



Bulletin



EASTERN SUBURBS ORCHID SOCIETY INC.

Next Meeting:

General Meeting to be held at 7.00pm on Monday 15 April 2024 at the Kensington Park Community Centre located at No. 1 Day Lane Kensington NSW 2033 (Hall 1)

President

Ross Trethewy

Vice President

Gavin Curtis

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Annual Membership:

- Single \$15 Family \$20
- (Renewed 1 July each year)

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Open Class Plant of the Night

Cattleya Chocolate Drop exhibitor Ross Trethewy



Novice Class Plant of the Night

Oncidium Honey Bee exhibitor Lily Huang



MARCH 24 MEETING

OPENING:

The President Ross Trethewy warmly welcomed Members and opened the General Meeting held at the Kensington Community Centre (Hall 1) located at 1 Day Lane Kensington.

APOLOGIES:

Liza Ying, Ian Kaplin

NEW MEMBERS/VISITORS:

The President welcomed Dawn and Jade Muscat as visitors to the meeting.

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The minutes issued of the previous general meeting on 19th February 2024 were accepted as a true and accurate record by members Judy Linton and seconded by Ross Trethewy. 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 February Bulletin sent to the Secretaries of other societies; and
- ESOS February Bulletin uploaded to National eDeposit NSW State Library
- AOC Conference to be held at 'Woolgoolga 1/10/2025
- Flyer regarding St Ives Fair to be held August 16th to 18th, 2024.

Correspondence to ESOS (internal): Meeting on 19th February Minutes, ESOS Monthly bulletin February 2024.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

It was noted that the Society remains financial.

CLOSURE OF THE CBA ACCOUNT: A copy of the minutes of the Management Committee meeting has been signed and will be taken to the bank by Chin for closure of the old account...

ESOS SHOWS 2024:

- Flower Power in June or August, date to be finalised;
- Plant party, Zetland, date and location to be finalised;
- Orchid Central on October 6th – 8th.

FLYERS - NEW MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:

Flyers have now been finalised, and members were asked to take to advertise our meetings.

A number of members will take a flyer to libraries at Maroubra, Matraville, Eastgardens, Bondi, Paddington and Woollahra.

Flyers have also been delivered to Flower Power, Wentworth Avenue, and Mascot as well as to Bunnings, Denison St, Eastgardens.

Bunnings Eastgardens has a garden club, which is held first Tuesday of the month between 10 am – 11 am.

They also have "Family Nights" prior to special occasions held regularly. These include Easter, Mothers Day, Fathers Day, Christmas, Springtime. They are held in the trade area, on a Thursday night 6-8 pm. There are a number of clubs/societies who attend such as Windgap, Men's shed, Bee Society. The Easter family night will be held on 21/3/2024. Cathy will attend and report at the next meeting. This could be a place where we could display our plants and advertise our society.

The Maroubra Garden Club will also be contacted, and flyers will be supplied to them.

BULLETIN:

The February Bulletin was attended to by Ross. It was suggested that a number of people could be held responsible for this as a word template is now available.

ROYAL EASTER SHOW:

Will be held at Homebush, March 21st – April 2nd. Orchids will be on display March 26th, 27th and April 1st and 2nd. Members were encouraged to attend on these days. Chin was given a number

of flyers to be delivered to Veronica Clowes for handout at the OSNSW Information booth to interested people.

It was stated that people wishing to enter the Royal Easter Show competition must apply in October or November the previous year.

ORCHID CENTRAL

Gavin requested that when we are being allocated an area at the Orchid Central Show we ask for the biggest floor area that we can get. He has a large collection of indoor plants that would highlight our orchids.

It was noted that Orchid Central show is on the long weekend in October 2024, and that the AOC conference in Woolgoolga in 2025 will also be on the long weekend.

Chin will contact Peter D'Olier to speak on plant displays and how points are allocated at the Orchid Central Show, at our August or September meeting.

TEA BREAK:

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

PLANT DOCTOR:

Judy was reassured that her ailing Oncidium Sharry Baby just needed repotting and old bulbs removed.

Ping was given advice re the mealy bug infestation in her Brassia verrucosa. This included

- not hanging any pots from her palm tree as it encourages mealy bug infestation,
- improving the air flow
- and spraying with eco oil, which suffocates the bugs.

Insecticides such as Confidor were not recommended as they are systemic, can be dangerous to humans, decrease the honey bee population, and the natural habitat.

Cathy was told to discard her Dendrobium specio-kingianum as it had a virus. It was

recommended that Buda repot her Miltonia using smaller bark such as the 12-18 mm size.

FERTILISER:

Gavin gave an interesting informative talk on the fertiliser that he uses. He likes to fertilise "weekly weakly".

In a 2 litre hose-on bottle, he mixes

1. 250 mls powerfeed
2. 250 mls seasoil,
3. 5-6 scoops thrive (flower & fruit), which has been predisolved in water, **OR**
4. Campbells Yellow Fertiliser A, (for flowering), 3-4 scoops, predisolved in water **AND**
5. 1 teaspoon Palmolive dish washing liquid (aids the fertiliser sticking to the plant foliage and suffocates bugs)

He then fills the bottle with water, connects his hose to the "hose on" bottle and sprays his collection.

N.B. This, when connected to the hose, makes 60 litre of fertiliser, hence the quantities.

PLANTS OF THE NIGHT:

Open was awarded to Ross for his Cattleya Chocolate Drop and the Plant of the Night Novice was awarded to Lily for her Odontoglossum Honeybee, which she purchased as a small plant from Bunnings 12 months ago. Both members were congratulated and received an orchid plant prize.

APRIL MEETING:

Gavin will be talking about pots.

Next meeting:

The next ESOS General Meeting will be on **Monday 15th April, 2024 at Hall 1 located at the Kensington Community Centre 1 Day Lane Kensington.**

The doors will be open from 6.30pm, meeting will commence at 7 pm.

Date: 18/3/2024

OPEN CLASS MONTHLY JUDGING SHEET

Plant of the Night #Catt. Chocolate Drop Exhibitor: R Trethewy				Total: 21 x plants exhibited	
Class # / Name		Award	No Plants Benched	Plant Identification	Exhibitor
4	Laeliinae: Standard/Exhibition	1	1	Blc. Lucky Stripe 'Laddawan'	H Chen
		2			
		3			
5	Laeliinae: Cluster/Novelty	1	2	#Catt. Chocolate Drop	R Trethewy
		2		Catt.unknown	G Curtis
		3			
6	Laeliinae: Intermediate/Miniature	1	4	Catt. Nobiles Bruno 'Big Red'	R Trethewy
		2		Catt. intermedia fma amethystina	G Curtis
		3		Catt. Dorothy Elliot 'Fuschia Fire'	R Trethewy
		2			
		3			
10	Oncidiinae Hybrids <60 mm	1	2	Onc. Sharry Baby	C Wong
		2		Brassidium Golden Gamine 'White Knight'	H Chen
		3			
11	Oncidiinae Hybrids >60 mm	1	4	Alicera Sweet Heart Jonel Everglades	G Curtis
		2		Miltonia unknown	Chao Ping Li
		3		Miltoniopsis Lilian Nakamoto 'Tanto'	H Chen
14	Vandaceous Hybrids	1	3	V Pachara Delight 'Blue'	C Wong
		2		Mokara unknown	G Curtis
		3		V. Somsri Glory 'Blue'	R Trethewy
15	Miscellaneous Hybrids	1	1	Masd. John Leathers x triangularis	H Chen
		2			
		3			
18	Laeliinae Species	1	2	Catt. bowringiana	G Curtis
		2		Catt. bowringiana	G Curtis
		3			
20	Coelogyninae Species	1	2	Coel. latifolia var macrantha	C Wong
		2		Coel. frimbriata alba	R Trethewy
		3			

Date: 18/3/2024

NOVICE CLASS MONTHLY JUDGING SHEET

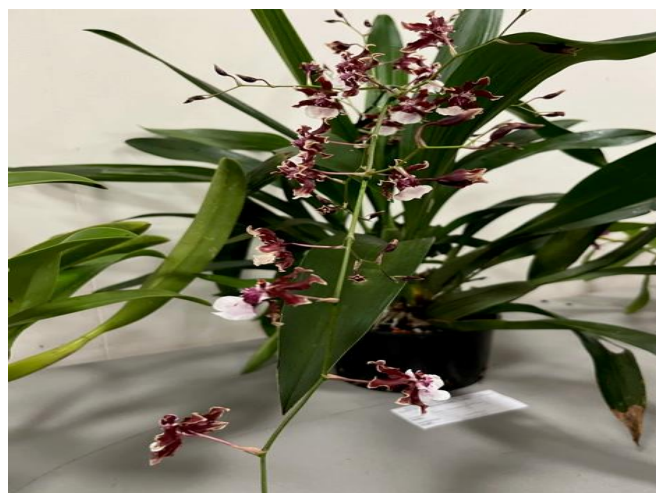
Plant of the Night #Odontoglossum. Honey Bee Exhibitor: Lily Huang			Total: 10 x plants exhibited		
Class # / Name		Award	No Plants Benched	Plant Identification	Exhibitor
27	Laeliinae Other	1	3	Catt. unknown	J Linton
		2		Catt. aclandiae	J Linton
		3		Catt. unknown	J Linton
31	Oncidiinae Hybrids <60 mm	1	2	#Odon. Honey Bee	L Huang
		2		Onc. Everglades Elegance 'Nancy Lee'	C Starrett
		3			
32	Oncidiinae Hybrids >60 mm	1	3	Arthurara Sea Snake 'Unforgettable'	L Huang
		2		Miltonia x Bluntii	C Starrett
		3		Bratonia Aztec	Buda I
34	Phalaenopsis Hybrids	1	1	Phal. Unknown	L Huang
		2			
		3			
43	Species The Americas	1	1	Miltonia clowesii	J Linton
		2			
		3			

Denotes Plant of the Night

EXHIBITED PLANTS



Catt. Nobiles Bruno 'Big Red'
Exhibitor: R Trethewey



Onc. Sharry Baby
Exhibitor: C Wong



Alicera Sweetheart Jonel Everglades
Exhibitor: G Curtis



Vanda: Somsri Glory 'Blue'
Exhibitor: R Trethewy



Catt. bowringiana
Exhibitor: G Curtis



Arthurara Sea Snake 'Unforgettable'
Exhibitor: L Huang



Phal. unknown
Exhibitor: L Huang



Catt. Unknown
Exhibitor: J Linton



Coel. latifolia v macrantha
Exhibitor: C Wong



Masdevallia John Leathers x triangulasis
Exhibitor: H Chen