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NEXT MEMBER'S  
MEETING 22<sup>ND</sup> June  
2023 at the Cromer  
Community Centre @  
8pm.

NEXT COMMITTEE  
MEETING – Thursday  
6<sup>th</sup> July 2023 @  
7.30pm at Cary's  
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# MANLY WARRINGAH ORCHID SOCIETY INC.



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## President's Report:

The May meeting went down quite well I thought, with another excellent benching and plant giveaway as a bonus. There was no guest speaker but we did have a great lively discussion on the various ways that some of our members have used their imaginations to improvise different growing techniques to the conventional. Supper was excellent once again and I would like to thank those who contributed. Don't forget that we have a show before the next meeting and you should already be preparing for this. We need help in the setup, during the show, and also for the pulldown. Of course it should go without saying that we want as many members as possible to put plants in the show so that we can create a great display. You never know you, no matter what you think of your plants, you have no chance of winning anything if you don't enter. The details are elsewhere in the Bulletin. Our meeting is the week after the show and Gary Hodder will be our guest speaker and he will talk about the deciduous Dendrobiums. See you soon.

**SUPPER ROSTER** Thank you to last month's volunteers and helpers for your contribution and thank you to those who contributed to our Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. This month our volunteers are **Richard Blaxland** and **Nancy Macri** to bring in something for the supper table and could you also please give Penny a hand to clear up afterwards. **Members will need to get into the habit of bringing their own cups/mugs as our foam cup supply is running low.**

**EARLY NOTICE.** Annual membership fees are due in July but members can pay early if they wish. Family membership is \$18 and single is \$15. You may pay by direct debit to the Society's account but please leave your name as a reference. BSB 062 155 Account No. 00906498. Members who have recently joined the society in the last four months need not pay till next year. Postage is still \$10 extra for those who use this service.

**NEW MEMBER:** We welcome Penny Ridzuan to our society. Please make her feel welcome and show her the ropes. We hope you enjoy your time with us.

**WINTER SHOW @ BELROSE SUPER CENTRE 16,17,18 JUNE** Set up for this show will be on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 4pm. Plants must be benched by 6pm when judging will take place. Please make sure your show plants are healthy and free from pests and nicely groomed. Sale plants should be treated the same. There is a change in the way we bench our plants from now on. There will be a list of numbers which you will put your name against and this number will be placed on a colored dot which will be placed on the bottom of your pot. This is to identify the owner of the plant to avoid any mix up of ownership and status eg not a sale plant. Sale plants will have the usual price tag and name. Help is needed for the three days of the show with sales, security and raffle.

**GUEST SPEAKER:** As Cary has mentioned in his report we have Gary Hodder as our guest speaker. Gary is an excellent grower of the deciduous dendrobiums and he will show how magnificent these plants are when in full bloom.

**SALES TABLE:** There are a few bags of three different sizes of bark extra for anyone who did not order. These will be available through the sales table. The store is fully stocked at the moment.

**MINGARA ORCHID SHOW AND FAIR IS ON 24 – 25 JUNE.**  
**This is always a great show and a nice day out. Definitely not to be missed.!**

#### **DIARY DATES FOR 2023**

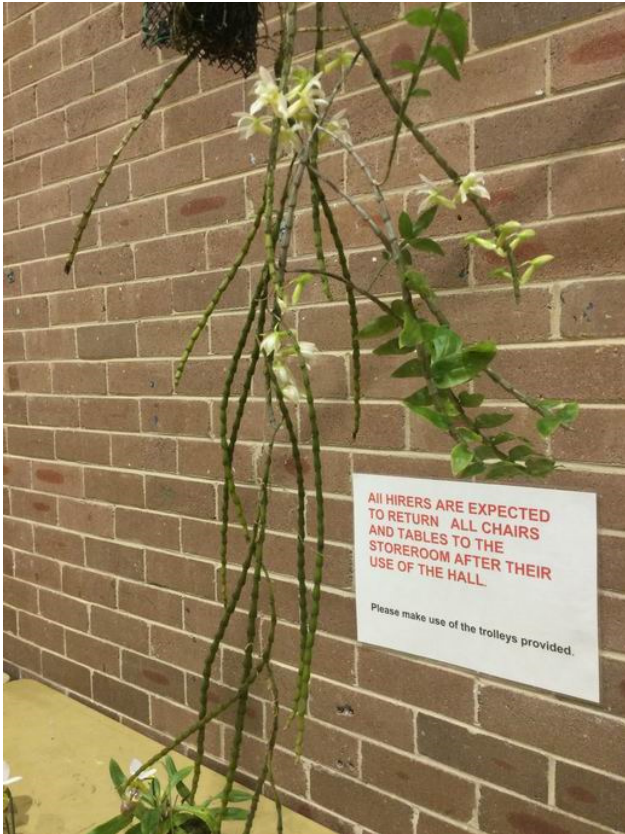
##### **16-18 June Winter Show@Belrose Super Centre (now called HomeCo.)**

22<sup>nd</sup> June Member's Meeting  
24-25 June Mingara Orchid Fair  
27<sup>th</sup> July Member's Meeting  
4,5,6 August Orchids by the Sea Show @ Belrose Super Centre  
18,19,20 August St. Ives Orchid Show  
24<sup>th</sup> August Member's Meeting  
9,10 September ANOS Spring Show at Forrestville  
15,16,17 September Spring Show @ Belrose Super Centre  
28<sup>th</sup> September AGM and Member's Meeting  
26<sup>th</sup> October Member's Meeting  
12<sup>th</sup> November Auction  
23<sup>rd</sup> November Member's Meeting  
3<sup>rd</sup> December Christmas Party  
14<sup>th</sup> December Member's Meeting

Specimen of Evening – Dendrochilum  
cootseii – grown by Angie sulfaro



Species of Evening – Dendrobium chameleon – grown by Guy Cantor



Hybrid of Evening - Bl. Pastoral Innocence – grown by Gloria & Allan Cushway



Novice of Evening – Paph. insigne – grown by Olivia Zandstra



**MAY BENCHING POINT SCORE 2023  
OPEN DIVISION**

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|--|-----------------|
| <b>1. Sarcophilus Hybrid</b>                                 | <b>0 Plant</b>  |
| <b>2. Australian Native Hybrid</b>                           | <b>4 Plants</b> |
| 1. Den. Topaz Dream x bigibbum                               | A. Sulfaro      |
| 2. Den. Topaz Dream x bigibbum                               | A. Sulfaro      |
| 3. Den. Topaz Dream x bigibbum                               | A. Sulfaro      |
| <b>3. Australasian</b>                                       | <b>1 Plant</b>  |
| 1. Den. Little Green Apples                                  | P. Christie     |
| <b>4. Dockrillia Hybrid</b>                                  | <b>0 Plants</b> |
| <b>5. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) &gt;120mm</b>            | <b>1 Plant</b>  |
| 1. Bc. Pastoral Innocence                                    | G&ACushway      |
| <b>6. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) &lt;120mm</b>            | <b>2 Plants</b> |
| 1. Lc. Aloah Case Ching Hua                                  | A. Sulfaro      |
| 2. Cat. unknown  | A. Sulfaro      |
| <b>7. Laeliinae Hybrid (Multifloral/Novelt6</b>              | <b>3 Plants</b> |
| 1. C. Portia Cannizaro                                       | G&ACushway      |
| 2. Blc. Waiania Leopard Cjhing Hua x Slc.<br>Jungle Treasure | A. Sulfaro      |
| 3. Cat. Splash of Port 'Yellow Face'                         | A. Sulfaro      |
| <b>7A. Laeliinae (Novelty Type Hybrid)</b>                   | <b>0 Plants</b> |
| <b>8. Laeliinae Miniature</b>                                | <b>2 Plants</b> |
| 1. Slc. Elusive Dream 'Peace'                                | A. Sulfaro      |
| 2. Cat. Splash of Port 'Yellow Face'                         | A. Sulfaro      |
| <b>8A. Laeliinae Epidendrum</b>                              | <b>4 Plants</b> |
| 1. Epi. Volcano Trick  | A. Sulfaro      |
| 2. Epi. unknown  | A. Sulfaro      |
| 3. Epi. Magenta x Royale                                     | C. Polis        |
| <b>9. Cymbidium Standard</b>                                 | <b>0 Plant</b>  |
| <b>10. Cymbidium Intermediate</b>                            | <b>0 Plants</b> |
| <b>11. Cymbidium Minature</b>                                | <b>1 Plant</b>  |
| 1. Cym. Artistic Impressions 'Snowdrops'                     | S. Torrisi      |
| <b>12. Dendrobium</b>  | <b>1 Plant</b>  |
| 1. Den. Mingke's Sapphire x Den. glomeratum                  | M. Asbury       |
| <b>13. Oncidiinae 30mm and less</b>                          | <b>2 Plants</b> |
| 1. Onc. Sharry Baby 'Yellow'                                 | T. Riddell      |
| 2. Onc. Sharry Baby  | P. Christie     |
| <b>14. Oncidiinae 30mm - 60mm</b>                            | <b>2 Plants</b> |
| 1. Colm. Wildcat Bobcat                                      | A. Sulfaro      |
| 2. Wils. Pacific Perspective 'Pacific Heat'                  | T. Riddell      |
| <b>15. Oncidiinae 60mm and above</b>                         | <b>2 Plants</b> |
| 1. Vuyl. Mem Mary Kavanough x Ona. Brispum                   | A. Sulfaro      |
| 3. Miltassia Sadie Loo x Miltonia Christmas Eve              | C. Polis        |

**16. Paphiopedilum Exhibition****17. Paphiopedilum Novelty****18. Phalaenopsis Exhibition**

1. Phal unknown
2. Phal unknown
3. Phal unknown

**19. Phalaenopsis Novelty****19A. Phalaenopsis Miniature****20. Vandaceous >51mm**

1. Vandastylis 'Lou Sneary'

**21. Vandaceous/Ascocendas**

1. Vasco shigerori x Ascda. Fuch Adisak's Gold

**22. Other Orchid Hybrid**

1. Phrag. Calurum
2. Coel. Jannine Banks
3. Zymo. Kiwi Choice 'Eileen'

**SPECIES****38. Sarcophilus Species****39. Australian Epiphyte Species**

1. Bulbophyllum macphersonii
2. Cadetia taylori
3. Den. bigibbum

**40. Australasian Epiphyte Species****41. Dockrillia**

1. Dockrillia rigida
2. Dockrillia rigidi
3. Dockrillia rigida

**42. Australasian Terrestrial****43. Laeliinae Alliance (cattleya & laelia)**

1. Laelia anceps 'Pierce'
2. Laelia anceps 'Pierce'
3. Laelia anceps 'Pierce'

**44. Laeliinae Alliance**

1. Prosthecia cochleata
2. Cat. nrevipedunculata
3. Epi. (magenta x 'Royale')

**45. Oncidiinae Alliance Species**

1. Onc. oliganthum
2. Zelenkoa onusta
3. Onc. pardothyrsus

**46. Other Species 'The Americas'**

1. Max. praestans
2. Max. cuculata
3. Max. variabilis

**47. Dendrobium Species**

1. Den. chameleon
2. Den. palpebrae
3. Den. compactum

**48. Paphiopedilum Species**

1. Paph. spicerianum
2. Paph. spicerianum

**49. Phalaenopsis Species**

1. Phal. celebensis

**50. Vandaceous species****51. Dendrochilum Species**

1. Ddc. cootesii
2. Ddc. cootseii
3. Ddc. hampelii 'Pink'

**52. Other Species 'Asia & Rest of World'**

1. Cym. tracyanum
2. Cym. mastersii
3. Coelogyne speciose

**53. Miniature max. 150mm**

1. Schoenorchis micrantha
2. Isabella virginalis
3. Harealla retrocalla

**54. Miniature Species min. 150mm**

1. Pleuro. Brachypus
2. Ddc. simile

**55. First Flowering Species****56. First Flowering Seedling Hybrid**

1. Phrag. Hanne Popow x Phrag. kovachii

**0 Plant****0 Plant****3 Plants**

- A. Sulfaro  
P. Johnson  
P. Johnson

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

T. Riddell

**1 Plant**

A. Sulfaro

**3 Plants**

- A. Sulfaro  
A. Sulfaro  
S. Torrisi

**0 Plant****5 Plants**

- L&B Dobson  
G. Cantor  
A. Sulfaro

**0 Plant****3 Plants**

- C. Polis  
C. Polis  
C. Polis

**0 Plants****13 Plants**

- L&B Dobson  
L&B Dobson  
G. Cantor

**4 Plants**

- T. Riddell  
G. Canto  
C. Polis

**6 Plants**

- C. Polis  
C. Polis  
T. Riddell

**12 Plants**

- T. Riddell  
C. Polis  
G. Cantor

**3 Plants**

- G. Cantor  
G. Cantor  
G. Cantor

**2 Plants**

- P. McDonough  
P. McDonough

**1 Plants**

C. Polis

**0 Plants****8 Plants**

- A. Sulfaro  
T. Riddell  
T. Riddell

**8 Plants**

- G. Cantor  
C. Polis  
C. Polis

**3 Plants**

- C. Polis  
C. Polis  
M. Asbury

**2 Plants**

- T. Riddell  
T. Agrela

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

A. Sulfaro

**NOVICE****23. Australasian Species****24. Laeliinae**

1. Laelia anceps
2. Max variabilis

**25. Oncidiinae**

1. Zymo. mackayi (class 26)
2. Ornithophora radicans

**26. Any other Species of Americas**

1. Restripia brachypus
2. Scaphosepalum gibberosum gigantia

**27. Species Rest of the World**

1. Paph insigne
2. Paph. insigne
3. Coelogyne fimbriata

**28. Australasian Hybrids**

Dockrillia sultana x tweetie x calciforme

**29. Cymbidium Standard**

1. Cym. unknown

**30. Cymbidium Intermediate & Miniature**

1. Cym. unknown

**31. Paphiopedilum Hybrid**

1. Paph. unknown

**32. Dendrobium Hybrid****33. Laeliinae Hybrid**

1. Laelia unknown
2. L. anceps x C. bowringiana

**34. Oncidiinae Allied Intergenerics Hybrid**

1. Miltassia 'Lavender Kiss' x Lavender Taffy
2. Dgmra. Skywalker 'Red Star'

**35. Hybrid of Americas All Others****36. Other Orchid Hybrid**

1. Paph. unknown (class 31)
2. Coel. Jannine Banks 'Lynwood'

**0 Plant****2 Plants**

- R. Mathews  
M. James

**2 Plants**

- N. Macri  
M. James

**2 Plants**

- R. Mathews  
R. Mathews

**5 Plants**

- O. Zandstra  
G. Wassermeyer  
M. James

**1 Plant**

R. Mathews

**1 Plant**

O. Zandstra

**1 Plant**

N. Macri

**1 Plant**

N. Macri

**0 Plant****2 Plants**

- N. Macri  
E. Henwood

**2 Plants**

- O. Zandstra  
G. Wassermeyer

**0 Plants****2 Plants**

- E. Henwood  
N. Macri

**CARY'S RAMBLE**

I have just received the June issue of "Orchids Australia" and apart from all the other great articles there is a very comprehensive piece about designing/building an orchid house in the tropics. I found it to be well thought out and it gave quite an insight into the different issues that one is faced with up north. For example, one is aiming to reduce heat a lot of the time rather than trying to increase it. Another thing that he mentions is not to have trees close by. Durrr! I thought until I read a little further on, to find that the real concern was about trees coming down or getting smashed onto your structure during a cyclone as well as the light availability issue. The advice about design and materials is excellent as well. It's certainly worth a read.

I thought that I might touch on the subject of "common orchids" that most people would have in their collections. The first one is Laelia anceps. This is a beautiful species which is very easy to grow. I just did a quick head count and was shocked that I have over forty plants! The thing is, that they don't need anything special to do well, so they are easy to neglect and still reward you. There are basically 3 distinct

populations in the wild, mostly in Mexico and each population is its own variety. Sometimes I think that this species is undervalued by growers. There are many select clones which are truly beautiful and are worth pursuing. We had a beautiful display of these at the May meeting and they will still be around for another month or two.

Another orchid is *Vanda tricolor*. It's probably the easiest of the *Vandas* in cultivation and is quite spectacular in flower. It has a wide range in the wild and this makes it very variable. In the main it is an easy cold grower here on the coast. However, I have a couple of divisions of var. *magnificens* (same clone) and this plant although it is cold tolerant, does not like the winter. It shows clearly on the photo below. The clean plant is out of the hothouse and the other one is growing outside. The black blotches are clearly cold damage. The second photo is of 5 different clones that I'm growing cold. Putting them in a hothouse would not improve them I don't think. There are many different clones of this orchid around, so, depending on your leanings and how much room you have, you might want to keep an eye out.

The colder months are upon us now but there are still plenty of things that we can do even though most plants are slowing. The regular walkpast is just as important as ever with new spikes developing and still plenty of potential pest activity, so be vigilant. see you at the Show

