JUNE 2024 BULLETIN

Bribie Island Orchid Society Inc.



Celebrating 37 years 1987—2023

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Next New Growers Meeting SATURDAY 13TH JULY

Next Birthday Lunch
TUESDAY 16TH JULY
Next Cultural Meeting
TUESDAY 23RD JULY

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!!



A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello and welcome to our June bulletin for 2024.

A very large group of members attended our New Growers meeting for June with 7 plants benched and lots of questions raised. We hope to see you all at the July meeting with your flowering plants.

Another year has flown by and our June Cultural Meeting held on the 25th June was preceded by our Annual General Meeting with the return of our Joint Patrons Ali King MP and Cr Brooke Savige. Thank you ladies.

As nominations for the Committee were unopposed we welcomed back most of the previous committee with a couple of new faces added. Sadly we saw Joe Watson step down from the position of Vice President and we thank him for his considerable contribution to the Society over the years. In his place we welcome our resident Associate Judge Tony Musial. Congratulations Tony. My thanks to our many hard working members and I look forward to a successful 2024—2025. A copy of my President's Report along with the reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and New Growers Co-ordinator will be circulated separately.

Ali and Brooke did the honours presenting the Points Awards winners for 2023-2024 with their prizes. Well done and congratulations to all.

Our next activity will be our bus trip to the Nambour Garden Expo on Thursday 4th July and we look forward to a great day out.

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

Please note: All members and visitors must sign the Attendance Book which is on display at the front of the hall for attendance/Insurance purposes.



On Saturday 22nd June, we held another fundraising session at Bunnings East Caboolture with the team of Gary Gow, Julie deHaviland, Sue Linsley, Vicki and Bob Ferguson led by Di Kennedy

Thank you again Bunnings, and thank you team for your efforts! A special thank you to Sue Linsley for spending the full day helping out. The team would have struggled without you.

Funds raised from these events go towards subsidizing our bus trips and Christmas Party so it's in members own interests to do their bit, even if it's only for a couple of hours, instead of the same few people carrying the load.





Please support our loyal sponsors where possible.



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. EFTOS available. For more information contact Paul on 0475 851 603.



PROPOSED GUEST SPEAKERS AT COMING CULTURAL MEETINGS

JULY Peter Farquharson. "Plant of Health" supplier, Fertilisers for orchids

Brian Heath— TBA

If you have any suggestions for Guest Speakers or if there is a particular topic you would like to hear about, please contact our Secretary Teresa on 0407 782 290

2024 AGM

36 members and 2 visitors were present at The Orchid House, 156a First Avenue, Bongaree on Tuesday 25th June 2024 at 1.30pm for the Annual General Meeting of the Bribie Island Orchid Society Inc.

Thank you to Ali King MP for Pumicestone and Brooke Savige MBC Councillor who have agreed to continue as Joint Patrons of our Society. Ali chaired the meeting with all positions being declared vacant. After the Minutes of the previous meeting had been accepted, the reports from the President, Secretary and Treasurer were read. There being no voting necessary, the following officers were elected. Congratulations all.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE GENERAL COMMITTEE POSITIONS

President: Diann Sirett Assistant Show Coordinator: Diann Kennedy

Vice President: Tony Musial Librarian: Sue Harrison

Secretary: Teresa Watson Catering Officer: Diane Firth

Treasurer: Ros Ramsey Cultural Supplies: Paul Firth

New Growers Coordinator: Zelda Holm Web Masters: Debbie Simpson & Wayne Robinson

Show Coordinator: Debbie Simpson Social Organiser: Liz Kunde

Bulletin Editor: Sandy Jensen Auditor: Don Crombie Accountancy

STOCQ Delegate: Ros Grant

Awards were then presented for all the point score categories over the year.

BRIBIE ISLAND ORCHID SOCIETY INC. COMMITTEE FOR 2024—2025



L-R Diann Kennedy, Tony Musial, Debbie Simpson, Diane Firth , Ros Grant, Paul Firth Seated Zelda Holm, Teresa Watson, Diann Sirett, Ros Ramsey, Sandy Jensen



Our Patrons Brooke & Ali with Secretary, Teresa

Absent : Liz Kunde, Sue Harrison & Wayne Robinson

ANNUAL AWARDS

Awards were presented for all the point score categories accrued since 1st May 2023. Congratulations to all our Class Winners, in no particular order— Joe & Teresa Watson, Don & Zelda Holm, Ros Grant, Daryl & Bev Birt, Noel &Sandy Jensen, Ron Russell, Diann Sirett, Ron & Liz Kunde, Martin Gunther and Ros Ramsey with the following receiving their Championship trophies from our Patrons Ali King MP and Cr Brooke Savige. Well done everyone!



OVERALL CHAMPION GROWERS

DON & ZELDA HOLM



CHAMPION NOVICE GROWER ROS RAMSEY



CHAMPION FOLIAGE GROWERS
NOEL & SANDY JENSEN



Joe & Teresa with Brooke



Martin & Ali



Diann & Ali



Ros G & Brooke

Some of our Annual Point Score Winners!

Missing in action—Ron & Liz and Daryl & Bev



Ron & Brooke

Certificates of Appreciation

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Paul and Diane Firth in their roles as Cultural Supplies Officer and Catering Officer & Assistant Social Organiser respectively. Congratulations and thank you. Well done and keep up the good work!

Last but not least a Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Joe Watson for his years of service as Vice President and his efforts in all facets of the Society. Congratulations and thank you Joe. Enjoy your 'retirement'!







Diane & Ali



Joe & Ali

Our ageing Alarm system has finally been replaced after staging a number of hissy fits recently and our thanks again go to our neighbours The Bribie Island Community Plant Nursery for their generous donation to cover the cost and installation by AOK Security. The work was completed on Saturday 22nd June. Thanks again neighbours!





JUNE 2024 NEW GROWERS MEETING

A very sizeable group of 39 members and 2 visitors learned how to repot an orchid at our June New Growers Meeting on Saturday 8th June with Zelda using her new-found toy projecting the image on to our big screen for all to see. The importance of soaking both your plant and new potting mix the day before repotting was stressed to overcome health issues from handling dusty products like perlite, bark and charcoal, and for the everyday gardener the importance of using a mask when handling potting mix. Use a new clean pot with enough space to accommodate 2 years growth and use cable ties or bamboo kebab skewers to secure plants that are a bit short on roots to stabilize the plant until the roots attach to the pot. Zelda commented that there should be no problems repotting/fertilizing at any time of the year here on the Island because of the reasonably mild winters. There are lots of Phalies in spike at the moment so they should be fertilized with a high potassium fertiliser and Seasol fortnightly. Don't forget to face your Phalies towards the morning sun and stake them so that they present well. Keep a watch out for mealy bug and treat your plants every 10-14 days to control them.

A number of New Growers brought along problem plants and Zelda provided advice on how to remedy the situation, with Paul on hand to provide advice on products stocked in our Cultural Corner.

Seven plants covering four classes, were benched for judging with Jo-Anne, our 'Phalie lady', being awarded 'The Finger' for her lovely dark *Den.* (Udomsri X *Den.* Michael Sado) X *Den.* Allstonville Inferno 'Tobin'. It looks like 'Twinkle-time' is upon us, albeit a little earlier than usual, and Jan benched a well grown *Onc.* Twinkle Chian-Tzy 'Yearning'. Well done all, and thank you to Tony, our Judge for the day.

Again our raffle was well patronized and four lucky people added to their orchid collections. You have to be in it, to win it! As usual, afternoon tea was enjoyed by all. Thank you to those who contributed the sandwiches, cakes, biscuits etc and the members who manned the kitchen.





Judge's Choice

Den. (Udom Sri X

Den. Michael Sado)

X Den. Alstonville
Inferno 'Tobin'

Grower—J Jackson



Bc. Topaz Galaxy 'Interstellar'



Onc. Twinkle Chian-Tzy 'Yearning'



Paph. Unknown



Plant stabilized with a bamboo skewer

UPCOMING SHOWS

JUNE	29th & 30th	North Moreton Orchid Council Charity Show, Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha Road, Toowong	Sat 8.30am -3pm Sun 8.30am - 2pm
JULY	12th & 13th	Caboolture Orchid Society Winter Show, Morayfield Community Hall, 298 Morayfield Road (behind Bunnings)	Set Up Thurs Fri 8.30am -4pm Sat 8.30am - 3pm
JOLY	27th & 28th	John Oxley District Orchid Society Annual Winter Show, Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens	Sat 8.30am - 4pm Sun 9am - 3pm
AUGUST	8th, 9th, 10th	Maroochydore Orchid Society (Open show) Uniting Church Hall, Gloucester Street, Buderim	Thurs Fri Sat
	17th & 18th	West Brisbane Orchid Society Spring 2024 Show, Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens	Sat 8.30am - 3.30pm Sun 9am - 3pm
	30th, 31st	Childers Isis District OS show	Set up 29th.

OUR NEXT BUS TRIP!





The bus has been booked for next **Thursday 4th July 2024** for the 40th Anniversary Queensland Garden Expo at Nambour, departing from The Orchid House at 8am.

Cost for Members will be \$10 and Visitors \$20 for bus, plus entry. Entry fee of **\$20 per person for entry to be paid asap to obtain the bulk price.** It would be preferable for members to pay by direct debit or by EFTPOS/cash. There are currently a number of seats available. This is a full day event encompassing all garden and orchid events.

Names to be sent to Liz at kundecrew@bigpond.com asap please.

June Birthday Lunch

June's Birthday Lunch was held at the Bribie Island Surf Club with 19 members in attendance with sadly no Birthday people present.

Unfortunately, as we have experienced in the past, there were problems with food orders/quality and with all the new provisos imposed by that venue, we will not be returning. Despite all that, everyone enjoyed themselves, so once again thanks for the happy snaps Di! The next Birthday Lunch will be held at the Bribie Island RSL Social Cafe, 99 Toorbul Street, Bongaree on Tuesday

16th July. Come along and join in the fun!







Allan G

Bev & Daryl

Paul

Jenni & Bruce







Karen







Leisa & Bob B



Vicki & Sandra



Lynette & Allen M



Di K, Kay & Margaret

JUNE 2024 CULTURAL MEETING

June's Cultural Meeting followed our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 25th June.

While benching numbers were down slightly, as were member numbers, there were some very good quality plants benched, not least of which was Ros Grant's stunning *Cal. vestita* with 10 inflorescences. Ros recalled this plant getting 3rd at Caboolture's Winter Show last year with 2 inflorescences so she has obviously found the secret to growing Calanthes. For her efforts Ros took out both Judge's Choice—Open and Popular Vote—Orchids for the meeting, as well as winning a prize in the raffle. Not to be outdone, Sue Linsley took out both the Judge's Choice and Popular Vote for Foliage with her *Tillandsia stricta*, then capped it off by drawing out her own tag to win the Lucky Pot Number draw. Nice work Sue! Ros also deserved a prize for getting her very large Calanthe to the meeting safely in one piece, not an enviable job. Well done ladies.

There were only 2 plants benched by New Growers. Di Kennedy's lovely lilac *V. sanderiana X V. coerulea* which was awarded Judge's Choice for Novice, and Julie's *Phal.* Lucky Star. Thank you ladies. New Growers, please don't judge your own plants. Bring them along to meetings for us all to enjoy.

Thank you to our judges for the day—Martin and Tony (Orchids) and Trish (Foliage). Just a reminder that plants need to be benched between 1pm and 1.15pm so that judging can be completed before the commencement of the meeting.

Below is the lineup of orchids benched by Zelda, our Champion Open Grower for the year, with 7 out of the 10 Cattleyas being her own hybrids. Zelda said it was just like taking the family for an outing as they are all named after family members. Well done Zelda, we can always count on you to fill the Cattleya Classes.



Maidenhair Ferr

Due to restricted time our AGM being held, there was no Guest Speaker for the day. At July's Cultural Meeting on Tuesday 23rd July, we will welcome Peter Farquharson from Plant of Health Eco Fertiliser Supplies, who will speak on Fertilisers for orchids.

As usual, the kitchen benches were groaning with yummy offerings for afternoon tea and members stayed on for a chat and a cuppa. Thank you to those who contributed to the spread.

JUNE 2024 CULTURAL MEETING CLASS WINNERS



Rlc. Pine Valley Paradise



Rlc. Burdekin Dream 'DJ"



C. Pure Soul 'Yutaka Morimoto'



C. Unknown



Lc. Liptonii 'Snowflake' X
Ctt. Scarlet Imp 'Amy'



C. percivaliana 'Denise' X C. percivaliana 'Summit'



Den. spacificum



Den. Warringah 'Purple Heaven'



Den. Alstonville Inferno X (Den. Patricia Ward X Den. Kuranda Classic)

JUNE 2024 CULTURAL MEETING CLASS WINNERS (Cont'd)



V. Lenavat X V. Pakchong New Land



Rnps. Lena Rowold



V. sanderiana



Paph. Saint Swithin Christy'



Onc. ornithorhynchum



Onc. Purple Rainbow



Brat. Charles M Fitch 'Izumi'



This photo doesn't really do this plant justice so a close-up has been included.



Judge's Choice Open & Peoples Choice Orchids *Cal. vestita*

Grower — R Grant

JUNE 2024 CULTURAL MEETING CLASS WINNERS (Cont'd)



Cym. Sarah Jean 'Ice Cascade'



Spa. Far out Freckles



Judges Choice—Novice
V. sanderiana X V. coerulea
Growers—D Kennedy & G Gow

FOLIAGE



Brom. orthophytum



Judge's Choice & People's Choice—Foliage Tillandsia stricta Grower—S Linsley



Anthurium Princess Elegant



Maidenhair Fern



Aglaonema Unknown



Kalanchoe 'Rosalina'

JUNE 2024 RESULTS - CULTURAL MEETING

= No. of plants benched in each Class)

CLASS	#	No.	PLANT NAME	GROWER/S
Cattleya Exhibition over	5	1st	Rlc. Pine Valley Paradise	M Gunther
110mm Lavender/Mauve/Purple		2 1	N 5 11: 5 (61 : :: /	507111
		2nd	Rlc. Burdekin Dream 'Christine'	D & Z Holm
		3rd	Rlc. Alycia Wilkinson 'Frilly Skirt'	D & Z Holm
Cattleya Exhibition over 110mm (White)	5	1st	Rlc. Burdekin Dream 'DJ'	D & Z Holm
		2nd	Rlc. Burdekin Bells 'Lynette'	D & Z Holm
		3rd	Rlc. Sylvia Fry 'Bette'	M Gunther
Cattleya Exhibition over 110mm (Any other color or colour combination)	6	1st	C. Pure Soul 'Yutaka Morimoto'	M Gunther
		2nd	Rlc. Breanna Holm 'Shindo'	D & Z Holm
		3rd	Rlc. Zelda's Gamble 'Crown'	D & Z Holm
Cattleya Non Exhibition	4	1st	C. Unknown	S Linsley
		2nd	Rlc. Zelda's Rainbow 'Splash'	D & Z Holm
		3rd	Rlc. Zelda's Rainbow 'Red Devil'	D & Z Holm
Cattleya Cluster	1	1st	Lc. Liptonii 'Snowflake' X Ctt. Scarlet Imp 'Amy'	P & D Firth
Cattleya Species	2	1st	C. percivaliana 'Denise' X C. percivaliana 'Summit'	P & D Firth
		2nd	C. Dominiana	J & T Watson
Dendrobium Species	2	1st	Den. pacificum	M Gunther
		2nd	Den. antennatum 'Longhorn'	P & D Firth
Dendrobium Spatulata/ Intermediate	5	1st	Den. Warringah 'Purple Heaven'	J & T Watson
		2nd	Den. Nigrescens Fragrance 'Topaz'	P & D Firth
		3rd	Den. superbiens	P & D Firth
Dendrobium Any other	5	1st	Den. Alstonville Inferno X (Den. Patricia Ward X Den. Kuranda Classic)	P & D Firth
		2nd	Den. Mem. Asiswadi	M Gunther
		3rd	Den. Aussie's Sweetness	M Gunther
Vanda Over 60mm	4	1st	V. Lenavat X V. Pakchong New Land	N & S Jensen
		2nd	V. Kultana Red	N & S Jensen
		3rd	V. Rasri Gold X V. Tubtim Velvet = V. Brighton Jade	J & T Watson
Vanda Other	1	1st	Rnps. Lena Rowold	J & T Watson
V. Species	1	1st	V. sanderiana	J & T Watson

JUNE 2024 RESULTS - CULTURAL MEETING (Cont'd)

= No. of plants benched in each Class)

CLASS	#	No.	PLANT NAME	GROWER/S
Paph/Phrag Any Other	1	1st	Paph. Saint Swithin 'Christy'	T & S Magner &
				B Saunders
Oncidium Species	1	1st	Onc. ornithorhynchum	N & S Jensen
Oncidium Any Other	5	1st	Onc. Purple Rainbow ? Not registered	J & T Watson
		2nd	Onc. Twinkle 'Pink Wax'	D & Z Holm
		3rd	Onc. Heaven Scent 'Redolence'	N & S Jensen
Miscellaneous Hybrid	2	1st	Brat. Charles Fitch 'Izumi'	P & D Firth
		2nd	Bulb. Sheryl Kurizaki	R Grant
Miscellaneous Species	1	1st	Cal. vestita	R Grant
Cymbidium	1	1st	Cym. Sarah Jean 'Ice Cascade'	N & S Jensen
Aust. Native Species or Hybrid	1	1st	Spa. Far out Freckles	N & S Jensen
NOVICE				
Vandaceous	1	1st	V. sanderiana X V. coerulea	D Kennedy &
				G Gow
Other Hybrids	1	1st	Phal. Lucky Star	J Bacon
Judges Choice - Novice			V. sanderiana X V. coerulea	D Kennedy &
Judges Choice - Novice			v. sandenana x v. coeralea	G Gow
Judges Choice - Open			Cal. vestita	R Grant
Judges Choice - Foliage			Tillandsia stricta	S Linsley
Popular Vote - Orchid			Cal. vestita	R Grant
Popular Vote - Foliage			Tillandsia stricta	S Linsley

55 ORCHIDS BENCHED 30 FOLIAGE PLANTS BENCHED

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

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

JUNE 2024 RESULTS - CULTURAL MEETING

(# = No. of plants benched in each Class)

FOLIAGE				
CLASS	#	No.	PLANT NAME	GROWER/S
Bromeliad	7	1st	Brom orthophytum	J & T Watson
		2nd	Vriesea pulmonata	P & D Firth
		3rd	Bromeliad Unknown	S Linsley
Tillandsia	8	1st	Tillandsia stricta	S Linsley
		2nd	Tillandsia variabilis	J & T Watson
		3rd	Tillandsia unknown	S Linsley
Anthurium	4	1st	Anthurium Princess Elegant	N & S Jensen
		2nd	Anthurium Princess Alexia 'Mint'	N & S Jensen
		3rd	Anthurium Lolly Pink	N & S Jensen
Ferns	3	1st	Maidenhair Fern	N & S Jensen
		2nd	Maidenhair Fern	N & S Jensen
		3rd	Fern Unknown	N & S Jensen
Other Foliage	7	1st	Aglaonema Unknown	N & S Jensen
		2nd	Cactus Castellana	S Linsley
		3rd	Alocasia Amozonica	P & D Firth
Foliage with Flowers	1	1st	Kalanchoe 'Rosalina	N & S Jensen

JUNE 2024 RESULTS - NEW GROWERS MEETING

(# = No. of plants benched in each Class)

CLASS	#	No.	PLANT NAME	GROWER/S
Cattleya	3	1st	Bc. Topaz Galaxy 'Interstellar'	A Hinde
		2nd	C. Unknown	D & B Birt
		3rd	Gur. aurantiaca Red X (C. tigrina X C. Topaz Lullaby	B & L Keipert
Dendrobium	2	1st	(Den. Udomsri X Den. Michael Sado) X Den. Alstonville Inferno 'Tobin'	J Jackson
		2nd	Den. Her Majesty X Den. Jo Red ? Both not registered	A Hinde
Other Hybrids	1	1st	Onc.Twinkle Chian-Tzy 'Yearning'	J Lumsden
Species	1	1st	Paph. Unknown	J Jackson
Judges Choice			(Den. Udomsri X Den. Michael Sado) X Den. Alstonville Inferno 'Tobin'	J Jackson



Calanthe (Cal.) vestita is an orchid species identified by Wall. Ex LIndl in 1833

ORIGIN: Found in Myanmar, Vietnam, lower Thailand, Malaysia, Sumatra, Borneo and Sulawesi in forests on limestone in hill forests at elevations of sea level to 1000 meters.

The name Calanthe means 'beautiful flower' in Greek, an allusion to the attractive flowers of many of the Calanthe species. Cal. *triplicata* was first flowered in cultivation in a Chelsea (U.K.) nursery about 1822-1823, when a collection of plants was sent from Australia. Calanthes are closely related to the Phaius, and carry 8 pollinia, in two groups of four. The most conspicuous difference between the two is in the lip of the flower.

Calanthes bloom in the winter with nodding 3' [90 cm] long, 6 to 15 flowered, inflorescences. Flower Size: Up to 2 1/2to 3 inches [6.25 to 7.5 cm] with the fragile textured, long-lived flowers all arising before the leaves. Perhaps not the right plant for those with limited space. After the plant has bloomed, repot and wait for the new growth to appear to resume watering. Once pseudobulbs have matured, gradually reduce watering until leaves fall, when water should be withheld altogether. These plants make great specimen plants. Bulbs can rebloom, meaning it will make a flurry of beautiful flowers the longer you leave it.

Cultivation Although a lot of Calanthes are usually considered terrestrial i.e. grown in soil, many growers do not use soil. Gravel, peat, fern fibre, leaf litter, sand, bark and perlite can be used. The species that have a definite rest period should be dried off as the leaves yellow and fall. It is then possible to grow and flower quite well in Cattleya conditions. It is suggested that 'the major point in the culture of deciduous Calanthes rests in abundant watering, light and heat'. They grow best when allowed to grow into clumps. Most species will grow well under intermediate conditions, however, there are always exceptions. Some Calanthes will grow in Cymbidium mix. The roots are more like cymbidium roots and the leafed pseudo-bulbs will remain vigorous only as long as the root system lasts. The broad leaves are subject to fungus attacks so benefit from growing in an area where there is plenty of air movement. The broad leaves can be subject to red spider mite, scale and mealy bug so keep humidity high and leaves clean.

Avoid watering late in the day giving the leaves time to dry out before nightfall. This genus will not tolerate poor growing conditions . Anon





Our next Birthday Lunch will be held on Tuesday 16th July 2024

Time: 12 noon

Venue: Bribie Island RSL Social Cafe, 99 Toorbul Street, Bongaree

Please contact Liz on 0407 388 771 or email kundecrew@bigpond.com if you plan to attend, if you have not already done so

Many Happy Returns to our members celebrating their Birthdays in July

7th Helene Collis
7th Beverly Power
24th Sue Harrison

Is your name and Birth date in our Birthday Book? If you're shy, your year of birth is not necessary, just the day and month!

We Look forward to seeing you all at lunch to celebrate coming Birthdays.



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.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 Debbie Simpson 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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