



**BATEMANS
BAY ORCHID
AND FOLIAGE
SOCIETY INC.**

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**Newsletter –
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President's Report



Anne-Marie's Vanda.

Welcome back, everyone,

This is a new year and I hope will be an improvement on the past two years.

We have an interesting line up of speakers. I am currently in talks with a couple of speakers for the final placements we need filled.



Anne-Marie Brassia Veracosa

We will start the Year with Dylan, who has recently moved here and joined our club. He has spoken many times at Sydney and other clubs on orchids. He is very knowledgeable and works in the horticultural field. His topic will be '**Twig epiphytes of Central America**'. These are excellent orchids, requiring little space but a little tricky to grow. I am hoping to get some valuable tips from Dylan.

FLORAL ART group starts back, 4th Monday of the month, in February. Those who came to the last meeting, enjoyed a Christmas Party and lunch. We also each got a Christmas present, but it was our homework to bring it to the next meeting - with a floral art arrangement in it. I'm thinking about mine already. Thinking, thinking, not doing, as yet. :)

In December, Leanda and I, represented our society at the 2 Bunnings Family nights. We sold raffle tickets, thank you to Bunnings for the items we raffled. We also sold posies we had made and bunches of flowers and Christmas bush. We were very happy with the money we raised but more importantly, we were seen out in the community, with other local community groups. We gave out membership forms and invites to interested public keen to try floral art. Leanda and I enjoyed both nights. The big surprise was the donation by Bunnings of a full length, light weight, fold

up tressle table and an easy fold out, 3m by 3m, shade marquee. These will be useful for future activities. Bunnings continues to be a valuable sponsor of our society.

Our first Committee meeting went well and 2022 looks to be a good year.

There are many interesting things in this month's newsletter, I hope you enjoy reading it. I even had flowering orchids to take pictures of. It has been a great Christmas break.

I am looking forward to seeing as many members as possible at our February meeting and I hope you are well, your orchids are thriving and we continue in good health this year.

Cheers [Anne-Marie](#)



Our Next Meeting –

As Anne-Marie has said, Dylan Morrissey will be our speaker. I am sure we will all learn more about orchids from Dylan. Some of you may remember he came as a visitor to one of our meetings last year.

We will have benching again, but remember that we will still be wearing masks and we need to ensure that we social distance for all our safety.

The Soldiers Club is not checking vaccination status now, so any person can enter the club which is the main reason for us all to be extra careful.

We will have a supper break as usual.

Meeting Protocols Reminder

- **Turn mobile phones onto silent or off.**
- Please do not come to the meeting if you do not feel well.
- You must sign in, both at the club and the meeting,
- Do not congregate to ensure social distancing is maintained.

From the Committee

With the number of organisations who are interested in doing the Bunnings BBQ's, the Activities Organiser has offered us a BBQ three (3) times a year. Our first one is **Sunday 6th March** and the 2nd one is **Sunday 3rd July**. **Could you please let me know if you can assist at the March BBQ? Need 4 members for each of the 2 shifts – 8 til 12 and 12 til 4pm. Thank you.**

We have a number of cans of soft drink that are just past their use by date – mostly December and January. Last time this occurred, we sold them to our members for 0.50cents per can. We will do this again. There are 22 cans Fanta; 14 solo; 20 Sprite; 28 Coke; 10 no sugar Coke; and 13 bottles of water. Could you please let me know if you are interested in any of these?

Attached is the Calendar as planned so far. It will be updated when we have other speakers confirmed.

Thanks to those members who attended the Christmas Party. We had several new members attend, so welcome to you all.



[Members at Christmas party](#)

Membership fees

You will see in the attached AGM minutes that the motion for membership fees to be waived for 2022 was successful. Therefore, all our members from 2021 will just have their memberships rolled over into 2022. However, all new members will have to pay a membership fee and the joining fee.



Raffle and secret Santa gifts



It was with much appreciation that Anne-Marie present Brian Perkins with his Life membership in acknowledgement of his membership and the assistance he has provided since October 2005. Thank you Brian.

Club Members

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

In Your Orchid House

We are starting another year. Hopefully all your plants are happy and healthy despite this wet weather we are having. Even with the rain, check that your plants are getting enough water or too much. As we know, most orchids don't like wet feet. Are they like the lawn and growing rapidly because of the days of rain then its lovely and warm? Of course this makes us check more closely for bugs doesn't it? There is sure to be plenty of weeds about as well. Make sure the weeds are not competing with your plants' for nutrients.

Have you plenty of new growths on your plants? Bugs love new growths, so make sure any old flower sheaths/spikes are removed as they make good hiding places for the bugs.

Diary Dates

April

4 BBOFS plants & bric a brac auction

July

15 16 17 BBOFS Winter Show Soldiers Club

August

14 BBOFS Orchid crawl

September

2 3 4 BBOFS Spring Show Soldiers Club

October

21 22 23 BBOFS Native Show Soldiers Club

November

7th AGM & plant auction

December

5 Christmas party

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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

Monday 7th December 2021

PRESENT: Members: 14 Apologies: 13 Visitors: 1

President Anne-Marie opened the meeting at 6.10 pm thanking all for coming

MINUTES: accept the Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday 2nd August 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 General Business.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Magazines: Orchids Australia,
 - b) Newsletters from Wagga Wagga, Sapphire Coast, Milton/Ulladulla, Canberra, N.S.WOS, Shoalhaven; EOC; Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts OS
 - c) Bank statements
 - d) Renewal of IBD
 - e) Response from Soldiers Club regarding fee waiver
 - f) Thank you card from Joy Guist
 - g) Bunning Christmas nights information
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- a) BBOFS Newsletters
 - b) BBOFS newsletters to other orchid clubs
 - c) Information relating to AGM and Christmas to members
 - d) Information to members regarding what was happening with club activities

e) Letter to Soldiers Club with dates for 2022 and requesting waiving of hire fees for those dates

f) Response to Bunning regarding Christmas night activities

Moved: Margaret Turner
Seconded: Ken Covington Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Leanda presented reports since last meeting in August: - Opening balance 1/08/2021 \$8358.16 closing 30/11/2021 \$8555.69. Income and expenditure read out for each month. No discussion/questions relating to reports.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor
Seconded: Robert Fish Carried

Leanda requested permission to pay outstanding accounts.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor Seconded: Una Roberts Carried

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. Bus trip in 2022 Ron discussed suggestion that the club run a bus to one of the big orchid shows in Sydney as there would be a variety of vendors and a larger variety of plants on display. The trip to Sharkies in Cronulla would be a 3 1/2 to 4 hour drive. Anne-Marie had asked both Rixons and Marshalls for a quote on cost of bus hire for the trip. Bus to be 48 seats with a toilet. Rixons had not responded to this time. Marshalls have quoted \$1500 + GST of \$150 which makes the cost all up of \$1650. If all seats were taken, it would be a cost of \$35 a seat. Ron suggested that the other clubs close to us – EOC and MUOS members could be asked to join us. Robert Fish suggested that if the bus was not filled which was likely, it would be a expensive exercise for

BBOFS. Robert felt there is better ways to spend money for members. To be discussed further in the New Year.

- b. Brian Perkins was presented with Life membership.

Meeting closed 6.35pm

The next meeting will be on Monday 7th February 2022

At Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay

Secretary Margaret Turner

Minutes of AGM provided separate to this newsletter.

Soldiers Club Beach Road



Major sponsor of our club.

Bunnings of Bateman's Bay

Sponsoring our Club through its BBQ's and other activities.

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Supporting our club by sponsoring our shows.



New members Pam Mason & Dylan Morrissey.

The cultural information offered in this newsletter is intended as a guide only. Bateman's Bay Orchid & Foliage Soc. Inc. cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage that may occur to plants as a result of using this information.



New members Don & Kisha Carducci



2 mates together Ron & Brian.