



**BATEMANS
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AND FOLIAGE
SOCIETY INC.**

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**Newsletter –
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President's Report



Anne-Marie's Dendrobium Twinkle
Fragrant Fantasy

Hello Members,

Disappointed, does not cover how I feel.
Our Spring Show is highly unlikely, due to
the current health crisis.

We were very lucky to get our meeting in
this month. Robyn Noel was very

interesting with her account of the Taiwan
event. Lots of lovely photos and an
experience I would love to have one day.

September our speaker is to be Brian
Coulton and he will be talking on dockrillias.
His knowledge of orchids is outstanding. I
do hope we get to have our meeting.

Floral Art Group is powering ahead with
another new person, at our last gathering.

Welcome to Pam Mason, our latest club
member.

Here's hoping things improve and we can
see each other again. Meanwhile I have
orchids flowering merrily away and
nowhere to show them. Such is life.

Stay well, enjoy your orchids and hopefully
see you soon.

Cheers Anne-Marie



Anne-Marie Den Twinkle Pink Profusion

Our Next Meeting –

**SEPTEMBER IS ALSO THE LAST OF
THE DAYTIME MEETINGS, however
under the current circumstances, it
is highly probable that NSW will still
be in lockdown, which means we are
all under “stay at home” orders. This
means no meetings and no show. As
numbers today (Thursday 19/8) are
still above 600, I would be extremely
surprised if we are out of lockdown**

within the next 3 to 4 weeks. So take care everyone, stay home, stay safe and get vaccinated if possible.

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

Due to the Lockdown, the committee did not meet.

Vale Bill Giust 2/9/33 – 29/7/2021

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of Bill Giust. Bill and his wife Joy were foundation members of Batemans Bay Orchid and Foliage Club. They were the first recipients of Life Membership of our club.

Bill has been a lover and grower of orchids for at least half his life. Bill was always prepared to assist any interested person or grower with whatever the question was or just to have a chat about orchids. At show time, if he wasn't standing at the door greeting people, he would be found talking to and helping people as they walked around the displays. At meetings he was always asking relevant questions of our speakers which helped the more inexperienced growers to learn.

His orchid collection, fruit trees and his tomato and vegetable patches occupied the whole of their back yard and gave him a great deal of pleasure to both work in and then to enjoy the fruits of his labour. Orchids had to go to Maranatha with them when they moved several years ago.

Joy has asked that we thank members of both BBOFS and EOC who provided these beautiful orchids for this floral display and the wreath on the coffin.

As would be expected of Bill, he had planted several cymbidiums in the garden

at Maranatha. I am sure they will be a lovely reminder of Bill for many years to come.



At the front of the church



This yellow one came out the day after he passed away and was on the table in the area where we had a cuppa after the funeral service.

Rest in Peace Bill.

Club Members

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

In Your Orchid House

Hopefully with the restrictions we have been experiencing and are currently experiencing, we all have plenty of time to spend in our orchid houses. I know that mine have been getting more attention than they have had in the last couple of years. Repotting – dividing or just potting on is well underway and this warmer weather make them think that spring has arrived already. Lots of spikes and beautiful flowers to admire as well. My dendrobiums are beautiful with lots of flowers on show, and more to come.

With all that, we will be keeping an eye out for those pesky bugs that become more prolific with the warmer weather. Remember Tony & Robert's discussion in last month's presentation about cleaning the sheaths from growths to reduce the likelihood of giving scale and mealy bugs places to hide. Snails and slugs are on the move as well, so be aware if you see any around. Remember, if you are spraying with white oil to keep the plants out of direct sunlight for a couple of days to prevent burning.

As we get into the warmer weather, plants require more water and more regular fertilizer as they wake up from a slower winter period.

Enjoy your own orchids everyone, as not sure when we will get back to enjoying each other's.



One of Ron's Paphs

Just on another note that has nothing to do with orchids, our native garden at home is coming to life, with lots of plants either in flower or with buds and the birds and the

bees are around in abundance. Love this time of the year.

Diary Dates **note the changes in red please**

September

4th & 5th Spring Show Soldiers Club Batemans Bay ??? will probably be cancelled

11 & 12 MUOS Spring Show Civic Centre Ulladulla

18 & 19 EOC Spring Show Leisure Centre Narooma

26 Orchid crawl rescheduled

October

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

10 BBQ picnic & social day Nelligen & wander around cemetery to find orchids

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

29 & 30 Sapphire Coast Spring Show Twyford Hall Merimbula

31 visit to Paula & Mike Brown's *Sarcochilus* display

November

1st AGM & Orchid auction

December

6th Christmas Party venue TBC

Benching

Due to the Covid restrictions, benching was not permitted. Once in the meeting room, members had to sit down and stay seated throughout the duration of the meeting. Thank you to those members present for abiding by the regulations.

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Monday 2nd August 2021

PRESENT: Members:11 Apologies: 6
Visitors: 1

President Anne-Marie opened the meeting at 1.32pm thanking all for coming.

Anne-Marie welcomed new member Pam Mason.

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

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded:
Tony Groube Carried

BUSINESS ARISING: included in the General Business.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Magazines;
- b) Newsletters from Wagga Wagga, Sapphire Coast, Milton/Ulladulla, Canberra, N.S.WOS, Shoalhaven; EOC; Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts OS, Illawarra OS, North Shore OS,
- c) Bank statement
- d) Agenda & meeting items for AGM for Australian Orchid Council,
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 - a) BBOFS Newsletters
 - b) BBOFS newsletters to other orchid clubs
 - c) Letters to Judges for Winter Show re change of date & then cancellation
 - d) Vale Bill Giust

Moved: Margaret Turner Seconded:
Leo Baumgartner Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

As the Treasurer was an apology, Anne-Marie presented the report: opening balance \$9,249.03; Income \$100.00; expenditure \$990.87. One unrepresented cheque for \$20.00. Closing balance after unrepresented cheque cleared \$8,338.16. Plus, vouches, floats and IBD total fiscal amount \$28,772.29

Moved: Anne-Marie Collins Seconded:
Ron Boyd Carried

Anne-Marie requested permission to pay outstanding accounts.

Moved: Anne-Marie Collins Seconded:
Tony Groube Carried

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- a. **Next General Meeting;** Monday 6th Sept Brian Coulton Dockrillias
- b. Bill Giust funeral details – Bill's funeral will be at St Bernard's Catholic Church Batehaven on Wednesday 4th August at 10am. Joy has asked members to provide orchid flowers for the coffin. Anne-Marie has picked flowers up from members of both BBOFS and EOC and we thank them and her for this. If members are planning on attending the funeral, could they please wear something that indicates association with BBOFS? Thank you.
- c. Spring Show – set up 3rd September open to public 4 & 5 Sept – we hope. Margaret will stay in touch with members and the judges a bit closer to time to let them know if the show will go ahead. Ken suggested that the dates be omitted from the banners, as it is unlikely we will know much before a week out if the show will go ahead.
- d. Bunning BBQ – 19th Sept cancelled – Bunnings currently have over 60 groups asking for BBQ's therefore probably not one available until late January. Asked to be considered for cancellation.

- e. Anne-Marie gave our previous speakers – Ron and Tony BBOFS pens.
- f. Discussion as to what to use as a lucky member number draw until the new people have settled into the restaurant. After some discussion of options, it was agreed that money would be used for August and September.
- g. As the ribbons and trophies have been purchased for our winter and spring shows this year there was discussion about being able to make the ribbons reflect both the 2021 and 2022 years. Anne-Marie is able to screen print onto the ribbons and as the trophies don't have a year on them, we can re-use them for 2022. This was agreed to.

4. Guest Speaker: Robyn Noel



Entry to where the Conference should have been.

Robyn had a slide show of her trip to Taiwan in February 2020. She was meant to be attending the World Orchid Show and conference, however due the outbreak of Covid the Show was cancelled. As the group were already in Taiwan, they had the program altered to fit in with what they could now do. As a result, they visited several very large orchid nurseries as well as local areas

of interest. We also saw several slides of them eating the local food.



A Paph nursery that they visited.

Anne-Marie thanked Robyn for coming down and gave her a BBOFS pen and some money for fuel.

There are several photos from the trip included in the newsletter.

5. RAFFLES: Ken x 2, Ron x 2; Margaret x 2, Anne-Marie and Liz.

LUCKY MEMBER NUMBER DRAW: Tony & Liz

Meeting closed 2.46pm

The next meeting will be on Monday 6th September at Soldiers Club; Batemans Bay

Secretary Margaret Turner

Please note: This is the last of the AFTERNOON meetings.





Paph display at nursery in Taiwan

Soldiers Club Beach Road



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WANTED

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

- Herbs
- Spare vegetable seedlings
- Young 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 2019/2020 Summer Bush Fires.

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

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Onc. Sweet Sugar



Went back thru' old photos & last 2 are to remind us of our shows