

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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Newsletter – February 2023

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President's Report

Hello members,

Welcome to the first newsletter for 2023. Here's hoping it will be a good year for our plants and ourselves.

Memberships are due now. You can pay at a meeting or via the bank. Bank information later in the newsletter.

I have started the planning for the 2023 calendar, but am having difficulty pinning people down to a date. Will keep trying and hopefully have it filled for next month's newsletter. There has been some good speakers and activities suggested and Margaret has highlighted several of these elsewhere in the newsletter. So start your diary planning for our club.

I am currently working with Bishops (Nowra), who are now linked to Harrison's (Moruya), to get a 5% discount card for our club members. This will be for orchid related products only. Final details, as to

the production of the card, are being worked on.

Also we are encouraging Novices to bench. If a Novice benches this year, at a meeting or a show, they will receive an orchid at the end of this year. So if its got an orchid flower or pretty foliage or happy fern, bring it in.

So spruce up your orchids, their holidays are nearly over, see you at the February general meeting, for the beginning of our club year.

Cheers Anne-Marie



You may remember this plant of Sue Carrol's which was Grand Champion at our 2022 Winter Show.PLEUROTHALLII PALLIOTATA

Membership Renewal

At the AGM in 2021, a motion was passed that we would not charge for renewing memberships in 2022, however you need to pay in 2023.

Single membership remains at \$10.00 and

Couples at \$15.00.

Postage is \$5.00 for the newsletter, if no email.

Memberships can be paid at the meetings in either February or March or into the bank via EFT or over the counter at Westpac. The bank account details are:

Bank Westpac – Bateman's Bay

BSB: **032-681**

Account: 191442

In Reference, add your surname & that payment is for membership. Please make sure you add these so we know who the money came from.

From the Committee.

Anne-Marie has written about getting speakers and I have put some dates for you to put in your diary under diary dates. More to come when available.

Dylan has offered to do the Novice Corner which Ron did a few times last year, very successfully. Thank you Dylan.

Dylan will also be our benching marshal for the year.

Committee jobs have been allocated. However, many hands make light work, so everyone is encouraged to give the committee a hand. It will be much appreciated. Thank you.

NEEDED: bases of the 1.25 soft drink bottles for posies please. These can be given to Margaret, Leanda or Anne-Marie. These are used for making posies for the shows. This activity, thanks to a small group is a good money maker for us.

Bunnings BBQ's. We need to make a decision if we are going to continue to do these. Margaret is no longer able to do the lifting etc needed to be the organiser for these and we nearly always struggle to get the required 8 members (4 for each morning 8-12 and afternoon 12-4) to do the day. At the general meeting in February, members present will be given the opportunity to have their say about this activity. If anyone would like to put their hand up to be the organiser, please let us know. Thanks.

Raffle Plants: Purchasing plants for our monthly raffle is becoming more expensive and looking back at the money collected for raffle ticket sales, indicate that we are only just breaking even. Therefore, we are looking for members to assist by donating established plants of any sort in at least an 80mm pot for the raffle table each month. Plants can also be on a mount as long as it is established.



Posies at Spring Show

In your Orchid House

I wonder what 2023 will bring to us and our plants. This last year was crazy, weather wise, which seemed to upset some of the orchids flowering patterns. Mind you, upset some of us as well when we didn't know what to expect.

At least we have now had some warmer weather which the plants and us will enjoy. However, we need to remain vigilant to the needs of the plants in regards to pest management, water and fertilizer.

If potting, although this should be just about finished now, try to do it early in the day, if the day is going to be hot and make sure the plant is watered well for several days. If using eco-oil on plants remember to keep them in a sheltered place for a few days so that they don't get burnt.

Diary Dates

Anne-Marie has been contacting people who we have suggested as speakers, and has had difficulty pinning them down to a date, so the calendar is a bit fluid at the moment.

I will start adding to the diary next month when it is a bit more settled. However, the Floral Art group will be meeting on the 23rd January and our first General meeting is February 6th. Sue Carrol will be the speaker for our February meeting. She will be speaking about miniture orchids.

On 11th March there will be a members BBQ at Pam Mason's home in Tomakin. It will be an 11.30 for 12md start. When members indicate that they will be attending, we ask that they indicate if they will bring a salad or a sweet. BBOFS will

supply the meat. Further information in next month's newsletter.

On 12th August we will be doing a walk in the Botanic Gardens with Dylan to see the native orchids growing there and on 14th October will be the tri-club BBQ and cemetary walk at Nelligen.

2023 Show dates for BBOFS

Winter 14 15 & 16 July Spring 1 2 3 September Native 20 21 22 October

Benching

We did not have any benching at the Christmas Party at Steam Packet Hotel in Nelligen. However, we did make the announcements of who won what at that meeting. However, the awarded plants were not given out as it was pouring rain and Anne-Marie would have got very wet going in and out of both her home and the Hotel to get them into the dining room. List of winners is included prior to the minutes. However, the November plants and winners are these mentioned below again as there was a December newsletter but no January one.

Open Section

Species: Margaret Turner Cymbidium > 90mm: Cymbidium 60 - 90mm:

Cymbidium < 60mm: Liz Cleaver Aust Native Orchid: Margaret Turner

Laeliinae >70mm: Laeliinae <70mm:

Paphiopedilum: Ron Boyd

Vandaceous: Pleurothallidinae: Oncidiinae Alliance:

Seedling:

Miscellaneous: Liz Cleaver

Fern:

Foliage: Margaret Turner Plant of the Night - Open



Liz Cleaver Cymbid <60-Cym. [Ken Gorey X Borough Green] X pumilum



Ron Boyd Paph St Swithin 'Nov 7'

Plant of the Night – Novice –



Ken Covington Sarc. Duno Nicky's Twin Voodoo X Yvette Jake's Pride

Floral Art



Pam Mason and yes that is a purple cauliflower.

Novice Section

Species:

Cymbidium > 90mm: Cymbidium 60 - 90mm: Cymbidium < 60mm:

Aust Native Orchid:

Laeliinae >70mm:

Laeliinae <70mm:

Paphiopedilum:

Vandaceous:

Pleurothallidinae:

Oncidiinae Alliance:

Seedling:

Miscellaneous:

Fern:

Foliage:

PON AWARDS 2022 OPEN SECTION

Species: Margaret x 5; Leanda x 3; Liz &

Una x1 each

Cymbidium > 90mm: Liz x1 Cymbidium 60 - 90mm: Liz x 1

Cymbidium < 60mm: Liz x 2; Rob & Sue x

1

Aust Native Orchid: Margaret x 4; Liz x1;

Ron x 1; Rob & Sue x 1; Liz x 1;

Laeliinae <70mm: Ron x 1; Leanda x 1
Paphiopedilum: Ron x 3; Leanda x 1
Oncidiinae Alliance: Margaret x 2; Liz x

2; Una x 1

Miscellaneous: Liz x 3; Margaret x 2

Fern: Leanda X 2; Margaret x 1

Foliage: Margaret x 2; Ron x 1; Una x 1

Plant of the Night: Margaret x 3 + 1 tie with self = 5; Ron x 1 + 1 tie = 2; Liz x 1 + 1 tie = 2; Leanda x 1; Rob & Sue x 1; Una x 1

Floral Art: Leanda x 4; Pam x 2; Anne-Marie x 2

NOVICE SECTION

Species: Jan B x 1

Cymbidium < 60mm: Anne-Marie x 1

Aust Native Orchid: Jan x 2; Ken x 1

Laeliinae >70mm: Jan x 1 Paphiopedilum: Jan x 1 Vandaceous: Jan x 1

Oncidiinae Alliance: Meg x 1

Seedling: Jan x 1 Foliage: Jan x 4

Plant of the Night Jan x 3; Ken x 1. Anne-

Marie X 1

Most Successful Open: Margaret Turner

Most Successful Novice: Jan Boyce

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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD Nelligen Steam Packet Hotel

Monday 5th December 2022

PRESENT: Members: 14 Apologies: 1 Visitors: 0

President Anne-Marie opened the meeting at 6.43pm thanking all for coming.

Anne-Marie apologised to those present for not having the presentation plants available but she didn't want to make multiple trips in and out of her home in the rain which was very heavy.

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

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Dylan Morrissey 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.WOS, Shoalhaven; EOC; Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts OS
- c) Bank statement **Out**
- a) BBOFS Newsletters
- b) BBOFS newsletters to other orchid clubs

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Leanda O'Connor Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Leanda presented:- Opening balance \$7904.76; income \$282.40; expenditure \$\$314.00; unpresented cheques to the value of \$114.04. Other items remain the same.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor Seconded: Liz Cleaver Carried

Leanda requested permission to pay outstanding accounts.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor Seconded: Pam Mason Carried

Anne-Marie informed the members that the auditor had completed the audit and had not found any discrepancies in the presented books.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. Next General Meeting;February 2023
- 1. Bunnings BBQ's Bunning have offered BBOFS a BBQ on Sunday 8th January. Most of the committee are not available, is there anyone willing to organise therefore this? No takers Margaret to cancel. Also the requirements relating to the BBQ's have been updated. BBQ's must be held whatever the weather between 9 and 4. If organisation runs out of food, then need to go and get more. Each shift to have 4 people person in charge/Covid/cleaning marshal - equipment, tables etc to be wiped at least once every hour, cook, order & collect person and money person. Relevant safety equipment is to be used by every person, including covered shoes. The only member not required to wear gloves is the money person. Uncooked food is to be kept at 5 degrees or below and a food grade thermometer to check and that cook food is above 60 degrees. Current Public Liability for \$20m per event/claim not aggregate. Dylan asked if would be possible

to share the BBQ's with another organisation and suggested the SES. He will follow up with them

- **5. RAFFLES:** Pam; Mundi; Dennis x 2; Liz
- 6. Presentation of Plants: Leanda was the most successful in Floral Art; Margaret was most successful Open grower for the year and Jan Boyce the most successful Novice grower. Other section winners will be in the newsletter.

Meeting was suspended at 6.58 as meal was ready to be served

Reconvened at 7.57pm.

Anne-Marie suggested that we discuss the re-commencement of the gathering at the Botanic Gardens on the 3rd Thursday of each month for a friendly get together and to talk about orchids or anything else. This used to be called the Coffee Club. Agreed by those present.

Also Anne-Marie would like to reintroduce an encouragement award for the Novices. She put the motion "For a Novice encouragement award, Novices' receive a plant for benching any plant including foliage/fern or Floral Art" Seconded by Dennis - all agreed.

Meeting closed at 8pm.

The next meeting will be on Monday 6th February 2023

At Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay

Secretary Margaret Turner

Soldiers Club Beach Road



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