



# Parramatta & District Orchid Society News

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## August 2009



### **Next Meeting – 25<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

**8.00pm @ Banksia Room,  
Wentworthville  
Community Centre  
2 Lane Street Wentworthville**

#### **Guest Speaker**

**Alan Merriman - "History of Cecil Park  
Orchids"**

**Green Growers Group with Terry Davis  
starts at 6.45 pm**

**Winners of the July Winter Show 2009  
Open.-. *Dockrillia teretifolia***

**Grown by Mal & Fay Ferguson**

**Novice - *Cym. Emerald Mount***

**Grown by David & Kate Mitchell**

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meeting**

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### **July 2009 Meeting**

Banksia Room, Wentworthville Community Centre, Tuesday 28/7/2009, at 8.00 pm.

**APOLOGIES** - Dawn Williams, Paul Clemson, Graeme & Lyn Banks, Geraldine Eibner, John Andrews, Robert Bakker.

Vice President Ken opened the meeting at 7.50 p.m. to allow President David to assist in judging the Winter Show. Ken welcomed all members and guests.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MONTH** - Moved that previous Minutes be accepted - Andy Gatt, seconded Louie Friess.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

1. News from Geraldine about her medical condition
2. Other Societies' newsletters - forwarded on by email.
3. Thankyou notes from Medcalf & Gulbis families for sympathy cards we sent.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

Sympathy cards to families of Jean Medcalf, Melita Gulbis, Bill Whiteford and Bob Evans.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Bal. As at 1/6/09 \$1,148.62 Payments for June \$14.60 Income for June \$289.45  
Bal. As at 1/7/09 \$1,423.47 - moved Keith Ryan, seconded Sandra Crosby.

**SUPPER ROSTER:** Karin Schicht and Keith Chambers.

President David returned to head the meeting and spoke on the passing of four of our previous members and a minute's silence was held to mark their passing, as well as the passing of one of our newer members, Mrs. Lyn Giles. Our sympathy is with her husband, Robert.

### **From the President's Desk**

It was nice to see some many lovely plants at our last meeting which was also our Winter Show. Congratulations to all the winners in the various categories and those that won champions.

### **Next Meeting –25th August 2009**

Alan Merriman will be talking to us about the legacy that Cecil Park Orchids had on cymbidiums as we know them today. This will be an informative tribute to both this iconic nursery and the late founders, John and Melita Gulbis.

### **Social Outing –Sunday 18th October 2009**

Sunday 18th October 2009 is the date for our Social Day for members (and their family/friends) to be held in the Upper Blue Mountains. We will be taking in some "special places" to see some native orchids in the wild, including Mt Banks and Mt Wilson. We would look at car pooling and have either a picnic or BBQ lunch. As long as the orchids co-operate, we will see a number of terrestrials including the blue sun orchid (Thelymitra), beard orchid (Calochilus) plus some epiphytes (tree orchids) as well. We would look at a picnic lunch – probably at Mount Wilson – there are a few tables there, but best to bring along some folding chairs as well. Closer to the time we will be coordinating meeting times and places, and I will get a map organised to pin-point the places we will be visiting. Remember you will be able to do as much or as little walking as you like – so don't use that as an excuse for not coming! In fact, you will be surprised how many interesting orchids you will see from the car. I will need to get an indication of how many plan to attend (as some of these spots in the mountains have limited parking) – so I can plan ahead. Obviously the saying of "leave only footprints, take only photographs" applies on this trip, and there will be many photo opportunities. At the next meeting we will finalise the date.

### **Congratulations Geraldine!**

Not one to do things by halves, Geraldine gave birth to a baby girl today (17th August) and we hear that mother and little Matilda are doing fine. Hopefully I will have some more information by meeting night.

### **Growing Competitions**

It has been suggested that we conduct another round of growing competitions. What genera would you like to try? We will discuss this at the next meeting.

### **60th Birthday Dinner**

Early next year marks the 60th Anniversary of the Society. The Committee is discussing the idea of having a social dinner to mark the occasion, and we are looking at Northmead Bowling Club as the venue, possibly for a Sunday lunch. We will get the members views at the next meeting.

### **PDOS Winter Show 2010**

Yes, I know it's next year, but as reported previously, the 2010 PDOS Winter Show will be held at Winston Hills Shopping Centre in June/July 2010 (set up Wednesday evening 30th June 2010 until pull-down on Sunday 4th July 2010 – just before the school holidays). I had a very productive meeting with WHSC management and made a submission on behalf of the Society that was hard to refuse. This is a very exciting development that has opened the door for us to expand both our membership as well as our bank balance, whilst promoting orchids at the same time. Members will also be able to sell quality plants at this show, with the Society taking 20% commission. The sales area will be in front of the ANZ Bank, whilst the display for plants would be in front of Big W.

Winston Hills Shopping Centre can clearly see the marketing opportunities that become apparent with PDOS involvement. We have over 12 months to plan for this, and I am sure this has the potential to become an annual event. It is essential that this receives the full support of the Committee and also the wider membership, especially regarding flowering plants for benching, security, raffle ticket sales, manning of the sales table etc. I see this as being one of the most important opportunities for the Society in well over a decade. As I said, it's still a long way off, but it is imperative that we plan ahead for this and fulfill the obvious potential.

See you all at the next meeting, with your flowering plants.

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**Point Score Competition**

**Winter Show 2009**

<b>CHAMPION OF SHOW</b> <i>Dockrillia teretifolia</i>	M & F Ferguson
<b>RESERVE CHAMPION OF SHOW</b> Paph. Rebekah Banks 'Northmead'	D & G Banks
<b>CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM</b> Cym. Lunara 'Gold Star'	K Steele
<b>CHAMPION CATTLEYA ALLIANCE</b> Blc Dream Trader x Lc. Drumbeat	T Costa & S Crosby
<b>CHAMPION SPECIES</b> <i>Dinema polybulbon</i>	N & V Shipway
<b>CHAMPION PAPHIOPEDILUM</b> Paph. Rebekah Banks 'Northmead'	D & G Banks
<b>CHAMPION AUSTRALIAN NATIVE</b> <i>Dockrillia teretifolia</i>	M & F Ferguson
<b>CHAMPION OTHER ORCHID</b> Dtps. Minho Princess	T Costa & S Crosby
<b>CHAMPION NOVICE ORCHID</b> Cym. Emerald Mount	D & K Mitchell
<b>CHAMPION SPECIMEN</b> <i>Dockrillia teretifolia</i>	M & F Ferguson

**OPEN**

**July 2009**

1.	Cymbidium	1.	K Steele	Cym. Lunara 'Gold Star'
	Standard	2.	T Costa & S Crosby	Cym. Via Del Playa x Winter Castle
	Over 90mm	3.	V & J Andrews	Cym. Cronulla 'The Khan'
2.	Cymbidium	1.	N & V Shipway	Cym. Tonto's Target 'Royale'
	Intermediate	2.	M & F Ferguson	Cym. One Tree Hill 'Beenak'
	60 - 99mm	3.	A & J Gatt	Cym. Louie's Pride 'Smiley'
3.	Cymbidium	1.	N & V Shipway	Cym. Shoalhaven 'Touch of Class'
	Miniature	2.	N & V Shipway	Cym. Peggy Foo 'Prolific'
	Under 60mm	3.	A & J Gatt	Cym. Radiant Ruby 'Aussie Gem'
4.	Cattleya	1.	T Costa & S Crosby	Blc Dream Trader x Lc. Drumbeat
	Over 110mm	2.	K Massingham	Blc. Burdekin Heights 'White Cloud'
		3.	K Massingham	C. Estelle x C. Thayeriana
5.	Cattleya	1.	N & V Shipway	Cookara Tropical Snowflake
	Cluster	2.	K Massingham	Lcr. Winter Fantasy
	5 or > flowers	3.	A & J Gatt	Epicattleya Siam Jade 'Aro'
6.	Cattleya	1.	T Costa & S Crosby	Blc. Momilani Rainbow
	70 - 110mm	2.	N & V Shipway	Pot. Dal's Buddy
		3.	A & J Gatt	Slc. Cosmo Beau
7.	Cattleya	1.	N & V Shipway	Pot. Free Spirit 'H & R'
	Under 70mm	2.	T Costa & S Crosby	Slc. Jungle Beau 'Castle Creek'
		3.	K Massingham	Pot. Shinfong Little Love
8.	Native	1.	M & F Ferguson	<i>Dockrillia teretifolia</i>
	Species - Epiphyte			

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10.	Native	1.	A Locke	Den. Jesmond Sparkler 'Greg Hall'
	Hybrid	2.	V & J Andrews	Den. Warrambool
		3.	T Costa & S Crosby	Den. Jilliby = Change Label
12.	Oncidium	1.	K Massingham	Onc. Twinkle
	Only	2.	T & M Brutto	Onc. Sharry Baby 'Meggie'
		3.	K Ryan	Onc. Twinkle 'Fragrant Fantasy'
13.	Oncidium	1.	T Costa & S Crosby	Colm. Wildcat 'Bobcat'
	Alliance	2.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Wilsonara Tiger Glow
	Other	3.	D Nicholson	Maclellanara Pagan Love Song 'Ruby Charles'
14.	Paphiopedilum	1.	K Massingham	<i>Paph. boxallii</i>
	Species	2.	T & M Brutto	<i>Paph. villosum</i>
		3.	K Massingham	<i>Paph. insigne</i>
15.	Paphiopedilum	1.	K Massingham	Paph. Lyxel x Paph. sukhakulii
	Novelty	2.	K Massingham	Paph. Cherry Glace
	Hybrid	3.	K Massingham	Paph. Primulinum x malipoense
16.	Paphiopedilum	1.	D & G Banks	Paph. Rebekah Banks 'Northmead'
	Hybrid	2.	D & G Banks	Paph. Seven Hills 'Jacqui'
		3.	K Massingham	Paph. Copper Spice x Paph. sukhakulii
17.	Vandaceous	1.	T Costa & S Crosby	Ascda. Brighton Fuchsia x V. Katsura var. 'Aroon Red'
	Hybrid	2.	K Massingham	Ascda. Karen Ono 'Pink Bird'
18.	Phalaenopsis	1.	T Costa & S Crosby	Dtps. Minho Princess
	Hybrid	2.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Dtps. Queen Beer x Phal. Taiwan Fancy
		3.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Phal. Hsinying Knight x Dtps. Little Gem Stripes
19.	Exotic	1.	M & F Ferguson	<i>Cymbidium erythraeum</i> 'Paradise'
	Species -	2.	P Yeung & J Keenan	<i>Phalaenopsis amabilis</i>
	Asian	3.	K Massingham	<i>Coelogyne speciosa</i>
20.	Exotic	1.	N & V Shipway	<i>Dinema polybulbon</i>
	Species -	2.	K Ryan	<i>Osmoglossum pulchelum</i>
	Other	3.	K Massingham	<i>Laelia anceps</i> 'Florence'
21.	Exotic	1.	D & G Banks	<i>Dendrochilum cootesii</i>
	Miniature	2.	D & G Banks	<i>Dendrochilum pulcherrimum</i>
	Species	3.	N & V Shipway	<i>Gomesa recurva</i>
22.	Miscellaneous	1.	N & V Shipway	Epidendrum Sunburst
	Hybrid	2.	D Nicholson	Masd. Margurite 'Drama Queen'
		3.	N & V Shipway	Bardendrum Nanboh Pixi
23.	Seedling	1.	T Costa & S Crosby	Phal. (Brother Girl x Brother Passat) x (Ching Her Goddess x Salu Beauty)
	Hybrid	2.	K Massingham	Den. Hilda Poxon
<b>NOVICE</b>				
24.	Novice	1.	R Bishop	Cym. (Yowie Flame x James Tee Kirk) x John Wooten
	Cymbidium	2.	R Bishop	Cym. Khan Flame 'OC'
	Standard	3.	R Bishop	Cym. Gloria Streeter x Blazing Fury

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25.	Novice	1.	D & K Mitchell	Cym. Emerald Mount = Change Labels
	Cymbidium	2.	R Bishop	Cym. Kulnurra 'Sweet Valencia'
	Intermediate	3.	D & K Mitchell	Cym. Red Ray = Change Labels
26.	Novice	1.	R Bishop	Cym. Wilpena 'Kersbrook'
	Cymbidium	2.	R Xerri	Cym. Summerclouds 'Gowendale' 4N
	Miniature			
28.	Novice	1.	D & K Mitchell	Den. Gillieston Reward = Change Label
	Native	2.	L Hueston	Den. Jayden = Change Label
	Hybrid			
29.	Novice	1.	R Giles	Blc. Owen Holmes 'Velvet'
	Cattleya	2.	R Giles	C. trianae
	Alliance	3.	R Giles	C. Margaret Degenhardt
30.	Novice	1.	R Bishop	<i>Coelogyne assamica</i>
	Exotic			
	Species			
31.	Novice	1.	R Bishop	Paph. Alma Gavaert 'Madame Maurice Merteus'
	Paphiopedilum	2.	C Nidagal	Paph. unknown
		3.	C Nidagal	Paph. Rosey Dawn
32.	Novice	1.	D & K Mitchell	Epi. Green Hornet
	Miscellaneous		R Giles	Dgmra. Skywalker 'Red Star'
	Hybrid		C Nidagal	Phal. unknown
<b>BEST PLANTS</b>				
	Open		M & F Ferguson	<i>Dockrillia teretifolia</i>
	Novice		D & K Mitchell	Cym. Emerald Mount

**Change Labels Please**

L. Gold Star = L. harpophylla x L. flava  
 Slc. Cosmo-Beau = Sc. Beaufort x Lc. Mini Purple  
 Den. Jilliby = Den. Aussie Victory x speciosum  
 Cym. Red Ray = Minneken x Rincon  
 Cym. Emerald Mount = Autumn Emerald x Matterhorn  
 Cym. Matterhorn = Little Bighorn x Maureen Grapes  
 Den. Jayden = Den. Elegant Heart x Den. speciosum  
 Den. Gillieston Reward = Den. Peewee x Den. Ku-Ring-Gai

*Remember: Green Growers starts at 6.45 pm with Main Meeting at 8.00pm*  
 Banksia Room, Wentworthville Community Centre - 2 Lane Street, Wentworthville