



Parramatta & District Orchid Society News

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September 2009



**Next Meeting –
22nd September 2009**

Please bring a plate for supper

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

**There will be no Guest Speaker or Green
Growers this month because of the
Spring Show**

Best Plants August 2009

**Open.-. *Cym.Sleeping Sharon* 'Carolyn'
Grown by Norm & Val Shipway**

**Novice - *Angraecum veitchii*
Grown by Dale Brown**

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**See all the photographs from the July
meeting
[http://picasaweb.google.com/parraorchids/
8Aug2009](http://picasaweb.google.com/parraorchids/8Aug2009)**



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August 2009 Meeting

Banksia Room, Wentworthville Community Centre, Tuesday 25/8/2009, at 8.00 pm.

APOLOGIES - Graeme & Lyn Banks, Karin Schicht, Terry Davis, Dawn Williams, Rita Xerri, Ana Fuentes.

Welcome to our newest member, Keith Chambers - hope you enjoy our meetings!!

Welcome also to our visitor Maryanne - hope to see you more often!

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MONTH - Moved that previous Minutes be accepted - seconded Charlie Galea, carried.

CORRESPONDENCE IN: Newsletters from other Societies - sent by email - please let Bev or Jim know if you don't want to receive these.

Letter re 6th Australasian Native Orchid Show August 2010 @ Newcastle Panthers Club. Watch your newsletter for further updates.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bal. As at 1/7/09 - \$1423.47, Payments \$307.05
Income \$471.50 Bal. As at 1/8/09 - \$1,587.92

SUPPER ROSTER: Thanks to Lorna and Eulie for volunteering for September

President David then presented winners of our Winter Show with their awards. Watch the newsletter for details of our Blue Mountains field trip in October!

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There was a great benching of plants at our last meeting. We are also getting into the position where it is getting cosier at meetings, as we are averaging about 60 people at the meetings, plus a hall-full of flowering orchids. We are experimenting with a couple of different configurations for both benching and seating, so please bear with us as we see what works best. We will get Alan Merriman back next year for his presentation on Cecil Park Orchids as unfortunately he had a few equipment problems last month.

Next Meeting – Spring Show 22nd September 2009

Next meeting is our Spring Show night, and Ken Massingham may be running the first half of the meeting, as I will be overseeing the judging. The judges for our Winter Show will be David Banks, Graeme Banks, Mike Harrison, Keith Harris, John Keenan and Keith Steele. As members know, we appoint our own judges to officiate at our shows as we are no longer affiliated with OSNSW.

We will again be holding a 50:50 auction (half the proceeds back to the grower, other half to the society). We don't want too many plants, but those submitted should be very healthy, established and of a high quality (preferably in flower or bud – and a photo would help a lot). Basically the sort of plants YOU would be interested in bidding on!

Benching of Plants at Meetings

This is mainly for our new (and perhaps not so new!) members! We love to see your flowering orchids, and encourage you to bring them to our monthly meetings so others can admire and enjoy your plants and the way you grow them. Plants submitted for the competitive annual Point Score Competition need to have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for at least Six (6) Months. This is in keeping with most orchid societies. If you have recently bought a special plant, we would still love to see it, but please bench it with a "not for judging" sign, so there is no confusion. Also please remember to fill in ALL the details on the benching slips, as this makes the job for Terry so much easier. So we need your name, and your plant's name, tick if you are in Open or Novice, include the plant class number in the box (very important!!) – you can copy that from the placards in front of each class. Anything else (or not sure what class your plant goes in) talk to our "new" Plant Steward – Gerry Smee, or ask Norm, Terry, John, Ken... we will find the answer for you!

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Hills District Orchids Spring Open Day – Sunday 27th September 2009

The next HDO Open Day will be held on the Sunday following our next meeting and Spring Show. Held at 183 Windsor Road NORTHMEAD (Park in Mary St or Windermere Ave), it starts at 9am til 4pm. Other nurseries attending include Tinonee Orchids, Macquarie Native Orchids and Miriam Ann Orchids. There will be lots of flowering clivias for sale in a range of colours, including some of the rarer colour forms!

Social Outing – Sunday 25th October 2009

Sunday 25th October 2009 (not the 18th as incorrectly stated previously) is the date for our Social Day for members (and their family/friends) to be held in the Upper Blue Mountains. The exact date is critical to see some of the rarer terrestrial orchids we will see on the day. 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-operated, 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 details and times / meeting points, maps etc., and also sort out those who require transport.

October Meeting

Ray Clement from Tinonee Orchids will be our Guest Speaker at our 27th October meeting. He will talk about some of the many “new” orchid hybrids that have recently entered cultivation, plus some tips on how to grow them.

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. (And if I forget again, please prompt me!)

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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.

PDOS Winter Show 2010

Yes, I know it's next year, but as reported last month, 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.

David Banks, President, PDOS

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GOOD NEWS COLUMN!!

Geraldine's last bone marrow biopsy showed better results than even her Professor expected; so the leukaemia is in remission! What this means is that while she'll still need the bone marrow transplant, she, Matilda and Chris will have a few months as a family before the transplant. She is looking towards the end of the year to transplant as in the warmer months there is less chance of infection.

Also a long-time member of the Society, Col Thwaite, recently celebrated his 80th birthday!! Col is in Glenmere Aged Care at Kanwal and doing well!

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OPEN		August 2009		
1.	Cymbidium	1.	K Steele	Cym. Valley Splash 'Awesome'
	Standard	2.	K Steele	Cym. Lunara 'Gold Star'
	Over 90mm	3.	M & F Ferguson	Cym. Joan's Charisma 'Vanity'
2.	Cymbidium	1.	M & F Ferguson	Cym. Gigli 'Gold'
	Intermediate	2.	N & V Shipway	Cym. Gigli 'Gold'
	60 – 99mm	3.	O Maia	Cym. Anna Szabo 'Geysersland'
3.	Cymbidium	1.	N & V Shipway	Cym. Sleeping Sharon 'Carolyn'
	Miniature	2.	D Nicholson	Cym. Orkney 'Pink Heather'
	Under 60mm	3.	A & J Gatt	Cym. Gladys Whitesell 'The Charmer'
4.	Cattleya	1.	N & V Shipway	Blc. Sylvia Fry 'Supreme'
	Over 110mm	2.	K Harris	Lc. Orglade's Grand 'Yu Chang Beauty'
		3.	A Alderman	Blc. Hawaiian Heart = Change Label
5.	Cattleya	1.	K Ryan	Lc. Gold Digger x C Chocolate Drop
	Cluster	2.	N & V Shipway	Slc. India Rose Sherwood
	5 or > flowers	3.	K Massingham	Dial. Mizoguchi 'Cloud Lover'
6.	Cattleya	1.	K Massingham	Blc. Sylvia Fry x Lc Rosie's Surprise
	70 – 110mm	2.	N & V Shipway	Pot. Dal's Choice
		3.	K Massingham	Slc. Dendi's Jewel = Change Label
7.	Cattleya	1.	N & V Shipway	Slc. Crib's Jewel
	Under 70mm	2.	N & V Shipway	Pot. Dal's Nuggett
		3.	A & J Gatt	Slc. Cosmo Beau
8.	Native	1.	T & M Brutto	<i>Den. speciosum var. speciosum</i>
	Species - Epiphyte	2.	A & J Gatt	<i>Den. speciosum var. capricornia</i>
9.	Native	1.	A Locke	<i>Diuris Pioneer 'Big Ears'</i>
	Species/Hybrid Terrestrial			
10.	Native	1.	A Locke	Den. Victorian Stripe
	Hybrid	2.	N & V Shipway	Den. Yondi Tina x gracillimum
		3.	K Ryan	Den. Duno Burgundy Sheen x Den. Zip
11.	Dendrobium	1.	K Massingham	Den. Dal's Delve x Den. Pale Face
	Hybrid - Exotic	2.	K Massingham	Den. Dal's Dazzler
		3.	K Massingham	Den. Pale Face
12.	Oncidium Only	1.	K Massingham	Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'
13.	Oncidium Alliance	1.	K Massingham	Onc (crispum x Parade) x Odcdm Tiger Hambuhren
	Other	2.	T Costa & S Crosby	Wils. Hilda Plumtree 'Purple Wings
		3.	D Nicholson	Mclna Pagan Lovesong 'Ruby Charles'
14.	Paphiopedilum Species	1.	K Massingham	<i>Paph. boxallii</i>
		2.	T & M Brutto	<i>Paph. appletonianum</i>
		3.	K Massingham	<i>Paph. villosum</i>
15.	Paphiopedilum Novelty	1.	K Massingham	Paph. Lyxel x sukhakulii
	Hybrid	2.	T Costa & S Crosby	Paph. Raisinettes x Voodoo Magic
		3.	K Massingham	Paph. Nitens = Change Label
16.	Paphiopedilum Hybrid	1.	K Massingham	Paph. Braidwood 'Model Farms'
		2.	K Massingham	Paph. Joslyn Joyes = Change Label
		3.	K Massingham	Paph. Double Deception x Global Passport

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17.	Vandaceous Hybrid	1.	N & V Shipway	Porterara Blue Boy 'Jill'
18.	Phalaenopsis Hybrid	1.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Dtps. Nobby's Purple x Dtps. Chian-Huey Red Rose
		2.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Dtps. Nobby's Pink Lady 'Isabel'
		3.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Dtps. Chain Xen Pearl
19.	Exotic Species - Asian	1.	P Yeung & J Keenan	<i>Coelogyne cristata</i>
		2.	P Yeung & J Keenan	<i>Phalaenopsis amabilis</i>
		3.	P Yeung & J Keenan	<i>Phalaenopsis venosa</i>
20.	Exotic Species - Other	1.	N & V Shipway	<i>Maxillaria porporestelle</i>
		2.	N & V Shipway	<i>Oerstedella centradenia</i>
		3.	K Massingham	<i>Osmoglossum pulchellum</i>
21.	Exotic Miniature Species	1.	K Ryan	<i>Dendrochilum rhombophorum</i>
		2.	N & V Shipway	<i>Dendrochilum tenellum</i>
		3.	D Nicholson	<i>Dendrochilum rhombophorum</i>
22.	Miscellaneous Hybrid	1.	N & V Shipway	Epidendrum Sunburst
		2.	D Nicholson	Masdevallia Marguerite 'Drama Queen'
		3.	K Massingham	Phrag. Calurum
23.	Seedling Hybrid	1.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Phal. Hsinying Knight x Dtps. Little Gem Stripes
		2.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Phal. Hsinying Knight x Dtps. Little Gem Stripes
		3.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Phal. Hsinying Knight x Dtps. Little Gem Stripes
NOVICE				
27.	Novice Native Species	1.	C Nidagal	<i>Den. gracilicaule</i>
		2.	E Herat	<i>Den. aemulum</i>
28.	Novice Native Hybrid	1.	R Bishop	Den. Flinders 'Fruit Salad'
		2.	C Nidagal	Den. Kathryn Banks x Aussie Guest
		3.		Den. unknown
29.	Novice Cattleya Alliance	1.	R Giles	Cattleya unknown
		2.	C Nidagal	Cattleya unknown
		3.	R Giles	C. Margaret Degonhart 'Saturn'
31.	Novice Paphiopedilum	1.		Paph. boxallii x Paph. Radiant Tiger
32.	Novice Miscellaneous Hybrid	1.	D Brown	Angraecum Veitchii
		2.	L Hueston	Coelogyne Intermedia
		3.	R Giles	Coelogyne Intermedia 'Alba'
BEST PLANTS				
	Open		N & V Shipway	Cym. Sleeping Sharon 'Carolyn'
	Novice		D Brown	Angraecum Veitchii

Change Labels Please

Blc. Hawaiian Heart = Bc. Donna Kimura x Blc. Pamela Hetherington

Slc. Dendi's Jewel = Slc Jeweler's Art x Sc. Lana Coryell

Slc. Seagulls Apricot = Slc. California Apricot x S. Coccinea

Slc. Summer Magic = Lc. Mari's Song x Slc. Tangerine Jewel

Den. Golden Angel = Den. Aussie Treat x Den. Speciosum

Paph. Joslyn Joyes = sukhakulii x Magic Mood

Paph. Nitens = villosum x insigne

**PARRAMATTA & DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY INC.
SHOW CLASSES FOR 2009 SPRING SHOW**

**Benching 7.00-7.45 pm Tuesday 22ND SEPTEMBER,2009 (judging starts 8.00 pm) -
Banksia Room, Wentworthville Community Centre.**

CHAMPIONSHIP PRIZES

Grand Champion of Show
Reserve Champion of Show
Champion Standard Cymbidium (Classes 1 and 21)
NSW Champion Intermediate Cymbidium (Classes 4 & 26)
NSW Champion Miniature Cymbidium (Classes 2 & 27)
Champion Cattleya Alliance (hybrid containing cattleya or laelia)
Champion Australian Native
Champion Paphiopedilum
Champion Species
Champion Other Orchid (excludes any Cymbidium, Aust. Native, Cattleya alliance and Paphiopedilum)
Best Australian Native Specimen (species or hybrid)
Best Specimen (excludes Aust. Native)
Best Novice Orchid
Open & Novice Classes 1st 2nd 3rd

Classes for the show in open & novice sections are the same as those for normal meeting nights

CONDITIONS OF SHOW

1. Entries are free and open to all members of the Orchid Society of NSW (OSNSW) and affiliated societies except where indicated.
2. Entries will be received by show marshalls from 6.00pm-7.00 pm on Tuesday, 23rd September, 2008.
3. Entries are received on the basis that PDOS will not be responsible for any loss, destruction or damage to such exhibit.
4. Judging shall be in accordance with the standards of OSNSW and the judges' decision will be final.
5. Any plant in any section shall be eligible for judging in any class except where particular notes are included in the schedule.
6. If, in the opinion of the judges, in any class, no plant warrants it, a prize shall not be given, or, at the discretion of the show marshalls, further prizes may be awarded.
7. Plants competing for prizes must have been owned and in the possession of the exhibitor for the previous six months.
8. Plants shall not be removed before the termination of the show without permission of the show marshalls and then only under extenuating circumstances. The show ends approx. 10 p.m.
9. All staging shall be under the supervision of the show marshalls and their assistants.
10. The committee reserves the right to remove or rearrange any exhibit at the show.
11. Each plant must be clearly labelled by the exhibitor.
12. Each plant must be entered individually on an exhibiting slip.
13. The definition of Novice is as used for the PDOS monthly pointscore competition.
14. Miniature Cymbidiums are defined as those cymbidiums where all flowers are less than 60mm when measured across the widest horizontal spread without manipulation. Intermediate Cymbidiums are those with one or more flowers larger than 60mm but less than 90mm when measured across the widest horizontal spread without manipulation.
15. Exotic Miniature Species are all such plants with flowers less than 13mm when measured across the widest horizontal spread without manipulation.

SHOW MARSHALLS: T. Davis, K. Ryan, N. Shipway

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact PDOS Secretary, Ms. Bev Clifford on 9635 7790.