



COFFS HARBOUR ORCHID SOCIETY

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COFFS ORCHID NEWS – DEC 2012

GENERAL MEETING & ORCHID COMPETITION

1st 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
<u>SECRETARY:</u>	BRONWEN FOX	6652 4330
<u>TREASURER:</u>	BRUCE HALL	6658 9891
<u>EDITOR:</u>	ED PEARCE	6650 9578

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1. CALENDAR

- 6 Dec Awards and Christmas breakup
7 Feb First meeting for 2012

2. DECEMBER MEETING

The December meeting will be our Christmas breakup and awards meeting. We will have a brief general meeting with the awards and then have a Christmas supper.

Members are requested to bring a plate and some drink to share. Remember that we are not able to heat food. After the awards we will clear away the plants, put tables in the middle of the room, and enjoy a Christmas supper.

Members are also asked to bring a small gift - no more than \$10 - for the secret Santa.

3. COMMITTEE REPORT

The new committee met on 6th November to discuss the next 12 months for the society. Finalised arrangements for Christmas meeting. Will look into having a coloured backdrop for shows.

Next meeting will be 29 January at Mangrove Jacks

4. AGM

At the AGM the following were appointed

President	Ed Pearce
Vice President	Steve Clemesha
Secretary	Bronwen Fox
Treasurer	Bruce Hall
Committee	Carol Axford, Sue Williams, Carole Davis

The following positions are held as indicated in this list (if any of these people don't wish to continue could he or she please speak to Ed or one of the committee).

Show Marshall	Bruce Hall
Asst Show Marshall	Bill Bright
Editor	Ed Pearce
Publicity	Bruce Hall
Welcome	Ron Cowling
Membership	Bruce Hall
Librarian	Carol Davis
Public Officer	Steve Clemesha
Catering	Sue Williams, Barb Pearce
Raffle sales	Brenda Mayled
Photographer	Clem Murray
Monthly Comp points	Gary Suter

5. POINT SCORE RESULTS

We encourage people to bring along some of their flowering plants to our meetings so that we can all share in the beauty of these plants and see what other people are growing. It's an opportunity to ask questions of growers and to learn more about our hobby.

If you have a plant that you would like identified, or one which you would like some advice about because it's not looking too healthy, you can bring it along and ask about it.

At our December meeting we give prizes to the people who gain the most points in each category throughout the year.



Brassias are in flower now. Do you have one?

6. POINT SCORE CATEGORIES

There will be some small changes to the categories we use for the monthly display. The main change is in the Oncidiinae section where we have changed it to be based on size not shape.

There is a copy of this revised schedule included with the newsletter. Note that there is a Novice section for new members in their first year of membership, and a non competitive section for displaying plants that you may not have owned for the required 6 months or more.

We encourage members to bring along a few plants to our meeting. If you're not sure what category your plant belongs in, please ask one of our more experienced growers.

7. GLAD FLEMING TROPHY

At our December meeting we award the Glad Fleming Perpetual trophy to the member who has gained the most points overall in the monthly displays for the preceding year.

8. ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Also at our December meeting we recognise those who have been members for 10, 15, 20, 25 etc years. This recognises that without our members and your efforts we wouldn't have an orchid society.

9. ORCHID SOCIETY SHIRTS

Some members have been asking about the shirts with Coffs harbour Orchid Society embroidered on them. The pale blue polo shirts can be purchased from Lowes. A word of caution – their sizes are rather large. E.g. I normally take a large size, but the large form Lowes is really too big for me.

Once you have your shirt the embroidery can be done at the Northside shopping centre. The embroidery is done in shop 14 and they will do the Coffs Orchid Society and your name for about \$10.

10. GORDON and BRIAN'S WORKSHOP

There was a well attended workshop at Gordon's on 4th November. Gordon and Brian showed us how to divide and re-pot plants and to look after them through the growing season. For detailed notes covering these topics refer to the December 2011 newsletter (you may have kept this, or you can see it on our website).

Some of the issues highlighted this year were

Potting Mix - enables plants to sit in pots so they can be fed. Epsafoam separates the peat moss and acts as a drying

agent. With a damp mix put less in the pot or ease up on watering.



Gordon showing us how he uses his potting tray

Dividing - Seal the cuts with a paste mix of Listerine and fungicide (50/50). Trim old soft roots. Be quite ruthless with Cymbidium roots but try and ensure three bulbs to each new shoot. In new pots place 1/3 foam and top with mix, make sure in placing the division that the old plant is to the edge of the pot so the new growth will grow to the centre, and that the rhizome sits on top of the mix.

Cheap bark - soak in mix of water and Dolomite (handful to a bucket) for a couple of days, strain and put in black sack in the sun for another day or two to compost down.



Brian, Tracy and Gordon at the table

11. NURSERY VISIT

There was a very disappointing turn-up to the nursery visit in South Grafton. Several people who had been planning on going withdrew at the last minute.

This was embarrassing since the nursery had gone to some trouble to provide tea/coffee and sandwiches for us.

We will need to give some thought to whether it is worth organising this sort of trip again.

12. SUPPLIES

If you are looking for somewhere to get some orchid mix, you might like to try Coffs Harbour Produce in June Street. They are one of our valued sponsors and they carry Searle's Orchid mix in both Dendrobium and Cymbidium formulations.

13. ED'S TALK – for BEGINNERS

Why?

- How much work do you want to do?
- What will you do with your flowering plants?
- Try to keep it simple at first

1. What orchids?

- Bigger plants – flower sooner, more robust
- Natives? Grow well here

2. Where?

- Need sun, air movement.
- Morning sun, afternoon shade
- On trees, under trees
- Shadehouse - 50% shade is a good compromise

3. In what?

- Pots – plastic, labels – pencil or Identipen (won't fade)
- Orchid potting mix – bark, coconut, custom made
- Available from Coffs Harbour Produce in June Street, Bunnings, Easy Orchids
- Dividing – don't be frightened to try

4. Watering

- Thorough, not too often. How often? Depends!
Perhaps 2 or 3 times a week in summer

5. Pests – be preventative?

- Snails, slugs – use bait
- Other – all-purpose e.g. Rose spray
- Trigger pack?

6. Fertiliser – balanced, i.e. not too much nitrogen.

- Slow release pellets
- Campbell's yellow or similar
- Custom made, can vary with seasons

7. Fungus

- Fungicide, e.g. Mancozeb, others

8. Conclusion

- Talk to your plants
- Don't be frightened to kill a few orchids!
- Gordon and Brian's workshops. 26 Pullen Street, Woolgoolga 6653 2554. Sunday. 9.30 for 10.
- Eric Collins Article. November 2009 newsletter on our website.
- Various speakers – refer newsletters.
- Good luck!

14. MINUTES of 2012 AGM

Welcome to all members and visitors.

Apologies: Ron and Judy Cowling, Bill Bright, Brian Newman.

Minutes AGM 2011: Moved:Sue, Seconded: Steve

President's Report: as per Newsletter

Fincncial Report: provided for members. Moved: Betty, Seconded: Glenys

Moved that annual subscription remain the same as in 2011/2012. \$10 single, \$15 couple. Moved: Bruce, Seconded: Barb P.

Election of office bearers for 2012/2013.

President: Ed

Vice President: Steve

Secretary: Bronwen

Treasurer: Bruce

Committee: Sue, Carole, Carol

Thanks to Don for his work on the committee.

Closed: 7:45

15. AGENDA FOR DECEMBER MEETING

Welcome, Apologies, Visitors.

Minutes of Nov meeting – as printed in newsletter

Business Arising

Committee Report – refer to report.

Inwards Correspondence

Outwards Correspondence

Finance Report – no report.

Active Service Awards.

Table talk?

Awards for Monthly competition.

General business – nil.

Raffle, popular vote.

Thanks for attending.



16. MINUTES for NOVEMBER MEETING.

Welcome to all members and visitors.

Apologies: Ron and Judy Cowling, Bill Bright, Brian Newman.

Minutes of October Meeting: as per Newsletter .Moved:
Tom, Seconded: Steve

Business Arising: Nil

Committee report: as per newsletter.

Correspondence in:

- 2Air FM Newsletter
- Travel Taiwan Brochure
- Orchids Australia
- Neutrog Fertilisers Newsletter
- Jan Shipp Letter.

Moved: Sue, Seconded: Clem

Correspondence out: Card for Norm Mitchell.

Financial Report: in Newsletter

General Business:

1. Visit to Rosella Orchids South Grafton 17th November.
2. Botanica. Gardens 3-10 Nov. Not participating this year.

Table Talk: Conducted by Ed.

Raffle Winners: Glenys, Laurie, Carol.

Popular Vote : Barb Pearce.

Talk: Ed.....Orchid Growing for Beginners

Meeting Closed: 8:45

OK, nothing to do with orchids but I just had to include a photo of my new grandson (editor's privileges)

COFFS HARBOUR ORCHID SOCIETY.**Point Score Categories.****UPDATED:** Dec 2012**Ver.** No.3.

1	Standard Cymbidium HYBRID Over 90mm.	20	Phalaenopsis HYBRID. Under 60mm.
2	Intermediate Cymbidium HYBRID 60mm – 90mm.	21	Phalaenopsis HYBRID. Over 60mm.
3	Miniature Cymbidium HYBRID. Under 60mm.	22	Dendrobium Nobile (softcane) HYBRID
4.	Laeliinae Exhibition Shape HYBRID. Over 100mm.	23	Dendrobium Hardcane HYBRID. Non Native.
5.	Laeliinae Intermediate HYBRID. 60MM – 100MM.	24	Dendrobium AOV HYBRID Non Native.
6.	Laeliinae Miniature HYBRID. Under 60mm.	25	Dendrobium AOV Species Non Native.
7.	Laeliinae Cluster HYBRID. 5 Flowers min per spike.	26	Australian Native HYBRID. Including Dendrobiums
8.	Laeliinae Novelty. HYBRID. Spotted/ flower not exhibition shape.	27	Australian Native Species. Including Dendrobiums.
9.	Laeliinae Species.	28	Australian Native Monopodial HYBRID.
10.	Paphiopedilum (slipper) HYBRID. Complex Type.	29	Australian Native Monopodial Species
11.	Paphiopedilum Novelty & Allied HYBRIDS.	30	A.O.V HYBRID. Under 50mm.
12.	Paphiopedilum & Allied Species.	31	A.O.V HYBRID. Over 50mm.
13.	Oncidiinae HYBRIDS. Under 25mm.	32	A.O.V Species. Under 50mm.
14.	Oncidiinae HYBRIDS. Between 25mm – 65mm.	33	A.O.V Species. Over 50mm
15.	Oncidiinae HYBRIDS. Over 65mm.	34	Australian Native Terrestrial HYBRID.
16.	Tolumnia (Equitant Oncidiums)	35	Australian Native Terrestrial Species.
17	Oncidiinae & Allied Species.	36	Novice (first year of membership)
18.	Vandaceous HYBRID. Under 60mm.	37	Non- competitive (display only)
19	Vandaceous HYBRID. Over 60mm.	38	Junior (under 18 years).

AOV – any other variety

First, second, third awarded in each category.

Member Name	Standard Cymbidium Over-90 mm	Intermediate Cymbidium 60-90 mm	Miniature Cymbidium Under 60mm	Laelinae Exhibition over 100mm	Laelinae Miniature under 60mm	Laelinae Novelty	Laelinae Cluster (min 5 flowers)	Laelinae Intermediate 60-100mm	Laelinae Species	Hybrid Paph (Complex)
BAKER Peter	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
BINNS Doug										
BRIGHT Bill		1	2			2	2			2
CHAPMAN Margaret		3								
CLEMESHA Steve								1		
COLLINS Eric										
COWLING Ron				3		6	7	9	2	2
DAVIS Carole										
HALL Bruce		2			3					
KING Pat, Peter		8	3							8
MITCHELL Norm			3					3		
NEWMAN Steve								1		
NEWMAN Brian		2		3						
NICHOLLS B & T										
OLSON Laurie	3									
PEARCE Ed			4	6	8		6	3	12	6
PEARCE Barb				1		3	3	4	3	
PITTAWAY Betty				6						
RONOLO-KING Selisa				2		3	2		3	
SIDEBOTTOM John	3		1	3				3	3	5
SLAVIERO Jason							3			
SMALL Gloria, David										
SMITH Glennis, John										
TURNER Don	8	3								
WHEELER Ivy		4	2		2			3		3
WILLIAMS Sue				2			3			
Wong J	3	2								
Priesley P										
Standing Robert										
TOTALS	17	25	15	26	13	14	26	27	23	26

Member Name	Novelty Paph & allied Hybrids	Paph and Allied Species	Brassia style hybrids	Odontostyle hybrids	Onc style hybrids	Onc and allied Species	Editant oncidium	Vanda under 60mm	Vanda over 60mm	A.O.V hybrid under 50mm
BAKER Peter	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
BINNS Doug			3			3	3			9
BRIGHT Bill			6		3		2			
CHAPMAN Margaret										
CLEMESHA Steve						3				
COLLINS Eric			3							
COWLING Ron			3		3	3				3
DAVIS Carole										
HALL Bruce		3		3	10	3	18	2		
KING Pat, Peter	3	7		3	3	5		2		
MITCHELL Norm					3					
NEWMAN Steve						4				2
NEWMAN Brian										
NICHOLLS B & T										
OLSON Laurie										
PEARCE Ed	3		10		2	3			6	2
PEARCE Barb	3	2				4				
PITTAWAY Betty										3
RONOLO-KING Selisa					3					3
SIDEBOTTOM John					1					1
SLAVIERO Jason										
SMALL Gloria, David										
SMITH Glennis, John										
TURNER Don					5					
WHEELER Ivy	12	3					7	20	6	5
WILLIAMS Sue				3					2	2
Wong J										
Priesley P										
Standing Robert										
TOTALS	21	15	25	9	30	28	30	22	16	30

Member Name	A.O.V. hybrid over 50mm	Phal under 60mm	Phal over 60mm	A.O.V Species under 50mm	A.O.V Species over 50mm	Noble Den.	Hardcane Den.	A.O.V. Den Hybrid	A.O.V. Den Species	Native Aust Species
BAKER Peter	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
BINNS Doug		3		3	6	3	4	13	7	8
BRIGHT Bill	2			3			3			3
CHAPMAN Margaret										8
CLEMESHA Steve	3			3		3	2			
COLLINS Eric							9	3	5	
COWLING Ron							9			3
DAVIS Carole										
HALL Bruce			2	3			2			
KING Pat, Peter				2						5
MITCHELL Norm	3			1						
NEWMAN Steve										
NEWMAN Brian		3				1				
NICHOLLS B & T						2				
OLSON Laurie										
PEARCE Ed	10		6		7				2	3
PEARCE Barb									3	
PITTAWAY Betty			3							
RONOLO-KING Selisa		3								
SIDEBOTTOM John				2			3			
SLAVIERO Jason										
SMALL Gloria, David								3		
SMITH Glennis, John										
TURNER Don						3	3			3
WHEELER Ivy				11						
WILLIAMS Sue	2		3	3						
Wong J										
Priesley P										
Standing Robert										
TOTALS	20	9	14	31	13	12	35	19	17	33

Member Name	Native Aust Hybrid	Native Aust Monopodial Hybrid	Native Aust Monopodial Species	Junior & Novice 1st yr of membership	TOTAL
BAKER Peter	31	32	33	34	85
BINNS Doug	12	5	3		3
BRIGHT Bill					36
CHAPMAN Margaret				6	9
CLEMESHA Steve			3		18
COLLINS Eric					20
COWLING Ron					53
DAVIS Carole				8	8
HALL Bruce	5	3			59
KING Pat, Peter					46
MITCHELL Norm					13
NEWMAN Steve					5
NEWMAN Brian	2				13
NICHOLLS B & T					2
OLSON Laurie					3
PEARCE Ed	4				103
PEARCE Barb					26
PITTAWAY Betty					12
RONOLO-KING Selisa					19
SIDEBOTTOM John	3				28
SLAVIERO Jason					3
SMALL Gloria, David				3	6
SMITH Glennis, John				3	3
TURNER Don					25
WHEELER Ivy					78
WILLIAMS Sue					20
Wong J					5
Priesley P				3	3
Standing Robert				6	6
TOTALS	26	8	6	20	

COFFS HARBOUR ORCHID SOCIETY (CHOS)
TRADING STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 November 2012 to 25 November 2012
DATE OF THIS STATEMENT 25/11/2012.

<u>RECEIPT</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Cheque</u>	<u>EXPEND</u>
00/2 Raffle	\$55.00		
00/1 M/Ships	\$25.00		
00/6 Fairtrading		909	51.00
00/7 Newsletter		908,907	82.40
00/9 Food Christmas		906	100.00
02/1 Term Dep. Interest	\$44.36		
04/1 Spring Show		910	\$19.50
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>\$124.36</u>		<u>\$252.90</u>
			Xerox, Stamps etc.
			S. Williams
			Refer to B/Statement
			Engraving, Gregs Trophies.
DEBIT/CREDIT TOTAL FOR THE PERIOD			
			-\$128.54

Bank Reconciliation for the above trading period.

Opening Bank Balance 1/11/2012	<u>\$4,697.83</u>		
Rec for above period	\$124.36		
S/T	<u>\$4,822.19</u>		
DEDUCT			
Exp for above period	<u>\$182.40</u>		
Pre. u/presented cheques	\$0.00		
S/T	<u>\$182.40</u>		
	\$4,639.79		
Balance of income and expenditure	<u>\$4,639.79</u>		Refer BCU Statement @ 16/11/2012.

NOTES:

The following cheques have not been presented
Chq. 909 for \$51.00 to Fair Trading and Chq. 910 for \$19.50 to Gregs Trophies.

HALL. B.G.
Hon. Treasurer
25/11/2012.

