



# EUROBODALLA ORCHID CLUB INC

## Newsletter

WEBSITE: <http://eurobodallaorchidclub.webs.com/>

AUGUST 2014

### At our last meeting...

Numbers were down at the July meeting, but those stalwarts attending were given some valuable advice by Liz Cleaver on how to present a cymbidium for showing. Demonstrating with a plant of her own, Liz showed the importance of finding the best angle of the plant and how to stake flower spikes making sure the stake does not extend beyond the last two flowers. She showed how to clean leaves with a weak mix of Eco Oil and water and how to remove dead husks and trim leaves of discoloured tips. Liz also stressed the importance of checking the name tag and re-writing it. Thank you Liz for this advice.

The Open Popular Vote went to Gordon Marion for his lovely Cattleya Raincombe 'Formosan Beauty'. Maureen Anderson won the Novice Popular vote with Dendrobium Lavender & Lime x Electric Music, the first plant she has benched.



### GROW. COMP. PLANTS

There are two plants in the club's Grow Comp.

*Laeliocattleya* Intercepts 'Fluoro Flash'

*Cymbidium* Dalmeny Splash 'Mystique'.

Don't forget to bring these plants to the August meeting.

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### Committee:

Sue Carroll  
Liz Cleaver  
Sylvia Hawkins  
Helen Watson  
Barbara Williams

We send our best wishes to any member who is ill or undergoing treatment.

We hope you are soon feeling much better.



### At our next meeting...

Unfortunately Ted Beehag will not be able to make it and sends his sincere apologies. He will be with us for his talk on *Lycaste* at our 10 September meeting.

Instead, of special interest for the next meeting, there will be slide shows not yet shown, of some of our recent Club activities.

### NEXT MEETING

CWA HALL  
QUEEN STREET  
MORUYA

BENCHING BY:  
7PM

MEETING: 7.30PM

SUPPER TO SHARE  
13 AUGUST

### Moruya Markets

#### A display promoting the

#### Winter and Spring Orchid Shows

of the Eurobodalla Orchid Club was held at the Moruya Markets on Saturday 5 July 2014.

Present were Jean Swindley, Alex Christlo, Sue Carroll, Barbara and Bob Williams, Leigh Forbes, Brian Coulton and Colin Pearson.

We were given a good site and had plenty of visitors. A beautiful cymbidium raffle prize was provided by Gordon, raising \$89.

Gordon also assisted Colin in making a dozen posies which raised \$60.

Display plants were provided by Jean, Gordon and Sue, and plants sold by Jean, Leigh and Brian, raising \$23 in sales commission.

Total raised for the Moruya District Hospital Auxiliary was \$172.

A brisk early winter's morning at the Moruya Markets





## THE WINTER SHOW

Many residents of Moruya and surrounding districts visited the EOC Winter Show and the comments made were both enthusiastic and appreciative.

Under the guidance of Jean Swindley as Show Marshall, the committee and a number of club members filled the many roles which ensured the smooth set up and running of this show.

Thank you to those who transported equipment, ferried other members plants, set up and pulled down tables, made posies, worked in the sales room, sold raffle tickets, erected signs and banners, talked to the public and produced and distributed show publicity.



Thank you also to Jean Swindley for her tireless work in the weeks and months before the show as well as during the show.

A full list of Championship awards accompanies this newsletter - congratulations to those who were awarded Championships.



Bob and Muriel Bell were awarded Grand Champion for their *Masdevallia* Harlequin x *Dracula vampira* 'Beenak' and Jean Swindley was awarded Reserve Champion for *Pterostylis concinna*.

You've got to love the Bells. The Grand Champion travelled from Eden in the boot of their car. When Muriel saw the ribbons attached to their lovely little plant she was adamant a mistake had been made. Another orchid of theirs which gained two championships was a remarkable cymbidium. Bob purchased it 10 months ago as an unflowered seedling and has since repotted it twice.



With its 7 lovely spikes facing towards its admirers, Cymbidium Sarah Jean 'Karen' x Masquerade 'Mini Teepee' was awarded Champion Seedling and Champion Specimen, a pretty amazing feat.

Well done to all members who benched plants.....you are the reason a show can occur. The variety of plants you grow and bench really make the show.

Congratulations to the Novice members who exhibited some lovely plants and created an interesting and varied display.

Given the success of this show, things are looking good for the Narooma Spring Show in August.

Mayoral Visit - Eurobodalla Shire Council Mayor paid a quick visit to our Winter Show and was particularly complimentary about the display, the contribution that the Club makes to events in the Shire, and our publicity. He made specific mention of the Club's big yellow A-frame sign adjacent to the new Moruya Medical Centre.

Little does he know, but the same sign might grace his new roundabout during the Narooma Spring Show.



### **Mogo Orchid and Fern Nursery Tri-Club Fun Day**

Mogo Orchid and Fern Nursery Tri-Club Fun Day will be held on Monday, 22 September with members allowed two plants each for judging.

Eddy and Karen cordially invite Members of Eurobodalla, Batemans Bay and Milton-Ulladulla Clubs to participate and share a BBQ lunch.

The inaugural Tri-Club event last year was great fun and provided an opportunity to display orchids that flowered too late for the Spring Shows.

The event will commence at 11am.

Please bring your own chair.

### **FOR SALE**

Aussie Shade House Maxi (2.6W x 3.6L)  
same as ads. in the Orchid Magazines  
PVC Frame.....50% shade cloth  
4 years old.  
\$500

buyer to dismantle and remove.  
Phone Leigh Forbes, Moruya.

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### **Bus Trip**

Details to be finalised  
Mid to late October  
a 20-24 Seater Bus to visit  
Neville Roper's patch  
near Huskisson  
and perhaps  
another nearby Nursery.

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### **At the 2014 Winter Show**



Grand Champ: Bob Bell



Novice Champ: Brian Coulton

### **For your diary...**

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| August 15/17.    | Sapphire Orchid Club Winter Show.                             | Merimbula.                       |
| August 15/17.    | St. Ives Orchid Show.   | Show ground, St. Ives.           |
| August 22-24.    | E.O.C. Spring Show.   | Leisure Centre,<br>Narooma.      |
| September 5/6.   | B.B.O.&F.S. Spring Show.                                      | Soldiers Club,<br>Batemans Bay.  |
| September 13.    | M.U.O.S. Spring Show.   | C.W.A. Hall, Milton.             |
| September 13.    | New Grower's Workshop at Jean Swindley's home in Tuross Head. |                                  |
| September 18/19. | Sapphire Orchid Club Winter Show.                             | Scout Hall, Bega.                |
| September 22.    | Tri-Club Fun Day.   | Mogo. (Details in<br>newsletter) |
- and next year.....

20th Australian Orchid Council Conference and Show  
Incorporating the 50th Tropical Orchid Council Conference and Show  
Presented by Mackay and District Orchid Society Inc.  
Friday 18th – Wednesday 23rd September 2015  
Mackay, Queensland, Australia

### **MONTHLY MAINTENANCE:**

1. Water sparingly, particularly with some of the cold snaps we are currently having.
2. Weatherproof anything you might have as a prospect for the Spring Show.
3. Start to prepare pots and mixes ready for re-potting those plants which need to be divided or potted on.....Spring might come early!

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

**Plant I.D. cards and entry forms for the Spring Show will be available for collection at the August meeting. These will also be available at the Narooma Show.**

**\* Don't forget to ring in your plant numbers to Jean Swindley on August 18th between 10am. and 8pm.**