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NEXT MEETING: Monday 21st October at 7:45 pm. At St. Luke's Community Hall, Cnr. of Arden St., and Varna Street, Clovelly. NSW 2031

Visitors always welcome.

AGENDA: No Guest Speaker or activity has assigned for this month.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP: Single \$12:00, Family \$18:00. Keep your payment receipt as proof of payment.

NEW MEMBERS: We had no new members last month, but welcomed two visitors.

SPECIAL S.O.S. SHOW EDITION

EASTERN SUBURBS DISPLAY



SOS SHOW

Congratulations to the Eastern Suburbs Orchid Society which won **\$350:00** prize for their display.

Individual winners included 3 CHAMPIONS.

MEMBER	CLASS	PLACE	PLANT	PRIZE
C. Arnette	28	2 nd	<i>Oncostele</i> Midnight Miracle	\$5:00
C. Wong		CHAMPION SEEDLING	Unknown x <i>V.</i> miniatum	\$50:00
C. Wong	10b	1 st	Unknown x <i>V.</i> miniatum	\$10:00
C. Wong	22c	1 st	Unknown x <i>V.</i> miniatum	\$10:00
G. Curtis	6c	2 nd	<i>Sarco Sundaani's</i> Galaxy	\$5:00
G. Curtis	9b	2 nd	<i>Phal.</i> Unknown	\$5:00
G. Curtis	9d	1 st	<i>Phal</i> Unknown	\$10:00
G. Curtis	19c	1 st	<i>Den. farmerii</i>	\$10:00
H. Chen	26	2 nd	<i>C. intermedia</i> x Ctt. Aussie Sunset	\$5:00
H. Chen	28	1 st	<i>Den</i> Yukidaruma	\$10:00
H. Mason		CHAMPION NOVICE	<i>C. intermedia</i> 'Crownfox'	\$50:00
H. Mason	27	1 st	<i>C. intermedia</i> 'Crownfox'	\$10:00
R. Lodsman	13c	2 nd	<i>Rlc.</i> Tzeng-Wen Beauty x <i>Rth.</i> Burana Beauty	\$5:00
R. Lodsman	26	1 st	<i>Rlc.</i> Tzeng-Wen Beauty x <i>Rth.</i> Burana Beauty	\$10:00
W. Jap		CHAMPION VANDACEOUS	<i>Phal.</i> Unknown	\$50:00
W. Jap	9e	1 st	<i>Phal.</i> Unknown	\$10:00

The Eastern Suburbs display was based on a corner display with a small island. Access for the judges was very good. Unfortunately some plants were excluded from judging due to being infested with Mealybugs. Those of you who bench at shows or regular meetings should check your plants carefully before benching and all members should check their plants after shows in case they became infected and, regardless of whether you see any bugs, it is suggested that you take precautionary action to be sure.

Apparently some of our Novice Growers did not nominate their plants as being novice and therefore were judged as if they were open class against experienced growers which may have deprived them of prizes. In future, please read the show schedule and nominate plants for specific sections and classes when required.

Southern Orchid Spectacular Report by Helen Mason

This year's Southern Orchid Spectacular at Caringbah High School attracted large crowds over three days. About 1,400 visitors (up from 1,300 last year) admired the extensive collection of sensational Australian native plants, as well as exotic species and hybrids from all over the world.

Visitors coming from as far away as Nowra, Blue Mountains, Canberra, Wollongong and Newcastle thronged to buy beautiful plants and view the displays created by local orchid Societies competing for prizes and individual recognition.

The Best in Show prize went to **Dimitrios Mitsios**, who also won the Grand Champion Hybrid prize for his stunning white flowered soft cane *Dendrobium* Swallow Queen. Grand Champion Species was won by Shire resident **Col Brandon**, with his *Dendrobium striolatum* 'Ruffles'.

Best Specimen of the show was **Peter Duong's** fabulous yellow *Lycaste* Kitayama x Mem. Kageyuki

Best Display was won by **G & L Bromley and C Polis**.

For the first time the public was given the opportunity to vote for their favourite display, which was duly won by **Sutherland Shire Orchid Society**.

Orchids were sold in various forms, as large flowering plants from local nurseries, or as tiny seedlings in sterile flasks, many of which came from West Australia and Queensland, or were imported from overseas.

The Community initiative featuring local primary schools' artwork also proved a colourful attraction. Art prizes were won by students who grew orchid plants provided by the Southern Orchid Spectacular Committee a few months ago, and they then painted the flowers that emerged.

The artwork was displayed at the Show, and First Prize was won by Ellira, in Class 4M at Gynea Bay Public School and to Bailey in Class 4P, at Cronulla Public School. The raffle prizes were won by local residents, including Warleiti Jap from Eastern Suburbs Orchid Society, who won First Prize.



All photographs courtesy of Warleiti and Helen

PHOTOS FROM THE SHOW





Barrita Orchids display of Sarcocochilus



A section of the display area



Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Display



Barrita's Sarcocochilus display



Children's Art



Children's Art first prize



Vendor's Area



Grand Champion *Den. Swallow Queen*

BULLETIN: Preparing and editing the bulletin could be made so much easier with support from the members.

Due to heavy commitments by the person who does the layout and the general lack of support from the members, the bulletin may have to cease publication. Expressions of interest to continue publication should be made urgently to the President.

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Champion Vandaceous grown by W. Jap



Champion Seedling *V. Unknown* x *V. Miniatum* grown by C. Wong