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NEXT MEMBER'S
MEETING 28th
September 2023 at
the Cromer
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8pm.

NEXT COMMITTEE
MEETING – Thursday
5th October 2023 @
7.30pm. Venue TBA

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President's Report:

The last two months have been extremely busy with shows etc but now things are starting to taper off thankfully. We had a great benching last month again and had a division and potting demonstration of a huge unwieldy Coelogyne. This month is our AGM. We are always looking for people to come on committee, so I would urge you to seriously consider making a contribution by joining. Usually the AGM is a fairly low key affair with no guest speaker but there will be a plant discussion where plants will be selected and their owners asked to elaborate on culture etc. On a sad note, I learned today that former president and stalwart of MWOS, Ralph Payne passed away. He had not been well over the last few years and our thoughts and condolences go out to his wife JoAnn and family. See you at the AGM.

SUPPER ROSTER Thank you to last month's volunteers and helpers for your contribution and thank you to those who contributed to the supper table. This month there is only one volunteer on the list, **Mel James**. Volunteers are also needed for October, November, December.

Members will need to bring their own cups/mugs as we will no longer supply disposable foam cups.

MEMBERSHIP FEES.

Annual membership fees were due in July. Family membership is \$18 and single is \$15. Your prompt payment would be appreciated. You may pay at the meeting, by cheque or 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. **The response to annual membership fees has been a little on the light side. If you are not sure if you have paid please see Tinka at the meeting.**

DIARY DATES FOR 2023

28th September AGM and Member's Meeting
26th October Member's Meeting
12th November Auction
23rd November Member's Meeting
3rd December Christmas Party
14th December Member's Meeting

VALE TOM PRICE

Tom passed away at the beginning of September aged 90. He was a well known grower and orchid judge. Tom with his wife Edith grew many exceptional cymbidiums and cattleyas and had many awarded plants over the years. We have lost another legendary grower.

VALE RALPH PAYNE.



Ralph passed away on 17th September 2023. Ralph joined the Society in 1998 or 1999. He became Secretary in January 2000 and in October became Secretary/Treasurer after our long standing Treasurer, Joan Cook, had a stroke and then passed away. As an account he introduced computerised bookkeeping. He then filled the position as President from 2002 – 2007. He remained on committee as Vice President and ordinary Committee member till 2012. He was also Treasurer for Orchid Society of NSW. JoAnn, his wife, was our Treasurer for several years as well. Our thoughts and condolences go out to JoAnn and family at this sad time.

AUCTION. Growers are requested to return their sheets on 2nd October by 3pm. Any members wishing to participate can contact Tinka for a Grower's Sheet.



Specimen of Evening Dendrochilum niveum
Grown by Tinka Riddell



Hybrid of Evening Blc. Rose Whisper grown
by Gloria & Allan Cushway



Species of Evening Sarcocylus falcatus grown by Bill Dobson



Novice of Evening – Coelogyne Jannine Banks grown by Nancy Macri

**AUGUST BENCHING POINT SCORE 2023
OPEN DIVISION**

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|---|------------------|
| 1. Sarcocylus Hybrid | 0 Plant |
| 2. Australian Native Hybrid | 17 Plants |
| 1. Den. Class Pauline | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Den. Australian Gold Rush | A. Sulfaro |
| 3. Den. Jonathon's Glory 'Dark Joy' | T. Agrela |
| 3. Australasian | 2 Plants |
| 1. Den. Pacific Pride | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Den. engae x rhodostrictum | A. Sulfaro |
| 4. Dockrillia Hybrid | 3 Plants |
| 1. Dock. unknown | R. Blaxland |
| 2. Dock. teretefolia x dolicephollya | R. Blaxland |
| 3. Dock. unknown | R. Blaxland |
| 5. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) >120mm | 2 Plants |
| 1. Blc. Rose Whisper 'Suisei' SM/TOGA | G&ACushway |
| 2. Lc. Mildred Riveras 'Orchid Glade' | G&ACushway |
| 6. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) <120mm | 0 Plant |
| 7. Laeliinae Hybrid (Multifloral/Novelty) | 4 Plants |
| 1. Lc. Haw Yuan Angel x Lana Coryell 'Ellen' | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Cat. Gold Digger | P. Christie |
| 3. Slc. Sierra Doll | A. Sulfaro |
| 7A. Laeliinae (Novelty Type Hybrid) | 4 Plants |
| 1. Blc. Dal's Ambition | G&ACushway |
| 2. C. Royal Beau 'Alyce' | A. Sulfaro |
| 3. Rlc. Ability Red Sunset Memory | A. Sulfaro |
| 8. Laeliinae Miniature | 1 Plant |
| 1. Rlc. Mem Gold Autumn Yellow | A. Sulfaro |
| 8A. Laeliinae Epidendrum | 1 Plant |
| 1. Epi. Wedding Valley 'Sakuro' | C. Polis |

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| 9. Cymbidium Standard | 3 Plants |
| 1. Cym. unknown | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Cym. Wyong Flame 'Dural' | A. Sulfaro |
| 3. Cym. Daintree 'Kiku' | S. Torrisi |
| 10. Cymbidium Intermediate | 2 Plants |
| 1. Cym. Freeling 'Green Ice' | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. Cym. Freeling 'Green Ice' | A. Sulfaro |
| 11. Cymbidium Minature | 4 Plants |
| 1. Cym. Memoria Marvin Gaye | T. Agrela |
| 2. Cym. Marvin Gaye 'Royale' | T. Riddell |
| 3. Cym. Marvin Gaye | A. Sulfaro |
| 12. Dendrobium | 2 Plants |
| 1. Den. unknown | R. Blaxland |
| 2. Den. Hamana Lake 'Prism' | C. Polis |
| 13. Oncidiinae 30mm and less | 1 Plant |
| 1. Odcdm. Sunlight 'Pesky Panther' | R. Blaxland |
| 14. Oncidiiae 30mm - 60mm | 3 Plants |
| 1. Onc. Illustre Iguana x Odcdm. Tiger Hambrugen
Mickie 4N | T. Agrela |
| 2. Onc. Sweet Sugar 'Lemon Drop' | I. Tanner |
| 15. Oncidiiae 60mm and above | 3 Plants |
| 1. Wilsonara Inferno | R. Blaxland |
| 2. Brassia verrucosa | R. Blaxland |
| 3. Wilsonara Joe Vanilla 'First Out' | R. Blaxland |
| 16. Paphiopedilum Exhibition | 1 Plant |
| 1. Paph. Invincible | T. Agrela |
| 17. Paphiopedilum Novelty | 0 Plant |
| 18. Phalaenopsis Exhibition | 4 Plants |
| 1. Phal unknown | P. Johnson |
| 2. Phal unknown | R. Blaxland |
| 3. Phal unknown | P. Johnson |
| 19. Phalaenopsis Novelty | 0 Plant |
| 19A. Phalaenopsis Miniature | 0 Plants |
| 20. Vandaceous >51mm | 1 Plant |
| 1. Ryps. Dixie Delight | C. Polis |
| 21. Vandaceous/Ascocendas | 1 Plant |
| 1. Aeridovanda unknown | C. Polis |
| 22. Other Orchid Hybrid | 8 Plants |
| 1. Coel. Unchained Melody | T. Agrela |
| 2. Lycaste Aquila | A. Sulfaro |
| 3. Coel. Unchained Melody | P. Christie |

SPECIES

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| 38. Sarcocylus Species | 5 Plants |
| 1. Sarco. falcatus | B. Dobson |
| 2. Sarco. falcatus | B. Dobson |
| 3. Sarco. falcatus | B. Dobson |
| 39. Australian Epiphyte Species | 14 Plants |
| 1. Den. grandiflorum (Herberton Gold x Mt. Larcom
'Gold') | P. Christie |
| 2. Den. aemulum | G. Cantor |
| 3. Den. melalencaphyllum | G. Cantor |
| 40. Australasian Epiphyte Species | 5 Plants |
| 1. Grastidium pleanthum | C. Polis |
| 2. Den. polysema | P. Christie |
| 3. Mediocalcar decoratum | R. Blaxland |
| 41. Dockrillia | 4 Plants |
| 1. Dock. racomosa | G. Cantor |
| 2. Dock. pugioniformis | C. Polis |
| 3. Dock. nugenti | C. Polis |
| 42. Australasian Terrestrial | 3 Plants |
| 1. Pterostylis baptistii | R. Blaxland |
| 2. Pterostylis curva | R. Blaxland |
| 3. Pterostylis curva | C. Polis |
| 43. Laeliinae Alliance (cattleya & laelia) | 5 Plants |
| 1. C. loddigesii | A. Sulfaro |
| 2. C. mossiae 'Willowbrook' | P. McDonough |
| 3. C. schroderae | P. McDonough |
| 44. Laeliinae Alliance | 2 Plants |
| 1. Rhyncolaelia glauca | T. Riddell |
| 2. Epi. porpax | M. Asbury |
| 45. Oncidiiae Alliance Species | 5 Plants |
| 1. Onc. splendidum | C. Polis |
| 2. Onc. chrysomorphum | C. Polis |

3. <i>Onc. fuscatum</i>	C. Polis
46. Other Species 'The Americas'	12 Plants
1. <i>Max. sanguinea</i>	C. Polis
2. <i>Ida fimbriata</i>	P.McDonough
3. <i>Max. picta</i>	P.McDonough
47. Dendrobium Species	2 Plants
1. <i>Den. sulawesiense glomeratum</i>	A. Sulfaro
2. <i>Den. cooksonii</i>	T. Riddell
48. Paphiopedilum Species	2 Plants
1. <i>Paph. villosum</i>	P.McDonough
2. <i>Paph. villosum</i>	P.McDonough
49. Phalaenopsis Species	1 Plant
1. <i>Phal. pallens</i>	C. Polis
50. Vandaceous species	1 Plants
1. <i>Vanda coerulea</i>	C. Polis
51. Dendrochilum Species	10 Plants
1. <i>Ddc. tenellum</i>	A. Sulfaro
2. <i>Ddc. banksia</i>	T. Riddell
3. <i>Ddc. williamsii</i>	T. Riddell
52. Other Species 'Asia & Rest of World'	5 Plants
1. <i>Ludisia discolor</i>	C. Polis
2. <i>Cym. hookerianum</i>	P.McDonough
3. <i>Bulbo. ornatisimum</i>	I. Tanner
53. Miniature max. 150mm	? Plants
1. <i>Dock rigida</i>	C. Polis
2. <i>Ddc. convallariiforme</i>	T.Riddell
3. <i>Dock. rigida</i>	C. Polis
54. Miniature Species min. 150mm	0 Plants
55. First Flowering Species	0 Plants
56. First Flowering Seedling Hybrid	1 Plant
1. <i>Paph. (Shin-yi Heart x Hung Shen Bay) x Paph. Hung Sheng Bruno x Hsinying Web</i>	R. Blaxland
2. <i>Paph. ((Shin-yi Heart x Hung Shen Bay) x Paph. (Hung Shen Bruno x Hsinying Web)</i>	R. Blaxland

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23. Australasian Species	1 Plant
1. <i>Den. tetragonum</i>	R. Mathews
24. Laeliinae	0 Plant
25. Oncidiinae	0 Plants
26. Any other Species of Americas	2 Plants
1. <i>Max. densa</i>	N. Macri
2. <i>Mac. porphyrostele</i>	R. Mathews
27. Species Rest of the World	8 Plants
1. <i>Coel. Jannine Banks</i>	N. Macri
2. <i>Coel. cristata</i>	G.Wassermeyer
3. <i>Coel cristata</i>	A. Evans
28. Australasian Hybrids	13 Plants
3. <i>Den. Jonathon's Glory</i>	G.Wassermeyer
2. <i>Den Starsheen x Den. Red River</i>	R. Mathews
3. <i>Den. Tooradin 'Massacre' Australian Colourful 'Ebola'</i>	R. Mathews
29. Cymbidium Standard	3 Plants
1. <i>Cym lowianum</i>	N. Macri
2. <i>Cym. unknown</i>	T. Hamilton
3. <i>Cym. unknown</i>	N. Macri
30. Cymbidium Intermediate & Miniature	5 Plants
1. <i>Cym. Sarah Jean 'Ice Cascade'</i>	N. Huynh
2. <i>Cym unknown</i>	N. Macri
3. <i>Cym. unknown unknown</i>	N. Macri
31. Paphiopedilum Hybrid	0 Plant
32. Dendrobium Hybrid	1 Plant
1. <i>Den. nobile</i>	N. Macri
1. Den. unknown	T. Hamilton
33. Laeliinae Hybrid	4 Plants
1. <i>Rth. Topaz Chelsea Sprite</i>	M. James
2. <i>Epi. unknown</i>	N. Macri
3. <i>Epi. unknown</i>	A. Evans

34. Oncidiinae Allied Intergenerics Hybrid	2 Plant
1. <i>Onc. Twinkle 'Red Fantasy'</i>	R. Mathews
2. <i>Odc. Unknown</i>	A. Evans
35. Hybrid of Americas All Other	0 Plants

36. Other Orchid Hybrid	1 Plant
1. <i>Phal. unknown</i>	T. Hamilton

RESULTS SPRING SHOW 2023



Grand Champion & Champion Other Hybrid
Grown by A. Sulfaro





Reserve Champion – Phal. unknown
Grown by P. Johnson



Champion Cymbidium – Dr. Len 'Ruby Sunset'
Grown by T. Riddell



Champion Specimen Dendrochilum tenellum
grown by T. Agrela



Champion Novice Phal unknown grown by
T. Hamilton



Champion Other Species Den. chrysomorphum
grown by C. Polis

SPRING SHOW RESULTS 2023

OPEN HYBRIDS

1. Cymbidium Seedling

2. Australian Native Seedling

3. Any Other Seedling

1. Phrag. Mem. Manza Rolendo (Hanne x Popow x kavachi) A. Sulfaro
2. Paph. (Shin-yi Heart x Paph. Hung Sheng Bruno) x Hsinying Web R. Blaxland

4. Cymbidium Standard – greater than 90mm

1. Cym. Valley Splash 'Awesome' A.Sulfaro
2. Cym. Regal Solana 'Sequins' S. Torrissi

5. Cymbidium Intermediate – less than 90mm, greater than 60mm

1. Cym. Gentle Touch 'Bon Bon' G&ACushway
2. Cym. Freeling 'Green Ice' G&ACushway

6. Cymbidium Miniature – less than 60mm

1. Cym. Dr. Len 'Ruby Sunset' T. Riddell
2. Dr. Len 'Ruby Sunset' A. Sulfaro

7. Laeliinae Exhibition - greater than 120mm

1. C. Margaret Deger Hardt 'Saturn' M.Drummond
2. Rlc. Dal's Grace x Pot. Dal's Moon A. Sulfaro

8. Laeliinae Intermediate – less than 120mm, greater than 75mm

1. C. Snow Blind Outstanding' G&ACushway
2. C. Mem. Dennis Dieham G&ACushway

9. Laeliinae Multifloral – min. 5 flowers

1. Epi. Wedding Valley' 'Sakuro' C. Polis
2. Slc. Siena Doll A.Sulfaro

10. Laeliinae Miniature – less than 75mm

11. Phalaenopsis Exhibition

1. Phal. Allura Amazing G&ACushway
2. Phal. unknown P.Johnson

12. Phalaenopsis Non-Exhibition

1. Phal. unknown P.Johnson
2. Phal Allura 'Tropica' G&ACushway

13. Australian Native Hybrid

1. Den. Ivory 'Dee Pest Orange' gracilicaule S.Torrissi
2. Den. unknown I.McKenzie

14. Australasian Native Hybrid

15. Sarcophilus Hybrid

16. Paphiopedilum Hybrid – Exhibition

17. Paphiopedilum Hybrid – Non-exhibition

18. Oncidiinae Alliance – under 30mm

19. Oncidiinae Alliance Hybrid – between 30mm and 60mm

20. Oncidiinae Alliance Hybrid – over 60mm

1. Odcdm. Mayfair A. Sulfaro
2. Onc. Illustre 'Guana x Odcdm. Tiger Hamburg' A. Sulfaro

21. Dendrobium Hybrid

1. Den. Felicity 'Elizabeth' M.Drummond
2. Den. Yukidaruma 'The King' T. Riddell

22. Vandaceous Hybrid – greater than 50mm

1. V. Robert Delight 'Red' A.Sulfaro
2. V. Fuchs Delight x V. Tokyo Blue T.Riddell

23. Vandaceous Hybrid – less than 50mm

24. Any Other Orchid

1. Lycaste Shoalhaven A. Sulfaro
2. Coel. Unchained Melody T. Agrela

SPECIES

25. Australian Native Terrestrial Species

1. Pterostylis baptistii R. Blaxland
2. Pterostylis pedunculatum R. Blaxland

26. Dendrobium kingianum

1. D. kingianum v. Silcocki I.McKenzie

27. Dendrobium speciosum

1. D. speciosum I.McKenzie
2. D. speciosum P.McDonough

28. Sarcophilus Species

1. Sarco. falcatus C.Polis
2. Sarco. falcatus C.Polis

29. Australian Native Epiphytic Species, other than below

(Not including Dendrobium kingianum, Dendrobium

speciosum, Sarcophilus).

1. Den. falcorostrum B. Dobson
2. Den. adae C. Polis

30. Oncidiinae Species

1. Onc. chrysomorphen C. Polis
2. Osmoglossum pulchellum R. Blaxland

31. Paphiopedilum Species

1. Paph. villosum I.McKenzie
2. Paph. villosum I.McKenzie

32. Laeliinae Allied Species

1. Cat. loddigesii A.Sulfaro
2. C. skinneri 'Casa Luna' AM C. Polis

33. Vandaceous

1. V. coerluocens C.Polis

34. Dendrochilum

1. Ddc. cobbianum 'Royale Gold' T.Riddell
2. Ddc.tenellum T. Agrela

35. Species – Americas, other than above

1. Max. sanguinea C. Polis
2. Max. porphyrostele T. Agrela

36. Species – Rest of World, other than above

1. Bulbo. sumatram C. Polis
2. Coel. cristata M.Drummond

37. Miniature Species/Hybrid

1. Ddc. rhombophorum T. Riddell
2. Dock. ridiga C. Polis

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38. Cymbidium Standard – greater than 90mm

1. Cym. lowianum N. Macri
2. Cym. lowianum N.Macri

39. Cymbidium Intermediate – less than 90mm, greater than 60mm

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| 1. Cym. unknown | R.Mathews |
| 2. Cym. Dolly Featherhill | T.Hamilton |

40. Cymbidium Miniature, less than 60mm

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| 1. Cym. Nancy Maxwell 'Shirley' | R.Mathews |
| 2. Cym. Nancy Maxwell 'Shirley' | R. Mathews |

41. Australian Native Species/Hybrid

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| 1. Drn. Delicatum | N.Macri |
| 2. Den. Delicatum | N. Macri |

42. Laeliinae Hybrid

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| 1. Cat. unknown | N.Macri |
| 2. Cat. unknown | N. Macri |

43. Species other than Australian

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| 1. Coel. flaccida | K. Nelson |
| 2. Coel. cristata 'alba' | N. Macri |

44. Any Other Orchid

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| 1. Phal. unknown | T. Hamilton |
| 2. Colm. Massai | N. Macri |

GRAND CHAMPION

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| Phrag. Mem. Manza Rolando (Hanne popox) x kovachi | A. Sulfaro |
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RESERVE CHAMPION

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| Phal. unknown | P. Johnson |
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CHAMPION NOVICE

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| Phal. unknown | T. Hamilton |
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CHAMPION SPECIMEN

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| Dendrochilum tenellum | T. Agrela |
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CHAMPION AUSTRALASIAN SPECIES

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| Den. speciosum | I. McKenzie |
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CHAMPION SPECIES OTHER

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| Onc. chrysomorphum | C. Polis |
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CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM

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| Cym. Dr. Len 'Ruby Sunset' | T. Riddell |
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CHAMPION AUSTRALASIAN HYBRID

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| Den. Delicatum | N. Macri |
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CHAMPION HYBRID OTHER

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| Phrag. Mem. Menza Rolando (Hanne Popow) X kovachi | A. Sulfaro |
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Ramble:

As I have alluded in the President's Report, things have been a bit crazy lately, which of course means that the orchids have been rather neglected apart from watering, in no small part thanks to my dear wife Jill (the watering, not the neglect). I was also away for six days in Queensland on secret men's business (SMB) with Bill Dobson, Guy Cantor and Paul McDonough. To make matters worse we are in the middle of a very hot period for this time of year. On top of that, while I was away, my neighbour had the trees that were heavily shading my plants removed. Great news, right? Well, yes, except with this bout of hot weather, I was scrambling on the weekend to throw some extra shade cloth on to prevent burning. Careful what you wish for.

Could you imagine what things would have been like if those trees had been removed in January when I'm normally away? Anyway, I know that I'm going to have a much better flowering season coming up.

It's always exciting when a plant flowers for the first time, especially if it has been in one's possession for a long time. I have just flowered a Vanda species (foetida) that I acquired in a tube a few years back. Very satisfying as long as it's true to label. This is a classic case of delayed gratification. At the other end of the spectrum, I have a flask of Sarcophilus roseus (courtesy of Guy) and two plants in there are flowering! Instant gratification. Of course, right now everyone should be trying to get through their repotting. For most plants this is the ideal time. However, it is easy to not allow the time for this job when one is busy. At the moment I haven't done much at all and time is running out. There are plenty of plants spilling over the side of the pot that require urgent attention. Of course this is on top of all the other things that need doing. Happy growing.



A bark order will be placed if we get enough orders. Please see Tinka at the meeting.