

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

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## The next cultural meeting is Tuesday 6th November

### **OCTOBER MEETING**

Because we held our AGM as well as the usual monthly meeting, there was no guest speaker this month. Duncan presented his President's Report which indicated another good year for our society and he thanked the members for their generosity in helping where needed. All positions were declared vacant and Bill took the chair as the Returning Officer, which resulted in the election of all the office bearers required for the 2018 – 2019 year.

**November Cultural Meeting Talk**: Rhynchostylis gigantea by John Salway

## **October Cultural Meeting Results**

JUDGES CHOICE		POPULAR CHOICE			
	NOVICE				
1	Phal unknown	Phal unknown			
Member	Desiree Watson	Joanne McLoughlin			
2	Phal unknown				
Member	Joanne McLoughlin				
3	C unknown				
Member	Joanne McLoughlin				

SPECIES		
1 Jumellea arachnantha Jumellea arachnantha		
Member Bill Letcher Bill Letcher		
2 Paph. sukhakulii		
Member Joe Mercieca		
3 Den. canaliculatum		
Member Joe Mercieca		
FOLIAGE		
1 Fern Dracaena		
Member Loraine Hocking Loraine Hocking		
2 Fern		
Member Richard Bryan		
3 Dracaena		
Member Loraine Hocking		
ONCIDIUM		
1 Colm. Wildcat Colm. Wildcat		
Member Loraine Hocking Loraine Hocking		
DENDROBIUM		
1 Den. Golden Aya Den. Golden Aya		
Member Loraine Hocking Loraine Hocking		
2 Den. CK"A"		
Member Loraine Hocking		
3 Den.Chatachat		
Member Loraine Hocking		
CATTLEYA		
1 Rlc. Roy Maidment Slc. Bloodshot x Gold Digger		
Member Royal Rea Kathy Howatson		
2 Epc. Rene Marquis		
Member Loraine Hocking		
3 Slc. Bloodshot x Gold Digger		
Member Kathy Howatson		
VANDA		
1 V. Gordon Dillon V. Gordon Dillon		
Member Loraine Hocking Loraine Hocking		
2 Aer. lawrenceae x V. Julie Sorenson		
Member Loraine Hocking		
3 V. Boonyarit Pastel		
Member Loraine Hocking		
Any other GENERA		
1 Paph. Prim & Proper Phal. unknown		
Member Barry Cheeseman Loraine Hocking		
2 Paph.Leeanum		
Member Loraine Hocking		
Member Loraine Hocking 3 Gtpm.Arlene		



Rlc.Roy Maidment

Den Golden Aya



V. Gordon Dillon

Colm. Wildcat





Jumella arachnantha

Paph.Prim & Proper





Gtpm. Arlene

Maidenhair Fern



## Plant of the Month by Loraine Hocking Vanda Gordon Dillon "Black"

This vanda grows in my orchid house up high under 50% shade cloth and solar weave and after a couple of years of not flowering, now seems to want to flower at least twice a year. It is grown in a square black vanda basket with the roots hanging freely.

I grow vandas in a large Orchiata bark and each year try and replace some of the mix with fresh bark by shaking out as much of the old bark as possible but not damaging the roots in doing so. I put orchid slow release fertiliser on when doing this and water in with seasol and powerfeed, plus some lime.

I fertiliser every week with an orchid fertiliser, calcium nitrate in the summer and Peters bloom booster in the winter. The roots get watered every day in summer as that is where they absorb their moisture. Less watering in winter. Sometimes when it is a really hot day I hose the floor to cool things down a bit.

This *Vanda* Gordon Dillon" Black" was purchased from Ross at Aranbeen Orchids, as a small plant, a couple of years ago.



## ORCHIDWIZ PURCHASING DETAILS

OrchidWiz is a software application with a database of orchid species and hybrids, orchid photographs and botanical prints, and an orchid journal.

When a society purchases OrchidWiz for society use, it receives a 30% discount, so the cost would be \$206.50. When you initially order OrchidWiz you receive the current release and the following 3 updates. You have 3 different ways to receive OrchidWiz. This impacts shipping and handling fees. Download (no additional cost) If your computer is on a high speed internet (greater than 25mbps download, then download works). Less than that, I don't recommend download. DVD (\$20) 4 shipments on DVD. USB/MicroSD (\$25) full installations on USB updates available via download.

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## **SUPPER ROSTER 2018**

November: Joe Mercieca, Peter Henssler

December: All members to bring a plate of food

## **SUPPER ROSTER 2019**

Members please advise the editor at the November meeting which month of 2019 you can provide supper.

February:		
March:		
April:		
May:		
June:		

# **Australian & World Orchid Shows/Conferences**

2019 14 -15 September STOCQ Orchidfest hosted by Rockhampton Orchid Society

2023 24th World Orchid Show/ Conference Perth

## **2018 STOCQ CALENDAR**

<u>EVENT</u>	LOCATION	<u>SET UP</u>	SHOW DAYS/TIMES
Nambour OS Species Show	Nambour Uniting Church Hall	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November
			Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November
STOCQ meeting Caboolture	Morayfield East State School	9.00 am	Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> November
OS	Graham Road		

# **2019 STOCQ CALENDAR**

EVENT	LOCATION	SET UP	SHOW DAYS/TIMES
STOCQ & OQI meetings	Albert Bowls Club Gympie	9.00am	Saturday 9th February
Sunshine Coast Orchid Society	Uniting Church Hall cnr Ulm	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2.00PM	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> 9.00am-5.00pm
Caloundra Show	&George Streets Caloundra		Saturday13th 9.00am-2.30pm
Gympie & District Orchid	tba	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> April
Show			
Maroochydore Orchid Society		Thursday	Friday
Noosa Orchid and Foliage	Cooroy Memorial Hall	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> &Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>
Show			August
Nambour Orchid Society		Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> & Saturday7th
Show			September
STOCQ ORCHIDFEST	tba	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>
Rockhamption Orchid Society			September
Glasshouse Country Orchid	tba	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> & Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>
Society			September
Nambour Orchid Society	tba	Thursday 31st October	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> &Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Species Show			November
STOCQ &OQI meetings	Orchid House 156A First	9.00am	Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> November
Bribie Island OS	Avenue Bribie Island		

Grey Shading indicates activities Maroochydore O.S. participates in.

## **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

# **Bribie Island Show 2018**

Extreme wet weather was encountered for the set up and the duration of the second last STOCQ show for 2018. However, this did not dampen the members from numerous societies from displaying their orchids and foliage plants to produce a spectacular, high quality benched show. A range of vendors were on hand with plants of high quality for sale and sales were excellent from what I was advised.

There was a great representation of Maroochydore members and all won prizes. Numerous first prizes by our members indicated the high standard of culture and flowering that our society members are capable of. Congratulations to all who participated.

# **Maroochydore Members Results**

<u>Name</u>	<u>1</u> st	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3rd
Kathy Howatson	1	2	2
Loraine Hocking	4	5	1
Fred/Marg Lenz	5	2	3
Bill Letcher	1	1	1
Duncan McMartin	1	1	2
Joe Mercieca	2	1	2
John Salway	1	-	-
Ian Walker	-	1	1



# **Office Bearers** for 2019

<u>Position</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Position</u>	Member
President	Duncan	Vice President	Joe
Secretary	Kathy	Ass. Secretary	Desiree
Treasurer	Del	Publicity	Kathy/Del/Richard
Editor	Fred	Librarian	Joe
Providores	Del/Loraine/Marg/Desiree	Show Marshall	lan
Meeting Stewards	John/Rod/Bill/Royal	Cultural Record Keeper	Marg
Host/ess	Kathy/Richard	Show Labeller	Kathy/Marg
STOCQ/OQI Reps.	Fred/Marg	Raffles	Loraine/ Jo-Anne

# **Newsletter Articles**

Members, if you have any articles or items which would be beneficial to members and you would like included in the newsletter please contact me by phone or email.



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