



Next Meeting:

**Monday 8th
June, 8pm**

*Hall open 7pm
Benching by 7.50pm*

Speaker for June

**Richie Dimon
Orchids of the Cameron
Highlands (Malaysia)**

**Members, Partners and
Visitors** - please ensure
you sign our attendance
book on entry to the
meeting hall



Sutherland Shire Orchid Society



Website QR Link

Cover & May Meeting Photos
courtesy - Paul Sheaffe

Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc.

Bulletin - June 2026



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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)

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Cover Photo: Blc. California Girl 'Orchid Library' - exhibited in May
by Vic Petrovski

May Benching



Monthly Benching Results – May 2026

PLANT OF THE NIGHT

Winner Odc. Wild Cat 'Bob Cat' D. Mitsios

OPEN JUDGES CHOICE HYBRID

Winner Odc. Wild Cat 'Bob Cat' D. Mitsios

OPEN JUDGES CHOICE SPECIES

Winner Paph. spicerianum D. Mitsios

INTERMEDIATE JUDGES CHOICE

Winner Onc. Gomesa S. Tropoulos

NOVICE JUDGES CHOICE

Winner Paph. insigne J. Riley

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE

Winner Ctsm. sanguinea 'XInt Shape' x Albo-Virens 'SVO' L. Watkins

Monthly Benching Results – May 2026

OPEN

CLASS # 1 AUSTRALIAN NATIVE SPECIES

1st Den. taylorii D. Mitsios

CLASS # 4 NATIVE SARCANTHINAE HYBRIDS

1st Sarc. Amber Dawn D. Mitsios

CLASS # 5 SPECIES PAPHIOPEDILUMS

1st Paph. spicerianum D. Mitsios

2nd Paph. charlesworthii L. Watkins

3rd Paph. spicerianum 'Tinonee' x spicerianum 'Goliath' M. Karayannis

4th Paph. gratixianum L. Watkins

CLASS # 6 NOVELTY PAPHIOPEDILUM HYBRIDS

1st Paph. Vanguard V. Petrovski

2nd Paph. Mystery Magic M. Karayannis

3rd Paph. hsinying Silvercharm x hsinying Citron x Hilo Citron L. Watkins

4th Paph. Doya Atian Mirage x Red Shift L. Watkins

CLASS # 7 CLASSICAL PAPHIOPEDILUM HYBRIDS

1st Paph. Marion Fischer M. Drury

CLASS # 8 LAELIINAE HYBRIDS over 110mm

1st Blc. Deception Grace V. Petrovski

2nd Blc. California Girl 'Orchid library' V. Petrovski

3rd Rlc. Sedona's Golden Kaleidoscope x Rlc. Brunswick Gem Coral P. Sanaphay

CLASS # 9 LAELIINAE HYBRIDS 80mm up to & inc. 110mm

1st C. Portia Coerulea D. Mitsios

2nd Blc. Golden Reign x Sc. Dal's Emperor J. Ng

CLASS # 10 LAELIINAE HYBRIDS up to & including 80mm

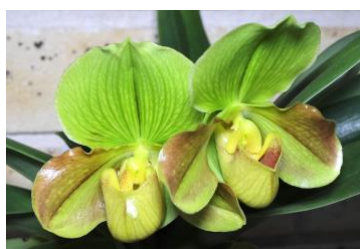
1st Rth. Chief Sunny D. Mitsios

CLASS # 11 CLUSTER LAELIINAE HYBRIDS

1st Lc. Little Susie 'Joy' P. Sanaphay

2nd C. Little Susie 'Vale' V. Petrovski

May Benching



Monthly Benching Results – May 2026 cont'd

CLASS # 12 NON-CLASSICAL LAELIINAE HYBRIDS

1st	Bc. Gulfshore's Beauty	L. Watkins
2nd	C. Nakornpathome Silver	M. Karayannis
3rd	L. Nemesis	R. Cawley

CLASS # 13 ONCIDIINAE HYBRIDS 60mm & under

1st	Onc. Wildcat 'Bob-Cat'	D. Mitsios
2nd	Onc. Moonshadow 'Tigertail' x Onc. varicosum 'Baldwin'	M. Drury
3rd	Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'	L. Watkins

CLASS # 14 ONCIDIINAE HYBRIDS over 60mm

1st	Bnfd. Gilded Tower 'Mystic Maze'	V. Petrovski
2nd	Bllra. Snowblind 'Sweet Spots'	M. Drury

CLASS # 18 DENDROBIUM HYBRIDS EXOTIC

1st	Den. 'Emma White'	V. Petrovski
2nd	Den. Masaki Taki 'Blue'	R. Nicol
3rd	Den. Airy Crimson	L. Watkins
4th	Den. Thongchai Gold AM	L. Watkins

CLASS # 19 PHALAENOPSIS AND VANDACEOUS HYBRIDS

1st	V. Consumate Happiness	R. Cawley
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CLASS # 21 MISCELLANEOUS EXOTIC HYBRIDS

1st	Coel. Lyme Bay	D. Mitsios
2nd	Ctsm. sanguineum 'XInt Shape' x Ctsm Albo-virens 'SVO'	L. Watkins
3rd	Bulb. Elizabeth Ann 'Buckleberry'	W & J Chapman
4th	Lyc. John Ezzy	D. Mitsios
5th	Coel. (ovalis x barbata) 'Stanhope'	R. Jackson

CLASS # 22 DENDROBIUM SPECIES EXOTIC

1st	Den. brymeranum	R. Cawley
2nd	Den. regium	G. Hodder

CLASS # 23 COELOGYNINAE SPECIES

1st	Ddc. wenzelii 'Janette' AM/ACM OS/NSW	R. Jackson
2nd	Ddc. arachnites	R. Cawley
3rd	Coel. fuliginosa	R. Jackson

CLASS # 24 SPECIES ASIAN

1st	Pina. spicata	W & J Chapman
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CLASS # 25 ONCIDIINAE SPECIES

1st	Ros. grande	M. Karayannis
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CLASS # 26 LAEIINAE SPECIES

1st	Epi. porpax	D. Mitsios
2nd	Lc. anceps Chamberlainianum	G. Hodder
3rd	Epi. paniculatum	R. Cawley

CLASS # 27 EXOTIC SPECIES

1st	Max. schunkeana	D. Mitsios
2nd	Sngl. longifolia	W & J Chapman
3rd	Cau. bicornutum	M. Karayannis

May Benching



Monthly Benching Results – May 2026 cont'd

NOVICE

CLASS # 33 NOVICE MISCELLANEOUS HYBRIDS

1st	Mtssa. Charles M Fitch 'Izumi'	G. Towle
2nd	Bulb. Elizabeth Ann	G. Towle

CLASS # 34 NOVICE SPECIES

1st	Paph. insigne	J. Riley
2nd	Coel. ovalis	S. Fitch

INTERMEDIATE

CLASS # 39 INTERMEDIATE MISCELLANEOUS HYBRIDS

1st	Onc. Gomesa	S. Tropoulos
2nd	Onc. unknown	S. Tropoulos



SUTHERLAND SHIRE
ORCHID SOCIETY INC.

WINTER 2026 ORCHID SHOW

FRIDAY 19th JUNE - SATURDAY 20th JUNE

WOOLOOWARE SHORES RETIREMENT VILLAGE
2-28 ALEXANDER AVENUE, TAREN POINT

FREE ENTRY

10AM - 4PM FRIDAY
10AM - 3PM SATURDAY

ORCHID DISPLAYS | PLANTS FOR SALE
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Monthly Benching Winners – May 2026

Open Judges Choice Hybrid + PON

exhibited by – Dimitrios Mitsios



Odcm. Wildcat 'Bob Cat'

Open Judges Choice Species

exhibited by – Dimitrios Mitsios



Paph. spicerianum

Intermediate Judges Choice

exhibited by – Sonia Tropoulos



Onc. Gomesa

Novice Judges Choice

exhibited by – Jan Riley



Paph. insigne

President's Choice

exhibited by – Lawrence Watkins



Ctsm. sanguinea 'Xlnt Shape' x Ctsm Albo-Virens 'SVO'

May Meeting's Auction

Once again, a great selection of quality orchids were on offer at our annual auction
 With very few plants passed in, the bidding was keen, some totally exceeding expected reserves
 A good night overall for both buyers and sellers, and for the Treasury!!

Our special thanks to Murray for a great job as Auctioneer, also David B, Wal and Russell for their assistance



These lovely plants flowering exceptionally well for May / June - courtesy Melissa Karayannis



Bulbophyllum medusae.



Lc. Little Suzie 'Joy'

Some Points to Assist with Preparing your Plants for the Show

reproduced - courtesy OSNSW



Preparing Orchids for Benching

When considering exhibiting orchids for benching competitions of shows it is important to have your orchids presentable and in show condition.

Flowers and spikes.

1. Stake your plants early as spikes develop. If you don't, do not stake the spikes just before exhibiting them as the flowers may be upside down or sidewise which is not a good look.
2. If you pick your plants up or move them while the buds are developing then ensure that you keep them in the same orientation otherwise the flowers are likely to be poorly arranged.
3. Ensure that flowers are free of insects and scale.
4. Cut off dead and dying spikes and flowers.

Staking

1. Staking must be unobtrusive.
2. Staking should enhance the natural shape of the spike.
3. Use green or dark stakes, shiny aluminium stakes detract from the exhibit.
4. Do not use oversized clips or ties, or use ornate clips that detract from the flowers.
5. Only tie the spikes to below the first flower or lowest branch. Never tie on part of the flower.

Plants

1. Make sure the plants are clean and free of insects and scale.
2. Cut off dead leaves and bulks.
3. Clean leaves with soapy water or diluted methylated spirits. Don't use white oil or other cleaning methods that make the leaves excessively shiny and can damage the leaves. Some people use milk.

Pots and Mounts

1. Make sure that pots and mounts are clean and free of weeds.
2. If the pots are dirty or have salt stains then putting the orchid in a larger pot for presentation can make the display better.
3. Mounts and straggly roots are natural.

SSOS Grower's Group Report

Saturday 30th May 2026

The weather had luckily cleared to provide the many enthusiastic members and visitors with a great day for our recent Grower's Group afternoon held at the home of John and Robyn Hely.

Once again John had everything well organised and set up from sign in, to tables set up with pots, mixes and equipment for repotting, and tours of his growing houses and walk through 'forest area' filled predominately with Stanhopeas and other genera just thriving in the perfect dappled shade and humid conditions.

A number of members presented short talks - Stanhopeas (Jan) Water-Well pots (David) and Mike did such a great job of salvaging a severely neglected cymbidium – it didn't have a great root system, the mix was wet and broken down, and a few bugs were also present. After persevering with it for over half an hour, the repotted result was amazing! (see center photos) Mike's efforts were certainly appreciated by our Novice and newer growers

Many thanks John and Robyn for once again opening your home to our Society for an interesting and informative group session, and social occasion (not to mention the great selection of yummy goodies at afternoon tea!!)



Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc.

MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING

11th May 2026

The meeting was opened by Margaret Spring at 8:01 pm.

Margaret welcomed members and visitors and noted that the evening would include the Society's Annual Plant Auction.

ADMIN

Apologies: Maria Bootland, Jan Robinson, Pam Davies, Mavis Randle and Mary Short.

Visitors: Matt Pritchard, Adrian.

The previous minutes were accepted as published in the Monthly Bulletin. Moved by Lawrence Watkins, seconded by Robin Bannell. Carried.

New Member: Margaret welcomed Mary Short as a new member of the Society.

ANNUAL PLANT AUCTION

Margaret outlined the arrangements for tonight's annual plant auction and thanked the team assisting with the auction.

- Card payments were made available for the first time. Members wishing to pay by card were asked to register with Treasurer Mike Vitnell and settle their total at the end of the meeting.
- Cash payments were to be made as purchases were made during the auction.

CORRESPONDENCE

- The Society received a call for agenda items and officer nominations for the upcoming AOC AGM.
- Karl Olsen, Vice President of the Cymbidium Orchid Club of South Australia, contacted the Society seeking vintage Cymbidium hybrids, including species and primary hybrids. Karl is particularly interested in old crosses that appear to have been lost from cultivation. He will be visiting Sydney towards the end of May, but not during the next SSOS meeting night. Members with suitable plants available for sale were asked to speak to Richie, who will pass on Karl's contact details.
- Richie emailed Bunnings Caringbah with a formal sponsorship request and was awaiting a reply.
- Neutrog was approached for sponsorship and a reply was pending.

FINANCE

Treasurer's Report for April: The Society has a term deposit of \$10,194, which has just been rolled over, and a main trading account balance of \$2,801.19.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Orchids Out West

Members were reminded that Orchids Out West would be held from Friday 15 May to Sunday 17 May 2026 at the Philip Charley Pavilion, Hawkesbury Showground, Racecourse Road, Clarendon. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased online or at the event.

Growers Group Meetup

Members were advised that the next Society event would be a Growers Group get-together on Saturday 30 May at 1:00 pm at the home of John Hely at Sutherland. Details are included in the latest Bulletin. Members are encouraged to bring problem plants for advice, successful plants to share, growing tips, or plants needing repotting assistance. Members were also asked to bring a small plate for afternoon tea and to wear a name badge.

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MINUTES – *cont'd*

GENERAL MEETING

11th May 2026

Winter Show

Planning and preparation for the Winter Show are under way.

The show will again be held at Woolooware Shores Retirement Village in the Reef Centre. Margaret noted that the residents are looking forward to the Society's return and that the show supports the Society's objective of promoting orchid growing.

- Volunteers are needed for setup, pack down, sales tables, raffle assistance and repotting support across the show weekend.
- Members able to assist with the repotting service were asked to add their names to the roster. Supplies will be provided.
- Novice growers were encouraged to participate. Novices compete within their own classes, with first and second places available in each class.
- Members were advised that the June Bulletin would include the Show Schedule, a Booking-In Form for plants entered in the show, and native plant information. Printed copies will be available at the next meeting for members who are unable to print them.
- Members were encouraged to take plant cards so they can be completed before show setup on Thursday afternoon.

Show Schedule Changes

Richie outlined several changes to the Show Schedule, including class wording and numbering changes.

- Dedicated Pleurothallidinae classes and the "Best Phalaenopsis or Doritaenopsis Hybrid" class have been removed. Plants in these groups would be entered in the relevant hybrid or species classes.
- The Cattleya class "Non - Classical Shape" has been revised to "Non-Classical Shape or Cluster".
- The previous combined Paphiopedilum class "Primary, Multifloral or Novelty" has been removed and replaced with revised Paphiopedilum classes:
- Best Classical Paphiopedilum Hybrid - Red or pink
- Best Classical Paphiopedilum Hybrid - Green or yellow
- Best Classical Paphiopedilum Hybrid - Spotted or any other colour
- Best Maudie Type Paphiopedilum Hybrid
- Best Multifloral Paphiopedilum Hybrid
- Best Paphiopedilum Hybrid - Not elsewhere included

Other Show Items

- Flyers are being finalised for printing and distribution. An electronic version will be distributed so members can help promote the show.
- George and Barbra from The Orchid Place will bring plants for the sales table during the show, with commission from sales going to the Society.
- The Orchid Place will sponsor the Grand Champion of the Show with a \$50 prize. Margaret thanked George and Barbra for their support.
- Members were reminded that it is not too early to begin preparing plants for the show.

SPEAKERS AND ACTIVITIES FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

- June 2026: Richie Dimon – Orchids of the Cameron Highlands (Malaysia)
- July 2026: Jane Wright – Maudiae Paphiopedilums
- August 2026: Thomas Mesaglio – Western Australia Orchid Diversity

WORLD ORCHID CONFERENCE PP PRESENTATION

Following Jan's comments at the previous meeting about the World Orchid Conference in Dresden, Paul prepared a short PP / video presentation showing some of the plants from the conference.

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MINUTES – cont'd

GENERAL MEETING

11th May 2026

JUDGES CHOICE AWARDS

Margaret thanked tonight's judging panel and presented the Judges' Choice awards:

- **Plant of the Night:** Onc. Wildcat "Bobcat" – *Dimitrios Mitsios*
- **Judges Choice Open Hybrid:** Onc. Wildcat "Bobcat" – *Dimitrios Mitsios*.
- **Judges Choice Open Species:** Paphiopedilum spicerianum – *Dimitrios Mitsios*.
- **Judges Choice Intermediate:** Onc. Gomesa – *Sonia Tropoulos*.
- **Judges Choice Novice:** Paphiopedilum insigne – *Jan Riley*.
- **President's Choice:** Ctsm. sanguinea 'Xlnt Shape' × Albo- Virens 'SVO' – *Lawrence Watkins*.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Margaret, Jenny, Paul, Adrian, Jan and Melissa.

CLOSING

Next meeting: Monday 8 June 2026.

The meeting closed at 9:40 pm.

St Ives Orchid Fair

'The Big One'



In partnership with
Ku-ring-gai Council



ST IVES SHOWGROUND
Mona Vale Road, St Ives

Friday 14th August 2026 9 am to 4 pm
Saturday 15th August 2026 9 am to 4 pm
Sunday 16th August 2026 9 am to 3 pm

Bus Routes 196/197: Gordon Station - St Ives Village - Terrey Hills - Mona Vale
ADMISSION \$10 Children under 18 free

Bus groups welcome
Unlimited Free Parking, Wheel chair access

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Orchid Species Plus, Orchids of Distinction, Orchid Mania
Orchids on Newbold, Robertson Orchids, Rosella Orchids,
Tinonee Orchids, The Orchid Mart / Serhan's Orchids

For more Information: Show Marshal: Garrie Bromley Ph: 0425 336 049
<http://www.stivesorchidfair.com/>



Orchids Central 2026
Orchid Displays and Sales

Club Condell Park

178 Eldridge Road, Bankstown

18 to 20 September 2026

Friday and Saturday 9:30am - 4:00pm

Sunday 9:30am - 2pm

Adults: \$10

Buses: \$8

Children under 15 Free

Vendors include:

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Fong Ping Orchids
Kingfisher Orchid Nursery
Kings Nursery
Nicky's Slippers
Orchid Care Services
Orchids of Distinction
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Red Fox Orchids
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2026 NATIONAL ORCHID EXTRAVAGANZA

Including a wonderful display of slipper orchids and sales by
The Paphiopedilum Society of NSW

Friday 7th August to Sunday 9th August
The Arena Sports Club
140 Rookwood Road
Yagoona NSW 2199

9am to 4pm Friday and Saturday
9am to 3pm Sunday



One of the best displays of flowering orchids in the country.
Purchase top quality plants from leading growers at great
prices. Industry experts on hand for assistance and advice.

**Championship Benching and
a variety of displays, including
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Children under 14 years free
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Vendors Include:

David Wain Orchids
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David Keanelly Orchids
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Orchids on Newbold
Johnston's Orchids & Indoor Plants

And many more



24th ANNUAL

MINGARA ORCHID CLUB INC. FAIR & SHOW 2026

**FREE SATURDAY 27 JUNE 9AM - 4PM &
ENTRY SUNDAY 28 JUNE, 9AM - 3PM**

Mingara Orchid Club presents
the 24th Annual Mingara
Orchid Club Fair and Show.

Join us for a great day out and view the most
spectacular floral displays you will ever see!

All under one roof, in air-conditioned comfort, you'll
be treated to a truly spectacular and amazing range
of orchids from enthusiasts and societies from all
over NSW.

The fair is your opportunity to purchase plants and
orchid supplies from vendors who are also happy

to relay their advice and tips so that you can ensure
your orchids will flower to their full beauty.

Plants for sale over the weekend include: Australian
Natives, Cattleyas, Cymbidiums, Dendrobiums,
Phalaenopsis and Paphs as well as many other
species, hybrids and accessories.

**Includes guest speakers & potting & culture
demonstrations throughout the weekend.**

**PLUS Virus testing kits and virus plant
testing available.**

Visit the Mingara Orchid Club pot shop, stocking
quality bark, pots, and a range of orchid accessories.

Vendors include:

- Alice's Orchids
- Barrita Orchids
- Coastal Hydrotech
- Dark Star Orchids
- Ezi-Gro Orchids
- Fong Ping Orchids
- Johnson Orchids
- Kawana Gardens Nursery
- Kings Nursery
- Kingfisher Orchid Nursery
- Mns Orchids

- Nicky's Slippers
- Orchid Mania
- Orchid Species Plus
- Orchids of Distinction
- Orchids on Newbold
- Susan's Succulents
- Ten Shin Gardens (Flasks)
- Tinonee Orchid Nursery
- Western Orchid Culture

Displays by:

- Orchid Societies
- Susan's Succulents

Facebook: Mingara Orchid Club Website: mingaraorchidclub.com.au



Local Orchid Spotting

*Have you recently spotted one of our beautiful and
unique Aust. native orchids in your local area or
on a recent trip?*

*Like to share the photo with other members?
Please forward to the email address below to have
it published in our Bulletin.*

Many thanks - Editor

Please forward to:
davehicks@outlook.com.au

Dear SSOS Members



Do you have a lovely **specimen plant** in full
flower that is always too large to transport to a
meeting or show?

*How about sending in a photo for the Bulletin to
share it with other members?*

And tell us something about its history?

Please forward to the Editor:

David Hicks E: davehicks@outlook.com.au
(before 28th of the month)

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CODE OF CONDUCT STATEMENT

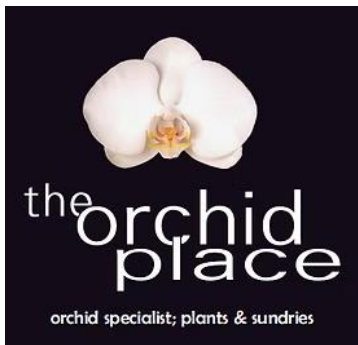
The Society has a Code of Conduct which members must comply with:

*“Members and visitors shall treat each other in a respectful, friendly and cordial manner at
our meetings and Society activities.”*

The complete document is available from our Website, or by clicking on the following **LINK:**

[SSOS Code of Conduct](#)

*Our appreciation
to the following for either
providing sponsorship,
support or association to
our Shows and Society
Activities for 2026*



3 Short St Heathcote



Kirrawee and Caringbah



*Woolooware Shores
Taren Point
for providing our
Show Venue*



Events and Shows for the Diary - 2026

Monday 8th June 2026 - SSOS General Meeting. *Speaker Richie Dimon on Orchids of the Cameron Highlands in Malaysia.*

Friday / Saturday 19th and 20th June 2026 – SSOS Winter Show *at Woolooware Shores, set-up Thursday 18th June from 2pm. (see page 4)*

Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th June 2026 – Mingara Orchid Fair - *Mingara Events Centre, Mingara (see details in flyer page 12)*

Monday 13th July 2026 – SSOS General Meeting. *Speaker Jane Wright on Maudiae Paphiopedilums,*

Friday 7th – Sunday 9th August 2026 – National Orchid Extravaganza *- Cymbidium Club of Aust. / Paph. Society of NSW (see flyer page 13)*

Friday 14th August – Sunday 16th August 2026 – St Ives Orchid Fair – *St Ives Showground, Mona Vale Rd, St Ives. (see flyer page 12)*

Friday / Saturday 11th and 12th September 2026 - SSOS Spring Show *at Woolooware Shores, set-up Thursday 10th September from 2pm*

Friday 18th – Sunday 20th September 2026 - Orchids Central - Club *Condell Park (see flyer page 12))*



Light Supper at Meetings

Tea or Coffee plus biscuits are available during the break at the back of the hall.

****As disposable cups are no longer provided, please remember to
bring along your own mug!***

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

Please email to the Editor:

David Hicks E: davehicks@outlook.com.au

(by the 28th of each month)

thank-you - Editor

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