# TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC.



# **August 2011 BULLETIN**

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# **That elusive Pimpernel!**

"They seek him here, they seek him there Those Frenchies seek him everywhere Is he in heaven or is he in hell? That demned elusive Pimpernel."

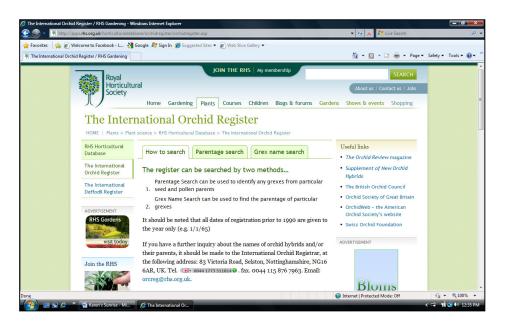
Our demned elusive Pimpernel this month is a rather nice green cattleya orchid labelled *Blc*. Prado Green Nation x *Blc*. Erin Kobyoshi, and the reason for our search is the thought that it might be worthy of asking for a quality award.

As you all know, orchids that receive quality awards (like an FCC/AOC) must be named, so the owner has to either find its registered name, or proceed to register a name for it themselves. A clonal name (such as Alison) is then attached to this awarded clone to distinguish it from all its other brothers and sisters.

A quick search failed to find either parent. It was then time to bring out the big guns and (You do need a computer and internet access for this method to work.) log on to the official site for all registered orchid names in the world – *The International Orchid Register* at the RHS.

(http://apps.rhs.org.uk/horticulturaldatabase/orchidregister/orchidregister.asp)

This will be the page that greets you.



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#### **TOS Directory of useful information:**

Postal Address: PO Box 836 D.C.

AITKENVALE QLD 4814

Ph: 07 4773 4208

General Meeting: 8:00pm Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August Hall location:

Joe Kirwan Park Charles Street

KIRWAN QLD 4817

Novice / New Growers' meeting:

1pm Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August

Meetings are held at 8pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month except

December - in the Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Hall.

Management Committee Meeting: 7:30pm Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

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 day:

# Townsville: 2<sup>nd</sup> October

#### August, 2011

26 - TOS General Meeting, 8pm

28 - Novice / New Growers' Meeting, 1:00pm

#### September, 2011

1 – TOS membership fees for 2011-12 are due

2 - Management Meeting 7:30pm

9, 10, 11 - TOS Spring Show

23 – TOS General Meeting, 8pm

25 - Novice / New Growers' Meeting, 1:00pm

30 - Management Meeting 7:30pm

#### October, 2011

2 - Townsville Orchid Society Field Day

28 – TOS Annual General and General Meeting, 8pm

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

#### November, 2011

13 -20 November – 20<sup>th</sup> World Orchid Conference in Singapore



13<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> November 2011 Where New and Old World Orchids Meet

#### 2012

11-16 September - 19<sup>th</sup> 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: 6th September ANOS donates an annual subscription of *The Orchadian* to our society in appreciation for the use of our hall.

### Notices.

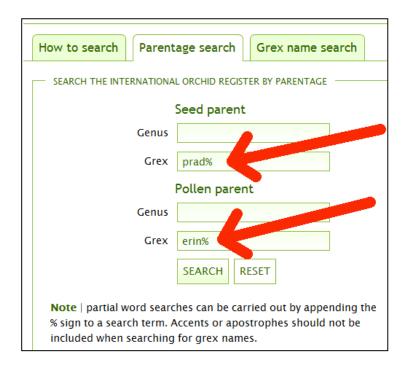
- I notice that the calendar has clicked over to October and that our Annual General Meeting will be held at the TOS hall on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2011 commencing at 8pm
- 2. The Gambling Community
  Benefit Fund has approved a
  grant to cover costs of installing
  Solar Generating Equipment.
- 3. Welcome to our new members Carmel Sheather and Mark and Wendy Davey.
- 4. Membership fees are due. You can pay online and then collect your receipt at the meeting.
- 5. Thanks to Max for the dendrobiums to be distributed when grown up a bit.
- 6. Thanks to Tina and Ray for coloured paper.
- 7. Thanks to Peter and Tommy for carting fertiliser for us.
- 8. Thanks to Greg for the perlite.

Clicking on the Parentage search button leads you to this.



Now comes the tricky part. Remember that up to now we could not find either parent's name at all, so it would be a waste of time typing in their names again – wouldn't it! Type the beginnings of each parent's name in the Grex boxes followed by the "%" symbol, then press the SEARCH box. (The "%" symbol is saying to find all names that begin with the few letters you type in.)

This is what I mean.



Magically, before your very eyes, a name appears. In this case it only finds one name to fit your query – *Rlc*. Karen's Sunrise.

There is 1 hit		
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Click on an epithet for more information.		
Genus	Epithet	

Clicking on the Epithet reveals detailed information about this cross. Namely,

Rhyncholaeliocattleya Karen's Sunrise					
	Genus	Rhyncholaeliocattleya			
	Epithet	Karen's Sunrise			
Synonym Flag		This is not a synonym			
Synonym Genus Name		Brassolaeliocattleya			
Registrant Name		W.Jones			
Originator Name		O/U			
Date of registration 0		07/09/20	07/09/2009		
	Seed parent		Pollen parent		
Genus	Rhyncholaeliocattleya		Rhyncholaeliocattleya		
Epithet	Prada Green Nation		Erin Kobayashi		

So there you have it. Our Pimpernel has been found. This plant is (hopefully) Rlc. Karen's Sunrise = Rlc. Prada Green Nation x Rlc. Erin Kobayashi (note the correct spelling of the parents' names).

In a little while there will be an orchid taking pride of place in the orchid house - *Rlc*. Karen's Sunrise 'Alison' FCC/AOC.

Damn – it that the alarm going off already? Oh well, time to stop dreaming and get up.

Jeff Knowles

#### **President's Comments**

Well! The Winter Show beat expectations, thanks to all, so congratulations, particularly to those Novice Growers who participated.

It won't be long before we're into the Spring Show, as a matter of fact, only about three weeks from when you read this. We are expecting oceans of Phalaenopsis which are attracting attention in large volumes. But don't let this distract you from bringing along whatever you have in flower. Dates for next year's shows have now been decided so there will be a gap of around seven months before the next (Autumn) Show.

Many members have mentioned the mid year (Christmas in July) dinner as being the best quality food we have had, suggesting that we use the services of the same caterer for the November (Novice's) Luncheon . We can take a vote on this when the time comes. I thought the evening went well and I didn't have to wash up afterwards. The only derogatory comment I have heard was from someone who spoke to someone who was dissatisfied. Probably their brother-in-law's cousin's uncle's taxi driver, as usual. Anyway I liked it and thought it a good opportunity to relieve any tension.

The Townsville & District Garden Club Inc. Field Days, which operated from our hall, was obviously a huge success for them, although not so much for us. We flew the flag as usual and Jean and I will do so again at the Hibiscus Club's meeting on 27 August, and also at the Rollingstone Seniors' Club's Gardening Show being held in their community hall on Wednesday 24 September, as Guest Speakers.

In view of lack of support in recent years for our appearance at the Council's Seniors Picnic in the Park, we won't bother this year, but instead will enjoy being guests at the picnic. No doubt we will be missed by the many seniors who always stop for a chat.

Last month's talk by John Evans about his many trips up the Cape (very surprising from a Melbournite!!) was very interesting and will no doubt influence one or two of our intrepid types to venture there in the future. We blamed John for bringing the winter weather which we experienced this year for a change. The weather certainly brought about some changes in flowering times of a few orchid genera. We always expect a short, cool change, for a day or so in August, so it will be interesting to see the outcome this year (it's the first of August as I write this)!!

Best of Luck for your orchid growing and flowering.

Wal Nicholson

## Novice/New Growers Report

On the 24<sup>th</sup> July, there was a good attendance of members at our Novice/New Growers meeting and the main topic for the afternoon was on the growing of the *Bulbophyllum* Orchid. This task was given very professionally by our Guest Speaker Eric Beltrame and using a power point programme of slides of *Bulbophyllum* orchids found throughout the world and also on his display of tabled *Bulbophylumm* plants which he commented on mainly relating to his methods

of repotting, watering, fertilizing, humidity and light requirement that he likes to grow his plants. We would like to thank Eric for his time and the effort that he put into this excellent programme for our members and which was greatly appreciated by all present. Also we would like to thank John Evans, a visitor from Melbourne (must be the weather up here) for his brief account on his travels around North Queensland to view the many different native orchid species found growing in this area of Queensland and on one of his favourite orchids *Dendrobium speciosum*.

We have to congratulate all the members who participated, not only as an exhibitor, but also helped out before, during and after at our recent Winter Show. A great time was had by all and we can certainly look forward to our Spring Show on the 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> September. The Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Field Day is coming up on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October, so we will need lots of help to run this event, plus donations of food for the morning and afternoon teas for our visitors from other clubs and societies, plus items for the Multi Raffle table on that day. Our Christmas party is on the 26<sup>th</sup> November this year and as we will be having some buckets of groceries, kitchen or laundry items for some of our raffle prizes, any donation towards these buckets will be greatly accepted.

The Popular Vote Competition in the Novice Section went to Peter Lucke 1<sup>st,</sup> Frank Ostrowski 2<sup>nd,</sup> with Peter Lucke 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Open was won by Ann Scholl with Caroline Swart 2<sup>nd,</sup> & 3<sup>rd,</sup> place. Evon Liang was the Novice Grand Champion winner at our Winter Show with a stripe pink Phalaenopsis with Peter Lucke the Novice Reserve Champion. Congratulation to you both. Now is the time for us orchid grower to start and get ready with our pots and potting mixtures, so as we can all start to repot our plants as soon as this cool weather is over as spring time is just around the corner. Don't forget our *Phalaenopsis* seedling Competition as things are starting to get interesting as Marie has a flower spike and some bubs on her plant so bring along your seedling for a leaf measurement this month. Once again we would like thank everybody for your generous support towards our afternoon tea and the many donations for the Multi Raffle Table and ticket sales.

Clara and Warren Sewell

#### **Current Growing Competitions.**

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

1. Friday's meeting plant

Phalaenopsis seedling called <u>Agent 1876</u> (deflasked March, 2010 and distributed from community pots in September, 2010.)

In front: Alison Knowles and Luz Lewis both on 26cm

Just behind: Ross MacIntyre 24cm Third: Joan MacIntrye at 22.5cm

All the plants shown on had flower spikes growing.

#### 2. Sunday's meeting plant

Phalaenopsis seedling called **Secret 1875** (deflasked March, 2010 and distributed from community pots in October, 2010.)

Largest: 31cm Jean Nicholson Seconds: 28.5cm Ann Scholl

Thirds: 26cm: Luz Lewis and Alison Knowles

Marie Bloom had a flower spike on her plant with buds that were colouring up very nicely. Could even be open

at this month's meeting.

#### 3. Both meetings' plant

Cattleya seedling called Blc. Dal's Kew 'Drummer Boy' x

Bc. Dal's Charm (from Burbank Orchids) Tallest: Alison Knowles 35cm

Almost there: Ross MacIntrye 30cm Growing third: Joan MacIntrye 25cm tall

Flowered: Gold medal - Ross MacIntyre (2 flowers in

Dec 2010)

Silver medal - ?????

Congratulations everyone. Ross MacIntrye on the free Bulbophyllum raffle plant. New measurements will be taken at the August meetings so do not forget to bring yours along.

Have you checked your Dendrobium lasiantheria seedling lately? It could be sending up a nice big spring growth.

Jeff and Alison Knowles



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#### **TABLED PLANTS 22.07.2011**

#### **VETERANS**

#### **Dendrobium**

1) Den. Fire Coral W&J Nicholson

Dendrobium

1) Den. Floriculture Association W&C Sewell 2) Den. Palolo Sunshine 'Red lip' W& C Sewell

**Miscellaneous** 

1) Phaiocalanthe Kryptonite 'Chariot of Fire'

W&J Nicholson

2) Den. Andre Millar x spectabile P&M Korsman 3) Den. Andre Millar x spectabile P&M Korsman

**Dendrobium** 

1) Den. Charelle x Ray's Twist x canaliculatum

W&C Sewell

2) Den.(Memoria Kip McKillop x Den helix) x Den. canaliculatum W&C Sewell

Cattleya – over 125m

1) Blc. Burdekin Future W&C Sewell 2) Blc. Mahina Yakiro 'Erin' x Blc. Dream Trader W&C Sewell

Cattleya – over 75m

1) Pot. Sweet Sugar 'Happy Field' W&J Nicholson

2) Lc. Royal Beau x Slc. Wendy's Valentine 'June'

W&J Nicholson

<u>Cattleya – under 75m</u>

1) Slc. Merinda Lust x Slc. Gold Nugget

W&C Sewell

2) Slc. Merinda Lust x Slc. Gold Nugget

W&C Sewell

Oncidium

1) Onc. Twinkle 'Pinkie' W&J Nicholson 2) Onc. Twinkle 'Deep Red' W&J Nicholson 3) Onc. Gold Dust W&J Nicholson

Oncidium

1) Colm. Wildcat 'Bloodshot' P&M Korsman

2) Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'

W&J Nicholson

3) Odcdm. Lorraine's '14<sup>th</sup> W.O.C. Hawaii'

W&J Nicholson

**Phalaenopsis** 

1) Dtps. Ching Hua Fair 'Red Flash' W&J Nicholson

2) Dtps. Juihbao Fairy

W&J Nicholson

30 Dtps. Alice's Bleeding Heart x Dtps. I-hsin Cherry W&J Nicholson

**Paphiopedilum** 

1) Paph. primulinum 'Steve' x philippinense 'Doll'

W&J Nicholson

2) Paph. Pinemak W&J Nicholson 3) Paph. Pinocchio W&J Nicholson

Phragmipedium

(1) Phrag. Hanne Popow W&J Nicholson

Cymbidium

1) Cym. Super Baby 'Autumn King'W&C Sewell

#### **OPEN**

#### Dendrobium

1) Den. Colonial Surprise x Den. Kathryn Banks 'Jess' B Blanchard & L White

2) Den.( racemosum x nugentii) x (dolicophylia x fuliginosa) B Blanchard & L White

#### **Miscellaneous**

2) Dtps. Yu Pin Sweety 'Wenching Princess'
R&J MacIntyre

3) C. Margaret Degenhardt 'Saturn' R&J MacIntyre

#### **NOVICE**

#### **Dendrobium**

1) Den. Masako Takasaki M/C

G Christophers & A Siarni

#### **SPECIES**

#### **Dendrobium**

1) Den. rigida
2) Den. speciosum
B Blanchard & L White
B Blanchard & L White
B Blanchard & L White

#### **Cattleya**

1) C. skinneri R&J MacIntyre

#### Rhynchostylis

1) Rhyn. gigantea 'alba' R&J MacIntyre

2) Rhyn. gigantea var. alba W&J Nicholson

3) Rhyn. *gigantea* 'Illustre' x Rhyn. *gigantea* 'Peachy' W&J Nicholson

#### Miscellaneous

1) Catasetum russellianum S&G Fay

2) Den. tenabrosa3) Den. palpebraeP&M KorsmanW&J Nicholson

#### Miscellaneous

1) Ludisia (Haemaria) discolor W&J Nicholson

2) Ludisia (Haemaria) discolor W&J Nicholson

3) Paph. primulinum W&J Nicholson



**Novice Champion:** 

*Phal.* Modern Harmony x Super Stripes Owned by: Evon & Gordon Liang



<u>Grand Champion:</u> Rhy. gigantea 'Red' Owned by; Allan Hughes



Reserve Champion: Phal. Mount Lip Owned by: Stephen & Graham Fay

#### LIST OF WINNING PLANTS – WINTER SHOW 2011

**Grand Champion:** Rhy. gigantea 'Red' Allan Hughes

**Reserve Champion:** Phal. Mount Lip Stephen & Graham Fay **Novice Champion:** Phal. Modern Harmony x Super Stripes Evon & Gordon Liang

Reserve Novice Champion: Blc. Momilani Rainbow Peter Lucke

**Champion Vandaceous:** V. Alicia Ono x V. Gordon Dillon Stewart & Alice Zierk **Champion Cattleya:** Lc. Orgland's Grand 'Yeochang Beauty' Greg & Santina Kelly **Champion Dendrobium:** Den.(Anching Lubag x cochliodes) x Den. caniliculatum Charlie Truscott **Champion Phalaenopsis:** Phalaenopsis Mount Lip Stephen & Graham Fay

Champion Paphiiopedilum: Paphiopedilum Transvaal Allen Hughes

**Champion Oncidium:** Onc. Gold Dust

Greg & Santina Kelly Champion Any Other Genera: Cymbidium Super Baby Warren & Clara Sewell

**Champion Species**; Rhy. gigantea (Red) Allan Hughes **Champion Australiana:** Bulb. maxilliare Allan Hughes

Jeff & Alison Knowles **Best Specimen:** Ceratostylis rubra

> 22.07.11 **POINTS**

No.	Name	Veterans	Open	Novice	Species	Aggregate
84	Berzinski - Col & Mutch - Lyn		7			7
135	Blanchard -Brendon & White - Lynne		7		11	18
85	Christophers -Grant & Sairni - Alis			30		30
180	Fay - Stephen & Graham		6		4	10
213	Grant - Noel & Maureen	74			94	168
106	Hardwick - Noel		24			24
105	Hughes - Allen	4			1	5
117	Keith - Mick	17			24	41
116	Kelly - Greg & Santina	49			9	58
65	Kennedy - Les & Ames - Fran	44			8	52
193	Knowles Jeff & Alison				12	12
119	Korsman - Peter & Minnie	19			13	32
81	Lee - Charles & Jill		16		18	34
167	MacIntyre - Ross & Joan		46		13	59
77	Marnock - Fred & Donna		31		13	44
147	Nicholson - Wal & Jean	386			113	499
172	Sewell - Warren & Clara	262			28	290
168	Scott - Ron		4		1	5
216	Steel - Alf	16				16
82	Truscott - Charlie	11				11
62	White - Jean		4			4



#### **Reserve Novice Champion:**

Blc. Momilani Rainbow Owned by: Peter Lucke

#### **MINUTES GENERAL MEETING HELD 22.07.2011**

<u>Meeting Opened:</u> by W Nicholson who welcomed <u>VISITOR:</u> John Evans from Victoria and explained as well as our meeting night being a dinner, it was six years since our hall was officially opened, and our meeting would be brief. <u>Minutes:</u> of previous meeting – 24.06.11 – Moved as a True Record by G Christophers. Seconded by W Sewell. Carried.

Correspondence: Inwards: AOC/Membership Renewal; Chef on Call; Southern Cross Media/A/c; RHS/Certificate of Currency 2011/12; OrchidWiz/CD 8.0; TCCD Last, R Gartrell/answer/car park; TCC Hannah Wright/car park; TCC/J Clarke/car park; Weight Watchers/Certificate Currency; confirmation/bank A/c/payment advice x 2; Signet/advice/online ordering; Townsville media Centre/advertising winter show; Townsville Bulletin/advertisement; OQ/death/Geoff Sinden; Bunnings/Fairfield/Ladies Night table; Mother Link/Thanks for support; S Wells/purchase plants; Qld State Archives/free seminar; Townsville & District Garden Club/field days 30/31 July; Carmel Sheather/new member application;

J Knowles/several emails; C Lee/several emails; Innisfail O S/Field Day 21.08.11; Pioneer River OS/Field Day 21.08.11; Hall Hire/emails/bookings; Rollingstone Seniors/request attend Gardening Show 24.09.11; Society Bulletins; AOS Magazine. <a href="Mayer-December 24.09"><u>Outwards:</u></a> Chef on Call; TCC/D Last/R Gartrell/ D Crissafulli/T Denyer/car park; Hannah Wright/answer/car park; Weight Watchers confirmation/Certificate Currency; J Knowles/several emails; C Lee/several emails; Hall Hire/several emails/bookings; Jan Allen/new member letter.

J Nicholson Moved Inwards Correspondence be Received and Outwards Correspondence be Confirmed. Seconded by A Withers. Carried.

<u>Business Arising From Correspondence:</u> W Nicholson explained misunderstanding by TCC Councilors re car park and waiting further correspondence; letters to Innisfail Orchid Society Inc. and Pioneer River Orchid & Plant Assoc. Inc. re non attendance on their field days; OrchidWiz CD to Librarian on his return.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> given by C Lee who Moved Receipt of Report and Confirmation of Cheques Paid. Seconded R Robinson. Carried.

<u>Business Arising From Treasurer's Report:</u> C Lee spoke about success of Winter Show and thanked all who participated by entering plants and working during the three days. He congratulated all winners. W Nicholson added his congratulations and thanks to members.

Patron Min Korsman presented certificates to all show winners and Registrar's Choice winners from June meeting. **General Business:** W Nicholson presented recommendation from Management Committee re Annual Fees. A Hughes Moved Motion that "the Annual Fees for Townsville Orchid Society Inc. remain at present level." Seconded by W Sewell. Carried.

Registrar's Choice: Hybrids: Den. (Charelle x Den. Ray's Twist) x Den. canaliculatum scoring 78 Points for W&C Sewell. Species: Catasetum russellianum gained 80 Points for S&G Fay. Specimen: Ludisia discolor owned by W&J Nicholson

Following a most enjoyable dinner served by Chef on Call, John Evans showed a programme of orchids he photographed covering areas from Cooktown to The Tablelands. Thank you John – appreciation was shown by acclamation.

<u>Lucky Door & Raffles:</u> Following the draw for Lucky Door members enjoyed a large selection of goods on the Raffle Table thanks to added donations from members. A Good night was had by all.

Meeting Closed: 10.05pm.



As there is often time at the Spring Orchid Show for a bit of "wheeling and dealing" in the lead up to this year's AGM (28<sup>th</sup> October), the following information and forms may be of assistance to you as you plan your teams. (Note: I will not be putting my hand up for the Bulletin – *Jeff*)

The positions to be filled are:-

- Committee of Management (17 members): President, 4 city vice presidents ("show, food, bulletin, building"), secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer, assistant treasurer, technical advisor, librarian, publicity officer, 5 other members. These are voted by secret ballots on the night of the AGM,
- And, Officers not on the committee of management (8 people): Patron, 2 country vice presidents, auditor, 4 hosts. Also voted on by secret ballot at the AGM.
- Also: returning officer and 2 scrutineers (called for and voted on by a show of hands at the AGM).

# TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD OCTOBER 20 NOMINATION FORM ELECTION OF OFFICERS

We hereby nominate
Proposer: Seconder:
I accept the above nomination
(Signature)
Nominations for the positions of Office Bearers and Committee of Management must be in the hands of the Returning Officer <b>fourteen (14) clear days</b> before the Annual General Meeting.  Nominations must be in a sealed envelope and marked "Nominations." This envelope must then be handed to the Returning Officer or placed in a second envelope and posted to the Returning Office care of the Society's Postal Address.
The Postal Address of the Society: P O Box 836
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TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC.  PROXY FORM
I,of
being a member of the above-named Society, hereby appoint
of, or failing him,
of, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting of
the Society, to be held on theday of20, and at any adjournment thereof.
Signed thisday of
* This form is to be used in favour of the resolution.  * This form is to be used against the resolution  (* Strike out which ever is not desired.)  Unless otherwise instructed the proxy may vote as he thinks fit