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Happy New Year



Day Meeting

Ningi Community Hall
Bribie Island Road, Ningi
Meetings are held on the 2nd Friday
of each month starting at 9am.
Next meeting: 10th January 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 13th January 2014

Hello Members,

Happy new year to you all.

I am hoping the club makes some subtle changes this year. Perhaps a couple more days of potting and repotting at Beachmere and I would like to see some day trips to nurseries by car pooling. Of course this is not going to happen if members do not support it.

I would also like to take a backward step this year. I have been president for much too long and I think the club needs some fresh blood at the top. I will still be here to help you all and so will David when he can. See you at the meeting.

Di.

*By her who is this month born
No gems save Garnets shall be worn
They will ensure her consistency,
True friendship & fidelity.*



Happy birthday to all members having a birthday this month.

*Your birthstone is Garnet &
Your birth flower is Carnation or
Snowdrop pictured.*

Have a wonderful day



The first meeting for 2014 is this Friday . We have not organised guest speakers for this year yet as we have not had our 1st committee meeting. Just to help out could members bring a plant they have a concern about or would like to show off. Any questions about fertilisers, insects, any queries you may like to have an answer to I will endeavor to help.

BARK

Cost is \$28.00 For members only. Normal price is \$33.00 this is for 50 litre bags. Smaller bags of 25 litres are available in small & medium only. These are \$15.00 for members and \$18.00 for non members.

Bark sizes - small, medium and large. Let me know what size you want. The bark is at 635 Beachmere Road not at the hall. Phone me on 04108711043 if you would like to collect some. *The large bags are running very low but we still have $\frac{1}{2}$ size bags available.*

Next Bus Trip

The Queensland International Orchid Fair is on again on Friday 7th March 2014. We will be hiring a small bus for this trip so please put your names down early. It is held in the Beenleigh Showgrounds James Street, Beenleigh. There will be morning tea and cold drinks to buy if you wish. We will be having our lunch at the same venue as last year. It was very nice.

The pictures below on Page 4 were taken at our Christmas party 2013. I took the photo's after we had eaten & had the rolling raffle but I can assure you all tables were full of goodies and raffles. Everyone who attended had a good time and all went home with a present.

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The plant above is *Den discolor*. This photo was sent to me from a member who did not know it's name . This plant is an Australian native and if you were benching it that is the section it would go under. It is a spatulata type. Note the curly petals.

David and I would like to thank the committee and club members for bestowing 'life membership' upon us. It was a pleasant surprise at the Christmas Party.

About 14 of us had dinner at the Beachmere Tavern in the middle of December. It was a really lovely evening. A few of us played musical chairs and sat with other members which was very nice. Hope you all enjoyed yourselves as much as we did.

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas with your loved ones. We did. Lunch at my eldest daughter, Lesley's house with about 15 of us there, then David's family came to our house for afternoon tea so we started eating again.

The committee meets next Monday night here at Beachmere so hopefully it won't be long before we put out a calendar for next year. Please let us know on Friday if there is a particular speaker you would like to hear from. Do you want more Orchid talks or are you happy with the format we have had in 2013?? It's your club so I would like some input of what you would like to see or hear.

On a train from London to Manchester to watch the cricket, an Australian was berating the Englishman sitting across from him in the compartment.

"You English are too stuffy. You set yourselves apart too much. You think your stiff upper lip makes you above the rest of us. Look at me... I'm ME!

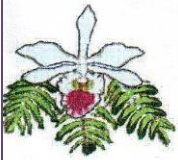
I have Italian blood, Greek blood, a little Irish blood, and some Aborigine blood.. What do you say to that ?"

The Englishman replied,

"Awfully sporting of your mother, old chap!"

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Orchid Talk

Our meeting is the 2nd Friday of each month, except December. This is also our new growers. If anyone wants to learn how to grow an orchid please attend. Cuppa at 9am for a 9-30 start. Ningi Hall, Bribie Island Road, Ningi. 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.