



Hervey Bay Orchid Society Inc



February 2023 Update

Welcome to Orchidfest 2023

21st – 24th September 2023

Xavier Catholic College, 1 Wide Bay Drive, Eli Waters, Hervey Bay

Planning is well underway for this event with an enthusiastic Show Committee at the helm. We are pleased to release the Show Schedule which is now published at this site. There is over \$4000 in prize money to encourage the best plants to be displayed by STOCQ members.

The full list of Guest Speakers and Vendors will be released soon but we can confirm that we expect a lecture program of 12 speakers covering a broad range of topics, each an expert grower in their field and qualified with local knowledge and experience. The aim is to cover culture and developments in their field of expertise.

There will be a diversified group of vendors including -

- MnS Orchids from Sarina
- Alice's Orchids from Townsville
- Orchid Mania from Gympie
- Kingfisher Orchid Nursery from near Ipswich
- Pacific Beach Orchid Nursery from Welcome Creek near Bundaberg
- Paradise Orchids from Hervey Bay
- Darryl Banks from Montville

at this stage Paul Smith from Ipswich will have orchid flasks and foliage plants for sale. The Hervey Bay Bromeliad Society will display and sell Bromeliads for those so inclined and Orchidaceous Supplies will have all your potting and hardware requirements available.

If you can't find something there to spend your pocket money on then you are just not trying hard enough!

There is a lot to do in Hervey Bay and surrounds. September is a beautiful time of the year and a great opportunity to take advantage of the local attractions so the "free day" on Saturday 23rd gives you the freedom to plan a tour, or just kick back and relax at the Show.

If you are planning a tour, do book early as it is school holiday season and there will be a lot of demand. The same goes for accommodation. Lock it in now to avoid disappointment.

Thank you for considering this event.

We believe you won't be disappointed and we look forward to welcoming you to Orchidfest 2023 in September.

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