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Day Meeting

Is in the hall at Ningi starting at 9am for a cuppa then the meeting starts at 9-30am. Guest speaker will be Barry & Althea O'Connor teaching us how to rebot our African Violets.
Next meeting: 11th April 2014



Committee Meeting

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 May 2014



March Birthstone poem -

The Diamond

*"She who from April dates her years,
Diamonds shall wear, lest bitter tears
For vain repentance flow."*



From your President

Hello Members,

We had a lovely bus trip. Most bought a heap of plants home. I was not one of them this year. David could not believe it when he got home. Lunch was nice and on the way home we had our obligatory rolling raffle Everyone wins a prize on our bus trips. Well done Mark who guessed the exact amount of lollies in the jar then passed them around the bus a couple of times.

Just remember after this rain if you have any fungal problems use Mancozeb. Spray it on and underneath your leaves.

Members please read your bulletin instead of ringing me. The calls I am getting, the answers are on more than one page in all bulletins.

See you at the hall.

Di

Happy birthday to all members having a birthday this month.

*Your birthstone is **Diamond***

*& your birth flower is the **Sweet pea***

The meaning of the April Birth Flower, the Sweet pea can mean Good-bye or Blissful Pleasure

Meeting 11th April Ningi Hall

Our next Day meeting is in the hall at Ningi. Our guest speaker will be on African Violets. Althea & Barry will be showing us how to repot them and generally look after them. Ningi Hall Bribe Island Road Ningi, 9am for cuppa, 9-30am start. If you have any orchids you need advice on please bring them to this meeting.

New Growers

Last month our meeting was at Beachmere. We had a lot of members attend and some visitors. Plenty of members brought plants they were having a problem with and some with some plants to show off, which was very nice.

The club had purchased a compot so we all potted a *C. mossiae* in a 50ml pot. We also did a pot on to a mount. All members took home a *Onc spaceulatum* on a mount they had done themselves. We went through a lot of plants with a problem and some with no problems at all but gave some advice.

Great day. Thanks everyone for coming. Thanks for all the afternoon tea. It was a great social day. Next meeting at Beachmere will be June 8th.

Date	Event
Apr 7 th	Committee meeting Beachmere 7-30pm
April 11 th	Day meeting Ningi Hall 9am Barry & Althea African Violets speaking on re potting.
May 5 th	Committee Meeting Beachmere 7-30pm
May 9 th	Day Meeting Ningi Hall 9am
May 9 th	Set up show all afternoon BBQ dinner 6pm
May 10 th	Mother's Day Show <u>Helpers Needed</u>
May 11 th	Mothers Day Show Pull down after show <u>helpers needed.</u>
June 2 nd	Committee Meeting Beachmere 7-30pm
June 8 th	New Growers Beachmere 1pm
July 7 th	Committee Meeting Beachmere 7-30pm
July 11 th	Day Meeting Ningi Hall 9am AGM
August 4 th	Committee Meeting Beachmere 7-30pm
August 8 th	Day Meeting Ningi Hall 9am
September 1 st	Committee Meeting Beachmere 7-30pm
September 14 th	New Growers Beachmere 1pm
October 6 th	Committee Meeting Beachmere 7-30pm
October 10 th	Day Meeting Ningi Hall 9am Peter Furniss speaking on Phalaenopsis
November 3 rd	Committee Meeting Beachmere 7-30pm
November 14 th	Day Meeting Last for year
December 14 th	Break up Christmas Party Beachmere 11-30am

New Member.

Welcome Heather Haskett to our club. Heather came to our new growers and is a neighbour of one of our members. We all hope you enjoy your time with us.

Our Mother's Day Show

Please remember our show is Next month. Helpers are always needed. Jan will be looking after the kitchen this year so please help her as much as you can. We always need someone to cook on the BBQ so please let me know if you would like to help there. Helpers for the door are also needed.

Friday is a busy day setting up and Sunday pulling down. Please try to be at the hall at these times to help. Please remember we need some cooking donated for the kitchen. Also craft if you have some to sell. David & I will be there most of the time please come & see one of us when you arrive.

Sign In an office:

AFTER TEA BREAK, STAFF SHOULD EMPTY THE TEAPOT

AND STAND UPSIDE DOWN ON THE DRAINING BOARD.

It seems that his father, grandfather and great-grandfather had all been able to walk on water on their 18th birthday. On that special day, they'd each walked across the lake to the pub on the far side for their first legal drink.

So, when Paddy's 18th birthday came around, he and his pal Mick took a boat out to the middle of the lake, Paddy, stepped out of the boat ... and nearly drowned!

Mick just barely managed to pull him to safety.

Furious and confused, Paddy went to see his grandmother .

"Grandma he asked, "Tis me 18th birthday, so why can't I walk across the lake like me father, his father and his father before him?"

Granny looked deeply into Paddy's, troubled eyes and said,

"Because ye father, ye grandfather and ye great-grandfather were all born in December, when the lake is frozen, and ye were born in August, ya fekin idiot!"

BARK

Not a lot of bark left. We still have some small, medium & large bark left but mainly in the $\frac{1}{2}$ size bags. Cost is \$15- for members and \$18- for non members. Cost of the large bags left is \$28- members & \$33- for non members. We also have some large bags of cymbidium mix for \$22- members & \$25- non members.

Shows - Other Societies

EDOS Autumn Show 420 Wondall Rd Manley West April 5th - 6th

Sunshine Coast Caloundra Show 11th -12thApril

Brisbane O/S Show 1263 Logan Rd Mt. Gravatt (School) 12th - 13th

April

BIOS 18th - 19th April



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Orchid Talk

Our meetings are divided between the Ningi Hall, Bribie Island Road Ningi, and 635 Beachmere Road Beachmere.

At the Hall you will hear a guest speaker talk & at Beachmere we will be doing hands on potting and talking about all genera of orchids.

Anyone wanting to learn how to grow an orchid please attend all meetings.

Day meeting at Ningi cuppa at 9am for a 9-30 start at the hall - 1pm start at Beachmere. Please bring a plate of food.

Problem plants most welcome. If you have an orchid you are not sure what to do with bring it along.



Don't forget the club has a web site. www.pdofs.org.au. If anyone would like to add some information to this site please feel free to email it to me and I will forward it to Phillip.