JANUARY 2023 BULLETIN

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Next New Growers Meeting
SATURDAY 11TH FEBRUARY
Next Birthday Lunch
TUESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2023
Next Cultural Meeting
TUESDAY 28TH FERUARY 2023

To those members/family/friends who are not enjoying the best of health at the moment, we wish you all the best for your recovery and look forward to seeing you at Society functions in the future. Stay safe!!





Check out the wide range of pots & vanda baskets, fungicides, ties, cutters, bark and perlite etc available at both the New Growers and Cultural meetings at The Orchid House. For more information contact Paul on 0475 851 603.

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello and welcome to our first bulletin for 2023.

We started the new year off with a good roll up to our January Cultural Meeting and look forward hopefully to a 'normal' year now that Covid appears to be somewhat under control.

Things are well under way for our Easter Show, with all the administrative requirements with Council for their sign-off and your Committee are working behind the scenes to put everything in place including a new safer/user friendly entrance for both our visitors and members. There will also be a few new faces in our vendors eg Pacific Beach Orchids from Bundaberg who specialize in Vandas, Patricia Hayman with her lovely African Violets, and we're waiting to hear back from a couple more potential vendors. Speaking of plant sales, now is the time for members to sort out any plants they wish to sell and make sure they are in top condition for sale. Rule of thumb—don't put forward any plants for sale that you would not buy yourself.

A roster/timetable will be circulated to members to ensure that all tasks involved in the running of the Show are covered and that everyone gets to take a breather throughout the Show. Have a think about what you could contribute to our Show. Who knows—you might have hidden talents that could make a difference!

Thank you to Ron Russell for his enlightening talk on how he grows his Cymbidiums. Our guest speaker at the February Cultural Meeting will be Jill from Searle's who always comes with a great wealth of information laced with humour, and her usual bags of garden goodies.

Thanks also to those members who supplied our Editor with some great snaps of Misstimed Blooms for this Bulletin. If you have any plants that flower between meetings, send them to Sandy for inclusion in the next bulletin. Email sandyjens@bigpond.com.

Happy growing!

Diann Sirett, President B I O S

Members may now bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea at Meetings however please note all food will be served, along with tea and coffee, by appointed Society members.



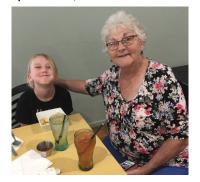
SIGNING IN AT MEETINGS

Now that Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted, QR scanning is no longer required, however Members must still sign the Attendance Book which is on display at the front of the hall for attendance/Insurance purposes.

January Birthday Lunch

The Solander Lakes Bowls Club was the venue for the January Birthday lunch on the 17th January with 19 members and guests, including 3 children attending, to enjoy a great Chinese meal and the kids enjoying chicken nuggets/chips. Everyone enjoyed their meal with a few people lining up to get take-aways for later. Our President Diann Sirett, Life Member Stephanie Maller and yours truly were the Birthday Belles on the day with Steph doing the cake-cutting honours. Once again Diane P did the honours as our photographer. Thanks Diane for also organizing lunch and thanks to Diann for organizing our dessert. A good time was had by all!

Our next Birthday celebration will be held at Charlie's at The Bribie Island Hotel, 29 Sylvan Beach Esplanade, Bellara at Noon on Tuesday 21st February. Editor



Diann & Great grandaughter Emma



Raewyn



Sandy, Stephanie & Dian with Bob getting into the frame!





 $\stackrel{\wedge}{\bowtie}$ = Birthday people

Sue L & Paul



Cedric & Sue H



Zelda & Don with Granddaughters Heidi and Abby



Teresa & Joe

'MISSTIMED BLOOMS' (Those plants that flower when there are no meetings or Shows)!



Rlc. Fantasy Maker 'Funny Face'



Bc. Digbyana 'Green Ice' Bc. Digbyana 'Mrs Chase'



Rlc. Canyon Dusk 'Southern Cross'



Rlc. Hawaiian Passion 'Carmela' X Rl. Digbyana var. fimbriopetals



Den. Chet's Choice



Den. John's Charm 'Bruno' X *Den.* Ly's Pride



Rlc. Kakemizu Grand 'Margie



Bulb. dearii



Den. White Fairy



Ctt. Caudekew X C. Caudebec



Phal. Unknown



Ctna. Capri 'Lea'

If you have any plants that flower between meetings, email the photos to our Bulletin Editor—sandyjens@bigpond.com for inclusion in the next bulletin.

Mo B-C Elvira

V. Mimi Palmer X V. Yip Sun Wah

MORE 'MISSTIMED BLOOMS'



From left to right. One of the many fascinating Stanhopeas flowering at the moment.



Paul and his Alocasia—just a tad too large to bring to a meeting!!



V. Su Fun Beauty



Den. speciosum





Coel. pandurata



Geodorum densiflorum Aka Shepherd's Crook— quite a number seen in flower on the Island lately.



JANUARY 2023 CULTURAL MEETING CLASS WINNERS



Rlc. Home Hill



Rlc. Kakemizu Grand 'Margie'



C. Magic Melody 'Superb' (This plant is growing in Canunda Shell)



C. Deception Mosaic



Epi. ciliare



C. loddigesii coerulea



Den. superbiens



Judges Choice Open & Peoples Choice Orchids Den. Alisun Cherry X Sib.



Pda. Arjuna



Growers—R Russell & M Gadd



Phal. Unknown

JANUARY 2023 CULTURAL MEETING CLASS WINNERS (Cont'd)



Phal. cornu cervi



Gom. Alosuka 'Claire'



Mps. Golden Snows 'White





Spa. Mellow Yellow

Stan. tigrina—2 different views

Profuse apologies to the winners in the Foliage Classes as I neglected to take individual photos (another Senior's moment sorry), apart from the Judges Choice Foliage, Anthurium Alexia Mint, which also won the People's Choice. However, I have included some group photos. Editor





Popular Vote—Foliage

Anthurium Alexia Mint

Growers—P & D Firth



Next New Growers 11th February : Topic— Tricky plants and potting experiments

Next Cultural Meeting Tuesday 28th February 2023 Guest Speaker: Jill from Searle's Garden Products



JANUARY 2023 CULTURAL MEETING

There was a good roll-up to our first meeting of 2023, and an interesting split of 34 Orchids and 40 Foliage plants benched. Our Foliage Judge, Trish, was delighted to see a lovely array of foliage plants benched by other members than the 4 or 5 members who regularly bench plants. Sadly there were no entries in the Orchid section for New Growers. New Growers are reminded that orchids benched at Cultural Meetings are eligible for points towards the Yearly Awards. **Come on New Growers —show us what you've got!**

Our Guest Speaker for the day was no other than our previous Treasurer, Ron Russell who spoke on how he grows Cymbidiums. Ron says he is no expert but he obviously has a good grip on Cymbidium growing requirements at his home here on the Island. He explained what he uses for potting and fertilising his orchids (he's a walking/talking advertisement for Searle's products), and also how he pots, fertilises and grows magnificent plants as well as how to propagate them from back bulbs. Ron also uses ice cubes to drop the night temperatures to trigger flower spikes.

Ron also likes to experiment and showed a plant that he is growing in Canunda shell and explained how he grows his beautiful flowering Cattleya in a different medium.

A very entertaining and informative presentation all round. Perhaps we'll see some more Cymbids benched by members down the track.







Ron has a lovely yellow Cymbidium Golden Elf which he tells us flowers about 4 times each year.

Cym. Golden Elf was registered in 1978 and the breeding is Cym. ensifolium (50%) + Cym. lowianum (13%) + Cym. insigne (13%) + Cym. eburneum (6%).

After Ron's presentation the raffle was drawn, and the judging results were read out, we all adjourned for a cuppa, lots of goodies and a catchup.

JANUARY 2023 RESULTS - CULTURAL MEETING

= No. of plants benched in each Class)

CLASS	#		PLANT NAME	GROWER/S
Cattleya Exhibition Laveder/ Mauve/Purple		1st	Rlc. Home Hill	D & Z Holm
		2nd	Rlc. Lyn Evans 'Pink Lady'	D & Z Holm
		3rd	<i>Rlc.</i> Burdekin Delight 'Dream Time'	S Maller
Cattleya Exhibition - Any other colour or colour combination		1st	Rlc. Kakemizu Grand 'Margie'	R Russell & M Gadd
		2nd	Rlc. Zelda's Star	D & Z Holm
		3rd	Rlc. Zelda's Star	D & Z Holm
Cattleya Miniature or Compact	1	1st	C. Magic Melody 'Superb'	R Russell & M Gadd
Cattleya Novelty or Compact	1	1st	C. Deception Mosaic	P & D Firth
Epidendrum	1	1st	Epi. ciliare	J & T Watson
Cattleya Species	1	1st	C. loddigesii coerulea	J & T Watson
Dendrobium Species	2	1st	Den. superbiens	R Russell & M Gadd
		2nd	Den. trinervium	J & T Watson
Den. Spatulata/Intermediate	5	1st	<i>Den</i> . Alisun Cherry X Sib	R Russell & M Gadd
		2nd	<i>Den.</i> Chao Praya Moonlight X <i>Den.</i> Tuang Pink	R Russell & M Gadd
		3rd	Den. New Burana	J & T Watson
Vanda Under 60mm	1	1st	V. Mimi Palmer X V. tessellate = Pda. Arjuna	J & T Watson
Vanda Species	1	1st	Aer. houlletiana	J & T Watson
Phalaenopsis Any Type		1st	<i>Phal.</i> Unknown	D & Z Holm
		2nd	Phal. Unknown	R Russell & M Gadd
		3rd	<i>Phal.</i> Unknown	N & S Jensen
Phalaenopsis Species	2	1st	Phal. cornu-cervi	J & T Watson
		2nd	Phal. cornu-cervi	J & T Watson
Oncidium Any Other	3	1st	Gom. Alosuka 'Claire'	R Russell & M Gadd
		2nd	Onc. Rosy Sunset 'Pacific Satin'	P & D Firth
		3rd	Ons. Succubus 'Night Shift'	R Grant
Miscellaneous HYBRID Any Other		1st	Mps. Golden Snows 'White Light'	J & T Watson
		2nd	Bulb. Wilbur Chang	R Grant
Miscellaneous SPECIES Any Other		1st	Stan. tigrina	R Russell & M Gadd
		2nd	Psh. radiata	J & T Watson
Native Species or Hybrid	3	1st	Spa. Mellow Yellow	J & T Watson
		2nd	Spa. Rocking Plum	J & T Watson
		3rd	Spa. Far out Freckles	N & S Jensen

JANUARY 2023 RESULTS - CULTURAL MEETING (Cont'd)

= No. of plants benched in each Class)

CLASS	#	PLANT NAME	GROWER/S
Judges Choice Open		Den. Alisun Cherry X Sib	R Russell & M Gadd
Popular Vote - Orchid		Den. Alisun Cherry X Sib	R Russell & M Gadd
Popular Vote - Foliage		Anthurium Alexis Mint	P & D Firth

NB. NO PLANTS BENCHED BY NEW GROWERS AT THIS MEETING

NEW GROWERS : BENCH YOUR ORCHIDS AT CULTURAL MEETINGS AND ANY PLACINGS RESULT IN POINTS FOR THE YEAR'S AWARDS.

NB Corrections in red have been made after checking with OrchidWiz. Please change tags for new registrations and correct spellings....Zelda Holm

NO. OF ORCHIDS BENCHED 34 / NO. OF FOLIAGE PLANTS BENCHED 40

FOLIAGE	#		PLANT NAME	GROWER/S
Bromeliad	6	1st	<i>Brom.</i> Unknown	Janet Watson
		2nd	Vriesea Red Chestnuts	N & S Jensen
		3rd	Neo. Pink Fairy Floss	Janet Watson
Tillandsia	6	1st	Tillandsia unknown	Janet Watson
		2nd	Tillandsia scheideana	J & T Watson
		3rd	Tillandsia stricta	J & T Watson
Anthurium	7 1st		Anthurium Alexia Mint	P & D Firth
		2nd	Anthurium Unknown	N & S Jensen
		3rd	Anthurium Lolly Pink	P & D Firth
Ferns	3	1st	Maiden Hair Fern	N & S Jensen
		2nd	Fern Unknown	Janet Watson
		3rd	Birds Nest Fern	Janet Watson
Other Foliage	1	1st	Pot of Succulents	P & D Firth
		2nd	Helxine	S Linsley
		3rd	Unknown	S Linsley
Foliage with Flowers	7	1st	Desert Rose	Janet Watson
		2nd	Desert Rose	R Grant
		3rd	Ноуа	S Linsley

ORCHID ABBREVIATIONS AND PRONUNCIATIONS

Web site Pronunciation Guide (pvorchids.com) My Huge List of Orchid Abbreviations (orchidsplus.com)

Abbreviation Name Pronunciation

(always written in italics)

Aer.Aeridesay-air-EE-deezGom.Gomesago-MEE-za

Mo.Mormodiamor-MOH-dee-ahMps.Miltoniopsismill-toh-nee-OP-sisOns.Oncosteleon-ko-STEE-lee

Pda. Papilionanda pap-ee-lee-oh-NAN-da)

Psh. Prosthechea pros-THECK-ee-ah

UPCOMING SHOWS FOR 2023

February	11th & 12th	Aspley Orchid Society Summer Orchid Show,	Sat - 8am - 3.30pm
1 Colual y	11(1) & 12(1)	Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens	Sun - 9am - 3.00pm
March 11th & 12th		WBOS Autumn Show, Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha	Sat - 8am - 3.30pm
IVIAICII	11(1) & 12(1)	Botanic Gardens	Sun - 9am - 3.00pm
1st & 2nd 11th & 12th 7th & 8th 14th - 15th 15th & 16th	1st & 2nd	Eastern District Orchid Society Belmont Shooting Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont	Sat - 8.30am - 4.00pm Sun - 8.30am - 2.00pm
	Bromeliad & Tropicals Autumn Show & Sales, Belmont Shooting Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont	Sat - 8am - 4pm Sun - 8am - 1pm	
	Bribie Island Orchid Society Easter Orchid & Foliage Show, The Orchid House, 156a First Avenue, Bongaree	Setup Thursday 6th April Easter Friday 8.30am— 4pm & Easter Saturday 8.30am—2pm	
	14th - 15th	Pine Rivers Orchid Society Show - Kallangur State School Hall—entrance on Old Gympie Road.	
	Ipswich Garden Spectacular (Ipswich Orchid Society and Ipswich & District Bromeliad Society), Silkstone State School, Prospect Street, Silkstone	Sat 8.30am - 3pm Sun 9am - 2pm	
15th		A.N.O.S. (Qld) - Kabi Group - Venue TBA	
	21st - 22nd	Redcliffe & District Orchid Society Show, Scarborough Bowls Club, Scarborough	

ORCHID CARE Feb./March. Extract from Orchids Australia.

	Water Requirments	Fertiliser Requirments	Pest Control	Other Comments
Cattleya Alliance	Water every two to three days	Every week with high Nitrogen fertiliser @ half strength		Feed regularlyand thoroughlywhile plants are in active growth.
Dendrobium Soft Cane	Water every day in warm weather	Fertilise twice weekly at full strength	Pyrethrum for caterpillars, ants, grasshop- pers and mealy bugs. Primor	Almost impossible to overwater these plants during active growth.
Cymbidium	Water every two to three day	Fertilise weekly at full strength	for Aphids Deadline or Defender pel-	Check for virused or suspect plants.
Phalaenopsis	Water every second day.	Weekly with a low nitrogen, high PK fertilizer at half strength.	lets for slugs, snails or slaters. White Oil for scale.	Extra light mistings will help to keep humidity levels higher.
Vandaceous	Water every other day.	Weekly with a low nitrogen, high PK fertilizer at half strength.	(Keep sprayed plants out of strong light for a day or two) Kelthane (for predator mites) or red spider. Rogor may also be used for mild infestations.	Vandaceous orchids thrive on heat, humidity & good air circulation.
Dendrobium Hardcane	Water every second or third day with light mistings on very hot days	Weekly with a low nitrogen, high PK fertilizer.		Heat, humidity & air movement will help towards optimum growth.
Odont/Milt	Keep moist but not wet.	Fertilise @quarter strength every second watering	inestations.	Keep as cool as possible.

General Comments: Most of the watering should be undertaken late in the afternoon or early evening. Watering in the heat of the day may cause rot in soft new growths. It would be better to keep the floor of the orbid house damp so the atmosphere is more buoyant.

February Birthdays



Our next Birthday Lunch will be held on Tuesday 21st February

Time: 12 noon

Venue: Charlie's, Bribie Island Hotel

29 Sylvan Beach Esplanade, Bellara

Please contact Liz on 0407 388 771 or Diane on 0475 851 603 if you intend to attend

Many Happy Returns to our members celebrating their Birthdays in February

DRIES WALTERFANG 10TH FEBRUARY

JENELLE LEWIS 13TH FEBRUARY
BOB BIMROSE 16TH FEBRUARY
RAEWYN SPEARITT 22ND FEBRUARY
MARGIE GADD 23RD FEBRUARY

Look forward to seeing you all at lunch to celebrate coming Birthdays. Is your name and Birth date in our Birthday Book? If you're shy, your year of birth is not necessary, just the date!



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BIOS Birthday Lunches

Our monthly Birthday lunches are usually held on the third Tuesday of each month at 12 noon various locations around the Island and surrounds. They are a great way to get to know other members of the Society. Everyone pays for their own meal/drinks so the choice is yours whether it be a low cost outing or something a bit more up-market.

Website Our new website address is www.bribieislandorchidsociety.com.au

FACEBOOK

Members are reminded that our Society has a Facebook page. Just type in Bribie Island Orchid Society in the Facebook search field and the group page will appear. In the section headed Groups ask to join. Our administrator will then accept your request. Our Facebook page is attracting a large number of views and comments from both within the Society and outside and it is interesting to note that some of our new members found us on Facebook. Many thanks go to Teresa Watson and Sue Harrison for their contribution to this platform.

Suggestions for our monthly Bulletin

If you have any suggestions for our monthly bulletins or would like more information on any particular subjects, please don't hesitate to contact our editor **Sandy Jensen on 3408 3317 or email sandyjens@bigpond.com** and we will do our best to accommodate your requests.

Cultural Meeting

Cultural Meeting is normally held on the Fourth Tuesday of the month at The Orchid House, 156A First Avenue, Bribie Island. Meeting times are arrival 1.00 pm for start at 1.30 pm. Plants must be benched by 1.15 pm when judging will commence. Members may now bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea however please note all food will be served, along with tea and coffee, by appointed Society members due to COVID-19 restrictions.

New Growers' Meeting

The New Growers' Meeting is normally held on the Second Saturday of the month. These meetings are held at The Orchid House, arrival time 1.00 pm for start at 1.30 pm. Plants must be benched by 1.15 pm when judging will commence. Members may now bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea however please note all food will be served, along with tea and coffee, by appointed Society members due to COVID-19 restrictions.

CLUB BADGES AND/OR SHIRTS To order your Club polo shirt and/or name badge, see our friendly Treasurer. The costs are Polos \$ 35 each and Name badges \$15. Wearing a Club shirt and name badge readily identifies Bribie Island Orchid Society members to the public who patronize our Shows and name badges come in handy at our meetings/functions when we sometimes experience a 'Senior's moment or two'. **Be proud to stand out in the crowd!**



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