# HERVEY BAY ORCHID SOCIETY Inc

#### **NEWS AND VIEWS**

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THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF ORCHIDS

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#### GENERAL MEETINGS:

Our general meetings are held on the FIRST Monday of the month unless otherwise notified.

Due to Covid restrictions please watch this space for advice relating to future venues and meeting times.

The next General Meeting is?? (-To be advised)

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Our committee meetings are usually held on the FOURTH Monday of the month. Next committee meeting is 22<sup>nd</sup> February 6.30pm at 8 Flynn Court Urraween.

Feature Plant for February??? No General meeting

#### INTERESTED GROWERS MEETINGS: (IGG)

These are informal gatherings offering cultural advice and information exchange which are usually held on the FOURTH Saturday of each month.

The next IGG is 27<sup>th</sup> February at the Orchid House, Hervey Bay Botanic Gardens.

Just for something different it will be in the morning starting at 10am More info in the IGG section of this newsletter.

NB: To be Covid safe, please bring your own food for afternoon tea. Coffee and tea will be available.

#### **COMING EVENTS:**

AGM Annual General Meeting 6th Of February -at 10am in Botanic Gardens. Please Note:-details below

#### **Lucky Door Prize and Competition Results**

- The lucky door prize winner for the next meeting is TBA
- The lucky competition winners were: TBA

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

#### HBOS Shirts are available from Tony Russell Ph. 0412 989 004

An Orchid book library is now available at the Orchid House Botanical Gardens for all members to use. Please ensure books borrowed are signed out by our Librarian.

Checkout the many books available. Note: Library will be open in the new year 2021.

**AGM** We have our annual general meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2021. This is being held at the Botanical Gardens at 10am. The meeting will be followed by a plant discussion and then a BBQ lunch, can all attending please bring a chair and hat.

HBOS Inc. Executive and committee members elected for 2020		
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Final Message from the president of 2020- Daphne McKenna

I hope you all had a Merry Christmas, hopefully the Year of 2021 is going to be a better year for us all so we can get back to more of our activities that bring us all together.

Stay safe Daphne.



# Start planning for this major AOC event.

#### Visit aocc2021.org to:

- \*See event details
- \*View speaker profiles
- \*Organise accommodation
- \*Register for the conference
- \* and much more

#### **PLEASE AIM TO SUPPORT THIS**

#### **AUSTRALIAN ORCHID CONFERENCE**

In 2019, South East Queensland Orchid Societies combined to bid for the 2021 event and won the right to hold the 2021 AOC Conference and Show in South East Queensland. The event with me held at the Logan Sports and Events Centre from 1 to September 2021.



Follow us on Facebook! See Julie Arthur's update on page

### May All have a Healthy and Happy Year Ahead

Note: All New Members joining after the 1st October 2020 will be financial till February 2022

STOCQ Meeting is being held at Albert Bowls Club Gympie on the 13<sup>th</sup>. February 2021. Starts 8.30am to 12pm followed by guest speaker Ivan Vercovi. Anyone wishing to attend lunch at 1pm @ \$12/head needs to notify

leanne.jim.evans1@bigpond.com or phone 54 826 962

#### INTERESTED GROWERS GROUP MEETING

The next IGG meeting is on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> February from 10am to 12pm at the Botanic Gardens Orchid House.

The November 2020 IGG was well attended, and it was great to catch up with everyone again. It was also very instructive. Terri presented a very informative talk about various plants of interest followed by a demonstration potting of catesetums among the demo plants, Thanks Terry.

We are all here to learn whilst enjoying ourselves, as were there were plenty of plants up for discussion which is great to see.

As usual bring along brag plants and any other plants of interest good or bad. Tea and coffee supplied by HBOS is available but please bring your own food for morning tea if you desire, and preferably your own cup, hat and chair.

Everyone is welcome to attend but all members & visitors are requested to sign the Attendance Book and adhere to 1.5m distancing where possible in satisfaction of Covid - 19 requirements. These arrangements are the minimum if no other restrictions are made should the Virus escalate in the State.

Note: 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

#### Terri potting Catesetum



#### Maxillaria tenuifolia



Speakers who presented us with their expertise with potting and caring for Orchids in general is always very valuable to our new and current members alike, especially during the 2020 year.

We are all looking forward to a great 2021 year with our orchid hobby.





C.purpurata 'Carnea'

# Christmas Party and Breakup for 2020

Once again and enjoyable evening had by all who attended the night.

The Secret Santa that was held this year was different to our usual Christmas Breakups. All injoyed the opening their secret gifts, each person who attended also took home a plant as a gift from the club.

During the evening a life Membership was awarded to Graeme Johnstone, congradulations Graeme.

Even though numbers down due to Covid restriction a great night was had by all.



President- Daphne McKenna opening the evening



Graeme proudly wearing his life membership Badge, with our 2020 President. Daphne.

Following are some group photos of members enjoying the night.





Check out Terri's potted orchid crown for orchid man of the year. Ha ha, ha

Those who would like copies of photos taken on the night please contact Keith Lydiate for details of photos taken of individuals, couples and group shots. For more information, please contact Keith directly.









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