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**Next Meeting is on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August** at the Forestville Memorial Hall, 3 Starkey St, Forestville. **This month we are hoping to commence the meeting at 7.45pm.** Members may enter the hall and bench plants from 7.00pm.

This month we will not be holding a culture class but instead will start the meeting a bit earlier at 7.45pm with judging and the usual club announcements. Please get your plants onto the show bench as quickly as you can so that the judging can start promptly.

After our break for supper, we will be holding a **Question-and-Answer** session with three of our most knowledgeable members helping answer your questions. They are Garrie Bromley Cary Polis and Craig Scott-Harden.

It is at sessions like this one that we all learn from the experts how to better care for our orchids.

You are invited to bring in any of your problem plants but please put these on the stage in case they may be diseased. If you suspect your plant may have a virus, please bring it in a sealed plastic bag.

#### Reminder -

Members, please make sure you sign in on arrival as this is an insurance requirement of the Society. We still prefer members to be double vaccinated and while masks are not mandatory, they are recommended.

#### Tea Roster -

The supper table helpers will be Lee Payne and Bill Saunderson. Thank you both for volunteering. Members, please remember to bring in your own cups as Styrofoam cups are no longer available.

## JULY SPECIAL PRIZES



Orchid of the Month
Judge's Choice
Paph. Wonderful World
'Lockerbie'
Rod Nurthen



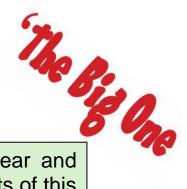
Best of the Evening Open (50% culture/50% flower) Onc. Tsiku Marguerite 'Hof' Fred Gorginian



Best of the Evening Novice (50% culture/50% flower) Masd. Marguerite 'Fire Walker' Loretta & Paul Au

# ST IVES ORCHID FAIR

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August 9 to 4 pm Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August 9 to 4pm Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August 9 to 3pm



This is our major orchid show for this year and members are invited to help with all aspects of this show. At the August meeting we will be asking for helpers to set-up the halls and the display as well as help during the show with security, sales, and the many other jobs that make this show a success. Please help when asked.

# How can I help?

- 1. By bringing in all of your flowering orchids for displaying in the show on the morning of Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> August. Make sure your plants are adequately staked and have all unsighlty leaves or dead flowers removed. The name of your orchid and the class number should be entered on the form provided. If you are not sure which class, please ask one of the committee when you arrive. Please note on the form whether your plant is a seedling or a species. All pots should have a sticker on them with your name on it. Please bring in any of your large plants by 9am on Thursday morning. Smaller orchids should be brought by 10am. Because the season is late this year, it is possible that we will be short of flowering orchids so any you can bring will be very much appreciated.
- 2. **By volunteering to be a helper**. The roster will be again going around at the August meeting so please help our society by putting your name down for at least one shift. Starting on Friday morning when the Fair is open, volunteers are needed for the many jobs that are done during the Show such as security, selling raffle tickets, manning the door in both hall and many other jobs. We also need help on Thursday morning to set up our display. Help is also needed in the Vendor's Hall on Thursday where the tables for the vendors sales are set up awaiting their arrival. All these tables need to be covered with black plastic so help is required with that job also.

Volunteers will be organised into morning and afternoon shifts. Please let the organisers know if you have a particular issue with standing for long periods or some other issue and they will try to accommodate you with a suitable activity. Volunteers should report to the front desk of the Vendors' Hall when they arrive and see Jenny Richardson who is co-ordinating where they are to go.

3. By bringing in your spare orchids for the sales table. Please note that these cannot be brought in until after 8am on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> August. Your sale orchids must have a yellow tag attached which has your name or initials and NSOS on one side and the price you want for the orchid on the other and all plants should have their name on a label in the pot. The yellow tags are available to buy from the sales table at our August meeting if you need some extra ones.

If you are selling Australian native species or hybrids, you will need to get an 'Plantation Grown Plant' tag available from Lesley at the meeting and write the name of the orchid on the blank side. You should also supply a list (fill in the attached list for native plants) to accompany the orchids. This list should be hand in with them at the sales bench. The sales benches at the Fair are at the rear of the Vendor's Hall.

# **JULY 2023**

Paph. Wonderful World 'Lockerbie'

Onc. Tsiku Marguerite 'Hof'

Rod Nurthen

Fred Gorginian

Judge's Choice

Open

**ORCHID OF THE MONTH** 

3. Den. Topaz Dream x Dal's Rage

**16 DENDROBIUM SPECIES** 

No entries

**BEST OF EVENING** 

| (50% culture, 50% flower)  | Open<br>Nov/Inter           | Onc. Tsiku Marguerite 'Hof'' Masd. Marguerite 'Fire Walker'                  | Fred Gorginia<br>Loretta & Paul A  |  |
|--|-----------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|
| OPEN SECTION   |                             |  |                                    |  |
| 1 EXHIBITION LAELINAE  |                             | 18 MISCELLANEOUS SPECIES   |                                    |  |
| 1. Bc. Pastoral 'Innocence'  | Ela Kielich                 | <ol> <li>Max. sophronites</li> </ol>   | Cary Polis                         |  |
| 2. Rlc. Chia Lin   | G & A Cushway               | 2. Ddc. wenzellii  | Cary Polis                         |  |
| 2 BIFOLIATE & CLUSTER LAELIINAE min. 5 flowers                           |                             | 3. Max. variablis  | Cary Polis                         |  |
| 1. Ctt. Unknown  | I & I Chalmers              | 19 MINIATURE SPECIES   |                                    |  |
| 2. Ett. Volcano Trick 'Orange Fire'                                      | Lina Huang                  | <ol> <li>Trichotosia pauciflora</li> </ol>                                   | I & I Chalmers                     |  |
| 3. L. Finckeniana "Kennedys'   | Cary Polis                  | <ol><li>Angraecum distichum</li></ol>  | J Fulcher                          |  |
| 3 MID-SIZE LAELIINAE 71mm-119mi  |                             | <ol><li>Schoenorchis micrantha</li></ol>                                     | Cary Polis                         |  |
| 1. Rth. Dal's Moon 'Cynthia'   | L & G Bromley               | 20 MISCELLAEOUS HYBRIDS  |                                    |  |
| 2. Lc. Australian Frangipani   | Lee Payne                   | <ol> <li>Bulb. Elizabeth Ann 'Bucklebe</li> </ol>                            | erry' L & G Bromley                |  |
| 3. Bc. Hawaii Stars  | Li Shan                     | <ol><li>Lyc. Wyldfire 'Superb'</li></ol>                                     | C Polis                            |  |
| 4 MINIATURE LAELIINAE 70mm and   |                             | 3. Clowesetum Brown's Delight  | I & I chalmers                     |  |
| 1. Rlc. Yen Corona 'Green Vail'  | Ela Kielich                 | 21 VANDACEOUS SPECIES  | 1 : 0                              |  |
| 2. C. Beaufort 'Brampton'  | L & G Bromley               | Vanda bensonii   | Li Shan                            |  |
| 3. C. Petite Baby 'Lea'  | L & G Bromley               | 2. Phal. violacea var. Indigo  | L & G Bromley                      |  |
| 5 LAELIINAE SPECIES  | L a o Bronnoy               | <ol> <li>Phal. ambionensis 'White'</li> <li>VANDACEOUS HYBRIDS 50</li> </ol> | L & G Bromley                      |  |
| ·  | Dora Law                    | 1. Rhnps. Leong Pak-Lin  | L & G Bromley                      |  |
| 1. L. anceps   | Li Shan                     | 23 VANDACEOUS HYBRIDS ON   |                                    |  |
| 2. C. percivaliana   |                             | 1. V. Somsri Glory 'Blue'  | Li Shan                            |  |
| 3. Epi. ciliare  | I & I Chalmers              | 24 STANDARD CYMBIDIUMS   | Li Ghan                            |  |
| 6 STANDARD PHALAENOPSIS  |                             | 1. Cym. Ken Siew   | N & H Gill                         |  |
| No entries   |                             | 25 INTERMEDIATE CYMBIDIUMS   |                                    |  |
| 7 INTERMEDIATE PHALAENOPSIS  |                             | Cym. Jessie Blakiston x Regal Blaze 'Dural' N & H Gill                       |                                    |  |
| <ol> <li>Phal. Tzu Chiang Chrisna 'Christin</li> </ol>                   | na' L & G Bromley           | 2. <i>Cym.</i> Strathdon 'Cooksbridge  |                                    |  |
| 8 MINIATURE PHALAENOPSIS   |                             | 3. Cym. Strathdon 'Cooksbridge   |                                    |  |
| 1. <i>Phal.</i> Venus  | L & G Bromley               | 26 MINIATURE CYMBIDIUMS  | ,                                  |  |
| 9 SPECIMEN PLANT   |                             | 1. Cym. Beason Fire 'Cecil Park' Troy Shamlian                               |                                    |  |
| 1. Paph. insigne   | Elizabeth Blackwell         | <ol><li>Cym. Jimbo Tupp 'Stevie' x Pe</li></ol>                              | epper Blaze x Regal Flame          |  |
| 2. Paph. insigne   | Dora Law                    |  | N & H Gill                         |  |
| 3. Encyclia polybulbon   | Troy Shamlian               | <ol><li>Cym. Sarah Jean 'Jennifer'</li></ol>                                 | Li Shan                            |  |
| 10 ONCIDIINAE SPECIES  | ,                           | 27 CYPRIDEDIOIDEAE SPECIES   | S                                  |  |
| 1. Onc. sotoanum   | G & A Cushway               | 1. Paph. spicerianum   | John Chang                         |  |
| 2. Onc. pardothyrsus   | lan Tanner                  | 2. <i>Paph. wardii</i>   | Christine Rethers                  |  |
| 3. Onc. sotoanum   | L & G Bromley               | 3. Paph. wardii  | Christine Rethers                  |  |
| 11 ONCIDIUM HYBRIDS up to 35mm   |                             | 28 PAPHIOPEDILUM HYBRIDS   |                                    |  |
|  |                             | <ol> <li>Paph. Wonderful World 'Locket</li> </ol>                            | erbie' Rod Nurthen                 |  |
| <ol> <li>Onc. Tsiku Marguerite</li> <li>Onc. Twinkle 'Yellow'</li> </ol> | Troy Shamlian               | <ol><li>Paph. Beryl Krake x Global Pa</li></ol>                              | assport Rod Nurthen                |  |
| 3. <i>Onc.</i> Hwifikie Yellow 3. <i>Onc.</i> Mayfair 'Trinity'          | Cary Polis<br>L & G Bromley | 3. Paph. (Power Surge x Liz Gre  | enlees) x Joan Thomas              |  |
| 12 ONCIDIUM HYBRIDS 35 to 60mm   |                             |  | Rod Nurthen                        |  |
| 1. <i>Onc.</i> Sharry Baby 'Mutation'                                    | Troy Shamlian               | 29 PAPHIOPEDILUM MAUDIAE TYPE  |                                    |  |
| 2. Onc. Sweet Sugar x forbesii   | lan Tanner                  | No entries   |                                    |  |
| 3. Onc. Serendipity 'Yellow Mellow'                                      | Lina Huang                  | 30 NOVELTY CYPRIPEDIOIDEA  | ∆ <b>F</b>                         |  |
| 13 ONCIDIUM HYBRIDS over 60mm  |                             | 1. <i>Paph.</i> Latoya   | Rod Nurthen                        |  |
| 1. Wils. Hilda Plumtree 'Purple Wings'                                   | Li Shan                     | 31 SEEDLING ANY GENUS  | Nod Natinen                        |  |
| 2. Ons. Midnight Miracles 'Masai Red'                                    | Li Shan                     |  |                                    |  |
| <ol><li>Miltoniopsis Unknown</li></ol>                                   | I & I Chalmers              | No entries   | 50.0.11//55150                     |  |
| 14 PLEUROTHALLIDINAE SPECIES   | 1                           | 32 ALL TERRESTRIALS SPECII   |                                    |  |
| Pleurothallis palliolata   | P Yeung/J Keenan            | <ol> <li>Pterostylis collina</li> <li>Ludisia discolor</li> </ol>            | John Chang<br>I & I Chalmers       |  |
| <ol><li>Restrepia brachypus</li></ol>                                    | Christine Rethers           | 2. Ludisia discolor 33 AUSTRALIAN SARCANTHIN                                 |                                    |  |
| 3. Masd. atahulpa  | P Yeung/J Keenan            | No Entries   | ME SPECIES                         |  |
| 15 PLEUROTHALLIDINAE HYBRIDS   | -                           |  | ECIES                              |  |
| No entries   |                             |  | 34 AUSTRALASIAN NATIVE SPECIES     |  |
| 16A DENDROBIUM HYBRIDS   |                             |  | 1. Bulb. shepherdii I & I Chalmers |  |
| Den. Pacific Pride   | Fred Gorginian              | 35A AUSTRALASIAN SARCANTHINAE HYBRIDS White                                  |                                    |  |
| Den. Asternova Galaxy  | Ela Kielich                 | No Entries   | No Entries                         |  |
| 2. Den Tonaz Dream v Dal's Rage  | Ela Kielich                 | 35B AUSTRALASIAN SARCAN  | THINAE HYBRIDS Colour              |  |

Ela Kielich

No entries

#### 36A AUSTRALASIAN TERETE LEAF DEN. Sp/Hybrid

Den. rigidum
 Den. rigidum
 Cary Polis
 Den. rigidum
 Cary Polis
 Cary Polis

#### **36B AUSTRALASIAN NATIVE HYBRIDS**

1. Den. Fraser's Canary Twister L & G Bromley

2. Den. Regal Hilda 'Rockstar' x Star of Gold 'Boronia'

G & A Cushway

3. Den. Australian Tetrasheen I & I Chalmers

## INTERMEDIATE SECTION

37 AUSTRALASIAN NATIVE SPECIES & HYBRIDS

No entries

38 PAPHIOPEDILUM SPECIES & HYBRIDS

No entries

39 CYMBIDIUM & MISCELLANEOUS ORCHIDS

No entries

**40 ONCIDIINAE SPECIES & HYBRIDS** 

1. Onc. Jungle Monarch A Mobbs

41 LAELIINAE SPECIES & HYBRIDS

1. Rlc. Pastoral 'Innocence' A Mobbs

**42 DENDROBIUM SPECIES & HYBRIDS** 

No entries

43 MISCELLANEOUS SPECIES & HYBRIDS

1. Phal. Venus S Theresianto & M Magee

2. Masd. Machu Picchu 'Jay Vee' A Mobbs

#### **NOVICE**

#### 43 CYMBIDIUM & MISCELLANEOUS ORCHIDS

Masd. Marguerite 'Fire Walker'
 Cym. Pharaoh's Dream
 Phal. celebensis

Loretta & Paul Au
Loretta & Paul Au
Jie Zhang

#### 45 DENDROBIUM, ONCIDIINAE & PAPHIOPEDILUM

1. Paph. In Charm 'Gold' Loretta & Paul Au

2. Ons. Tan Treasures 'Puppy Pleasure' Jie Zhang

3, Brsdm. Yellow Star 'Golden Gambol' Loretta & Paul Au

46 LAELIINAE

1. Rlc. Mount Anderson x Rlc. Donna Kimura

Katherine Hsiao

2. C. percivaliana Loretta & Paul Au

3. C. intermedia x L. anceps Katherine Hsiao

#### **47 AUSTRALASIAN NATIVE ORCHIDS**

Den. Esme Poulton
 Pterostylis nutans
 Den. Jonathan's Glory 'Dark Joy'
 Loretta & Paul Au Joy Gouvoussis
 Loretta & Paul au

#### 164 orchids benched

Exhibitors – please note that species orchids must not be exhibited in a hybrid class.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- National Orchid Extravaganza and Paphiopedilum Society Shows 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> August
- St Ives Orchid Fair 18th-20th August
- North Shore Orchid Society Spring Show September 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Set up on 13<sup>th</sup> September
- Orchids Central at Bankstown 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> October

Members, it is not too early to start thinking now about two of the upcoming events in the Society's calendar.

The NSOS Spring Show will be held at the St Ives Shopping Centre in mid-September so it is time to start thinking about what orchids you will have available for the display and to bring in for the sale. At our show in June, the number of members' plants sold was close to an all-time high. Grooming plants for the display should start as early as possible to get the best out of your orchids.

At the October meeting we will be holding our second auction of the year. Members are invited to bring in a maximum of four orchids to be auctioned. If you would like to bring in some small or even seedling-sized plants, these can be grouped together in a box and the box will be counted as one item. This is a marvellous opportunity for you to get some lovely new plants as well as to reduce the number of duplicate plants in your own collection.

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# A SELECTION OF ORCHIDS FROM OUR JULY MEETING



Rlc. Chia Lin G & A Cushway



Laelia anceps Dora Law



Onc. Mayfair 'Trinity' L & G Bromley



Bulb. shepherdii I & I Chalmers



Ett. Volcano Trick 'Orange Fire' Lina Huang



Onc. sotoanum G & A Cushway



Wils. Hilda Plumtree 'Purple Wings' Den. Hot Lips 'Barrita Li Shan



L & G Bromley



Pot. Lisa Taylor Gallis 'Nora' L & G Bromley



Pleurothallis palliolata P Yeung/J Keenan



Trichotosia pauciflora I & I Chalmers



C. Petite Baby 'Lea' L & G Bromley



Bulb. mirin C Scott-Harden



Rlc. Mount Anderson x Rlc. Donna Kimura Katherine Hsiao

# Congratulations to Gloria and Allan Cushway for their lovely Cattleya, Rlc. Dream Trader 'Colossus'



Grand Champion and Champion Cattleya Alliance at North Shore Orchid Society's Winter Show

Reserve Grand Champion and Champion Cattleya Alliance at Mingara Orchid Fair and Show

Rlc. Dream Trader was first bred by R Maidment in 1990. The two largest components of its breeding are *C. mossiae* and *C. trianae* but at least seven other Cattleyas have contributed to its breeding. To date it has received 25 awards. At its widest part it is 19 cm wide – no wonder it is named 'Colossus'!

# **Preparing Orchids for Benching** by Ian Chalmers

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

# Flowers and spikes.

- 1. Stake your plants as 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.
- Cut off dead leaves and bulbs.
- 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 them. Some people use milk.

#### **Pots and Mounts**

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