

BULLETIN

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EASTERN SUBURBS ORCHID SOCIETY INC

NEXT MEETING:

General Meeting to be held at 7.30 pm on Monday 19th December 2022
Corner of Arden and Varna Sts. Clovelly.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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The Plant of the Night 'Novice' was awarded to Kalliopi Kalogerakis for *Brassia verrucosa*

General Meeting

Eastern Suburbs Orchid Society Inc.

Held at the Community Hall cnr Varna & Arden Sts Clovelly
at 7.30pm on 21st November 2022.

Ross Trethewy, the Secretary opened the meeting and welcomed members.

APOLOGIES: Graham Mertz, Gavin Curtis, Ian Kaplin Michael Morrow, Judy & Jim Linton

NEW MEMBERS/VISITORS: There were no new members present.

MINUTES: The minutes issued of the previous face to face general meeting of the 17th October 2022 were accepted as a true and accurate record and were seconded by Chin Chee Wong. No changes to the minutes were requested by attendee members.

It was noted that changes are required to the Bulletin, specifically the names of the management committee to read President: Gavin Curtis; Vice President: Ian Kaplin; Secretary: Ross Trethewy, Show Marshall: Ian Kaplin; Treasurer: Chin Chee Wong; Vice Treasurer: Warleiti Jap, Editor: Ian Chalmers; and Sales Manager: Warleiti Jap

CORRESPONDENCE: Incoming external correspondence to ESOS forwarded to members included: Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts OS Oct Newsletter, Orchid Society of NSW Orchid News October 2022, Ku-ring-gai orchid society monthly bulletin for October 2022, Maclean Orchid Society Newsletter October 2022, Western Suburbs Orchid Society October Bulletin, Eastern Districts Orchid Society Newsletter for November, Eurobodalla OS November Newsletter, North Shore Orchid Society November Bulletin, November 22 Cymbidium Club of Australia Newsletter, The Rock Lily Rag No. 61 November 2022, Berowra & District Orchid Society Bulletin for November 2022, Mingara Orchid Club November 22 newsletter, Manly Warringah November 22 Bulletin, November Bulletin from the Sutherland Shire Orchid Society Inc.; Ku-ring-gai Orchid Society Bulletin Nov 2022; Orchid Society of NSW Orchid News November 2022; Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts November 22 Bulletin.

Correspondence to ESOS (internal): Minutes of ESOS General Meeting 19th September 2022, Membership Fees Reminder ESOS Bulletin October 2022.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

All note the Christmas Party for 2022 will be held on Monday 19th December 2022 at the St Lukes Hall at 7.30pm. Members have agreed to bring:

- Ross T – Oysters + ham
- Elizabeth Y – spring rolls and Hummingbird Cake
- Herbert C – soft drinks/ice and watermelon.
- Poppy K – 3 x roast chickens, Spanakopita.

- Kylie P – Bread rolls
- Irene C – Zucchini slice
- Buda I – Pavlova
- Judy Linton – salads

NOTE: the Christmas Party will start at 7.30pm. Members are reminded to bring a Christmas wrapped present (max. spend \$15) for the Chris Kringle (for which you will receive 1 raffle ticket for the Hamper(s) and some food items for the Hamper.

ORCHID SHOWS – SOUTHERN ORCHID SPECTACULAR:

The recent Southern Orchid spectacular Orchid Show was discussed and a new venue has been located in the Bankstown district for 2023. It was noted that profits received by ESOS and OSNSW in 2022 will be held over and used to fund the 2023 show. The absence of sufficient volunteers was discussed and it was noted that at least two or more other societies will be part of the organization for next year – 13th to 15th October 2023 (save the date)

SUPPER:

Supper was convened at the meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Plant of the Night:

The plant of the night (Novice) was awarded to Kalliopi Kalogerakis for her stunning *Brassia verrucosa* and the plant of the night (Open) was awarded to Herbert Chen for his *Dendrobium* unknown (soft cane pink colour flowers). Congratulations and Well Done to both Members! Plant Benching:

NOTE: Plant benching will not occur at the December 2022 meeting.

If a member has a large plant in full bloom which is worthy of a show and tell they are encouraged to bring it to the Christmas Party.

Membership:

Members are reminded that annual membership is overdue. Your continued support of the Society is critical to ensure it remains viable.

Points Score Awards:

The points scores for 2021/2022 was concluded at the November 2022 meeting and the winners of the 2021/2022 Open Category: i) most points, ii) most plants benched, iii) most first flowered seedlings and 2021/2022 Novice Category: i) most points will be announced at the Christmas Party in December.

The continued award of an annual trophy for open or novice members was discussed. Members agreed that a Certificate is more appropriate and that the trophies should be discontinued. Herbert Chen to provide the Secretary with the ESOS

logo and Chaoping Li has kindly agreed to help design an appropriate certificate that could be used for all point score categories with minimal alteration.

Judges Topic:

Ian outlined plans for 8 to 9 speakers for next year at OS NSW and the possibility of some of these talks being available to ESOS as a means of attracting new membership. Ian will provide a talk on *Cymbidium canaliculatum* in February 23 which is a terrestrial orchid which likes to occupy hollow tree trunk nooks. Research indicates this Cym. likes lime so it may be worth trying a cautious amount of Dolomite in the mix.

NEXT MEETING:

The next ESOS General Meeting will be convened on 19th December 2022 at 7.30pm at the St Luke's Community Hall, cnr Arden & Varna Sts Clovelly.

2023

Members at the November 22 meeting concurred that there will be no meeting in January 2023 and therefore the first meeting in 2023 will be Monday 20th February 2023.



C. Memoria Zinka Milanov - Herbert Chen



Cattleya Pink Diamond - Ross Trethewy



Rth. Hsinying Catherine - Ross Trethewy



Dendrobium - Matos- Herbert Chen

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November Results

CLASS	ORCHID	EXIBITOR
OPEN		
4 Laeliinae Standard Exhibition	1 st C. Memoria Zinka Milanov	Herbert Chan
9 Dendrobium	1 st Den. Unknown	Herbert Chan
10 Oncidiinae < 60mm	1 st <i>Oncidium</i> Jungle Monarch 'Own Select'	Herbert Chen
17 First Flowered seedling	1 st <i>Sarco.</i> Fitzhart 'Gold on Red'	Herbert Chen
21 Species Asia	1 st <i>Den. fimbriatum</i> var. <i>occulatum</i>	Herbert Chen
	2 nd <i>Den. faireanum</i> ?	Chin Wong
22 Species Americas	1 st <i>Milt. spectabilis</i>	Chin Wong
NOVICE		
26 Laeliinae Standard	1 st <i>C. Pink Diamond</i>	Ross Trethewy
27 Laeliinae Other	1 st <i>Rth.</i> Hsinying Catherine	Ross Trethewy
	2 nd <i>Epidendrum</i>	Buda Ivanisevic
	3 rd <i>Epidendrum</i>	Kylie Pellagreen
31 Oncidiinae Hybrids <60	1 st <i>Oncidium</i> Pranabre	Buda Ivanisevic
	2 nd <i>Onc.</i> Unknown	Kalliopi Kalogerakis
	3 rd <i>Onc.</i> Speckled Apple 'Malika	Chau Ping Li
32 <i>Oncidium</i> Hybrids >60mm	1 st Miltonopsis Golden Snows 'White Light'	Cathy Starrett
34 Phalaenopsis	1 st <i>Phal.</i> Unknown	Kylie Pellagreen
	2 nd <i>Phal.</i> Kaleidoscope	Kylie Pellagreen
	3 rd <i>Phal.</i> Ox Red Lion	Ross Trethewy
28 <i>Cymbidium</i> Standard	1 st <i>Cym.</i> Chricket 'Rositta'	Ross Trethewy
	2 nd <i>Cym.</i> Cali Night 'Newbold Magic'	Ross Trethewy
35 Vandaceous	1 st <i>Mokara</i> Moonlight	Kalliopi Kalogerakis
	2 nd <i>Sartylis</i> Blue Knob	Ross Trethewy
36 Laeliinae Species	1 st <i>Prosthechia bulbosa</i>	Cathy Starrett
	2 nd <i>Prosthechia baculus</i>	Ross Trethewy
39 Americas Species	1 st <i>Brassia verrucosa</i>	Kalliopi Kalogerakis
	2 nd <i>Lycaste aromatica</i>	Cathy Starrett
	3 rd <i>Mormolyca ringens</i>	Ross Trethewy

(red) Denotes judges awarded open and novice category winners



Oncidium Jungle Monarch 'Own Select' - Hernbert Chen

Sarcochilus Fitzhart -- Herbert Chen



Dendrobium fimbriatum var *occulatum* - Herbert Chen



Epidendrum - Kylie Pellegreen



Mokara Moonlight - Kalliopi Kalogerakis



Miltoniopsis Golden Snows 'White Light' - Kathy Starrett



Miltonia spectabilis - Chin Wong



Phalaenopsis unknown - Kylie Pellegreen



Lycaste aromatica - -Chao ping Li



Prostechia bulbosa -- Cathy Starrett



Oncidium Pranabre

Nomenclature

At the last meetings I have updated the names of *Dendrochillum* and *Pholidota* to *Coelogyne*.

The name changes were reversed at the last meeting of the Orchid Hybrid Registration Group (RHS). For cultivated orchids, plants in these genera retain the original names.

The committee also put a hold on lumping *Phaius* into *Calanthe*.

These decisions cause a dilemma in that under our rules the species and hybrids would have different generic names.

Until the committee resolves the issues (not before May 2023) we should continue to use the old names for both species and hybrids.

It was thought that DNA analysis of orchids would Clarify and resolve most issues. The reality is that while DNA provides a better clarity on the relationships between orchids it identifies the anomalies and that there is often no definite decision between one species and another, but a blend between the species in the area of transition.

The DNA family trees for orchids needs to be correlated with the morphology of the orchids to develop keys that can be used to separate the trees into genera and species. The orchids are not cooperative and do not provide unambiguous points of separation.

Ian