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VENUE: Next Monthly Meeting will be held on Monday, 22nd February 2010 @ Ermington Community Hall, River Road, Ermington, NSW 2115.

What's Coming Up?

2010

22 nd February	Ken Siew talks about the Australian Orchid Council's National Conference in 2009.
29 th March	James Insto presents orchid photography at its best.
26 th April	Ken Siew talks on Paphiopedilum species.
31 st May	Irene Bodell promotes the Ira Butler Award with pictures of past winners 2000/2009.

Judges' Roster - February 2010

Panel 1	P Anderson, A Midgley, I Bodell, C Scott-Harden and Trainees
Panel 2	K Koutsoukis, J Keenan, B long, P Stubbs and Trainees
Panel 3	G Hart, N Roper, S Barrie, I Nelson and Trainees
Reserve	W Chapman, K Siew, M Aldridge, S Yuen, G Scott-Harden

INSURANCE RENEWAL

Affiliated societies please be aware that insurance payment to cover the period 2010/2011 will be required by **April 2010**. Please discuss and seek approval at your next executive meetings so that payments can be made when they fall due. The policy is a **Public Liability/Product and Personal Injury**, one to the value of \$20 million, and the cost to our affiliates for this year has yet to be confirmed by the Insurers. As we only have a short time frame from the time we are informed of the costs and the time we have to pay in order to be covered, payment will have to be

made immediately. So please prepare your cheques as soon as possible. The application form is in the 'Forms' section of 'Affiliated Societies' on the OSNSW website. A reminder that affiliates must be financial in order to come under the OSNSW Insurance umbrella. If you have any queries you can ring Veronica on **Tel: (02) 9649 2719 or by email** (see above).

President's piece

When we first started growing orchids in Sydney (can't be 40 years!) my aim was to have orchids in flower all year. We have managed to achieve that but January and February are still very lean months for flowers. Nevertheless those which are out now include some highly desirable orchids.

The peloric *Doritis pulcherrima* v. *Chumpornensis* are very popular and at a benching the other day about half a dozen provided a very attractive display of whites, pinks and cream on strong upright stems. You can almost set your calendar by it. The tall *Cattleya bicolor*, particularly v. *Baziliensis*, is striking with a raceme of 6 – 8 glossy flowers with brown tepals and a bright pink lip, and heavy substance. *Laelia crispa* produces racemes with even more flowers, white with stunning dark purple lip which is closely crisped on the margin. Some of the beautifully perfumed white *Cattleya* hybrids flower over summer, such as Bc. Hawaiian Wedding Song.

Geoff Fulcher

Orchid Society of NSW Monthly General Meeting held on Monday, 25th January, 2010 at Ermington Community Hall, River Road, Ermington, NSW 2115.

Opening

The meeting was declared open at 8.05 pm by the President Geoff Fulcher, who welcomed those present.

Apologies

Apologies were received from Keith Irvine, Barry Collins Vera Brazel and Keith Steele.

Vale: Barney Greer, Vera Irvine and Phyllis Langdale.

Sadly, the Society recently lost three members who were our orchid friends for many years.

Barney Greer is probably remembered by most of us for his highly regarded and informative little book on the genus *Stanhopea*, but his orchid knowledge extended well beyond; he was a fine grower of *Cattleyas* and *Oncidiums* too. His book is still the best one of its kind on the genus, a long time after it was written. Barney was a partner in one of the leading and well known advertising agencies and had a reputation as one of the great copy writers in the advertising business. We remember him as a man of integrity and with a fine sense of humour.

Vera Irvine was a hospitable and kind person who has been coming to Society meetings with her husband Keith for a very long time. Our condolences go to Keith for his loss.

Phyllis Langdale widow of the late Des Langdale died on Friday last. Her funeral will be next Friday, 22 January at West Chapel, Rookwood at 2.00 pm. Members of the Bankstown Orchid Society will remember her involvement [and that of her husband Des] over many years. Phyl continued to run the Orchid Nursery in Wilkins Street, Yagoona for many years after the death of Des. The Langdale family were one of the first exporters of Orchid Flowers and conducted a quarantine service for imported orchid plants at a time when there was almost no one else in the business. Those of us from Bankstown will always remember the generous and friendly service provided by Des & Phyllis. (Peter Dowling)

Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th October 2009 were confirmed as a true account of that meeting.

Moved: Geoff Fulcher and accepted unanimously.

Matters Arising

Correspondence

Christmas card from Prof. Marie Bashir, Governor of New South Wales.

Newsletters from Affiliated Societies and Interstate Societies.

Requests for Meritorious Service Badges – Nil this month

Show Committee report

Southern Orchid Spectacular: 8th to 10th October 2010.

Distribution of surplus to be undertaken soon. Geoff told members that the division of surplus between the participating societies of the SOS would change from the 50% OSNSW and 25% each to Eastern Suburbs O/S and Sutherland O/S, to 40% OSNSW and 30% to the other 2 societies in 2010. The original division numbers came about because OSNSW were the financial underwriters of the event. The new percentages have been agreed to as the financial 'risk' no longer exists.

St. Ives Village 17th to 20th June 2010

Venue secured – Garrie Bromley to liaise with Gweneth Bleakley regarding continuing sponsorship.

Royal Botanic Gardens 3rd and 4th July 2010 (Dates to be confirmed)

Still waiting to confirm dates. Ian Chalmers and Geoff Fulcher will meet with the RBG soon to discuss the 2010 weekend display and sales.

Orchids out West: 21st to 23rd May 2010

Preparations going according to schedule – Two additional vendors will replace the very large area usually taken up by Wayne Turville. (Wayne is unable to attend this year because of very important family functions...but will be back in 2011)

Royal Easter Show: 1st 14th April 2010 – OSNSW to display from 1st to 8th April

OSNSW have agreed to once again put on a display at the show. We need plants please, so if you would like to lend good quality plants, we could take them from you at the March General meeting. (29th March)

OSNSW will be setting up at Homebush on Wednesday 31st March, and our display will remain until Thursday 8th April when we will dismantle at night so that Bonsai can set up in the same area for the second week of the show.

Those of you who are regular exhibitors at the show will be aware of the fees being charged this year. (\$30.00 to exhibit and \$8.00 to register if you don't do this 'online') Veronica has expressed our disappointment at the new charges but it seems it's all part of the financial pressures of our times.

General Business

The Australian Orchid Council has a new President - Deane Johnston, who many will know from his attendance at OSNSW shows as a vendor. As part of Deane's wish to undertake promotion of the AOC and increase public awareness of AOC function, he is proposing the setting up of a small information and sales area at OSNSW shows in 2010. The stall will be stocked and manned by volunteers from OSNSW/AOC. Approval will be sought from the Committees of OOW and SOS

Supper duties at OSNSW meetings - We are looking for volunteers to help out with supper at our meetings and since we had no volunteers from our last request, at each meeting we will have to nominate helpers from the floor to assist at the following month's meeting. A big thank you goes to Val Houley Toni Benton and Kevin Hipkins who did a wonderful job tonight. Also to those who donated good things to eat – Thank you too!

Registrars Report:

Garrie Bromley advised members that three awards were granted in December & January.

On the 9th of December 2009, at the Species meeting, the following were awarded:

An **AM**, to *Ascocentrum ampullaceum* 'Kobie' 82 points owned by Nic Peters.

An **AM**, to *Encyclia*, possibly, *Oncidioides* 'VC', 80 points, owned by Veronica Clowes (awaiting positive identification); and on the 13th of January 2010, at the Species meeting again, the following was awarded:

An **HCC**, to *Paphiopedilum* Bel Royal 'Bubbles', 78 points, owned by Bibi Baker.

Garrie spoke of the coming show in Singapore in July 2010 and said that many of our members would be attending. Also attending will be members of the WAOC (Western Australian Orchid Council) who are using the Singapore show as practice for their World Orchid Conference in Perth in 2014. Australia will need cut flowers for their display in Singapore so please keep this in mind.

There will be a metropolitan judges meeting at Five Dock on Friday 5th February, and a judge training day on Saturday 20th February.

The first country (and the State) Judges meeting of 2010 will be at Port Macquarie on the weekend of 13/14 March 2010 and the South/Western area Judges meeting held in Canberra will be on 17/18 April 2010.

Treasurers Report:

Ralph Payne advised members that our recent Christmas festivities had cost a little more than previously but were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. He told members that he had recently reinvested the first of two parcels of surplus funds at a much improved interest rate, and that the second investment would be reinvested soon.

Guest Speaker

Garrie Bromley tonight took us back to Ecuador for Part 2 of our 2009 trip. To see the terrain which we encountered and of course the wonderful orchids growing in some of the most inhospitable regions of the country was truly amazing. And the roads? Well enough said!

Garrie spoke highly of our driver and guide, who were able to take us to places to see orchids which only they knew about. And so we have travelled down from the mountains of Ecuador to the coast. Part 3 will take us back to Ecuagenera – the nursery of Pepe Portilla and family, and on to our journey home.

Thank you Garrie, for another wonderful journey...can't wait for the next installment!

Raffle Prizes were won by Greg Kazarian, Ralph Payne x 2, Graeme Scott-Harden, Bernie Britton and Elizabeth O'Hara.

Best Species : *Neofinetia falcata* Grower: Marie and Fred Bradd

Best Hybrid : *Ascocenda* Ken Kone Grower: Joe Gafa

Lucky Exhibitor : Lesley and Garrie Bromley

The President thanked everybody for coming as well as those who helped prepare the supper and wished everybody a safe trip home.

The meeting was declared closed at 9.40 pm.

The next meeting is on 22nd February 2010 at ERMINGTON COMMUNITY HALL.

POINT SCORES FOR January 2010

Best Hybrid

Ascda Ken Kone

J Gafa

Best Species

Neof falcata

F&M Bradd

OPEN CLASSES – HYBRIDS

Class 1 Cymbidium – More than 90mm Nil

Class 2 Cymbidium – Up to 90mm Nil

Class 3 Cattleya Classical Exhibition

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| 1. <i>Lc</i> Rosie's Surprise | J&S Atwal |
| 2. <i>Blc</i> Eve Marie Barnett 'Magnificent' | A&G Cushway |
| 3. <i>Blc</i> Mem Robert Strait 'Carmela' | L&G Bromley |

Class 4 Laeliinae Cluster (Min 5 Flowers)

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| 1. <i>Pot</i> Hisako Akatsuka Volcano Queen x <i>Blc</i> Erin Kobayashi
Lahaina Gold | J Gafa |
| 2. <i>Otr</i> Hawaiian Queen 'Bette' | L&G Bromley |
| 3. <i>C</i> Landate Hybrida Spotted Bloom | J Gafa |

Class 5 Laeliinae (71mm to 119 mm)

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| 1. <i>Pot</i> Sanyo Butterfly 'Dianne' | DR Symons |
| 2. <i>Lc</i> Mini Purple 'Jessica' | J&S Atwal |
| 3. <i>Ctna</i> Dal's Capri 'Nichole' | J&S Atwal |

Class 6 Laeliinae Miniature (up to 70mm)

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| 1. <i>Lctna</i> Swig of Brandy 'Good Drop' | L&G Bromley |
| 2. <i>Sc</i> Lana Coryell 'Tiki' | A&G Cushway |
| 3. <i>Slc</i> Tiny Titan Orange Blush' | A&G Cushway |

Class 7 Paphiopedilum Classical Shape Nil

Class 8 Cypridioideae Other

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| 1. <i>Paph</i> Maudiae 'The Queen' | G&J Fulcher |
| 2. <i>Phrag</i> Bel Royale 'Queens Cliffe' | K Siew |
| 3. <i>Paph</i> Chuck Booth | I Bodell |

Class 9 Specimen Orchid

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| 1. <i>Slc</i> Regal Gold | L&G Bromley |
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Class 10 Terrestrial Species/Hybrid Any Genera Nil

Class 11 Seedling Any Genera

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| 1. <i>Paph</i> Reckless | N&K Koutsoukis |
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Class 12 Phalaenopsis Standard 76mm and over

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| 1. <i>Phal</i> Su's Red Lip | L Mayer |
| 2. <i>Phal</i> Musashino x Paper Moon | L Mayer |
| 3. <i>Phal</i> Maki Watanabe x <i>Dtps</i> Mt Beauty | S Yuen |

Class 13 Phalaenopsis 51mm to 75mm

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| 1. <i>Phal</i> Tasy's Evergreen x <i>violacea</i> 'Alba' | G&J Fulcher |
| 2. <i>Phal venusa</i> x Encarnada de Caso | PYeung/JKeenan |
| 3. <i>Phal</i> Taisuco Darling | PYeung/JKeenan |

Class 14 Phalaenopsis – Up to 50mm Nil.

Class 15 Vandaceous

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| 1. <i>Ascda</i> Ken Kone | J Gafa |
| 2. <i>Rntda</i> Hew Mun 'Korat's Best' | L&G Bromley |
| 3. <i>Vasco</i> Brisbane River 'Brighton 4N' | L&G Bromley |

Class 16 Dendrobium

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|---|----------------|
| 1. <i>Den</i> Topaz Dream x Dal's Glory | J&S Atwal |
| 2. <i>Den</i> Aussie Pink | L&G Bromley |
| 3. <i>Den</i> Fantasy Land x Lady Gem | N&K Koutsoukis |

Class 17 Oncidiinae (Odm, Oda, Odtina, Vuyl,

Miltoniopsis, Wils.)

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| 1. <i>Wils</i> Hilda Plumtree 'Purple Wings' | N Gill |
| 2. <i>Onc</i> Illustre 'Iguana' x <i>Odcdm</i> Tiger Hambuhren | P&J Dolier |

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| 3. <i>Odm</i> Parade 'Goldilocks' x <i>Odm cuennevaris</i> #1 | |
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A&G Cushway

Class 18 All Other Oncidiinae

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| 1. <i>Onc</i> Windward Beauty | L&G Bromley |
| 2. <i>Brs</i> Rex | N&K Koutsoukis |
| 3. <i>Odcdm</i> Wildcat 'Blood Shot' | J&S Atwal |

Class 19 Australian Native Hybrids

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| 1. <i>Den</i> Topaz Dream x <i>bigibbum</i> | P Murn |
| 2. <i>Sarco</i> Velvet | P Murn |
| 3. <i>Sarco</i> Flirt 'Dolno' | R Toombs |

Class 20 Pleurothallidinae

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| 1. <i>Masd</i> Alex Arms | PYeung/JKeenan |
| 2. <i>Masd</i> Bella Donna x <i>veitchiana</i> 'King Crimson' | PYeung/JKeenan |
| 3. <i>Masd</i> Red Wings 'Who Cares' | R Olstan |

Class 21 Hybrid Not Elsewhere Specified

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|---|---------------|
| 1. <i>Prom</i> Florafest x Norman Gaunt | F&L Woolnough |
| 2. <i>Bulb</i> Wilmar 'Galaxy Star' | J&S Atwal |
| 3. <i>Zygo</i> Kiwi Choice 'Eileen' | J&S Atwal |

SPECIES

Class 22 Laeliinae Species

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| 1. <i>C loddigseii</i> | DR Symons |
| 2. <i>C loddigseii</i> 'Impassionata' | P Murn |
| 3. <i>L fidelensis</i> | F&L Woolnough |

Class 23 Cypridioideae Species

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| 1. <i>Paph callosum</i> 'Pat' | J&S Atwal |
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Class 24 Vandaceous Species

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| 1. <i>Neof falcata</i> | F&M Bradd |
| 2. <i>Phal pulcherrima</i> | PYeung/JKeenan |
| 3. <i>Phal pulcherrima</i> | PYeung/JKeenan |

Class 25 Oncidiinae Species

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| 1. <i>Rst cordatum</i> 'Who Cares' | R Olstan |
| 2. <i>Rst uro-skinneri</i> 'Who Cares' | R Olstan |
| 3. <i>Onc incurvum</i> | C Dalrymple |

Class 26 Dendrobiinae Species

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| 1. <i>Den victoriae-reginae</i> | BV Williams |
| 2. <i>Den moschatum</i> | N Gill |

Class 27 Australian Native Dendrobium Species Nil

Class 28 Australian Native Other Species Nil

Class 29 Miniature Flowers Less than 12mm

and the distance between the first and last flower is less than 200mm Nil

Class 30 American Species Other

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| 1. <i>Epi fragrans</i> | P Murnl |
| 2. <i>Lyc aromatica</i> | C Dalrymple |
| 3. <i>Prom rollissonii</i> | F&L Woolnough |

Class 30A Pleurothallidinae species

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| 1. <i>Masd maculata</i> | R Olstan |
| 2. <i>Pleuro fastidiosa</i> 'Who Cares' | R Olstan |
| 3. <i>Masd tualpa</i> 'Who Cares' | R Olstan |

Class 31 Species not elsewhere Specified

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|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. <i>Ddc pangasinanense</i> | N Briscoe-Hough |
| 2. <i>Nbnthm gracilis</i> | R&J Dolier |
| 3. <i>Cym finlaysonianum</i> | R Toombs |

NOVICE CLASSES

Nil