

## BATEMANS BAY ORCHID AND FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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# Newsletter – November 2021

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### President's Report



Calochilus Paludosus Red Bearded orchid Found in the bush at a friend's pproperty

Hello members,

The year has flown by and we are looking forward to our Christmas Party.

We are looking at suitable places, as I type.

This has been a year like last year, but 2022 will, fingers crossed, be a year for meetings, outings and shows.

Keep up the good work on your orchids and may they grow, ready to be shown in 2022.

Mine have flowered this year, better than any other year.

Enjoy your orchids and see you soon.

Cheers Anne-Marie



Pterostylis Baptistii King Greenhood found at the same property

#### Our Next Meeting -

The November meeting may be problematic as members cannot enter the Soldiers Club unless they are fully vaccinated. I know that 2 of our committee are not and won't be until after the meeting date. There will also be limits around numbers, staying seated all the time, social distances – 20 per booking and wearing masks all the time. With all that in mind, the committee decided that we would not have a meeting in November.

However, for the December meeting the rules will be very different as the state is removing a lot of the restrictions for everyone. So we wait and see.

#### **Meeting Protocols Reminder**

# <u>Turn mobile phones onto silent or off.</u>

• 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

The committee continues to communicate electronically as some committee members wait to become double vaccinated. The restrictions on the Soldiers Club regarding numbers, social distancing and vaccination status means that we are unable to have a Native Show, unfortunately.

As commented under next meeting, there will NOT be a November meeting either. However, with the restrictions lifted, we are planning to have a Christmas party. This may include the AGM (to be confirmed). Obviously because of the lack of meetings this year, the usual plant prizes will not be available.

We will let everyone know plans when more information is available.



Sarc Madge Daisy Topaz Margaret Turner



Sarc Peace on Earth X ? "Cute" Margaret Turner

#### Membership fees

Memberships are due from 1<sup>st</sup> January and need to be paid no later than our April meeting. These can be paid at a meeting or 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 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, are unable to show plants at general meeting.

#### **Club Members**

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



Jan Boyce no name given

#### In Your Orchid House

This is the time of year when everything is growing, so care and patience will repay you next year in beautiful flowers.

The rain over the past two weeks will have encouraged the bugs to appear, especially as we have had some lovely sunny days in between the showers. I have recorded 60mls for the month here at Long Beach (to Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>).

I am sure most of you will be wishing that we had been able to have a Native Show, if like me, your orchid house has lots of sarc;s in flower. I also have a soft cane in flower, which is a first for me despite having had the pots for several years without them flowering.

I am sure repotting is also underway. When looking at a plant to decide whether or not to repot it, always check to see if you can see new growths which will help guide how you place the plant in the pot and check that the growing tips on roots are nice and plump and green. If the plant is filling the pot, you may need to think about dividing as well as repotting. Either way, trim old roots carefully so as not to damage the new roots and growths. This is also the time to remove old and damaged leaves and any old spikes that may be on the plant.

Water in well and start feeding again if that is appropriate for the genre.

Remember smaller pots and mounts will need more care as the weather warms so be aware of what your plants require.



Soft cane unknown Margaret Turner

# Diary Dates note the changes in red please

October

29 & 30 Sapphire Coast Spring Show This is on at the Pambula Town Hall. 31 visit to Paula & Mike Brown's Sarcochilus display cancelled November

1<sup>st</sup> AGM & Orchid auction cancelled December 6<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party ?Soldiers Club

No minutes and thus no benching to include as we have not met.

#### Soldiers Club Beach Road



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Dinemia Polybulbum Jan Boyce



One of my Speciosum The following are some photos from the 2019 Native show. Enjoy

















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