

# BULLETIN

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## EASTERN SUBURBS ORCHID SOCIETY INC

### NEXT MEETING:

At 7.30pm on Monday 16th August 2021 VIA ZOOM  
Meeting ID 2900937363 passcode xycEY1

### President

Gavin Curtis

### Joint Vice Presidents

Kylie Pellagreen  
Ian Kaplin

### Secretary

Ross Trethewy

### Joint Show Marshalls

Ian Kaplin  
Chao Ping Li

### Treasurer

Chin Wong

### Editor

Ian Chalmers

### Sales Manager

Warleiti Jap

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

**Single \$15 Family \$20**  
(Due 1 July each year)

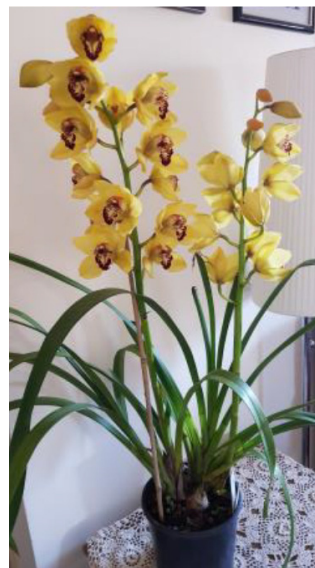
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COVIDSAFETY IS PRACTISED

Plant of the Night Open Class Herbert Chen for Cym. Tracey  
Reddaway



Novice Class was awarded to Cathy Starrett for her *Oncostele* Midnight  
Miracles 'Splash'



## July General Meeting Minutes of the Eastern Suburbs Orchid Society Inc. held via Video Conference (ZOOM) at 7.30pm on 19 July 2021

The President Gavin Curtis welcomed members via Video Conference and acknowledged the extraordinary circumstances currently in NSW and the Greater Sydney Region; specifically the rapid spread of the COVID-19 Delta Strain and the requirement for residents and workers in the Region and related Affected Areas to stay at home. Gavin acknowledged the Duty of ESOS to protect the health and safety of its Members and its Duty to the broader community to follow the NSW Government Health Order to prevent the spread of the Virus Strain.

As a result of the above, the decision was made by ESOS on 08 July to switch the General Meeting for July to a Video Conference due to the anticipated likelihood of a lock down, which has eventuated.

### APOLOGIES:

John McAuley; Chin Wong; Warleiti Jap, David Bullock; Irene Chalmers; Jennifer Wills, Michael Morrow, Kurt Schremmer, Judy & Jim Linton; Kalliopi & Menelaus Kalogerakis, Mira Kostic and Buda Ivanisevic.

### NEW MEMBERS/VISITORS:

Gavin Curtis acknowledged life member Chris Dalrymple as a participant in the Video Conference, from his home in Tasmania.

### MINUTES:

The minutes issued of the previous meeting of the 21 June 2021 were accepted as a true and accurate record of the June General Meeting and were seconded by Gavin Curtis. It was noted that some information was missing in the July Bulletin, i.e. point scores and Ian Chalmers will make the relevant changes and re-issue the Bulletin subject to advice from Herbert Chen.

### CORRESPONDANCE:

The Secretary Ross Trethewy outlined external correspondence received since the last meeting which included: Mingara Orchid Club Show – cancelled; Southern Orchid Spectacular – cancelled; Mingara Orchid Club Newsletter July 21; Gerry Walsh Rock Lily Rag No 46 June 30 2021; Bankstown Orchid Society Bulletin June/July 2021; Gerry Walsh Rock Lily Rag No. 45 - June 1st, 2021, North Shore Orchid Society Bulletin July.

ESOS Correspondence issued by the Secretary to Members included the following ESOS Correspondence: Minutes of ESOS General Meeting 21 June; ESOS July Bulletin; Notification of General Meeting switch to Video Conference (08/07/21); ESOS Orchid Show at Flower Power 25/25 July - now postponed to a date to be determined; Forms for Benching Plants for General Meeting via Video Conference – Open, Novice and Junior; Cancellation of Orchid Judges for ESOS Flower Power Show; Zoom Video Conference Link and ZOOM Tutorial Instruction Link for the General Meeting 19/07/21.

### BENCHING OF PLANTS DURING THE NSW GOVERNMENT LOCK DOWN:

Benching plants via video conference was discussed. Previous minutes of the General Meeting in May 2020 were discussed and a previous determination by Members in April/May 2020 was noted as follows:

Zoom Online Judging All members providing orchid flower photos in April by email are warmly thanked. At the April Zoom meeting some members showed their flowers, and shared how they were grown. It was agreed that: - there would be no "Popular Vote" or Raffle until further notice - orchid photos (preferably jpeg file, not PDF) may be emailed to Ian (ianchalmers73@gmail.com) for judging any day during the month, up until noon on the Sunday before the Zoom meeting (17 May 2020) - the same plants may be 'benched' for a number of months, if flowers are still in good condition - the Plant of the Month, as well as Open and Novice Point Scores will be published in the monthly Bulletin as usual - members are also encouraged to upload

their photos onto the Forum section of esos.org.au as a permanent record - Herbert Chen recommended the 'Wetransfer' option, if you need to transfer a lot of flower photos - please ensure your Name (Open/Novice) correct Plant Name and Class is submitted, in order to obtain point scores - a few words about where it was bought, how it was grown, and how long it has been owned would also be appreciated

Discussion followed on the likelihood of the next meeting being during the NSW COVID-19 lockdown and the benching of plants electronically. Ian Chalmers acknowledged that on line benching has been implemented by a variety of judges in response to the COVID-19 crisis.

It was noted that four members had submitted plants for benching and these were examined and displayed via Zoom and computer cameras and were discussed with the Member attendees.

- Herbert Chen displayed a variety of plants including cymbidiums, Australian natives and oncidinae.
- Ian Kaplin displayed a variety of plants including cymbidiums.
- Cathy Starrett displayed a variety of plants including phalenopsis; Oncidiinae and encyclias;
- Boglar Gertner displayed a Moneta Black Beauty. She also displayed some colourful orchid prints published by the New York Botanical Garden.
- Ross Trethewy displayed a variety of plants including Dinema; cymbidiums, Australian natives and hybrids and oncidinae.

Further discussion followed on the best way to bench orchid plants if the COVID-19 lock down continues. It was agreed that submissions must be received not later than noon (12 am) on the Sunday before the general meeting and that plants flowering in the previous

7 days (i.e. Sunday to Sunday) can be photographed and submitted. Forms of submission for benching plants were discussed; it was agreed orchids photographs and member name, plant name and class could be submitted by text messaging using an iphone, via the current pdf document outlined by the Secretary in recent correspondence or as email jpeg image files with the member name, plant name and class. A Facebook page open to members only was discussed and it was generally agreed this was a good idea and something most members may be able to manage. Herbert Chen to explore.

Repotting was discussed and it was recommended that when the roots are cut in the process of repotting that the plant should be left for a few days to allow the roots to dry, before watering.

Aphids were discussed as an ongoing pests experienced by many members. Gavin recommended Aphids Rose Gun as a tried and tested solution, which is an all in one insecticide, fungicide and miticide for controlling pests & diseases on roses and ornamental plants.

The use of Pest oil (petroleum based) vs. eco oil (plant based) was discussed and the differences acknowledged specifically that the petroleum based product can burn the plants.

Chris Dalrymple discussed weather conditions in his home of Tasmania and that Leila Anceps are a Spring flower in his state. He displayed a flowering Slipper Orchid, an off cut of David Bullock's Paphiopedilum insigne orchid apparently called Margaret. He outlined his orchid greenhouse arrangements and typically temperatures dealt with in Tasmania 2-3 deg at night vs 20-28 deg in the day.

### ESOS FINANCIAL POSITION

In the absence of the Treasurer a report on finances was not available, nor the likely impact of cancellation of orchid shows including Southern Orchid Spectacular and related pause on Society income streams. The President noted that the financial position of the Society continued to remain viable and deferred a Treasurer's report to the next meeting.



#### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP:

Renewal of annual membership was discussed as due by August 2021. The Secretary noted that existing membership renewal this year will require completion of the 010 Membership Application Form consistent with the requirements of the new ESOS By-Laws and Code of Conduct. The Secretary to send out the banking details and instructions seeking member's renewal and the related form for completion.

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

##### Upcoming Orchid Shows Participation:

- ESOS Flower Power Orchid Show Flower Power Sat 24th & Sun 25th - cancelled
- Southern Orchid Spectacular 23 to 26th September – cancelled

##### Plant of the Night:

- Plant of the Night Open to be announced by the Judges in the August Bulletin.
- Plant of the Night Novice to be announced by the Judges in the August Bulletin.
- People's choice was deferred to the next face to face General Meeting.

##### Questions for the Judges:

Clarification of the name Thelychiton vs. Dendrobium, e.g. falcorostus was sought and this will be outlined in the Bulletin.

##### Raffle of the Night

The raffle of the night was deferred until the next face to face meeting.

It was noted that raffle winners in the July General Meeting, i.e. Ross Trethewy (Ticket D95); Elizabeth Ying (Ticket A95) and Ian Kaplin (Ticket A73) will have their prizes awarded at the next face to face meeting.

#### NEXT MEETING:

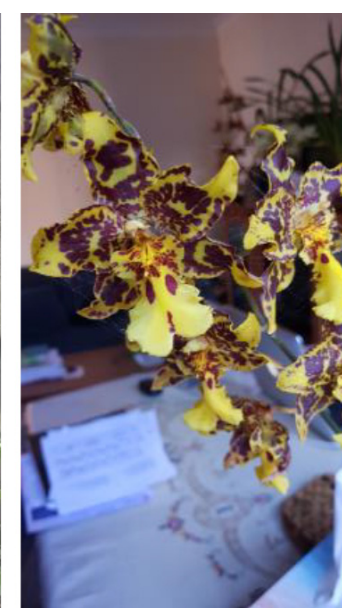
All Note Mon 16th August 2021 meeting date at 7.30pm, A determination will be made by the ESOS Management Committee over the next few weeks on whether this will be a Zoom Video Conference or a face to face meeting at the Community Hall, cnr Arden & Varna Sts.

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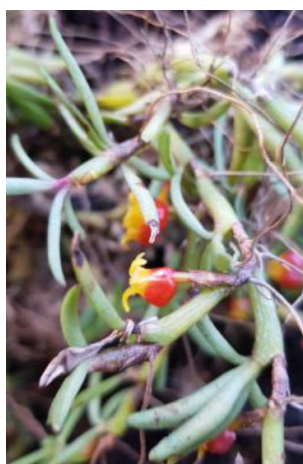
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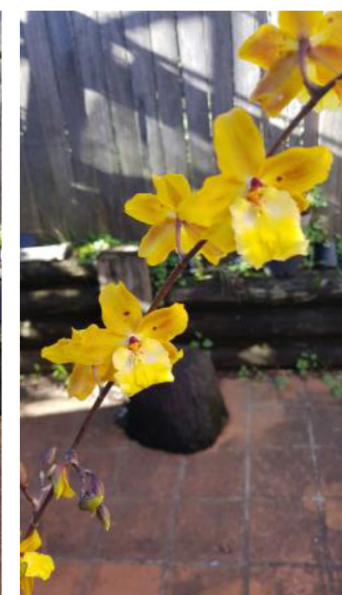
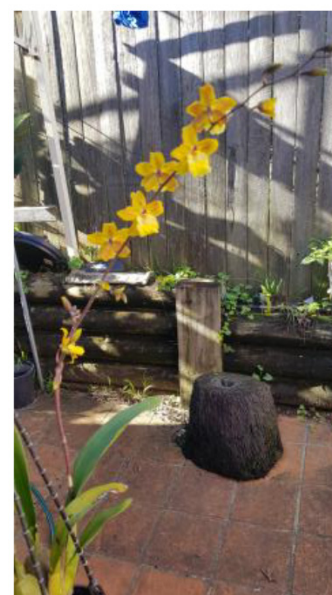
*Cym Ten Pin 'Te Pee'* - Herbert Chen



*Onc. Pui Chin 'Flying Tiger'* - Herbert Chen



*Medicalcar deccoratum* - Herbert Chen



*Onc. Sunlight 'Hilo Honey'* - Herbert Chen

# July Results

CLASS		ORCHID	EXIBITOR
OPEN			
2	Australian Native Hybrid	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Den. Australian Rhubarb Pie X</i>	Herbert Chen
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Den. speciosum</i> <i>Den. Cobber X unknown</i>	Herbert Chen
		3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Den. Maybeline (T) X fuliginosa</i>	Herbert Chen
7	Cymbidium Standard	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Cym. Tracy Reddaway</i>	Herbert Chen
8	Cymbidium Intermediate/miniature	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Cym Ten Pin 'Te Pee'</i>	Herbert Chen
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Cym. unknown</i>	Herbert Chen
10	Oncidinae Hybrids <60 mm	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Onc. Pui Chin 'Flying Tiger'</i>	Herbert Chen
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Onc. Sunlight 'Hilo Honey'</i>	Herbert Chen
16	Miniature Orchids	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Mediocalcar decorum</i>	Herbert Chen
17	First Flowering	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Den. Regal x Star of Gold</i>	Herbert Chen
NOVICE			
25	Australian Native Hybrid	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Den. Rutherford Starburst 'Tinonee'</i>	Ross Trethewy
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Den. Colonial Jem</i>	Ross Trethewy
27	Laeliinae Other	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Bc.. Unknown</i>	Ian Kaplin
28	Cymbidium Standard	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Cymbidium Barrita Princess 'Princess'</i>	Ross Trethewy
29	Cymbidium Intermediat/Miniature	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Cym Wakakusa</i>	Ian Kaplin
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Cym unknown</i>	Ian Kaplin
32	Oncidinae Hybrids >60 mm	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Oncostele Midnight Miracles 'Splash'</i>	Cathy Starrett
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Arthurara Sea Snake 'Unforgettable'</i>	Ross Trethewy
37	Miniature Species or Hybrid	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrobium toressae</i>	Ross Trethewy
39	Species Americas	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dnema polybulbon</i>	Ross Trethewy

## Legend

\* Name updated

# Genus changed

(T) Trade name or unregistered name

Unk unknown

? Name incomplete

@ Registration pending





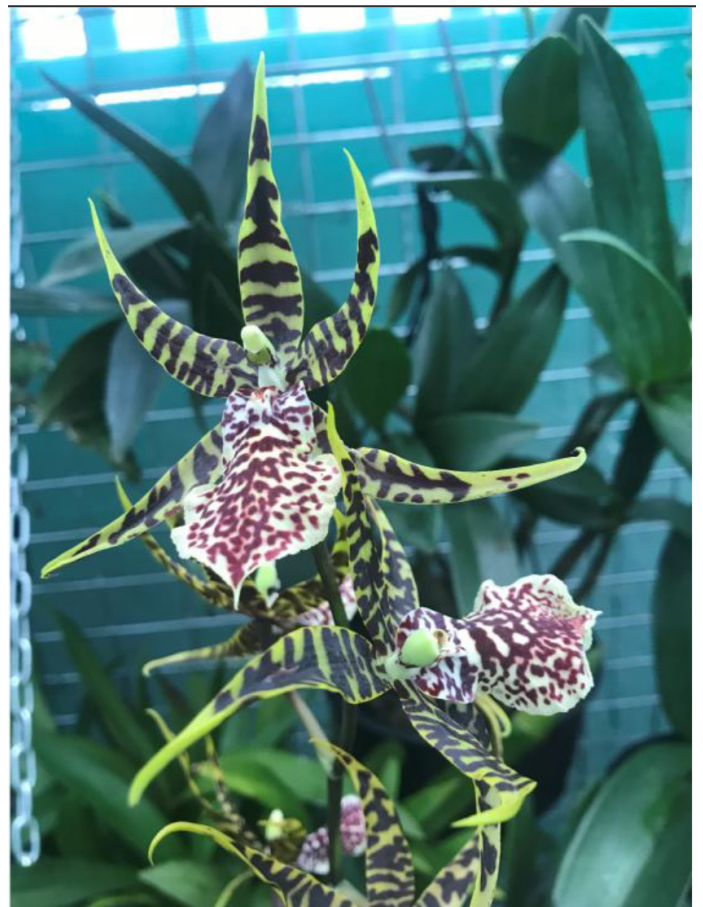
*Dendrobium toressae* - Ross Trethewy



*Bc unknown* - Ian Kaplin



*Cym Wakakusa* - Ian Kaplin



*Arthurara Sea Snake* 'Unforgettable' - Ross Trethewy



*Cym Unknown* - Ian Kaplin



## Nomenclature - *Dendrobium* vs *Thelychiton*

The request at the end of the July meeting was for "Clarification of the name *Thelychiton* vs. *Dendrobium*", e.g. *falcorostus*.

There is no right or wrong answer to this.

There are a number of different taxonomists working on *Dendrobium* each has a different view of the breakdown of *Dendrobium*, which makes it very confusing for the average grower.

In 2002 a breakdown of *Dendrobium* was published with about 22 genera in the Australasian group of *Dendrobium*, this included *Thelychiton*, *Dockrillia* (pencil leaved), *Tetrabactulum* (tetragonums) and *Durabactulum* (twisted petals) to name a few. This was based on DNA analysis. Acceptance of this would have resulted in over 120 hybrid genera.

Recently the updated DNA analysis has reduced this number to 9 with about 20 hybrid genera which would be more manageable.

For these names to be accepted, they need to be accepted in the Checklist of Selected Plant Families, this can only happen if there is a consensus within a group of about 100 taxonomists, and that is very unlikely to happen in the near future.

If we changed the names of our orchids every time a scientist published a new report we would all go mad.

The AOC and the Judging system bases its nomenclature on the Checklist of Selected Plant Families (Plants of the World Online is a parallel system). This is a universally accepted standard which when used all around the world we know what each of us is talking about.

The checklist provides a list of accepted names as well as synonyms.

As a result in our judging we only use *Dendrobium*.

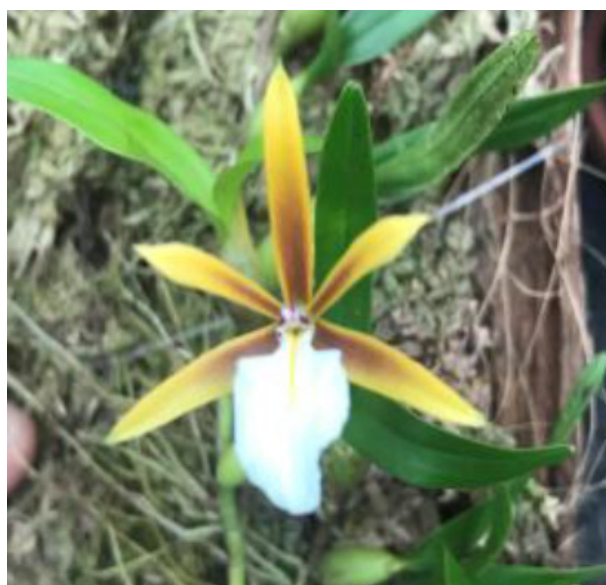
We don't dictate what you the growers call your orchids you can use any of the published nomenclature, however if we give awards or publish results we used the Checklist of Selected Plant Families accepted names.

For hybrid names we use the RHS database of registered orchid hybrids.

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