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NEXT MEMBER'S MEETING 25TH AUGUST at the Cromer Community Centre @ 8pm.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING – Thursday 1st September 2022 @ 7.30pm. Venue TBA

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President's Report:

Our meeting last month had a relatively small benching but the quality of plants was quite impressive. Arnold Lockrey, our guest speaker, gave a very good account of himself and was a mine of information. He certainly thinks out of the box when it comes to growing orchids, and he had some stunning examples of his plants to demonstrate the success of his techniques and strategies.

Please make an effort to participate this week and contribute plants to our display at St Ives. You need to be organised, firstly by having your plants clean and groomed, and we need a list as well so that prize winners can be identified. You need to be there by 9am this Thursday. This our biggest show this year so let's give it our best. Speaking of shows, I'd like to thank those of you who entered plants and helped out at Orchids By The Sea. The turnout could have been much better since only 10 members entered plants. For the Society to thrive we need the membership to be more active. This is crucial for the long term well being of the Society.

This month John Portelli has kindly offered to give an in-depth potting demonstration of a Stanhopea. Presentations like this are invaluable because, as we saw last month, seeing how other people do their "orchid stuff" can be a real eye opener. So, make sure you get to the meeting, and also make sure you get to St Ives.

SUPPER ROSTER Our volunteers this month are Nancy Macri and Anne Evans. Thank you to last month's volunteers and helpers for your contribution. September and October do not have any volunteers. Please can someone help out.

SPRING SHOW @ BELROSE SUPER CENTRE 16,17,18 SEPTEMBER. SET UP ON THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER FROM 3pm.

We hope that more members can support this show with your plants and your help. Please make sure that you groom your plants if showing. Remove old husks and spent flower stems and clean up any mealy bug etc.

SEPTEMBER MEETING IS OUR AGM. Consider coming on the Committee to help run the Society. We are short of committee members and many hands make light work.

AUCTION 13TH NOVEMBER. This event is three months away so start getting those plants ready. This event is open to all MWOS members and lists will probably be sent out beginning September.

<u>GUEST SPEAKER</u>: This month we have John Portelli who will be doing an in-depth potting demonstration on Stanhopeas

DIARY DATES

August 19,20,21 St. Ives Orchid Fair. August 25th Member's Meeting September 16,17,18 SPRING SHOW @ Belrose Super Centre September 22nd AGM & Member's Meeting October 27th Member's Meeting November 13th Auction November 24th Member's Meeting December 4th Christmas Party December 22nd Member's Meeting

SALES TABLE

After all the shows have finished the bark order will definetely be placed next month so please order yours now or you will miss out. You may also order bulk fertiliser, perlite or pots. Please see Garden City Plastics website for the catalog. See Kathleen at the sales table with your order.

New Members: Please welcome Richard Blaxland and Jim Doriean to our Society and we hope you enjoy your time with us.

JULY BENCHING POINT SCORE 2022		1. Colm. Massai 'Pink'	G&ACushway
OPEN DIVISION	6 D	2. Colm. Massai	A. Sulfaro
1. Sarcochilus Hybrid	0 Plants	16. Paphiopedilum Exhibition	0 Plants
2. Australian Native Hybrid	8 Plants	17. Paphiopedilum Novelty	0 Plant
1. Den. Hilda Poxon	G&ACushway	18. Phalaenopsis Exhibition	1 Plants
2. Den. Hilda Poxon x bilface	A. Sulfaro	1. Phal. unknown	Li Shan
3. Den. Avril's Gold x Zip	I. Tanner	19. Phalaenopsis Novelty	1 Plant
3. Australasian	0 Plants	1. Phal. Eiderstedt	C. Polis
4. Dockrillia Hybrid	1 Plant	19A. Phalaenopsis Miniature	0 Plants
1. Dock unknown	I. Tanner	20. Vandaceous >51mm	2 Plants
5. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) >120mm	1 Plant	1. Vanda Pachard Delight	A. Sulfaro
1. C. Horace Maxima	G&ACushway	2. Vanda Pachard Delight 'Midnight Lace'	C Polis
6. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) <120mm	2 Plants	21.Vandaceous/Ascocendas	1 Plants
1. Lc. Mini Purple 'Jessica'	A. Sulfaro	1. Ryps. Dixie Delight	C. Polis
2. Pot. Burana Angel Hsinying (BM/TOGA)	I. Tanner	22. Other Orchid Hybrid	5 Plants
7. Laeliinae Hybrid (Multifloral/Novelty)	1 Plant	1. Phrag. Peruflora's "Cirila Alco'	A. Sulfaro
1. Laelia unknown	Li Shan	2. Coel. Jannine Banks	T. Riddell
7A. Laeliinae (Novelty Type Hybrid)	1 Plants	3. Coel. Jannine Banks	A. Sulfaro
1. Epic. Marg Green 'Green Pride' AM/OSROC	C. Polis		
8. Laeliinae Hybrid (Miniature)	1 Plant	SPECIES	
1. Slc. Sierra Doll	A. Sulfaro	38. Sarcochilus Species	0 Plant
8A.Laeliinae Epidendrum	1 Plants	39. Australian Epiphyte Species	4 Plants
1. Epi. unknown	C. Polis	1. Den. cacatua	G. Cantor
9. Cymbidium Standard	3 Plants	2. Den. cacatua	C. Polis
 Cym. Maclures Quest 'Starquest' 	A. Sulfaro	3. Bulbo. schillerianum	I. Tanner
2. Cym. Via Del Player 'The Globe'	A. Sulfaro	40. Australasian Epiphyte Species	1 Plants
3. Cym. unknown	I. McKenzie	1. Den. forbesii	G. Cantor
10. Cymbidium Intermediate	3 Plants	41. Dockrillia	3 Plants
1. Cym. Burgandy Red Burpie 'Nelly'	Li Shan	1. Dock. rigida	C. Polis
2. Cym. Taree Vivid Gold	S. Torrisi	2. Dock. rigida	C. Polis
3. Cym. Red Bounty	I. McKenzie	3. Dock. rigida	C. Polis
11. Cymbidium Minature	5 Plants	42. Australasian Terrestial	0 Plant
1. Cym. erythraeum Paradise 'Gene Siskel' x		43. Laeliane Alliance (cattleya & laelia)	2 Plants
Death by Chocolate	Li Shan	1. Cat. schroderae	P.McDonough
2. Cym. Sarah Jean	I. McKenzie	2. Laelia anceps	C. Polis
3. Cym. Ice on Fire 'Nikietta'	A. Sulfaro	44. Laeliinae Alliance	2 Plants
12.Dendrobium	1 Plants	1. Enc. polybulbon	T. Riddell
1. Den. bigibum 'Big Red' x Den. Enobi Stripe	M. Asbury	2. Neolehmannia porpax	C. Polis
13. Oncidiinae 30mm and less1 Plants	-	45. Oncidiiae Alliance Species	3 Plants
1. Onc. Tsiku Marguerite Chian-Tzy "Yearning"	C. Polis	1. Onc. splendidum	C. Polis
14. Oncidiiae 30mm - 60mm	1 Plants	2. Onc. chrysomorphum	P.McDonough
1. Onc. unknown	I. McKenzie	3. Osmoglossum pulchellum	C. Polis
15. Oncidiiae 60mm and above	2 Plants		

46. Other Species 'The Americas'	10 Plants
1. Max. sophronitis	C. Polis
2. Max. nigresence	A. Sulfaro
3. Sudomerlycaste longipetala	P.McDonoug
47. Dendrobium Species	3 Plants
1. Epigenium cymbidiodes	G. Cantor
2. Den species ?	Li Shan
3. Epigenium cymbidiodes	G. Cantor
48. Paphiopedilum Species	1 Plants
1. Paph. villosum	I. McKenzie
49. Phalaenopsis Species	1 Plants
1. Phalaenopsis Aphrodite	C. Polis
50. Vandaceous species	0 Plant
51. Dendrochilum Species	8 Plants
1. Ddc. tenellum	A. Sulfaro
2. Ddc. pulcherrum	A. Sulfaro
•	T. Riddell
3. Ddc. stenophylum	
52. Other Species 'Asia & Rest of World'	3 Plants
1. Ludisia discolor	C. Polis
2. Coel. chlorophaea	P.McDonoug
3. Cym. tracyanum	Li Shan
53. Miniature max. 150mm	3 Plants
1. Dockrillia rigida	C. Polis
2. Dock. rigida	C. Polis
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54. Miniature Species min. 150mm	0 Plant
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55. First Flowering Species	1 Plant
1. Paph. spicerianum "Daich' x Paph. spicerianu	
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Species of Evening - Maxillaria sophronitis - grown by Cary Polis



Hybrid of Evening - Cym. Maclures Quest 'Star quest' grown by Angie Sulfaro



Novice Of Evening – Onc. Twinkle 'Red

BELROSE SUPER CENTRE OBTS RESULTS 2022 **Cymbidium Hybrid:** 1.Cymbidium Standard > 90mm 1. Cym. Surhan's Rose x Khan Flame A. Sulfaro 2. Cym. Maclure's Quest A. Sulfaro 2.Cymbidium Intermediate >60mm <90mm 1. Cym. Burpie Burgandy Li Shan 2. Cym. Pumisan Cpooksbridge A. Sulfaro 3. Cymbidium Miniature <60mm 1. Cym. Kiwi Magic 'Geyserland' Li Shan 2. Cym. erythraeum Paradise x Gene Siskel x Death by Chocolate Li Shan Australian/Australasian Hybrid: 4. Australian Dendrobium White/Cream Nil 5.Australian Dendrobium Pink/Red 1. Den. Class Bullio A. Sulfaro 6. Australian Dendrobium Any Other Color 1. Den. Avril's Gold A. Sulfaro 2. Den. Unknown A. Sulfaro 7.Dockrillia Nil 8.Terrestrial Nil 9. Australasia Dendrobium Nil 10.Any Other Australian/Australasian Nil 11.Dendrobium Other than Australian/Australasian Nil Laeliinae Hybrid: 12. Exhibition >120mm Nil Intermediate Exhibition >75 <120mm 13. 1. Lc. Mini Purple 'Jessica' A. Sulfaro 14. Multifloral (minimum 5 flowers) 1. Cat. unknown Li Shan 15. Novelty 1. Slc. Sierra Doll A. Sulfaro 2. Slc. Sierra Doll A. Sulfaro Miniature 16. 1. Epi. unknown C. Polis **Oncidiinae Hybrid:** Oncidiinae Alliance >60mm 17. 1. Colm. Massai A. Sulfaro 18. Oncidiinae Alliance >30mm <60mm Nil Oncidiinae Alliance <30mm 19. 1. Onc. Twinkle Chian-Tsy Golden A. Sulfaro

20. Paphiopedilum Exhibition 1. Paph unknown T. Riddell 21. Paphiopedilum Novelty Phalaenopsis: Phalaenopsis Exhibition 22. Nil 23. Phalaenopsis Novelty 1. Phal unknown Li Shan 24. Phalaenopsis Miniature Nil Vandaceous: 25. Vandaceous >50mm 1. Vanda Pachara Delight A. Sulfaro 26. Vandaceous <50mm 1. Ryps. Dixie Delight C. Polis Other: 27.Any Other Hybrid. 1. Phrag. Cirila Alco A. Sulfaro 2. Coel. Jannine Banks A. Sulfaro Australian/Australasian Species: 28. Australian Dendrobium 1. Den. speciosum var capricornium 'Tall Boy' L&B Dobson 29. Australian Dockrillia 1. Dock. teretifolia L&B Dobson 2. Dock. teretifolia C. Polis 30. Australian Any Other Epiphyte 1. Sarco. falcatus C. Polis 31. Australian/Australasian Epiphyte 32. Australian/Australasian Terrestrial **EXOTIC SPECIES:** 33. Laeliinae 1. Encyclia polybulbon T. Riddell 2. Schomberkia splendida var caucau L&B Dobson 34. Oncidiinae 1. Onc. splendidum C. Polis 35. American Other 1. Sudermerlycaste fimbriatum P. McDonough 2. Max. sophronitis C. Polis 36.Dendrobium 1. Den. bullenianum P. McDonough 2. Den. amethysroglossa P. McDonough 37.Paphiopedilum NIL 38.Vandaceous 1. Phal pallens C. Polis

Paphiopedilum Hybrid:

39.Dendrochilum

1. Dendrochilum pulcherrimum A. Sulfaro

:	2. Dendrochilum niveum	T. Riddell	
:	of World 1. Coelogyne sparsa P. McD 2. Coelogyne speciosum	onough C. Polis	
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42. Seed	dling see Rule18 1. Cym. Dolly Featherhill 4n x A Westonburt	lexander T. Riddell	
NOVICE 43. Cym			
-	1. Jess's Luck 'Jenny' 2. Cym. unknown	T. Agrela N. Macri	
	ralian/Australasian Hybrid Nil		
45. Aust	ralian/Australasian Species Nil		
	rican Species Nil		
	cies Rest of the World Nil		
-	Other Hybrid 1. Phal. unknown 2. Paph. unknown	P. Johnson H. Carter	
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	Champion Irham's Rose x Khan Flame	A. Sulfaro	
	on Specimen polybulbon	T. Riddell	
	on Cymbidium s Rose x Khan Flame	A. Sulfaro	
Champio Slc. Sier	on Laeliinae ra Doll	A. Sulfaro	
Champion Australasian Native Species/Hybrid Den. speciosum var capricornium 'Tall Boy' L&B Dobson			
	on Exotic Species hilum pulcherrimum	A. Sulfaro	

Champion Exotic Hybrid P. Johnson Phal. unknown

Champion Novice Phal unkown P. Johnson



Novice Champion – Penny Johnson & Champion Exotic Hybrid



Reserve Champion – Angie Sulfaro

Grand Champion and Champion Exotic Angie Sulfaro Species -



Champion Laeliinae – A. Sulfaro



Champion Specimen – Tinka Riddell



Cary's Ramble:

I haven't been able to do much the last few weeks since I've been so tied up with other matters. However, I've been able to do the walk-past a few times and it has allowed me to detect problems, check on new buds etc. The days are lengthening now, so a lot of plants will be starting on a new growth phase. Also we have probably been through the coldest period, so hopefully the worst is behind us. The first chance I get, I'm going to top up my pots with slow release fertiliser. I haven't done any foliar feeding for a few weeks because my sprayer is on the blink. It's a Swagman and they will be at St Ives, so hopefully they can check it out for me.

I've noticed over the last week that there have been some small outbreaks of aphids, mostly on native Dendrobium buds. They are easy to miss until the damage is done, so you need to be vigilant.

We are coming up to a very busy time of year when it comes to our plants. There will be repotting, an increase in feeding frequency and more pest activity. Of course, if one is well organised, the management of these issues is much more efficient. Unfortunately, I don't fall into this category. Most of the time when I have a plan on how I will tackle things, I might start off okay, but I will get distracted by an important phone call, or find a problem that needs immediate attention, which usually ends up derailing me.

Because my bush house and hothouse get less than ideal sunlight, I have started hanging plants in the frangipanis and other trees in my garden. Hopefully this will improve flowering, since they are basically getting full sun in the winter. Things like Dendrobiums, Laeliinae and Vandas are among the obvious candidates. They certainly look happier for it because they get much better airflow as well. The downside of course is that there is no pest security. In the summer when the sun is harsh, the frangipanis will be in leaf, so hopefully the plants will be protected. Moving plants out of the houses will alleviate crowding a bit and help things in there as well. We've had possums eating our roses lately, so I hope they don't take a liking to the orchids, let alone what will happen if the cockatoos start showing an interest. Anyway, one must keep trying. Enjoy your plants.