



Bulletin



EASTERN SUBURBS ORCHID SOCIETY INC. est. 15 May 1950

Next Meeting:

General Meeting to be held at 7.00pm on Monday 17 June 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

Secretary

Cathy Starrett

Assistant Secretary

Ian Kaplin

Show Marshall

Ian Kaplin

Chaoping Li

Treasurer

Chin Wong

Assistant Treasurer

Warleiti Jap

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Henry Faktor

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Warleiti Jap

Door Monitor

Judith Linton

Annual Membership:

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

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Open Class Plant of the Night

Cattleya Portia Cannizaro exhibitor Gavin Curtis



Novice Class Plant of the Night

Paphiopedilum insigne exhibitor C Starrett



MAY 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:

Ian Kaplin, Liza Ying

NEW MEMBERS/VISITORS:

The President welcomed Dawn, Jade and Jesse Muscat, Phyllis Gwynn-Jones and Yopi Lim as new members and Stephanie Gwynn-Jones as a visitor.

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The minutes issued of the previous general meeting on 15th April 2024, were accepted as a true and accurate record by members Ross Trethewy and seconded by Judy Linton. 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 April 2024 Bulletin sent to the Secretaries of other societies; and
- ESOS May 2024 Bulletin uploaded to National e-deposit NSW State Library

Correspondence to ESOS (internal): Meeting on 15th April Minutes, ESOS Monthly bulletin April 2024.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

It was noted that the Society remains financial.

BUNNINGS FAMILY NIGHT:

On April 9th 6-8pm, Judy, Jim, Cathy, Ross and Gavin attended Bunnings Hardware Eastgardens for their family night prior to Mothers Day. ESOS had a display of orchids spread over 2 tables. The public seemed to enjoy seeing the display but no

flyers were taken and minimal interest from people to join our society.

The night was mostly attended by families, with young children. Bunnings Hardware next special event will be their Spring time opening, to be held in September, precise date to be finalized. This will be held in the daytime in their garden section, which may attract more interest in our society.

GROWING COMPETITION:

There will be a new growing competition commencing in June 2024, which will feature a Cymbidium Kimberley Valley 'Green Sensation' x Green Jewel 'Regent'.

Plants may be purchased at a cost of \$5. This will include a potting pack containing seedling mixture with perlite and a pot. The competition will continue for 2 years, ending in 2026.

The current Oncidesa Possum Woolf competition will continue for a further 18 months, till October 2025.

Both the oncidesa and cymbidium growing competition plants should be brought to the meetings for judging in the months of June, October and February.

Points will be allocated in the range of 1-3. At the end of the time, the person with the highest score will be the winner.

EASTERN SUBURBS ORCHID SOCIETY SHOW AT FLOWER POWER, MASCOT:

- Confirmed date is Saturday June 22nd, 8.30am-5pm, and Sunday 23rd, 8.30am-3pm.
- Set up will be Friday 21st at 3pm, and plants need to be delivered at this time.
- Please ask for assistance if unable to deliver plants at the given time.
- Volunteers are required for both days. A roster was passed around the room, and this will need to be finalised at the June 17th meeting.
- There will be potting demonstrations 11.30am both days, plants, pots, and bark to be arranged.

- Cathy to contact Lesley Bromley re judges for the event.
- Chin has confirmed that she has the ribbons for the winners.
- Flyers and signage to be arranged.

ORCHID CENTRAL, CONDELL PARK, OCTOBER 4TH- 6TH:

The Treasurer stated that Orchids Central had noted that ESOS has not replied to emails on arrangements. This was investigated and determined that emails had not been received by either the Secretary or the President. Confirmed emails addresses have been reestablished.

PLANT PARTY, 107 GREEN SQUARE, 3A JOYNTON AVENUE, ZETLAND

The President confirmed the date is 14th September 2024 and that:

- A smaller display is requested this year if feasible.
- There will be judging with generous cash prizes.
- ESOS has agreed to donate one prize (\$50)
- Judging classes have been confirmed with the organiser Daniel Webb that suit participating orchid societies.

TEA BREAK:

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

THE PAPHIOPEDILUM ORCHID:

The Vice President spoke on his growing tips for the Paphiopedilum Orchid some of which were on display, both with 20 flowering spikes. He outlined his and technique of growing them as:

- **GROWING MIXTURE:** He uses a mixture of $\frac{3}{4}$ amount of 3-6mm, and $\frac{1}{4}$ of 6-9mm bark.
- **POT:** He likes to grow them in a self watering pot or a waterwell pots preferred,
- **LIGHT:** In the winter, he exposes them to full sun.
- **FERTILISER:** Twice a year feed with a cup of Dynamic Lifter and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of Osmocote.

- Fertilise at the edge of the rim, lift the leaves and spread the fertiliser. Never place fertiliser on the leaves, or in the centre as it will burn the leaves.
- Subsequently uses a weak solution of thrive frequently also.
- **STAKING A PAPHIOPEDULUM FLOWER:** Use a long thin timber stake and angle the stake backwards to lift the flower up to meet the viewer's eye and the stake is hidden by the flower stem.
- Always separate the flower spikes so that they are not touching each other.

POTS:

Various pots were discussed and the size of the bark required. The varying sizes of bark were shown and discussed for different types of plants.

As a general rule, the smaller the pot the smaller the bark should be.

When repotting Oncidiums the Vice President likes to use a layered mixture, by placing bark on the bottom of the pot, then a layer of sphagnum moss, then layer of bark, more spag, bark in layers. He also places some slow release e.g. Dynamic Lifter or Osmocote between the layers.

PLANT OF THE NIGHT:

The Open Class Plant Of The Night was awarded to Gavin C for his Cattleya Portia Cannizaro, and the Plant Of The Night Novice was awarded to Cathy S for her Paphiopedilum insigne. Both members were congratulated and received an orchid plant prize.

The people's choice went to Gavin C again for his Cattleya Portia Cannizaro.

UPCOMING SHOWS:

Upcoming shows were noted as:

- Bankstown Orchid Society, May 23-25, Lidcombe Shopping Centre.
- North Shore Orchid Society, June 13-15, St Ives Shopping Village.
- Sutherland Shire Orchid Society, June 14-15, Woolooware Shore Retirement Village.
- Manly Warringah Orchid Society, June 21-23, Belrose Super Centre.

- Blacktown City Orchid Society, June 22-23, Seven Hills Shopping Plaza.
- Eastern Suburbs Orchid Society, June 22-23, Flower Power Mascot
- Mingara Orchid Club Fair & Show, June 29-30, Mingara Recreation Club, Tumbi Umbi.
- Plant Party, 107 Green Square, 3A Joynton Avenue, Zetland, September 14th.
- Orchids Central, Club Condell Park, October 3-6, 178 Eldridge Rd, Bankstown.

NEXT MEETING

The next ESOS General Meeting will be on 17th June, 2024 at Hall 1 located at the Kensington Community Centre 1 Day Lane Kensington.

The doors will open at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start.

Date: 20/4/2024

OPEN CLASS MONTHLY JUDGING SHEET

Plant of the Night # Catt. Portia Cannizaro			Total: 22 x plants exhibited		
Exhibitor: Gavin Curtis					
Class # / Name	Award	No Plants Benched	Plant Identification	Exhibitor	
2	Australian Native Hybrids	1	1	Den Regal Hilda 'Rockstar'	Chaoping Li
4	Laeliinae: Standard/ Exhibition	1	1	Rlc. Subprasert	Herbert Chen
5	Laeliinae: Cluster/ Novelty	1	2	#Catt. Portia Cannizaro	Gavin Curtis
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6	Laeliinae: Intermediate/ Miniature	1	1	Catt. Aloha Case 'Ching Hua'	Chin Wong
8	Cymbidium Intermediate/ Miniature	1	1	Cym. Death Wish 'Speckled Spectre' x traceyanum 'Tiger's Tail'	Ross Trethewy
10	Oncidiinae Hybrids <60 mm	1	3	Onc. Gower Ramsey 'Orange Delight'	Ross Trethewy
		2		Onc. Tsiku Marguerite ' HOF'	Chin Wong
		3		Onc. Sharry Baby	Chaoping Li
11	Oncidiinae Hybrids >60 mm	1	1	Arthurara Sea Snake	Chaoping Li
14	Vandaceous Hybrids	1	1	Vanda Boonyarit Little Flame 'KBR'	Chin Wong
16	Miniature Species & Hybrids	1	1	Dryadella simula	Ross Trethewy
19	Cypripedioidae Species	1	3	Paph. insigne 'Margaret'	Gavin Curtis
		2		Paph. insigne	Chaoping Li
		3		Paph insigne	Gavin Curtis
20	Coelogyninae Species	1	3	Coel. ovalis	Herbert Chen
		2		Coel. speciosa	Ross Trethewy
		3		Den. saccolabium	Chaoping Li
22	Species The Americas	1	3	Epi. peperomia	Ross Trethewy
		2		Prosthecea cochleate 'Andrew Young' x 'Tinonee'	Ross Trethewy

Denotes Plant of the Night

Unplaced plants Open:

Paph insigne	1 point	Chin Wong
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Date: 20/4/2024

NOVICE CLASS MONTHLY JUDGING SHEET

Plant of the Night # Paphiopedilum insigne				Total:9 x plants exhibited	
Exhibitor: C Starrett					
Class # / Name		Award	No Plants Benched	Plant Identification	Exhibitor
30	Dendrobium Hybrid	1	1	Den unknown	Yopi Lim
31	Oncidiinae Hybrids <60 mm	1	2	Onc. Sharry Baby Tricolour	J Linton
		2		Onc. unknown	B Ivanisevic
32	Oncidiinae Hybrids >60 mm	1	1	Arthurara Sea Snake	C Starrett
40	Cypripedioidae Species	1	2	#Paph insigne	C Starrett
		2		Paph insigne	B Ivanisevic
41	Coelogyninae Species	1	1	Coel fimbriata	Judith Linton
43	Species The Americas	1	2	Gomesa crispa	C Starrett
		2		Onc unknown	Lily Huang

Denotes Plant of the Night

Unplaced plants Novice:

Nil		
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EXHIBITED PLANTS



Dendrobium Regal Hilda 'Rockstar'
Exhibitor: Chaoping Li



Rlc. Subprasert
Exhibitor: H Chen



Catt. Aloha Case 'Ching Hua'
Exhibitor: C Wong



**Cym. Death Wish 'Speckled Spectre'
x traceyanum 'Tiger's Tail'**
Exhibitor: R Trethewy



Coel. ovalis
Exhibitor: H Chen



Arthurara Sea Snake
Exhibitor: Chaoping Li



Dryadella simula
Exhibitor: R Trethewy



Vanda Boonyarit Little Flame 'KBR'
Exhibitor: C Wong



Epi. Porpax (peperomia)
Exhibitor: R Trethewy



Onc. Gower Ramsay 'Orange Delight'
Exhibitor: R Trethewy



Gomesa crispa
Exhibitor C Starrett



Coel fimbriata
Exhibitor J Linton



Onc. Sharry Baby Tricolour
'Exhibitor J Linton



Arthurara Sea Snake
Exhibitor C Starrett



Paphiopedilum insigne 'Margaret'
Exhibitor G Curtis