

HERVEY BAY ORCHID SOCIETY Inc

NEWS AND VIEWS

August 2020
THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF ORCHIDS
No. 133

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Sarcanthinae Specimen
Sarco Cinnamon x Susie 'Surprise'

GENERAL MEETINGS:

Due to Covid19 Our August General Meeting will be a combined meeting with our IGG Meeting.

Our next general meeting for September will need to be decided.

The General Meeting combined IGG Meeting will be on **Saturday 22nd August at 1.00pm.** Plants to be judged need to be tabled by **12.45pm.**

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Our committee meetings are usually held on the FOURTH Monday of the month.

Next committee meeting is:

Monday 31st August 2020 commencing 6.30pm at Giles & Janine Blaber property.

Feature Plant for August 2020 meeting is:
Australia Natives

INTERESTED GROWERS MEETINGS: These are informal gatherings offering cultural advice and information exchange which are usually held on the FOURTH Saturday of each month from 2pm.

The IGG for August will be a combined meeting and will be on **Saturday 22nd August at the Orchid House at Hervey Bay Botanic Gardens with the IGG starting at 2.00pm.**

Please bring your own chair, hat & some food for yourself to enjoy with everyone. Tea & Coffee will be available, Bring problem plants & Brag plants for discussion.

So our Combined meeting will be held on **Saturday the 22nd August** is as follows:

Venue: Orchid House Botanic Gardens.

Plants to be judged to be tabled by 12.45pm.

General Meeting commencing at 1.00pm.

IGG Meeting commencing at 2.00pm.

Raffle tickets will be available and don't forget your members badge for the lucky door.

Lucky Door Prize and Competition Results

- The lucky door prize winner for
- The lucky competition winners were:

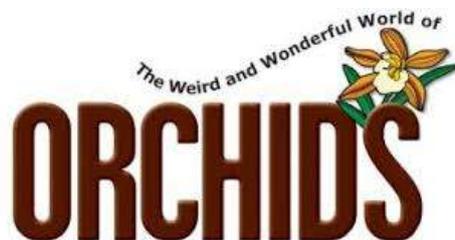
Members must wear name badges to meetings to be eligible for the lucky door prize

An Orchid book library is available at the Church Hall for all members to use. Please ensure books borrowed are signed out by our librarian. Check out the many books available books can be borrowed for a month and then signed back in.

HBOS Inc. Executive and committee members elected for 2020			
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Committee	Thuy Dolkens	Carol Morgan	
Committee & Assist Sec	Ross Skyring		

Notes:

Anyone with flowering plants who would like to loan them to the Botanical Garden's Orchid House please contact the Orchid House on 4125 9715



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**22nd Australian Orchid Conference & Show
1-5 September 2021**

Start planning for this major AOCC event.

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- *View speaker profiles
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- *Register for the conference
- * and much more

PLEASE AIM TO SUPPORT THIS IF YOU CAN

Getting to meetings!
 If you would like to attend the Saturday combined general meeting and IGG meeting on the 22nd August but are unable to get there because you don't have transport please let one of the committee members know and we might be able to organise that.



Follow us on Facebook!
 Julie Arthur and Carol Jenkins have been doing a great job updating the Facebook page.

Message from our President:

With Covid-19 continuing to restrict the way we meet and interact with our members, the Hervey Bay Orchid Society Management Committee have supported an idea to run a monthly competition on our Facebook Page "Hervey Bay Orchid Society". During each month Julie Arthur will post a comment on our Facebook page asking for members to post just one photo of their favourite orchid plant they have in flower, then for the next 10 or so days members of the page can choose their favourite photo and the most "liked" picture will then be displayed as the banner photo for the next month. We hope you will support this idea by not only posting your favourite orchid plant in flower but by voting for the photo of your choice.

So entries are now open until 8pm Friday 21st August for members to post a "LANDSCAPE" size photo of your favourite Orchid you have in flower on the post written for people to post a photo.

Please remember to add the name of the plant to your photo and be careful of the photo you choose as only 1 entry per person.

Members are encouraged to vote for their favourite photo until 8pm on Friday 21st August.

If you are on Facebook and not currently a member of our page, maybe it is time for you to think about joining and to have the opportunity to share your beautiful flowers with everyone.

Happy snapping.

IGG Meeting

During this time of Covid19 we held our first IGG meeting which was at the Orchid House Botanic Gardens on Saturday 8th August.

23 Members attended we were only a small group but we had very enjoyable gathering for our first IGG. Those who did attend enjoyed themselves. It was good to "Talk Orchids" again with like minded people and laughs to be had. Terri gave us a very informative talk about Orchids. Members bought their own chair, hat & some food for themselves, Tea & Coffee was available and many problem plants & Brag plants were on the table for discussion. We thank the Botanic Gardens for allowing us to Hold this meeting at their venue.



Australian Native

ENVIRONMENT. Found growing wild in most areas on the east coast of Australia. It is easy to provide suitable conditions for these plants. Dendrobiums prefer bright filtered sunlight, 50% – 70% shade cloth is ideal or a tree or similar screen allowing dappled sunlight is perfect. Sarcochilus are usually found in heavier shade areas, about 90% shade and somewhat higher humidity than dendrobiums is beneficial.

TEMPERATURE. Good air movement is important, especially during very hot or cold periods so natural airflow should not be impeded. Sarcochilus enjoy temperatures up to 30 degrees, over this try to minimise maximum temperatures, by providing more shade or air movement.

WATERING. Perfect drainage is important, Many Australian Native Orchids grow on trees and dry off quickly after rain. Water thoroughly then allow plants to dry out completely before re-watering. Water regularly in summer, sparingly in winter. If you receive regular winter rain, a solid roof over the plants may be necessary to control watering in cold weather.

COMPOST. Must be free draining. A course bark mix is ideal, perhaps add 20% gravel or similar if you wish. As a guide, use 10mm bark in 100mm pots, 15mm bark in 150mm pots and 20mm bark in 200mm pots or bigger. If established in the garden, a gravel bed under the plant will help with the drainage, or attach firmly to a tree or rock and tie a pad of coconut fibre or similar over the root mass.

REPOTTING. Dendrobiums are best done soon after flowering, at the beginning of the growing season. Leave Sarcochilus till March/April after the worst of the hot weather has passed. Sarcochilus grow all year, but experience most growth during Autumn/Winter. Ensure pots have adequate drainage and are just big enough to contain the root system of the plant to be potted.

FERTILISE. Regularly, especially during the growing season, using a fertilizer for flowering plants, low in nitrogen and high in potassium.

PESTS & DISEASE. Generally hardy and resilient, Australian Native Dendrobiums and Sarcochilus can sometimes be attacked by scale, aphid or spider mite. Treat with a recommended insecticide such as Diazinon or pest oil. Fungal infections are rare provided good air movement during wet weather.



Dendrobium Speciosum (Rock Orchid)

HERVEY BAY ORCHID SOCIETY INC.
A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY
(10th Anniversary – by Norm Sprenger.)

The Hervey Bay Orchid Society was formed in 1983 and its first meeting was held in the C.W.A. hall in Bideford Street, Torquay. Regular monthly meetings were held there until November 2009. Rumours circulated that the membership of the C.W.A. had fallen to such a stage that the Hervey Bay Branch may have to close, and the hall property may have to be sold. The property was later sold, and the hall was renovated into a residence.



Photograph of former hall taken in 2020

Some photographs of the Committee meeting on 25th March 2002. These photographs were taken in the old C.W.A. Hall.

Terri Bade is here



L to R – Terri Bade, Noela Lindgren, Norm Sprenger and June Ambrose



Terri Bade giving an orchid plant commentary.



L to R -Heather Myles, Joyce Rummell, Wally Weaver, Col Galway, Dalis Jones, Graham Hammond, Charlie Hausknecht, Noel Joyce, Colin Walkom, Graeme Johnston, Sylvia Hendstock, Unknown, Roslyn Hawkins, Unknown, Heinz Sutorowski, George Wilson, Julie Wilson, Flora Moloney, Eric Moloney.

The first Hervey Bay Orchid Show was held on 12th April 1985 in the old Presbyterian Church Hall in Freshwater Street, Scarness, adjacent to the Hervey Bay Bowls Club. The Maryborough and Bundaberg Orchid Societies helped by displaying orchids. The Champion Orchid was displayed by J & N Hoffman, M.D.O.S. The hall was later removed and relocated to Biloela.



Orchid show draws record 400 entries

The entry of 400 blooms guaranteed variety at the Hervey Bay Orchid Society's show in the Presbyterian Hall on Friday and Saturday and record patronage ensured its success.

The president of the society, Mr Brian Pearce, said the display was a credit to the entire region because entries had come from as far as Bundaberg.

Mr Pearce said the quality of the blooms entered for competition was an indication of the dedication and increasing knowledge of district orchid fanciers.

The Hervey Bay society was fairly young and it was gratifying to know that it could host a show of such quality.

The champion awards all went to Maryborough growers.

The champion orchid was displayed by J. Hoffman.

The reserve champion award was taken out by P. and H. McLean.

B. Haberman displayed the best specimen and P. and H. McLean repeated their initial

success and took the award for the pre-eminent entry.

The best species award was won by J. Skyring.

Maryborough won the trophy for best open display.

Hervey Bay group two was second and Hervey Bay group one was third.

Results — Bundaberg (B), Hervey Bay (HB), Maryborough (M):

Cattleya, over 11.5 cm, A. Bennett (B) 1, R. Jensen (B) 2, N. Joyce (HB 2) 3; **Cattleya** under 11.5 cm, J. Maughan (B) 1, R. Jensen (B) 2, J. Maughan (B) 3; **cattleya** cluster type, R. Jensen (B) 1, C. Hausknecht (M) 2, J. Maughan (B) 3; **cattleya** novelty and cocktail, R. Jensen (B)

1, C. Vander Loos (HB) 2, B. Brecknel (B) 3; **Epi**, three cut heads, Jan Langer (M).

Dendrobium, ceratobium, J. Hoffman (M) 1, B. and G. Pearce (HB) 2, J. Skyring (M) 3; **dendrobium** intermediate, P. and H. McLean (M) 1, V. and B. Dellar (B) 2, A. and W. Moffett (HB 2) 3; **dendrobium** phalanthean, B. and G. Pearce (HB 2) 1, P. Abdy (B) 2, V. B. Dellar (B) 3; **dendrobium** phalanthe white and pred. white, K. Baker (M) 1, N. and J. Joyce (HB 2) 2, H. and P. McLean (M) 3; **vanda** and asco over 7.5 cm, C. and M. Broome (HB 2) 1, C. Hausknecht (M) 2, B. and G. Pearce (HB 2) 3.

Asocendra under 7.5 cm, G. and B. Pearce (HB 2) 1, G. Webb (HB 1) 2, E. and F. Williams

(M) 3; other vanceaceous alliance, C. Ludwig (HB 1) 1, R. Scully (M) 2, M. Miles (HB 2) 3; **oncidiums** and allied genera, B. and G. Pearce (HB 2) 1, P. and C. Williams (M) 2, Mrs C. Tait (B) 3; **miniature oncidium**, J. Skyring (M) 1, S. Thorburn (M) 2, N. Fleming (M) 3; **paphiopedilum**, F. and C. Williams (M) 1, J. Skyring (M) 2, M. Bell (HB 2) 3.

Australian native, B. and G. Pearce (HB 2) 1, J. Maughan (B) 2, B. and G. Pearce (HB 2) 3; **any other genera**, G. Cook (HB 2) 1, N. Fleming (M) 2, A. Bennett (B) 3.

Best fern, V. Dellar (B) 1, S. Thorburn (M) 2, E. and G. Cook (HB 2) 3; **plant var. leaf**, N. and J. Joyce (HB 2) 1, V. Dellar (B) 2, N. and J. Joyce (HB 2) 3; **anthurium**, J. Cousins (M) 1, P. Fels (B) 2, N. and J. Joyce (HB 2) 3.

The first orchid show at the Great Hall, Pialba High School, Beach Road, Pialba, from 10th to 11th October, 2008.



Opening of show-Norm Sprenger, Carol Jenkins, Mick Kruger (Mayor), Councillors Anne Nioa & Debbie Hawes, - Flora Moloney.



First display of Taffy Haines' Bonsai.



Opening show 2009 – Show patron?? -Ted Sorenson (M.P.), Norm Sprenger, Mick Kruger (Mayor) & Julie Arthur (Councillor). - Show patron?



The first meeting the Hervey Bay Orchid Society held in the church hall of the Presbyterian Church, 9 Denman Camp Road, Scarness was held in February 2010. The February 2020, meeting celebrated the 10th year anniversary of our association with the hall.



Photographs of church hall and H.B.O.S. members at 1st meeting in the hall.

LAST MEETING 1/ 2 /2010.....
OUR FIRST MEETING AT THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COR-
NER OF DENMAN CAMP Rd &
FRESHWATER STREET TOR-
QUAY. THE MEETING WENT OF
WELL IT WAS LOVELY SITTING
BACK WITH PLENTY OF ROOM
AND AIRCONDITIONED COM-
FORT...THE BENCHING ON THE
NIGHT WAS NOT REAL GOOD AS
IT WAS A RAINY NIGHT BUT
THERE WERE A FEW GOOD OR-
CHIDS ON DISPLAY..WE HAD A
GUEST SPEAKER HIS NAME
WAS... CHARLIE McMONAGLE
HE CAME UP FROM PALMVIEW
ON THE SUNSHINE COAST AND
GAVE A SLIDE PRESENTATION
AND TALK ON TAIWAN .

It was good to see 54 of our members turn up on such a wet night. Well done.

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PRESIDENT
NORM SPRENGER
MARCH 2010
THE HONORARY MEMBER OF ORCHIDS

DEN LARAPINTA 'BUTTERFLY'



Please forgive the quality of the photographs as I did not have the originals, and they had to be scanned from the newsletter.
That is all Folks.

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