

Next Meeting:

**Monday 14th August
2023, 8pm.**

Speaker: Sarah from
Yates on their products
for Orchid Culture.

Please Note:

Commencing at 8pm, there
will be a Special Member's
Meeting to approve the
proposed changes to our
Constitution.

Our Spring Show

*will be held on 15th and 16th
September 2023 at
Woollooware Shores
Retirement Village
(see flyer p.18)*

Note – please ensure you
enter your name in our
attendance book on entry
to the meeting hall.

Use of hand sanitiser and
social distancing is highly
encouraged.



Cover Photo: Masd. Rein Touch
PON exhibited in July
by George Birss
photo - Melissa Karayannis

Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc. **Bulletin – August 2023**



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*The Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc. was founded in 1952 and is dedicated to the
promotion, development and encouragement of a general interest and understanding of
all aspects of orchid culture.*

Monthly Meetings -

Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the Uniting Church Hall,
corner Flora and Merton Streets, Sutherland @ 8pm, doors open 7pm. Visitors are
always welcome (please arrive by 7.45pm to check in, plant benching by 7.50pm)

President: Rhonda Jackson

Vice President: Frank Daniel

Secretary: David Hicks E: davehicks@outlook.com.au M: 0431 799 230

Treasurer: Margaret Spring

Committee: Murray Aldridge, Diane Phillips, Melissa Karayannis, Jenny Sharpham,
Mark Drury.

(Committee meets 1st Wed. monthly except January - Tradies Gynea @ 7.30pm)

Life Members: Murray Aldridge, Wal & Janette Chapman, Jan Robinson, Bob Moar,
Col Brandon, Frank Daniel, Audrey Marks.

Bulletin / Website: David Hicks

Member Contributions – to have your 'Photos @ Home' or written articles included
in the Bulletin, please send to: davehicks@outlook.com.au (prior to 28th each month)

President's Message

Dear Members,

I am sure all of you are enjoying the early Spring weather. It's a wonderful time with
the Australian natives coming into bud and bloom. I love the perfume in my shade-
house at this time. You can't beat the fragrance of a Dockrillia in flower.
There's lot of orchid shows on at the moment. I hope you are able to attend a few to
enjoy the spectacular displays.

We had three new members join at our July meeting. It is very pleasing that our
numbers are increasing and not declining like other societies. We must be doing
something right.

At our August meeting you will be asked to vote on the acceptance of our new
Constitution, as well as Sarah from Yates will be presenting on their products suitable
for orchids. I hope you can make the meeting.

With Best Wishes - Rhonda

July Benching



Monthly Benching Results – July 2023

PLANT OF THE NIGHT

Winner Masd. Rein Touch

G. Birss

OPEN JUDGES CHOICE HYBRID

Winner Masd. Rein Touch

G. Birss

OPEN JUDGES CHOICE SPECIES

Winner Onc. sotoanum

V. Petrovski

INTERMEDIATE JUDGES CHOICE

Winner Paph. insigne

J. Hely

NOVICE JUDGES CHOICE

Winner Phal. 'Unknown'

J. Jiang

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE

Winner Neo. pulchella

G. Birss

Monthly Benching Results – July 2023

CLASS # 1	AUSTRALIAN NATIVE SPECIES	
1st	Ptst. repanda	D. Mitsios
2nd	Dpl. repandum	R. Jackson
CLASS # 2	PAPHIOPEDILUMS HYBRIDS	
1st	Paph. Pacific Breeze	D. Mitsios
2nd	Paph. Nitens	J. Costa
3rd	Paph. unknown	P. Sanaphay
4th	Paph. Deperle	V. Petrovski
CLASS # 3	AUSTRALIAN NATIVE HYBRIDS	
1st	Den. Hunter Cote 'Red Lip'	C. Brandon
2nd	Den. Hunter Cote 'Yellow'	C. Brandon
3rd	Den. Hilda Poxon	J. Robinson
4th	Den. X grimesii 'Robert'	C. Brandon
5th	Den. Tango Brian 'Anthedon'	C. Brandon
CLASS # 4	LAELIINAE HYBRIDS (CLASSICAL SHAPE)	
1st	Rth. Dal's Emperor 'Lester Lai'	D. Mitsios
2nd	Blc. Mahina Yahiro 'Ulii'	W. McEvoy
3rd	Lc. Mona Pink 'Hiromi' AM/AOS	V. Petrovski
CLASS # 5	DENDROBIUM HYBRIDS	
1st	Den. Jungle Juice 'Sandra'	R. Jackson
CLASS # 6	LAELIINAE HYBRIDS (NON-CLASSICAL SHAPE & CLUSTER)	
1st	Blc Susie's Delight' x Blc. Hawaiian Wedding Song	V. Petrovski
CLASS # 7	ONCIDIINAE HYBRIDS	
1st	Onc. Sweet Sugar 'Dream'	D. Mitsios
2nd	Wils. Orobino 'Coronal'	V. Petrovski
3rd	Onc. Twinkle 'Fragrance Fantasy'	V. Petrovski
4th	Cym. Mimi Volcano 'Janette'	W&J Chapman

July Benching



Monthly Benching Results – July 2023 cont'd

CLASS #8	CYMBIDIUM HYBRIDS	
1st	Cym. Rods Tango 'Tobruk'	D. Mitsios
2nd	Cym. Paradisian Bell 'Winner'	V. Petrovski
3rd	Cym. Dag	W&J Chapman
CLASS #9	MISCELLANEOUS HYBRIDS	
1st	Masd. Rein Touch	G. Birss
2nd	Den. Roberta Roper 'Vev'	C. Brandon
3rd	Coel. Linda Buckley	J. Robinson
4th	Bulb. Elizabeth Anne Buckleberry	D. Mitsios
CLASS #10	SPECIES COELOGYNINAE	
1st	Coel. mooreana 'Wild One'	W&J Chapman
2nd	Ddc. javerii	G. Birss
3rd	Ddc. bicallosum var minor	W&J Chapman
4th	Ddc. convallariaeforme	J. Costa
CLASS #11	SPECIES LAELIINAE	
1st	L. anceps vetchiana 'Blue Haze No 1'	R. Jackson
2nd	L. anceps	W&J Chapman
CLASS #12	SPECIES ASIAN OTHER THAN COELOGYNINAE	
1st	Bulb. triurum	G. Birss
2nd	Den. moniliforme	G. Birss
3rd	Bulb. longiflorum	G. Birss
CLASS #13	SPECIES OTHER THAN ASIAN & LAELIINAE	
1st	Onc. sotoanum	V. Petrovski
2nd	Neolauchea pulchella	G. Birss
3rd	Rstp. contorta	W&J Chapman
4th	Strs. speciosus	G. Birss
NOVICE CLASS		
CLASS #14	NOVICE PAPHIOPEDILUM HYBRID	
1st	Paph. Sylvan Vale 'Sparsholt' x California Girl 'Foxy Lady'	M. Drury
2nd	Paph. unknown	M. Drury
CLASS #16	NOVICE AUSTRALIAN NATIVES	
1st	Den. Hilda Poxon	M. Drury
2nd	Den. Hilda Poxon	M. Drury
3rd	Den. Starsheen	J. Jiang
4th	Den. Hilda Poxon	M. Drury
CLASS #18	NOVICE MISCELLANEOUS HYBRID	
1st	Phal. unknown	J. Jiang
CLASS #19	NOVICE SPECIES	
1st	Coel. mooreana 'Brockhurst'	M. Spring
2nd	Paph. gratixianum 'Rock N Roll'	M. Drury
3rd	Paph. insignia	M. Drury
4th	Ogm. pulchellum	M. Drury

July Benching



Monthly Benching Results – July 2023 cont'd

INTERMEDIATE CLASS:

CLASS # 20	INTERMEDIATE PAPHIOPEDILUM HYBRID	
1st	Paph. crossiamum alba	J. Hely
2nd	Paph. Winston Churchill x Paph. Sioux	M. Karayannis
CLASS # 21	INTERMEDIATE CYMBIDIUM HYBRID	
1st	Cym. Ruby Eyes Red Baron	J. Ng
2nd	Cym. unknown	J. Hely
3rd	Cym. Peggy Foo 'Sim'	F. Daniel
4th	Cym. Ruby Valley 'Clare'	F. Daniel
CLASS # 23	INTERMEDIATE LAELIINAE HYBRID	
1st	Rlc. Napa Valentine x Rlc. Tzeng Wen Dragon	J. Ng
2nd	Pot. Burana Beauty Burana x C. Deception Drop Red Topaz	J. Ng
3rd	Pot. Dal's Emperor x C. Horace	J. Ng
4th	C. Chocolate Drop 'Kodama'	J. Hely
CLASS # 25	INTERMEDIATE SPECIES	
1st	Paph. insigne	J. Hely
2nd	Sophranitella violacea	M. Karayannis
3rd	Cochleanthes marginata	M. Karayannis
4th	Gom. sotoanum	J. Hely

Two Beauties for August – courtesy Jan Robinson



Lc. Little Susie 'Joy'



Coel. mooreana v. Brockhurst



Local Orchid Spotting



Recently spotted one of our beautiful and unique Aust. native orchids in your local area?
Like to share the photo with other members? Please forward to the address below to have it
published in our Bulletin, many thanks - Editor

Please forward to: davehicks@outlook.com.au

July Benching



Monthly Benching Winners – July 2023

Open Judges Choice Hybrid + PON

exhibited by – G. Birss



Masd. Rein Touch

Open Judges Choice Species

exhibited by – V. Petrovski



Onc. sotoanum

Intermediate Judges Choice

exhibited by – J. Hely



Paph. insigne

Novice Judges Choice

exhibited by – J. Jiang



Phal. 'unknown'

President's Choice

exhibited by – G. Birss



Neo. pulchella

From the Bench in July 2023

courtesy – George Birss



Dend. moniliforme



Osmo. pulchellum



Ptero. repanda

Dend. moniliforme – *exhibited by George Birss*

Found from China through Korea, Vietnam to Himalayas and Nepal where it grows at elevations of 800 to 3000 metres it is a medium sized cool to warm growing epiphyte.

As the plant matures the erect canes may become pendulous. The canes will drop their leaves, they are a deciduous orchid and prefer to flower on leafless canes.

The flowers are a pristine white with a purple or brown throat, some have a greenish throat.

This orchid likes plenty of water and fertilizer in spring and summer in its growing period and for a better flowering the next year reduce the water and fertilizer in the cooler Winter months.

Give moderate to bright light and good air circulation.

Osmoglossum pulchellum – *exhibited by Mark Drury*

This stunning species is endemic to Mexico through Central America as a cool growing epiphyte at elevations of 1200 to 2600 metres.

With clustered ovate pseudobulbs that carry 2 to 3 erect leaves. The erect inflorescence, that may need staking to support the flowers, arise from mature pseudobulbs.

The inflorescence holds from 4 to 10 long lasting fragrant flowers that are white with a lemon-coloured labellum with red spotting.

This orchid takes a wide range of temperatures, in summer 12 – 25deg. C but can stand up to 35deg. and in winter 8 to 16 deg. C but can tolerate down to 3 deg.

It likes good air movement around the plant with ample water in summer and a drier winter, just enough water to stop pseudobulbs from shrivelling.

Pterostylis repanda – *exhibited by Dimitrios Mitsios*

Unfortunately I could not find very much information about this plant as it is only a recently named species named in 2017 that is endemic to New Calidonia.

It grows as a cool growing terrestrial. It is very similar to the Green-Hood orchid found in Australia.

From the Bench in July 2023 – cont'd
courtesy - George Birss



Sophro. violacea

Author's Note:

The small Genus of Isabelia has three members, *I. violacea*, *I. pulchella* and *I. virginalis*. Two of the Genus are shown here.

Sophronitella violacea – exhibited by Melissa Karayannis

This is also called *Isabelia violacea*.

It is found in heavily shaded, mountainous, humid forests of Eastern Brazil.

A warm to cool creeping epiphyte, sometimes lithophytes it has densely clustered pseudobulbs that have 1 or 2 acute leaves. The inflorescence is shorter than the leaves and has 1 to 4 pink flowers.

This plant is a very slow grower, needs good drainage so the roots can dry out between watering so is best suited to mounting.

Cork, tree fern or pieces of plants that don't lose their bark,

Callistemon (bottle brush) is the best, keep humid with regular watering if mounted, give bright light and good air movement.



Neo. pulchella

Neolauchea pulchella – exhibited by George Birss

Found in Southern Brazil in cool damp forests this miniature cool growing epiphyte grows from sea level to 1500 metres it has creeping, branching rhizome with narrow pseudobulbs with a single 5cm long leaf.

The thread like short inflorescence, have a single 1.5 to 2cm magenta coloured flower that is held among the leaves.

Best grown on a slab of tree fern or cork with moderate light and ample water will grow into a mat shape and looks best when grown into a specimen plant.

Dendrochilum convallariiforme – exhibited by John Costa

This *Dendrochilum* is one of the "small" growing *Dendrochilums*.

It originates from The Philippines where it grows at elevations of 300 to 900 metres as a warm epiphyte.

The short oval pseudobulbs are 2.5 cm and have a single lanceolate leaf that is 10cm long and 2.5cm wide.

The gracefully arching inflorescence grows from new grow pseudobulbs and carries as many as 50 fragrant, attractive flowers that spiral around the raceme. The flowers are salmon in colour and there is a green form that maybe an albino form.

Not quite as hardy as most *Dendrochilum* species but defiantly one of the most attractive with great colour, and the new leaves are a bronze colour until they mature.



Dend. convallariiforme

**Melissa Karayannis @
Home**



L. anceps v. coerulea

Rob Nicol @ Home



Pot. Kozo's Secret 'Vi Emi'



Dendro. stenophyllum



Coel. Unchained Melody 'Alba'

A Lovely Display this Month (below and left)
courtesy – Melissa Karayannis



*Dend. Aust. Colourfest 'Nutbag' x.
Hilda Poxon 'Rusty Bucket'*



*Lc. (Mari's Song x Supersonic) x
Blc. George King 'Southern Cross'*



Dend. grimesii



Schom. (Laelia) superbienis

Oncid. Midnight Miracle 'Masai Red'
courtesy – Gary Hodder



A Great Selection for August
courtesy – Rob Nicol



Oncid. Twinkle 'CT White Strong'.



Dendrochilum cootesii



Dendrochilum cootesii 'Yowie'



Dendrochilum stenophyllum



Wils. Pui Chin 'Flying Tiger'



Schomburgkia (Laelia) superbiens



David Hicks @ Home

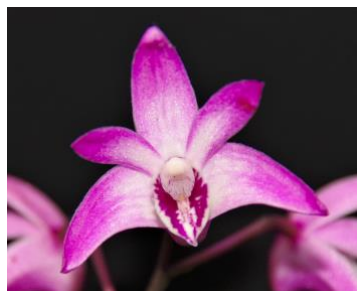


Slc. Fire Fantasy x
Slc. Bright Angel



We are thinking of you and send our best wishes to all our members who are currently recovering from recent health issues

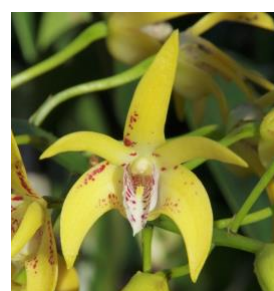
A Great Selection of Aust. Native Orchids for August
courtesy – Gary Hodder



Dend. Victorian Splendour



Dend. Aussie Parade 'Carrot Splash' x
Star of Gold 'Boronia'



Dend. Avril's Gold 'Pumpkin Pie'



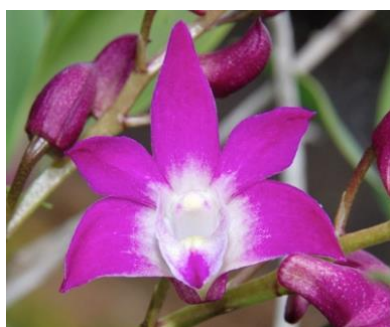
Dend. Black and Green x
Starsheen 'Botanic Fireworks'



Dend. (Hamilton x Gilmore) x (Bardo Rose
Sue x Ellen) x Bardo Rose 'Joe'



Dend. Avril's Gold 'Louanne'



Dend. Jonathon's Glory 'Dark Joy'



Dend. Jonathon's Glory 'Dark Joy'



Dend. Jonathon's Glory 'Dark Joy'



Dend. Avril's Gold 'Ray'



Dend. Jonathon's Glory 'Dark Joy'

Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc.

MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING

10th July 2023

President Rhonda declared the general meeting open at 8pm, extending a good evening and a warm welcome everyone to the July general meeting.

A very warm welcome was also extended to our visitors tonight: *Lydia Chen, Lee Strong, Jeff and Mei Bartlett, Aleisha and Jack Xu, Nina Woodcock.*

APOLOGIES were received tonight from: *Pam Davies, Adrian O'Malley, Gary Hodder, Christoff Mans, Di and Mick Hannah, Ed and Arline Ronsisvalle, Lawrence Watkins.*

NEW MEMBERS: Applications for membership were received tonight from: *Nina Woodcock, Lee Strong and Lydia Chen.*

Tonight, we are looking forward to our annual plant auction which will be commencing after the break.

Rob Nicol motioned that the June Minutes as distributed in the July Bulletin, were accurate. *Melissa Karayannis* seconded the motion that they were correct. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- Various Bulletins from other Societies, including the June Orchid News from the OSNSW
- Advice from the NPWS regarding our Native Orchid Licence renewal
- Flyer regarding the ANOS Sydney Group Auction on the 22nd July
- Shade-cloth pricelist and product catalogue from Discount Shade
- Invoice from the AOC for our annual membership of \$100

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

- Payment of the annual OSNSW Affiliation fee of \$62
- Harvest Return Sheets to NPWS as per our obligations under our Licence.
- Three application forms and photos to Secretary OSNSW for the Affiliated Society 'Orchid of the Year' Competition, from our Winter Show.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

SSOS CONSTITUTION:

Rhonda presented a brief overview of the changes we are suggesting to our current Constitution, which was adopted back on 10th Dec. 2012.

This follows advise from NSW Fair Trading that on 1 September 2022, a new Regulation for incorporated associations commenced.

This Regulation introduced a new model Constitution and we now have the option and opportunity to adopt the model constitution, or draft our own.

It was noted that the new model is very similar to our existing constitution with a few changes. Committee reviewed both documents, and Rhonda asked members to consider adopting the new constitution with the recommended changes.

Members were then taken through the sections that we are suggesting to modify:

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GENERAL MEETING

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New Model Constitution	Existing Constitution	Comment
Not included	1.2 "Objects" which outlines the goals of our Society.	Recommend retention
Not included	5. If a member joins after 1 July the subscription shall be reduced to half the fee payable.	Recommend retention
14(1) Committee must have 7 members and at least 3 ordinary committee members	14(1) Committee must have 9 members and at least 5 ordinary committee members	Recommend retention
3.15(2) A member is eligible, if otherwise qualified for re-election.	3.15(6) President, vice-president, secretary and treasurer shall not serve more than 3 consecutive years in that position at a time.	Recommend inserting 3.15(6) There is no limit on the number of consecutive terms for which a committee members may hold office
3.23(1) The quorum for a meeting of the committee is 3 committee members.	3.21(5) Any 5 members of the committee constitute a quorum	Recommend retention
3.31(1) The quorum for a general meeting is 5 members	4.28(2) 7 members present constitute a quorum of a general meeting	Recommend retention
5.44(b) The financial year of the association commences on 1 July and ends on the following 30 June	5.43 The financial year of the association commences on 1 January and ends on 31 December	Recommend retention

Rhonda advised that to adopt the new Constitution, we need to hold a '**Special Member's Meeting**'. Members were given notice, 'that this will be convened prior to the August general meeting on 14 August 2023 at 8:00pm'.

A special resolution will be put forward and members will be asked to vote to adopt it, consolidating the desired changes.

The proposed Constitution will be emailed or posted to all members for their consideration shortly after this meeting.

Once accepted by our members, it will be forwarded to the NSW Fair Trading for registration.

A few printed copies were made available at the meeting.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

WINTER SHOW

Financial Report – Rhonda handed over to our Treasurer Margaret Spring who presented an overview of the Winter Show results. Whilst we didn't make a profit this time round, Margaret emphasised the importance of holding these Shows being for the greater benefit of our members to be able to 'display' the results of all their hard work during the year. On completion, Rhonda thanked Margaret for the report, and for all the hard work with managing the show finances.

Show Report:

Rhonda addressed the members with the following report, then asking if anyone had any feedback.

'I'm sure you will agree that the Winter show was a success. I'd like thank the committee for all their efforts in ensuring it ran smoothly, as well as Bob Moar our Show Marshall. Col Brandon did a great job in assisting the judges when they made their decisions. George and Heath performed the repotting service which is greatly appreciated, as well as selling some of their wares. This year our volunteers were amazing with lots of members assisting. Seventeen members entered 135 plants in the display and 16 won a prize. The display looked fabulous. Attendance by the public was up and was steady throughout the show. Heath Myers won first prize in the raffle, with external people winning the remaining prizes. A big thank you to everyone who participated and assisted.

'At the show, many people commented to me that I had so many plants in the show. When I told them I only had a few, they said but my name is on all the certificates. I had to explain that I was listed a President and not as the winner!!'

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GENERAL MEETING

10th July 2023

Storage of 4 Show Boxes, and Banners

It was noted to members, that Frank Daniel currently stores four boxes of material and banners for the shows, and now needs to hand this over to someone else.

Members were asked if they have space under the house or an area where they could store the boxes, to please give this important task serious consideration and let us know.

Rhonda then thanked Frank on behalf of the Committee for the many years of storing and bringing these items to our shows.

Spring Show Data Entry

It was noted, that the members who normally input the show results into the XL spreadsheets will not be available for the upcoming Spring Show.

We are looking for a member who is proficient with Microsoft Excel. You will also be required to do a sort of the results to calculate the distribution of member's prize monies.

Rhonda kindly offered to provide some training, however to do this task you need to be able to type pretty accurately and quickly.

The volunteer would need to be available during judging which commences at 8am on the Friday 15th.

Rhonda asked If you are able to assist, could you please let her know ASAP.

Affiliated Societies Orchid of the Year Photographic Competition

Rhonda went through the criteria for awarding Affiliate Society Orchid of the year and advised that we had submitted 3 entries from our Winter Show:

The prizes are \$300 prize for the grower of the best hybrid orchid, \$300 for the best species orchid and \$300 for the best orchid exhibited by a novice/junior grower. There will also be a prize of \$100 for the society involved in the show where the respective orchids were exhibited.

Our entries from the Winter Show are:

Hybrid Orchid – Cymbidium Rod's Tango 'Tobruk' benched by D. Mitsios

Species Orchid – Epidendrum porpax benched by D. Mitsios

Novice Orchid – Paph. gratrixianum 'Rock n Roll' benched by M. Drury.

Our entrants were wished the best of luck!

TONIGHT'S AUCTION:

Members were advised that all purchases are cash only. All opening bids will commence at \$10. If you are the winning bidder, please have your money ready to be collected. Earnings will be paid next meeting, less the 15% commission.

BUNNINGS:

As mentioned last meeting, the Society will be participating in the Bunnings Caringbah *Spring Launch Day* on Saturday 9th September from 10am to 2pm. There will be suppliers' reps, who will promote their products, and other community groups, placed throughout the store. We would like your participation, even if it's only an hour. If you are able to participate, please let either David or Rhonda know.

DISCOUNTED SHADECLOTH:

As mentioned in the correspondence, we received a pricelist and product catalogue from Discount Shade. They used to have a retail outlet in Punchbowl, but are now selling online only. They are offering a flat \$10 delivery rate on all orders. If you are interested, we have few copies of their product and price list here tonight, and to please see David in the break.

AUSTRALIAN ORCHID COUNCIL: (AOC)

In light of recent correspondence received, Rhonda gave the members an overview of the AOC regarding the Organisation's function and purpose.

The Society is a member of Australian Orchid Council. Society membership gives our society access to AOC Regional Judging Panels and also allows our members who are not personal members of AOC to have their plants judged for AOC awards.

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The AOC provides the website *orchidsaustralia.com.au* which provides interested growers with information about all past awarded orchids in Australia, an index to past issues of "Orchids Australia", a bookshop where you can order various orchid paraphernalia, as well as your subscription to "Orchids Australia" and much more.

The AOC also promotes the Australian Orchid Conference and Show, usually held every three years, providing some financial assistance and prize medals. They also advertise our shows in their magazine for free.

DISABLED TOILET IN THE HALL

The disabled toilet in the hall has a sign "Handicapped" on it and we received a request to have this changed to a more appropriate accessible sign such as "Unisex Ambulant Toilet." We have asked the church to replace the sign, which they have.

SOCIETY BUS TRIP

Last month we asked if members were interested in a bus trip to St Ives Orchid show and circulated a document to enter names if interested. As only one person expressed interest, this won't be proceeding at this time.

ANOS SYDNEY GROUP 2023 AUCTION:

The Australian Native Orchid Society Sydney Group are holding their annual auction on Saturday 22nd July at the Federation Pavilion Castle Hill commencing at 10am. Plants can be viewed from 9am. We have a few printed copies of the catalogue here tonight, or if you see David in the break or we can email the details to you.

Rhonda also mentioned the orchid sale in Bathurst on 11th November, at the home of John and Ruth Allen who are downsizing their collection. Details in the form of a flyer in the next Bulletin.

MEETING HALL TABLES

The Uniting Church has requested that the tops of our tables are wiped down if they are dirty before storing away. There are wet wipes available for this purpose.

FROG AT JUNE MEETING

Rhonda mentioned a light hearted moment when at the June meeting, we were about to walk out the door we noticed there was a little frog on the floor. It must have come off one of the benching plants. Fortunately, John Hely took it home to put it in his pond. He has converted his swimming pool into a pond that attracts lots of insects and frogs. *This little frog was very lucky going to such a fantastic home!*

ACTIVITIES FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS:

In August- Sarah from Yates will talk to us on their 'orchid related products'

In September- Adrian O'Malley will talk on fertilizers and getting the best out of your orchids.

In October – Barbra and George Kypriotis from *The Orchid Place* in Heathcote will talk on Commercial Orchid Growing.

Rhonda also thanked Barbra and George for their generous donation of plants to our Auction tonight.

David then provided a brief description of tonight's selection of raffle plants.

On completion of Judging, we then moved to a break for supper.

After the break we commenced our Annual Plant Auction

On completion, Rhonda expressed our appreciation to Murray for acting as our Auctioneer tonight, also to Wal Chapman and David Brooks for assisting, and to Mark Drury and Robert Nicol for assisting as runners with the sold plants and money collection.

JULY PRESENTATIONS:

Winner Name Badge Draw: Rob Cawley (1st raffle pick)

Presentation of Lucky Plant from May meeting: George Birss

Presentation of Lucky Plant from the Winter Show: Rob Cawley.

Winners June Lucky Plants – (\$10 certificates to each)

Dimitrios Mitsios, John Ng,

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GENERAL MEETING

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JUDGES FOR JULY: Rhonda thanked our Judging Panel for this evening:

Murray Aldridge, Wal Chapman, David Brooks, Jan Robinson, Joy Gouvoussis (Assoc.), David Liu (Assoc.)

June Judges' Choice Awards:

PLANT OF THE NIGHT: Masd. Rein Touch - *G. Birss*

JUDGES CHOICE OPEN HYBRID: Masd. Rein Touch – *G. Birss*

JUDGES CHOICE OPEN SPECIES: Onc. sotoanum – *V. Petrovski*

JUDGES CHOICE INTERMEDIATE: Paph. insigne – *J. Hely*

JUDGES CHOICE NOVICE: Phal. 'unknown' – *J. Jiang*

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE: Neo. pulchella – *G. Birss*

In closing, Rhonda thanked everyone for their attendance tonight, and mentioned that we look forward to your company at our August 14th meeting.

Members were asked if they would please help by putting the chairs and tables away, and if someone could sweep the floor it would be appreciated.

Also, if a table top is dirty, would you please wipe it over.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

ORCHIDS IN BATHURST



Saturday 11 November 2023—All Day

Open Day – Sell Half (or more) of my Collection - Sale

Downsizing significantly so I can cope at 80 years old

Sale will also include the following ancillary items:

- At least 1 hothouse (10m x 4m tunnel) with recently replaced cover-sheet; could include wood heater in good condition;
- Possibly second hot house – Redpath Propagation type – 6m x 4.1 m opening roof. Needs plastic cover replaced.
- Flasking gear – glove box; light and heat bed (2 levels 1m x 0.5m)
- Balance (old school type, but good enough)
- DSL Sterilizer and stand
- Assorted bits and pieces

Many of the plants are quite large and ready to be divided.



John and Ruth have been growing orchids for more than 20 years, but health and family constraints mean we can no longer look after them in the manner to which they have become accustomed!

Cattleya Alliance, Lycaste, Oncidium, Masdevallia, Pleurothallis plus Aussie Dendrobiums and terrestrials.

Make an offer on whatever you want!

Tea, Coffee provided. BYO Barbeque lunch

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July 2023

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July Benching



Congratulations to Melissa Karayannis for the flowering of this beautiful Catasetum seedling cross

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July Benching



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Commercial Vendors
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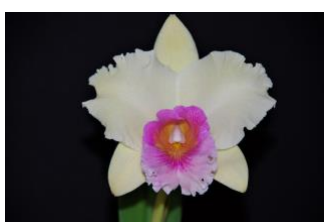
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 Incorporating The Paphiopedilum Society of NSW
 Friday 11th August to Sunday 13th August 2023
 The Arena Sports Club
 140 Rookwood Road
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 9am to 4pm Friday and Saturday
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 Come along and see some of the best flowering orchids in the country on display and purchase some top quality plants from industry experts.
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Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc.

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Upcoming Shows and Events for 2023.

Friday 11th, Saturday 12th, Sunday 13th August, National Orchid Extravaganza & Paph Society NSW - Greyhound Arena Sports Club, 140 Rookwood Rd. Yagoona. (see flyer page 17)

Monday 14th August 2023 - SSOS General Meeting, speaker – Sarah, representative from Yates (Eco Garden Control) on their products suitable to orchid culture.

Friday 18th August, Saturday 19th August, Sunday 20th August 2023, St Ives Orchid Fair. (see flyer page 17)

Monday 11th September 2023, SSOS General Meeting, speaker Adrian O'Malley on fertilizers for orchid culture.

Friday 15th – Saturday 16th September 2023, SSOS Spring Show – setup Thursday 14th Sept. from 2.00pm to 5pm (see flyer page 16)

Monday 9th October 2023, SSOS General Meeting, speaker Barbra and George from the Orchid Place on 'Commercial Orchid Growing'

Friday 13th October to Sunday 15th October, Orchids Central (ex SOS) Club Condell Park, Bankstown – (see flyer page 17)

Saturday 11th November, John and Ruth Allen, Orchid Sale in Bathurst (see flyer page 15)

Monday 13th November 2023, SSOS General Meeting, speaker TBA

Sat. 18th - Sun, 19th November – WDOS Inc. presents Orchid Conference and Workshop, Wiigulga Sports Complex, Woolgoolga (see flyer page 17)

Monday 11th December 2023, SSOS General Meeting, Christmas Party, Giant Raffle, Presentations (details to be advised)

***Dear SSOS Members – we would really appreciate your
Photos @ Home or Articles to include in our monthly Bulletins.***

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(by the 28th of each month)

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