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#### CULTURAL MEETINGS

Meetings are held at 7.30 pm on the first Tuesday of the month at the Buderim Men's Shed 34 Advance Road Kuluin  
Plants are to be tabled by 7.00 pm for judging

**THE NEXT CULTURAL MEETING IS ON TUESDAY 4 OCTOBER**

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The financial year is fast coming to an end, with the AGM at our next meeting on Tuesday 4 October. You may remember I have flagged the possibility of a one day show in the latter part of the year, in the future. I look forward to your thoughts on this at the next meeting.

September is the major show month for this area. Nambour and Noosa have just had theirs and set up for Glasshouse is on Thursday 22 September at Beerwah. Bribie is setting up on Thursday 6 October.

It seems that Spring is here as my visiting Drongos (the feathered variety) have all gone back to Victoria. Like a lot of Victorians, they come up here for the Winter.

I've noticed that my Calanthes have just started to get their new growths. If you want to repot yours, now is the time before they get new roots. Their roots are extremely fragile, and it's very easy to break the tips off. If you're not repotting them, wait until the new roots are into the potting mix and then start watering and fertilising them.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hooray! Spring has arrived!

As I write this my soft cane dendrobiums have all started to open up. I have some in pots but mostly on the trees in my garden. My goal is to keep on putting more in the garden. Some of them are still small but I get inspired when I see grand old orchid clumps, clustered with blooms. It's great to have garden goals.

I was inspired also when I visited Orchid Glade, Chris Dempsey's open garden in Buderim this month. It shows that you can turn any backyard into an orchid oasis.

The third round of our orchid growing competition is now underway. Good luck everyone. The blooms from the first two rounds have started and the varied colours of your Dendrobiums were great.

See you at the AGM in October. There will also be a presentation on soft cane dens.

**DUNCAN McMARTIN**  
MOS President

**DESIREE WATSON**  
MOS Secretary

## OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING



Welcome new members



Settling in for the presentations



Royal ran us through tonight's judging results

## LIBRARY

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

## IN BETWEEN FLOWERS

**If you have a plant that's flowering beautifully in between shows and meetings, send a photo or two and a description under 100 words.**

Send your in between flowers by email to [tarundea@bigpond.com](mailto:tarundea@bigpond.com) or text them to 0404 175 172.

## NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

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## JUDGING RESULTS – SEPTEMBER 2022 MEETING

### CATTLEYA

- 1 Rhyncholaeliocattleya Ubon Paradise 'Princess' John S
- 2 Rhyncholaeliocattleya Ubon Princess 'Princess' John S
- 3 Rhyncholaeliocattleya Burdekin Storm 'Midnight' Graham S

### POPULAR VOTE

Rhyncholaeliocattleya Ubon Paradise 'Princess' John S

### ANY OTHER GENERA

- |                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| 1 Phalaenopsis <b>OX</b> Queen | Peter Y |
| 2 Phalaenopsis NOID            | Joe M   |
| 3 Cymbidium Pee Wee 'Firefly'  | Roger L |

### POPULAR VOTE

Phalaenopsis **OX** Queen Peter Y

### DENDROBIUM

- |                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| 1 Dendrobium Stardust 'H & R' | Kathy H |
| 2 Dendrobium Charming Rose    | Roger L |
| 3 Dendrobium Orange Gem       | Kathy H |

### POPULAR VOTE

Dendrobium Charming Rose Roger L

### SPECIES

- |                        |         |
|------------------------|---------|
| 1 Paphiopedilum tonsum | Joe M   |
| 2 Paphiopedilum niveum | Roger L |
| 3 Lycaste bradeorum    | Nev D   |

### POPULAR VOTE

Lycaste bradeorum Nev D

### VANDA

- |                                |                  |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 Vanda Princess Mikasa 'Blue' | Christine & Jack |
| 2 No other plants entered      |                  |
| 3 No other plants entered      |                  |

### POPULAR VOTE

Vanda Princess Mikasa 'Blue' Christine and Jack

### NOVICE

- |   |            |
|---|------------|
| 1 <b>Cattlianthe Tropical Trick 'Machado'</b> | Desiree W  |
| 2 <b>Phalaenopsis Fuller's AI-Plus</b>        | Desiree W  |
| 3 Dendrobium                                  | Rosemary S |

### POPULAR VOTE

**Cattlianthe Tropical Trick 'Machado'** Desiree W

### ONCIDIUM

- |   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| 1 Oncidium Jungle Monarch 'Pacific Pride' | Christine and Jack |
| 2 No other plants entered                 |                    |
| 3 No other plants entered                 |                    |

### POPULAR VOTE

Oncidium Jungle Monarch 'Pacific Pride' Christine and Jack

### FOLIAGE

- |                                  |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Ctetanthe setosa, Prayer Plant | Rosemary S         |
| 2 Tassel Fern                    | Christine and Jack |
| 3 Peperomia obtusifolia          | Desiree W          |

### POPULAR VOTE

Tassel Fern Christine and Jack

**NAME CHANGES ARE ORANGE** (please update your tags)



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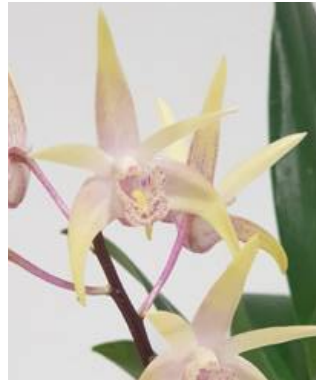
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## PLANTS BENCHED AT OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING



Our plant of the night (Phalaenopsis OX Queen) with friends



Dendrobium NOID



Phalaenopsis NOID



Rlc. Ubon Paradise 'Princess'



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Paphiopedilum tonsum



Paphiopedilum niveum



Dendrobium Charming Rose



Cymbidium Pee Wee 'Firefly'



Rhyncholaeliocattleya Burdekin Storm 'Midnight'





Ctt. Tropical Trick 'Machado'



Onc. Jungle Monarch



Ctetanthe setosa



Peperomia obtusifolia



Rlc. Hsinying Sunbeam



Epi. Comet Valley 'Red'



Vanda Princess Mikasa 'Blue'



Phalaenopsis Fuller's AI-Plus



Dendrobium Stardust 'H & R'



Dendrobium Orange Gem



Lycaste bradeorum

## 22ND AUSTRALIAN ORCHID COUNCIL CONFERENCE AND SHOW

The Management Committee chose to support the 22nd Australian Orchid Council Conference & Show 'For the Love of Orchids' earlier in the year. We knew it'd be a squeeze as it was so close to our own main show in August, with the AOCC show dates from 31 August - 4 September 2022.

In 2019, South East Queensland Orchid Societies combined to bid for the 2021 event and won the right to hold the 2021 AOC Conference and Show in SE Queensland. Due to COVID-19, the event was postponed until 2022.

Australian Orchid Council Conferences are held once every 3 years. We took the view to support the AOCC organisation as it was unlikely to be this close to the Sunshine Coast again soon.

The Show was open to Australian and international orchid society members to exhibit their orchids. The show schedule included orchid and foliage displays, benched orchids, photography, and visual and floral art.

There was a Scientific & Cultural Conference held at the venue which a few of our members attended. There were expert presenters from Australia and overseas including Fred Clarke of Fredclarkeara fame. Mr. Clarke spoke on a few topics including

Cycnoches, Mormodes, and Catasetums, how to become an 80th Percentile Grower, as well as breeding and cultivation of mini and compact cattleyas. He was entertaining, informative, and very generous in answering questions.

Planning commenced early, in the first instance with some creative efforts on what the display might look like. This evolved over time into the tiered table massed with blooms and a lovely hand painted banner with 'Love' encapsulated in its love heart shape.

Thanks to those who contributed art, effort, and prize winning plants (thanks especially to Greg for loaning yours), and to those who drove to the Logan Metro Sports & Events Centre for set up and pack down. Even though it may have felt at times that we may have bitten off more than we could chew, it was great fun pulling it all together, especially with a few prizes being won by our members, and our display coming second. Congratulations everyone!

Thank you to the AOCC Conference and Show organising committee for putting on a successful event.



A fantastic Dendrobium speciosum display





Incredible displays



Hanging garden



Some stunning flowers



Walls of colour



First and second prize in the visual arts category



A lovely Cymbidium



Slippers galore



Dendrochillum



## CATTLEYA



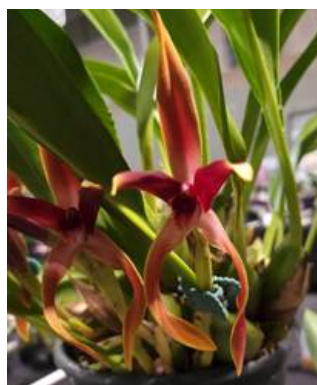


## DENDROBIUM



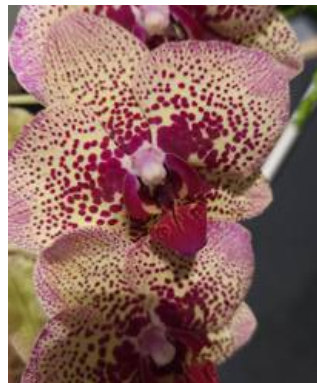


## SPECIES





## OTHER GENERA





## OUR DISPLAY AT THE AOC SHOW



Our display at the show: for the love of orchids



It starts out messy



A bit of muscle work



Big and cheesy



Pleased with the result



Lots of fussing



Up for the challenge