

# Bankstown Orchid Society



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**26-28 May 2017**

Hawkesbury Racecourse, Clarendon  
(Opposite Richmond RAAF Base)

Friday & Saturday: 9am-4pm

Sunday: 9am-3pm

Light Refreshments available



*L. perrinii*



*Phal. bellina* 'Ponkan'  
S Lee



*Paph. Malpoense* 'Amy' x *delenatii*  
V. Petrovski

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Cool nights and warm days add up to my favourite season. It's hard to believe that just a month ago we were drowning in endless rain and storms, and a month before that we had one of the hottest summers on record. Our poor orchids rely on us to help them get through the tough times...and reward us with such a beautiful autumn display. It's now time to prepare for winter.

If you could not attend last night's meeting, you missed an excellent talk on Paphiopedilums (slipper orchids) by Dr Seong Tay, President of the Paph Society of NSW. His presentation surely convinced many members that they should have a go at growing these magnificent orchids.

Chester Square is just 2 weeks away, schedule in the last bulletin. Show procedure is as follows:

14<sup>th</sup> May at hall - 2 pm for ½ hour if many helpers to pack trailer

17<sup>th</sup> May at Chester Square – 3 pm for set up then plant benching till 7pm

18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> May show in progress....need volunteers for show security every morning and afternoon please

21<sup>st</sup> pack up from 1pm...staggered collection of benched plants directed by me and loading of trailer and procession to hall to unLoad.

Prizemoney and ribbons at next meeting. See you there!

Veronica

## Calendar of Events 2017

- ◆ **May 18-21 Bankstown Show Chester Square Shopping Centre**
- ◆ May 26-28 Orchids Out West, Hawkesbury Racecourse, Clarendon
- ◆ **June 5 Bankstown OS Meeting, 7.30 pm**
- ◆ June 24-25 Mingara Orchid Show and Fair, Mingara Recreation Club
- ◆ **July 26-30, Bankstown Show Bass Hill Plaza**
- ◆ August 11-13, National Orchid Extravaganza, The Centre, 1 Pellitt Lane, Dural
- ◆ August 18-20 St Ives Fair, St Ives Showground
- ◆ **September 4 Bankstown OS Meeting 7.30pm**
- ◆ October 6-8 Southern Orchid Spectacular, Caringbah High School
- ◆ **October 2 Bankstown OS Meeting 7.30pm**
- ◆ **November 6 Bankstown OS Meeting 7.30pm**
- ◆ **December 4 Bankstown OS Christmas Party 7.30 pm**

For a complete listing of all shows throughout NSW see NSW Orchid Society website  
<http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/Shows2017.htm>

### Committee - 2017

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### HIRE OF SOCIETY TABLES TO MEMBERS

Contact Max Redman 9607 3022

- 1-9 Tables: \$6 each
- 10 or more: \$5 each

Not available during Shows.

All damages will be the responsibility of the Hirer

### Plant Benching

At monthly meetings all plants must be benched by 7:20pm  
Rewrite those labels if they are illegible.

## Winter Orchid Show Schedule 26 - 30 July, 2017 Bass Hill Plaza

### Setup Details

- **Table Setup:** Wed 26 July from 2.30 pm
- **Plant Benching & Show Set Up:** Wed 26 July 4pm-6.30pm and Thur 27 July 7.30am-noon
- **Judging:** Thur 27 July at 7pm
- **Dismantling** Sun 30 July from 2pm (please be present from 1.30 pm)

### Major Prizes

**Grand Champion: \$75 and Sash**  
**Reserve Champion: \$50 and Sash**  
**Champions: \$20 and Sash**

Cymbidium | Cattleya | Australasian Native Species/Hybrid | Cyripedioideae Species/Hybrid  
Oncidiinae | Phalaenopsis | Species | Any Other Genera | Seedling | Novice

**Prize Money all Classes: 1st \$10.00 | 2nd \$5.00**

For further information please contact:

President	Mrs Veronica Clowes	9029 2305
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	Mr Max Redman	9607 3022
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Treasurer	Ms Lyn Donald	0402 256 920
Secretary	Mr Ernest Taylor	9750 9226

***MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT YOUR ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED FOR SHOW SECURITY!!!***

### Open Classes

- Class 1 Best white, cream, yellow or green Cymbidium greater than 90mm
- Class 2 Best red or pink Cymbidium greater than 90mm
- Class 3 Best any other colour Cymbidium greater than 90mm
- Class 4 Best white, cream, yellow or green Cymbidium 60mm to 90mm
- Class 5 Best red or pink Cymbidium 60mm to 90mm
- Class 6 Best any other colour Cymbidium 60mm to 90mm
- Class 7 Best white, cream, yellow or green Cymbidium up to 60mm
- Class 8 Best red or pink Cymbidium up to 60mm
- Class 9 Best any other colour Cymbidium up to 60mm
- Class 10 Best nominated Cymbidium Seedling
- Class 11 Best Laeliinae Exhibition over 110 mm
- Class 12 Best Laeliinae Exhibition 65mm to 109mm
- Class 13 Best Laeliinae Exhibition 64mm or less
- Class 14 Best Laeliinae Cluster type
- Class 15 Best Laeliinae any other
- Class 16 Best Phalaenopsis 80mm and over
- Class 17 Best Phalaenopsis 79mm and under
- Class 18 Best Oncidiinae hybrid over 65mm
- Class 19 Best Oncidiinae hybrid up to 65mm
- Class 20 Best Cyripedioideae hybrid (Paphs/Phrags)
- Class 21 Best Cyripedioideae hybrid (novelty/primary hybrids)
- Class 22 Best Dendrobium Hybrid (other than native)
- Class 23 Best Pleurothallidinae hybrid
- Class 24 Best Australian/Australasian native hybrid
- Class 25 Best Any other Genera
- Class 26 Best Seedling other than Cymbidium
- Class 27 Best Species Laeliinae
- Class 28 Best Species Oncidiinae
- Class 29 Best Species Cyripedioideae
- Class 30 Best Species Dendrobium
- Class 31 Best Species Pleurothallidinae
- Class 32 Best Species Monopodial
- Class 33 Best Species Americas
- Class 34 Best Species Asian



- Class 35 Best Species other areas
- Class 36 Best Australian/Australasian species

### Conditions of Entry

1. Initial class places are tentative until all results are collated and finalised the following day.
2. Entries are received upon the basis that the Society or its sponsors shall not be responsible for any loss, destruction nor damage to such exhibits and the exhibitor shall have no claim against the Society or Sponsors.
3. Entries are accepted on condition that they are disease free. The decision of the President or Show Marshal shall be final.
4. All competitive entries shall have been owned and in the possession of the exhibitor for the preceding six months.
5. All competitive entries should be correctly and clearly labelled with the name of the plant.
6. There shall be no restriction to the number of entries by an exhibitor in any class. Entries in joint names will be accepted. Only financial members may exhibit.
7. The Show Marshall and Committee reserve the right to reject, remove or rearrange any exhibit without giving any reason for that action and to reclassify any plant if necessary, prior to judging.
8. All plants shall be booked in and in position ready for judging by 12 noon on the day of judging.
9. Entries are eligible for judging in one class only, except where stated otherwise in the schedule.
10. If in the opinion of the Judges no exhibit in any class warrants a prize, none may be given. At the discretion of the Show Marshall additional classes may be created where warranted.
11. Plants for special prizes shall be selected from all exhibits in the show unless otherwise specified.
12. Judging shall be by a panel of Judges nominated by the O.S.N.S.W. Registrar and shall be in accordance with the standards and by-laws laid down by the O.S.N.S.W.Inc. The Judges decision shall be final.
13. No exhibit may be dismantled or removed prior to closing time of the show at 2pm on the final day of show.
14. 'Novice' shall mean: Any exhibitor until she/he has won either a champion award in one of our society shows, the yearly point score in the monthly competition of this society, or becomes an open class competitor in any other society.
15. 'Seedling' shall mean the complete plant grown from seed and flowered for the first time. Plants that have been grown on or divided prior to being exhibited on the show bench are not eligible to be shown as seedlings. For exhibition purposes seedlings shall retain their status of 'Seedling' throughout the flowering season in which they first flower. Mericlones are not eligible as seedlings.
16. 'Miniature species' are defined as Orchids with flowers 15mm or under in size across the widest part of the flower, regardless of the number of flowers, and distance of <200mm from 1st to last flower. All 'Miniature' species are to be judged in this class.
17. 'Miniature Cymbidium Hybrids' are defined for the purpose of this schedule as Cymbidiums where the flowers are 55mm or less, to be measured horizontally across the visible limits of the flower without manipulation and are miniature in habit.
18. 'Laeliinae Alliance' classes shall include all combinations and not only those hybrids with Cattleya in their parentage. E.g. Epidendrum, Sophronitis, Laelia, Hawkinsara, Cattleyatonia, Leptotes etc.
19. Staking shall be in accordance with the rules of O.S.N.S.W. i.e. flowers may be supported in the best possible manner for presentation. This supporting should be in such a manner so as not to be obtrusive and distract from the overall beauty and charm of the plant. With single flowered genera e.g. Paphiopedilum, Lycaste, etc., ties or support shall be no higher than immediately below the ovary. If it is necessary to tie above the bottom flower or top branch, the judges are permitted to penalise, or temporarily remove such tie for the purpose of judging.
20. The cover for plants under protection for humidity must be transparent.
21. Champion seedling is not to be considered for Grand Champion unless it has already won the Champion in its class.
22. Plants offered for sale at the show must be free of disease and pests, offered at a maximum rate of \$100 or less and sold or rejected for sale at the discretion of the President or the President's representative. (An exceptional plant may be offered for sale at a higher price with sole permission from the President.)
23. Only members who have benched a suitable number of plants in this show (at the discretion of the President or representative) may offer plants for sale. The commission charged by the Bankstown Orchid Society for the sale of members plants will be 15% from those members who provide a minimum of 4 hours supervision at the venue, or 20% from members who do not attend for the required length of time. The supervision required to avoid the extra commission will not include the day of set up or the day of dismantling. Please ensure that you sign on and off in the attendance book, and report to the Committee member 'in charge' at that time.
24. **No member may offer for sale any plant or other related item at any place other than the sales table.** A breach of this rule will result in the member being asked to remove any plants from both the show bench and sales table immediately. Any prizes won will be defaulted. All members should report illegal trading to the President or representative immediately for action.

**Paphiopedilum villosum** by Jim Brydie



*Paph villosum* doesn't often win on the bench among its sisters. Although not perhaps the most beautiful of the slippers, it is a cool growing, clump forming type that is quite easy to grow and is definitely worth more attention.

In nature it occurs from NE India, across Burma and into Southern China, Laos, Vietnam and Thailand, at altitudes of 1100 to 2100 meters. It is found in highland cloud forests in areas with abundant rainfall. Usually on tree forks or clumps of ferns about 10 to 15 meters above the ground, although it is occasionally also found as a lithophyte on cliff faces.

There are a number of recognized varieties and colour forms of the species. The 'variety gigantea' at the right is coloured much the same as the common variety but has a flower at least 25% larger. A few of the other colour forms are also show below.

Despite it's relatively plain Jane appearance, would you believe that there are more than 80 registered hybrids using villosum as a direct parent and that over half of

these (43) are primary hybrids. (For those who don't already know, a primary hybrid is a cross between two species.) Given that there are only about 100 species of Paphs, the hybridists sure haven't missed much of the gene pool in experimenting with villosum have they?

Of the other 40 odd villosum hybrids, some are back crosses to one of the original primary hybrids but others are bred to much more complex parents. One wonders what characteristics the breeders were looking for from villosum. It can't have been the shape. More likely the rich shiny tan of the petals, or the distinct green and purplish tan of the dorsal?

The first villosum hybrids were registered way back in 1856. That is: *Paph Hellios* (with *curtisii*) and *Paph Bonnyanum* (other parent unknown). Surprisingly, it is not just a case of villosum being used in those early years of experimental breeding. It has in fact, appeared in the orchid hybrid register at least once every decade of the 150 years since the 1850's. The most recent being in 2002 with the registration of *Paph Howard Brown* (= villosum x *acmodontum*). A popular little breeder isn't it?



*P. villosum* – dark



*P. villosum* – pale



*P. villosum* var. *annamense*

**Recommendations on growing Paphiopedilums from  
Seong Tay, President of the Paphiopedilum Society of NSW**

The easiest Paph to grow in Sydney is *Paph. insigne*, followed by *villosum* and *gratrixianum*. Novices should start growing these first.

With more experience, then proceed to *hirsutissimum*, *fairrieanum*, *spicerianum*, *charlesworthii*, the complex hybrids and the *Parvisepalums*, in that order. *Parvisepalums* like lower light levels than the others.

My advice is to keep Paphs fairly dry or just moist in winter to prevent root rot. The regions where the Paph species come from have little rainfall in winter, just some dew and condensation to keep the plants hydrated.

## Basic Zygotepetalum Culture Data

(Courtesy of the Orchid Club of South Australia)



### Temperature Requirements

Zygotepetalums are perfect companions for Cymbidiums and grow best under partial shade-partial sun conditions. They can tolerate considerable summer heat and winter chill without damage and may be outdoors all year long. Temperatures up to 37°C for short periods will not harm the plants although buds may drop on some susceptible plants. Buds and flowers may be damaged if the temperature drops to 0°C but the leaves and bulbs can usually withstand 0°C under shade cloth for a few hours. For temperatures lower than this, some protection will be required.

### Light Requirements

Adequate light is the most important factor to grow and flower Zygotepetalums well. The plants grow best with 3000 to 4000 or more foot candles of light intensity as measured with a light meter. 50-70% shade cloth overhead provides the light intensity under most conditions. Plants grown outdoors will generally be a little more compact and will have tougher leaves than they will when grown indoors. During the summer, the leaves should be a yellowish green, not a deep green. Plants grown in too much shade will usually be a lush green and will often not flower well. Providing additional shade after the flowers open will hold the colour and increase the flower life as well. If you provide extra shade for the flowers, remember to remove it when the flowers fall so that the plant will grow best for next year.

### Watering Requirements

Zygotepetalums like lots of water and prefer to be constantly moist, but not wet during the growing season, water thoroughly at least once a week, more often in warmer or drier locations. The amount of water will depend on the potting mix and the water quality. Rain water will give the best results, but hard well water can also be used. Open or porous mixes needing more water than a heavy dense mix that retains a lot of water. Water thoroughly so that water runs through the pot and out the bottom. Watering heavily so that excess water flows through the potting mix is a process called leaching which helps to keep the excess salts from building up in the potting mix. Excess salt build-up may cause the leaf tips to die back and the leaves to fall prematurely. Letting the plants dry out and not using the leaching process will cause the leaf tips to die back even faster. On hot days, the plants benefit from overhead misting or sprinkling to lower the temperature and increase the humidity in the growing area. During the winter, Zygotepetalums need less water, but should never be allowed to dry out completely. Watering every 2 or 3 weeks may be adequate, even with no rain.

### Feeding and Fertiliser Requirements

Zygotepetalums are moderate feeders and will do well with the same fertilisers as those used for Cymbidiums. Many growers use a high nitrogen fertiliser during the growing season and a low nitrogen fertiliser during the blooming season and winter. Others get satisfactory results with a balanced fertiliser all year long. Fertiliser is available in both water soluble and slow release forms. Some growers use a water soluble fertiliser such as Peters 30-10-10 while others prefer to use a slow release fertiliser such as Osmocote sprinkled on top of the potting mix. The slow release fertilisers work well where sprinkling systems are used to water the plants. Water a slow release fertiliser with a watering wand can wash the fertiliser granules off the plant so use care. The slow release fertilisers may be available with 3, 4 or 6 month release times.

### Pests and Diseases

The white fly and scale are the two most persistent Zygotepetalum plant pests with snails and slugs as the principal flower threats. The white fly can be controlled with an insecticidal soap. Wipe off as much of the colony as possible, then spray the underside of the leaves well. Scale in the leaf axils can be a persistent problem that is hard to eradicate and the use of a good systemic insecticide may be required. Slugs and snails may be controlled with the available snail and slug baits; or with a big foot and a flashlight at night. Aphids may be attracted to buds and flowers, but are not usually a serious pest.



*Prosthechea cochleata*

by Craig Scott-Harden (Courtesy BMPDOS)



*Prosthechea cochleata* 'Black Velvet'  
Grown by Laurie Martin

This seems to be an unfortunate common theme, but yet again we have an orchid that has been at the mercy of the botanists splitting/lumping pen for many, many years. Having a history dating back to 1703 (give or take), where it was mentioned as *Helleborine cochleato flore* (a pre-Linnaean name). Then later in 1763 being classified as *Orchidaceae* in *Species Plantarum* by Carl Von Linn'e, here it was described as *Epidendrum cochleatum*. In 1842 it was moved to a new genus by Hoffmanssegg, and its 2nd orchid incarnation came about, *Anacheilium cochleatum*. Later still in 1961, Dressler found reason for it to be moved to *Encyclia*. It's knew name being *Encyclia cochleata*. And finally we come to 1997, were it holds its current persona being *Prosthechea cochleata*. A gentleman by the name W.E. Higgins moved 90 odd species out of *Encyclia* and into this rehashed genera.

(*Prosthechea* is a genus that originally was described in 1838 for a single (monotypic) species *Prosthechea glauca* by Knowles & Westcott). So is this the end of our tale of orchid Schizophrenia, well it appears the answer to that is not yet. Carl L. Withner believing that Higgins 97 work didn't take into account key morphological characteristics, has in 2001 put

forward his own scientific paper. In this he states that only 5 species of *Prosthechea* exist, and of them *Prosthechea cochleata* is not one. This species along with the other 85 or so species, has been moved back it to of all things *Anacheilium*. However

Kew being the governing body for orchid identification, at this stage has not accepted Withner's work and still has the species listed as *Prosthechea cochleata*. To this day orchid nursery catalogues, magazine articles, orchid web sites and in general orchid conversation all of these names are used regularly, this only adds to the confusion. Does any one know a good orchid Psychologist !!!

The species is very wide spread, ranging from Florida, Mexico and out to the West Indies, also south through Central America, reaching Venezuela and Columbia. Plants were first brought to England from The West Indies in the mid 1700's by a collector, Alexander Anderson. These were grown by the well to do of the time in the unfriendly environment of their "Stove Houses". Glass houses that while heated, they had no humidity or air movement. These environments were less than hospitable for the orchids, with only the very hardy surviving. It is not surprising then, to find that it is believed that our species of the night was said to be possibly the first epiphytic orchid to flower in England under cultivation. This is the ideal beginner's orchid, being very tolerant of many situations. For best results hang it high up under shade cloth (airy & bright), pot culture is best for this species.

If for no other reason, try this orchid for the value of the history behind it, and maybe in front as well. You will be well rewarded with large but compact sturdy growths and heads of octopus shaped flowers.

**ORCHIDS FOR SALE**

**Phil Spence** is moving to a smaller property and downsizing. He will be having an Open Day on 20th May at his property, 8 Dashwood Close Wamberal. He will only sell in lots/trays and these will not be broken up. The collection includes other goodies such as *Cattleya*, *oncidinae*, *Bulbophyllum*, extensive *dendrobium*. He is also selling his laboratory.

Phil can be contacted on his mobile 0408994696. This is not a fire sale.

## Results of Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017

97 plants were exhibited at the meeting

### Best Orchid

- D Mitsios *Milt. spectabilis v. moreliana* x Geyserland 'Sonia'

### Best Novice or Junior

- Le Nham *C. Chocolate Drop*

### Best Foliage

- 1st H Arnautovica | 2nd S Lee | 3rd H Arnautovic

### Best Fern

- 1st - 2nd H Arnautovic

### Open Section

#### Intermediate Cymbidium (60mm-85mm)

1. V Petrovski *Cym. unknown*

#### Miniature Cymbidium (< 60mm)

1. J&N Janz *Cym. White 'You Beaut'*  
2. B Dixon *Cym. Pixie Dust*

#### Exhibition Cattleya

1. Crosby&Costa *Sc. Dal's Choice 'Castle Creek'*  
2. D Mitsios *Blc. Arthur Bossin 'Rapture'*  
3. V Petrovski *Blc. Susie's Delight x Hawaiian Wedding Song*

#### Cluster Cattleya

1. Crosby&Costa *C. Caudebec Candy '#2'*  
2. Crosby&Costa *C. Caudebec Candy '#3'*

#### Miniature Cattleya (65mm-110mm)

1. Crosby&Costa *Slc. Tangerine Jewel 'Southern Cross' x Blc. Glen Mordment 'Southern Cross'*  
2. J&N Janz *C. Hawaiian Wedding Song*  
3. V Petrovski *Blc. Copper Queen*

#### Cocktail Cattleya (< 65mm)

1. D Mitsios *C. Rosella's Flare*  
2. Crosby&Costa *Pot. Dal's Emperor*  
3. Crosby&Costa *Sc. Lana Coryell x Pot. Dal's Jet*

#### Laeliinae Other

1. J&N Janz *Ctna. Why Not 'Round and Red'*

#### Laeliinae Species

1. Crosby&Costa *E. cochleata alba*  
2. Crosby&Costa *L. perrinii*  
3. J&F Fetherston *Psh. glumacea*

#### Oncidiinae Hybrid (up to 65mm)

1. Crosby&Costa *Onc. edwallii x ausesainorum*  
2. P La *Onc. Jiuhbao Gold*  
3. J Chow *Onc. lanceanum x splendidum*

#### Oncidiinae Hybrid (> 65mm)

1. P Azzopardi *Colm. Wildcat 'Carmela'*  
2. V Petrovski *Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'*  
3. V Petrovski *Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'*

#### Paphiopedilum/Phragmipedium (Species)

1. D Mitsios *Paph. spicerianum*  
2. J&F Fetherston *Phrag. pearcei*

#### Novelty/Primary Hybrids

1. D Carvey *Paph. Vanguard*  
2. J Chow *Paph. Holdenii 'Jumbo' x charlesworthii sangcoanii*  
3. V Petrovski *Paph. Leyburnense magnificon*

#### Australian Native Non-Terrestrial

1. M Redman *Dock. cucumerianum*

#### Monopodial Species

1. S Lee *Aer. lawrenceae*  
2. S Lee *Aer. lawrenceae*  
3. J&F Fetherston *V. coerulea*

#### Dendrobium Hybrids

1. V Petrovski *Den. Yashiga 'Fantasy'*  
2. Crosby&Costa *Den. Mayfair Ethel Kawamoto x (taurinum x lasianthera)*

#### Oncidiinae Species

1. L Buivids *Gom. recurva*  
2. M Redman *Onc. incurvum*

#### Dendrobium Hybrids Australian

1. Crosby&Costa *Den. Brolga x Aussie Victory*

#### Species The Americas

1. D Mitsios *Milt. spectabilis v. moreliana* x Geyserland 'Sonia'  
2. J&F Fetherston *Max. nigrescens*

#### Species Any Other

1. Crosby&Costa *Er. hyacinthiodes*  
2. J&F Fetherston *Ddc. magnum*  
3. Crosby&Costa *Hal. retrocalla*

#### Any Other Genera

1. Crosby&Costa *Z. Arthur Elle*  
2. P La *Coel. Janine Banks*  
3. Crosby&Costa *Z. Midnight Blue 'Cardinals Rest'*

### Novice Section

#### Cluster Cattleya

1. L Nham *C. Chocolate Drop*

#### Any Other

1. L Nham *Onc. unknown*

### Language

Spanish singer Julio Iglesias was on UK television and used the word 'manyana'. The host of the show asked him to explain what is meant. He said that the term means: "Maybe the job will be done tomorrow; or the next day; or the day after that; or perhaps next week; next month; or next year. Who really cares?"

The host turned to speak to the other visitor on the show, an Australian aboriginal from the Gumbaingeri Tribe, and asked if there was an equivalent term in his native language. "Nah", he replied, 'In Australia we don't have a word to describe that degree of urgency".



## Results of Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> May 2017

112 plants were exhibited at the meeting

### Best Orchid

D Mitsios *Ddc. cobbianum* 'Keith'

### Best Novice or Junior

L Grey *Phal.* unknown

### Best Fern

1st and 2nd: H arnautovic

### Best Foliage

1st: H Arnautovic | 2nd & 3rd: S Lee

### Open Section

#### Intermediate Cymbidium (60-85mm)

1. B Dixon *Cym.* Peter Pan 'Greensleeves' x (Bunk Bling 'Delra' x Berga)

#### Miniature Cymbidium (<60mm)

1. L Valli *Cym.* Tom Thumb 'Chit Chat'  
2. V Petrovski *Cym.* Morialta 'Gingerbread'

#### Cluster Cattleya

1. P La *C.* Porcia 'Cannizaro'  
2. P La *C.* Portiata Mel x *Lc.* Little Suzie 'Nal'  
3. J&FFetherston *Rc.* Deception 'Variable'

#### Exhibition Cattleya

1. Crosby&Costa *Blc.* Mem Crispin 'Rosales' x (*Blc.* George King x Changemaker)  
2. V Petrovski *Blc.* California Girl 'Orchidlibrary'  
3. P La *Blc.* unknown

#### Miniature Cattleya (65m-110mm)

1. Crosby&Costa *Thw.* Dal's Girl 'Arcadia'  
2. Crosby&Costa (*Lc.* Rosie's Surprise x Mini Purple) x *Slc.* Dal's Magic  
3. Crosby&Costa (*Blc.* Penny Kuroda x Mem. Susan Hawkins) x *Slc.* Jillian Lee

#### Cocktail Cattleya (under 65mm)

1. V Petrovski *Rlc.* Village Chief North 'Green Genius'  
2. L Valli *Blc.* Little Mermaid 'Janet'  
3. Crosby&Costa *Hknsa.* Dal's Strike 'Castle Creek'

#### Laeliinae Other

1. Crosby&Costa *Ett.* Don Herman

#### Laeliinae Species

1. L Buivids *B.* *flagellaris*  
2. Crosby&Costa *Epi.* *paniculatum*  
3. Crosby&Costa *L.* *anceps* var. *chamberlainiana*

#### Oncidiinae Hybrid up to 65mm

1. Crosby&Costa *Trt.* Baipai 'Pink Skirt'  
2. J&N Janz *Onc.* Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'  
3. L&I Friesse *Hwra.* Lava Burst

#### Oncidium Hybrid > 65mm

1. M Zanetich *Gom.* Millennium Gold  
2. S Lee *Mtssa.* Kawai's Choice  
3. Crosby&Costa *Colm.* Wildcat 'M.T.4'

#### Ascocenda

1. P La *Ascda.* Fuch's Delight

#### Paphiopedilum/Phragmipedium (Species)

1. J&FFetherston *Phrag.* *pearcei*  
2. Howse&Rose *Paph.* *spicerianum*

#### Paphiopedilum Novelty/Primary Hybrids

1. A Noldt *Paph.* Hsinying 'Pepperbell'  
2. J Chow *Paph.* Holdenii x Somer Isle  
3. J Chow *Paph.* Holdenii 'Jumbo's x *charlesworthii* 'Sangwen'

#### Australian Native Non-Terrestrial

1. Howse&Rose *Liparis* *reflexa*

#### Dendrobium Species Australian

1. Crosby&Costa *Den.* tetragonum

#### Monopodal Species

1. Crosby&Costa *Angcm.* *comorense*  
2. S Lee *Aergs.* *platyphylla*  
3. S Lee *Angcm.* *leonis* 'Comoro'

#### Dendrobium Hybrids

1. V Petrovski *Den.* Jade Junior 'Sawadee'  
2. Crosby&Costa *Den.* Miss Singapore

#### Species Dendrobium

1. L Buivids *Den.* *tiogii*  
2. L Buivids *Den.* *glomeratum*

#### Oncidiinae Species

1. A Noldt *Onc.* *ornithorhyncum*  
2. J&FFetherston *Orpha.* *radicans*  
3. Crosby&Costa *Onc.* *onustum*

#### Dendrobium Hybrids Australian

1. Crosby&Costa *Den.* Esme Poulton x Hilda Poxon 'No. 1'  
2. T Dunn *Den.* Avril's Gold 'Ray'  
3. Crosby&Costa *Den.* Intice

#### Terrestrial Species Australian

1. Crosby&Costa *Pter.* *acuminata*  
2. Howse&Rose *Chil.* *diphylla*

#### Species The Americas

1. L Buivids *W.* *wallesiana*  
2. Howse&Rose *Z.* *mackyaii*

#### Species Any Other

1. D Mitsios *Ddc.* *cobbianum* 'Keith'  
2. S Lee *Coel.* *fimbriata*  
3. J&FFetherston *Coel.* *fimbriata* *alba*

#### Any Other Genera

1. Howse&Rose *Cirr.* Louis Sanders  
2. P La *Coel.* Janine Banks  
3. Crosby&Costa *Lyc.* Luciana

#### Pleurothallidinae Hybrids

1. Crosby&Costa *Masd.* Marguerite 'Yellow Bird'

#### Pleurothallidinae Species

1. Crosby&Costa *Rest.* sp. 'H'  
2. Crosby&Costa *Rest.* *brachypus*  
3. Crosby&Costa *Rest.* *striatella*

### Novice Section

#### Exhibition Cattleya

1. L Grey *C.* Le Cariods 'Mini Quinea'

#### Species

1. Tu Mach *Sp.* unknown

#### Any Other

1. L Grey *Phal.* unknown  
2. Lc Nham *Den.* Anne's Rainbow 'Surprise'

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**Minutes of the General Meeting of the Bankstown Orchid Society held at the Scottish Hall, 4 Weigand Avenue, Bankstown, on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017.**

The meeting was opened by President Veronica Clowes at 7:30pm.

**Visitors**

Tonight, we welcome James Indsto who; later on, will give us an excellent talk about the *Cattleya* species, which I know you will all enjoy.

**Correspondence**

Bulletins from our sister Society, The Tasmanian Orchid Society. Flyers for Orchids Out West and Southerland Entertainment Centre.

Welcome to our April meeting. What can I say but rain and more rain, the humidity remains, but cross fingers the heat has finally gone.

Last weekend I attended the judging weekend in Lismore, staying at a nice motel and going next door to the worker's club for the meetings. Unfortunately, the motel and club are now under 9 feet of water.

So hands up who went to Castle Hill for the International Fair, what did you buy? I saw a lot of our members there. Did anyone buy from Rob Trost of Rolin Farms?

Rob is essentially a strawberry farmer whose hobby and sideline is orchids. He has become very popular in Sydney over the last couple of years because of his well grown plants that are sold at reasonable prices. Rob only comes to Castle Hill and OOW. Rob very kindly sold us our raffle prizes for tonight and for the next few months, at cost price, which is a great saving for us. So, if you win one tonight you can be assured that it is of at least \$20.00 in value.

I like to offer the members only quality plants for our raffles, but as you may be aware these cost money! So if you don't support the raffle we cannot continue to do this for you.

I sent our latest Bulletin to Stephen Milroy of Caroline Chisholm School at Padstow, Stephen sent me a little message today to say how much they all enjoyed our magazine and my kind words. So please support the raffles at our shows, because the profit from these raffles goes to our charity school.

Chester Square is approaching quickly and is just a little over a month away, so please remember that your help is needed here at the Hall on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 2 pm. If a lot turn up to help it will take less than an hour. Likewise, setup workers are needed for Wed 17<sup>th</sup> May, at 3 pm at Chester Square to set up. Plants may be benched the completion of setup until 6.30pm on Wed and until 12pm on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>, judging will take place that night at 7pm.

Don't forget the Easter Show 6<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> April. Why not drop in to the Horticultural Pavillion, there is something different each day, orchids, roses, dahlias, pumpkins, and many more things to see and do.

The Tropical Queensland Orchid Council 2017 Conference and Grand Orchid Show will be held 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> June. Unlike last year when Ian and Irene took plants from Sydney by car to the show; where our members John and Stephen were very successful with their plants, this will not be permitted this year. The rules have been changed so that now only those actually, registered at the conference can show their plants. A decision regarding cut flowers for the show will be made later.

Our raffle prize of two (one year) subscriptions to *Orchids Australia*, continues because we have yet to recover the cost of the prize, please support us with this prize. This is a very worth while, interesting, and informative magazine.

**General Business**

- Next meeting will be held on 1st May, 2017.
- Next Month our speaker will be Dr Seong Tay, the President of the Paphiopedilum Society of NSW. Seong will talk about how Slipper orchids can be grown by everyone. We just need to make the right selection to succeed!
- Chester Square set-up 17<sup>th</sup> May at 3 pm, show 18<sup>th</sup> May – 21<sup>st</sup> May, - take down from approx. 1pm
- Orchids Out West 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2017
- Bass Hill Plaza set up 26<sup>th</sup> July at 3 pm, show 27<sup>th</sup> July – 30<sup>th</sup> July, take down from approx. 1 pm.
- It would be appreciated if everyone would ensure that their phone number, email and info is up to date especially in regards to shows also that your email address is likewise up to date please see Ernest.

Plant of the Night – Open: *Miltonia spectabilis* var. *moreliana* owned by Dimitrios Mitsios  
Novice: *Cattleya* Chocolate Drop owned by Le Nham. Congratulations to tonight's winners.

Following supper and the raffle draw, Veronica thanked the kitchen staff, the meeting closed at 8:45pm.

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**Correspondence**

Bulletin from our sister Society, The Tasmanian Orchid Society, The Garden Club of Australia Magazine, Australian Orchid Foundation Newsletter, and flyer for Orchids Out West.

What beautiful weather we are having lately this is my favourite season. I'm sure that those of you who have heaters in your orchid houses have turned them on. Loosely as a guide, Anzac Day is when we start to prepare for winter, (take off the extra shade cloth and move plants to their winter locations) and decrease the water and food to soft cane Dendrobiums – an old wives' tale told me to stop water or end up with keikis instead of flowers. But a new wives' tale tells me that this is not true. John do you stop watering now?

John Janz: No, I don't, I increase the flowering solution to them.

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Setup will be Wed 17<sup>th</sup> May, at 3 pm. Plants may be benched after the completion of setup until 7pm on Wed and from 7.30 am to 12pm on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>. Judging will take place that night at 7pm. The show will continue until 1 pm on May 21<sup>st</sup>, plant removal will be staggered, Committee members will remove their plants first, to enable them to start taking down the tables etc. After the Committee have removed their plants members will be allowed to take their plants 2 at a time, at the direction of the President. This is designed to avoid damage to plants.

After the tables etc are removed and packed onto Lyn's trailer it would be very much appreciated if members could help at the Hall stowing things away. Again, many hands will help this get done quickly!

Members are reminded that security is required for the show these are your plants and while we will endeavour to keep them safe it is ultimately up to you. Those who have plants for sale are required to present themselves for at least 4 hours security duty during the show. This does not include set up times.

**The schedule for Chester Square was in the March Bulletin.** Bass Hill Plaza Set-up will be on 26<sup>th</sup> July, the Schedule for that show is in this Bulletin.

On the following weekend 26-27th May is Orchids Out West, this is held at Hawkesbury Racecourse at Clarendon – five minutes' walk from Clarendon Station, for those without transport. This is a great show and a great day out in our great Autumn weather. The displays are put on by Societies west of Parramatta. This year will be a little different, the displays will be in the same venue as previous years, but plants and merchandise will be held in the hall opposite.

Phil Spence, who I know is well known to many of you, is downsizing and selling off his plants, from what I believe he is having an open day on 20<sup>th</sup> May, at his home – 8 Dashwood Place, Wamberal.

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Novice: *Phalaenopsis* unknown owned by Lorraine Grey. Congratulations to tonight's winners.

Following supper and the raffle draw, Veronica thanked the kitchen staff, the meeting closed at 9:10pm.

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