



Cymbidium Shoalhaven
'Touch of Class'

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Lynne Phelan 2012, Allan Taylor 2014, Brian Phelan 2022.

Next Meeting: Saturday day meeting 20th July 10am-1pm.

Bomaderry Community Centre. 19 Birriley Street, Bomaderry.

Room opens at 9.15am for set up*; benching to be **finished** by 10.00am; Novice Corner 10.00-10.15am; Popular Vote 10.15-10.30am. Meeting commences at 10.30am. * Many hands make light work to set up and pack up.

Guest Speaker: Jan Robinson Water Well or Not So Well

Novice Corner: Committee member, **John Clancy**, is the co-ordinator and members who have a cultural problem or any questions about their orchids are invited to speak to John during Novice Corner. If it is not within John's area, he will refer you to another grower who may be able to help. If there is a particular topic you would like to have covered in Novice Corner please feel free to contact John on 44439072 or email john.clancy50@me.com.

THE SHOALHAVEN ORCHID SOCIETY MEETS ON THE **THIRD MONDAY** OF THE MONTH- at **7.00 PM** IN THE BOMADERRY COMMUNITY CENTRE, 19 BIRRILEY STREET, BOMADERRY.

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BENCHING RESULTS		Month JUNE	Year 2024
Class	Orchid Name	Name of Grower	
NOVICE			
Cymbidium	Cym. Sarah Leah	J. Cameron	
Novice Orchid of the Night	Cym. Sarah Leah	J. Cameron	
INTERMEDIATE			
Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph. insigne</i>	W. Lee	
Oncidiinae Alliance	<i>Onc. Ranier</i>	W. Lee	
Miscellaneous orchid	<i>Coel. Unchained Melody</i>	W. Lee	
Intermediate Orchid of the Night	<i>Paph. insigne</i>	W. Lee	
OPEN			
Paphiopedilum – species/hybrid	<i>Paph. insigne</i>	W. Simmons	
Oncidiinae Alliance	<i>Vuyl. Cambria 'Plush'</i>	M & S. Montebello	
Dendrobium – species/hybrid	<i>Den. Red Dragon 'Orchid World'</i>	M & S. Montebello	
Laeliinae Alliance	<i>Rlc. Jinn Feng Wish 'Classical'</i>	L. Gannon	
Vandaceous Hybrid	<i>Porteara Blue Boy 'Jill'</i>	K. Coates	
Species	<i>Ansellia africana</i> <i>Laelia anceps</i> White Magic x <i>L. anceps</i> Marble Queen	K. Coates L. Phelan	
Australian native hybrid	<i>Den. Fantasy Land</i>	K. Coates	
Cymbidium	Cym. Joan Bryant x C. Dural Dream	J. Clarke	
Miscellaneous orchid			
Open Orchid of the Night	Cym. Joan Bryant x C. Dural Dream	J. Clarke	
Species of the Night	<i>Ansellia africana</i>	K. Coates	
Hybrid of the Night	<i>Rlc. Jinn Feng Wish 'Classical'</i>	L. Gannon	
Assistant/ Benching Marshal's Choice	<i>Rlc. Jinn Feng Wish 'Classical'</i>	L. Gannon	
Growing Competition	5Pts. M. Montebello, 3Pts. S. Montebello, 1Pt. J. Cameron, M. de Launey, P. de Launey, S. Ellis, B. Phelan, L. Phelan.		
Seedling <i>Vanda coerulea</i>	K. Coates		
Number of plants benched	33	Number of Growing comp. plants	9





PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our Winter Show is fast approaching. I hope members are busy preening their orchids they are planning to exhibit. We would like as many plants as possible to be displayed and especially encouraging both Novice and Intermediate members to exhibit. There will also be a 'Display Only' table for members plants that may have 1 or 2 blooms missing but still give a good display. Also, members can bench here, orchids that they have not grown for the compulsory 6 months but would like to display the flowering plant. There are no prizes for these plants. All Entry Forms etc. were emailed/mailed to all members. Please fill your forms out at home and bring to the show set up on Friday 12th July between 2pm and 4pm.

Thank you, Ron Findlater, for recently purchasing our Raffle and Lucky Door Prize orchids from the Mingara Orchid Show on the Central Coast.

John Cameron and Sandra will be once again organising a sausage sizzle lunch for the workers, and boy, does that always hit the right spot!

I encourage all members to exhibit, come along and enjoy the day, socialise with members or perhaps talk to visitors on growing orchids.

At our July meeting Jan Robinson will be our Guest Speaker talking about water well pots – water well or not so well. Jan always gives interesting talks, and her talks can be quite thought provoking.

It is with sadness that I report the recent passing of Don Raffell. Don was a well-respected, quiet friendly member who worked hard for our Society. Don resigned a few years ago due to ill health.

Hope to see you all at the Winter Show,

Warm regards,

Louise

From The Committee

New Member

We welcome Margaret Davis from Tomerong. We hope you enjoy your time with us.

Sunday August 25th Bunnings BBQ

We are needing volunteers for the BBQ on the above date. Please let Françoise know if you are able to assist. All monies raised are used for the Society.

Growing Competition Plant

There will be a new Growing Comp Plant available at the July meeting.

July Novice Corner

Martin will be doing a talk on "Winter Care for your Orchids"

Winter Show Saturday July 13th

Setup is on Friday July 12th, 12pm - 2pm

Plants are to be benched between 2pm and no later than 4pm.

If you have any trestle tables to spare, please bring them on Friday before 2pm.

We would like to encourage Novices to bench.

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Bishops Discount Card. A new discount card will be issued when you renew your membership. Please bring your old card to the meeting to exchange for the new card. Secretary Francoise has the new cards.

Library. Books! Books! Books! Our society has many great books for Speak to Robin Gunter who would be delighted to help you.

Attendance Book. Members and guests must sign the attendance book. This is required for insurance purposes. Our insurance cover applies to your attendance at any society organised event. *If you don't sign, you're not covered.* Please sign beside your number given by the society.

COVID RESTRICTIONS Please observe the following:

- 1. Sanitise your hands with the hand sanitiser provided when you arrive.**
- 2. Wearing a mask is optional.**
- 3. If you are unwell, please do not attend.**

2024 Shoalhaven Orchid Society

What's on at a Glance

Committee Meetings 2024

Tuesday 2nd July 10.00am

Society Meetings 2024

Saturday Day Meetings 10am – 1pm

20th July Jan Robinson Water Well or Not So Well

17th August- Graham Larkham talking about Virus-V-Bacteria

16th Sept- Repotting- Martin- Phalaenopsis, Ron-Den. speciosum & John Clark- Cymbidium

21st October Guest speaker **Gordon Marion** He will be talking on Cattleyas

18th November – Martin Montebello talking on Paphiopedilums

16th December - Christmas Party/Presentations

Society Events/Shows

13 July Winter Show - 9am -3pm

31 August Spring Show - 9am - pm

19 October October Orchid Show 9-3
Native Orchid Walk- TBA
Potting Day- TBA

Other Orchid Events

Paphiopedilum and Cymbidium Show 9-11 August

St Ives Orchid Fair 16th-18th August

Australian Native Orchid Show Revesby Workers Club Sunday 8th September 9am-2.30pm

Orchids Central, Club Condell Park 4-6 October

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Growing Competition 2024

Please try to find and bring your growing competition plant each month. If you keep them grouped together with a distinctive coloured label it makes them easy to find.

April. Zga. Pine Road x Zygo. Kosciuszko x Zga. Clare Fisher 'Amanda'

May. *Catt.* (Rlc.) Brunswick Gem 'Coral' x *Catt.* Dal's Choice 'Rudak'

June. Zga. Pine Road x Zygo. Kosciuszko x Zga. Clare Fisher 'Amanda'

July *Catt.* Dal's Choice 'Rudak'

August. Zga. Pine Road x Zygo. Kosciuszko x Zga. Clare Fisher 'Amanda'

September. *Catt.* (Rlc.) Brunswick Gem 'Coral' x *Catt.* Dal's Choice 'Rudak'

October. Zga. Pine Road x Zygo. Kosciuszko x Zga. Clare Fisher 'Amanda'

November. *Catt.* (Rlc.) Brunswick Gem 'Coral' x *Catt.* Dal's Choice 'Rudak'

LAST BENCHING December: Zga. Pine Road x Zygo. Kosciuszko x Zga. Clare Fisher 'Amanda'

Other Society Shows

MUOS

Winter Show 6th–7th

July Spring Show 7th-

8th Sept

BBOFS

Winter Show 13th - 14th July

Spring Show 31st August – 1st September

Native Show 19th-20th October

IDOS

Winter Show 6th – 7th July

Spring Show 7-8th September

Canberra Spring Show 21th-22th Sept