

TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC.



June 2011 BULLETIN

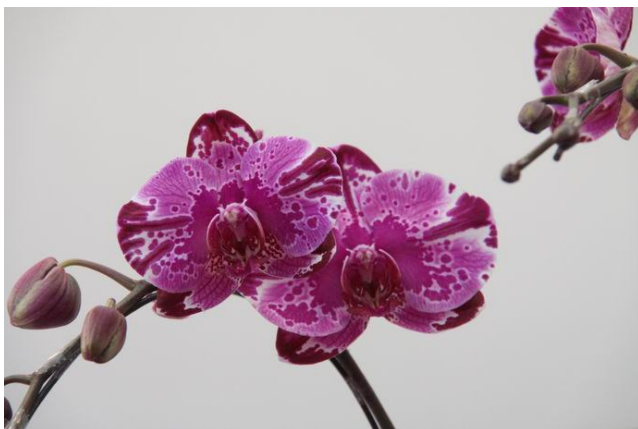
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Recipe for “Success or Frustration” ?

The Taiwan International Orchid Show, 2011 proved to be very informative in many ways. One such body of information was provided in the Commercial Variety Displays.



We have to wonder just how much of this information can (or could, or should?) be applied to our own growing practices. Take for example the plant information provided by Ruey Lih Orchids for their plant, *Dtps.* Ruey Lih Queen ‘RL’ (see photo below).



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商業品種展示
COMMERCIAL VARIETY

展示商品資料 Plant Information

商品名 Plant Name	瑞利皇后 Dtps. Ruey Lih Queen	
營養生長 / 生理習性 Vegetative growth / physiological habit	溫度:30/25°C(日/夜) - 濕度60-80% - 光度10000-15000Lux - 肥料N20P20K20 - EC值為0.7-0.9ms/cm - PH5.0-6.5 - 1.5吋苗栽培期4個月 - 2.5吋苗栽培期5個月 - 3.5吋苗栽培期6個月 - Temperature:30-25°C(day/night) - Humidity:60-80% - Light:10000-15000Lux - Fertilizer:N20P20K20 - EC:0.7-0.9 ms/cm - PH:5.0-6.5 - 1.5 inch plant takes 4 months - 2.5 inch plant takes 5 months - 3.5 inch plant takes 6 months.	
開花習性 Flowering habit	溫度:25/18°C(日/夜) - 濕度70-80% - 光度15000-20000Lux - 肥料N10P30K20 - EC值為0.9-1.0ms/cm - PH5.0-6.5 Temperature:25-18°C(day/night) - Humidity:70-80% - Light:15000-20000Lux - Fertilizer:N10P30K20 - EC:0.9-1.0 ms/cm - PH:5.0-6.5	
瓶苗 / Plant	可供應時間 Available	最小訂購量 Minimum Order
一吋半 1.5 inch	請洽廠商 Please contact the supplier	請洽廠商 Please contact the supplier
二吋半 2.5 inch		
三吋半 3.5 inch		
備註說明 PS	此植物品種在中華地區註冊 Plant registration is being applied in Japan and Taiwan.	
廠商資料 Exhibitor Information		
1 公司 / 機關名稱 Company	瑞利蘭園 Ruey Lih Orchids	
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TAIWAN INTERNATIONAL ORCHID SHOW 2011

TOS Directory of useful information:

Postal Address:
PO Box 836 D.C.
AITKENVALE QLD 4814
Ph: 07 4773 4208

Hall location:
Joe Kirwan Park
Charles Street
KIRWAN QLD 4817

Meetings are held at 8pm on the 4th
Friday of each month except
December - in the Townsville Orchid
Society Inc. Hall.

General Meeting:
8:00pm Friday 24th June

Novice / New Growers' meeting:
1pm Sunday 26th June

Management Committee Meeting:
7:30pm Friday 1st July

Patron: Min Korsman
President: Wal Nicholson Ph: 07 4773 4208
Secretary: Jean Nicholson Ph: 07 4773 4208
Treasurer: Charles Lee Ph: 07 4778 4815
VP - Bulletin: Warren Sewell Ph: 07 4771 6793

Calendar 2011

Field days:

Proserpine: 24th July Innisfail, Pioneer: 21st August.

TDOAPA: 18th Sept**Townsville: 2nd October**

June, 2011

- 24 – TOS General Meeting, 8pm
- 26 – Novice / New Growers' Meeting, 1:00pm

July, 2011

- 1 – Management Meeting 7:30pm
- 15, 16, 17 – TOS Winter Show**
- 22 – Christmas in July Dinner Party, TOS General Meeting, 7 for 7:30pm start ??????????????????????
- 24 – Novice / New Growers' Meeting, 1:00pm
- 24 – Proserpine Field day
- 29 – Management Meeting 7:30pm

August, 2011

- 21 – Innisfail Field day, Pioneer Field Day
- 26 – TOS General Meeting, 8pm
- 28 – Novice / New Growers' Meeting, 1:00pm

November, 2011

- 13 -20 November – 20th World Orchid Conference in Singapore



13th - 20th November 2011
Where New and Old World Orchids Meet

2012

11-16 September - 19th AOC Conference and Show in Perth

(www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/19th_AOC_Conference.htm)

[Note: Another must be there event!]



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

Annual Membership Fees.

City Family \$18.00
City Single \$14.00
Pensioner Family \$9.00
Pensioner single / Junior \$7.00

Fees are due 1st September each year.

Details for paying membership fees.

BSB:- 064823

Account number:- 0009 0973

Name of account:- Townsville Orchid Society Inc.
Commonwealth Bank, Aitkenvale.

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: 5th July

ANOS donates an annual subscription of *The Orchadian* to our society in appreciation for the use of our hall.

Judges

June.

MASTERS/OPEN.

O.KROGH.....C.TRUSCOTT

NOVICE/SPECIES...

A. KNOWLES..C.NEUCOM

Ted Boon



Queensland
Government

The Community Gambling Benefit Fund has approved a grant to cover costs of installing Solar Generating Equipment.

Notices.

1. Thanks to members who brought in coloured paper for the raffle tickets. More is still required. Deliver to Jeff or Alison.
2. Original orchid type articles are still needed for publication in the *TOS Bulletin*.
3. The TOS winter show is just around the corner.

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	Vegetative growth	Flowering	Knowles' orchid house
Temperature (day – night)	30 -25°C	25 – 18 °C	24 – 10 °C
Humidity	60-80%	70 – 80%	40%
Light	10000-15000 Lux	15000 – 20000 Lux	? Lux
Fertiliser (N:P:K)	20:20:20	10:30:20	10:30:20
EC (ms/cm)	0.7-0.9	0.9 – 1.0	1.2
pH	5.0 – 6.5	5.0 – 6.5	6.2

Considering that we in Townsville are now in the flowering cycle of *phalaenopsis*, how many of our conditions match those listed above? Today in my orchid house the humidity was only 40%, way short of the 70-80% they would maintain in orchid houses in Taiwan, with a temperature range of 24-10 °C. Yes I am fertilising with Peters Professional Blossom Booster (10:30:20 – available from the members' shop), pH of 6.2 and concentration of about 1.2 ms/cm. Light intensity - I am not sure about (Thought: TOS could purchase a few appropriate light meters for the library or technical officer.) Now – how can I control that humidity?

What are your conditions like?

Plenty of food for thought here, don't you think?

Jeff Knowles

Novice/New Growers' Report

On the 29th May, 51 members of the Novice New Growers group met at the Townsville Orchid Society Hall Inc., Charles Street, Kirwan for their monthly meeting. As there was not any particular items on the agenda set down for the afternoon activities, a general discussion was held on the repotting of orchid plants and the many different potting media that you can use to repot them with. Every orchid grower has his own preferred orchid potting mix that he uses so as to achieve the best results when he repots his orchid plants. Many thanks to Steve for his very detailed talk on how he repots his *Phalaenopsis* plants

using Perlite and stones and how he has experimented with different methods in regards to the use of fertilisers and pH readings and how they can react to the different formulas. Thanks Steve for your time and valued information and for giving your advice to the many questions that the members put forward on this subject. It was very encouraging to see a new member bring along a couple of orchid plants seeking advice on how best to grow them and we have to thank Ray for this as he is always willing to help all the new growers the right advice on their problems.

Welcomed back Patrica, it was lovely to see you back again and we hope you had an enjoyable afternoon also not forgetting Antionette, Susan and Stewart who was there too. Evon and Ladda have returned from their holiday in China after visiting their relatives and friends. Our best wishes go out to all our members who are not enjoying the best of health especially Doris, Merle and Arthur, we hope and trust there will be better days ahead for all our members in the future.

The popular Vote in the Novice Section was won by Susan Wilson who brought along a unknown *Dendrobium* Orchid which had several racemes of whites intermediate type flowers on it. (Well done Susan). Antionette was 2nd and in the Open Section Norma Palin was 1st, with Wal & Lyn Carlill placed 2nd & 3rd. Once again our thanks go out to all our members who helped with the afternoon tea refreshments and for your donations and support towards the Multi Raffle Table. Thanks again.

Ray Robinson will be speaking about *Paphiopedilum* & *Phragmipedium* Genera at the June meeting.

P.S. Don't forget our Winter Show is coming up on the 15th, 16th and 17th July, so we will need all your flowering orchids to help make it a successful show.

Warren and Clara Sewell

Growing Competitions in 2011.

The results from the tabled plants at the May 2011 meetings are,

1. Friday's meeting plant

Phalaenopsis seedling called **Agent 1876**

In front: Alison Knowles 26cm

Just behind: Ross MacIntyre 24cm

Third: Joan MacIntyre at 21cm

2. Sunday's meeting plant

Phalaenopsis seedling called **Secret 1875**

Largest: 27cm Ann Scholl

Seconds: 26.5cm: Stacey Cairns

Thirds: 25cm: Neita Coulson

Noel Grant indicated that his plant is also in spike.

3. Both meetings' plant

Cattleya seedling called *B/c. Dal's Kew 'Drummer Boy' x*

Bc. Dal's Charm (from Burbank Orchids)

Tallest: Alison Knowles 33cm

Almost there: Ross MacIntyre 30cm

Growing third: Joan MacIntyre 25cm tall

Flowered: Gold medal - Ross MacIntyre (2 flowers, Dec 2010)

Silver medal - ??????

Congratulations everyone. New measurements will be taken at the June meetings so do not forget to bring your plants along.

Jeff and Alison Knowles

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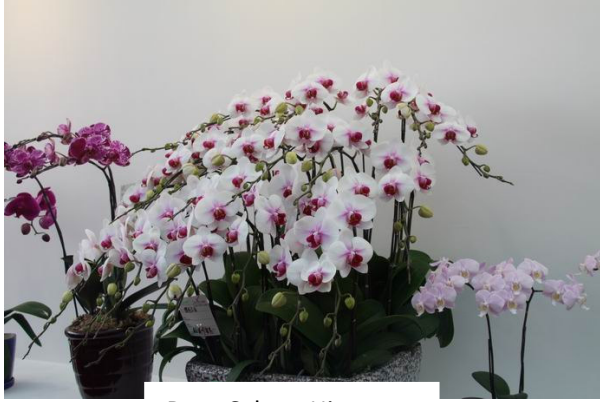
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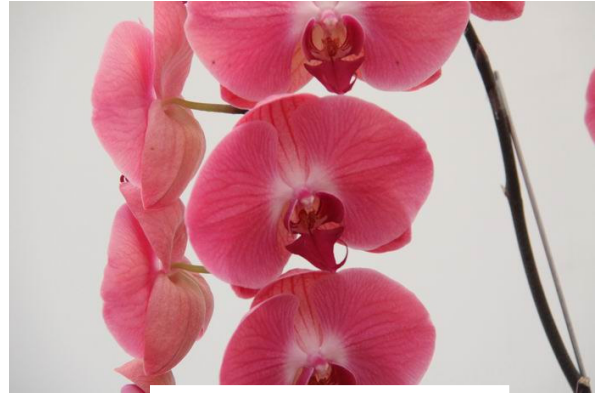
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No.	Name	Veterans	Open	Novice	Species	Aggregate
85	Christophers -Grant & Sairni - Alis			17		17
180	Fay - Stephen & Graham		6			6
213	Grant - Noel & Maureen	74			94	168
106	Hardwick - Noel		19			19
105	Hughes - Allen	4			1	5
117	Keith - Mick	17			24	41
116	Kelly - Greg & Santana	19			9	28
65	Kennedy - Les & Ames - Fran	44			8	52
193	Knowles Jeff & Alison				5	5
119	Korsman - Peter & Minnie	9			10	19
81	Lee - Charles & Jill		13		12	25
167	MacIntyre - Ross & Joan		38		6	44
77	Marnock - Fred & Donna		31		13	44
147	Nicholson - Wal & Jean	285			99	384
172	Sewell - Warren & Clara	189			24	213
216	Steel - Alf	16				16
82	Truscott - Charlie	11				11

More photographs from the Commercial Variety displays
at the Taiwan International Orchid Show, 2011.



Dtps. Sakura Hime



Dtps. Super Golden Brick



Dtps. Lioulin Wild Cat 'Champion'



*Den. Enobi Purple 'Splash' AM/AOS 84pts.
CCM/AOS 86 pts.*

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展示商品資料 Plant Information

商品名 Plant Name	櫻花公主 <i>Dtps. Sakura Hime</i>	
營養生長/ 生理習性 Vegetative growth/ physiological habit	溫度-20-35°C, 濕度60-80%, 光度20000-30000Lux, 肥料N20P20K20, 小苗栽培期間4個月, 中苗栽培期間3個月, 大苗栽培期間4個月, 本品種生長勢旺盛, 抗病力強, 多肥多水, 少病藥性。 Temperature: 20-30°C, Humidity: 60-80%, Light: 20000- 35000Lux, Fertilizer: N20, P20, K20. Small plant takes 4 months, Medium plant takes +3 months, Big plant takes +5 months. This is a very easy growing and healthy variety, much water and fertilizer provide and less medicine is recommended.	
開花習性 Flowering habit	2.5吋中苗: 雙花梗各6-8朵, 或單花梗10-12朵 3吋中苗: 雙花梗各10-12朵, 或單花梗15-18朵 3.5吋大苗: 雙花梗各15-25朵, 或單花梗20-30朵 2.5inch pot medium plant: double stems with 6-8 flowers each, or one stem with 10-12 flowers. 3inch pot medium plant: double stems with 10-12 flowers each, or one stem with 15-18 flowers. 3.5inch pot big plant: double stems with 15-25 flowers each, or one stem with 20-30 flowers.	
瓶苗 Flask	可供應時間 Available	最小訂單量 Minimum Order
一吋半 1.5 inch	請洽廠商 Please contact the supplier	請洽廠商 Please contact the supplier
二吋半 2.5 inch		
三吋半 3.5 inch		
備註說明 Remarks	已在日本及台灣申請品種權 Plant registration is being applied in Japan and Taiwan.	
廠商資料 Exhibitor Information		
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Dtps. Sakura Hime's information

MINUTES GENERAL MEETING TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC. HELD 27.05.11

Meeting Opened: 8pm by W Nicholson. **Visitor:** Welcome to Noel Walton from the Gold Coast. Reminder to sign Attendance Book. Thanks to N Grant and W Sewell for writing up tabled plants.

Minutes: from previous meeting Moved as a True Record by G Christophers. Seconded M Bloom. Carried.

Business Arising From Minutes: N Grant remarked on error in Tabled Plants. E Boon looking at cupboard for judges. We changed minds re appearing at Bunnings Ladies' Night and received a \$100 voucher which will be used on our Field Day.

Correspondence: Inwards: CBA/Statement; State Valuation Service/Notice; Flaming North/Inspection A/c; Photographic Soc.Qld/deposit cheque; Orchidaceous Books/details/payment A/c; Southern Cross/Statement; J Knowles/advice bulletin printing/AOS beginners newsletter; E Boon/reply re cupboard; Pioneer River O&P Assoc/Field Day; OrchidWiz/Templates; AOS/2012 Source Directory; Hall Hire/several emails; Other Society Bulletins; AOS Magazine. **Outwards:** Photographic Soc.Qld/receipt; BOQ Invoice; E Boon/cupboard; J Knowles/apology/meetings; Innisfail OS/clarification Field Day; Papers/Add for meeting.

Moved by J Nicholson that Inwards Correspondence be Received and Outwards Correspondence be Confirmed. Seconded M Korsman. Carried.

Business Arising From Correspondence: J Knowles will show programme on Taiwan Orchid Show tonight and John Evans will show programme of Australian Native Orchids in July; BOQ still to pay \$1500 donation for damages from Yassi; Pioneer River OS/numbers next month; Orchidaceous A/c under control; Revaluation of block of land/no change' CBA introduced new type of A/c to replace Management Trust A/c.

Treasurer's Report: given by C Lee who Moved Report be Adopted with Confirmation of Cheques Paid. Seconded A Morris. Carried.

Business Arising From Treasurer's Report: Have small amount left from Grant – look into using for new printer. Hall still busy with bookings. Should think long and hard about air conditioning as fairly expensive with our window setup etc.

Show: Winter Show in July – roster being circulated – consider adding your name. All will have to work together again.

General Business: After discussion management committee meeting will be held on Wednesday 1 June in back room. Members agreed to a dinner on date of next general meeting – 24 June.

Before E Boon spoke on tabled Plants he presented awards to A Hughes and M Keith.

Following Tea Break J Knowles presented a programme on the Taiwan Orchid Show. Appreciation shown by acclamation.

Registrar's Choice: Hybrids: Slc. Lara Coryell gained 80 Points for W&C Sewell. **Species:** Stanhopea *wardii* var. *aurea* gained 81 Points for M Keith. Congratulations to all.

Novice/New Growers Report: Given by W Sewell. Everything as usual on Sunday. W Nicholson going to Malanda and bringing back a load of quinkan gravel which will be available in bag lots to members – contact him or collect next meeting.

General Business: Hall booked tomorrow for a Cancer Morning Tea – anyone interested can attend. Thanks to R Rasmussen who has volunteered to run shop on Sunday in J A Knowles' absence.

Lucky Door/Raffles: were then drawn – congratulations to all winners.

Meeting Closed: 10.02pm.

TABLED PLANTS 27.05.2011

VETERANS

Dendrobiums

- 1) (Den. Anchung Lubag x *cochlioides*) x Den. *canaliculatum*
W&C Sewell
2) Den. Ekapol Big Panda W&C Sewell
3) Den. *aberrans* x *lineale* W&J Nicholson

Vandaceous – Large

- 1) V. Manuvadie W&C Sewell
2) Ascda. Mary Stock 'Rust x Ascda. Phariot'
W&J Nicholson
3) V. *sanderiana* 'Monina' x V. Bumphot W&J Nicholson

Vandaceous – Small

- 1) Ascda Unknown W&C Sewell
2) V. Ratiratna x V. *coerulea* W&J Nicholson

Vascostylis

- 1) Vasco. Pine Rivers W&J Nicholson
2) V. (Kretcant x *coerulea*) x Rhy. *coelestis* 'Pink'
W&J Nicholson

Cattleya

- 1) Slc. Lana Coryell W&C Sewell
2) (Lc. Janett x C. *loddigesii*) x Slc. Sierra Doll M Keith
3) Skc. Tiny Titan x Pot. Little Toshie W&J Nicholson

Cattleya – Miniature

- 1) Pot. Sweet Sugar 'Happy Field' W&J Nicholson
2) L. *pumila* x Lc. Tiny Treasure W&J Nicholson

Cattleya – Medium

- 1) C. Brabantiae W&C Sewell
2) Lc. Little Susie 'Osborne' x Lc. Adolf Hecker
W&J Nicholson
3) Lc. Little Susie 'Osborne' x Lc. Adolf Hecker
W&J Nicholson

Cattleya – Large

- 1) C. Blc. Burdekin Storm 'Midnight' W&C Sewell
2) Blc. Keith's Pride M Keith
3) Blc. Pink Debutante 'Burdekin' M Keith

Cattleya – Nodosa Influence

- 1) Blc. Rustic Spots W&C Sewell
2) Blc. Richard Mueller W&J Nicholson
3) Bc. Maikai 'Lea' W&C Sewell

Ctna

- 1) Ctna. Why Not Walk 'Jodie' W&C Sewell

Oncidinae

- 1) Onc. Sharry Baby 'Ruby Doll' W&J Nicholson
2) Mtssa. Royal Robe 'Jerry's Pick' W&C Sewell
3) Wils. Golden Afternoon 'Rich Yellow' W&J Nicholson

Miscellaneous

- 1) Bulb. *dearei* x *facetum* A Hughes
2) Calanthe William Murray W&J Nicholson
3) Calanthe William Murray W&J Nicholson

Paphiopedilum

- 1) Paph. Lynleigh Koopowitz L Kennedy & F Ames
2) Paph. Saint Swithins 'Long Barrow' x Pinocchio 'Halo'
L Kennedy & F Ames
3) Paph. Pinocchio W&J Nicholson

Phragmipedium

- 1) Phrag. Hanne Popow W&J Nicholson

OPEN

Dendrobium

- 1) Den. James Dick F&D Marnock
2) Den. Wonder Nishii R&J MacIntyre

Miscellaneous

- 1) V. Ratchaburi 'Rough Beauty' R&J MacIntyre
2) Onc. Sweet Sugar 'Angel' M/C R&D Marnock
3) Onc. Gower Ramsey C&J Lee

NOVICE

Miscellaneous

- 1) Lc. Mona Pink 'Hiromi' G Christophers & A Sairni
2) V. *tricolor* x (V. *onomea* x V. Gordon Dillon)
G Christophers & A Sairni
3) Den. Dal's Stunner x Den. (Autumn Show x Dal's Diamond)
G Christophers & A Sairni

SPECIES

Cattleya

- 1) B. *nodosa* W&C Sewell
2) L. *crispilabia* var. *coerulea* N&M Grant
3) Dtps. *Whartonia* C&J Lee

Cattleya

- 1) C. *aclandiae* N&M Grant
2) C. *maxima* N&M Grant
3) C. *walkeriana* semi alba 'Kenny' x
walkeriana semi alba 'puanani' W&J Nicholson

Miscellaneous

- 1) *Angreacum leonis* M Keith
2) V. *tessellate* N&M Grant
3) *Angreacum eburneum* W&J Nicholson

Miscellaneous

- 1) *Stanhopea wardii* var. *aurea labium* M Keith
2) *Spathoglottis affinis* M&N Grant
3) *Phapiopedilum spicerianum* C&J Lee

Bulbophyllum

- 1) Bulb. *echinolabium* M Keith
2) Bulb. *graveolens* M Keith

SHOW DUTY ROSTER: WINTER SHOW 15-16 -17 JULY 2011

Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Please add your name to the roster. If you are unable to attend PLEASE advise Secretary if unable to attend duty – Thank you.

Refreshment vouchers to be presented to the kitchen staff for your food allowance – 1 sandwich, 1 serving cakes or scones, tea or coffee of choice

DATE & TIME	DOOR 1	RAFFLE 1	Show Security & Enquiries 2	CASHIER 1	Assistant Cashier 1	Sales Security & Enquiries 2
Friday 15 July 9am-12 noon	Allan Allison	Alan Morris	Fred Marnock	Jean Nicholson	Wal Nicholson	Warren Sewell Ann Roberts
Friday 15 July 12 noon – 3pm	Peter Korsman	Min Korsman	Alison Knowles	Neita Coulson	Caroline Swart	Jeff Knowles Ann Roberts
Friday 15 July 3pm -5pm		Wal Carlill				Ann Roberts
Saturday 16 July 9am – 12 noon	Lyn Mutch	Walter Martin	Ray Robinson Keith Chambers		Wal Nicholson	Barbara Robinson Ann Roberts
Saturday 16 July 12 noon – 3pm		Jo-Anne Wilson	Alison Knowles Fred Marnock	Marie Bloom	Carl Osborne	Jeff Knowles Tina Phillips
Saturday 16 July 3pm – 5pm	Robert Rasmussen		Mick Keith Noel Hardwick	Marie Bloom		Ann Roberts
Sunday 17 July 9am – 11.30am	Allan Allison		Ann Roberts	Mary Bloom		Tina Phillips
Sunday 17 July 11.30am – 2pm	Lyn Mutch		Fred Marnock	Marie Bloom	Jean Nicholson	Allan Hughes Ann Roberts

Add Name if sales table required. A refundable booking fee of \$5 **must be paid to treasurer before** the meeting prior to show: A Hughes; B&R Robinson; L Green; W&J Nicholson

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President's Comments

The Management Committee has decided that July's meeting will be in the form of a dinner with details yet to be settled. Give it serious thought so that numbers can be established at June's meeting. Costs are tentatively ten dollars for members and their partners – twenty-five dollars for other guests and visitors.

June meeting will be our last before the Winter Show (July 15, 16 & 17), so please don't hesitate to put your name on a space in the work rosters – one for the show and one for the kitchen duties. Don't prejudge your flowers, bring them along and let the qualified judges decide whether they should be displayed. You might be surprised.

For some years we have been proud of the fact that our Society was the only one besides the American Orchid Society to have our own meeting hall etc. A recent A.O.S. Inc. newsletter has revealed that their property has been sold so that they can concentrate on orchids. I can understand their sentiments, but having a permanent venue has a great lot to recommend it. Recently it was mentioned that Bribie Island now has its own premises and Bowen are hoping to do the same. Good ideas multiply!!

Because of recent loss of an expensive book from our library, haphazard access will not be tolerated in future.

My last month's comments about rat baits were contested by Ted Boon but I still contend that I have found Tallon pellets to be most effective.

Don't forget get your plants ready for the Winter Show!!!

Wal. Nicholson

