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Sutherland on the second Monday of each Month. All visitors are welcome.

SSOS APRIL GENERAL MEETING 12.4.10

The President, Murray Aldridge opened the Meeting and welcome members and guests.

Murray asked the members if the MINUTES of the last meeting as printed in the Bulletin were accurate. Motion by M. Errington. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Registration papers and info. For the 6th Aust. Native Orchid Conference & Show to be held at Newcastle Panthers Club 25-29th August.

Flyers (poss. enough for everyone) for Mingara Orchid Fair & Show 26- 27th June.

Flyer from Aranbeen Orchids Qld. re. Open Day W/E Sale 15th & 16th May
Catalogue from Down Under Orchids re. 2010 Cat. launch at Royale 16-18th April
Information on Caloundra's Golden Orchidfest 12-14th June

Thankyou card from Dennis Wood's wife Lee, thanking members for the lovely flowers she received, after her recent surgery.

The President welcomed New Member, Mrs Cristine CASTLE

The President announced that member, May Luk has joined the Committee. Welcome May.

Murray announced our Guest Speaker tonight would be Mr Garrie Bromley.

ITEMS OF INTEREST POSITIONS VACANT

AUDITOR

SHOW SECRETARY

PHOTOGRAPHER for seedling comp (Bob Moar is at present filling-in).

PHOTOGRAPHER for the website. If you feel, you may be a roaming photographer at heart maybe this is the job for you, taking photos at meetings of orchids, members, Guest Speakers, Shows etc. to be displayed on our website.

The May G.M. will be our Annual Auction Night. A good chance to pick up a bargain. Members bringing orchids to sell are reminded that there is a max. of six orchids per member. Please place 2 tags in each pot – one the name of the orchid and the other with the owner's name and with any Reserve price on it. Reserve price must be over \$15, an orange sticker will be placed on these plants for easy identification, before the auction. Plants must be in good condition, free from pest and diseases. 15% Society commission on sales. Donations gratefully accepted.

Large orchid plants, preferably cymbidiums are need for potting demonstrations at our Winter and Spring Shows. They don't have to be recent varieties and the Society will pay around \$20 for the plant. Donations gratefully accepted.

Bus Trip to Mingara Orchid Fair and Royale Nursery on the 26th June. The bus is over half full so if you are interested and haven't put your name down please do so tonight. If you have friends you were thinking of inviting, ask them. The cost of \$25 can be paid from tonight to either Louise or Jan. Bookings ring Louise 9524 9072.

Name Badges. We are encouraging all members to wear their name badges, as it's an important way for members to recognise and connect with each other. If you do not have one please write your name down tonight, see Louise. They will be distributed at the next meeting and if you are wearing it, you could win the Name Badge Draw for the evening.

Thank you to those members who help put away the tables after the meetings. Could you please check that the tops are clean as other groups through the month use them and there has been a complaint that they are sometimes not left clean. Thankyou.

Murray mentioned that member, Neville Roper will be auctioning off some of his collection of orchids at Bankstown Orchid Society's meeting on the 3rd May.

Our new Editor, Dan Coulton asked the members if everyone is receiving their Bulletins and **if members have an email address, but are still receiving the Bulletin by mail, could they please consider receiving it by email.**

Thankyou Madge for our supper tonight, assisted by her daughter, Karen.

Murray introduced our Guest Speaker for the evening, well respected Orchid Judge, Mr Garrie Bromley. Garrie first spoke on the subject of 'advance show preparation' Showing us why it's important to stake your orchids well before show time and how to show an orchid, which has grown roots and foliage, half out of its pot, by placing the whole pot into a larger pot and covering the smaller pot. It also helps in the transporting of the orchid.

Garrie's second talk was on 'his visit to Peru'. He showed the members an array of photos including native orchids to the area, Machu Picchu ruins and the steep climb to get there.

The President, members and visitors, thanked Garrie for his two very interesting talks.

LUCKY PLANT PRIZE: S. CROSBY & T. COSTA, S. T. HO, D. WOOD

JUDGES CHOICE RESULTS: see over

PLANT RAFFLE: C. NIDAGAL, S.CROSBY & T. COSTA (2), R. COULTON, J. ROSE

The President concluded the Meeting and wished everyone a safe trip home.

Note from the Editor:

As my first point I would just like to thank Cristine Castle and Jeanette Rose for volunteering to take photos of the last meeting, your efforts are most appreciated.

In addition, I would like to emphasise again that if you have an email address and are still receiving this by post could you please advise me of your email address as I spend many hours a month printing and collating the bulletin.

May	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3
Lead Judge	G Hart	I Chalmers	W Chapman
Judge	D Brooks	K Wilson	E. Beehag
Judge	ST Ho	J Hart	I Ware
Assoc. Judge	G Birss	J Moss	R Bisetto
Writer	M Hitchcock	J Robinson	S Crosby

MONTHLY JUDGING RESULTS

For : April

OPEN JUDGES CHOICE

HYBRID

Winner Ascda Marissa's Little Doll R. Bisetto

SPECIES

Winner Laelia perinii coerulea Costa/Crosby

NOVICE & JUNIOR JUDGES CHOICE

Winner Oncidium Taka Jeanette Rose

INTERMEDIATE

Winner Dendrochilum clemensiae C. Nidagal

CLASS # 1 AUSTRALIAN NATIVES

1st Den. bigibbum Costa/Crosby

2nd Liparis reflexa J. Robinson

3rd Liparis reflexa J&M Moss

CLASS # 2 SPECIES PAPHIOPEDILUM

1st Paph. victoria-regina ST Ho

2nd Paph. spicerianum ST Ho

3rd Paph. charlesworthii ST Ho

4th Superbien ST Ho

CLASS # 3 CATTLEYA OVER 110mm

1st Blc. Hauserman's 'Rhapsody Yoris' J. Hart

2nd C. Donna Himura Paradise Tamit T. Hyde

3rd Blc. Erin Kobashi 'Lawana Gold' J. Hart

4th Blc. Francis Miles 'Lovely' Costa/Crosby

CLASS # 4 NOVELTY PAPHIOPEDILUM

1st Paph. Jacqueline Hopkins ST Ho

2nd Paph. Maudiae 'Coloratum' W&J Chapman

3rd Paph. spicerianum X Charlesworthii J. Robinson

4th Paph. Golddollar D. Brooks

CLASS # 5 CATTLEYA 80 TO 110MM

1st Blc. Portia Cannidaro AM/ AOS Costa/Crosby

2nd Blc. Portia Cannidaro 'Bexley' J. Hart

3rd Sc. Dal's Beau G. Hart

4th Blc. Toshi Aoki 'Goldrosa' X Blc. Chinese Bronze R. Ettrick

CLASS # 7 CATTLEYA INTERGENERIC [UP TO 70MM]

1st Ctna. Capri 'Lea' J. Hart

2nd Ctna. Capri 'Lea' J. Hart

3rd Ctna. Lillian Melendez 'Coqui' J. Hart

CLASS # 8 CATTLEYA UP TO 80mm

1st Slc. Wendy's Redstone 'Carmela' J. Robinson

2nd Slc. Jungle Beau Crosby/Costa

3rd C. Cherry Song X Blc. Watnne Leopard R. Bisetto

4th Lc. Trick or Treat X C. Walkeriana Costa/Crosby

CLASS # 9 AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

HYBRID

1st Den. Cropky Costa/Crosby

CLASS # 10 SPECIES ASIAN

1st Dendrochilum cobbianum G. Hart

2nd Dendrochilum wenzelli W&J Chapman

3rd Esmerelda clarkii G. Hart

4th Haraella ordata R. Bisetto

CLASS # 11 PHALAENOPSIS

1st Dtps. Tom Boy X Hon. Ben's Lip D. Brooks

CLASS # 12 SEEDLING

1st Onc. Easy Gold X enderianum ST Ho

2nd Lyc. Judith Radhens X Macama T. Thorburn

3rd Paph. charlesworthii G. Hart

CLASS #13 ONCIDIUM

1st Onc. (Yurla X crispum) X Yurla ST Ho

2nd Onc. Sharry Baby 'Perfumed Princess' Costa/Crosby

3rd Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sunset Fragrance' Costa/Crosby

4th Onc. Jiuhbao Gold 'M' J&M Moss

CLASS # 15 ONCIDIUM INTERGENERIC ALLIANCE

1st Miltonidium D. Wood

2nd Alcra. Dorothy Oka D. Wood

3rd Colm. Wildcatt 'Hildos' Costa/Crosby

4th Howeara Lava Burst 'Puanani' G. Birss

CLASS # 16 MISCELLANEOUS

1st Pharag. Longifolium X pearcei J&M Moss

2nd Mtss. Citron D. Wood

3rd V. Josephine Van Brero X Faye Bennett J&M Moss

4th Vanda Wivat W&J Chapman

CLASS # 17 DENDROBIUM HYBRIDS

1st Den Fantasy Costa/Crosby

2nd Den Chao Praya Sweet X Sansak Costa/Crosby

CLASS #18 VANDACEOUS NOT VANDA

1st Ascda. Marissa's Little Doll R. Bisetto

2nd Ascda. Thai Beauty Costa/Crosby

CLASS # 19 MASDEVALLIA & DRACULA SPECIES

1st	Dracula cordobae	G. Hart
2nd	Dracula cordobae	G. Hart
3rd	Dracula ripleyana	G. Hart
4th	Dracula cordobae	G. Hart

CLASS # 21 Odontoglossum including Odontonia

1st	Odontoglossum Midnight Miracles	D. Wood
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CLASS # 21A PLEUROTHALLIDINAE HYBRIDS

1st	Rest. guttulata X cuprea	D. Coulton
2nd	Dracula Quasimodo	G. Hart
3rd	Dracula Cookies and Cream	G. Hart

CLASS # 21B LAELINAE SPECIES

1st	Laelia perinii coerulea	Costa/Crosby
2nd	Laelia perinii	R. Bisetto
3rd	Laelia purpurata	T. Thorburn

CLASS # 23 SPECIES OTHER THAN ASIAN OR PAPHIOPEDILUM

1st	Lyc. cochleata	D Wood
2nd	Prost. Cochleata	D Wood
3rd	Psymorchis pusilla	R. Bisetto
4th	Milt. clowesii	T. Thorburn

CLASS # 23A OTHER PLEUROTHALLIDINAE SPECIES

1st	Trico. strampifera	G. Hart
2nd	Pleuro. recurva	G. Hart
3rd	Pleuro. stricta	D. Coulton

CLASS # 25 NOVICE - Paphiopedilum

1st	Paph. Unknown	Diane Phillips
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CLASS # 28 NOVICE - CATTLEYA

1st	Bc. Glenn Maidment X Sunshine Colorshort	R. Nicol
2nd	Cat. Unknown	O. Sutton
3rd	Cat. Cristum Rosda	Diane Phillips

CLASS # 29 NOVICE - MISCELLANEOUS

1st	Onc. Taka	Jeanette Rose
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CLASS #30 NOVICE - SPECIES

1st	Lyc. cochleata	O. Sutton
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CLASS # 31 INTERMEDIATE PAPHIOPEDILUM

1st	Paph. (Supersuk X Montagnaid)X Holdenii	C. Nidagal
2nd	Paph. (insigne X Marginata) X Gothic	C. Nidagal
3rd	Paph. Leyburnense X Magnifica	C. Nidagal
4th	Paph Maud Los osos X Maud Mayday	C. Nidagal

CLASS # 33 INTERMEDIATE - NATIVE SPECIES & NATIVE HYBRID

1st	Den. Cascade	C. Nidagal
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CLASS # 34 INTERMEDIATE - CATTLEYA

1st	Cat. Intermedia alba X S. Jinn	M Luk
2nd	Cat. Caudebec X Ctna Why Not	M Luk
3rd	Cattleya Unknown	M Luk
4th	Cat. Boon K Long	M Luk

CLASS # 35 INTERMEDIATE - MISCELLANEOUS

1st	Zygo. Titanic	M Luk
2nd	Zygo. Prospect Hill X Iron Baron	C. Nidagal
3rd	Milt. Unknown	M Luk
4th	Milt. Bluntii X candida	M Luk

CLASS # 36 INTERMEDIATE - SPECIES

1st	Dendrochilum clemensiae	C Nidagal
2nd	Vanda tessellata	C Nidagal
3rd	Den. flaviflorum	C Nidagal

CLASS # 41 JUNIORS

1st	Milt. Purple Queen	R. Dimon
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Events

May Meeting Auction Night	10th May	8pm-10pm	Auditorium of the Sutherland Uniting Church, Cnr Flora and Merton Streets, Sutherland
Orchids Out West	21st - 23rd May	9am-4pm Sun 9am-3pm	Hawkesbury Race Club, Corporate Building, Racecourse Road, Clarendon
June Meeting Clive Hall from Beenak Orchids - Masdevallias (Bringing plants for sale.)	14th June	8pm-10pm	Auditorium of the Sutherland Uniting Church, Cnr Flora and Merton Streets, Sutherland
Sutherland Shire OS Winter Show	17th - 20th June	9am-5pm Sun 9am-4pm	Swanes Nursery, 80 Port Hacking Rd Sylvania
Mingara Orchid Fair	26th - 27th June	9am-5pm	Mingara Recreation Club, Mingara Drive, Tumbi Umbi

Orchid Growing Tid Bit: Orchids often enjoy a good flushing out with rain especially in the warmer months, so if you grow your orchids undercover a good idea is to put them out when its raining. But don't FORGET them as they will burn when the sun reappears.

SSOS BUS TRIP TO MINGARA ORCHID SHOW AND ROYALE ORCHIDS, PEATS RIDGE

SATURDAY 26TH JUNE 2010

After the success of the two previous bus trips to Orchids Out West, the Committee have decided to organise another outing, this time to the Mingara Orchid Fair and Show and as a bonus, on the return trip, stopping at Royale Orchids, at Peats Ridge.

The Mingara Orchid Fair is in its 8th Year, and is proving to be a Fair not to be missed on the orchid calendar. Along with orchid displays there will be over 20 vendors attending, including some we rarely see. (For full list, see Flyer).

Our March Guest Speaker, Kevin Hipkins is the owner of Royale Orchids at Peats Ridge. His large nursery is well worth visiting to see the different genera that he has and how they are grown.

We plan to meet at 7:45 a.m. outside the Uniting Church Hall (our meeting hall) for an 8.00a.m. sharp departure. We want to be at the Show before all the good orchids sell! Lunch will be at your own cost and there are a number of cafes/restaurants in the Mingara complex. The bus will leave Mingara at 1.00p.m. sharp for Royale Orchids allowing 1 hour for the visit, then returning to Sutherland around 4.30p.m.

The bus (coach) has plenty of room underneath for your orchid purchases. Please bring a styrofoam box or other container to keep your plants upright.

The bus is now over half full, so if you are planning to come along, or if you wish to invite friends along, please put your name down now. The cost is \$25 but will reduce if we get more passengers.

Please ring me on 9524-9072 or see me at the May Meeting with payment to secure your spot on the bus.

Louise Gannon
Hon. Secretary

The International Orchid Hybrid Register

After having typed up this month's results, I found quite a few very long names. This I, thought while a slight inconvenience to me may suggest that some of the membership is unaware of a very important resource that being the Orchid Hybrid Register. The register serves two primary purposes the first is to find the current name of what the crossing on your tag is. For instance if your tag said Den. *speciosum* X Den *kingianum* then when you type it into the register, you will find its current name to be Den. *Delicatum*. The database's other attribute is that it can do the process in reverse as well. Add to that the fact that if you only type in one parent it will tell you all the hybrids involving that plant and you have a useful resource.

Note: As of writing this, the link on the society's website will not take you directly to the register as the RHS as redone its website, as such I have included a current link below

<http://apps.rhs.org.uk/horticulturaldatabase/orchidregister/>

Benching Your Show Plants

Preparing plants for the show bench begins the minute you bring home your new plant, not the week before the show. The following suggestions may serve as a help & a reminder. • You must own a plant at least 6 months. If owned for a shorter time then it may be benched with a tag saying 'For display only' or 'not for judging.'

At home....

- Stake, tie & train your plants as they grow.
- Use a stake to train a Cattleya pseudo bulb to grow upright & therefore the inflorescence will have a good upright start in life. (Also canes on Dendrobium's & Vandaceous types.)
- Staking must conform to OSNSW/AOC rules.
- Stakes must not be too high (we don't want the judges to lose an eye.)
- Stakes should be unobtrusive & must not detract from the plant.
- Ties should be neat & blend in with the plant. • Have even light all round & above the plant to get even flowering. (Not all growing towards one light source.)
- When flowers are forming use wedges of styrene to space the flowers evenly.
- Protect the flowers as they emerge from weather & water damage.
- Do not allow pests & diseases to infest your orchids. (The judges & other plant owners don't like to see ants running along the show benches.)

The day before....

- the outside of the pot must be clean. (Either replace the pot or place the pot in a new & larger one.)
- The potting mix must be clean. (No weeds)
- If a flower breaks off, leave it on top of the pot.
- The plant & pot must be able to stand firmly on the show bench.
- Clean the leaves by washing with milk & water. Do not use leaf shine.
- When handling & preparing your plants always have clean hands & sterilize your tools.
- Trim dead or damaged leaves by cutting them to the original shape of the leaf.

On the day....

- Water plants well allowing time for them to drain.
- Transport to show – a lot of care is needed not to damage the plant or flowers. (An upturned foam box is a handy carrier. Cut holes in the box to fit the pot.)
- A minimum of 50% of the buds on an inflorescence have to be open to be eligible for judging. • If you are not sure where to place your plant ask an official.
- Place your plant on the show bench to show the flowers to the best advantage to the judges. • Be very careful of other entrants' plants.
- Have labels where they can be clearly seen by the judges & the public.
- Have clean & neat printing on the label.
- Don't have flowers hidden by the foliage.
- Do not judge your own plant at home; let the judges do it at the show. If you carry out all the above suggestions, then your plants will be in show bench condition.

From the Five Dock Orchid Society Website

<http://www.fivedockorchids.com/Benching%20Your%20Show%20Plants.pdf>

Did You Know: That *Cymbidium canaliculatum* is the only epiphytic orchid known to grow well to the west of the great dividing range and into Western Australia.