



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

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**Newsletter – June  
2021**

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**President's Report**

I am currently enjoying the overcast weather of Sussex Inlet, where the fishing is peaceful.

June sees our Orchid Crawl happening. We start our looking, at Ron's place (orchids for sale), then heading to Brian's (morning tea) and finishing at Margaret's for a b b q lunch. It will be a great day. More details are in this newsletter.

Our June daytime meeting speaker is Ron. He will be talking on his slipper orchids. He grows them very well. It will be very informative.

Winter is here and now is the time some of our orchids cease to be watered, others slightly and the rest just reduced. A soggy plant is asking for fungus. :(

The fernery visit went very well, with everyone coming away with a greater

knowledge, more plants and less money. But it was fun.

Winter Show preparations are underway and we have a new venue due to the Batemans Bay Soldiers Club renovations. More on this, is in the newsletter and, if you have a club trophy from any of our shows, please return it. Thank you.

I am looking forward to our June meeting and I hope to see you there.

Enjoy your hobby and watch out for bugs on those flower spikes.

Cheers Anne-Marie



Floral Art Anne-Marie Collins

**Our Next Meeting –**

**JUNE IS ALSO A DAYTIME MEETING set up from 12md, benching from 12.30pm, voting 1pm and meeting from 1.30pm. We have been requested to finish and be gone by 4pm.**

Speaker is Ron Boyd talking about Paphs.as he grows these extremely well it should be an interesting and informative talk.

**Club trophies** if anyone has a club trophy, could you please return it to Margaret at a club meeting or arrange with her to collect it please. Thank you.

### 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.

### **ORCHID CRAWL Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June**

9.15 Ron Boyd – 15 Gull Place Catalina

11am Brian Coulton 23 Yarrabee Dve Catalina  
Morning tea

1pm Margaret Turner 102 Litchfield Cres,  
Long Beach – Lunch

Please let Margaret know if attending for  
catering purposes

### Membership Renewals

Memberships are now overdue and need to be paid as soon as possible. These can be paid at the meeting or be paid directly into our Westpac account either by visiting the bank or using Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).

Membership costs are as follows:

Single rate:- \$10.00

Couple/dual rate:- \$15.00

Junior (under 16):- \$5.00

If receiving the newsletter as hard copy please add \$5.00 to above costs.

New members will also pay a joining fee of \$8.00 that covers the cost of the name badge. Bank details are as follows:

Bank Westpac – Bateman's Bay

BSB: **032-681**

Account: **191442**

In Reference, add your surname & that payment is for membership.

Members who do not pay their subs are ineligible to vote at meetings, and are unable to show plants at general meeting.

### From the Committee

**Shows:** Club Catalina has been decided on for the venue for all three (3) shows this year. We have applied for a Club Grant to help offset the associated room hire costs. We are also hoping that members will assist by sponsoring some of the championship prizes. Most are \$25 each. Your assistance will be appreciated. The show schedule has been reviewed by a small group of experienced growers and is currently being finalised. It will be distributed with the July newsletter. We have been informed who the Judges are for all three shows and they have been made aware of the change in venue and the dates for the Spring show.

### Club Members

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

### In Your Orchid House

Autumn is a glorious time of year; however, we need to keep a close eye on our plants to monitor their water needs in particular. Most don't need fertilizer over winter, but some do require small amounts. Sarcs are one group that require constant water and fertilizer throughout the year. Pests may also be about in the cooler weather. Treat them as needed. I have noticed that I rarely get any pests on my sarcs and not sure if that is luck or the pests don't like the sarcs. Flowers and spikes will be on most cymbids at this time of year. For best display of the flowers, encourage the spikes straight up. There are a number of ways to do this and Gordon showed us and discussed a few options at our May meeting (see minutes).

### Diary Dates

#### **July**

3 & 4 MUOS Winter Show Civic Centre Ulladulla

9 & 10 EOC Winter Show CWA Hall Moruya

17 & 18 BBOFS Winter Show **Club Catalina** Batemans Bay

## August

13 – 15 Sapphire Coast Winter Show  
Twyford Hall Merimbula

21 & 22 EOC Spring Show Leisure Centre  
Narooma

28 & 29 August Spring Show Club Catalina  
Batemans Bay

## September

11 & 12 MUOS Spring Show Civic Centre  
Ulladulla

## October

2 & 3 South & West Regional Show Wagga  
Wagga (TBC)

23 & 24 BBOFS Native Show Club Catalina  
Batemans Bay (new dates)

29 & 30 Sapphire Coast Spring Show  
Twyford Hall Merimbula

## November

1<sup>st</sup> AGM & Orchid auction

## December

6<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party venue TBC

EOC is planning on running the usual  
March workshop at some stage during the  
year, so keep your eyes open for more  
information here.

## Benching

Members obviously forgot that the  
meetings are now daytime, as the  
numbers at the meeting and the plants on  
the benches were very few.

## Open Section

**Species:** Liz & Tony

**Cymbidium > 90mm:**

**Cymbidium 60 - 90mm:**

**Cymbidium < 60mm:**

**Aust Native Orchid:** Tony & Liz

**Laeliinae >70mm:**

**Laeliinae <70mm:**

**Paphiopedilum:**

**Vandaceous:**

**Pleurothallidinae:**

**Oncidiinae Alliance:** Margaret Turner

**Seedling:**

**Miscellaneous:** Liz & Tony

**Fern:**

**Foliage:**

## Plant of the Night



Encyclia "Andrew Young" x Encyclia  
"Tinone" Liz & Tony

## Floral Art



Leanda O'Connor

## Novice Section

**Species:** Anne-Marie Collins

**Cymbidium > 90mm:**

**Cymbidium 60 – 90mm:**

**Cymbidium < 60mm:**

**Aust. Native Orchid:**

**Laeliinae > 70cm:**

**Laeliinae < 70cm:**

**Paphiopedilum:**

**Vandaceous:**

**Pleurothallidinae:**

**Oncidiinae Alliance:**

**Seedling:**

**Miscellaneous:**

**Fern:**

**Foliage:**

## Plant of the Night





Prothechea cochleaya Floriferous X "Big"  
Anne-Marie Collins

**BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND  
FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC. DRAFT  
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL  
MEETING HELD SOLDIERS CLUB;  
BEACH ROAD BATEMANS BAY**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021**

**PRESENT:** Members: 10 Apologies:  
1 Visitors: 2

President Anne-Marie opened the meeting at 1.30pm thanking all for coming

**MINUTES:** accept the Minutes of the last General Meeting held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April at the Soldiers Club Beach Road Batemans Bay having been circulated as a true copy.

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Una Roberts 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) Bank statement
- d) ANOS information relating to Auction

- e) Information regarding rooms for hire at Catalina Club
- f) Email from Ron regarding orchid walk about
- g) Information about Southern Orchid Spectacular

**Out**

- a) BBOFS Newsletters
- b) BBOFS newsletters to other orchid clubs
- c) Information relating to rooms available for hire at Catalina Club

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded: Brian Perkins Carried

**2. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Treasurer Leanda presented: - opening balance \$9570.87; income \$331.00; expenditure \$97.84. One unrepresented cheque. Closing balance after unrepresented cheque is cleared \$9754.03. Floats remain unchanged. Vouchers being used for raffle prizes.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor Seconded Robin Baker Carried

Leanda requested permission to pay outstanding accounts.

Moved: Leanda O'Connor Seconded: Una Roberts Carried

**GUEST SPEAKER – Gordon Marion**

Gordon spoke about managing spikes for show and bench presentation. Cymbid spikes should be supported so that they remain upright unless it is an arching or descending type, although it is possible to encourage these spikes to be upright as well. All cymbids are easier to transport if the spikes are upright. If you have a plant that has never flowered for you before, let it do its own thing for the first year, then decide how you want to manage it in future.

You can support a flower spike by using a yo-yo or fishing line, just be careful that it isn't too tight, but firm enough to

support and encourage the spike to grow upright. If you need to support an early spike into an upright position, do it slowly and gently and in the warmest part of the day.

If you have leaves on the plant that are starting to yellow, peel them off early as they are easier to get off then.

Cattleya's – Gordon uses his own hypoponic mix as Cattleya love humidity and don't like having wet feet. He repotted a plant to show us how he does this. Best to have three (3) bulbs as he has found that they flower better that way. Gordon made a tepee of small stakes to support the plant after repotting, to hold the plant solidly until it settles into its new pot and re-establish a good root hold. Gordon suggested that if using bark, a complete fertilizer needs to be used, using the old adage – use weakly whenever you water making sure that you flush pots every so often to remove build-up of fertilizer in pot.

Gordon very kindly put the three (3) new plants on the raffle table, as well as providing another plant that he brought in for that purpose.

Those of us who were the winners of the plants appreciate it. Thank you Gordon.

Afternoon tea breaks 2.30pm

Return 2.45pm

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

- a. Next General Meeting;** Ron speaking about Paphs
- b. Shows – venue & costs –** The executive met with the functions manager at the Catalina Club and looked at areas within that club as options for our shows. The costs of hiring these rooms can be offset by applying for a waiver through the ClubGrants Scheme. Margaret

undertook to do this. However, the Clyde room is not available on the original dates of our Spring Show. After some discussion, it was decided that we would move the dates forward a weekend, thus the new dates for the Spring Show are 27, 28 & 29 August. This date does not impact on the dates of any of the clubs around us. We spoke about running a raffle to help offset the costs associated with the show and the management of the club are fine with that. This will be especially helpful as the prize monies return to pre – 2018 levels this year. The committee will organise the usual ribbons and small trophies for the shows. However, we do need everyone to start talking about when the shows will be on and encourage members of the public to attend. It was suggested that we inform all the independent living areas and low care nursing homes early so that they can plan a trip into the activity calendar.

- c. Fern nursery trip –** a few members only attended. Those who attended enjoyed the day. Thank you to Kylie for hosting us.
- d. Floral art displays –** the requirements for the displays were discussed. If using flowers, the majority need to be live orchids. Synthetic flowers are not acceptable. Displays can also be of greenery only.
- e. Coffee get together –** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 2 – 4 at the Botanical Gardens. Starts this month, so will be Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May.
- f. Orchid crawl –** 13<sup>th</sup> June – Ron's, Brian & Margaret for BBQ lunch. Commences at Ron's at 14 Gull Close Catalina at 9.30, then onto Brian Coulton's at 23 Yarrabee Drive Catalina for morning tea and

finishing at Margaret's 102 Litchfield Cres, Long Beach for a sausage sizzle lunch. Please let Margaret know if you will be there for lunch for catering purposes.

- g. Changes to calendar of events – as Gordon has very kindly stepped in to do his talk today, Brian Coulton will take his spot in September and will be speaking on Dockrillias.

5. **RAFFLES:** Robin; Margaret x 2; Jean; Jan B x 2; Leanda; Anne-Marie x 2; Brian P X 2.

**LUCKY DOOR PRIZE:** Anne-Marie Collins

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

**Meeting closed** 3.40pm

**The next meeting will be on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

**At Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay**

Secretary Margaret Turner

**Please note: This is an AFTERNOON meeting**

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### WANTED

Anne-Marie is looking for any or all of the following:

- Herbs
- Spare vegetable seedlings
- Seedling fruit trees or fruit vines.

Free or cheap please.

She would like to plant them on her Yarragee Road property that was burnt out in the last Summer Bush Fires.

Please contact Anne-Marie if you are able to assist. Her contact details are at the top of the newsletter.



Corybus Hispidus benched by Leanda O'Connor.

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