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BULLETIN

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

The Society is hosting this event again this year. The Cancer Council is a very worthwhile charity so please give generously. Receipts will be available if you wish to claim a tax deduction.

GUEST SPEAKER. This month we have **Rod Nurthen** who will be giving us a talk on paphiopedilum complex hybrids and how he grows them. Rod has been growing paphs for quite a few years and has benched some nice ones at our monthly meetings.

SUPPER – Our supper volunteers for this month are **Georgie Cadwallader** for sandwiches and **Michelle Lee** for something sweet. Thank you to last month's volunteers.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Thank you to everyone that helped make our auction such a successful day - one of our most successful ever. There were some great plants in there and most things went for great prices. Everything went smoothly and thanks to our two great auctioneers, Bill and Cary, the pace was fast and we got through all the plants in a timely fashion.

After the talk by Garrie Bromley, I would encourage you all to get out amongst your orchids and start grooming them for our upcoming shows. It is never too soon to start once you see the spikes starting to develop as they will be on many things by now, that is if the weather hasn't confused them too much although thankfully it has well and truly started to cool down.

I look forward to seeing you all again soon
Dylan

This month will be the last chance to order your Society polo shirts and fleecy jackets. Please contact Tinka if you would like to order.

The winter show will be held at Glenrose Shopping Centre on July 5,6,7. Start grooming your plants now for this event so they are at their best. We will need extra help over the three days as it is a busy shopping centre and hope for a busy trade at the sales table. If you have sale plants you will be expected to help out.

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NEXT MEMBER'S

MEETING

Thursday

24th May 2018 at 8pm

Cromer Community

Centre, Fisher Road

North, Cromer.

NEXT COMMITTEE

MEETING

Thursday 7th June 2018

at the DYRSL 7.30pm.

WEB SITE -

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LIBRARY. The library still operates so please make use of this facility as we have some very good books.

SALES TABLE. Honest Gary has pots in all sizes and also plant labels. You are welcome to bring in your excess plants for sale.

Bulletin Articles – The Ed is always on the lookout for news articles so if you have anything to buy, sell or tell please contact Tinka

- May 18-20 Orchids Out West
- May 24th Member's Meeting
- June 23rd & 24th Mingara Orchid Show & Fair.
- June 28th Member's Meeting
- July 5,6,7 Winter Show at Glenrose Shopping Centre**
- July 18-22 ORCHIDS IN THE FOOTHILLS
- July 26th Member's Meeting
- August 3,4,5 Orchids by the Sea**
- August 17,18,19 St. Ives Fair**
- August 23rd Member's Meeting
- September 13,14,15 Spring Show @ the Dee Why Grand**
- September 27th AGM & Member's Meeting
- October 25th Member's Meeting
- November 18th Auction**
- November 22nd Members Meeting
- December 2nd Christmas Party
- December 20th Member's Meeting

Hybrid Plant of the Evening Grown by Angie Sulfaro

Dendrobium Topaz Dream



Den. Topaz Dream is a hybrid resulting from a primary hybrid between *Den. bigibbum* and *Den.*

canaliculatum being crossed back onto *bigibbum* multiple times, resulting in a genetic make up that is almost 95% *bigibbum*. As you can see from the photo, these flowers have a great shape, vibrant colour and have been well grown and flowered

Specie Plant of the Evening Grown by A. Sulfaro
Dendrochilum cootesii



A slightly different looking *Dendrochilum*, the curled petals give this plant a lovely appearance. Like many *Dendrochilum*, it comes from cool montane forests in the Philippines. Again, well grown and flowered by Angie.

Specimen Plant of the Evening Grown by Bill & Lorraine Dobson
Laelia Finckeriana



Here is a good example of the confusion that can exist around the naming of orchids. Looking this up, I found that it is registered as a naturally occurring hybrid between *Laelia alba* and *Laelia anceps*, under the name *Laelia x crawshayana*. Naming aside, this plant is also a good example of the beauty and quality of primary hybrids, especially when grown this well (and presumably careful selection of the quality of the parents used).

Novice Plant of the Evening Grown by Tony Agrela
Bulbophyllum rothschildianum



Bulbophyllum rothschildianum is one of those plants that is ubiquitous with orchid collections. I think it safe to assume most of us have one. When grown into large specimens they are breathtaking, and truly an orchid also worth noting the fine details of. It naturally occurs over quite a wide range, found in southern Yunnan Province of China, north-eastern India, Assam and Myanmar and handles a range of conditions well.

**APRIL BENCHING POINT SCORE 2018
 OPEN DIVISION**

- | | |
|---|------------------|
| 1. Sarcochilus Hybrid | 0 Plants |
| 2. Australian Native Hybrid | 7 Plants |
| 1. Epi. Topaz Special | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Den. Little Princess Blush | A. Sulfaro |
| 3. Den. Little Princess Blush | A. Sulfaro |
| 3. Australasian | 2 Plants |
| 1. Den. Petite Bouquet | I. Nelson |
| 2. Den. Hibiki | A. Sulfaro |
| 4. Dockrillia Hybrid | 0 Plant |
| 5. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) >120mm | 6 Plants |
| 1. Blc. Brunswick Gem 'Coral' | G&ACushway |
| 2. Thw. Dal's Girl 'Arcadia' | J. Portelli |
| 3. Rlc. Tanya Tnt | G&ACushway |
| 6. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) <120mm | 9 Plants |
| 1. Blc. California Girl 'Orchid Library' | G&ACushway |
| 2. Blc. California Girl 'Orchid Library' | A. Sulfaro |
| 3. Bc. Island Charm 'Carmela' | G&ACushway |
| 7. Laeliinae Hybrid (Multifloral/Novelty) | 11 Plants |
| 1. Lc. Little Suzie 'Joy' | G&ACushway |
| 2. Laelia Finkerinara | L&B Dobson |
| 3. Lc. Sylvan Sprite 'Blythe Spirit' | C. Polis |
| 7A. Laeliinae (Novelty Type) Hybrid | 6 Plants |
| 1. Lc. Angel Heart 'Sumi' | G&ACushway |
| 2. Lc. Tropical Pointer 'Cheetah' | C. Polis |
| 3. Bc. Marg Patman | I. Nelson |
| 8. Laeliinae Hybrid (Miniature) | 5 Plants |
| 1. Sc. Lana Coryell 'Derek' | G&ACushway |
| 2. C. Dianne Dieham | G&ACushway |
| 3. Lc. Mini Purple x Sc. Lana Coryell | I. Tanner |
| 8A. Laeliinae Epidendrum | 2 Plants |
| 1. Eptna. Topaz Sundaze #2 | T. Riddell |
| 2. Epi. Wedding Valley 'Sakuro' | C. Polis |
| 9. Cymbidium Standard | 0 Plants |
| 10. Cymbidium Intermediate | 0 Plants |
| 11. Cymbidium Miniature | 1 Plants |
| 1. Cym. Katy Did | T. Riddell |
| 12. Dendrobium | 7 Plants |
| 1. Den. Emma White x Chao Praya Gem | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Den. Pink Bonjour | C. Polis |
| 3. Den. unknown | C. Polis |
| 13. Oncidiinae 30mm and less | 3 Plants |
| 1. Onc. Twinkle | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Baptistonia echinata x Onc. Twinkle | A. Sulfaro |
| 3. Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance' | T. Riddell |
| 14. Oncidiinae 30mm - 60mm | 7 Plants |
| 1. Colm. Wildcat 'Bobcat' | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance' | T. Riddell |
| 3. Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance' | A. Sulfaro |
| 15. Oncidiinae 60mm and above | 7 Plants |
| 1. Oda. Hot Pants 'Hot to Trot' | T. Maclure |
| 2. Miltassia Cartagena x Onc. crispin | I. Tanner |
| 3. Phycopsis Kalini | A. Sulfaro |
| 16. Paphiopedilum Exhibition | 0 Plants |
| 17. Paphiopedilum Novelty | 0 Plants |
| 18. Phalaenopsis Exhibition | 4 Plants |
| 1. Phal. unknown | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Phal. unknown | A. Sulfaro |
| 3. Phal. unknown | A. Sulfaro |
| 19. Phalaenopsis Novelty | 4 Plants |
| 1. Phal. Eiderstedt | C. Polis |
| 2. Phal. Spika | C. Polis |
| 3. Phal Spika | C. Polis |
| 20. Vandaceous >51mm | 4 Plants |
| 1. Vanda unknown | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Papilionanda Chairyot 'Red Gem' | I. Nelson |
| 3. V. Sumran Beauty | I. Nelson |
| 21. Vandaceous/Ascocendas | 5 Plants |
| 1. Ascda. (Muang Theng) x Peggy Foo) | C. Polis |
| 2. Vanda unknown | C. Polis |
| 3. Vasco. Precious Chao Praya 'Fuschia' | C. Polis |

22. Other Orchid Hybrid

1. Phrag. Grande 'The Chinaman'
2. Coel. Jannene Banks
3. Phrag. Arthur x besseae

SPECIES**38. Sarcophilus Species****39A Australian Epiphyte Species (Dendrobium) 13 Plants**

1. D. bigibbum 'Ronerder' x bigibbum 'Sunset' A. Sulfaro
2. D. bigibbum C. Polis
3. D. bigibbum A. Sulfaro

39. Australian Epiphyte Species

1. Vanda hindsii C. Polis
2. Oberonia titanica L&B Dobson
3. Oberonia titanica L&B Dobson

40. Australasian Epiphyte Species

1. D. forbesii G. Cantor
2. D. lawesii G. Cantor

41. Dockrillia**42. Australasian Terrestrial****43A. Laelia**

1. Laelia anceps 'Pierce' C. Polis
2. Laelia anceps 'Caitlin' C. Polis
3. Laelia anceps L&B Dobson

43. Laelinae Alliance (cattleya)

1. C. dormaniana ? P.McDonough
2. C. eldorado C. Polis
3. C. labiata var semi alba C. Polis

44. Laeliinae Alliance

1. Arpophyllum alpinum G. Cantor
2. Epi. elongatum A. Sulfaro
3. Prosthecia cochleata T. Riddell

45. Oncidiinae Alliance Species

1. Ornithophora radicans T. Riddell
2. Onc. oliganthum C. Polis
3. Onc. sotoanum A. Sulfaro

46. Other Species 'The Americas'

1. Lyc. skinneri C. Polis
2. Max. praestans P.McDpnough
3. Max. cucullata P.McDonough

47. Dendrobium Species

1. D. sanguinoretum G. Cantor
2. D. miyakei P. Mcdoniugh
3. D. derryii G. Cantor

48. Paphiopedilum Species

1. Paph. gratixianum A. Sulfaro
2. Paph. spicerianum P.McDonough

49. Phalaenopsis Species

1. Phal. linderii C. Polis
2. Phal. cornu-curvi 'Red' C. Polis
3. Phal. equestris T. Riddell

50. Vandaceous species

1. Vanda luzonica C. Polis
2. Aerides lawrenceana C. Polis
3. Aer. quinquivulera var calayana F&M Lee

51. Dendrochilum Species

1. Ddc. cootesii A. Sulfaro
2. Ddc. cootesii P.McDonough
3. Ddc. pangasinanense P.McDonough

52. Other Species 'Asia & Rest of World'

1. Coelogyne pulverola G. Cantor
2. Coelogyne ambiatum C. Polis
3. Coelogyne usita G. Cantor

53. Miniature max. 150mm**54. Miniature Species min. 150mm****55. First Flowering Species**

1. Holcoglossum wangii G. Cantor

56. First Flowering Seedling Hybrid

1. Cattleya unknown A. Sulfaro

7 Plants

- G. Polis
A. Sulfaro
G&ACushway

0 Plant**13 Plants**

- A. Sulfaro
C. Polis
A. Sulfaro

6 Plants

- C. Polis
L&B Dobson
L&B Dobson

2 Plant

- G. Cantor
G. Cantor

0 Plants**0 Plant****6 plants**

- C. Polis
C. Polis
L&B Dobson

5 Plants

- ?
P.McDonough
C. Polis

7 Plants

- G. Cantor
A. Sulfaro
T. Riddell

4 Plants

- T. Riddell
C. Polis
A. Sulfaro

8 Plants

- C. Polis
P.McDpnough
P.McDonough

3 Plants

- G. Cantor
P. Mcdoniugh
G. Cantor

2 Plant

- A. Sulfaro
P.McDonough

3 Plants

- C. Polis
C. Polis
T. Riddell

? Plants

- C. Polis
C. Polis
F&M Lee

6 Plants

- A. Sulfaro
P.McDonough
P.McDonough

8 Plants

- G. Cantor
G. Cantor
C. Polis

0 Plant**0 Plants****1 Plant**

- G. Cantor

1 Plant

- A. Sulfaro

NOVICE**23. Australasian Species**

1. Den. prenticei
2. Den. kingianum

24. Laeliinae Species**25. Oncidiinae Species****26. Any other Species of Americas**

1. Gomesa radicans
2. Ornithophora radicans

27. Species Rest of the World

1. Bulbo. rothschildianum
2. Coelogyne fimbriata
3. Coelogyne speciose

28. Australasian Hybrids**29. Cymbidium Standard****30. Cymbidium Intermediate & Miniature****31. Paphiopedilum Hybrid****32. Dendrobium Hybrid other than Australasian 0 Plants****33. Laeliinae Hybrid**

1. Potinara 'Burana Beauty' M&S Howard
2. Potanara Burana Angel Hsinying T. Agrela
3. Cat. Earl Imperialis M&S.Howard

34. Oncidiinae Allied Genera Intergeneric Hybrid 3 Plants

1. Onc. Heaven Scent 'Redolence' C. Sinclair
2. Howeara 'Lava Burst' M. Asbury
3. Miltonia William Kirsch x flavescens M&S Howard

35. Hybrid of Americas All Others

1. Zygo. Debbie De Mello 'Honolulu Bay' C. Sinclair

36. Other Orchid Hybrid

1. Phal unknown R. Mathews
2. Bulbo. Elizabeth Ann Bucklebury M&S Howard
3. Stenoglottis Venus 'Big Pink x Venus' 'Big Bracts' M&S Howard

37. Junior 0 Plant



Orchids Out West

Orchid Displays and Sales
18th - 20th May 2018



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9am-3pm Sunday

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ALAN & MIRIAM MERRIMAN NEWSLETTER
ALAN'S COLUMN MAY 2018

The seasons are now changing, the leaves are now blowing across the road down the side passage and all over the backyard! Autumn has gone winter is here and those of us who grow cymbidiums can now see the fruits of last years growing – new spikes are now showing their heads. The Orchid season has started. With the showing of new spikes work has now started. Once you see the new spikes it is a good idea to place a stake where they are before you accidentally break one off . So as you do not poke one of the stakes in your eye, tie a ribbon on the end of the stake. Plants should be then weeded and a few pellets of snail bait. Some growers spray around the top of the pots with MEASUROL slug and snail spray. When placing on the bench make sure the new spikes are placed facing north. Once the plants have been placed in or on the flowering bench a hand full of a good controlled fertiliser. I use MERRI COTE now and again in August. Keep plants just damp during the winter months. Don't forget to check for pests etc while placing the plants in their new position. Check especially for two spotted mites and scale. An application of CONFIDOR® is great this time of the year. The granular formulation is the best option. The Autumn, winter flowering Cattleyas are now flowering at their best. During late April into May, Cecil Park Orchids had a lot of C. BOW BEST clones in flower especially for the Mothers Day market. How many growers still have clones of C BOW BEST? If your Catts. are overgrown and need repotting do it now! Then give the plants a soaking with AUXINONE ®or STIMULIZER®. This will get the roots on the move. During winter Cattleyas will not need much water or fertiliser. A monthly spray with Alan's MERRI FERT.

Inspect plants for scale. If there are no spikes on the plants I have dipped the whole plant in a bucket of DIAZINON mix for 30 seconds. Don't forget to read directions for rate etc. **MAKE SURE YOU WEAR GLOVES AND FULL PROTECTIVE CLOTHING!** Make sure your plants have plenty of light while under cover. Watch for bulb rot especially around the base of the bulb. Cut the bad section off and drench with ALIETTE® or PHOS. ACID®. NOTE make sure you seal the cut with a good sealant such as PRUNE TEC® or STERRI PRUNE®. Fertilise sparingly may be ¼ strength during winter. If possible keep shed around 15 degrees C if you can afford it!! It not try not to let it dip below 10 degrees C.

How are our Phalli growers going? Bunnings have had some nice plants with a variety of coloured flowers. Try to keep the plants as warm as possible during winter. Keep plants just moist. **DO NOT OVER WATER.** Make sure your plants get plenty of light, especially if grown indoors. Make sure your potting mix does not go green and stinky! If so repot with nice fresh sphagnum . The good book says we should keep our plants at a minimum of 15 degrees C over winter. Over the last year or so I have had a lot of plants of different genera full sick. Some have had pseudomonas and what do I do to cure the sick plant. Remember it **CAN NOT BE CURED WITH A FUNGICIDE – IT IS A BACTERIAL PROBLEM AND CAN NOT BE CURED WITH A FUNGICIDE.** In the U.S.A. they use KOCIDE® a copper based fungicide. It gives 3 to 4 weeks protection. I have not used it so I do not know if there is any phyto. Problems. If you have a problem with crown rot try treating the plant with CONDYS crystals.

DO NOT MIS THE BIG SHOW 18th – 22nd July at 16 Stewart St. South Windsor.

BARK HAS ARRIVED

New shipment of DEBCO BARK has arrived. Merri Cote and Merri Fert are available and Port Pots available Zeolites in 2 grades in stock.

VIBREX

Next month I hope to have more info on it for you. Vibrex® is mixed with an activator such as CITRIC ACID. This will help control fungal, viral and bacterial pathogens. Foliar treatment: 100 litres 50ppm (167ml) plus add an activator such as C-10 (citric acid) (167ml).

The next class will be held on Saturday afternoon 2pm 12th May. The next class should be the 9th June but please ring to make sure . This coming Saturday 12th May Peter Albery will be here to talk to you all on AIR SPACE AFTER DRAINAGE . All orchid growers should know about their growing media. Only a few orchid growers know how to test their growing media! So come along and learn all about it. He will talk about fertilisers and growing media for our orchids. Peter is Australia's top in nutrients on orchid growing. Now Peter has retired and now advises on problems on all horticultural crops including orchids. All growers are invited along. If you have any problem plants, bring them along.

GOOD GROWING

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