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Next Meeting: 23rd February
Presentation of Awarded Orchids by Garrie Bromley



CHAMPION HYBRID OF THE NIGHT

C. Herbie Poole x Lulu
(owned by John Allen)

CHAMPION SPECIES OF THE NIGHT

Paph. parishii
(owned by Veronica Clowes)



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What's on at OSNSW Meetings in 2015

23rd February Presentation of awarded plants by Garrie Bromley

Paph. Fumi's Delight
'Apricot Cream' (V Clowes)
Award of Merit 2014



23rd March To be advised

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President's Report

Dear Fellow Growers

As we approach the new show season, I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible with your flowers. I remind you that the Affiliated Societies' Competition for your champions for 2015 is open and see our website for how to enter. There is no cost and I encourage you to put your plants in for consideration. Similarly the Ira Butler Trophy Competition for 2015 is open for champion Australian species, hybrids and Australasian species and hybrids. Details are available on their website.

Good Growing
Chris

The Affiliated Societies Orchid of the Year Competition:
<http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/PhotoComp.htm>
Ira Butler Website:
<http://www.irabutlertrophy.org/index.htm>



Judge's Roster February - March 2015

	February	March
Panel 1	M Aldridge S Tay N Gill	B Richens C Polis D Brooks
Panel 2	T Beehag J McAuley P Radford	W Chapman J Fulcher P D'Olier
Panel 3	C Scott-Harden T Yee B Britton	G Scott-Harden L Bromley H Choo
Award Panel	A Cushway T Peterson M Karayannis	J Keenan W Dhu G Hart

N.B. Reserves and Associate judges for panels will be chosen on the night

Membership fees due annually on 1st July

- Single Metropolitan Member: \$25.00
- Joint Metropolitan Member: \$32.00 (i.e. \$27 membership & \$5 for insurance)
- Single Country and Interstate Member: \$22.00
- Joint Country and Interstate Member: \$29.00 (i.e. \$24 membership & \$5 for insurance)
- Associate Member: \$20.00
- Overseas Member: \$32.00
- Affiliated Society: \$62.00

**Orchid Society of NSW Monthly General Meeting held on
Monday 26th January 2015 at the Ermington Community Centre, River Rd, Ermington**

Opening

Tonight's meeting was declared open at 8.00 pm by President Chris Dalrymple, who welcomed those present. Tonight we have the pleasure of seeing pictures from the WOC in Johannesburg, (presented by Ian) and some of the highlights of the trip to Botswana by Jane and Peter D'Olier.

Apologies: Bernadette Williams, Geoff and Jean Fulcher and Warleiti Jap

Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 27th October 2014 were confirmed as a true account of that meeting. Moved for acceptance by Veronica Clowes and seconded by Fred Bradd – accepted unanimously.

Matters Arising

Annual fees are now overdue. Your Orchid News may have stopped coming if you haven't paid your fees..

General Business

- Pointscore prizes from our Christmas meeting. Chris presented a plant to Clover Bradley, and members took the remaining plants for Lou Mayer and Christine Martin.
- Continuing Vice Regal patronage. As you may be aware, our Patron Dame Marie Bashir has retired and we are in the process of seeking continued patronage by the new Governor – General David Hurley.
- Southside Species meeting on Thursday February 26th will have a mini auction of some of Neville Ropers Restrepia collection, see below. The numbers besides the plant indicates the number of leaves on the plant. This has come about by the downsizing of Nev's collection. Any expressions of interest should be directed to Veronica please (secretaryosnsw@yahoo.com.au) . If you intend to go to the Kingsgrove RSL on the night of the auction, please also advise Veronica at the email above, as the room we use for our meetings is just big enough for our small numbers, and she will organise a bigger room for that night.

cymbula 45+	hannibal 30+	sp. yellow, stripes 10	iris 12	ligiae 30+	guttulata 20
contorta 'Gerald' 10	sp. yellow, stripes 10	morhii 20	sp. yellow, stripes 15	xanthophthalma 20+	brachypus 'Bohemoth' AM/AOC 45+
falkenbergii 15	sanguinea (good form) 15	antennifera 'maculata' 30+	ospinae 20	sp. red purple 15	tsubotae 20+
hemsleyana "Cow Hollow" 20	ephippium 30	contorta 15	beatrice 8	beatrice 8	sp. 20
beatrice 10+	Zootrophion atropupurea 20+				

Show Committee Reports

- Orchids Out West: 15-17 May 2015. First meeting took place on 20th Jan, 2015. Nothing new at this time, preparation proceeding as usual.
- Southern Orchid Spectacular: 3-5 October 2015. 2014 Financial surplus is expected to be distributed to participating societies following meeting tomorrow evening. A successful show again.
- **AOC conference and show – Mackay 18th to 23rd September 2015.** Chris reminded members that early bird registrations close on 31st January, and that info about the show, including the schedule is available on the OSNSW website.
- **Ira Butler competition** Entries are now closed, judging will take place on 5th March.

Treasurer's Report

Working bank balance of \$1292.32

Investment amount \$68,000 + \$100,321.55 both reinvested at 3.3%

Ralph again stressed the need for those members who are unfinancial to pay fees or risk removal from the member list.

Registrar's Report

Presentation of the trophy for AOC Orchid of the Year - AD Cym. Hot Chocolate Royale 'Fudge' HCC-AD/AOC grown by Royale Orchids – presented to Wendy Dhu on behalf of Kevin Hipkins.

Ian announced the NSW Orchid Of the Year Results.

- **Culture:** NSW 2743 *Paph. dianthum* 'Rajani' ACE owned by David Judge
- **Hybrid:** NSW 2770 *Den. Cosmic Gold* 'Sandy' FCC owned by Henk Van den Burg
- **Species:** NSW 2797 *Den. striolatum* 'Ruffles' FCC owned by Neville Roper
- **Award of Distinction:** NSW 2823 *Sarco. Kulnura Kaleidoscope* 'Blazing Gold' AD owned by Barrita Orchids

Awards

4 awards were granted at a Special Judging at the Bromleys.

- Lycamerlycaste Mark 'Neve' John Allen AM 80.5 points
- Sobralia Mirabilis 'Splendour' G Bromley & C Polis AM 81 points
- *Bifrenaria inodora* 'Olive' John Allen AM 81 points

- *Den.* Fraser's Mighty Perfection 'Yellow Lip' G & L Bromley HCC 79 points

This completed the 2014 award.

The first awards of 2015 were granted at Sutherland Orchid Society Meeting

- *Psychopsis* Kalihi (peloric form) AD Robert Nichol
- *Rhynchostylis retusa* AM Crosby and Costa
- *Paph.* Somers Phil HCC See Ting Ho
- *Paph.* Saint Swithin HCC See Ting Ho

1 Award granted at S.P.E.C.I.E.S Meeting

- *Encyclia alata* 'Beautiful Pamela' N Peters AM 80.5 points

The Metro Judges Meeting will be on the 6th of Feb at Forestville.

The State Judges Meeting will be at the Kempsey Heights Bowling Club on the 7th and 8th March.

Benching Class changes for OSNSW meetings from January 1st 2015

Class 18: Oncidinaeae over 60mm

Class 19: Oncidinaeae 36mm to 60mm

Class 19A: Oncidinaeae 35mm and under.

Australian Orchid Council news (AOC)

Ian spoke briefly about OSNSW's continuing efforts to bid for the WOC 2020. He told members that we intend to put on a display in Tokyo at the Tokyo Grand Prix mid February. Ian appealed for flowers to take with him for the display, and asked members to circulate appeal to other societies. Please call Ian if you can help.

Ian and Irene then presented award certificates to members present.

Affiliated Society Competition 2014/15

A reminder that the 2014/2015 competition is now open....get those entries to Veronica from your shows now.

Please note!

The photographs **MUST BE ATTACHED** to your email entry. (NOT embedded into the email. This will cause your entry to be rejected!)

RAS Easter Show: Chris told members that we have received a few show schedules for the 2015 Easter Show. If any members would like one please come forward at the break. He also mentioned the display set up at the show by Kathy and Nick Koutsoukis, and asked that members who would like to contribute plants to this display to please speak to Kathy or Nick.

Supper break.

Guest Speaker

A great presentation by Ian and Jane and Peter D'Olier of the Johannesburg WOC 2014 and an extended trip to see the wildlife of Botswana and Victoria Falls

Tonight's Benching Prizes

Best Species: *Paph. parishii* 'VC' benched by Veronica Clowes

Best Hybrid: *C.* Harbie Poole x Lulu benched by John Allen

Lucky exhibitor: Philomena Yeung and John Keenan

Following the monthly raffle prizes won by Ralph Payne, Jan Robinson, John English, Mick Benton, Veronica Clowes and John Allen, Chris thanked everybody for attending, those who helped prepare the supper, and wished everybody a safe trip home.

Feb 23rd Award pictures presentation by Garrie Bromley

The next meeting is on 23rd February 2015

The meeting was declared closed at 9.55 pm

* * * * **Attention Secretaries** * * * *

Insurance Renewal Now Due!

Dear Secretaries,

It is that time of year again to start preparing your insurance information for OSNSW.

The cost per member is unlikely to rise (we hope) for both Public Liability and Volunteers Personal Accident cover. You will be informed via an email of the cost as soon as it comes to hand. The relevant form is now available on the website:

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

for those societies who wish to take up our Insurance offer.

This form needs to lodged with the insurance company by April 1st so all forms and monies need to be with Veronica before March 21st please. There is no age limit to the volunteers involved in the Personal accident policy. Please call or email Veronica (see above for contact details) if you need additional info.

Shows March-April 2015

- 21-22 March - Eurobodalla Orchid Society, Orchid Workshop Kyla Hall, Tuross Head.
<http://orchidworkshop2015.weebly.com/>
- 25-28 March — Alstonville OS, Alstonville Plaza, Alstonville
- 3-5 April — Bribie Island OS, The Orchid House, Indoor Bowls Clubhouse
- 11-12 April - Collector's Fair, Hawkesbury Racecourse, Clarendon <http://www.collectorsplantfair.com>
- 29 April - 2 May, Maitland & Coalfields District OS, St John's Anglican Church Hall, 45 Sturgeon St, Raymond Terrace

The Annual Exhibition and Sale of Begonias

Presented by the NSW Begonia Society Inc.

Saturday, 7th March 10am - 4pm
Sunday, 8th March 10am-3pm

226 Annangrove Rd, Annangrove
NSW

Plants, displays, talks & light refreshments
Gold coin admission



Major Events in 2015

17-18 April **Castle Hill Orchid Fair**
Castle Hill Showgrounds
22 vendors Friday and Saturday only 9am-4pm



15-17 May **Orchids Out West**
Hawkesbury Racecourse
<http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/OOW2015.htm>

7-9 August **National Cymbidium Extravaganza**
Round Corner, Dural
http://www.ccansw.com.au/events_dural2015.html

15-16 August **St Ives Orchid Fair**
St Ives Showground

2-4 October **Southern Orchid Spectacular**
Caringbah High School

LITTLE BOOK OF AUSTRALIAN Orchids



Recently the National Library of Australia has published a new book on orchids titled: *Little Book of Australian Orchids*. The book features beautiful illustrations of a number of Australian orchids and is accompanied by poems inspired by these plants and flowers.

A brief section of the book is available on our web at:

<http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/Documents/LittleBookofAustralianOrchids.doc>.

Another book titled: *The Allure of Orchids* by Mark Clements, published in November 2013 is available. A brief section of the book is available on our web at:

<http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/Documents/TheAllureofOrchids.doc>

If you are interested in obtaining copies of either of these books contact:

Jess McMorro, Sales and Promotion, National Library of Australia, Parkes Place, Canberra ACT 2600

Ph: 02 6262 1560
jmcmmorrow@nla.gov.au
<http://bookshop.nla.gov.au>

Available on OSNSW website

- **Powerpoint presentation of "How to use Orchid Wiz"**
<http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/MembersInfo.htm>
- **Slideshow of selected plants from the Orchid Society of NSW monthly meetings**
<http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/PhotosMeetings.htm>
- **Excel spreadsheet of all NSW Awards from 1944-present**
http://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/Documents/OSNSWdatabase1944_2014.xls

AUSTRALIAN ORCHID FOUNDATION ESSAY PRIZE 2015



The AOF Essay Prize has been set up to encourage local orchid growers to participate in letting others know of their initiatives & practices in the cultivation & conservation of orchids.

It is an annual writing competition, established with a generous endowment by the Slade Family who have been actively involved with the AOF since its inception.

There will be three prizes:

- 1st Prize \$350.00
- 2nd Prize \$250.00
- 3rd Prize \$150.00

AOF invites all Australian orchid growers to consider the topic for 2015 & submit an entry. We would not only like to reward you, but we would like to hear about your ideas & experiences & benefit from them.

Essay Topic for 2015

"How do you manage your orchid collection without relying on artificial heating and/or cooling?"

Different orchid genera may require warmer or cooler growing conditions than occur where you grow your orchids. Many orchid growers have developed their own ways to provide a cooler and/or warmer environment without resorting to costly alternatives. Let us know how you have overcome this dilemma.

The deadline for receipt of all entries is June 30th 2015

Send your entry to: AOF Essay Prize P.O. Box 322, Essendon North Vic. 3041 or electronically to aof@australianorchidfoundation.org.au Please include your name, address and telephone contact.

Entry Rules

- This competition is open to Australian residents only.
- The essay will be an original article, not previously published.
- The essay must be no more than 4,000 words, short essays are most welcome.
- The essay is to be in English and typewritten.
- Entries may include art work or images.
- The authors of the essays will remain undisclosed to the judges, whose decision will be final. If in the opinion of the judges, no worthy essays are received, there will be no award that year.
- Non-winning entries will be returned to the sender if requested. These entries may be submitted to the editors of Australian orchid periodicals for publication, with permission from the author.
- The winning essay will be announced at the AGM of the Foundation in October 2015.
- The winning entry will be published on the AOF website and in Australian orchid periodicals.

OPEN GARDENS AUSTRALIA

Like many people, you would have been greatly disappointed at the recent announcement that the Open Gardens Australia organisation will close its doors in June this year. It has been an institution in Australia for 27 years and those who were selected to open their gardens drew respect and admiration from all who visited.

If you have opened your garden to the public you will understand what a rewarding experience it is to share your garden with others. For visitors, these open gardens can be a wonderful source of inspiration and discovery. Of course these events were also important fund raisers to support the garden, local communities and for charity.

We couldn't sit by and see this important connection between gardeners disappear. That's why we decided to launch My Open Garden, a new online service that acts as a "one-stop-shop" for garden owners and visitors across Australia. It's a free service to visitors and we are publishing as much information as we can about all the Open Gardens and other gardening events. Now community groups, special interest groups and garden clubs have a place to promote their event and importantly everyone can get free and easy access to the information.

It's a new way of supporting Open Gardens, and a timely move into the future for all gardening enthusiasts.

I would like to invite you to browse our site

www.myopengarden.com.au . You'll find more details about this new scheme and be able to see some of the gardens we are working to present on the site.

If you have any other questions, please contact me directly via email

andrew@myopengarden.com.au or on 0419 228 434.

I look forward to welcoming you to the My Open Garden community!

Warm regards,
Andrew Mowat, Managing Director
– My Open Garden Pty Ltd



Benching Results - January 2015

Best Species

V Clowes *Paph. parishii* 'VC'

Best Hybrid

J Allen *C. Herbie Poole* x *Lulu*

Open Classes - Hybrids

Class 3 – Cattleya Classical Exhibition

1. D Law *C. Lisa Taylor Gillis*
2. L&G Bromley *Bc. Island Charm 'Laina'*

Class 4 – Laeliinae Cluster (min 5 flowers)

1. J Allen *C. Herbie Poole* x *Lulu*
2. L&G Bromley *Epi. Pacific Seniorita 'Red Lil'*
3. J Gafa *Pot. Hsinying Pink Doll 'Hsinying' BM/ Joga*

Class 5 - Laeliinae (71mm - 119mm)

1. G&A Cushway *Sc. Maris Beat*
2. L&G Bromley *Ctna. Dal's Capri 'Nicole'*
3. J Gafa *Ctna. Brandi* x *Blc. Erin Kobayashi Lahaina 'Gold'*

Class 6 - Laeliinae Miniature (up to 70mm)

1. G&A Cushway *Sc. Rosella Charm*
2. G&A Cushway *Sc. Rosella Charm*
3. L&G Bromley *Sc. Beaufort 'Brampton'*

Class 8 - Cyripedioideae Other

1. V Clowes *Paph. Susan Booth*
2. V Clowes *Paph. Yang-Ji Diamond*
3. N&K Koutsoukis *Paph. Norito Hasagawa*

Class 10 – Terrestrial Species/Hybrid Any Genera

1. J Allen *Spiranthes australis*

Class 11 - Seedling Any Genera

1. G&A Cushway *Bc. Island Charm* x *C. Snowblind*
2. N&K Koutsoukis *Paph. delenatii*

Class 12 – Phalaenopsis (75mm and over)

1. G&A Cushway *Phal. Tai Lin Queen*

Class 13 – Phalaenopsis (51mm to 75mm)

1. Yeung&Keenan *Phal. Taisuco Mickey*
2. Yeung&Keenan *Phal. Taisuco Mickey*

Class 14 - Phalaenopsis (up to 50mm)

1. L&G Bromley *Dtps. Serdang*
2. L&G Bromley *Dtps. Sogo Chabstic 'Hsinying'*
3. J Gafa *Phal. Caribbean Sunset* x *Sogo Iris*

Class 15 - Vandaceous (up to 50mm)

1. J Gafa *Rhy. Colmarie 'Black Burgundy'*
2. L&G Bromley *Prta. Blue Boy*
3. P&J D'Olier *Aer. Korat Koki*

Class 16 - Vandaceous (50mm and over)

1. L&G Bromley *Vasco. Tristar Gold 'Adisak's Gold'*
2. L&G Bromley *Ascda. Udomchai Pink*
3. F&M Bradd *Ascda. Karen Ono*

Class 17 - Dendrobium

1. L&G Bromley *Den. Masaki Taki 'Blue'*
2. L&G Bromley *Den. Banana Royal* x *Den. Blue Twinkle*
3. L&G Bromley *Den. Fraser's Rainbow Twister*

Class 18 - Oncidiinae (> 61mm)

1. L&G Bromley *Pyp. Kalihi*
2. J Robinson *Onc. Wildcat 'Bloodshot'*
3. G&A Cushway *Odm. Purbeck Gold*

Class 19A - Oncidiinae (36mm to 60mm)

1. C Bradley *Onc. Sharry Baby 'Tricolor'*

Class 20 – Australian Native Hybrids

1. C Bradley *Den. Hilda Poxon 'Spiderman'*
2. C Bradley *Sarco. Velvet 'Lolly'*
3. C Bradley *Dock. Limestone*

Class 21 - Pleurothallidinae

1. Yeung&Keenan *Masd. Cuzco Gold 'The Midas Touch'*
2. C Rethers *Masd. maculata* x *coriacea*
3. Yeung&Keenan *Masd. Cuzco Gold 'The Midas Touch'*

Class 22 - Hybrid Not Elsewhere Specified

1. J Gafa *Ctsm. Donna Wise 'Lee'* x *Donna Wise 'Kathleen'*
2. J Robinson *Prom. Catarina*
3. I Chalmers *Bulb. Jersey*

Open Classes - Species

Class 23 - Laeliinae

1. J Gafa *C. guttata* var. *leopoldii*
2. Yeung&Keenan *C. harrisoniae*
3. P&J D'Olier *L. longipes*

Class 24 - Cyripedioideae

1. V Clowes *Paph. parishii*
2. N&K Koutsoukis *Phrag. longifolium*
3. G&A Cushway *Phrag besseae 'Red'* x *'Orange'*

Class 25 - Vandaceous

1. L&G Bromley *Rhy. coelestis 'Patsan Blue'* x *'Blue Giant'*
2. L&G Bromley *Dor. pulcherrima 'Sarah'*
3. P&J D'Olier *Rhy. retusa*

Class 26 - Oncidiinae

1. G&A Cushway *Onc. papilio*
2. G&A Cushway *Onc. papilio*
3. L&G Bromley *Pyp. krameriana*

Class 29 - Australian Native Other

1. C Bradley *Sarco. hirticalcar*
2. C Bradley *Sarco. hirticalcar*
3. C Bradley *Lip. coelogynoides*

Class 30 – Miniature flowers (less than 12mm and the distance between the first and last flower is less than 200mm)

1. P&J D'Olier *Mcm. manabinum*
2. W Dhu *Sns. juncifolia*
3. I Chalmers *Pleuro sp.*

Class 31 – American Species Other

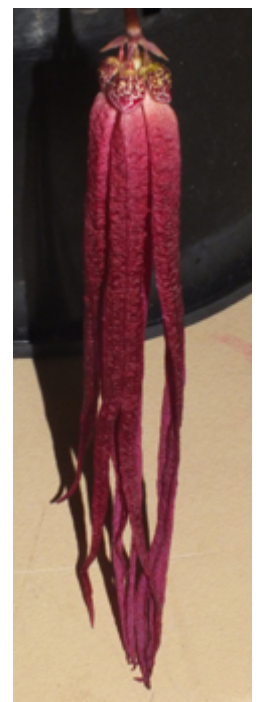
1. F&M Bradd *Max. parahybutensis*
2. J Robinson *Prom. guttata 'Grouchy'*
3. I Tanner *Max. valenzuelana*

Class 32 - Pleurothallidinae

1. J Allen *Masd. atahualpa*
2. Yeung&Keenan *Masd. navicularis*

Class 33 – Species not elsewhere specified

1. J Gafa *Bulb. tingabarinum*
2. C&G Scott-Harden *Bulb. treschii*
3. L&G Bromley *Bulb. carunculatum*



Bulb. treschii

(owned by C&G Scott-Harden)

Selected Plants from Benching - January 2015



Paph. Yang-Ji
Diamond

Slc. Maris Beat
(G&A Cushway)



Paph. Susan Booth
(V Clowes)

Bulb. carunculatum
(G&L Bromley)



Dtps. Sogo Chabstic 'Hsinying'
(G&L Bromley)

C. tigrina
(J Gafa)

Dor. pulcherrima 'Sarah'
(G&L Bromley)

