



# COFFS HARBOUR ORCHID SOCIETY

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## COFFS ORCHID NEWS – SEP 2013

### GENERAL MEETING & ORCHID COMPETITION

1<sup>st</sup> THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7.00 for 7.30 PM, UNLESS OTHERWISE ANNOUNCED, at NORTH COAST REGIONAL BOTANIC GARDENS, HARDACRE STREET, COFFS HARBOUR.

<u>PRESIDENT:</u>	ED PEARCE	6650 9578, 0418 519908
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<u>TREASURER:</u>	BRUCE HALL	6658 9891
<u>EDITOR:</u>	ED PEARCE	6650 9578

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Coffs Harbour Produce is at 26 June Street in Coffs. They carry a good range of fertilisers, insecticides and fungicides for orchids, as well as general garden needs. 6652 2599.

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### **1. CALENDAR**

5 Sep Shergolds – Deflasking orchids  
14/15 Sep Spring Show  
10 Oct Dennis Sinclair  
7 Nov AGM and Lycastes  
5 Dec Awards and Christmas meeting

### **2. SEPTEMBER MEETING**

The guest speaker for our September meeting will be Murray Shergold. Murray will be showing how to de-flask orchids.

A couple of years ago Steve Clemesha showed us how we can pollinate orchids, and we've also had Danny Bell show us how the seed that forms can be flaked while they grow into small seedlings. Murray's demonstration is the next stage.

**Murray will bring some orchids and some supplies to sell at our meeting. If there is something that you would particularly like perhaps you could contact him at Easy Orchids on 6682 2635 or check out their catalogue at [www.easvorchids.com](http://www.easvorchids.com)**

### **3. AGENDA**

Welcome, Apologies, Visitors.

Minutes of Aug meeting – as printed in newsletter

Committee Report – refer to report.

Inwards Correspondence

1. .

Outwards Correspondence

Finance Report – printed in newsletter

Sponsors Spot – Coffs Harbour Produce

Table talk

General business

1. Spring Show

Raffle, popular vote, guest speaker

## **4. MINUTES of AUGUST MEETING**

President welcomed the 32 people present, including his wife Judith Pearce as a visitor. Carole Davis was presented with her awards from the Nambucca Orchid Show. Members encouraged to support our neighbouring orchid societies. Bellingen Show on 17<sup>th</sup> August.

Apologies received from Elaine, Bronwen, Bruce, Don, Ann, Cathy, Di, Pam and Graeme.

Minutes of July meeting – Mvd John, scd Betty that minutes of July meeting be approved as printed in newsletter

Business Arising – nil.

Committee Report – refer to report. No questions.

Inwards Correspondence

2. Woolgoolga OS – Show on 5<sup>th</sup> October
3. Grafton OS – Show 19/21 September
4. Notes – Orchid Virus Diseases
5. Alstonville OS – Show 3/7<sup>th</sup> September
6. Melbourne Orchid Spectacular – 24 Aug
7. Hervey Bay OS – Show 5/6<sup>th</sup> Oct
8. Bellinger valley OS – Show 17<sup>th</sup> Aug
9. Port Macquarie OS – Show 24/25<sup>th</sup> Aug
10. \* AOC re Annual General Meeting
11. \*OSNSW newsletter
12. \* Botanic Gardens - dates for 2014
13. \*Inquiry from Ipswich OS re possibility of visiting Spring Show in 2014.

Outwards Correspondence

1. Letter to Council re lights (it was noted that we had a light in the car park this month.

Mvd Carol, scd Bob That correspondence be approved

Finance Report – no report this month

Sponsors Spot – Ed spoke of Fitzroy Motors and encouraged members to support this sponsor.



**Cym Cleo's melody "Freakout" which is the parent of several peloric Cymbidiums.**

During the table talk Ed highlighted the peloric markings on the sepals of a *Cymbidium*, one of the descendents of *Cym. Cleo's Melody "Freakout"*, the two forms of *Coelogyne Unchained Melody* on display and the *Dendrobium kingianum "Steve"* named for Steve Clemesha.

General business

1. Spring Show was spoken about with people encouraged to sign the roster sheet and to ready their plants for the Show on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> September.

Popular vote was won by Ron and Judy Cowling for an attractive and unusual orchid *Encyclia polybulbon*.

The raffle plants were a selection of *Coelogyne*s.

## 5. ED PEARCE'S TALK on COELOGYNES.

Ed encouraged people to find room in their collections for a couple of *Coelogyne*s since they are fairly easy to grow and seem well-suited to Coffs Harbour.

- ▣ *Coelogyne*s are indigenous to many Asian and south east Asian countries and grow from sea level to about 4000 metres.
- ▣ There are about 200 species
- ▣ Those that grow at sea level need warmer conditions, while those at higher elevations need cooler conditions.
- ▣ Coffs Harbour is "intermediate"; so many *Coelogyne*s grow well here.

Some of the species that are grown well in the Coffs Harbour area are

- *Coelogyne viscosa*
- *Coelogyne flaccida*
- *Coelogyne cristata*
- *Coelogyne pandurata*
- *Coelogyne tomentosa*
- *Coelogyne speciosa*
- *Coelogyne fimbriata*
- *Coelogyne nitida*
- *Coelogyne mooreana*

And there are several others that are grown here too.

Several *Coelogyne*s quickly grow into large specimen plants which are covered with masses of flowers.

Here are photos of some of these *Coelogyne* species



***Coelogyne mooreana***



***Coelogyne tomentosa***



***Coelogyne cristata***





**Coelogyne speciosa**



**Coelogyne nitida**



**A large plant of Coelogyne fimbriatas**

Coelogynes are fairly easy to grow in the Coffs Harbour area. It is suggested that you try a few of these orchids to see what works for you. Some guidelines are -

- Use a fairly free draining orchid mixture

- Need plenty of water in summer, but keep drier in winter
- Many of them grow well in hanging baskets
- Moderate shade, but will grow well with more light. More sun in winter if possible.
- Prefer not to be re-potted too often
- Weak fertiliser
- Fairly resistant to insects, but can be attacked by aphids. Good to spray with insecticide and fungicide as a preventative.

There are only a few hybrids – about 60 – compared with thousands of Cymbidiums, Paphiopedilums, etc. Some of the hybrids you will see growing in our area are



**Coelogyne Unchained Melody (cristata x flaccida)**



**Coelogyne Linda Buckley (cristata x mooreana)**



**Coelogyne Mem. William Micholitz (lawrenceana x mooreana)**

And a hybrid registered by my father in 1995 is Coelogyne Edward Pearce.



**Coelogyne Edward Pearce (fragrans x mooreana)**

Orchids related to Coelogyne are Dendrochilum and Pleione. There some efforts being made to see if an intergeneric hybrid can be created.

People wanting more information are encouraged to check out the excellent website created by Kevin Dawes, and Australian Coelogyne enthusiast. The address is [www.Coelogynes.com](http://www.Coelogynes.com)

## 6. SHOW

Our Spring Show is fast approaching. We will be setting up our hall from 3 pm on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September and the Show will be held on Saturday and Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> September.

It is also well worth a look at some of the native orchids in bloom in the gardens at this time, especially the Phaius, or swamp orchids. The Phaius australis is native to this area and the Botanic Gardens has a good display of these orchids.

Please note that there is a roster in this newsletter showing the duties that people have signed up for. Also, we are asking people to bring along some slices, cakes, etc for us to sell with tea/coffee at our stall. If your name is not on the list please come along and help out.

## 7. LIGHTING

We are having some success with lighting and we now have lights over the car park. It is hoped that we will have lighting in front of the building in time for our next meeting.

## 8. COMMITTEE REPORT

At our committee meeting we discussed

- Arrangements for Spring Show
- Will not proceed with proposal for increased subs this year
- Lighting in the car park
- Dates for 2014

## 9. AGM.

We have our AGM in November and it's time to think about our office bearers for 2014. The positions to be elected are President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer and 3 committee members.

If you are interested in any of these positions, or if there is someone you would like to nominate, there are nomination forms at our meetings, and on the web site.

Ron Cowling is the returning officer so any nomination forms should be given to him.

**COFFS HARBOUR ORCHID SOCIETY (CHOS)**

**TRADING STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF 22 June 2013 to 27 August 2013**

**DATE OF THIS STATEMENT 27/8/2013.**

<b>RECEIPT</b>		<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	<b>Cheque</b>	<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>	
00/2	Raffle	\$177.00			Monthly Meet,Jul/Aug.
00/1	468 M/Ships	\$10.00			Membership renewals.
00/5	Affiliation		104	\$100.00	AOC M/Ship
00/5	Affiliation		105	\$60.00	OSNSW
00/7	Newsletter		103	\$26.78	Xerox, July N/Letter.
02/1	Bank Interest	\$166.62			Term Dep. Refer BCU Stat.
02/2	Bank Interest	\$2.85			S20 Acct. Refer BCU Stat.
04/2	Spring Show		107	\$40.00	Catering/S. Williams
04/2	Spring Show		106	\$60.00	P/Print posters
<b><u>TOTALS</u></b>		<b><u>\$356.47</u></b>		<b><u>\$286.78</u></b>	

**DEBIT/CREDIT TOTAL FOR THE PERIOD**      \$69.69

**Bank Reconciliation for the above trading period.**

Opening Bank Balance 26/6/2013      \$6,364.71

Rec for above period

\$356.47

S/T

\$6,721.18

**DEDUCT**      Exp for above period

\$286.78

Pre. u/presented cheques

Chq 100.

S/T

\$100.00

\$386.78

\$6,334.40

**Balance of income and expenditure**

**\$6,334.40**

Refer BCU Statement @ 27/8/2013.

**NOTES:**

CHOS has a sum of \$10,000.00 invested as a FTD with all interest earned rolled into the daily account and is shown in the appropriate trading statements.

HALL, B.G.

Hon. Treasurer

27/8/2013.

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BAKER Peter																																						
BINNS Doug																																						
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# COFFS HARBOUR ORCHID SOCIETY – SHOW ROSTER

## Show Marshall – Bruce Hall

Setting up from 3 pm Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

B. Hall, D Blay, B. Southwell, B. Axford, C. Axford, E. Pearce, B. Fox

### SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> Sept

	9-11	11-1	1-3	3-5
Sales	B. Pearce B. Pittaway	B. Pearce B. Pittaway P. King B. Bright	B. Pearce B. Pittaway P. Wallace B. Bright	B. Pearce B. Pittaway
Raffle	B. Mayled D. Blay	B. Fox A. Dew	J. Lock S. King	E. Cunningham Ben and Monica
Display	S. Clemesha	S. Clemesha E. Pearce	S. Clemesha G. Baillie P. Baillie	S. Clemesha B. Southwell
Welcome	R. Cowling	R. Cowling	R. Cowling	R. Cowling
Tea/coffee	C. Axford J. Lock	C. Axford J. Cowling P. King	C. Axford J. Cowling C. Davis	C. Axford J. Cowling
“Reserve”				

### SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> April

	9-11	11-1	1-3	
Sales	B. Pearce B. Pittaway D. Blay	B. Pearce P. Wallace	B. Pearce B. Pittaway	
Raffle	B. Fox C. Davis	D. Blay B. Mayled	J. Wong	
Display	E. Pearce B. Hall	C. Davis	E. Pearce	
Welcome	R. Cowling	R. Cowling	R. Cowling	
Tea/coffee	C. Axford G. Small J. Cowling	C. Axford J. Cowling	C. Axford J. Cowling	
“Reserve”				

Packing up from 3.30 Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>

B. Hall, B. Axford, P. King, E. Pearce, B. Southwell, D. Blay.