



Phalaneopsis amabilis var. *rosenstromii*

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Meetings are held at 8pm on the 4th
Friday of each month except December
- in the Townsville Orchid Society
Inc. Hall, Joe Kirwan Park, Charles
Street, KIRWAN QLD 4817.

**Next General Meeting:
7:30pm Friday 24th July**

**Next Novice / New Growers' Group
meeting in the hall at 1pm on
Sunday 26th July**

**Next Management Committee
Meeting: 7:30pm Friday 31st July**

Annual Membership Fees.

City Family	\$17.00
City Single	\$13.00
Pensioner Family	\$8.50
Pensioner single / Junior	\$6.50

Fees are due 1st September each year.

Australasian Native Orchid Society
Inc. (ANOS) – Townsville Group
Meeting held in TOS hall on 1st
Tuesday of every month except
January – at 8pm.
Next meeting: 4th August
ANOS donates an annual subscription
of *The Orchadian* to our society in
appreciation for the use of our hall.

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July 2009 BULLETIN

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Christmas in July presentation dinner

This meeting is our *Christmas in July* dinner meeting (\$10.00 for TOS members and \$25.00 for your guests, but then you all have already contacted Jean and paid if you are coming, or **book now - before 20th**) and it **begins at the earlier time of 7:00pm for a 7:30pm start**. Come along and join in the food and fun and congratulate the show winners. There will be an expanded multi-affle table so remember to bring along your donations for it. The goodies table will be in operation at both meetings.

President's Comments

For the third time in four months we unfortunately fell short of a quorum last month, a position previously unheard of. We are assured of a quorum this month with almost fifty already acknowledged for the dinner to be held in conjunction with a brief meeting. About six who have put their names down to attend have not paid the nominal ten dollars, which makes it hard to cater, so please would those six contact the treasurer or myself as soon as possible.

Once again the winter show will be over before you read this, so again I congratulate the winners in advance – no doubt there will have been some different blooms for this time of year, due to the unusually warm season we have experienced.

It was good to see Alf Steel back amongst us last month, he has made a remarkable recovery and we wish him well. Min Korsman is still in hospital but she too is improving and looking forward to returning home. I believe Vola Otto has also had an unfortunate mishap but is on the mend. Mary Pantan is in and out of hospital. We wish them, and any others who have been ill, a speedy recovery.

I must congratulate the Novice Group, members and leaders, on the success which they have experienced with the Phalaenopsis seedlings, even I have been surprised as to how well our plants have done. Should be a glut of "phallies" during the next year.

We have had quite a busy period of late, which seems to be never ending. The two Jeans and I attended the Council's Eco Fiesta at Queens Park which this year was held in tandem with the baby welcoming ceremony. We answered many questions and met some great people – sales of seventeen booklets indicates how well we were received.

Invitations to exhibit in the public libraries and at the Garden Settlement are still to be fulfilled. We will be at Bunnings ladies' night on 22 July – about the time you read this. Last year we faced up to over 400 ladies at this function so we'll tell you about its success next month.

The committee has recently approved purchase of a couple of new books for the library to go with our already well provided collection. Talk to Noel, he'll guide you if you need help.

In the meantime Best of Luck with your growing.

Wal Nicholson

Novice New Growers' Report

Once again our usual monthly meeting of the Novice New Growers Group was held in the Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Hall on the 28th June with 49 members and visitors in attendance. The guest speaker for the day was Greg Kelly who spoke about his ideas on how he grows his Equitant *Oncidium*s (*Tolumnia*). Greg explained that they originate mainly from around the Caribbean Islands and Brazil and the habitat in which they are grown. They enjoy strong sunlight and high temperatures (28 – 33°C.) and they receive regular rain and high humidity in summer – in winter they receive less rain but get a little bit of moisture round the base from dew and mist, so basically they get wet - dry out and wet again. Greg likes growing Equitant *Oncidium*s because of the challenge to growing them well and because they are not a large plant, he can fit more of them in his greenhouse. He has experiment with many types of potting mixtures, but is presently trying a coconut bark mixture about 10 – 15mm size loosely potted in 80mm pot with some small gravel on top to stop the pot from overturning and also uses a bread try to keep them upright and tidy. He has 70 percent shade cloth on his greenhouse, but on the 1st October through to Anzac Day he places a 90 percent sleeve directly above the plants to give them more shade, he cannot honestly say what it does, but the most important thing is it makes me feel good if nothing else.

Watering to Greg is critical and you must water to your own conditions, the way I grow them is to water them – they have good drainage – they dry out and I water them again. In spring when the heat is high and humidity is low, I will water daily, other times twice a week depending on the conditions. Spring and summer he waters in the afternoon so as to give the plant a chance to take in some moisture before they dry out.

Fertilisers:- Wuxal, AquaK, Aqua Grow and a seaweed solution on a rotation basis.

Pesticides:- Procide as a systemic insecticide and Agri-phos as a fungicide also his ideas on when he repots (size of pots), and when to repot (Spring) and how frequently (every two years).

Thanks Greg for sharing with us your knowledge, expertise and your time in formulating this programme for the Novice Growers Group.

Our thoughts and best wishes go out to Heather Cannon, Peter Lewis and Min Korsman who are not enjoying the best of health at the present time, also to Mary and Alf, hope to see you all back soon. Congratulation to Frances Maltby who was 1st in the Popular Vote section for the Novices and Neita Coulson 1st & 2nd with Noel Grant 3rd in the Open. Please remember to bring along your flowering plants for our next meeting. We would like to thank everybody for their wonderful support to the afternoon tea table and your generous donations for the Multi Raffle Table as your support is greatly appreciated. Any problems that you may be having with your orchid plants (repotting, pests or disease) please don't be afraid to bring them along to our meetings as we are

only to willing to help you with any problems that you may have.

Clara and Warren

Flower spikes head for the sky.

I counted at least 9 flower spikes amongst the thirty five phalaenopsis plants presented for the official measure at our June meeting so we are sure to see a colourful display at the September show.

Congratulations to the following growers who were leading the pack at the June meeting

Mystery plant 1694.

Biggest leaf span: 1st Neita Coulson, 2nd Luz Lewis, 3rd Win Buckingham

Largest increase: 1st Neita Coulson, 2nd Luz Lewis, 3rd Lyn Carlill

Mystery plant 1687.

Biggest leaf span: 1st Robert Rasmussen ,2nd Noelene LeRoy, Doris Blakeney

Largest increase: 1st May Carlson, 2nd Robert Rasmussen, 3rd Noelene LeRoy

Do not forget to bring your phallies to the Sunday meeting, and keep looking for those emerging flower spikes.

Happy flowering.

Jeff and Alison Knowles

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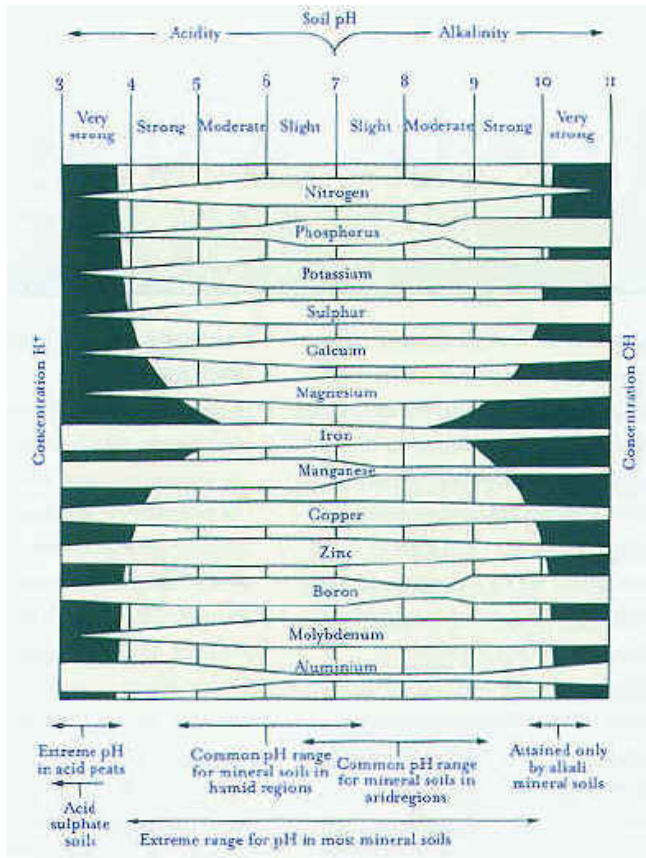
Plastic name tags...Pearlite...Hangers

Bark totem poles...Fertilizers

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pH and Your Orchids.

Following on from Noel's article last month, I have dug up an often quoted diagram (apologies for the quality) showing how plants change their uptake of various nutrients as the pH changes. Although it refers to plants in the soil, I am sure it is just as relevant to orchids as well. It poses the questions, "What is the pH of the fertiliser solution you are using?" and "Should you be testing, and altering, the pH of your fertiliser on a regular basis?"



The following text may help you to understand the diagram.

*Diagram of the effect of soil pH on nutrient availability (and element toxicity). The width of the horizontal bars represents the availability of elements at any given pH. Most agricultural soils will be slightly acidic (pH 5.5 to 6.5). Redrawn from Atwell et al. (1999) in *Plants in Action: adaptation in nature, performance in cultivation*, Macmillan. Highly acidic soils may have adverse effects on plant growth due to aluminium toxicity. Alkaline soils may result in iron and manganese deficiency. Sources of iron and manganese applied to alkaline soils may rapidly become unavailable to plants, therefore foliar sprays are often used to correct these deficiencies in turf grown on alkaline soils.*

Jeff Knowles

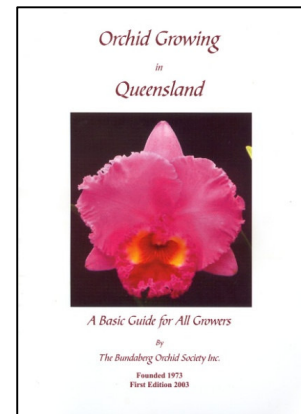
Orchid Growing in Queensland A Basic Guide for All Growers, The Bundaberg Orchid Society Inc., 2003

Do you want to know the most effective method of sterilizing cutting and potting tools, how often to water your *Cattleya* orchids, or what to do when your flower buds drop? Then this compact booklet is a must for you.

The Bundaberg Orchid Society has put together this glossy, A5, 28 page booklet that is designed "to assist orchid growers by examining the basic fundamentals of light, temperature, watering, fertilizing, humidity, air circulation, potting, pests and diseases growers encounter in Queensland."

It has this information for many genera in both written and table form. The colour photographs add to its appeal. Well worth a read and at only \$2.00 to TOS members it is a bargain you should not pass up.

Jeff Knowles



Judges

JULY

OPEN..... T.HOBDEN.... W.SEWELL... ASSOC. C. TRUSCOT
NOVICE/SPECIES..... A. HUGHES.... A. KNOWLES.... ASSOC. R. DAVESON

AUGUST

OPEN.... D. BENSON..... T. KEITH..... ASSOC. R. DAVESON
NOVICE/SPECIES..... T. BOON.... K. GREENWAY.... ASSOC. C. TRUSCOTT

SEPTEMBER

OPEN.... A. HUGHES.... W. SEWELL... ASSOC. C. TRUSCOTT
NOVICE/SPECIES.... T. HOBDEN.... C. NEUCOM...ASSOC. R. DAVESON
Ted

Useful to know.

'Viagra' is now available in powder form for your tea. It doesn't enhance your sexual performance but it does stop your biscuit going soft.

Info from elsewhere.

All the publications mentioned here (and many others) are either in our library or available on the notice board.

Nightcliff Orchid Society (May 2009) have reproduced a comprehensive article on "Preparing to Show Orchids" by Marilyn Light.

Nightcliff Orchid Society (June 2009) At their meeting they spoke about getting a group together to attend the World Orchid Conference in Singapore on 11 – 18 November, 2011. It was noted that Litchfield Orchid Club were intending to do the same. Maybe the Townsville Orchid Society should start planning for a group tour. My travel agent says that flight bookings etc. can be made early in 2011. We would fly to Brisbane / Sydney then to Singapore on our way to somewhere else (on a through fare) and back again, OR we could! Anyone else interested? Anyone work in a travel agency? Anyone have a contact in a travel agency?

Their pots and magamp were selling well. What is "resupination"? You can find the answer in their article. Sadly they announced the passing of Rosemary Bromwich. Rosemary attended TQOC conferences in the past.

West Brisbane Orchid Society (July, 2009) ask "Do you eat vegemite sandwiches? or, are your plants well-fed?". This is a very interesting article which includes the Law of the Minimum – "The development of living beings is regulated by the supply of whichever element is least bountifully provided." Have a look at their "Your Questions Answered" page.

Jeff

Calendar

July, 2009

17-19 – TOS Winter Show

24 – Christmas in July Dinner Party, TOS

General Meeting, 7 for 7:30pm start

26 – Novice / New Growers' Meeting, 1:00pm

26 – Proserpine Field Day

31 – Management meeting, 7:30pm

August, 2009

16 – Innisfail Field Day Bus Trip

28 – TOS General Meeting, 8pm

30 – Novice / New Growers' Meeting, 1:00pm

September, 2009

4 – Management meeting, 7:30pm

8-13 – 18th AOC Conference and Show in

Maribyrnong, VIC [Ph: 03 5283 1364 or efwilde@bigpond.com]

25 – TOS General Meeting, 8pm

27 – Novice / New Growers' Meeting, 1:00pm

2010

11-13 June – 45th TQOC Conference and Show in Townsville [Note: A must be there event!]

2011

14 -23 November – 20th World Orchid Conference in Singapore



14th - 23rd November 2011
Where New and Old World Orchids Meet

www.20woc.com.sg [Note: Another must be there event!]

2012

10-16 September - 19th AOC Conference and Show in Perth [Note: Another must be there event!]

Note: You MUST check all dates and times for accuracy before making any plans or bookings.

Did you ever wonder why there are no dead penguins on the ice in Antarctica - where do they go?

WONDER NO MORE!!

IT IS A KNOWN FACT THAT THE PENGUIN IS A VERY RITUALISTIC BIRD WHICH LIVES AN EXTREMELY ORDERED AND COMPLEX LIFE.

THE PENGUIN IS VERY COMMITTED TO ITS FAMILY AND WILL MATE FOR LIFE, AS WELL AS MAINTAINING A FORM OF COMPASSIONATE CONTACT WITH ITS OFFSPRING THROUGHOUT ITS LIFE.

IF A PENGUIN IS FOUND DEAD ON THE ICE SURFACE, OTHER MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY AND SOCIAL CIRCLE HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO DIG HOLES IN THE ICE, USING THEIR VESTIGIAL WINGS AND BEAKS, UNTIL THE HOLE IS DEEP ENOUGH FOR THE DEAD BIRD TO BE ROLLED INTO AND BURIED.

THE MALE PENGUINS THEN GATHER IN A CIRCLE AROUND THE FRESH GRAVE AND SING,

"FREEZE A JOLLY GOOD FELLOW"

URGENT WARNING

ALIENS ARE COMING TO EARTH ON FRIDAY & THEIR MISSION IS TO ABDUCT ALL GOOD LOOKING AND SEXY PEOPLE.

YOU WILL BE SAFE, BUT I'M JUST WRITING TO SAY GOODBYE.

TABLED PLANTS 26.06.09

OPEN

Vandaceous – Asco. Influence:

- 1) Aer. *lawrenceae* x Ascda. Captain Khor W&J Nicholson
- 2) Ascda. Udomchai ‘The King’ W&C Sewell
- 3) Ascda. Fuch’s Gold x Ascda. Guo Chia Long
W&J Nicholson

Vandaceous:

- 1) V. Gordon Dillon ‘175’ x Ascda. Duang Porn N&M Grant
- 2) V. Ratirat x V. Numencio Figueredo N&M Grant
- 3) Ascda. Princess Mikasa N&M Grant

Vandaceous – Miscellaneous:

- 1) Rhy. *coelestis* ‘Pink’ x Ascda. Mem. Choo Lackeun
N&M Grant
- 2) V. J.V.B. x V. Gordon Dillon Blue W&J Nicholson
- 3) V. Pranerm Ornate x V. Gold Spot W&J Nicholson

Dendrobium:

- 1) Den. Kamiya’s Pride x Kamiya’s Creation W&C Sewell
- 2) Den. Samthong ‘Reddish Brown’ W&J Nicholson
- 3) Den. Samthong ‘Reddish Brown’ W&J Nicholson

Dendrobium:

- 1) Den. Charelle ‘Charlie’ x *lasianthera* ‘Michelle’
W&J Nicholson
- 2) Den. (*cochlioides* x *gouldii*) x Den. *discolor*
W&J Nicholson
- 3) Den. Aileen Lange x Den. *canaliculatum* W&C Sewell

Cattleya - Small:

- 1) Bishopara Dal’s Touch G&S Kelly
- 2) Slc. Tiny Titan ‘Bob’ G&S Kelly
- 3) Slc. Dal’s Buddy W&C Sewell

Cattleya - Large:

- 1) Blc. Sunstate Color Chart x Blc. Dal’s Thunder G&S Kelly
- 2) Blc. Pamela Hetherington W&C Sewell
- 3) C. Unknown N Hardwick

Cattleya - Medium:

- 1) Bc. Mount Hood x Bc. Donna Kimura R Rasmussen
- 2) C. Unknown N Hardwick

Cattleya – Miscellaneous:

- 1) Lep. Winter Fantasy A Steel
- 2) Slc. Kauai Starbright x ? W&J Nicholson
- 3) C. Unknown N Hardwick

Oncidium:

- 1) Onc. Twinkle ‘White Cap’ W&J Nicholson
- 2) Onc. Golden Anniversary ‘EMAS’ W&J Nicholson
- 3) Mtdm. Hawaiian Sunset ‘Clifton’ W&J Nicholson

Oncidium:

- 1) Onc. Golden Handshake ‘Freckles’ W&J Nicholson
- 2) Milt. *leucoglossa* x Onc. Nona W&J Nicholson
- 3) Mtssa. Charles Marden Fitch W&J Nicholson

Phalaenopsis:

- 1) Phal. Taisuco Kaaladian x Phal. Grace Palm R Rasmussen
- 2) Phal. Sogo Flash N Hardwick

Paphiopedilum:

- 1) Phrag. Green Hornet W&J Nicholson
- 2) Paph. Pinocchio W&J Nicholson
- 3) Phrag. Hanne Popow W&J Nicholson

Cymbidium:

- 1) Cym. Mini Mint ‘Green Mist’ W&J Nicholson

Colmanara:

- 1) Col. Jungle Monarch ‘Everglades’ W&J Nicholson
- 2) Mtssa. Olmec W&J Nicholson

SPECIES

Dendrobium:

- 1) Den. *atroviolaceum* W&J Nicholson
- 2) Den. *antennatum* W&J Nicholson

Miscellaneous:

- 1) Calanthe *turnerii* W&J Nicholson
- 2) Calanthe *vestita* W&J Nicholson
- 3) Dendrochilum *magnum* W&J Nicholson

Cattleya- Miscellaneous:

- 1) Epi. *imatophyllum* N&M Grant
- 2) C. *intermedia* var. Amesthystina ‘Aranbeem’ W&J Nicholson
- 3) Brasavola *tuberculata* W&J Nicholson

Miscellaneous:

- 1) Rhy. *gigantea* ‘White’ x Rhy. *gigantea* ‘Red’
W&C Sewell
- 2) Aerides *jarkianum* W&J Nicholson
- 3) Phal. *equestris* W&J Nicholson

Points.

26.06.09	Open	Novice	Species	Total
Allison A	3			3
Buckingham T & S		7		7
Coulson N	11		10	21
Crees N			13	13
Grant N & M	105		40	145
Gudge M & L		5	3	8
Hardwick N	27			27
Hughes A	24			24
Kelly G & S	26		4	30
Kennedy L & Ames F	52		2	54
Keith M & T	3		8	11
Knowles J & A	22		8	30
Korsman P & M	21		16	37
Marnock F & D	17			17
Nicholson W & J	429		185	614
Rasmussen R	38		6	44
Sewell W & C	127		18	145
Steel A	75		74	149
White J	1			1

SUMMARY OF MEETING HELD ON 26 JUNE 2009

Opened : 8pm by W Nicholson who stated because of lack of members a quorum not possible. He mentioned a new book "The Encyclopedia of Orchids," purchased at Atherton which was handed to Librarian Noel Grant. Alf Steel was welcomed and Min Korsman's accident, which resulted in her being hospitalised, was mentioned. Attendance by W&J Nicholson and J White at the Eco Fiesta in Queen's Gardens resulted in the sale of 17 books on growing orchids and a great deal of interest in our society and shows. Our field day was not as well attended as usual – probably due to so much on in town and too close to TQOC Inc. conference but will make a small profit.

Correspondence: Inwards: Hygiene Solutions/A/c; Lions Club of Townsville/Statement; RHS Vic./Insurance; NQIB/Insurance; AOS Inc./Request to advertise 18th Conference; Proserpine O&FPS Inc/Field Day/26.07.09; Innisfail OS Inc./Field Day/16.08.09; ATOS Inc./thank you; Qld. Gov./Budget details; Upper Ross Family Expo/Certificate of Attendance; Haley Kerr, Kelly Galvin/hall hire; Shari Standard Insurance/mistaken for TDO&APA Inc.; AOS/members assessing My AOS; J Knowles/newsletter Easy Orchids; Leisure Inn/Accommodation; J Batey/petition; Pioneer River O&P Assoc; field day; T Keith & C Neucom/field day boxes; Herbert River OS/2010field day date; TNQ Classic Calendar/user name & Password; Coffee Coffee/catering; A Steel/thank you card; D Croft/thank you card/Palleranda Garden Settlement/re visit to home; TQOC Inc. 2010/interest slips; J Knowles & M Daveson/several emails; bulletins/other societies; AOS magazine; Orchids Australia; Orchid Review. **Outwards:** H Kerr & K Galvin/hall hire; Shari Standard Insurance/answer; T Keith, C Neucom, J&A Knowles/box plants field day; L Barson/new member; Advertisement messages/monthly meeting. Correspondence read by J Nicholson – discussion followed. Hygiene Solutions, Subs AOC & RHS Vic. – treasurer; NQIB in negotiations to raise insurance to cover full cost of hall; Proserpine O&FPS/none attending/write letter; Innisfail OS Inc./maybe bus; Atherton TOS Inc/Certificate; Upper Ross Family Expo/Certificate of Attendance.

Treasurer's Report: read by W Nicholson. **Extension:** B Barber still working on ideas.

General Business Discussion: Bunnings Ladies' night 22 July/ helpers welcome. W Nicholson checked out Riverway for 2010 Conference/booked out. He will speak to Kirwan Tavern. Not possible to hold all of conference at hall. Willows Golf Club suggested. Would like to contact overseas speakers/agreed. About 40 people on mailing list. L Verran queried why coloured pages of bulletin couldn't be included with posted bulletins because not every member is computer literate, and some members have contributed for many years. Dinner on 24 July – very short meeting to be held. Society members \$10 – visitors \$25; donations to raffle table welcome. Have name down to work at Rotary's stand when required. May take on one month's work of two days a week – Thursday & Fridays - will require helpers; J Nicholson reported stall still going well. Thanks to D Hobden for donation of tomato relish – would welcome donations of crafts, plants etc. No objections to hold stall at dinner/meeting on 24 June. W Nicholson reminded members meeting on 4th Friday of each month. J Knowles spoke about being careful when purchasing orchids on E-Bay - be sure of bidding amount shown. Phalaenopsis seedling mentioned is on raffle table. Following tea-break T Boon showed a programme of awarded plants for judges to assess.

Registrar's Choice: Hybrids: Blc. Sunstate Color Chart 'Sundancer' x Blc. Dal's Thunder 'Show Off' was given 81 Points owned by G&S Kelly. **Species:** Rhy. *gigantea* was given 79 Points and owned by W&C Sewell. Congratulations to the growers.

Lucky Door & Raffles: were drawn and congratulations to all winners. **Evening Closed:** 9.10pm

Condensed Minutes from Management Committee Meeting held 3.07.09

Due to a misunderstanding of the Constitution a general meeting could have been held on 26 June. Insurance on hall has been increased to cover full replacement of same. N Grant & J Knowles will liaise with T Keith to obtain password etc. to AOS net site. Winter Show plans all under way. \$500 float approved. W&J Nicholson to attend Ladies' Night at Bunnings on 22 July – other members welcome to help out – be there 5.30pm. "Christmas in July" Dinner – 49 names on list – ring those who haven't paid to check as numbers will be due. J Knowles will conduct a short trivia night with an orchid theme. W Sewell to purchase 6 Tassel ferns and J Nicholson to spend up to \$100 for prizes. Extra nibbles to be purchased. Paving – if grant doesn't come good – do something about grass in front of hall. Also paint the bottom of the ramp. Bunnings Sausage Sizzle- B Barber in charge of Rotary's Thursdays and Fridays at Bunnings – we would have to work for a whole month – 8 days – resolved we would apply. They supply everything plus cook, and dismantle all. We would share profits 60-40. Have name on emergency stand-in list for now.

TQOC Inc. 2010Conference: Riverway booked out that weekend. Kirwan tavern extending – new bottle shop and motel accommodation. Can cater for up to 200 people. ? dinners @ \$27 head + two lunches there – Barbecue at hall. Local CWA will quote for morning and afternoon teas – J Nicholson to follow up. Following a discussion on field day C Lee suggested we change our date – mistake so soon after the Atherton conference – maybe September. Also resolved not to hold a cent sale at field day – concentrate on prizes for raffle table.

TQOC Inc. Report: given by J Nicholson – Purchased Phaius – can take orders from members. Next meeting on 7 November in our hall. Field Days – Charters Towers Tuesday 18 August 2009 because of garden club; Cairns 4 October 2009; Bowen on Mothers Day 2010.

The software "Vista" for new laptop computer is missing – last seen at Autumn Show in computer room on shelf.

New Members: Janeen Deliseo & Frank Ostrowski and Alan Smith were accepted by the management committee as new members in the Novice Section. Congratulations and welcome to all.

Picture Gallery.

Registrar's Choices 26th June, 2009.



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Winter Show (17 to 19, July, 2009) Champions.

Grand Champion: *Dtps.* Mount Beauty x *Phal.* Pinlong Cardinal (G and M Fay)



Reserve Champion: *Den. Charelle* x *Den. canaliculatum* (C Truscott)



Champion Species: *Dendrochilum wenzelii* 'Rod' (A Hughes)



Champion Cattleya: *Rsc. Karen's Joy* (W and K Jones)
(Ed note: I cannot find the registration of this orchid yet.)



Champion Any other genera: *Z. B. G. White* x *Z. Blue Banks*
(W and J Nicholson)



Champion Oncidium: Brs. Datacosa (A Hughes)



Champion Australian Native: *Phaius tankervillae* (J A Nuss)



Champion Vandaceous: *Van. Colmarie* (C and M Neucom)



Champion Paphiopedilum: *Paph. Pinocchio* x *Paph. sandermanum* (L Kennedy and F Ames)

Congratulations to all successful growers. We will be at the 'Christmas in July' presentation dinner on Friday night to further congratulate you.

That's All Folks.