

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: 22nd March 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: 5th April 2010

FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

We ask everyone in the club to consider donating to the show sections or get a sponsor. Cost \$35.00 each section. Businesses receive 12 months advertising in the bulletin. Please also consider cooking for the kitchen. The club feeds all stall vendors and we need cakes, tarts, biscuits slices etc.

The club has received a reply to our letter to STOCQ and also a reply from Orchids Queensland. These two letters will be at the next meeting for any member to read.

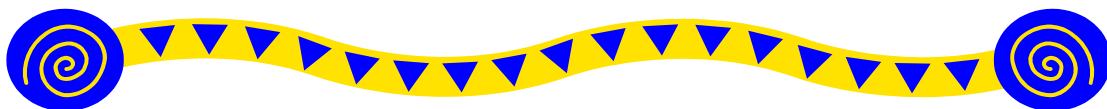
See page 5 of this bulletin for BUS TRIP news.

● From your President:-

Hello Everyone,

It is absolutely pouring with rain today so I decided it was a good day to assemble a bulletin. Hope you all enjoyed yourselves at the sales weekend in Bray Park. I saw heaps of you there. All laden with orchids so we should see some lovely flowers on the bench soon. I bought 18 plants in 50ml pots for raffles etc. for the club. They were all nice plants. I got them from Alices and Easy Orchids. We now have quite a nice selection to hand out. All the shows are starting again soon. Please start putting your buds under cover as they appear. All the best to Jim Eaton who had a hip replacement last week. Get well soon Jim. I may or may not be at the next meeting. I am now out of Wesley hospital but in lots & lots of pain. See how I go on the 22nd.

. Di



■ *March Meeting 22nd March*

As a judge Darryl Banks knows what to look for when judging your plants. So at the March meeting Darryl will be telling you the tricks of the trade. How to stake, tie back and in general show your plants to their best advantage. Please attend and bring some money to buy a plant or two.

■ *Sunday Workshop 21st March*

We are deflasking Onc. Twinkle 'Fragrance Fantasy' This gives you a chance to add another plant to your collection . Please bring your problem plants or a plant you would like to show off. It's a nice casual day to ask questions and tell others how you grow. See back page for more details .

✚ *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

Our Show

The date for our first show this year is Mothers Day Show May 8th & 9th set up 7th May. Please keep as much of this weekend free as you can. We are having a craft stall for members at this show. Anyone interested start doing your craft now. It will be run a little differently than the last November Show please contact me to find out details.

Shows

Bribie Island Orchid Society show held in the High School 1st Ave Bribie Island on 2nd 3rd April Set up 1st. This is a benched show. You do your own labels.

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.

How I grow *C. bowringiana*



I grow this plant in a greenhouse with 75% shade-cloth with no protection from rain. Our climate in Brisbane seems to suit with a mostly dry period in winter and good rain in summer. I fertilize this plant with everything else in the greenhouse which is not too often or regular. I pot-on these plants in Spring if they have grown too big for the existing pots. I find this plant likes a crowded pot but as the growths go over the edge it is time next Spring to pot-on to the next size. When the flowers come through the sheath I put the plant under cover.

Cheers

Dennis

Thought you might like to see this picture. Ashley, my second eldest grandson who is doing year 11 this year works on a dive boat one day each weekend. This photo was taken 18m underwater at Flinders Reef. Look how lovely and clean the water is. He tells us there are heaps of turtles and other sea life around, and in their season he sees lots of whales.



🚐 *Bus Trip*

April 18th the club is holding a bus trip. It leaves 635 Beachmere Road Beachmere at 8am sharp. We will be having morning tea at Robertson's Nursery, BBQ Lunch at Darryl's, and afternoon tea at Italo & Noela Frizzo's we will also be visiting Jim Day's Orchids and Ferns and Trost's nursery. The cost is \$30.00 per person The club will supply the BBQ food and also the food at Frizzo's. Please contact me if you are interested in going or if you have a friend or two that may like to come with us. Hopefully we will be home at 5-30pm.

Sunshine Coast Bromeliad Society is holding it's annual show on May 1st & 2nd this year at the Community Centre, Millwell Rd, Maroochydore.

Cultural Notes

With all the rain around your plants will be continuously wet. Watch for fungal problems. When you can get a fine spell spray with Mancozeb if needed. The best way to stop fungal problems is not to overcrowd your plants and have good air flow around them. Snails are another pest that enjoys the wet weather so keep an eye out for signs of them around. Chewed flowers and slimy trails on your plants are a sure sign. Use snail bait for these but be careful of any animals around that might eat the bait. If possible put flowering plants under cover to protect blooms.



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**Benching Results of Cultural Meeting February 10
Judges for the night: Kathy Beatty, John Kemp, Charlie Mc Monagle**

Judges Choice

C. bowringiana

Dennis Barnes

<u>Genera</u>	<u>Placing</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Grower</u>
Catt any other	1 st	C. Vicki Andrew	Patrick Devereux
	2 nd	C Unknown	Dennis Barnes
	3 rd	Lc. Brierleys Ferry x Blc. Toshie Aoki	David & Di
Catt miniature	1 st	<i>C. guttata</i> x C Chocolate Drop	David & Di
	2 nd	<i>C. Pink Blush</i> x <i>C. Herbie Poole</i>	David & Di
	3 rd	<i>Lctna. Thuptin Thai</i>	David & Di
Dendrobium	1 st	Den Gloucester Charm x <i>cochliodes</i>	Ernie Stewart
	2 nd	<i>Den Paleface</i> x <i>Den bigibbum compactum</i>	David & Di
	3 rd	<i>Den Paleface</i> x <i>Den bigibbum compactum</i>	David & Di
Vanda / Phal	1 st	<i>V. Thailand Gold</i> x <i>V Rossi Gold</i>	David Eyles
	2 nd		
	3 rd		
species	1 st	<i>C. bowringiana</i>	Dennis Barnes
	2 nd	<i>Doritis pulcherrima</i>	Patrick Devereux
	3 rd	<i>C bowringiana</i>	Patrick Devereux
Any other	1 st	<i>Milt Ann Warne</i>	Patrick Devereux
	2 nd		
	3 rd		
Novice Catt	1 st	Blc. Erin Kobayashi	Jim Day
	2 nd	Hswg Red Stella	Jim Day
	3 rd	Hswg Red Stella	Jim Day
Novice species	1 st	<i>Milt spectabilis</i>	Jim Day
Broms	1 st	Brom.	Jim Day
	2 nd		
	3 rd		
Fern & Foliage	1 st	Fern	Jim Day
	2 nd		
	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 **21st March** 2010. We hold this meeting at 635 Beachmere Road Beachmere at 1.30pm. We will be potting out from a flask of Onc.

Twinkle. This plant is very easy to grow and makes a beautiful display.

Please bring problem plants, a hat & chair. Contact Di on 54 962 861 or email sizzlin@bigpond.com for enquiries or information. This meeting is more hands on than the cultural meeting but is not necessarily for new growers. It is a day meeting which is casual and of interest to all growers.

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