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**VENUE:** Next Monthly Meeting will be held on Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2010 @ Ermington Community Hall, River Road, Ermington, NSW 2115.

## What's Coming Up?

**2010**

- 31<sup>st</sup> May** Irene Bodell promotes the Ira Butler Award with pictures of past winners 2000/2009.
- 28<sup>th</sup> June** George Serhan talks on Cymbidiums.
- 26<sup>th</sup> July** A Presentation by Garrie Bromley on a visit to Ecuagenera, Ecuador.

## Judges' Roster - May 2010

<b>Panel 1</b>	J Schaefer, B Long, H Choo, C Scott-Harden and Trainees
<b>Panel 2</b>	K Koutsoukis, J Keenan, N Schaefer, G Scott-Harden and Trainees
<b>Panel 3</b>	J Fulcher, B Richens, D Brooks, P Stubbs and Trainees
<b>Reserve</b>	K Siew, P Anderson, C Polis, S Yuen

## President's piece

For some time we, amateur horticulturists, have been watching in disagreement, dismay, disgust or distress or all four as science has dismantled some of our previous notions of relationships between our orchid species, or even their very existence by discovering the arrangement of bits of protein on threads of DNA. While early work on orchids resulted in some precipitate conclusions the science has got better over time and reorganization of orchid genera is evolving, sometimes increasing the number of genera but sometimes also lumping two or more genera into one genus.

With increasing acceptance of the science within horticulture, down in orchid society land we have been changing our benching and show schedules by moving to broader groups of related orchids (e.g. above genus level) and then dividing that group into classes based on size. We have seen it in cymbidium, laeliinae, and phalaenopsis. In May 2010 the new classification of the oncidium alliance which makes some major changes to our traditional divisions will be adopted by the Monocot database. Our NSW judging panel has proposed new classes for the schedule which are based on flower size, recommended for adoption from January 2011. While initially the changes might be confusing or annoying, they are sensible and will become the norm.

Geoff Fulcher

### **Orchid Society of NSW Monthly General Meeting held on Monday, 26th April, 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.

#### **Visitors**

Mrs Dessie Williamson.

#### **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Mark Karayannis, John Allen and Jack & Phyl Murn.

#### **New members**

Welcome to Danny Buila and Bowen Veage.

#### **Confirmation of Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2010 were confirmed as a true account of that meeting.

Moved that the minutes be accepted: Geoff Fulcher – accepted unanimously.

#### **Matters Arising**

Easter show – wrap up. OSNSW got 1<sup>st</sup> place for display. Thank you to all who helped make the show a success.

Geoff reported the success of job sharing with Sue Brennan of Bonsai, and told members that we will probably do the same thing next year. He also told members that OSNSW was in the process of preparing a report on the show for the RAS, which will include suggestions about how to increase participation in the competition side of the show.

He then presented the Easter Show winner certificates and Champion sashes won by Bernadette Williams.

#### **Vale**

It is with sadness that we report the passing of David Wallace, who was a member of the OSNSW and a judge for many years. David was also the editor of the Australian Orchid Review from 1987 to 1999 and was a past president of the Blue Mountains and District Orchid Society.

#### **Correspondence**

Newsletters from Affiliated Societies and Interstate Societies.

Requests for Meritorious Service Badges – Nil this month.

Flyers from Mingara and Orchids out West.

Flyer from Neutrog.

#### **Show Committee report**

***Royal Easter Show 19<sup>th</sup> April – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2011.***

Easter will be very late next year so if the show runs to the usual plan, it will miss the school holidays, therefore talks are currently under way suggesting that the show begins one week earlier, so that Easter will be during the second week.

**Orchids out West 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2010.**

Now only 3 weeks away. Irene, Ken, Ian and Veronica are setting up a small display 'Friends of OSNSW', and will welcome special plants that members wish to display. Preparations are going according to schedule.

**Set up will be from 10.00am on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May, and Judging at 6.30 pm on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May.**

**St. Ives Village 17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> June 2010.**

A new sponsor is being sought. Garrie Bromley told members that talks are underway with a potential sponsor – McAtool. He advised that St Ives Village had a second potential sponsor in reserve if needed. More news as it comes to hand.

**Royal Botanic Gardens 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> July 2010.**

Dates confirmed – Ian and Geoff have met with the RBG and have agreed on the site. RBG will handle the publicity, Gowan Stewart has agreed to put up a display, but we need members plants to add to display please! There will be culture classes in the amphitheatre adjacent to the glasshouse, and sales of orchids in the foyer area.

**Southern Orchid Spectacular 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> October 2010.**

Preparations continue according to schedule.

**General Business**

**INSURANCE**

2010/2011 renewal has been completed. The Certificates of Currency are already on the OSNSW website. A big thank you to those societies who were 'on the ball' and had forms and cheques to Veronica as soon as she asked for them. To those who were not quite so quick...please note the timing in your diaries to get committee approval in February, for payment of insurance, so you'll be ready when the new rate is known.

Name badges- Geoff asked members to approach the front desk at break if they were interested in purchasing society name badges for \$5.00 each.

Supper duties at OSNSW meetings - We are still looking for volunteers to help out with supper at our meetings. Thank you to those of you who again provided assistance at our last meeting.

**Registrars Report** (Provided by Garrie Bromley)

There were no awards given this month.

The South Western Judges meeting was held in Canberra last weekend. Among other things, one of the items discussed was the changes to Oncidiinae. Garrie advised members that Oncidiinae benching classes would change according to size/colour/type. He also advised that the Judges training day at Royale on 8<sup>th</sup> May had been postponed to a date to be notified.

Geoff and Garrie then presented an AM certificate to Doug Symons for Paphiopedilum micranthum 'Perplex' – Congratulations Doug!

**Treasurers Report**

Ralph reported to members that all was well from a financial perspective.

**Guest Speaker**

Our own Ken Siew gave a very interesting and informative talk about the natural environment and habitat of Parvisepalum and Paphiopedilum throughout the Asian regions. He spoke at length about conditions/media and potting requirements which we need to reproduce in order to successfully cultivate these species. Thank you Ken, the members present expressed great appreciation for your efforts.

Raffle Prizes were won by Joyce Atwal, Joe Gafa, Veronica Clowes, Ian Nelson, Wendy Dhu and Craig Scott-Harden.

Best Species:	<i>Bulbophyllum morphologorum</i>	Grower : C&G Scott-Harden
Best Hybrid :	<i>Dendrobium</i> Pearl Vera 'The Little Anzac'	Grower: N&K Koutsoukis
Lucky Exhibitor :	George Birss	

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 9.45pm.

**The next meeting is on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2010 at ERMINGTON**

## POINT SCORES FOR April 2010

### Best Hybrid

*Den Pearl Vera* N&K Koutsoukis

### Best Species

*Bulb morphologorum* C&G Scott-Harden

### OPEN CLASSES – HYBRIDS

**Class 1 Cymbidium – More than 90mm** Nil

**Class 2 Cymbidium – Up to 90mm** Nil

#### Class 3 Cattleya Classical Exhibition

1. *Blc* Tribute 'Independence Day' J&S Atwal
2. *Blc* Drumbeat x Malworth A&G Cushway
3. *Rsc* Adelaide Queen A&G Cushway

#### Class 4 Laeliinae Cluster (Min 5 Flowers)

1. *Lc* Little Suzie 'Joy' J&S Atwal
2. *C* Porcia 'Cannizaro' I Nelson
3. *C* Chocolate 'Kodama' PYeung/JKeenan

#### Class 5 Laeliinae (71mm to 119 mm)

1. *Blc* Phem Island 'Newberry' L&G Bromley
2. *Slc* Elegant Oak L&G Bromley
3. *Sc* Hawaiian Beau L&G Bromley

#### Class 6 Laeliinae Miniature (up to 70mm)

1. *Pot* Dendi 'Gold Tomato' DR Symons
2. *Lc* Angelhart x *Sc* Beaufort C&G Scott-Harden
3. *Lc* Waianae Harlequin 'Taylor' L&G Bromley

#### Class 7 Paphiopedilum Classical Shape

1. *Paph* Jolly Green Gem x Bifo 'Sunshine' A&G Cushway
2. *Paph* Winchella 'Dark Gem' A&G Cushway

#### Class 8 Cypridipodioideae Other

1. *Phrag* Sedenii BV Williams
2. *Paph* Gail Camira P&S Radford
3. *Paph* St Angel J&S Atwal

#### Class 9 Specimen Orchid Nil

**Class 10 Terrestrial Species/Hybrid Any Genera** Nil

#### Class 11 Seedling Any Genera

1. *Onc* Sunstruck x Sun Shade Barrita Orchids
2. *Onc* Sunstruck x Sun Shade Barrita Orchids
3. *Lyc* Rokuhoku 'Dark Pink' x Sunset Gem P&S Radford

#### Class 12 Phalaenopsis Standard 76mm and over

1. *Dtps* Leopard Prince H Choo
2. *Dtps* Taida Salu Chihshiang Stripes S Harrison
3. *Dtps* Sinica Sunday S Harrison

#### Class 13 Phalaenopsis 51mm to 75mm

1. *Phal* Hsinying Little Knight 'Shuk Yin' PYeung/JKeenan

#### Class 14 Phalaenopsis – Up to 50mm

1. *Phal* Tsay's Evergreen x violacea G&J Fulcher
2. *Phal* Little Skipper A&G Cushway

#### Class 15 Vandaceous

1. *Ascda* Ashley Lowe 'Tangerine' D Buila
2. *Vasco* Pine Rivers 'Wasana' L&G Bromley
3. *Vasco* Precious P&J D'Olier

#### Class 16 Dendrobium

1. *Den* Banana Royal x *strebloceras* L&G Bromley
2. *Den* Kiilani Stripe 'Hew' D Buila
3. *Den* Burana Pearl '2000' D Buila

#### Class 17 Oncidiinae (Odm, Oda, Odt, Vuyl,

#### Miltoniopsis, Wils.)

1. *Wils* Arosa 'Darwin Sunset' DR Symons
2. *Oda* Cornette x Avoca A&G Cushway
3. *Odm* Anna Clair L&G Bromley

#### Class 18 All Other Oncidiinae

1. *Onc* Kulnura Radiance 'Random' Barrita Orchids
2. *Ocdm* Wildcat 'Bloodshot' J&S Atwal
3. *Onc* Kulnura Radiance Barrita Orchids

#### Class 19 Australian Native Hybrids

1. *Den* Pearl Vera N&K Koutsoukis
2. *Den* Topaz Dream L&G Bromley
3. *Den* Fantasyland 'Princess' L&G Bromley

#### Class 20 Pleurothallidinae

1. *Masd* Golden Krieks 'Lithgow' R Oltan
2. *Drac* Swampfox G Birrs
3. *Masd* Hurdy Gurdy 'Beenak' J&S Atwal

#### Class 21 Hybrid Not Elsewhere Specified

1. *Ctsm* Unkown S Harrison

### SPECIES

#### Class 22 Laeliinae Species

1. *L anceps* 'Pierce' L&G Bromley
2. *C intermedia* var Amethystina 'Aranbeem' J&S Atwal
3. *L anceps* 'Gloriosa Bathurst # 1' J&S Atwal

#### Class 23 Cypridipodioideae Species

1. *Paph spicerianum* J&S Atwal
2. *Paph henryanum* J McAuley
3. *Paph charlesworthii* J McAuley

#### Class 24 Vandaceous Species

1. *Aer kirkii* F&L Woolnough
2. *Aer luteo-alba* var Rhodosticta F&L Woolnough
3. *Jum comorensis* F&L Woolnough

#### Class 25 Oncidiinae Species

1. *Onc uniflorum* 'Lorraine' F&M Bradd
2. *Onc lanceanum* L&G Bromley
3. *Onc sotoanum* N&K Koutsoukis

#### Class 26 Dendrobiinae Species Nil

**Class 27 Australian Native Dendrobium Species** Nil

#### Class 28 Australian Native Other Species

1. *Cad taylori* G&J Fulcher
2. *Lip reflexa* F&M Bradd
3. *Bulb shepherdii* G Birrs

#### Class 29 Miniature Flowers Less than 12mm

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

1. *Ddc wenzellii* JM Moss
2. *Lths calodiction* G&J Fulcher
3. *Sgm x radicans* G&J Fulcher

#### Class 30 American Species Other

1. *Gga galeottiana* W Dhu
2. *Kfst gemma* N&K Koutsoukis
3. *Mela ringens* G Birrs

#### Class 30A Pleurothallidinae species

1. *Masd floribunda* R Oltan
2. *Rstp hemsleyana* R Oltan
3. *Masd veitchiana* 'Sol' PYeung/JKeenan

#### Class 31 Species not elsewhere Specified

1. *Bulb morphologorum* C&G Scott-Harden
2. *Ddc cootesii* R Bisetto
3. *Coel speciosa* N&K Koutsoukis

### NOVICE CLASSES

Nil