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Plant of the Night - February 2016

Rhyncostylis retusa 'Keith'
(owned by T Costa & S Crosby)

Novice Plant of the Night February 2016

Promenaea sp.
(owned by W Howse)

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello everyone

They say that summer has gone, but as it is 32.5 deg C on my back patio as I write this, I'm having trouble believing that my favourite season is coming.

Autumn (or fall if you are from the USA) is a wonderful time for orchids here in Sydney. The multi floral Paphs are nearly finished but the other flowering species are showing buds deep within their sheath. The hybrid 'saucers' or complex varieties are not too far away either, our May Chester Square Show 19th to 22nd usually has good slipper representation.

The wonderful autumn flowering Cattleyas are also showing their beautiful colours at this time of year.

As I said last night, Ian and I are off to Thailand next week, to stage a display for the Orchid Society of NSW, and to those of you who offered flowers to go with us, I hope that I can bring news of prizes for you from the show.

Next meeting Irene will be showing us the entries and winners of the Ira Butler, Bill Murdoch and Herman Slade trophies for 2015. These trophies are awarded to Australian Native species and Hybrid Orchids, and Australasian orchids.

Till next time

Veronica

Orchid Auction



Manly Warringah Orchid Society is holding their next Auction on Sunday 20th March at the Cromer Community Centre, Fisher Road North, Cromer, commencing at 9.30am sharp. Viewing is from 9am and there is plenty of parking and light refreshments will be served all day. Orchids listed are for the serious grower and hobby grower and there should be some special and interesting plants. The catalogue is available on line

<http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/Documents/MWOSAuction2016.pdf>

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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.

Calendar of Events 2016

- ◆ **April 4 Bankstown OS Meeting 7.30pm: Irene Bodell with the Ira Butler Trophy winners**
- ◆ April 9-10 April Collectors' Plant Fair, Hawkesbury Racecourse, Clarendon
- ◆ April 15-16 Castle Hill International Orchid Fair, Castle Hill Showground
- ◆ **May 2 Bankstown OS Meeting 7.30pm**
- ◆ May 13-15 Orchids Out West, Hawkesbury Racecourse, Clarendon
- ◆ *May 19-22 Bankstown Show Chester Square Shopping Centre*
- ◆ **June 6 Bankstown OS Meeting, 7.30 pm**
- ◆ June 25-26 Mingara Orchid Show and Fair, Mingara Recreation Club
- ◆ *July 27-31, Bankstown Show Bass Hill Plaza*
- ◆ August 12-14, National Orchid Extravaganza, Dural Recreation Centre, Kenthurst Rd, Round Corner
- ◆ August 19-21 St Ives Fair, St Ives Showground
- ◆ **September 5 Bankstown OS Meeting 7.30pm**
- ◆ October 7-9 Southern Orchid Spectacular, Caringbah High School
- ◆ **October 3 Bankstown OS Meeting 7.30pm**
- ◆ **November 7 Bankstown OS Meeting 7.30pm**
- ◆ **December 5 - 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/Shows2016.htm>



VALE ERNIE RYAN

It is with sadness that I report the passing of Ernie Ryan on 21st January 2016. Ernie was the loving husband of Joan Ryan (deceased) and Dad of Lyn Donald our Treasurer.

Joan was a previous Secretary of our society and her talent was portrayed in the floral art classes of our shows during the early years. Ernie grew the plants for Joan to use the flowers in her arrangements.

Our sincere condolences go to Lyn and her family, along with her siblings Carolyn, Trisha, Janice, Bruce and Alan.

VALE BOB BATTYE

We have lost yet another excellent orchid grower and hybridizer. Bob Battye passed away on 28th January 2016. He was well known in the cymbidium scene. He will be sadly missed both as a genuine personality and for the beautiful cymbidiums which he grew. Our deepest sympathies to his family.

NEW PAPHIOPEDILUM ORCHID SOCIETY



A new Orchid Society has been formed - Paphiopedilum Orchid Society of NSW. Affiliated with the Orchid Society of NSW.

For further information contact Gary Hart

Email: Gazh@bigpond.com

Phone: 0408 476 371

Mailing Address: 16 Flide St Caringbah NSW 2229

Meeting Time: Third Tuesday - 8:00 pm

Location: Ermington Community Centre, River Rd, Ermington

Autumn Orchid Show Schedule
19-22 May, 2016 Chester Square Shopping Centre

Setup Details

- **Table Setup:** Wed 18 May from 2.30 pm
- **Plant Benching & Show Set Up:** Wed 18 May 4pm-6.30pm and Thur 19 May 7.30am-noon
- **Judging:** Thur 19 May at 7pm
- **Dismantling** Sun 22 May 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

Laeliinae | Cypripedioideae | Oncidiinae | Phalaenopsis
 Species | Any Other Orchid Seedling | Novice

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

For further information please contact:

President	Mrs Veronica Clowes	9029 2305
Show Marshalls	Mr Stephen Lee	9644 8760
	Mr Max Redman	9607 3022
Judges Convenor	Mrs Veronica Clowes	9029 2305
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 Cymbidium greater than 90mm
- Class 2 Best Cymbidium 60mm to 90mm
- Class 3 Best Cymbidium up to 60mm
- Class 4 Best Laeliinae Exhibition over 110 mm
- Class 5 Best Laeliinae Exhibition 65-109mm
- Class 6 Best Laeliinae Exhibition 64mm or less
- Class 7 Best Laeliinae Exhibition Cluster Type
- Class 8 Best Laeliinae any other
- Class 9 Best Phalaenopsis 80mm and over
- Class 10 Best Phalaenopsis 79mm and under
- Class 11 Best Oncidiinae hybrid over 65mm
- Class 12 Best Oncidiinae hybrid over 65mm
- Class 13 Best Cypripedioideae hybrid (Paphs/Phrags)
- Class 14 Best Cypripedioideae (Novelty/Primary Hybrid)
- Class 15 Best Dendrobium hybrid (other than Australian/Australasian Native)
- Class 16 Best Pleurothallidinae hybrid
- Class 17 Best Any other Genera
- Class 18 Best Seedling to be nominated
- Class 19 Best Species Laeliinae
- Class 20 Best Species Oncidinae
- Class 21 Best Species Cypripedioideae
- Class 22 Best Species Dendrobium
- Class 23 Best Species Pleurothallidinae
- Class 24 Best Species Monopodial
- Class 25 Best Species Americas
- Class 26 Best Species Asian
- Class 27 Best Species Other areas
- Class 28 Best Australian/Australasian native species
- Class 29 Best Australian/Australasian native hybrid



Novice Classes

- Class 30 Best Species
- Class 31 Best any other Genera

See Conditions of Entry on Page 6

**Winter Orchid Show Schedule
27 - 31 July, 2016 Bass Hill Plaza**

Setup Details

- **Table Setup:** Wed 27 July from 2.30 pm
- **Plant Benching & Show Set Up:** Wed 27 July 4pm-6.30pm and Thur 28 July 7.30am-noon
- **Judging:** Thur 28 July at 7pm
- **Dismantling** Sun 31 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 | Cypripedioideae 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:

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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 Cypripedioideae hybrid (Paphs/Phrags)
- Class 21 Best Cypripedioideae 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 Cypripedioideae
- 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

Novice Classes

- Class 37 Best Species
- Class 38 Best any other Genera

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.

METROPOLITAN REGION JUDGING PANEL ORCHID APPRECIATION / JUDGING CLASSES

The Orchid Society of NSW will be commencing an Orchid appreciation/judging course starting 15th April 2016 at the Berala Community Centre Woodburn Road Berala.

The course is aimed at orchid growers of all levels of experience who want to learn more about the various genera and what makes an awardable quality orchid or quality display through the eyes of judges.

The course is also recommended for Show Marshals who want to learn and understand show schedules and in which classes their plants should be exhibited.

It is intended that course will be run every third Friday 7.30pm to 10.00 pm each month except December. It is anticipated that the course will run for approximately 2 years.

Participants will gain experience by completing assignments set during the course to reinforce their understanding of the topics. This will also help the course presenters keep abreast of the participants' strengths and weaknesses in order to make adjustments to the modules where necessary.

There is also the chance that participants who complete all modules may be invited to complete the practical and theory exams. Those successful in those exams may be invited by the Judging Panel to become an Associate Judge.

The cost for the course will be a one off fee of \$50.00 to cover handouts and hire of the venue

Please contact Ian Chalmers if you are interested in participating in the course:

Email cattleya@optusnet.com.au

Mobile 0400220192

Ian Chalmers

Registrar NSW

REVESBY CRAFT FAIR (www.revesbycraftfair.com)

At the March meeting we had a lovely lady, Val, who sells resin birds and animals to decorate your garden. She also sells hooks to hang your plant pots on your fence.

If you missed out Val will be at the Revesby Craft Fair on the last Saturday of the month, April - November at Abel Reserve, Marco Ave, Revesby (next to Rail station).

Phone Val on 0410 524 992



Fees

- Single Pensioner \$10
- Couple Pensioner \$12
- Couple \$14
- Single \$12
- Family \$17

\$10 for Bulletin for 11 issues via Australia Post



13-15 May 2016
Hawkesbury Racecourse, Clarendon
(Opposite Richmond RAAF Base)

Results of Meeting 1 February 2016

97 plants were exhibited at the meeting

Best Orchid

- T Costa & S Crosby *Rhyncostylis retusa*
'Keith'

Best Novice or Junior

- W Howse *Promenaea* sp.

Best Foliage

- 1st & 3rd H Arnautovic | 2. R Farrugia

Open Section

Exhibition Cattleya

1. J Field *Rlc.* Nakornchaisri
2. L Buivids *C.* Irene Finney 'Summer Beauty' x *C. walkeriana* 'Pendentive'

Cluster Cattleya

1. L Valli *C. walkeriana* x *Lc.* Angel Heart var. Paul
2. J&N Janz *Bc.* Hawaiian Passion 'Kerme'
3. Crosby&Costa *C.* Penny Kuoda 'Spots'

Miniature Cattleya (66mm—110mm)

1. Crosby&Costa *Sc.* Dal's Cherry
2. L Buivids *Lc.* Mini Purple 'Vanessa'
3. L Valli *C.* Mark Jones 'Lance' x *Slc.* Jungle Elf 'Cheryl Lynn'

Cocktail Cattleya (< 65mm)

1. D Mitsios *Sc.* Royal Beau 'Alex L' x *Slc.* Angel Flare 'Cynthia'
2. Crosby&Costa *L.* *sincorana* x *C.* Dianne Diehm
3. Crosby&Costa *Sc.* Lana Coryell 'Alex L'

Laeliinae Other

1. J&N Janz *Epi.* Cosmo Dream 'Color' x Joseph Glow

Laeliinae Species

1. J Costa *Psh.* *radiata*
2. R Farrugia *E.* *alata*
3. Crosby&Costa *C.* *leopardii*

Oncidiinae Hybrid (up to 65mm)

1. Crosby&Costa *Onc.* Aka Baby 'Raspberry Chocolate'
2. J&N Janz *Onc.* Moon Shadow 'Tiger's Tail'
3. J Field *Onc.* Pacific Sunrise

Oncidiinae Hybrid (greater than 65mm)

1. L Valli *Wils.* Bouley Bay 'Ruby Bars'
2. D Mitsios *Colm.* Wild Cat 'Bloodshot'
3. V Petrovski *Colm.* Wild Cat 'Blood Ruby'

Ascocenda

1. Crosby&Costa *Ascda.* Sum Wah 'Gold'

Paphiopedilum/Phragmipedium Species

1. Crosby&Costa *Paph.* *liemianum*
2. N Athene *Paph.* *niveum*

Paphiopedilum Novelty/Primary Hybrids

1. J Field *Paph.* Saint Swithins
2. V Petrovski *Paph.* *primulinum* 'Steve' x *philippinense* 'Doll'
3. N Athene *Paph.* *primulinum* 'Steve' x *philippinense* 'Doll'

Vandaceous Other

1. Crosby&Costa *Angcm.* *longiscott*
2. V Petrovski *Vasco.* Pine Rivers 'Blue'
3. Crosby&Costa *Aer.* *odoratum* x Korat

Monopodial Species

1. Crosby&Costa *Rhy.* *retusa* 'Keith'
2. L Valli *Angcm.* *magdalenae*
3. B Dixon *Neof.* *falcata*

Dendrobium Hybrids

1. V Petrovski *Den.* Nora Tokunaga
2. Crosby&Costa *Den.* Mayfair x (Ethel Kawamoto x *taurinum* x *lasianthera*)
3. D Mitsios *Den.* *sulawesiense* x *chrysopterum*

Species Dendrobium

1. D Mitsios *Den.* *lawesii* var. *bicolor*
2. Crosby&Costa *Den.* *bullenianum*

Oncidiinae Species

1. M Redman *Gomesa recurva*
2. Crosby&Costa *Onc.* *onustum*

Dendrobium Hybrids Australian

1. Crosby&Costa *Den.* Pauline

Sarcanthinae Species Australian

1. I Lawson *Sarco.* *hirticalcar*

Sarcanthinae Hybrids Australian

1. I Lawson *Sarco.* Velvet 'Dark Sienna' x Fitzhart
2. I Lawson *Sarco.* Zyzzy 'O'
3. I Lawson *Sarco.* Riverdene x (Velvet x Elise)

Species The Americas

1. J Costa *Bif.* *tetragona*
2. M Redman *Stan.* *nigroviolacea*
3. H Mar *Lyc.* *cruenta*

Species Any Other

1. Crosby&Costa *Bulb.* *carunculatum*
2. M Redman *Coel.* *speciosa*

Any Other Genera

1. J Chow *Zns.* Cynosure 'Blue Birds'
2. Crosby&Costa *Lyc.* *dowiana* x *deppei*

Pleurothallidinae Species

1. Crosby&Costa *Masd.* *menatoi*
2. Crosby&Costa *Rest.* sp.
3. Crosby&Costa *Rest.* *elegans*

Novice Section

Any Other

1. W Howse *Prom.* sp



C. Chocolate Drop x Little Suzie

Results of Meeting 7th March 2016

124 plants were exhibited at the meeting

Best Orchid

S Crosby & T Costa *Onc. edwallii x ausesainorum*

Best Novice or Junior

D Went *Psh. cochleata*

Best Foliage

1st: S Lee | 2nd: R Farrugia | 3rd: S Lee

Open Section

Intermediate Cymbidium (60mm - 85mm)

1. V Petrovski *Cym. Autumn Wonder 'Early Snow'*
2. L Mayer *Cym. Elegant Elf*

Miniature Cymbidium (< 60mm)

1. J&N Janz *Cym. White 'You Beaut'*

Exhibition Cattleya

1. J&N Janz *Lc. Cgidebling 'Blue Indigo' x C. gaskelliana x L. purpurata C. Gladys Lines x Catalina*
2. L Buivids *Bc. Warm Sands*
3. M Chin *Bc. Warm Sands*

Cluster Cattleya

1. D Mitsios *C. Caudebec Candy*
2. L Valli *Bc. Fitz Eugene Dixon*
3. J&N Janz *C. Hawaiian Wedding Song*

Miniature Cattleya (65m-110mm)

1. Crosby&Costa *Bc. Dal's Choice 'Castle Creek'*
2. V Petrovski *C. Unknown*
3. R Farrugia *Slc. Lana Coryell 'Alex' x C. Horace Maxima*

Cocktail Cattleya (under 65mm)

1. Crosby&Costa *C. Caudebec Candy*
2. Crosby&Costa *Ctna. Dal's Capri Gift x Bc. Dal's Charm 'Ebony'*

Laeliinae Other

1. R Sessa *Lc. Jalapa x B. perrinii*
2. V Petrovski *Bc. Copper Queen*
3. V Petrovski *Bc. Hawaiian Leopard 'Mei Ling'*

Laeliinae Species

1. J Chow *Psh. cochleata*
2. R Farrugia *C. intermedia*
3. L Buivids *C. forbesii*

Oncidiinae Hybrid up to 65mm

1. Crosby&Costa *Onc. edwallii x ausesainorum*
2. Crosby&Costa *Onc. Absuka 'Claire'*
3. L Valli *Onc. Sweet Sugar*

Oncidium Hybrid > 65mm

1. D Carvey *Pyp. Kalihi*
2. D Mitsios *Bllra. Diana Dunn*
3. J Costa *Milt. Minas Gierans x Purple Queen x Minas Gierans*

Phalaenopsis Classic Shape (> 80 mm)

1. S Lee *Dtps. Mount Lip x Tinny Ace*

Phalaenopsis Classic Shape (80 mm & under)

1. L Mayer *Phal. Kulnura Honey x Dtps. Chain Xen Pearl*

Phalanenopsis Novelty

1. S Lee *Dtps. Lioulin Canary x Phal. I-Hsin Kabuki*
2. S Lee *Phal. Little Gem*
3. S Lee *Phal. Little Gem*

Paphiopedilum /Phragmipedium Species

1. Crosby&Costa *Paph. liemianum*
2. E Taylor *Paph. dianthum*

Paphiopedilum Novelty/Primary Hybrids

1. A Noldt *Paph. Hsinying Pepperbell*
2. S Lee *Paph. Harold Koopowitz*
3. L Wu *Paph. unknown*

Dendrobium Species Australian

1. J&N Janz *Den. bigibbum*
2. J Field *Den. bigibbum*

Vanda

1. L Valli *V. Josephine Van Brero x Dr. Anek*
2. R Farrugia *Ascda. Oriental Wonder 'Pinky'*

Monopodial Species

1. S Lee *Aer. lawrenceae*
2. S Lee *Dor. pulcherrima var. buysonnian*
3. L Buivids *V. tricolor*

Dendrobium Hybrids

1. D Carvey *Den. Shavin White x Sophie Bonnie*
2. J Costa *Den. Wilken's Sergetfield x Top Hat x Ray's Best*
3. J&N Janz *Den. Merlo Sado x Dal's Maree 'Kym'*

Species Dendrobium

1. Crosby&Costa *Den. crocatum*
2. L Buivids *Den. secundum alba*
3. L Buivids *Den. canroides*

Oncidiinae Species

1. J Costa *Milt. spectabilis var. moreliana 'Big Ben'*
2. Crosby&Costa *Onc. unknown*
3. L Buivids *Onc. incurvum*

Dendrobium Hybrids Australian

1. Crosby&Costa *Den. Pauline*
2. Crosby&Costa *Den. Brolga Drayton x Aussie Victory*
3. Crosby&Costa *Den. Elegant x Amber*

Sarcanthinae Hybrids Australian

1. Crosby&Costa *Sarco. Velvet x Fairy 'Scarlet'*

Species Any Other

1. J Costa *Mlca. ringens*
2. S Lee *Ddc. latifolium v macranthum*
3. J&F Fetherston *Coel. celebensis*

Any Other Genera

1. B Dixon *Orchid unknown*
2. Crosby&Costa *Lyc. Strange Charm*
3. E Taylor *Sngl. fimbriata x longifolia*

Pleurothallidinae Hybrids

1. Crosby&Costa *Masd. Hot Shot 'Cool Dude'*

Pleurothallidinae Species

1. Crosby&Costa *Rest. sp.*

Novice Section

Species Paphiopedilum

1. W Howse *Paph. henryanum*

Hybrid Paphiopedilum

1. C Noldt *Stan. wardii*

Species

1. D Went *Psh. cochleata*

Any Other

1. K Noldt *Z. Midnight Blue 'Cardinal's Roost'*

**Minutes of the General Meeting of the Bankstown Orchid Society held at the Scottish Hall,
4 Weigand Avenue, Bankstown, on 1st February 2016**

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

Correspondence

Bulletins from our sister societies, Shoalhaven Orchid Society, Tasmanian Orchid Society, and a letter from Ku-Ring-Gai Orchid Society. The quarterly Garden Club Magazine.

Tonight Ian will entertain us with his recent visit to Columbia.

I hope that everyone had a very Happy Christmas and New Year, speaking of which we welcome our Asian friends to the Year of the Monkey on February 8th. As I told you last year we are staging a display and sales table at the newly refurbished Lidcombe Shopping Centre. The address is corner of Parramatta Road and John Street, Lidcombe, opposite COSTCO, with a car park entrance in Nyrang Street also. Please take the ramp to the top floor; which is uncovered, enter the centre from the doors on this level and you will find us near the top of the escalators, across from the pet shop. Our plan is to receive plants on Sunday 7th February between 4 – 5pm, plants will be stored safely in a shop under lock and key behind the area we will display in, security will have the key for this area. Veronica will setup the display on the 8th; Chinese New Year's Day, from 7am. Help in setting up would be most appreciated.

Please let us have some of your plants because this Shopping Centre may well be a source of income for us in the future! If you would like to leave your benched plants with me or one of the Committee to take to the Centre, we will care for them until Sunday. Pull down will be on 10th February after 3pm. Plants for sale can be brought Sunday or Monday with a completed sales form. This is not a Competition, but rather a celebration of Chinese New Year!

General Business

Chester Hill is confirmed for May 19 – 22 set up from 3pm on May 18th. Bass Hill Plaza is also now confirmed for July 28 – 31 set up 27th at 3pm. The bad news is that the stage has gone at Bass Hill so we will need to come up with ideas for Cymbidiums.

Ian and I will be going to Bangkok on March 16th for the Asian Pacific Orchid Conference. We would again like cut flowers to take with us for the Australian display and for nomination in Judging.

The new Paph Society will hold its first meeting at Ermington on 16th February, 7:30pm for 8pm start. You can join up on the night or by calling Gary Hart on 9524 4669 or 0408 476 371.

A new Metropolitan training course for Judges will commence in April 2016. the course involves attendance each third Friday evening from 7:30 – 10pm at Berala Community Centre. Please give the opportunity some serious thought as you will learn so much about orchids even if you decide not to become a judge. Come and see either, Irene, Ian, or myself at the break.

From next meeting in March, there will be a change in the sales table arrangements: Pots, ties, and hangers etc. will be on sale from setup and will be cleared when the meeting starts. Plants will not go on sale until the break, which will be extended to take this into account.

After the break Ian handed out the awards our members received last year, each comprised two certificates, one from Australian Orchid Council, and one from Orchid Society of NSW:

- Award of Cultural Commendation: *Ans. africana* "Chowie" owned by Joseph Chow.
- Award of Cultural Commendation: *Cym. Cricket* 'Kathy' owned by Dimitrios Mitsios.
- Highly Commended Certificate: *Ctsm.* Sutherland 'Joy' owned by Sandra Crosby and Tony Costa.
- Highly Commended Certificate: *Den.* Avril's Gold 'Joy' owned by Sandra Crosby and Tony Costa.
- Highly Commended Certificate: *Sarco.* Erin 'Rachel Emma' owned by Ian Lawson.
- Award of Merit: *Cym.* Brown Beauty 'Bruno' owned by Noel Bates.

Congratulations to these members for their well deserved awards.

Ian gave a great talk on his recent trip to Columbia showing photographs of the beautiful, unique, and wonderful plants found in tis part of the world.

Next meeting will be held on 7th March, 2016.

Lidcombe Shopping Centre display and sales 8th – 10th Feb, 2016, setup will be on the 8th, and take down after 3pm on the 10th. Plants can be dropped off between 4 & 5pm on the 7th, they will be placed in storage and Veronica will set up in the Morning

March speaker to be confirmed

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: *Rhyncostylis retusa* 'Keith' owned by Sandra Crosby & Tony Costa
Novice: *Promenaea* unknown owned by Bill Howse Congratulations to tonight's winners.

Following supper and the raffle draw, the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Bankstown Orchid Society held at the Scottish Hall, 4 Weigand Avenue, Bankstown, on 7th March, 2016.

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

Correspondence

Bulletins from our sister societies, Shoalhaven Orchid Society, Tasmanian Orchid Society, flyers for Castle Hill International Orchid Fair, Down Under Native Orchids, and Collectors Plant Fair.

New Members

Three new members joined our Society tonight Uchechi Uwanuruchi, Joseph Wonyeah, and Rhonda Clasper. Welcome to all of you, we hope that you have a long and happy association with us.

Tonight we welcome Val Tight who many of you will remember from her stand at SOS, Val will talk about her product and their uses.

Lidcombe Shopping Centre Chinese New Year, oh dear what a disappointment! No shoppers on Mon/Tues, we should have insisted that we were there for the weekend. Next time!! This is a beautiful venue for us to have a show with wide corridors that would make putting on a show very good. We did arrange to split the sales table and sold 11 of the 23 Phalaenopsis' that we had purchased for the show. Stephen took the remainder home to care for them and managed to sell them to his neighbours.

Other News

Chester Hill is confirmed for May 19 – 22 set up from 3pm on May 18th. Judges have been booked, so we only need you and your plants to ensure the show is a success.

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Ian and I will be going to Bangkok on March 16th for the Asian Pacific Orchid Conference. We would again like cut flowers to take with us for the Australian display and for nomination in Judging. I will be one of the judges for the cut flower section.

The new Paph Society held its first meeting at Ermington on 16th February, and was a great success with 50 people turning up! Don't forget they meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm for 8pm start. They meet at the Ermington Community Hall, River Rd, Ermington.

The proposed Orchid Appreciation Course is now confirmed to start 15th April from 7:30 – 10pm at Berala Community Centre, cnr Tilba St and Woodburn Rd, Berala. It is design for members to learn about the different Genera of orchids, their native habitats and cultural requirements. It will be held each month (except December) for two years.

Veronica was asked to look into organizing a bus trip to Tinonee Open Day in July. Veronica said that she would do so after she returned to Sydney from Bangkok, those interested in doing this trip please let Veronica know as we will need to know numbers.

General Business

- Next meeting will be held on 4th April, 2016.
- April speaker Irene Bodell will show the entries and winners of the 2015 Ira Butler and Bell Murdoch Trophies.
- Collectors Plant Fair, April 9th – 10th, Clarendon Racecourse.
- Castle Hill International Orchid Fair, April 15th – 16th, Castle Hill Showground, Showground Rd, Castle Hill.
- 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: *Onc. edwallii x ausesainorum* owned by Sandra Crosby & Tony Costa
Novice: *Psh. cochleata* owned by David Went.
Congratulations to tonight's winners.

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

Hope to see you at the next meeting.

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