

# Maroochydore Orchid Society Inc. presents, 'The Observer'

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# Next meeting February 6, 2018

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# **December Festivities**

Our cultural meeting activities were appropriate for the Christmas season. The evening highlight was the presentation of the 2017 Judges Choice Trophy Open winner to Loraine Hocking and the Novice Trophy to Richard Bryan.





President Duncan McMartin and Open Winner Loraine Hocking

Duncan and Novice Winner Richard Bryan

# Plants displayed at the meeting



C. Mareeba Tiger



Paph Armeni White



Den. Bloomfeld Tower Thai Gold



Onc unknown



Thunia



Bulb Richard Mizuta



L tenebrosa "Maria Fumaca" x L tenebrosa "Kathleen"

### **Auction with Banana Money**

At each cultural meeting place getters are given valuable banana money if their plant/s is selected by the judges or popular vote. At the Christmas meeting an auction is held and members bid for plants provided by the society. Fierce bidding took place for selected plants whilst some members waited their chance to get their desired plants. This was a great fun feature of the meeting.

Supper was provided by all members and very appetising foods were on hand along with the usual tea and coffee.







### **Christmas Party at the Brightwater Tavern**





## **CULTURAL MEETING**

Cultural Meeting is held on the 1st Tuesday of the month at the Girl Guide Hall, Beach Road, Maroochydore, 7.30pm. AGM will be held at October meeting. Members and visitors are welcome. All plants to be tabled by 7.30pm for judging.

The February meeting will be held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm.

## **CONTROLLED RELEASE FERTILISER**

Controlled release fertiliser will be available at the meetings for \$7 per kilogram.

# **FUTURE INTERNATIONAL / AUSTRALIAN CONFERENCES AND SHOWS**

2018 18-22 July Orchids in the Foothills,  $21^{\rm st}$  AOC Conference & Show, Hawkesbury Indoor Stadium, South Windsor NSW

2019 14 – 15 September STOCQ Orchidfest Rockhampton OS

## **2018 CALENDAR**

<u>EVENT</u>	LOCATION	SET UP	SHOW DAYS/TIMES
Aspley OS Show	Mt Cootha Botanic Gardens	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Saturday/ Sunday 10/11 <sup>th</sup>
	Auditorium		February
STOCQ AGM	Albert Bowls Club Gympie	na	Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> February
Childers Isis District OS		Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> March
Maroochydore OS Show	Buderim Uniting Church Hall	Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 6am	Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 8am -
	King & Gloucester Rd's		2pm
	Buderim		
Bribie Island OS Easter Show	Orchid House 156A First Av	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Friday & Saturday 30/31st
	Bribie Island		March
Sunshine Coast O S Caloundra	Uniting Church hall cnr Ulm &	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Friday /Saturday
Show	Queen St		6/7th April
South Burnet OS Show		Frid / Sat 20/21st April	Saturday 21st April
Caboolture OS Show			
Gympie Garden Expo &	Gympie Showgrounds	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 8am -4pm
Orchid Show			Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 8am – 3pm
Bundaberg OS Show		Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Frid / Sunday 11/13 <sup>th</sup> May
Boyne Tannum Orchid &			Saturday / Sunday 26 / 27 <sup>th</sup>
Foliage Show			May
Tweed District OS Show	Tweed City Shopping Centre	Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Thurs/Frid/Sat
			31/5,1/6,2/6
STOCQ MEETING	tba	NA	Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> June
Maryborough & District OS			
Combined Societies	Howard	n/a	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> July
Workshop			
Agnes Waters OS Show		Friday 10th August	Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> August
			Sunday12th August
Maryborough & District OS		Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> September
Spring Show			Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> September
Hervey Bay OS Spring Show		Friday5th October	Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> October
			Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> October
STOCQ meeting Caboolture		n/a	Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> November
OS			

## **LIBRARY**

An orchid book library is available at the Girl Guide Hall for all members to use. Please ensure borrowed books are signed out by our Librarian, Joe Mercieca.

### IF YOU HAVE AN INTERESTING ARTICLE TO SHARE IN THE NEWSLETTER PLEASE CONTACT THE EDITOR

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