions for speakers will be most welcome.

#### **Club Members**

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

#### In Your Orchid House

This time last year we were saying that it was very dry, however I think most of us would agree that we have had a wet last few months. That increases the risk of pests on our plants. Watering could well be spasmodic with all the small amounts of rain we have been getting (depending on the coverings for your orchid houses of course).

Hopefully in 2021, we will get more opportunities to show of our pretty flowers.

#### Benching

There was a reasonable display of flowers in November. Thank you to all who bench plants. Your efforts to display your plants is greatly appreciated. Thank you Ken Covington for overseeing the benching and compiling the votes.

#### **Open Section**

Species: Liz & Tony
Cymbidium > 90mm:
Cymbidium 60 - 90mm:
Cymbidium < 60mm:

Aust Native Orchid: Margaret Turner

Laeliinae >70mm: Matt Janjak

Laeliinae <70mm:
Paphiopedilum:
Vandaceous:
Pleurothallidinae:
Oncidiinae Alliance:
Seedling: Liz & Tony

Miscellaneous: Liz & Tony

Fern: Foliage:

#### **Plant of the Night**

Sarc Madge Daisy x Topac Yellow Margaret Turner but you need to wait till January to see the photo

#### **Novice Section**

Species:

Cymbidium > 90mm: Cymbidium 60 – 90mm: Cymbidium < 60mm:

Aust. Native Orchid: Ken Covington

Laeliinae > 70cm: Laeliinae < 70cm: Paphiopedilum:

Vandaceous: Rebecca & Leo Baumgartner & Nola Ezzy

Pleurothallidinae: Oncidiinae Alliance:

Seedling:

Miscellaneous:

Fern:

Foliage: Ken Covington

#### **Plant of the Night**

Phalaenopsis Unknown Rebecca & Leo Baumgartner but you need to wait till January to see the photo

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

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

**PRESENT**: Members: 15 Apologies: 6 Visitors: 0

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

She presented long time members Robert and Sue Fish with Life Membership badges.

Plant of the Night certificates were presented to the October meeting winners – Una Roberts in the Open and Ken Covington in the Novice sections.

**MINUTES**: accept the Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October at the Soldiers Club Beach

Road Batemans Bay having been circulated as a true copy.

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Ken Covington Carried

BUSINESS ARISING: included in the

General Business.

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Magazines: Orchids Australia,
- b) Newsletters from Wagga Wagga, Sapphire Coast, Milton/Ulladulla, Canberra, N.S.W, Shoalhaven; EOC; Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts OS.
- c) Canberra Orchid Society have changed their contact email address to info@canberraorchids.com
- d) Bank statement
- e) Email to potential member in Dalmeny

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- a) BBOFS Newsletters
- BBOFS newsletters to other orchid clubs
- Response from potential member in Dalmeny

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Una Roberts Carried

#### 3. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Leanda was an apology, so Anne-Marie presented: - Opening balance \$8,481.05. Income \$97.89; expenditure \$213.22. Outstanding cheques to the value of \$120.00. Balance once unpresented cheques cleared \$8,295.72. Vouchers, floats and IBD remain the same.

Moved: Anne-Marie Collins Seconded: Tony Groube. Carried

.Anne-Marie requested permission to pay outstanding accounts.

Moved: Anne-Marie Collins Seconded: Una Roberts Carried

The General Meeting was suspended at 7.43pm to hold the Annual General Meeting for the 2019 – 20 financial year.

General meeting resumed following AGM at 8pm.

#### **3 GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- a. Next General Meeting; Christmas and party presentation night – Anne-Marie purchased presentation plants from John Stubbs at the recent visit to his nursery. After discussion, and as the Covid restrictions are being lifted, it was decided to continue to plan to have the Christmas function and presentation night at the Steam Packet Hotel in Nelligen. Margaret will confirm costs and timings with members following the Committee meeting.
- b. Anne-Marie raised the issue of fees for 2021. However, it was raised from the floor that they can only be changed at an AGM. The AGM is now closed, so will be left to the 2021 AGM for further discussion.
- c. A member asked if it would be possible to approach the library to purchase a copy of David Jones book. Margaret to follow up, however Anne-Marie offered to purchase a copy for BBOFS. Supper break: 8.10pm Return 8.30pm Following supper, the annual orchid and bic a brac auction was held with Anne-Marie acting

as auctioneer and ably assisted by Robert Fish. Thank you Robert – much appreciated.

4. **RAFFLES:** Leo, Ken x 2, Nola x 2, Bec x 2 and Brian P.

**LUCKY DOOR PRIZE:** Margaret Turner

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

Meeting closed 9.30pm

The next meeting will be on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at Steam Packet Hotel Nelligen.

Secretary Margaret Turner

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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE <u>ANNUAL</u> <u>GENERAL MEETING</u> HELD SOLDIERS CLUB; BEACH ROAD, BATEMAN'S BAY Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019

The Annual General Meeting of Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society Inc opened at 7.43pm by President Anne-Marie Collins.

Attendees and apologies as recorded on entry. 15 members present with 6 apologies.

- Confirmation of minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in November 2019.
   Minutes had previously been distributed by secretary.
  - Minutes moved as a true copy and record of the meeting.
  - Moved Ken Covington Second: Una Roberts
- b. Presentation of the President's report on the activities of the Club: Anne-Marie presented this report. (copy attached)

C. Treasurer's Presentation of Accounts for last fiscal year July 2019 to June 2020: Due to Covid restrictions, the Office of Fair Trading has stated that the profit and loss statements for Tier 2 Organisations did not need to be presented at the 2020AGM's however at the 2021 AGM, a profit and loss statement for both 2019 and 2020 would need to be presented. However, Anne-Marie on behalf of the treasurer, who was an apology, presented a verbal overview of the financial position for the 2019 - 20 financial year. (copy attached).

 d. The appointment of a person or persons to audit the Club's accounts for next twelve months.
 Belinda Shalders has again offered to remain as the auditor for BBOFS.

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Management for the next 12 months. Anne-Marie vacated the chair and returning Officer Tony Groube took the chair. He declared all positions vacant. He was handed the nomination forms in a sealed envelope. On reviewing nomination forms, Tony advised at there was a single nomination each executive and committee position. Therefore, all current members in these positions have been re-

elected unopposed.

President: Anne-Marie Collins: Secretary: Margaret Turner: Treasurer: Leanda O'Connor; Vice President: Ken Covington. Committee members: Una Roberts, Ron Boyd and Megan Quinlivan. Tony asked if there were any further nominations from the floor. None were forthcoming. Tony declared the 2019 - 20 committee reelected.

President Anne-Marie returned to the chair and after asking if there was any further business to discuss and finding none, declared the AGM closed at 8pm.

Next AGM will be Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021, at the Soldiers Club, Beach Road, Batemans Bay

Margaret Turner Secretary

### **President's Report**

Since the AGM last year it has been my honour to be this society's President and I have done my best under most trying circumstances. The last 12 months have been very harsh.

Our Christmas party and Presentation night, went of very well out at Nelligen. They provided a lovely decorated venue, with privacy and lovely food. We all had a great night. It was good to see Leanda receive her Meritorious Award badge, very well deserved.

The Committee put together a full, interesting and varied calendar for 2020, but we were not to know what was coming. The year ended with bushfires and ill health for some of our members, including myself. This was followed up with more bushfires, some flooding and then the Coronavirus during which we saw all meetings stopped.

Our 3 shows last year went well and two of them made a profit. Due to the increase in prize money I was expecting quite a loss from our shows this year. As you know, due to the virus, we had no shows, which was very disappointing.

We raised most of our money from the Bunnings B.B.Q.s, in previous years but these were shut down because of health regulations. For us to continue with them, now that they have started up again, we will need more volunteers next year to spread the load.

Thank you to our major sponsors, APIA, Batemans Bay Soldiers Club and Bunnings

 we greatly appreciate your interest in our club. 

 APIA increased their donation for our shows and have kindly left it with us to carry over into 2021, to be used on those shows.

I thank my committee for their hard work and offers of assistance, in making the best of this year and wish the committee of 2021 all the best in running our society.

A special thank you to my executive, who have been a pleasure to work with, Ken, Margaret and Leanda. Ken and Margaret have been doing more than their usual jobs. Ken kindly chaired a few meeting plus collated the benching results. Margaret has been filling in the gaps to make sure things went smoothly. All efforts are greatly appreciated by me.

A ray of light in a dark year, has been the Floral Art Group. A small group of women, yes men are most welcome to come and learn too, have been meeting the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month, to learn the techniques of arranging orchids and other flowers into many different kinds of decorations. The next meeting will be the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of this month. Come along, we are very friendly and success will happen.

Thank you to the members who have been active and taken part in the meetings and sending in photos of their orchids for our newsletter.

This has been a very long year for me – the problems we have had, with national disasters and a pandemic to cope with. My own health was impacted on but I am now feeling much better. I am looking forward to a much better year in 2021. It may not be like previous years but fingers crossed it is miles better than 2020.

We are already planning for next year's calendar of events, to provide interesting speakers, to have opportunities for you to meet other orchid growers and to promote our orchid hobby.

I will be standing for the President position tonight and look forward to leading our society into a much better year in 2021.

Anne-Marie Collins 2019/2020 President.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

### **Treasurer's Report**

I am presenting the Treasurer's report for the financial year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020. As per the Office of Fair Trading guidelines, as a Tier 2 organisation, this is an overview of our financial affairs. As per the Office of Fair trading instructions, our usual yearly accountant reviewed financial report will be presented at our 2021 A.G.M.

The Club's community solutions cheque account had an opening balance of \$29,649.68, on 1st July 2019 and a closing balance of \$8.895.75, on 30th June 2020. We also have an I.B.D. with \$20,291.97 in it. This gave us a total fiscal amount of \$29,187.72 We had a total income for the year of \$26,606.89 and expenditure of \$27,068.85. This indicates that we made a **loss** for the year of **\$461.96**. The numbers appear large as the I.B.D. had to be shown as leaving the cheque account and going in as income in the I.B.D. section of our financial statements. Also the 4 donations to the charities of \$300 each, came out of this financial year, while the income went in during the previous financial year.

The club ran three [3] shows during this financial year. The Native Show 2019, the 2019 Winter Show and the 2019 Spring Show. Winter Show [\$579.60] and Spring Show [\$386.50] made profits. The Native Show made a loss of \$231.74. The reconciliations for these events have already been circulated and presented at relevant meetings. Thank you to those who sponsored, and/or helped at last year's shows.

Thank you to our sponsors, Batemans Bay Soldiers Club for allowing us to have our meetings and shows here. Thank you to APIA for their sponsorship of our shows

(\$500 for 2019 shows and \$600 for what was to be our 2020 shows, this has been carried over to 2021 shows) and Bunnings Batemans Bay – for their generous donation of vouchers to buy our show raffles.

Our main sources of income are usually meeting raffles and Bunnings B.B.Q.s. but the impact of the Coronavirus has reduced this.

Thank you to all who donated to the raffles and to BUNNINGS for their vouchers which were converted into goods to go on our monthly meeting raffles.

Previously Bunnings B.B.Q.'s were our greatest from of income but with a combination of health regulations, new rules for their B.B.Q. [such as number of people working per shift] and our lack of members willing to help – we are not able to count on this income. If you would like to come and help, we are very happy to show you what's to be done. Come join us and help your club.

Thank you to the members and the outgoing committee, who have helped the society this year.

I feel now I am more confident in this position and look forward to continuing as Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society's Treasurer in 2021, as I will be standing again in tonight's elections.

Leanda O'Connor

Treasurer 2019/2020

Monday, 2nd November 2020

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