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Newsletter – June 2022

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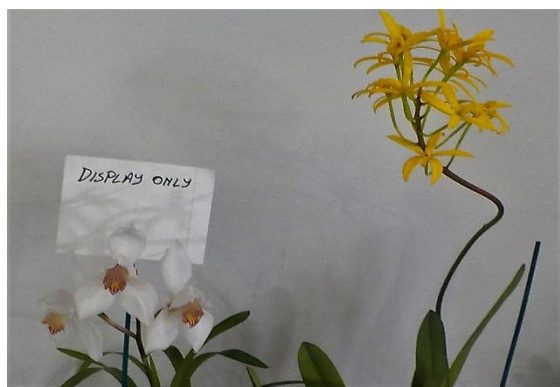
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President's Report

Hello members,

The year is flashing past and soon it will be our Winter Show – it's been a long time coming. Unfortunately, my orchids have gone on strike, but I am looking forward to seeing your orchids in the show. ☺

We had an excellent speaker at our May meeting. Lynne Phelan was informative and well prepared. I was envious of the plants she brought to show us. Our June speaker is Garry Evans, from the E.O.C.

He is an excellent cymbidium grower and I am hoping he will share his growing secrets with us.

Start preparing your orchids now, the show will be upon us quicker than we think.

I look forward to seeing, as many of you as possible, at our June daytime meeting.

Cheers Anne-Marie



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

Our first show in two (2) years is now just two (2) months away. With that in mind the committee spent most of this month's meeting starting the planning and preparation for it. As it is a while since we had one, we had to go over each step to make sure we hadn't missed some essential part of the planning. Thanks to those members present at the General meeting for reminding us where the banners go and suggesting other options. We decided that as the schedule had been reviewed for the 2019 show, we would not do that again. However, we did check it carefully to make sure there wasn't an odd date or something that might catch us out.

Members should start thinking about preparing plants for showing now. Remember to use Google or something similar to find out which genre your plant belongs to so that you can bench it appropriately. Look back at the March minutes at the talk Tony did to see what else you should be doing.

We will be looking for members to donate and sponsor sections in the show. This will be acknowledged of course. Most sections sponsorship is \$10.00.

Show schedules and plant labels will be available at the June and July meetings. They will also be distributed with the newsletter for July.

We will be inviting several members to have a sales table as well as the club running one. Plants that you put on the club sales table attract a 10% commission for the club with the remainder going to the grower. All plants must have a plant name and another stick that includes growers name or membership number and a price for the plant. As yet we have not heard about judges but expect to by the June meeting. It is planned to ask a local person to judge the Floral Art Groups' displays.

The Floral Art Group will be making posies for sale as well. There have been several enquiries from members of the public about joining the Floral Art Group, which is great news for them.

We have a list of places to put flyers for the show. If you have any suggestions, please let us know.

Bunnings BBQ Sunday 3rd July, so will be looking for some helpers again please.

Club Members

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

In Your Orchid House

It seems like the last of the summer/autumn temperatures have left us, but that hasn't stopped the rain. My recordings of our rain fall have told me that we have received 878mls of rain in the first 4 months of the

year. That is not much short of our annual rainfall of 900ml.

All that rain and the humidity that goes with it indicates that we will have a few "nasties" out and about with our plants. Therefore, regularly checking plants can save new growths and flower spikes from being damaged by these pests. Going out at night with a torch will help you find them as well. Lots of genre are now producing new growths, so make sure they are still receiving the water and nutrients they need. This will ensure good stock for flowering in the next 12 months. Enough light and air flow are also important during this wetter period, as it reduces the risk of some pests and it also promotes good flower growth.

As always, repotting can be carried out at any time, so ensuring that you have sufficient pots, bark and/or fertilizer available is good practice.

Diary Dates

July

1 2 3 MUOS Winter Show Civic Centre, Ulladulla

7 8 9 EOC Winter Show CWA Hall Moruya

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

7 AGM & plant auction

December

5 Christmas party

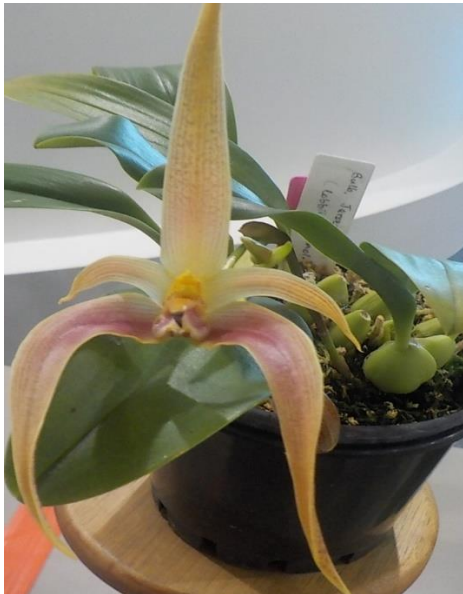
Benching

Once again there was a variety of plants/flowers benched in both the Novice and Open Sections as well as the Floral Art.

Open Section

Species: Tony & Liz

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



Bulb Jersey Liz and Tony

Floral Art



Leanda

Novice Section

Species:
Cymbidium > 90mm:
Cymbidium 60 – 90mm:
Cymbidium < 60mm:
Aust. Native Orchid:
Laeliinae > 70cm: Jan Boyce
Laeliinae < 70cm:
Paphiopedilum:
Vandaceous: Jan Boyce
Pleurothallidinae:
Oncidiinae Alliance: Megan Quinliven
Seedling:
Miscellaneous:
Fern:
Foliage: Jan Boyce
Plant of the Night - Novice



CHZ Hsinying Pink Doll X Hsinying
Jan Boyce

BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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

Monday 2022.

PRESENT: Members:14 Apologies: 2
Visitors: 0

President Anne-Marie opened the meeting at 2pm thanking all for coming

MINUTES: accept the Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday 4th April at the Soldiers Club Beach

Road Batemans Bay having been circulated as a true copy.

Moved: Margaret Turner
Megan Quinliven 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
 - d) Membership forms x 4
 - e) Information relating to Mingara Orchid Club Fair & Show
 - f) Information relating to hangers for orchid pots (Heath's hangers)
 - g) Tinones Open Day and Show
- Out**
- a) BBOFS Newsletters
 - b) BBOFS newsletters to other orchid clubs
 - c) Letters to all the new members
 - d) Email to Heath's Hangers regarding postage

Moved: Margaret Turner
Seconded: Tony Groube
Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Leanda presented:- Opening balance \$8,399.19; income \$501.50; expenditure \$174.00.

No unrepresented cheques. Final fiscal amount including floats and IBD \$29,202.09.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor
Seconded: Ron Boyd Carried

Leanda requested permission to pay outstanding accounts.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor
Seconded: Liz Cleaver Carried

Afternoon tea 2.30
2.45

3. Anne-Marie explained that Jane Wright, our planned guest speaker had notified her late last week that she would be unable to attend the meeting. Anne-Marie had contact Lynne and Brian Phelan to ask if they could come today, which they have done. Anne-Marie thanked them for making the trip and introduced Lynne who is doing the presentation on Mexican Laelias.

Lynne explained that these plants were first named in 1831 and that there are two main types. One grows in the highlands (above 2000m) and the other grows in the lowlands of Mexico. The general characteristics of these plants are: mostly epiphytic; sympodial; mostly cold tolerant most grow at altitude up to 2500m except two (2) lowland species; they need lots of light and good air movement; they flower mostly in autumn and growing season is summer and early autumn.

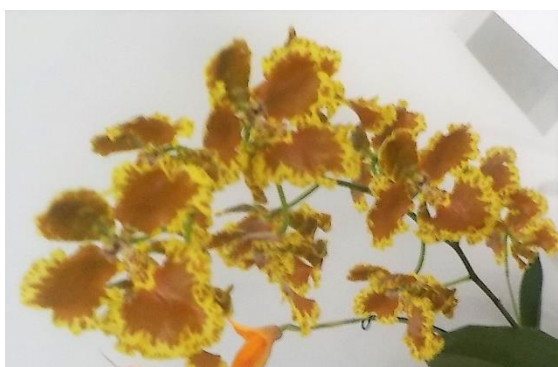
The main variety of the highlands are: Laelia albida which is very widespread. It is a scented, compact plant that has upright racemes that have multiple flowers. The other is Laelia anceps which will grow on just about anything it can hold onto bricks, walls, trees or in baskets or pots in the garden. There are multiple varieties of anceps. Lynne spoke about some of the different varieties of anceps and their

different growth and inflorescences habits from very large to more compact growths and racemes. The areas that they are found in also varies from higher elevations to the lower areas in the highlands. Some of the aneeps will not grow in pots. Lynne gave us this summary of aneeps culture which is: well drained potting medium, plenty of water and fertilizer in the growing season (summer and autumn), bright light, good air circulation, high humidity an asset but not essential, rest period after flowering and repot/divide when roots start to grow on new leads.

There are two lowland types which are: *Laelia aurea* and *Laelia rubescens*. These are found on the Pacific rim at 100 – 1700m. It is suspected that *aurea* is the yellow form of *rubescens*. Neither are cold tolerant and have a distinctive dark maroon spot on the throat of the lip.

Lynne also informed us that “Old Man’s Beard” can choke what it is growing on especially on or around pots.

Anne-Marie thanked Lynne for her interesting presentation and for bringing some of her plants to demonstrate these plants. Lynne also brought several plants which were for sale.



4. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. **Next General Meeting; Garry Evans - cymbids**
- b. MUOS bus trip no further information about this trip as yet.
- c. Result of bric a brac auction – as indicated in the financial report we made a healthy profit which will be used to support the Christmas party.
- d. Suggestions for where to hang banners advertising winter show – members were asked about suggestions to hang the banners advertising the show. Will be discussed further at committee and suggestions recorded under the Committee section in the newsletter.
- e. EOC visit to Steve Morgan bromeliads. Members of EOC and friends are invited to Steve’s place on Saturday 7th May.
- f. Jane Wright will be here in August with plants for sale.
- g. Reminder that we have a Bunning BBQ in July. I need to check the date. Will put in the newsletter. Several members offered their assistance.

5. **RAFFLES:** Jan x 3, Meg, Una, Leanda and Margaret x 2.

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE: Megan Quinlivan

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

Meeting closed 3.20pm

The next meeting will be on Monday afternoon 6th June

At Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay
Secretary Margaret Turner

Soldiers Club Beach Road



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22nd Australian Orchid Council CONFERENCE & SHOW

31st August to 4th September 2022

**ONLY 3 MONTHS TO GO
TIME TO START PLANNING**

- Check out conference speakers at aocc2022.org/speakers
- Register for the conference at aocc2022.org/forms
- Book your seat for the Conference Dinner
- Check the show schedule at aocc2022.org/show-schedule
- Register your display- you'll be paid for staging one
- Book your field trip at <https://aocc2022.org/field-trips>
- Start preparing your photos, paintings & floral art
- Book your accommodation
- Organise your society bus trip for show visitors



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