

# BULLETIN

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## EASTERN SUBURBS ORCHID SOCIETY INC

### NEXT MEETING:

General Meeting to be held at 7.00 pm on Monday 18th September 2023  
Kensington Park Community Centre .

### President

Chin Wong

### Joint Vice Presidents

Ian Kaplin

### Secretary

Ross Trethewy

### Joint Show Marshal's

Ian Kaplin  
Chao Ping Li

### Treasurer

Chin Wong

### Editor

Ian Chalmers

### Sales Manager

Warleiti Jap

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## Remember New Venue

Kensington Park Community Centre

1 DAY LANE KENSINGTON  
Early start 7.00pm



**Open Plant of the night**  
*Laelia superbiens* -- Ross Trethewy f



**Novice plant of the night**  
*Phalaenopsis* UNK -- Lily Huang

# General Meeting Eastern Suburbs Orchid Society Inc.

Held at the Kensington Community Centre (Hall 1) 1 Day Lane Kensington  
at 7.00pm on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## OPENING:

The President Chin Wong warmly welcomed Members and opened the General Meeting at the new meetings location for ESOS at the Kensington Community Centre (Hall 1) located at 1 Day Lane Kensington.

## APOLOGIES:

Cathy Starrett, David Bullock.

## NEW MEMBERS/VISITORS:

The President advised the meeting that Andrew Mashchits is a new member having joined at the Plant Party Show in which ESOS participated on 09 Sept 2023.

## MINUTES:

The minutes issued of the previous general meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023 were accepted as a true and accurate record by members Irene Chalmers and seconded by Ian Kaplin. No changes to the minutes were requested by attendee members.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

The Secretary outlined in brief correspondence sent to ESOS (external) and forwarded to Members which included:

- Orchid Bulletins and Show information from other Societies;
- ESOS September Bulletin sent to All Secretaries; and
- ESOS September Bulletin uploaded to National eDeposit NSW State Library

Correspondence to ESOS (internal): Notice of Annual General Meeting; ESOS General Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023 Minutes, ESOS Monthly Bulletin Sept 23.

## New Meeting Premises:

The President confirmed that Randwick Council provides the new meeting location and Hall Hire. Details included

Paid \$79 for September Hire + \$400 Bond commencing 18 September 2023

St Luke's notified of ESOS departure and storage under the Hall is to be removed as soon as possible and as at 30<sup>th</sup> September this is now complete and keys will be handed back.

The Secretary advised that removal of ESOS storage from below the St Luke's Clovelly Hall has found ESOS Historical Records, i.e. meeting minutes dating from 1950 to 1967. The Secretary noted from the minutes of 15<sup>th</sup> May 1950 *"that at a meeting held in St Stephens Hall Bellevue Hill it was moved by Mrs G Mitchell and seconded by Capt. Anderson that we form a Society and that we call it the Eastern Suburbs*

*Orchid Society"*. The minutes note *"Carried unam. moved by Mr A Begg and seconded by Mr R Dart that Mr McDonald be President"*.

The President will further explore the records and contact the NSW state Library to determine any interest in the ESOS records.

ESOS Website has been updated with the new meeting location and this is now complete.

Meeting Adjournment:

The Meeting was adjourned to make way for the Annual General Meeting which commenced at 7.35pm and concluded at 7.50pm. Election of office bearers and ordinary members of the Management Committee as a result of the Annual General Meeting for FY2024 which were unanimously supported was as follows:

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| • President               | Ross Trethewy  |
| • Joint Vice President(s) | Gavin Curtis   |
| • Secretary               | Cathy Starrett |
| • Assistant Secretary     | Ian Kaplin     |
| • Treasurer               | Chin Wong      |
| • Assistant Treasurer     | Warleiti Jap   |

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| • Plant Sales Manager    | Warleiti Jap |
| • Website Editor         | Herbert Chen |
| • Joint Show Marshall(s) |              |
| • Door Monitor           | Judy Linton  |

## MEETING RECOMMENCEMENT:

### Orchids Central Preparation

The general meeting recommenced at 7.50pm and discussion following on the upcoming Orchid Central Show to be held at Club Condell Park, 178 Eldridge Street, Condell Park. It was noted that an area of 4m<sup>2</sup> will be available for the orchid display by ESOS.

Display subcommittee members to further determine what is needed met on 30<sup>th</sup> September at 10am. The meeting identified the following requirements:

4 x fold up crates and 2 x milk crates to add height to the display table (Chin and Judy).

Black cloths for covering display table and black pot covers (Ross T to provide).

Tape to secure black skirts to display tables. (Chin)

labels and black sticks (Chin and Judy L)

- Scissors, secateurs (Chin)
- Gavin has greenery if required.
- Drift wood (Chin).
- Members with plants that cannot attend on Thurs 12 Oct at 10am to help with the display to arrange to drop to:
- Chin Wong (or Herbert Chen, Cathy Starrett or Judy Linton
- Plants must be pest free;
- Leaves wiped down and any leaves trimmed as required to remove dead ends;
- Remove any hangars on the pot.



- A list of the plants you intend to display must be sent to Chin Wong not later than 7<sup>th</sup> October so that name tags can be prepared.
- Plants must be labeled with your name on the pot, i.e., masking tape and name.
- Supports should be green stakes / sticks and green clips.
- Herbert to contact Poppy to collect her plants.

#### Tea Break

A tea break was convened to enable members to view and discuss plants displayed for benching.

#### Plant Competition

The participants in the plant growing competition were provided with their plant; *Oncidesa Possum Woolf*, *Woolf Orchid Culture 2014* (RHS). This is a cross between *Gomesa echinata* × *Oncidium Twinkle*.

All Note the first showing of the plants and progress will be the General Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

**Plant of the Night** Open was awarded to Ross Trethewy for his *Laelia superbeins* and the Plant of the Night Novice was awarded to new member Lily Huang for her *Phalaenopsis* unknown. Both members were congratulated and received an orchid plant prize. *Den. delicatum* was displayed by a variety of members on the night. Ian Chalmers informed members of the cross between *speciosum* and *kingianum* in the 1800s some of which occurred naturally and that the latest research has concluded that *delicatum* is incorrect and the plants shall be called *Den. specio-kingianum*. Members thanks Ian for his expert insight.

Raffle of the Night:

The raffle of the night was held and plant prizes were awarded.

**Plant Party** 107 at Green Square 3A Joynton Avenue Zetland September 9th 2023 was discussed and agreed as successful and advertising the Society across a broad range of visitors to the Party. The ESOS Orchid Display won 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize (\$150).

Other Business

The newly elected President briefly asked members to give some consideration for the next meeting on Remove administration discussions in General Meetings (Management Committee to meet separately (quarterly) and consult with Members on any important changes).

Practical sessions for the year; e.g., growing advice, pests, watering, hot weather.

Presentations – what / who?

Annual purchase of orchids growing media, pots and other

Tea Break

Plant of the Night Open / plant of the Night Novice

Raffle

Other – members ideas on more of or less of

Next meeting:

The next ESOS General Meeting will be convened at **7.00pm** on **16 October 2023** at **Hall 1** located at the **Kensington Community Centre 1 Day Lane Kensington**.



*Dendrobium Specio-kingianum* --Chin Wong



*Dendrobium Specio-kingianum* --Ross Trethewy

# September 2023 Results

CLASS		ORCHID	EXIBITOR
2	OPEN		
	Australian Native Hybrids	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrobium Specioekingianum</i>	Chin Wong
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Dendrobium Specioekingianum</i>	Ross Trethewy
		<i>Dendrobium Specioekingianum</i>	Chin Wong
4	Laeliinae Classical	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>C. Orglades Grand 'Tian Mu'</i>	Ross Trethewy
6	Laeliinae Hybrid Other	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Rth. Young-Min Orange 'Golden Satisfaction'</i>	Herbert Chen
8	<i>Cymbidium</i> Intermediate Miniature	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Cym. Mad Magic 'Amber'</i>	Ross Trethewy
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Dorothy Stockstill 'Fogotten Fruit'</i>	Warleiti Jap
		3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Cym. Ten Pin 'Tee Pee'</i>	Herbert Chen
9	<i>Dendrobium</i> Hybrid	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrobium Yukadorama 'The King'</i>	Chin Wong
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Dendrobium Unk</i>	Herbert Chen
11	Oncidinae Hybrids >60 mm	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Onc. Unk.</i>	Chin Wong
15	Miscellaneous	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Coel. Unchained Melody</i>	Chin Wong
18	<i>Laeliinae Species</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Laelia superbiens</i>	Ross Trethewy
19	<i>Paphiopedilum</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Paph. villosum</i>	Chin Wong
20	Coelogyninae	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Coelogyne cristata</i>	Herbert Chen
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Coelogyne tomentosa</i>	Ross Trethewy
		3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Coelogyne glumacea</i>	Warleiti Jap
22	Species (Ameriacs)	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Maxillaria densa</i>	
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Restrepia guttata</i>	Ross Trethewy
		3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Brassia verrucosa</i>	Ross Trethewy
<b>NOVICE</b>			
24	Australian Native Hybrids	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrobium Specioekingianum</i>	Buda Ivanisevic
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Dendrobium Specioekingianum</i>	Chao Ping Li
		3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Dendrobium Specioekingianum</i>	Judy Linton
26	Laeliinae Other	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Rth. Chocolate Aoki</i>	Ian Kaplin
30	<i>Dendrobium</i> Hybrids	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Den. Yukidorama 'The King'</i>	Chao Ping Li
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Den. Spring dream 'Kumiko' Ross Trethewy</i>	Ian Kaplin
		3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Den. Unk</i>	Ian Kaplin
32	Oncidium Hybrids >60	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Ons. Wildcat</i>	Chao Ping Li
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Onc. Pacific Panche 'Dorothy Jean'</i>	Judy Linton
33	Cypripedioidae Hybrids	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Paph. Unk</i>	Chao Ping Li
34	<i>Phalaenopsis</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Phalaenopsis Unk</i>	Lily Huang
41	Coelogyne Species	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Coelogyne flaccida</i>	Chao Ping Li
		2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Coelogyne flaccida</i>	Judy Linton
		3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Coelogyne flaccida</i>	Chao Ping Li

Red denotes Orchid of the Night

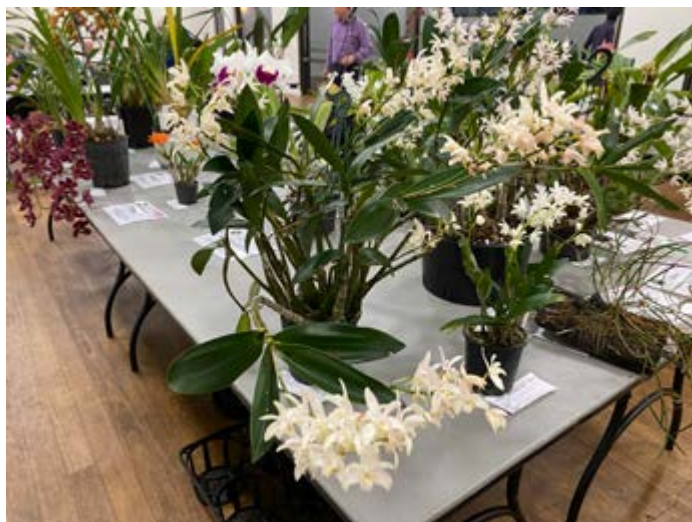


*Cym. Mad Magic 'Amber'* -- Ross Trethewy



*Dorothy Stockstill 'Fogotten Fruit'* -- Warleiti Jap





*Dendrobium Specio-kingianum* --Chin Wong



*Cym. Ten Pin 'Tee Pee'* -- Herbert Chen



*C. Orlades Grand 'Tian Mu'* -Ross Trethewy



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*Dendrobium Yukidorama 'The King'* -- Chin Wong



*Dendrobium Unk* - Herbert Chen





*Onc Unk* -- Chin Wong



*Coelogyne cristata* -- Herbert Chen



*Coelogyne tomentosa* -- Ross Trethewy



*Coelogyne Unchained Melody* -- Chin Wong



*Paphiopedilum villosum* -- Chin Wong



*Brassia verrucosa* ;-- Ross Trethewy





*Restrepia guttata* -- Ross Trethewy



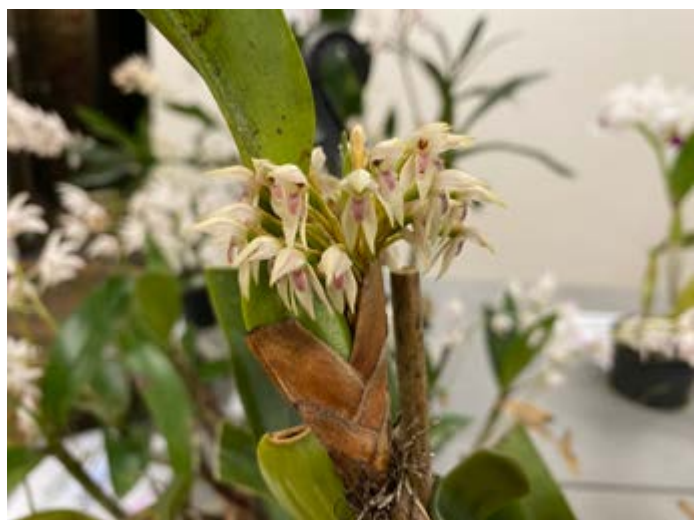
*Onc.* Unknown -- Chao Ping Li



*Dendrobium Speciokingianum* -- Buda Ivanisevic



*Onc.* Pacific Panche 'Dorothy Jean' - Judy Linton



*Maxillaria densa* --



*Paph* unknown -- Chao Ping Li



## ***Dendrobium Specio-Kingianum* [Delicatum]**

### **Background**

There are misconceptions regarding the names of man-made hybrids and natural hybrids.

In essence they are inherently different the man-made hybrid is one species crossed with another, while the natural hybrid is a mixture of crosses and back crosses between two species. So they need different names and one should not use the natural hybrid's name capitalised and with out the x for the man-made hybrid.

The two that most affect us are *Den. Delicatum* and *Den. Gracillimum*.

### ***Den. Speciokingianum***



*Den. x delicatum* 'Honey Pot' ACC AOC/NSW

The story of *Den. Speciokingianum* starts with the collection of Sir Trevor Lawrence, 2nd Baronet. He inherited his love of horticulture and had one of the best collections of orchids at that time.

His grower, Mr Spyers made the cross of *Den. speciosum* x *Den. kingianum* which flowered for the first time in 1892. In 1893 in the *Orchid Review*(1) it was reported that it was "quite distinct, but its merits cannot be judged until the plant becomes stronger." In 1986 the Orchid Committee (RHS) awarded the cross as *Den. Speciokingianum* Award of Merit at their March Meeting. This was published in the *Garden* (London, 1871-1927) (2).

"*Dendrobium Specio-Kingianum*. — A lovely little gem, with the purest of white flowers, each about 1 inch in diameter, on spikes 7 inches to 8 inches long, the only trace of any colouring being the lilac-purple pots on the lip. This is one of the Queensland or New South Wales Dendrobes undoubtedly, and occupies in its genus a similar position to *Odontoglossum pulchellum* in its genus. From Sir Trevor Lawrence." In the *Orchid Review* (3) of that year Page 122 it was reported "The President, Sir Trevor Lawrence, Bart., Burford, Dorking (gr. Mr. White), staged a particularly fine group, to which a Silver Flora Medal was given.

It included ..... *Den. x kingiano-speciosum* (*Den. speciosum* X *D. kingianum*)."

On page 107 *Den. Speciokingianum* was described "An interesting hybrid was raised some years ago by the late Mr. Spyers, in the collection of Sir Trevor Lawrence, Bart., Kurford, Dorking, from *Den. speciosum* and *Den. kingianum* , and a good plant was exhibited at

the Royal Horticultural Society's meeting on March 10th last. Taken from a note book kept by Mr. Spyers.

The plant distinctly combines the characters of the two parents, those of *Den. speciosum* being particularly well marked in the vegetative organs, though the pseudobulbs are considerably smaller than in that species, as would be expected. The racemes are about six to nine inches long, and bear from nine to twelve flowers."

This is the first record of the name of the man made cross between *Den. speciosum* and *Den. kingianum*.

In Australia, *Den. Delicatum*, has been used in error as the man made hybrid. Both Ira Butler in his breeding lists in the 1950s and Wal Upton in 1960s recognised *Den. Specio-Kingianum* (now *Den. Speciokingianum*) as the correct name.



*Den. Delicatum* (*Speciokingianum*) 'Big Red' HCC/NSW

- 1) Volume 1 *Orchid Review* (RHS) 1893 Page 16.
- (2) *Garden* (London, 1871-1927) 49: 201 (1896).
- (3) Volume 4 *Orchid Review* (RHS) 1896. Pages 107 and 122.

### **Natural Hybrids**

In our cultivated orchids I doubt that there are many natural hybrids. Where they are presented for judging we should assume that they are *Speciokingianum* unless providence is provided that they are natural hybrids.

The natural hybrids are a different story.



It was first named, *Dendrobium speciosum* var. *delicatum* F.M.Bailey, Proc. Roy. Soc. Queensland 1: 11 (1884).

Which I understand does not take precedence because it was described at the rank of variety.

*Dendrobium* × *speciokingianum* T.Lawr., Garden (London, 1871-1927) 49: 201 (1896) as above was described from a man made hybrid. and backcrosses.

It was first described as a natural hybrid, *Dendrobium* × *delicatum* (F.M.Bailey) F.M.Bailey, Queensl. Fl. 5: 1527 (1902).

It is my understanding that precedence is given to the name given with a description at the ranking. That is it was first described as a hybrid *Den. Speciokingianum* in Garden 1896 and therefore for *Den. x speciokingianum* has precedence.

## Conclusions

**Man made *Den. speciosum* × *Den. kingianum*.**

We should correct our records, promote the use of *Den. Speciokingianum* and phase out the use of *Den. Delicatum*, for the man made hybrids.

**Natural Hybrid *Den. speciosum* × *Den. kingianum*.**

We should accept both *Den. x delicatum* and *Den. x speciokingianum*.

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Ian Chalmers FAOC

## References:

Volume 1 Orchid Review (RHS) 1893

Garden (London, 1871-1927) 49: 201 (1896).

Volume 4 Orchid Review (RHS) 1896.

World Checklist of Selected Plant Families.Lit,



*Coelogyne flaccida* -- Judy Linton