

## Next Meeting

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June  
2023, 8pm.**

### Speaker:

Jan Robinson – 'Six of  
the Easier to Grow  
Orchids'



set-up / booking in -  
Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup> June 2pm to 5pm  
(see flyer p.10)

**Note** – please ensure you  
enter your name in our  
attendance book on entry  
to the meeting hall.

Use of hand sanitiser and  
social distancing is highly  
encouraged.



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courtesy – David Hicks

# Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc. Bulletin – June 2023



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*The Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc. was founded in 1952 and is dedicated to the promotion, development and encouragement of a general interest and understanding of all aspects of orchid culture.*

## Monthly Meetings -

Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the Uniting Church Hall, corner Flora and Merton Streets, Sutherland @ 8pm, doors open 7pm. Visitors are always welcome (please arrive by 7.45pm to check in)

**President:** Rhonda Jackson

**Vice President:** Frank Daniel

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**Treasurer:** Margaret Spring

**Committee:** Murray Aldridge, Diane Phillips, Melissa Karayannis, Jenny Sharpham, Mark Drury.

*(Committee meets 1<sup>st</sup> Wed. monthly except January - Tradies Gynea @ 7.30pm)*

**Life Members:** Murray Aldridge, Wal & Janette Chapman, Jan Robinson, Bob Moar, Col Brandon, Frank Daniel, Audrey Marks.

**Bulletin / Website:** David Hicks

**Member Contributions** – to have your 'Photos @ Home' or written articles included in the Bulletin, please send to: [davehicks@outlook.com.au](mailto:davehicks@outlook.com.au) (prior to 28<sup>th</sup> each month)

## President's Message

Dear Members,

At the last meeting Dr Jane Wright spoke about pests and diseases affecting your orchids. I hope everyone has since considered her advice when tending to your orchids. I know I have.

It is drawing close to 'Showtime' with our Winter show in June. Now is the time to get your plants ready for the display.

It's also a good opportunity to volunteer as we need as many volunteers as possible.

In our June meeting, Jan Robinson will talk about six easy orchids to grow. It will be interesting to see which ones these are. I hope you can make the meeting.

*With Best Wishes - Rhonda*

### May Benching



## Monthly Benching Results – May 2023

### PLANT OF THE NIGHT

**Winner** Bulbo. rothschildianum 'Janette' AM / ACM W & J Chapman

### OPEN JUDGES CHOICE HYBRID

**Winner** Bulbo. Elizabeth Ann 'Buckleberry' D. Phillips

### OPEN JUDGES CHOICE SPECIES

**Winner** Bulbo. rothschildianum 'Janette' AM / ACM W & J Chapman

### INTERMEDIATE JUDGES CHOICE

**Winner** Dendrochilum cobbianum J. Hely

### NOVICE JUDGES CHOICE

**Winner** Brassia. Orange Delight 'Hilo Star' S. Troupoulos

### PRESIDENT'S CHOICE

**Winner** Bulbo. makoyanum W & J Chapman



## Monthly Benching Results – May 2023

<b>CLASS # 2</b>	<b>PAPHIOPEDILUM HYBRIDS</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Paph. Koi Beauty x Paph. charlesworthii 'KP'	V. Petrovski
<b>CLASS # 3</b>	<b>AUSTRALIAN NATIVE HYBRIDS</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Den. Intense 'Intense'	V. Petrovski
<b>CLASS # 4</b>	<b>LAELIINAE HYBRIDS (CLASSICAL SHAPE)</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Blc. California Girl 'Orchid Library'	V. Petrovski
<b>2nd</b>	Lc. Mini Purple 'Tamani'	G. Hodder
<b>3rd</b>	L. anceps x Slc. Wendy Valentine	V. Petrovski
<b>4th</b>	Lc. Silver Thaw	R. Jackson
<b>CLASS # 5</b>	<b>DENDROBIUM HYBRIDS</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Den. unknown	V. Petrovski
<b>CLASS # 6</b>	<b>LAELIINAE HYBRIDS (NON-CLASSICAL SHAPE &amp; CLUSTER)</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Lc. Intercepts 'Flouro Flash'	V. Petrovski
<b>CLASS # 8</b>	<b>CYMBIDIUM HYBRIDS</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Cym. Florida Cracker	V. Petrovski
<b>2nd</b>	Cym. Butterfly Kisses 'Viridian'	V. Petrovski
<b>CLASS # 9</b>	<b>MISCELLANEOUS HYBRIDS</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Bulb. Elizabeth Ann 'Buckleberry'	D. Phillips
<b>2nd</b>	Bulb. Elizabeth Ann 'Buckleberry'	W & J Chapman
<b>3rd</b>	Den. Aussie Ira x Den. Rutherford Starburst x Dock. fuliginosa x Den Fire Glow	C. Brandon
<b>4th</b>	Coel. Jannine Banks	R. Jackson
<b>CLASS # 10</b>	<b>SPECIES COELOGYNINAE</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Ddc. uncatum	G. Birss
<b>2nd</b>	Coel. fimbriata var alba	D. Phillips
<b>3rd</b>	Coel. fuliginosa	R. Ettrick
<b>4th</b>	Coel. fimbriata	R. Jackson



## May Benching



## Monthly Benching Results – May 2023 cont'd

<b>CLASS # 11</b>	<b>SPECIES LAELIINAE</b>	
1st	Sgmx. radicans	G. Birss
<b>CLASS # 12</b>	<b>SPECIES ASIAN OTHER THAN COEOGYNINAE</b>	
1st	Bulb. rothschildianum 'Janette' AM/ACM	W & J Chapman
2nd	Bulb. makoyanum	W & J Chapman
3rd	Bulb. rothschildianum	R. Cawley
4th	Den. victoriae-reginae	G. Birss
<b>CLASS # 13</b>	<b>SPECIES OTHER THAN ASIAN &amp; LAELIINAE</b>	
1st	Sngl. longifolia	W & J Chapman
2nd	Rstp. striata	W & J Chapman
<b>NOVICE CLASS</b>		
<b>CLASS # 14</b>	<b>NOVICE PAPHIOPEDILUM</b>	
1st	Paph. unknown	M. Drury
<b>CLASS # 17</b>	<b>NOVICE LAELIINAE</b>	
1st	Slc. Napalm Sunset' x Slc Golden Wax	S. Tropolous
<b>CLASS # 18</b>	<b>NOVICE MISCELLANEOUS</b>	
1st	Brsdm. Orange Delight Hilo Sunrise	S. Tropolous
<b>CLASS # 19</b>	<b>NOVICE SPECIES</b>	
1st	Paph. gratixianum	M. Drury
2nd	Z. mackayi	M. Drury
<b>INTERMEDIATE CLASS:</b>		
<b>CLASS # 20</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE PAPHIOPEDILUM</b>	
1st	Paph. charlesworthii x Paph. Mystery Magic	M. Karayannis
<b>CLASS # 23</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE LAELIINAE</b>	
1st	C. Hawaiian Jewel x C. Anglewalker	J. Hely
2nd	Lc. Mini Song	J. Hely
3rd	C. unknown	J. Hely
4th	C. Hawaiian Polka Dot x Lc Bonanza	J. Chan
<b>CLASS # 24</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE MISCELLANEOUS</b>	
1st	V. Pachara Delight	J. Ng
2nd	Ctsm. Kay Lowe x Ctsm sanguineum	J. Ng
3rd	Odcdm. Everglades Elegance 'Nancy Lee'	J. Ng
<b>CLASS # 25</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE SPECIES</b>	
1st	Ddc. cobbianum	J. Hely
2nd	Max. cucullata	M. Karayannis
3rd	Coel. usitana	M. Karayannis
4th	L. anceps var San Bar Gloriosa x Mendenhall	F. Daniel

### *Reminder for June Meeting - Monthly Plant Benching Procedures*

Could everyone please ensure you have your plants booked in for judging **no later than 7.50 pm** or they will not be accepted. Each section of the plant registration card, should be clearly filled out - class number, member's name and plant name (correctly spelled)  
*Your co-operation will greatly assist our judging team and those recording the results.*  
*thank-you*



## May Benching



V. Pachara Delight

## *Society Re-Potting / Promotional Day – May 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 11am* *In Conjunction with Bunnings Kirrawee – ‘Garden Corner’*



A slightly reduced, but keen group of customers, attended our one-hour re-potting demonstration session, held at Bunnings Kirrawee, on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

From the Society on the day, assisting our team leader Frank Daniel, were Rhonda Jackson, Margaret Spring and David Hicks.

Frank demonstrated the procedure for dividing and repotting cymbidiums, covering potting mixes, watering, providing appropriate shade conditions and types of fertilizers. Rhonda spoke about Australian natives, plus some tips on the long-term care for the Phalaenopsis orchids that are available at Bunnings. David and Margaret spoke about various other types of orchids that can also be grown ‘cool’ in the bush house.

Bunnings provided a number of orchid growing products and pots from their range, for us to refer to during the session.

Those attending asked a range of general and specific cultural questions, most had a cymbidium or two, with some having speciosums or other native orchids at home, one person even asked us about Stanhopeas!

We distributed copies of our Winter Show and Society Information Flyers and they sounded keen to attend our upcoming show.

Thank-you to Frank, as two attendees were very happy walking away with a re-potted cymbidium, and our appreciation to Bunnings for their generous gift of sponsorship towards our winter show prize money.

*Editor*

**May Benching**



**Monthly Benching Winners – May 2023**

**Open Judges Choice Species + PON**  
exhibited by – *W&J Chapman*



*Bulbo. rothschildianum* 'Janette' AM / ACM

**Open Judges Choice Hybrid**  
exhibited by – *D. Phillips*



*Bulbo. Elizabeth Ann Buckleberry*

**Intermediate Judges Choice**  
exhibited by – *J. Hely*



*Dendrochilum cobbianum*

**Novice Judges Choice**  
exhibited by – *S. Tropoulos*



*Brassia. Orange Delight* 'Hilo Star'

**President's Choice**  
exhibited by – *W&J Chapman*



*Bulb. makoyanum*



*From the Bench in May*  
courtesy – George Birss



**Bulbo. rothschildianum**

**Bulbophyllum rothschildianum** – exhibited by Wal Chapman

A miniature orchid from Yunnan Province in China, NE India, Assam & Myanmar where it grows on trees in lowland forests at elevations of 0 to 300 metres making it a warm to cool grower.

Flowers form an umbrella or fan shape, are cream background in colour with burgundy spots covering the entire flower. They have a distinctive rocking lip that is solid burgundy in colour and have a small hairy dorsal.

This species is grown in a pot or basket with a free draining mix. Wal's orchid and many well grown ones I have seen prefer shallow tray pots as they have short roots.

They prefer mild light, good air movement, high humidity and regular watering. Easy to grow with few problems and give a rewarding display when in flower.

**Author's Note:** *There has been considerable discussion recently and an article by Justin Lee 'suggests' that most Bulbophyllum rothschildianum plants in Australia are actually a primary hybrid named Bulbophyllum Vindobona which is a cross between B. ornatissimum & B. rothschildianum.*

*Apparently, there are a number of differences, one being the texture of the petals, one is smooth, one is covered in small pimples.*

*I have only recently heard of this variance in the plants and I am not suggesting Wal's plant is one or the other. Maybe Murray Aldridge or even Wal can explain the difference of even if they are actually the same genus.*



**Coel. fimbriata**

**Coelogyne fimbriata** – exhibited by Diane Phillips

With DNA and modern techniques in sorting varieties Coelogyne fimbriata, C. fuliginosa, C. ovalis, C. pallens and C. pangensis it is suggested that all could be reduced to one species name Coelogyne fimbriata.



**Sigmatostalix radicans**

**Sigmatostalix radicans** – exhibited by George Birss

Other genus names Ornithophora radicans & Gomesa radicans

A native of Brazil found near the coast at around 400m as a miniature epiphyte that grows warm.

It has small pseudobulbs that have grass like leaves. From the pseudobulbs emerge the slender branching inflorescence that carry many scented yellow – greenish flowers that have a large lip for the small flower.

They like bright defused light, high humidity and year-round watering, slightly less in winter.

In Sydney, I grow mine mounted on tree fern under shade cloth in my green house. I have recently tried pieces in a Stanhopea mesh basket lined with coir and bark medium, growing well at present. Not commonly seen on the sales bench but a great little plant if you can get it.

*From the Bench in May – cont'd*  
courtesy - George Birss



**Coel. fuliginosa**

**Coelogyne fuliginosa** – exhibited by Russell Ettrick

A medium to cool epiphyte or lithophytes that grows on limestone cliffs in crevasses and is found throughout most of SE Asia from sea level to 1500m.

With small elliptical pseudobulbs that carry two leaves. Inflorescences appear on new mature pseudobulbs and carry 1 to 3 flowers.

The flowers range in colours from cream to greenish yellow to bronze and almost brown with a large dark hairy lip.

A tough, easy to grow orchid, that produces numerous flowers, over several months.

Can be grown in pots baskets or mounted on slabs of tree fern.



**Max. cucullata**

**Maxillaria cucullata** – exhibited by Melissa Karayannis

A species from Mexico and Central America, grow at elevations from 700 to 3300m in damp, misty rain forests.

This warm to cool growing epiphyte, lithophytes or terrestrial has small pseudobulbs with a single leaf.

From mature pseudobulbs arise a 7 to 17cm inflorescence that holds a single fragrant flower.

Flower colour is yellow with brown spots towards the centre but can vary with different clones to reds and browns. The lip is dark to almost black.

The sepals tend to fold in to act as a hood over the lip.

**Dendrobium victoria - reginae** – exhibited by George Birss

First named in 1897 for Queen Victoria.

Endemic to the Philippines, found growing in dense mossy, rain forests, at elevations of 1300 to 2700m as a cool epiphyte.

Growing with their roots embedded in moss, with plenty of air movement, the stems are very narrow at the base resulting in the plant growing pendulous in nature.

Plants can bloom at any time of the year and appear on mature canes that have shed most of their foliage, canes can be bare and old canes can flower for several seasons.

Flowers appear in clusters along the stems usually in 1 to 3. The colours can vary in colour intensity but are a superb blue – lavender indigo with white in the centre with radiating darker veins up the petals and lip.

As they grow in moss in nature, I have transferred my three plants to water well pots and in spag moss and they are going well and all three are different shades violet.

They grow under 50% shade cloth and hang high having good air, high humidity and bright mottled light white staying moist.



**Dend. victoria-reginae**

## Gary Hodder @ Home



### *Note: Updated Monthly Benching Class Schedule - June 2023*

A number of additional genera have been added to some classes to further assist members to bench in the right classes.

The updated document (as distributed to members with this Bulletin), can also be located on our Society website 'About Us' page at the following link:  
<https://ssos.org.au/MthBenClasses23.pdf>

*Laminated copies are also provided on the benching tables each month.*

### *May Benching*



**1<sup>st</sup> - Class 13:** The unique *Stenoglottis longifolia* – *W & J Chapman*

### *First Flowering Seedlings*

*Congratulations to Jan Robinson flowering these two beauties*



*Lycaste Kiama x Angulocaste Red Jade.*  
*(Both parents are red!)??*

*Paph. Doitung Emerald x Paph Vert.*



**May Benching**



*Two great Bulbophyllum's this Month*  
Courtesy – Rob Nicol

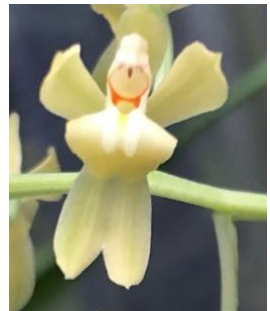


Bulbo. Elizabeth Ann Buckleberry



Bulbo. rothschildianum

*Gomesa crispa*



An unusual, but easy to grow scented Brazilian species – courtesy D. Hicks

**May Benching**



Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc.

**WINTER 2023**  
*Orchid Show*

**FRIDAY 16th JUNE - SATURDAY 17th JUNE**

**WOOLLOOWARE SHORES RETIREMENT VILLAGE**  
2-28 ALEXANDER AVENUE, TAREN POINT

**FREE ENTRY**

10AM - 4PM FRIDAY

10AM - 3PM SATURDAY

**ALL WELCOME**

Orchids re-potted for a small fee

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***SSOS Annual Auction Night***

Just a reminder that coming up at our 10<sup>th</sup> July meeting, will be our -  
**Annual Plant Auction.**

(Cash Sales Only)

*(Details and auction rules will be sent out with your July Bulletin)*



*We are thinking of you and send our best wishes to all our members who are currently recovering from recent health issues*



## Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc.

### MINUTES

#### GENERAL MEETING

8<sup>th</sup> May 2023

President Rhonda declared the May general meeting open at 8.00pm. and extended a warm welcome to everyone attending.

A very warm welcome was also extended to our visitors tonight, *Dr Jane Wright and Roger Wright*.

**APOLOGIES** were received tonight from: *Pam Davies, Ed and Arline Ronsisvalle, Ian Ware, Jan Robinson, Richie Dimon. Lawrence Watkins.*

#### **NEW MEMBERS: Nil**

After the break, we are looking forward to listening to Dr Jane Wright speaking on pests, diseases and virus.

Rob Nicol motioned that the April Minutes as distributed in the May Bulletin, were accurate and correct, seconded George Birss. Carried.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

- Various April Bulletins from other Societies, including the April Orchid News from the OSNSW
- Sarah at Yates (Eco Garden Control) accepted our request to speak in August
- Lesley Bromley sent a confirmation of our Judging panel for our winter show.
- Flyer from Mingara Orchid Club notifying their show on 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June in Tumbi Umbi on the Central Coast

#### **CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

- A letter of condolence on behalf of the Society to the family of Lee Buivids.
- Request to Orchids Australia to include our two shows in the Upcoming Show Dates section.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

##### **PLANT BENCHING:**

President advised of the new ruling in place from the June meeting - that plants to be judged must be booked in no later than 7.50 pm.

##### **BENCHING CLASSES:**

To further assist members to bench in the right class, we have increased the genera applicable to some of the more complex classes. You will find the Class cards have been updated to reflect these revisions, and also three laminated copies of the updated benching class schedule will be available on the tables each month. Our special thanks to Jan for assisting us with this project.

##### **ITEMS OF INTEREST:**

##### **ROYAL EASTER SHOW COMPETITION:**

As published in the May Bulletin, Rhonda extended our congratulations to Jan Robinson for her two Champions at the recent Easter Show.

**Champion Laeliinae Orchid** – Catt. Caudebec Candy ‘Burgundy MC’

**Champion Other Orchid** – Coel Jannine banks

##### **BUNNINGS REPOTTING DAY**

Our recent repotting/promo day at Bunnings Kirrawee on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, was quite successful with many questions asked, and interest shown in our Society and upcoming show. Frank, Rhonda, Margaret and David provided repotting and general growing advice on the day. Thank-you to Bunnings who provided \$100 sponsorship towards our Winter Show prize money.

##### **NEXT GROWER'S GROUP:**

Our recent session held on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> April was not well attended, but was most beneficial to those who did, bringing along their troublesome plants. Rhonda extended our sincere thank-you to George Birss for providing the venue at his home, and his cultural expertise on the day.

Another Group is planned for later in the year depending on the level of interest from members. Will advise in due course.

## Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc.

### MINUTES - cont'd

#### GENERAL MEETING

8<sup>th</sup> May 2023

#### **WINTER SHOW: 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> June**

Rhonda advised that Committee had finalised the details, and members will receive the Show Schedule and other documents via separate email towards the end of May.

#### **SHOW PRIZE MONEY**

Members were advised tonight that the prize money for 2023 has been significantly increased.

**Grand Champion:** \$75.00 plus rosette

**Reserve Champion:** \$50 plus rosette

**Champions:** \$50 plus sash

**Class winners:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$20, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$10

Committee felt the increases were justified as the prize money has been the same for approx. the last 10 years. We are also appreciative and pleased to report, that Bunnings Caringbah and Kirrawee stores are back supporting us this year, providing sponsorship towards our show prizes.

#### **WINTER SHOW ROSTER:**

Rhonda mentioned how important it is for a show to be successful, we require many volunteers over the two days.

The volunteer roster was circulated tonight, and will be again at the June meeting

#### **PLASTIC CARRY BAG BAN:**

Members were advised that in line with recent NSW Legislation, the Society will be complying in future, by not continuing to source and provide the disposable 'singlet' type plastic bags for the sales bench. Members were asked to supply their own if selling plants at the show, or arrange suitable boxes or other carrier trays when purchasing plants.

#### **ACTIVITIES FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

**In June** Jan Robinson will be talking to us on 'six of the easier orchids to grow'

**In July** will be our annual plant auction, details and rules in the July Bulletin

**In August** we have Sarah from Yates, talking to us on their 'orchid related products'

#### **MEETING START TIME:**

Members were advised that from discussions in conjunction with the range of responses received from members and judges for a change to a 7.30pm start, Committee has decided that the 8pm start will remain unchanged at this stage.

David then proceeded to provide a brief description of tonight's raffle plants

Our thanks to the following members who provided cultural descriptions from their benched plants:

*Melissa Karayannis, Vic Petrovski, George Birss and John Chan*

#### **Meeting then moved to the break**

#### **GUEST SPEAKER:**

After the break, our guest speaker Dr Jane Wright gave us a most informative talk in conjunction with some great presentation photos, on Pests, Diseases and Virus.

Jane started with the common pests that plague many of us at times:

The 'sucking' type insects - e.g.: scale, aphids, mites, mealy bugs etc.

The 'chewing' type insects - e.g.: dendrobium beetle, grasshoppers, snails, slugs, even mice!

Also providing invaluable advice on the 'safer' chemicals to spray and some effective systemic types as well

The second part of Jane's talk concentrated on identifying diseases, fungal types, and identifying some of the more common viruses, accompanied with a great selection of photos showing the various leaf markings.

Our members asked many questions as this is a such an important aspect to be on top of, for successful orchid culture.

On conclusion, Rhonda expressed our sincere gratitude to Jane for travelling up from Canberra to give us such a great insight into these topics, and presented our gifts of appreciation to a hearty round of applause from our members.



**Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc.**

**MINUTES - cont'd**

**GENERAL MEETING**

**8<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

**MAY PRESENTATIONS:**

**Winner Name Badge Draw** – *David Hicks* (1<sup>st</sup> plant raffle pick)

**Winners: April Lucky Plants** – (\$10 certificates to each person)

*John Chan, Pheng Sanaphay, John Ng.*

**Raffle winners for May:**

*Rob Nicol, Jenny Sharpham, Melissa Karayannis, John Ng, John Hely, George Birss.*

Rhonda thanked our Judging Panel for this evening:

*David Brooks, Wal Chapman., Joy Gouvoussis (associate / observer)*

**May Judges' Choice Awards:**

**PLANT OF THE NIGHT:** *Bulbo. rothschildianum 'Janette' AM – W & J Chapman*

**JUDGES CHOICE OPEN HYBRID:** *Bulbo. Elizabeth Ann Buckleberry – Diane Phillips*

**JUDGES CHOICE OPEN SPECIES:** *Bulbo. rothschildianum 'Janette' AM – W & J Chapman*

**JUDGES CHOICE INTERMEDIATE:** *Dendrochilum cobbianum – John Hely*

**JUDGES CHOICE NOVICE:** *Brassidium Orange Delight 'Hilo Star' - Sonia Tropoulos*

**PRESIDENT'S CHOICE:** *Bulbo. makoyanum – W & J Chapman*

Members were thanked for their attendance tonight, and we look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> June.

*Members were requested to assist putting the chairs and tables away, and if someone could sweep the floor it would be appreciated.*

Meeting closed at 9.45 pm,

*A selection of beautiful Laelia's*

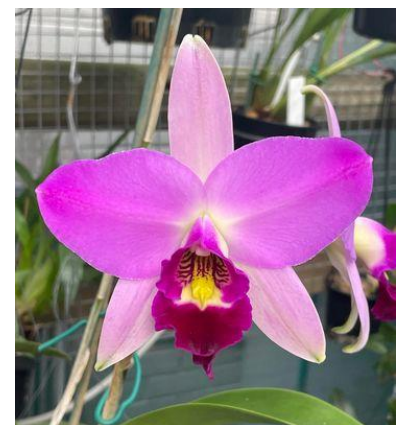
*courtesy - Melissa Karayannis*



*L. anceps 'Wallbrunn' x Roseminah*



*L. interceps 'Flouro Flash'*



*L. anceps 'Gloriosa Bathurst'*

*May Benching*



*Thank-you to Rob Nicol for sharing these this month*



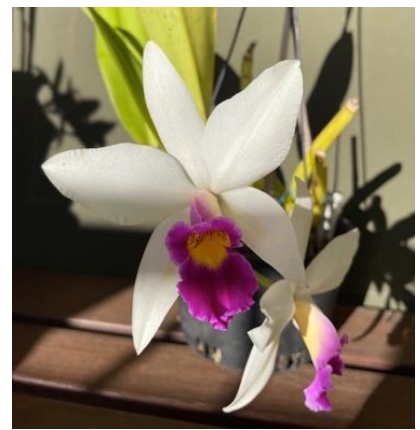
Blc. Shellie Compton 'Touch of Class'



Catt. 'unknown'



Catt, dolosa 'Gorgeous'



Lc. Tokyo Magic x L. anceps



Catt. Little Susie 'Joy'



Catt. (Portia x lobiata) coerulea x B. nodosa



**Reminder** - the AOF Essay Competition for 2023 closes on 31<sup>st</sup> July – details see link:

<https://australianorchidfoundation.org.au/aof-essay-prize/>



May Benching



**Free Admission**  
**Woolgoolga District Orchid Society Inc.**

**2 Day**  
**Orchid Conference/Workshop**  
**Sat. November 18 & Sun. 19**  
 Sat. 9.00am to 3.00pm Sun. 9.00am to 3.30pm

At the NEW  
**WIGULGA SPORTS COMPLEX**  
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Flowering Orchids On Display  
 Orchid Plants For Sale  
 Commercial Vendors

Where: Ainslie Football Club,  
 52 Wakefield Ave, Ainslie ACT

When: 16 & 17 September 2023  
 Saturday 10am - 3pm, Sunday 10am - 3pm

Entry: \$5  
 Children (14 or under): Free

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- Five Dock Orchid Society
- Fairfield Orchid Society

**13-15 October, 2023**

Friday & Saturday: 9.30am-4pm  
 Sunday: 9.30am-2pm

Orchid Displays & Vendors from all over the country selling your wish list of orchids and more!  
 (Full list of vendors coming soon)

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 178 Eldridge Rd  
 Bankstown

A licenced club adjacent to the Bankstown Raceway with plenty of parking.

Sign in on arrival - come for the day!  
 2 Bistros | Coffee & Cakes  
 Drinks on tap

Show occupies all of the 2nd floor in 2 separate areas with one entry fee for both areas!

**St Ives Orchid Fair**  
 'The Big One'

ST IVES SHOWGROUND  
 Mona Vale Road, St Ives

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2023 9 am to 4 pm  
 Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2023 9 am to 4 pm  
 Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2023 9 am to 3 pm

Bus Routes 196/197: Gordon Station - St Ives Village - Terrey Hills - Mona Vale  
 ADMISSION \$8 Children 15 and under free

Bus groups welcome - concession, Unlimited Free Parking, Wheel chair access

Orchid displays, and advice from experts

**MAJOR SPONSORS**  
 Rosella Orchids  
 Garden City Plastics - Swagman Sprayers

**ORCHID VENDORS**  
 Alice's Orchids, Dark Star Orchids, Ezi-Gro Orchids, Fong Ping Orchids, Hills District Orchids, Macquarie Native Orchids, Micky's Slipper, Orchid Care Services, Orchid Species Plus, Orchids of Distinction, Orchids on Newbold, Robertson Orchids, Rosella Orchids, Royale Orchids, The Orchid Mart / Serhan's Orchids, Tinonee Orchid Nursery, Woolf Orchidculture

For more information: Show Marshal: Garrie Bromley Ph: 0425 336 049  
<http://www.stivesorchidfair.com/>

**19th ANNUAL MINGARA ORCHID CLUB INC. FAIR & SHOW 2023**

**FREE SATURDAY 24 JUNE 9AM - 4PM & ENTRY SUNDAY 25 JUNE, 9AM - 3PM**

The fair is your opportunity to purchase plants, and orchid supplies from vendors who are also happy to relay their advice and tips so that you can ensure your orchids will flower to their full beauty.

Plans for sale over the weekend include: Australian Native, Cattleya, Cymbidium, Dendrobium, Phalaenopsis and Paphs as well as many other species, hybrids and accessories.

Includes potting & culture demonstrations throughout the weekend.

**PLUS Visa testing kits and virus plant testing available**

**Pop Up:**  
 ABC, Pumps & Irrigation Supplies

**Vendors include:**

- Bromelads Australia
- Coachwood Nurseries
- Cut Above Tools
- Dark Star Orchids
- Ezi Gro Orchids
- Fong Ping Orchids
- Ivank's Orchids
- Johnson Orchids
- Kawana Gardens Nursery
- Kwa Orchid Centre
- Mrs Orchids
- Nicky's Slipper
- Orchid Mania
- Orchid Productions
- Orchid Species Plus
- Orchids of Distinction
- Orchids on Newbold
- Tinonee Orchid Nursery
- Western Orchid Culture
- Woolf Orchid Culture

**Displays by:**

- Aussie Shade Houses
- Bromelads Australia
- Central Coast Bonsai Society
- Orchid Societies
- Succulents from Coachwood Nursery

**Combium Club of Australia Inc.**  
 Official 4th National Society of New South Wales and the Australian Orchid Council  
 www.cca.org.au

**2023 NATIONAL ORCHID EXTRAVAGANZA**  
 Incorporating The Paphiopedilum Society of NSW

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2023  
 The Arena Sports Club  
 140 Rockwood Road  
 Yagoona NSW 2199

9am to 4pm Friday and Saturday  
 9am to 3pm Sunday

Come along and see some of the best flowering orchids in the country on display and purchase some top quality plants from industry experts.

Championship Benching

A variety of displays, including Floral Art and Individual Blooms.

**Admission** - Adults \$5  
 Children under 14 years free

**VENDORS FROM NSW, VICTORIA, QUEENSLAND AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA SELLING A WIDE VARIETY OF ORCHIDS**

FREE PARKING



*David Hicks @ Home*



*Intense colour!!*

*plants and photos - courtesy Gary Hodder*



Colmanara Midnight Miracles 'Masai Red'



*Light Supper at Meetings*

Tea or Coffee plus biscuits are available during the break at the back of the hall.

*\*As disposable cups are no longer provided, please remember to **bring along your own mug!***





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## *Upcoming Shows and Events for 2023.*

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023** - SSOS General Meeting, speaker Jan Robinson on – ‘Six Easy to Grow Orchids’

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023**, SSOS Winter Show – setup Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June from 2.00pm to 5pm (see flyer page 10)

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023**, Mingara Orchid Club Inc. Fair and Show – Mingara Recreation Park Tumbi Umbi Central Coast (see flyer page 15)

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023**, SSOS General Meeting and Annual Auction night (details to be sent out with the July Bulletin)

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August**, National Orchid Extravaganza & Paph Society NSW - Greyhound Arena Sports Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona. (see flyer page 15)

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023** - SSOS General Meeting, speaker – representative from Yates (Eco Garden Control) on their products suitable to orchid culture.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August, Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August, Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August**, St Ives Orchid Fair. (see flyer page 15)

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023**, SSOS Spring Show – setup Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. from 2.00pm to 5pm (details to be advised.)

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October**, Orchids Central (ex SOS) Club Condell Park, Bankstown – (see flyer page 15)

**Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> - Sun, 19<sup>th</sup> November** – WDOS Inc. presents Orchid Conference and Workshop, Wiigulga Sports Complex, Woolgoolga (see flyer page 15)

*Dear SSOS Members* – we would really appreciate your **Photos @ Home or Articles** to include in our monthly Bulletins.

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