

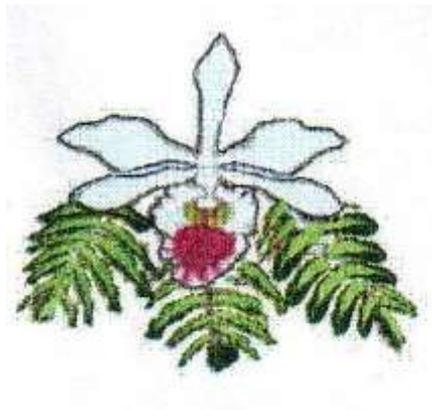
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◆ Cultural Meeting

Ningi Community Hall
Bribe Island Road, Ningi.
Meetings are held on the **4th Monday** of each month.
Next Meeting: 23rd March

■ Committee Meetings

All members are always welcome at committee meetings.
Meetings are held on the **1st Monday** of each month at **7.30 pm** at 635 Beachmere Rd Beachmere
Next Meeting: 2nd March

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FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

1. The bus trip is on 14th February (Saturday). We would love to see more members attend. See article on page 3 for details.
2. The BBQ at Bunnings was a great success. Next one is on March 15th. We had a great day. Please put your name down, you will benefit as the finances will go back to the members.
3. Don't forget our show in May. Start thinking about your plants, sales plants, and putting your name down to help. Set up 8th May Show 9th – 10th.
4. Our club is holding the June STOCQ meeting. We are hoping for 27th June depending on availability of hall. Please
5. keep this day free as we will need lots of help. See article on page 5.
6. Caloundra set up is on 2nd April. Please get your plants ready for this show.

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● From your President:-

Hello Everyone,

The January meeting was small but we had some nice plants on the bench and a great DVD from Kathy. We all saw some beautiful blooms she saw on her trip to Thailand. The DVD was done really well with some beautiful music in the background. Thanks Kathy & Mike. Peter showed us an implement that helps you know when to water your plants. It was a good little gadget. Information is in Australian Orchid Review magazine. The shirts look really great. Had some more orders at the meeting. Please consider buying one if you are helping at our show or any away shows.

See you at the next meeting. Di



Valentines Day Feb 14th Same day as the bus trip.

✘ Guest speaker February 23rd.

Ernie will be showing us the little gadgets he makes and uses to help make growing orchids a bit easier. This will be very interesting, I have seen some of his ideas.

■ Guest Speakers

March 23rd Darryl will be giving us a talk on nomenclature. This is a subject that you all need to know. The way you write your label is very important. You can tell if a plant is a species or hybrid just by looking at a label. Please attend.

There must be someone you are interested in hearing speak, or a particular genera or foliage plant you would like to know about. Please just give us some ideas and we will attempt to get them for you.

■ February 14th Bus Trip

The bus is leaving 635 Beachmere Road, Beachmere at 8 am sharp. First stop Aspley Orchid Society Show at the Botanical Gardens. Look around the show then Morning Tea. Stroll around the gardens leaving at 12 noon for Gaythorne RSL For lunch. Lunches are between \$11.00 and \$16.00 each, with pensioner meals for \$7.90. Leave there at 1-45 and head to Olive Branch Bromeliad Nursery. Afternoon tea and a wander around there. Cost \$25.00 per head including morning & afternoon tea and admission to show. Please help the club and be on the bus.

■ Sunday Workshop

Everyone had a great time at the January meeting. They all did their own potting of a cattleya to a 100ml or 80ml pot. We had a few new faces from the advertisements in the paper. The very new growers were keen and asked lots of questions. The next Sunday Workshop is the bus trip on 14th Feb, then Darryl will be taking the March one on the 15th. Not sure of his topic yet but we all know it will be interesting. See back page for details.

***Ascda.* John De Baise x *Rhy. coelestis* (Judges choice)**

I cannot take any credit for this beautiful flower. Over our years of *Always Sizzlin'* as everyone knows our plants went horribly backwards. They are now looking much better but this one flowered with not much help. It is now in a bushhouse and now gets watered but that's all at the moment. Its been under a tree for years with no fertiliser. This just proves you don't have to molly coddle your plants. They thrive on neglect. Di

Blc. Toshie Aoki 'Blumen Insel'

(Popular Vote)

This is another plant that has not had a lot of T L C yet. It is growing in sphagnum moss in about 150ml pot going both ways. We grow all out big catts under 70% shadecloth a lot in sphag and some in large bark. Yellow catts do not like the winter as much as their other cousins so a warmer place in the bushhouse in the winter is advisable. I use HS010 in the growing season & HS022 for the rest of the year. Di



David & Ernie cooking up a storm at Bunnings. Peter Furniss in the background. It was a really good day. We made some money to spend on the members and all had a bit of fun. Don't forget we have another on March 15th. (Sunday)

Irish Sausages

An Irishman walked into a shop and asked 'Can I have some Irish Sausages, please?' , walking up to the counter. The assistant looked at him and asked: 'Are you Irish?' 'If I had asked you for Italian sausage, would you ask me if I was Italian?' demanded the Irishman indignantly. 'Or, if I asked for German Bratwurst, would you ask me if I was German?'

Then, warming to his theme, he went on: 'Or if I asked you for a Kosher hot dog, would you ask me if I was Jewish?' 'Or, if I asked you for a taco, would you ask me if I was Mexican? Would Ya? Would Ya?'

The assistant said: 'Well, no.'

Suitably encouraged by the success of his logic, the Irishman steps it up a gear.

'And if I asked you for frogs legs, would you ask me if I was French?' 'What about Danish Bacon, would you ask me if I was Danish?'

'Well no, I probably wouldn't' conceded the assistant.

So, now bursting with righteous indignation, the Irishman says: 'Well, all right then, why did you ask me if I'm Irish just because I asked for Irish sausages?'

The assistant replied: 'Because you're in Bunnings'

Every now and then each STOCQ society holds their meeting, our turn is June. We are hoping to get the hall for the 27th (Saturday). We need plants on the bench, morning tea, BBQ lunch help, a guest speaker. Your committee is busy organizing this at the moment So rather than the committee doing all the work on the day it would be nice for some members to put their name down to help. Please let me know by phone or email or at the next meeting if you can attend.

Caloundra Show is on 3rd – 4th April, set up on 2nd April. We will be putting up a display at this show and will need plants. They can be left here at Beachmere or at Ernie's on the Island just before. Labels will need to be sent to me by 28th March. Another reminder will be in next months bulletin.

Bribie Show	10 th 11 th April	set up 9 th	Benched
Our Show	9 th – 10 th May	set up 8 th	Benched
Caboolture	10 th 11 th 12 th July	set up 9 th	Display
Maroochydore	8 th – 9 th August	set up 7 th	Display
Nambour	4 th – 5 th Sept	Set up 3 rd	Display
Glasshouse	2 nd – 3 rd October	Set up 1 st	Display
Bribie	10 th - 11 th	Set up 9 th	Benched
Our Show	7 th – 8 th November	Set up 6 th	Benched & Display.

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Blc. Andres Surprise



Slc Jillian Lee



**Ascda. John De Biase x
Rhy coelistis**



C. Unknown



Stanhopea



Den. (Tay Swee Keng x
Den Lady Charm)

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Judges for the night: Kathy Beatty & David Newell

Benching Results of Cultural Meeting January 2009

Genera	Placing	Name	Grower
Judges Choice:-		<i>Ascda. John De Biase x Rhy. coelistis</i>	David & Di
Cattleya	1 st	<i>Blc. Andres' Surprise</i>	David & Di
Exhibition	2 nd	<i>Blc. Toshie Aoki</i>	David & Di
	3 rd	<i>Blc. Mount Isa 'Deborah'</i>	David & Di
Cattleya	1 st	<i>S/c. Jillian Lee</i>	David & Di
Any Other	2 nd	<i>C. Unknown</i>	Peter Furniss
	3 rd	<i>Ctna Why Not x Richard Mueller</i>	Ernie Stewart
Cattleya	1 st	<i>C. Chocolate Drop x C. Interglossa</i>	Peter Furniss
Cluster	2 nd	<i>C. Bactia Grapewax x C. Chocolate Drop</i>	David & Di
	3 rd	<i>C. forbesii x C. brabantiae</i>	Bruce & Carol
Dendrobium	1 st	<i>Den. (Tay Swee Keng x Lady Charm)</i>	David & Di
	2 nd	<i>Den. Somlak</i>	David & Di
	3 rd	<i>Den. Spiral Gem</i>	Ernie Stewart
Oncidium & alliance	1 st	<i>Odcdm. Wildcatt</i>	David Eyles
Vanda/Phal Hybrid	1 st	<i>Ascda John De Biase x Rhy coelestis</i>	David & Di
<i>species</i>	1 st	<i>Stanhopea</i>	David & Di
	2 nd	<i>C. amethystoglossa</i>	David & Di
	3 rd	<i>Den. bigibbum</i>	Ernie Stewart
Bromeliad	1 st	<i>Brom.</i>	Bruce & Carol

Cultural Notes

If you are still repotting it's time to think carefully about the genera you are potting. If it is hard canes stop as soon as you can. They need to have their roots well established before winter. We finished on 30th January. Still have lots more to do but they will have to wait till next year. Catts can go a little longer and cooler growers such as oncidis and mini catts are quite happy to be potted in the cooler weather. Low nitrogen fertiliser should be used now to promote flower spikes. Remember if you are selling plants at the show they will have to be well potted and stable in the pot to be accepted.

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Orchid Talk

Pumicestone District Orchid Growers Workshop

Our workshop is every third Sunday of the month except December. Next workshop is March 15th at 1-30pm and our speaker will be Darryl. He will speak on topic of his choice. It will be at 635 Beachmere Road Beachmere. Please bring a plate for afternoon tea. Visitors most welcome. Contact Di on 54 962 861 or email sizzlin@bigpond.com for enquiries or information.

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