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ISSUE 643 September  
2024

Next Member's  
Meeting 26  
September 2024 at  
Cromer Community  
Centre commencing  
8pm. Benching from  
7.15pm.

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**NEXT COMMITTEE  
MEETING –  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.  
Venue TBA**

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# MANLY WARRINGAH ORCHID SOCIETY INC.



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**MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE. SINGLE \$15  
FAMILY \$18 AND POSTAGE IS NOW \$15 PER YEAR. YOU MAY  
PAY AT THE MEETING, BY POST OR DIRECT DEBIT TO THE  
SOCIETY'S ACCOUNT. PROMPT PAYMENT IS MUCH  
APPRECIATED.**

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**President's Report.** At the last meeting we were treated to an excellent talk by Scott Barrie about his nursery and about a new direction he is taking by breeding in the Zygotetulum alliance. We also handed out the plants for our growing competition which came from Scott's nursery, Barrita Orchids, and are seedlings in the Zygotetulum alliance. So you need to grow these plants to the best of your ability to try and win. Also our auction is coming up and we will require your lists soon, so make sure you put in quality plants of high desirability. This time we will be limiting the numbers and will be reserving the right to remove plants that we consider to be inappropriate for the list. So please think about what you will be putting in. **The September meeting is the AGM, and it is extremely important for the committee to remain dynamic so please think about nominating for a committee position. The same people have been at the helm for a long time, so the time for renewal is fast approaching, so if you enjoy the society and its benefits, please put your hand up and make a difference.**

Also, don't forget that we have the September Show (set up is Thursday September 19, judging at 6pm), so we hope to see you and your plants there.

**GUEST SPEAKER:** There is no guest speaker this month as it is our Annual General Meeting. There will be an extended supper break for socialising.

**SUPPER ROSTER** Thank you to last month's volunteers and helpers for your contribution. There is only one volunteer on the roster this month, Nancy Macri, so please bring in something extra for the supper table. I note that Nancy is on the roster four times so many thanks Nancy for your generosity and to other members who regularly bring in something and go unsung.

**Please have a think about joining the Committee as Cary has stated above in his report. Some of us have been on Committee for over 25 years and are worn out!**

**SPRING SHOW 20-22 September, set up Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> at 3pm and benching from 4pm with judging at 6pm. Please don't forget to put your colored dot with your number on your pots and write out benching card with your name on the back. Please make sure your sale plants are well established in the pot and free from pests and disease. Plants not up to scratch will not be offered for sale. Our reputation is at stake if we offer sale plants that are over priced and poorly grown!**

#### **DIARY DATES FOR 2024**

20,21,22 September MWOS Spring Show  
21, 22 September Plant Lovers Fair at Kariong.  
26 September AGM and Member's Meeting  
4-6 October Orchid Central – [www.orchidscentral.com.au](http://www.orchidscentral.com.au)  
24 October Monthly Meeting  
10 November Auction  
28 November Member's Meeting  
1<sup>st</sup> December Christmas Party  
19 December Member's Meeting

#### **AUCTION 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER.**

Grower's Sheets will go out shortly and will need to be returned by Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October by 3pm.

#### **MEETING RESULTS**



Specimen of Evening – *Dendrochilum smitheatnum* – grown by Angie Sulfaro



Hybrid of Evening – *Oncidium Dorothy Wisnome 'Golden Gate'* grown by Angie Sulfaro. Also won Champion *Oncidiidae* at St. Ives Show.



Species of Evening – Paph. villosum – grown by Ian McKenzie



Novice of Evening - Dendrochilum tenellum – grown by Ros Mathews

**AUGUST BENCHING POINT SCORE 2024**

**OPEN DIVISION**

- 1. Sarcochilus Hybrid** **0 Plants**
- 2. Australian Native Hybrid** **14 Plants**
  - 1. Den. Class 'David' A. Sulfaro
  - 2. Den. unknown F&M Lee
  - 3. Den Cobbler 'Violet Gold' N. Macri
- 3. Australasian** **2 Plants**
  - 1. Den. Latouri unknown P. Christie
  - 2. Den. Bruce Gordon P. Christie
- 4. Dockrillia Hybrid** **5 Plants**
  - 1. Doc. unknown I. McKenzie
  - 2. Doc. unknown I. McKenzie
  - 3. Doc. unknown ???
- 5. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) >120mm** **0 Plant**
- 6. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) <120mm** **3 Plants**
  - 1. Blc. Con Harriman A. Sulfaro
  - 2. C. Mem. Isabel Keenan P. Johnson
  - 3. C. Mem. Isabel Keenan N. Macri
- 7. Laeliinae Hybrid (Multifloral/Novelty)** **0 Plants**
- 7A. Laeliinae (Novelty Type Hybrid)** **3 Plants**
  - 1. C. Aloaha Case Ching Hua A. Sulfaro
  - 2. C. Con Harriman 'Noll' A. Sulfaro
  - 3. Lc. Tropical Ponter 'Cheetah' C. Polis
- 8. Laeliinae Miniature** **1 Plant**
  - 1. Lc. Haw Yuan 'Angel' x Lana Coryell A. Sulfaro
- 8A. Laeliinae Epidendrum** **5 Plants**
  - 1. Epi. Magenta x Royale C. Polis
  - 2. Epi. Wedding Valley 'Sakura' C. Polis
  - 3. Epi. Pacific Mulberry x Marine Valley x Epi. Wedding Valley 'Sakura' C. Polis
- 9. Cymbidium Standard** **3 Plants**
  - 1. Cym. Arcadian Ruby 'Dural' x Regal Blaze A. Sulfaro
  - 2. Cym. Arcadian Ruby 'Dural' x Regal Blaze A. Sulfaro
  - 3. Cym. ionianum x hookerianum C. Polis
- 10. Cymbidium Intermediate** **2 Plants**
  - 1. Cym. Wallamura I. McKenzie
  - 2. Cym. Freeling Green Ice A. Sulfaro
- 11. Cymbidium Miniature** **3 Plants**
  - 1. Cym. Bulbarrow 'Waikanae' A. Sulfaro
  - 2. Cym. Doo Whop 'Dark Cherry' A. Sulfaro
  - 3. Cym. unknown A. Sulfaro
- 12. Dendrobium** **2 Plants**
  - 1. Den. Genting Lipstick 'Violet Lip' C. Polis
  - 2. Den. Mingle's Sapphire A. Sulfaro
- 13. Oncidiinae 30mm and less** **0 Plants**
- 14. Oncidiinae 30mm - 60mm** **0 Plants**
- 15. Oncidiinae 60mm and above** **1 Plant**
  - 1. Onc. Dorothy Wisnome 'Golden Gate' A. Sulfaro
- 16. Paphiopedilum Exhibition** **5 Plants**
  - 1. Paph. Invincible T. Agrela
  - 2. Paph. Quinola A. Sulfaro
  - 3. Paph. Invincible T. Agrela
- 17. Paphiopedilum Novelty** **0 Plants**
- 18. Phalaenopsis Exhibition** **2 Plants**
  - 1. Phal unknown A. Sulfaro
  - 2. Phal unknown C. Polis
- 19. Phalaenopsis Novelty** **3 Plants**
  - 1. Phal unknown P. Johnson
  - 2. Phal unknown N. Macri
  - 3. Phal. unknown P. Johnson
- 19A. Phalaenopsis Miniature** **0 Plants**
- 20. Vandaceous >51mm** **1 Plant**
  - 1. Vanda Susan Ong Ah N. Macri
- 21. Vandaceous/Ascocendas** **1 Plants**
  - 1. Rhyps. Dixie Delight C. Polis
- 22. Other Orchid Hybrid** **8 Plants**
  - 1. Lycaste Aquila A. Sulfaro
  - 2. Coelogyne Jannine Banks C. Polis
  - 3. L. Wildfire 'Superb' C. Polis

## SPECIES

### 38. Sarcophilus Species

1. Sarco. falcatus

### 39. Australian Epiphyte Species

1. Den. kingianum
2. Den. tetragonium
3. Den. speciosum v Capricornium 'Big Boy'

### 40. Australasian Epiphyte Species

1. Den. bracteosum
2. Den. erectifolium
3. Mediocalcar bifolium

### 41. Dockrillia

1. Dock. racemose
2. Dock. nugentii "Eungella"
3. Dock. striolata 'Victorian Gold' x 'Tasmanian Gold'

### 42. Australasian Terrestrial

1. Pterostylis curta
2. Pterostylis curta

### 43. Laeliinae Alliance (cattleya & laelia)

1. C. trianae
2. C. schroderae
3. C. schroderae

### 44. Laeliinae Alliance

1. Rhyncolaelia glauca
2. Epi. elongatum

### 45. Oncidiinae Alliance Species

1. Osmoglossum pulchellum 'Royale'
2. Onc. chrysomorphen

### 46. Maxillaria Species

1. Max. picta
2. Max. variabilis 'Apricot'
3. Max. porphyrostele

### 47. Other Species 'The Americas'

1. Lycaste lassioglossa
2. Sudamerlycaste Rikki
3. Sudamerlycaste linguella

### Species Rest of the World

### 48. Dendrobium Species

### 49. Paphiopedilum Species

1. Paph. unknown
2. Paph. vilosum

### 50. Phalaenopsis species

1. Phal. Aphrodite
2. Phal. amboinensis
3. Phal. pallens

### 51. Vandaceous Species

1. Vanda coerulea
2. V. lilacina
3. Rhynchostylis gigantea 'Red'

### 52. Dendrochilum Species

1. Ddc. smithianum
2. Ddc. wenzelii 'Paradisus'
3. Ddc. tenellum

### 53. Coelogyne Species

1. Coel. multiflora
2. Coel. speciosa
3. Coel. graminifolia

### 54. Other Species 'Asia & the Rest of World

1. Ludisa discolor
2. Eria amica
3. Bulbo. ambrosia

### 55. Miniature 'maximum height (excluding raceme) of 150mm (6 inches)

1. Den. lichenastrum
2. Den. torrosea
3. Ddc. serratoii

### 56. First Flowering Seedling Species

1. Den. bracteosum 'Pink'

### 57. First Flowering Seedling Hybrid

1. Den. (Red Dame) x canaliculatum

### 1 Plant

G. Cantor

### 11 Plants

M. Asbury  
G. Cantor  
T. Agrela

### 3 Plants

C. Polis  
C. Polis  
C. Polis

### 8 Plants

G. Cantor  
G. Cantor

R. Blaxland

### 2 Plants

R. Blaxland  
R. Blaxland

### 7 Plants

A. Sulfaro  
P.McDonough  
P.McDonough

### 2 Plants

A. Sulfaro  
T. Agrela

### 2 Plants

I. Tanner  
P.McDonough

### 12 Plants

P.McDonough  
C. Polis  
T. Riddell

### 8 Plants

G. Cantor  
G. Cantor  
G. Cantor

### 0 Plants

### 2 Plants

I. McKenzie  
T. Agrela

### 4 Plants

C. Polis  
C. Polis  
C. Polis

### 0 Plants

C. Polis  
C. Polis  
C. Polis

### 12 Plants

A. Sulfaro  
T. Riddell  
A. Sulfaro

### 3 Plants

C. Polis  
R. Blaxland  
N. Macri

### 4 Plants

C. Polis  
C. Polis  
M. Asbury

### 4 Plants

C. Polis  
C. Polis  
T. Riddell

### 2 Plants

N. Macri

### 1 Plant

C. Polis

## NOVICE

### 23. Australasian Species

1. Den. Australian Artist
2. Den. speciosum
3. Dock. unknown

### 24. Laeliinae

1. Dinema polybulbon

### 25. Oncidiinae

### 26. Any other Species of Americas

1. Maxillaria picta

### 27. Species Rest of the World

1. Ddc. tenellum
2. Coel. cristata
3. Ddc. niveum

### 28. Australasian Hybrids

1. Den Rutherford 'Starburst'
2. Den unknown
3. Den. Tyabb x Den. Brimbank 'Digger'

### 29. Cymbidium Standard

1. Cym. Allura Sunrise

### 30. Cymbidium Intermediate & Miniature

1. Cym. Bulbarrow 'Waikanae'
2. Cym. Nancy Maxwell 'Shirley'
3. Cym. unknown

### 31. Paphiopedilum Hybrid

### 32. Dendrobium Hybrid

### 33. Laeliinae Hybrid

1. Cat. Mark Jones 'Lance' x Slc. Jungle Elf 'Cheryl Lynn'

### 34. Oncidiinae Allied Intergenerics Hybrid

### 35. Hybrid of Americas All Other

1. Masd. Copper Angel 'Highlands'
2. Zga. Explosive Charm 'Choc Ice' x Freestyle Meadows 'Midnight Oil'

### 36. Other Orchid Hybrid

1. Phal. Shu Long
2. Phal. unknown

### 9 Plants

T. Hamilton  
M. James  
G. Wassermeyer

### 1 Plant

M. James

### 0 Plant

### 1 Plant

T. Hamilton

### 7 Plants

R. Mathews  
K. Nelson  
P. Ridzuan

### 8 Plants

T. Hamilton  
R. Mathews  
P. Ridzuan

### 1 Plant

T. Hamilton

### 4 Plants

O&J Zandstra  
R. Mathews  
R. Mathews

### 0 Plants

### 0 Plant

### 1 Plant

S. Thompson

### 0 Plants

### 2 Plants

K. Nelson

S. Thompson

### 2 Plants

S. Thompson

K. Nelson



Our St. Ives display. We came 4<sup>th</sup> and many thanks to all the helpers and especially Gloria for her help and also training some of our newer members in the fine art of display building.

Ramble:

I recently went with Bill Dobson, Guy Cantor and Paul McDonough on our annual pilgrimage to North Queensland on secret men's business (SMB), orchid related of course, and we had a wonderful time. Anyway, the week that we were away there was unseasonal heat in Sydney together with hot drying winds. We came back to flowers come and gone, particularly *Dendrobium speciosum*, which created a real problem for the ANOS Show. It was shaping up to be a fabulous season for these, with profuse flowering, all to be largely ruined in one week. Other things that were only buds when I left, were fully open flowers by the time I got back.

I've been trying to keep up with doing the walkpast and the importance of this was really demonstrated to me after a week away, where I found a few things that were rectified in time before too much damage was done. However, I did lose a spike on my *Cattleya skinneri* 'Casa Luna' AM/AOC. The spike just looked a bit weaker than the other one on the plant and I thought nothing of it, but the next day it was far more obvious that there was a problem. Closer inspection revealed that the base of the inflorescence had almost been eaten right through! A slug is probably the culprit, but I haven't found it yet, even though I have been out at night a couple of times to try and deal with it. I've already had a look tonight, but it was probably too early, so I will go out later and have another look. I have excellent lighting in my hothouse and this is a great help for pest patrol.

With the burst of heat that we've had I think that it's a good time to ramp up your feeding and watering, and also watch out for increased pest activity. I regard this time of year as critical in the growing cycle for most plants, so anything that you can do now will reap rewards. One group of plants that I grow are showing a lot of promise this season, and that is *Laelia purpurata*. Most are looking very strong and robust, and some already have sheaths. This is encouraging. The other things that are growing really well are most of my *Vanda* species. They mostly hang, which can make it a bit of a problem for benching, but as far as I'm concerned, they are well worth it. A lot of them are either flowering or are in bud so they are performing. I will have my work cut out over the next month because at the end of October we are going to Tasmania for two weeks. The

timing is terrible, not only for the orchids, but the garden in general. I don't really have a choice in the matter, so it is what it is. Anyway there are plenty of things that need to be done before then (there always are).



# *Orchids Central*

## Orchid Displays and Sales

**Club Condell Park**  
**178 Eldridge Road, Bankstown**  
*Club Bistro, Facilities and Parking*

**4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

9.30am - 4pm    Friday and  
                         Saturday  
9.30am - 2pm    Sunday

**Adults: \$10    Buses: \$8**  
**Children under 15 Free**

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Plant Society  
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Fong Ping Orchids  
Illawarra Beekeepers  
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