



# COFFS HARBOUR ORCHID SOCIETY

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## COFFS ORCHID NEWS – DEC 2014

### 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**

- 4 Dec Christmas meeting and awards  
5 Feb First meeting for 2015 – Ray Clements

### **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."**



**Dendrobium nobile – the species that is the basis of our soft cane Dendrobiums.**

### **3. PRESIDENT'S NOTE**

This is our last newsletter for 2014 and I would like to wish everyone a happy Christmas and new year and I hope 2015 is filled with lots of lovely orchids for you all.

We have several new members this year and I would like to again welcome those people to our group. Please let us

know if there is topic you would particularly like one of our speakers to cover.

### **4. MINUTES of 2014 AGM.**

Welcome. President welcomed everyone to the 2014 AGM and in particular the 6 visitors and new members.

Apologies: Sue Williams, Carole Davis, Bob Griffin, Jennifer Lock, Gary Suter, Betty Pittaway, Dianne Blay, Anne Dew, Bronwen Fox.

Reports:

1. President's Report: Given by Ed Pearce. Printed in Newsletter. Gave a brief summary of the highlights of 2014. In his comments he highlighted the numbers attending various activities of the society, the sadness of the funeral of past president Don Turner, the support of members for our shows and the visit to our Spring Show by the Ipswich Orchid Society.
2. Treasurer's Report: As printed in the Newsletter. Healthy state of the finances. Mentioned that costs for postage, hall hire, etc are increasing. Annual Subscriptions to remain the same for 2015, i.e. \$10 and \$15 for couples Mvd Ed, Scd Barb.

Move to election of the office bearers. Ron Cowling returning Officer

President: Ed Pearce

Vice President: Steve Clemesha, Carole Davis

Secretary: Bronwen Fox

Treasurer: Bruce Hall

Committee: Sue Williams, Bob Southwell, Barb Pearce.

Ed thanked members for their support. Carole Axford has retired from the committee and Ed thanked her for her contribution.

### **5. AGENDA for DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING**

Welcome, Apologies, Visitors.

Minutes of Nov meeting – as printed in newsletter

Business Arising

Committee Report – refer to report.

Inwards Correspondence

1. BCU Statements
2. Geebung – Botanic Gardens newsletter
3. 2AIR-FM Newsletter

Outwards Correspondence

Finance Report – no report.

Active Service Awards. – this is given to members who have been members for 10, 15, 20 or more years. Sometimes our records are incorrect – please let me know if you think there is a mistake.

Table talk?

Awards for Monthly competition. – based on points scored in the monthly display

General business – nil.

Raffle, popular vote.

Supper.



Popular Vote: Selisa for a beautiful dendrobium pierardii.

Raffle:

Guest Speaker: Thanks to Steve Clemesha for his talk about growing Soft cane Dendrobiums.

## **7. COMMITTEE REPORT**

The newly elected committee held its first meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> November. We started by reminding ourselves of why we have an orchid society, i.e. to learn more about growing orchids in a friendly social atmosphere.

Our next meeting will be in January when we will be planning the program for the year.

## **8. STEVE'S TALK on GROWING SOFT CANE or NOBILE DENDROBIUMS.**

These orchids are well suited to growing in our climate since they prefer cooler nights in winter to encourage flowering, but also like a lot of sun in winter. It is suggested that we put them outside from about May until their buds form in about August. (Some people hang them on a clothesline over winter. Others have success growing them under deciduous trees.)

They should be fertilised from about Melbourne Cup day until St. Patricks Day. They need plenty of water during this growing season but less water in winter.

They grow well in bark or coconut fibre or a mix. Some people add perlite to the mix to improve drainage. Steve reports about every two years.

They can be attacked by the usual insect pests so it's best to be preventative with sprays. We need to keep an eye on all our orchids to catch any early signs of insect or fungal problems.

These orchids sometimes sprout new growths called keikis on their canes. When these keikis have roots they can be carefully broken off and planted to grow into new plants.

The society has a short video presentation on a CD covering the growing of these orchids.



**One of the lovely soft cane Dendrobium hybrids.**

## **6. MINUTES of NOVEMBER MEETING**

Apologies: Sue Williams, Carole Davis, Bob Griffin, Jennifer Lock, Gary Suter, Betty Pittaway, Dianne Blay, Anne Dew, Bronwen Fox

Minutes of the last Meeting approved. Mvd Ron, Scd Steve

Corro: Nil

General Business

1. December Meeting is our Christmas Meeting. Please bring something for supper and a present for the Secret Santa.



**Another hybrid – this one has a lot of yellow.**

At our December meeting we give prizes to the people who gain the most points in each category throughout the year, and we give the Glad Fleming Trophy to the person who wins the most points overall.

## **9. CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY.**

I was pleased to attend a Citizenship ceremony at C.Ex a couple of weeks ago. Jean and Lina Altawheel, two of our Orchid Society members were welcomed as Australian citizens.



**Lina and Jean being welcomed by Mayor Denise Knight.**

It was a very happy occasion with 71 people from 23 countries welcomed as citizens.

## **10. MONTHLY DISPLAY**

The monthly display is a chance to see what orchids are flowering, to ask about how they are grown, and perhaps learn about a variety of orchid that you haven't seen before.

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.

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.

Could people who are bringing plants in please make sure these are benched by 7.15 so that we can do the Popular Vote. The Popular Vote is important because it encourages everyone to look carefully at the plants.



**COFFS HARBOUR ORCHID SOCIETY (CHOS)**

**TRADING STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF 31 October 2014 to 26 November 2014**

**DATE OF THIS STATEMENT 26/11/2014.**

	Receipt	<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	Cheque	<b><u>EXPEND</u></b>
00/1	Memberships	\$10.00		
00/2	Raffle	\$76.70	\$140.00	Monthly Meet,Nov./R/plants Easy Orch.
00/3	Hall hire		\$175.00	S/Show,two meet. Nights
00/5	Aff. OSNSW		\$62.00	2014/15 Affiliation
00/7	Newsletter		\$40.00	Xerox, Nov. issue.
00/8	Exec. Expenditure		\$24.00	Xerox print AGM papers
02/1	Bank Interest	\$27.22		T/Deposit
06/1	Coffs S/Grd. Arts Group		\$220.00	C.H Creative Arts Soc.
	<b><u>TOTALS</u></b>	<b><u>\$113.92</u></b>		<b><u>\$661.00</u></b>

**DEBIT/CREDIT TOTAL FOR THE PERIOD** -\$547.08

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

Opening Bank Balance 31/10/2014	<u>\$7,182.46</u>
Rec for above period	\$113.92
S/T	<u>\$7,296.38</u>
<b>DEDUCT</b> Exp for above period	<u>\$424.00</u>
Pre. u/presented cheques	\$0.00
S/T	<u>\$424.00</u>
	\$6,872.38

**Balance of income and expenditure** **\$6,872.38** Refer BCU Statement @ 26/11/2014.

The following chqs have not been presented:

\$140.00 Easy Orchids, \$35.00 Hall Hire,\$62.00 OSNSW. A total of \$237.00

The following monies are outstanding.

Nil.

**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

26/11/2014.

Member Name	Laeliinae Exhibition Hybrid over 100mm	Laeliinae Intermediate Hybrid 60 to 100mm	Laeliinae Cluster Hybrid (min 5 flowers)	Laeliinae Novelty Hybrid spotted flower non exhibition	Laeliinae Species	Oncidiinae Hybrids under 25mm	Tolumnia (equitant Oncidiums)	Oncidiinae & Allied Species
<b>Class</b>	4	5	7	8	9	13	16	17
<b>BAKER</b>							5	
<b>COWLING</b>			3					
<b>DAVIS</b>	3							
<b>DENISON</b>		2						
<b>HALL</b>						3		3
<b>B PEARCE</b>				2				
<b>WILLIAMS</b>		3						
<b>No Name</b>				3				
<b>Benjamin Pron</b>					3			

Member Name	Phalaenopsis Hybrid Under 60 mm	Dendrobium Nobile (softcane) Hybrid	Dendrobium Hardcane Hybrid Non Native	A.O.V Species Non Native	Australian Native Hybrid inc Dendrobium	Australian Native species inc Dendrobium	Australian Native monopodial species	AOV species under 50mm	AOV species over 50mm
<b>Class</b>	20	22	23	25	26	27	29	32	33
<b>BAKER</b>	7					3			3
<b>BLAY</b>		3						2	
<b>COWLING</b>	2		2						
<b>DENISON</b>					5				
<b>HALL</b>			3	3					
<b>SOUTHWELL</b>				2			3		2
<b>WILLIAMS</b>		2						3	

Member Name	Intermediate Cymbidium Hybrid 60-90 mm	Laeliinae Novelty Hybrid spotted flower non exhibition	Laeliinae Species	Oncidiinae Hybrids under 25mm	Oncidiinae Hybrids between 25 to 65 mm	Oncidiinae Hybrids over 65mm	Tolumnia (equitant Oncidiums)	Oncidiinae & Allied Species	Vandaceous Hybrid under 60mm
<b>Class</b>	2	8	9	13	14	15	16	17	18
<b>BAKER</b>									
<b>CLEMESHA</b>					5				
<b>D COOPER</b>						5			
<b>HALL</b>			3				5	3	
<b>P KING</b>				3					
<b>B PEARCE</b>									
<b>SIDEBOTTOM</b>	3								3
<b>SMALL</b>		3							
<b>WONG</b>									3
Member Name	Phalaenopsis Hybrid Under 60 mm	Phalaenopsis Hybrid over 60 mm	Dendrobium AOV Hybrid Non Native	A.O.V Species Non Native	Australian Native monopodial species	AOV Hybrid under 50mm	AOV species under 50mm	AOV species over 50mm	
<b>Class</b>	20	21	24	25	29	30	32	33	
<b>BAKER</b>	2	3		5	3				
<b>CLEMESHA</b>								3	
<b>D COOPER</b>						3			
<b>HALL</b>			5				2	2	
<b>P KING</b>			3						
<b>B PEARCE</b>							3		
<b>SIDEBOTTOM</b>	3					2			
<b>SMALL</b>									
<b>WONG</b>		2							