

LOGAN & DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY INC.

NEWSLETTER



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Spotted Sun Orchid

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Next Monthly Meeting:

Tuesday 16th February 2016

Commencing at 7.30pm.

Logan Central Community Centre
Cnr Jacaranda Ave & Wembley Road
Logan Central.

Next Committee Meeting:

Tuesday 1st March 2016

Commencing at 7.30pm.

Logan Central Community Centre

JUDGES' CHOICE SPECIAL INTEREST PLANT OF THE MONTH



Plant Name: *Dendrobium (Den.) bracteosum var. album*

Exhibitor: Ken Haase

Owners Comment

This Orchid is grown in a covered shade house with 60% shade on roof, including solar weave and 50% on sides. Four fans run during daylight hours to circulate hotter air that gathers in the gable roof in summer months. This orchid is a hot grower and requires high light at around 1000 to 2000 foot candle. This is less light than most dendros so mine is grown on the bench under other hanging plants.

Feeding

Orchid is fertilised using Horticultural Solutions HSO22 and HSO12 alternating fortnightly between both 12 months of the year. Rate is 1 gram per litre. On alternate fortnights orchids are foliar fed using HSO22 and HSO12 at same rate above but also adding Amino K, Hy-san and a Calcium/Magnesium supplement to the foliar feed.

Watering

In summer plants are watered at least twice per week and sometimes more in excessive heat. Watering is less in winter at about once per week depending on the prevailing weather. However, take note of the prevailing weather conditions and alter the frequency depending on if it is extremely hot summer days of cooler than normal conditions. The orchid house is also misted regularly especially on hot days.

Potting Medium

This orchid is grown in a mix of small and medium bark with a little perlite and charcoal added. It also grows well when mounted.

Any Other Cultural Notes

This Orchid likes lower light levels and up to 80% shade. The plant flowers on older and sometimes leafless canes, so do not remove old canes. Flowers are very long lasting and last a good 2 to 3 months in good conditions. Be careful with repotting as plant does not like to be repotted and should be repotted when in full growth.

The common colour grown is pink.

Work Roster for January 2016

Hall Set-up at 6.30pm

Those that can come early.

Supper: Volunteers.

Editorial

This month we have the usual format for page 1 with a photo of a very good dendrobium in the Judges' Choice Special Interest Plant of the Month, Page 2 the Shows to come, Committee notes, the guest speaker info for February, Page 3 has the minutes from the January meeting, and potting supplies information. Page 4 the benching for the January meeting while Page 5 has the 1st placed plants photos. Page 6 has the info on the World Orchid Conference in 2017, this would be an excellent trip and a chance to tour South America which would really open your eyes as to the way other people in the southern hemisphere live. on Page 7 it is more of the pleasures of retiring to a large Hotel/Motel chain, its so much better and more economical than a retirement home. There will be no meeting of the Saturday Cultural Information Meeting in March as we are going on a trip with Ross Maidment to Thailand, also no March Newsletter, don't forget the meeting is still on the 3rd Tuesday in March even though you won't get a Newsletter to tell you. I have included the April meeting of the cultural group in this Newsletter, Phil McCallum arranged a visit to Ken Haases' place at Sunnybank Hills, this will be something special as Ken nearly always benches about 20 flowering plants of good quality at our meetings. I'm sure he will be bombarded with your questions and a good morning will be had by all, I expect some of the members that don't come to the cultural meeting to attend as it is open to all members.

Reg

COMMITTEE NOTES

FEBRUARY 2016

At our last committee meeting, we discussed the problem we are having with storage. Vice President Trevor Cook and Kurt Raup met with Councillor Phil Pidgeon to consider a range of options in this regard. Some discussion too about the show and some basic planning details with respect to transport of equipment and also advertising.

Also discussed, and most pressing of all nominations for the Executive and Committee for the 2016 Year. Laurie Baxter has decided not to nominate for President. We are definitely in need of a Secretary or at least a Minutes Secretary.

Nominations should be mailed to the Secretary or submitted on the night of the Annual General meeting the next meeting.

Jan McKenzie (Secretary)

Judges for the February Meeting

There will be four Judges and any associate Judges that request to observe the procedure.

If there are sufficient plants on the benches the Judges will operate in 2 teams.

The Judges are J Rutherford, Don Nitschinsk, Gary Yong Gee, John Roberts

Members wishing to help with the stewarding please see Maree as she will be selecting them on the night.

SHOWS TO COME

Aspley Orchid Soc. 13/14 February, Botanic Gardens, Mt. Coot-tha
Beaudesert Dist Orchid & Foliage 12/13 March, Canungra School of Arts, 3/7 Pine St. Canungra

Bribie Island O. S. 25/27 March, Orchid House First Ave Bribie Island

Brisbane O. S. 16/17 April, Mt Gravatt State School 1263 Logan Rd

Tweed District O. S. 10/12 March, Jessie McMillan Hall, Wollumbin St.

Eastern District O. S. 9/10 April, Church Hall 420 Wondall Rd

Childers & Dist. 19 March, Isis Cultural Centre, Churchill Street, Childers

Ipswich O. S. 9/20 April, Silkstone Primary School

Redlands O.S. 30th April, Donald Simpson Centre, 172 Bloomfield St., Cleveland

Queensland O. S. 25/27 March, , Botanic Gardens, Mt. Coot-tha

West Brisbane O.S. 19/20 March, Botanic Gardens, Mt. Coot-tha

COUNCILLOR

Phil Pidgeon

Division 9

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GUEST SPEAKER FOR THE FEBRUARY MEETING

There is no Guest Speaker for the February meeting as it is the AGM.

MINUTES LOGAN & DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY INC GENERAL MEETING

19h JANUARY 2016

OPENING President Laurie Baxter opened the meeting at 7.40 pm

WELCOME to members and visitors. Welcome to our judges for this evening, Mick Billiau, Nick Woolley, Maree Illingworth and John Roberts.

Stewards for this evening were : Phil McCallum, John Simons, Ryan Hocking, Peter Barratt.

APOLOGIES as per register.

MINUTES The minutes of the November meeting were published in the January Newsletter were adopted moved by Norm Roulstone and seconded by Graham Maggs.

CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS AND OUTWARDS Accepted. Moved Jan McKenzie. Seconded Myrella Coppus.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Treasurer Doug Mogg moved and Margaret Tierney seconded that a statement showing balances of :- General Account \$14,278.02 Investment Account \$6246.63 be accepted and that the following accounts be passed for payment.

Australian Orchid Review \$95.75, QOS Stamps\$39.20, QOS Affiliation \$30, Brian Mitchell \$240 printing, Hall Hire \$1995.

NEW MEMBERS Rod Fleming was welcomed to the club.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Christmas Break-up Party Very positive feed-back. Congratulations and sincere thanks to Pam Price and all those who contributed to such a good night.

Ken Webster representing the Australian Orchid Council presented three Awards of Merit to Jim and Marie McCubbin. Congratulations!

Angela reported that the new system for benching plants made reporting and recording simpler and more efficient. Some members had difficulty changing.

Popular vote slips will need to be revised for the next meeting.

Next meeting is the Annual General Meeting Nomination forms were available at the end of the rows of seats. All positions are vacant. Members were asked to think about who would be best suited for the positions and to get your nominations (seconded, of course) to the Secretary before the next meeting.

Jan McKenzie is not standing for the position of Secretary.

We also need someone to organise Guest Speakers.

We need a new editor for the newsletter.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS are due. \$16 single \$20 per family. Envelopes can be handed in at the General Meeting or mail to the address on the front of the newsletter.

GIFT VOUCHERS If you have a gift voucher from the Christmas Party, it does have an expiry date. If you choose to use your gift voucher at the Trade Table, you must use it in its entirety. No change will be given.

CLUB BADGES are available \$9 from the Treasurer.

Phil McCallum asked the members if they were interested in having another display and sales day at a Calamvale Shopping Centre. Expressions of interest needed and possible dates to Phil.

TRADE SALES REPORT Adrian explained that stakes were available again.

CULTURAL OFFICER'S REPORT Reg Illingworth invited all members to the New Growers' Group.

Information is in the newsletter.

JUDGES' CHOICE AWARDS

Judges will announce the placings of benched plants. Sincere thanks to Nick Woolley and John Roberts for their interesting and knowledgeable comments.

CULTURAL AWARD:

Rhy. coelestis 'Blue'

grown by Doug Mogg

SPECIAL INTEREST AWARD:

Den. bracteosum

grown by Ken Haase

EXHIBITOR'S AWARD

Graham Maggs

POPULAR VOTE

with the new system of identifying plants on the bench, the old popular vote cards were unsuitable for indicating the popular vote choices, therefore the popular vote was cancelled until new cards are available.

Closure Meeting closed at . 9.30pm

Secretary

Jan McKenzie

POTTING SUPPLIES

ORCHIATA Bark is available FROM Ken Martin, Phone 3341 5474. 9 Dianna Street UNDERWOOD.

It is available in 4 sizes, Small 6-9mm, Medium 9-12mm, Large 12-18mm and Extra Large 18-25mm.

The price to LADOS members is \$25.00 per 40L bag

Coconut Chips are available in 2 sizes, small and large from Ken @ \$11.00 per block.

Adrian has sourced Charcoal in 10L bags @ \$10 a bag and is available from Ken.

When buying a quantity of any product, Adrian has requested that you ring him so a suitable supply of stock can be brought to the hall as it makes it possible for other members to purchase product.

You can call him, Adrian Bergstrum ☎ 3805 8224 or Email abergstrum@hotmail.com. It is probably best to call before lunch as Adrian works an afternoon shift at WW bulk store.



Greetings from Guayaquil Convention Center and Ecuadorian Orchid Association. We are pleased to contact you in order to provide important information about World Orchid Conference in 2017.

As you may know, WOC has been held every three years since 1954 in order to provide an opportunity to bring the global orchid community together. The next meeting will take place at our beautiful city of Guayaquil, and we look forward to welcome and show you all the orchid variety that the city & country –recently declared an Orchid's Country - have to offer. Ecuador has four of five subfamilies of orchids existing worldwide, of which 1.714 are endemic species and 400 are in the process of study and description. Nearly 20% of our territory consists of protected areas and has the highest diversity per square Km.

Guayaquil is a city with warm weather, easy access from all over the world thanks to its International Airport - one of the best in its category- that receives daily flights of well-known worldwide airline companies. Visitors may stay in one of its many international hotels that offer all the facilities needed during business or leisure trips. The city provides a wide range of interesting activities, such as visits to our botanical garden, museums, restaurants, historic monuments, shopping malls, tours to nearby beaches and cities in the highlands, coast, Galapagos Islands and there is much more to see. The country has the American Dollar as its currency, which is a benefit for the traveler.

WOC 22 will start on November 8 through the 12, 2017 and we are promoting at the moment special rates for hotel reservations and registration to the congress, which also include special rates for social events attendance. So, if you book your participation soon you may take advantage of this offer.

	CONGRESS REGISTRATION	COMPANION CONGRESS REGISTRATION	GUAYAQUIL NIGHT (price per person)	GALA DINNER (price per person)	GUAYAQUIL NIGHT AND GALA DINNER (price per person)
BOOKING ON 2016	\$ 300,00	\$ 215,00	\$ 110,00	\$ 90,00	\$ 180,00
BOOKING ON 2017	\$ 320,00	\$ 230,00	\$ 140,00	\$ 140,00	not available

Please add 12% VAT to all the rates above detailed.

Please feel free to visit our website www.woc22.com in order to register and pay on line, and also to book your hotel and start reviewing tour packages in order to enjoy your visit at the fullest.

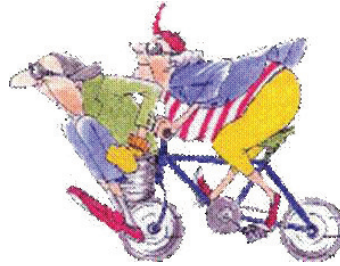
If you have any question please let me know, we'll be more than happy to assist you if any question arises.

Cordially,

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What more could I ask for?

The Logan and District Orchid Society Inc. Saturday Cultural Information Meeting

Invitation to all Logan & District Orchid Society Inc. members to attend the meeting of the The Logan and District Orchid Society Saturday Cultural Information Meeting, at 28 Falstaff Street SUNNYBANK HILLS 4109

The meeting will be at 9.30 am on Saturday the 2nd of April 2016

The April meeting is a visit to Ken Haase at home to see and check out his orchid collection

Please bring along a chair and a plate of something for morning tea.

I'm sure Ken will answer questions about any problems and his repotting methods etc.

As with previous meetings it would be appreciated if you would contribute \$1.00 towards the cost of photocopying.

Our phone number is: 3800 3213

Our address is: 51 Lionheart Street
Forestdale 4118

Ken Haase, Maree and Reg are looking forward to seeing you on the day.