

orchid talk



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◆ Cultural Meeting

Ningi Community Hall
Bribe Island Road, Ningi.
Meetings are held on the **4th Monday**
of each month starting at 7.30 pm.
Next Meeting: 26th April 2010

■ Committee Meetings

All members are always welcome
at committee meetings.
Meetings are held on the **1st Monday**
Of the month at **7.30 pm** at
635 Beachmere Rd Beachmere
Next Meeting: 3rd May 2010

FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

In May next year our club turns 10
Your committee would like some
input as to what you would like to
do to celebrate this milestone.

See page 3 of this bulletin for
BUS TRIP news.

Yearly fees are now due. \$20.00
family and \$15.00 single. Please
see Pam at the next meeting.

Most committee discussion was
our show. Please see page 4 for
details.

● From your President:-

Hello Everyone,

I hope you all had a very enjoyable
Easter break. Ours was. We had a very
quiet 4 days, which was lovely.

The bus trip is next on the clubs agenda
(page 3) then we will be setting up a
display at Caloundra's show. (see page 4
for details) Our show will then closely
follow. Please keep this weekend free.
May 7th, 8th & 9th.

Congratulations to Ernie Stewart, Jim
Day and John Livock for receiving prizes
at the Bribie Show.

. Di

 *April Meeting 26th April*

Sedirea japonica x sib is the flask we are taking out at this meeting. This is a little trickier than some flasks we have done. *Sedirea* is found in Japan and Korea and there is only one species in this genera. It has a monopodial growth and leathery leaves. It grows in intermediate conditions. The inflorescences are pendulous and can be up to 15cm long. NB *Sedirea* is *Aerides* spelt backwards

 *Sunday Workshop 18th April*

This is the day of our bus trip. Please be early. Pam has to collect all monies before we leave. Please bring a box with your name on it if you are intending buying plants. Cost \$30.00 p/p.

Leave here at 8am sharp (please do not be late)

Pick up at Big Fish. Please contact us if you wish to be picked up there.

Arrive Jim & Helen Day's around 8-30am this is where you can purchase beautiful ferns depart approx 9am

Arrive Robertson's nursery 10am for morning tea and a look around the nursery depart 11am

Arrive Darryl Banks Nursery 11-30am look around nursery (orchids and bromeliads) and have a BBQ lunch depart 1pm

Arrive 1-45pm Frizzo nursery look around nursery and afternoon tea. Depart 3pm

Arrive Trost Nursery at 3-30pm Depart 5pm

Drop off at Big Fish Home 5-30

This is an approximate for times.

All our condolences go to Stan Miles on the recent death of his wife, Jean. The club will be sending a donation to the Jane McGrath foundation in her name.

June is our AGM. All positions become vacant on that night. Anyone wishing to stand for any positions please fill out nomination form attached to the bulletin. We will be needing a new secretary this year. The club cannot run without a secretary so someone please put your hand up.

David & I are selling our house and land so there will be orchids for sale. Please let us know if you are interested in any.

Our Show

The committee would like all members to get one sponsorship each please. If you do not wish to sponsor a section yourselves please approach a business you are familiar with and ask them. Apart from the sponsorship which will be advertised at the show we are also offering 11 business card size advertisements in the bulletin.. Please help the club by doing this. Sponsorship is \$35.00 a section. The show set up is Friday 7th May from 9am at the hall. The grounds are organised first then the hall is set up after lunch. The show then runs from 8am to 4pm Saturday 8th May and from 8am till 2-30pm Sunday 9th may. Presentation of trophies is 2-30pm.

Anyone interested in selling craft the society has a table for all crafts. 10% commission back to the club.

Plant sales forms will be at the next meeting. Please do not sell plants that have been newly repotted. They will not get on the tables. Check your plants for wildlife. Ants are a real nuisance as they run from pot to pot. Please check your plants for ants, scale, mealy bug etc. These plants will also not get to the bench. 15% back to the club.

Please keep some time free over this weekend to help. The more help we have the easier it is for the few who spend the weekend there. Anyone who can do some cooking for the kitchen would be very much appreciated. We have the judges supper on Friday night and helpers all over the weekend so we do use a lot of cakes, slices, bikkies etc.

Shows

Sunshine Coast Orchid Society Caloundra show held in the Uniting Church Hall Cnr Ulm & Queen Sts Caloundra on Friday 23rd & Saturday 24th April. Set up Thursday 22nd April. This is a display show. **Please email or phone your names to me no later than Tuesday 20th April.**

● **"Caloundra's Golden Orchidfest"**

At our last night meeting Charlie Mc Monagle and John Kemp, both from Caloundra told us how this show will be organised. There are 20 vendors attending. The venue is Lake Kawana Community Centre Sportsman Parade Bokarina June 12th 13th 14th set up Friday 11th. Our club has ordered a site 2m x 3m so we will be in need of plenty of orchid plants in flower. Please help out with this show if you can't get your plants there one of the members going up will be able to take them.

Plant of the Month

Paph lantha Stage " Nola Jean " - named after my mum

This is a primary hybrid between Paph rothschildianum and Paph sukhakulii. The cross was first registered in 1973 by HH Stage from the USA.

This particular clone is of award standard with the flowers being 212mm wide and 134mm high, as a comparison only one other lantha Stage has been awarded in Queensland and it was 185mm x 105mm. This plant will stay in flower for 3 months plus.

This plant grows with all my other Paphs and I find it simple to grow and easy to flower. Many people have trouble flowering lantha Stage as the rothschildianum element of the breeding means that it needs a cool spell to initiate flowering.

The Plant grows in a covered bush house with a 55% lazerlite roof, the western wall is also enclosed with lazerlite and the other 3 sides are 50% shade cloth. This plant (as do all my multiflorials) hangs about 60cm from the roof as most multiflorial paphs like good light levels. I believe that for the successful cultivation of paphs you need a covered roof so that you can control water especially in winter and at the time of flower formation. Water sitting in the centre of the plant for an extended time can cause the loss of that flower spike and even the loss of the whole growth.

The plant is potted in my standard mix which is 3 parts coco husk (medium), 1 part bark (large) and 1 part perlite (jumbo) - the size of the mix depends on the size of the plant and the pot it is in. Info in brackets is what this plant is in. The plant is potted in a standard (deep) pot with extra holes in the bottom of the pot to aid drainage. It is important with paphs that they are kept moist but not wet. All my mature paphs are repotted every 2 years as they like a fresh potting mix.

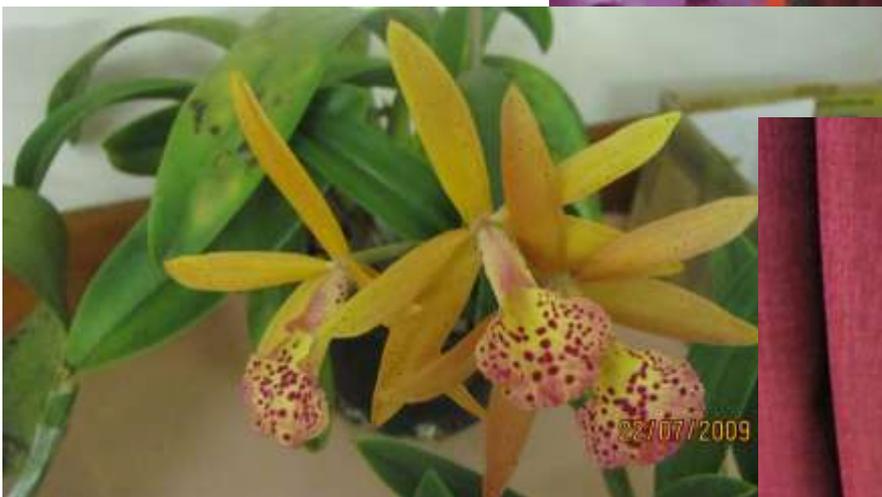
The plant is watered twice a week in spring, summer & autumn and once a week in winter. My fertilizer program with the paphs is somewhat haphazard and they would get fertilized about once every 6 weeks with Campbell's Diamond Blue (like Thrive). They are sprayed about every 6 weeks as well with a liquid fertilizer mixed with insecticide and fungicide on an alternating basis (so they would get sprayed about 4 times a year with fungicide and 4 times a year with insecticide).

Paphs are not that hard to grow and given the huge variety available I suggest that everyone should try one at sometime. If you want some advice on the best type of Paph to grow given your conditions I'd be happy to help.

Darryl Banks



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**Benching Results of Cultural Meeting March 2010
Judges for the night: Darryl Banks**

Judges Choice

Paph. Iantha Stage

Darryl

<u>Genera</u>	<u>Placing</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Grower</u>
Cattleya	1 st	Rsc. Glenlea Mirella	John Livock
	2 nd	Blc. Richard Mueller	Patrick
	3 rd	Lc. Mini Purple	Allan Nalder
Dendrobium	1 st	Den. Dal's Delux	David & Di
	2 nd	Den. Dal's Queen x <i>bigibbum</i>	Ernie
	3 rd		
Oncidium	1 st	Colm. Wildcatt	Darryl
	2 nd	Onc. Sharry Baby	David & Di
	3 rd	Onc. Mikalii	Patrick
species	1 st	<i>Galendra bauerii</i>	John Livock
	2 nd	<i>Den bigibbum</i>	Dennis Barnes
	3 rd	<i>Liparis lobulbon</i>	David & Di
Vanda/Phal	1 st	Ascda Princess Mikasa	Darryl
	2 nd	Chtra Verraphol x Ascda Peggy Foo	Patrick
	3 rd	Vasco Prapawan	Darryl
Paph & Alliance	1 st	Paph. Iantha Stage	Darryl
	2 nd	Phrag Living Fire	Darryl
	3 rd	Paph. Honey x Gold Dollar	Darryl
Novice Catt	1 st	Blc. California Girl	Jim Day
	2 nd	Blc. Mount Isa	Jim Day
	3 rd	Blc. Dal's Thunder	Jim Day
Novice any other	1 st	<i>Alcra</i> . Alice Oka	Jim Day
	2 nd	Ascda. Guo Chia Long x Ascda Glenda Choolarken	Jim Day
	3 rd		
Fern & Foliage	1 st	Fern	Jim Day
	2 nd	Begonia	Jim Day
	3 rd		

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Pumicestone District Orchid Growers Workshop

Our workshop is every third Sunday of the month except December. Next meeting is on **18th April 2010**. **This is the day of our bus trip.** Please see page 3 of this bulletin for details. Contact Di on 54 962 861 or email sizzlin@bigpond.com for enquiries or information.

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