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'The Observer'

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CULTURAL MEETING

The September meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd September at 7.30pm

Cultural Meeting is held on the 1st Tuesday of the month at **St Peter's Anglican Church Hall, Church & Beach Roads, Maroochydore** at 7.30pm. All plants are to be tabled by 7.00pm for judging. Members and visitors are most welcome. The society AGM is held at the October cultural meeting.

OUR AUGUST SHOW

The Buderim Uniting Church Hall proved to be a good alternative venue to host our August Show. A good oven in the kitchen meant that the scones could be baked to perfection, with the aroma wafting through the hall in competition with that of the flowers. Lovely hot soup, along with a variety of sandwiches and home baking, led to lots of great comments from happy customers.

Support from our members, as well as other STOCQ members, meant we had a beautiful display of orchids and foliage plants for visitors to enjoy. The hard working people in the plant sales were kept busy keeping up with sales and giving advice when required. This is always such an important part of a show, as it promotes orchid growing and orchid societies.

As for any event, there is a lot of preparation to be done, as well as the on-going work during the show, and the tidying up following the event. A big 'thankyou' to all the members who contributed in any way to the success of our August Show! Your efforts lead to a healthier and more dynamic society for us all.

MAJOR PRIZE WINNERS



Barry Champion Novice





Members Show Results

<u>Name</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>
Barry Champion Novice	—	1	—
Lorraine	6	5	3
David & Bea	2	2	1
Fred & Marg	—	1	—
John S	1	4	3
Kathy	1	—	—
Duncan	2	1	—
Joe	—	—	1
Rod	1	—	—

Number of plants tabled at the show

110 cattleyas ; 48 dendrobiums ; 50 paphiopedilums ; 15 oncidiums ; 10 phaleanopsis ; 7 vandas

9 epidendrums ; 12 cymbidiums ; 30 Any other genera ; 6 phragmipediums ; 4 species vandas

25 rhynchostylis ; 326 orchids ; plus numerous foliage plants

Plant of the Month by Loraine Hocking

Rhynchostylis gigantea is a species found in the humid climates of SE Asia. Laos, Thailand, Malaysia and the Phillipines.

I like to grow mine in less light than the Vandas and try to create a warm, humid growing environment with gentle air movement. I water every day in summer as well as regular misting. I water much less in winter, letting the mix dry out before the next watering.

I grow in a coarse bark mix in large plastic pots allowing the numerous aerial roots to hang free. It can be a challenge when repotting because of the very thick roots. Soaking them helps a little.

My Rhynchostylis are fertilised every week during the warmer months with Peters Cal Mag and every other week in the cooler months with Peters Flower Booster. I try and water in the mornings so that all the water is off the plants by evening.

I bring my Rhynchostylis inside once the buds have formed, where it is very light and warm as they can tend to drop buds on the spike when the temperature becomes chilly at night. This can be very annoying when buds shrivel. There is something magical and exotic about the spicy fragrance of the Rhynchostylis. It leaves a lasting impression which I look forward to each year.

Growing Rhynchostylis can be a challenge at times but definitely worth having a go at growing this beautiful orchid. Loraine



August Cultural Meeting Results

JUDGES CHOICE		POPULAR CHOICE	
CATTLEYA			
1	Epc. Yokadama Story	Epc. Yokadama Story	
Member	Loraine	Loraine	
2	Rlc. Mem. Crispin Rosales x C. Queen Sirikit		
Member	Joe		
3	Rlc. Sylvia Fry		
Member	Ian		
DENDROBIUM			
1	Den. Pink Twist	Den. Visa Peach	
Member	Loraine	Loraine	
2	Den. Dal's Glory		
Member	Joe		
3	Den. Airy Green		
Member	Kathy		
VANDA			
1	V. Pachara Garnet Butterfly	V. Pachara Garnet Butterfly	
Member	Loraine	Loraine	
2	V. Majik Spots		
Member	Loraine		
3	V. Kulwadee Fragrance		
Member	Loraine		
OTHER GENERA			
1	Paph. Gold Dollar	Coel. Unchained Melody	
Member	David & Bea	Loraine	
2	Paph. LEEANUM		
Member	Loraine		
3	Coel. Unchained Melody		
Member	Loraine		
SPECIES			
1	Rhy. gigantea	Rhy. gigantea	
Member	Loraine	Loraine	
2	Rhy. gigantea		
Member	Loraine		
3	Rhyncholaelia glauca		
Member	Loraine		
FOLIAGE			
1	Fern	Fern	
Member	Loraine	Loraine	
2	Calathea		
Member	Desiree		
ONCIDIUM			
1	Miltonopsis unknown	Miltonopsis unknown	
Member	Loraine	Loraine	
2	Mlts. Kevie		
Member	Loraine		
NOVICE			
1	Rhy. gigantea	Lycaste Yellow Bird	
Member	Barry	Barry	
2	Paph. Lippewunder x self		
Member	Barry		
3	Rlc. Redland Whiteout x C. Princess Bells		

Member	Greg	
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Orchids at the August meeting

2019 STOCQ CALENDAR

EVENT	LOCATION	SET UP	SHOW DAYS/TIMES
Childers & Isis OS Show	tba	Thursday 5 th September	Friday 6 th & Saturday 7 th September
Nambour Orchid Society Show	Nambour Uniting Church Hall	Thursday 5 th September	Friday 6 th & Saturday 7 th September
STOCQ ORCHIDFEST	Kortes Resort	Friday 13 th September	Saturday 14 th & Sunday 15 th

Rockhampton Orchid Society			September
Sunshine Coast Orchid Society Caloundra Show (Members only)	Pelican Waters Shopping Centre	Thursday 19 th September 6.00 am	Thursday 19 th & Friday 20 th September
Maryborough District OS	St Pauls Memorial Hall	Wednesday 18 th September	Thursday 19 th September & Friday 20 th September Saturday 21 st September
Glasshouse Country Orchid Society	Beerwah Community Hall	Thursday 26 th September	Friday 27 th & Saturday 28 th September
Hervey Bay OS	Xavier Catholic College 1 Wide Bay Dve Eli Waters	Thursday 26 th September	Friday 27 th September , Saturday 28 th September & Sunday 29 th September
Bribie Island OS Show	156A Orchid House First Avenue Bongaree	Thursday 10 th October 2.30 pm	Friday 11 th and Saturday 12 th October
Nambour Orchid Society Species Show	Nambour Uniting Church Hall	Thursday 31 st October	Friday 1 st & Saturday 2 nd November
STOCQ & OQI meetings Bribie Island OS	Orchid House 156A First Avenue Bribie Island	9.00am	Saturday 16 th November

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

Supper Roster 2019

September : Kev Rimmington Del Whittaker **October** : Kev Johnson Barry Cheeseman

November : Royal Rea Bev & Col Haack **December** : Everyone bring food

LIBRARY

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

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Australian & World Orchid Shows/Conferences

2023 24th World Orchid Show / Conference Perth

Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.
Est: 1955

Sub Tropical Orchid Council Qld. Inc.
Rocky Round Up Orchidfest 2019 Conference and Show
Saturday 14th Sept 9am to 4pm - Sunday 15th Sept 9am to 3pm

The conference will be an open show exhibiting club displays & tabled plants
Visit our Website for Updates, Registration Form & Show Schedule

Visiting Orchid Nurseries Capricorn Region Bonsai Society The Rockhampton Cake Decorators
Orchid Sales Display & Sales Demonstrations

Refreshments Available

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