

TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC.



NOVEMBER 2011 BULLETIN

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

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Hall Location:

Joe Kirwan Park
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KIRWAN

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[CALENDAR 2011](#)

November 2011 4 – Management Committee Meeting - 7.30pm
25 – **TOS Inc. General Meeting – Christmas High Tea - 8.00pm**
(please bring a plate to share and some plants or items for the multi-affle.)
27 – Christmas Luncheon - 12 noon

2012
January 2012 13 – Management Committee meeting - 7.30pm
27 – General Meeting - 8pm
29 - Novice/New Growers' Meeting - 1pm

11-16 September – 19th AOC Conference & Show in Perth
(www.waorchids.iinet.au/19th.AOCConference.htm)



[2012 SHOW DATES](#)

AUTUMN: 30 – 31 March, 1 April - set up Thursday 29 March
WINTER: 13 – 15 July - set up Thursday 12 July
SPRING: 21 – 23 September - set up Thursday 20 September

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

[Annual Membership Fees](#)

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

Details for paying membership fees. BSB:- 064823 Account Number:- 0009 0973
Name of Account:- Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Commonwealth Bank, Aitkenvale

Are you currently unfinancial? To remain a member of the Townsville Orchid Society Inc and to continue to receive the *TOS Bulletin* you need to pay your annual membership fees : **Fees are due 1st September each year**

Registrar's Choice – Best Specimen



Encyclia amicta owned by Mick Keith

Registrar's Choice - Hybrids



owned by Warren & Clara Sewell and gaining 79 Points.

[Judges](#)

[November](#)

Masters/Open

E. Boon; C. Truscott

Novice/Species:

O. Krogh; R. Daveson; T. Boon

[Novice/New growers](#)

Christmas Luncheon - Sunday 27th
November

12 noon at the Orchid Society hall.

[Note:](#)

Soft drinks and other items will be on sale and you may bring your own bottle of wine to compliment your meal.

Any small items for the Grocery Buckets will be greatly appreciated.

As Warren has mentioned in the novice/new growers report we could use a little help to set up on **Saturday afternoon** at approximately **3.00pm** - prior to the Sunday Lunch.

[NOTICES](#)

The Gambling Community Benefit Fund approved to cover costs of installing Solar Generating Equipment

President's Comments:

It would be remiss of me not to thank you all for your support and confidence in returning (unopposed) all of the Society's office bearers. However only one new member took up nomination with a view to easing the burden of your overworked executive. Thank you Grant and congratulations for becoming our newest committee member.

As I stated at the A.G.M. a number of you are always ready to jump in and help at shows and other functions, which is much appreciated but we need members to take on responsibility of a set position. Our four main responsibilities of – shows, property and finance, editorial, hospitality – each of which should be under the umbrella of a sub-committee led by one of our four Vice Presidents, are currently loaded onto the executive because we have only one Vice President plus the President, no kitchen controller. Fred and Donna Marnock have accepted the task of Bulletin Editors and, I thank them both most sincerely.

Many of you are happy for this to continue as long as the handful of workers continue to stretch themselves.

It amazes me, knowing how hard a few work, when I hear comments like “you haven't done “this” or “ you haven't done that.” Get in and help do it.

Vacancies on the Management Committee are: Vice President by three or two (if we seriously let the President fill on) – Assistant Secretary – Publicity Officer – Technical Adviser (Ted has offered to do so but not to hold office).

In spite of these deficiencies we have had a great year and in the absence of any unforeseen incidents should have a brilliant 2012.

T.Q.O.C. Inc.'s regular meeting was held on 4 November and preparations for next year's conference in Ingham are well advanced and procedures have been set in place for future conferences if (as seems certain) the Queen's Birthday weekend is transferred to later in the year. While the meeting was proceeding it was noticed that a pile of silver coins had been deposited on the ramp at back of our building – now in the possession of police. Seems like proceeds of a burglary with gold coins and notes removed, or did somebody think they owed us something?!

I believe a couple of members didn't understand not being able to pay their annual subscription at the A.G.M. in explanation – until last year our Treasurer was run off his feet (or seat) at the A.G.M. accepting Subs which were due two months earlier, so it was decided that if you wished to vote or nominate at A.G.M. you should pay by the end of September. In previous years we even had cases of members slipping their fee into the Treasurer's letterbox on the eve of the meeting and then issuing a proxy. A case of “bother you Jack I'm alright.” We did publicise this proposal last year.

We keep being threatened by the experts with a return of foul weather – we certainly don't want that, but didn't the change bring out the blooms? - we could use that aspect again. Unfortunately Secretary Jean and I will not be able to celebrate with you at the forthcoming High Tea and luncheon as we will

be in India on those dates, after attending the World Orchid Conference in Singapore. We wish you all the best Christmas and New Year that you have ever experienced and look forward to joining you again in 2012 – our Society's sixty-fifth year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Wal Nicholson

Novice/New Growers Group Report:-

On Sunday, 30th October, 63 members of the this group met at the Townsville Orchid Society Hall Inc. for their usual monthly meeting. These gathering have always been well attended and everybody who attend will all try to help one another with their individual problems which is very encouraging for all our novice new growers. The number and the quality of flowering plants that have been tabled at our Sunday afternoon gathering through this year for the Popular voting Competition is very heartening too see and so we must congratulate them all on their achievements in growing their plants to a much better standard then before. We have also made many new friends to share our thoughts and ideas with, who have the same common interest in orchids growing as ourselves.

I am sure everybody who attended the meeting thoroughly enjoyed Delia's talk on the ways that she grows her Cattasetum Orchids in relation to the required media that she uses to report in, fertilisers, water and air movement that is required, also her Spathoglottis plants got a mention as well. Thank you Delia for your time and expert knowledge for it is always a delight to have you talk to the members at the meetings. It was also mention to be vigilant and to inspect all your plants as often as possible for any insects as they can introduce lots of problems. A healthy plant and a clean work environment will help solve lots of these problems (see Delia's report).

Once again there was a nice display of benched plants for the Popular Vote Competition with the winners in the Novice Section being Janeen Delisco 1st, and with Janeen and Jan Hendricks tied for 2nd place. In the Open Section, 1st was a tie between Wal and Lyn Carlill and Caroline Swart, 3rd Place was also tie between Noel Hardwick and Neita Coulson.

Please remember our Christmas Luncheon is on Sunday 27th November at the Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Hall starting at 12 noon. We will be needing lots of gifts for our huge Multi Raffle Table and also any small items for the Grocery Buckets will be greatly appreciated. We trust that Wal, Jean ,Robert, June and Stacey will have an enjoyable overseas holiday at same time we will be thinking of you when we sit down for the Christmas luncheon also we would like to welcome back Jeff and Alison after their holidays at the same time. We will look forward to seeing you all at the Xmas Luncheon.

We would like to extend all our very best wishes and a speedy recovery to all our members who are not enjoying the best of health at the present time and we hope and trust there will be many better days ahead for all in the future. Now we would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year and will look forward to meeting you all in the New Year.

Warren & Clara

P.S. We would appreciate a little help to set up the hall on Saturday afternoon at approximately 3.00pm.prior to the Sunday Lunch.

Catasetum Growing in North Queensland.

By Delia Hobden

Catasetum, a tropical orchid genus found in the American tropic, would have to be one of the most fascinating orchids I have grown.

These orchids are deciduous for several months of the Year, mainly between May and September and during this time watering should be reduced to once a week. Once new growth appears in spring, it is time to start repotting and is best to do this before new roots appear so they are not damaged.

Pseudobulbs can be divided and repotted as single mature bulbs, but if the bulbs are on the small size, it is best to leave several bulbs together. Squat pots are preferred and any rich medium media is good. I use Sunshine Orchid Nursery slipper mix and

prefer to repot every year, as in our hot climate the mixture turns sour.

After repotting it is now a vital time as plants require lots of water and fertilizer as you only have three to four months to mature the plants. As pseudobulbs mature, harden them by giving them slightly more Light. Flower spikes will start to appear and some plants will flower twice a year. It is now time to cut back on the water and fertilizer. As the leaves start to go yellow do not cut the leaves off as this is their natural food source. When the leaves fall off, be careful handling the plants as they have spikes on the tips of the bulbs which are their only protection in their natural habitat. Spider mites are a common pest of these orchids and spraying with recommended miticides is advised.



Vale Tess Kapcelovich

It is with great sadness that we have to advise our members of the sad passing of Tessie Kapcelovich on Saturday 12th November. Tessie along with her late husband Tony were loyal and valued members of the Townsville Orchid Society Inc. for a great many years, dating back to 1970 and Tessie along with some helpers was very active in the catering department for many of our orchids shows and social evenings over many years. Also Tessie was renowned for her skills in arranging group displays of orchids for the general public to see and admire them when they visited our annual orchid shows. Even after Tony passing Tessie would still come along to our shows with a tray of scones and do a shift on the roster system until her health failed earlier this year. Along with her late husband Tony they were well known to many orchid society members throughout Queensland and especially the North Queensland fraternity when they attended Tropical Queensland Orchid Council Conferences where many new friends were made. If you ever had the privilege to visit the Kapcelovick home in Sargent Street, you would be greeted by a kind, gracious and softly spoken lady and who always made you feel very welcome. Tessie would always like to offer you a cuppa and some of her favourite lemonade scones. She will be fondly remembered and sadly missed by all her family and her great many friends who came to know her in her lifetime. We all extend our deepest condolences to her two sons and their families at this time of sorrow.

Warren Sewell

GENERAL MEETING TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC. HELD 28.10.2011

Meeting Opened: 8.38pm by President W. Nicholson.

Visitor: David Baudistel.

Minutes: of Previous Meeting Moved as a True Record by G Christophers. Seconded M. Bloom. Carried.

Business Arising From Minutes: M. Keith queried name A Hughes missing from Registrar's Choice list. Discovered on following line in Minutes.

Correspondence:

Inwards: CBA/Bank Statement; H. Steel/Cheque/Subs; Weight Watchers/Payment Invoice; Southern Cross Media/Advertising A/c; OQI/AGM Date – 9.10.11/Agenda Items; Tony Watkinson/Information 19th AOC Conference & Show/WA 11/16.10.2012; T. Boon/Hall Hire/Judges 20.10.2012; N Coulson/Item/Bulletin/Orchid name; J. Knowles/monthly bulletin; Taiwan Holiday Information; Thank You card/Rollingstone Seniors Garden Club; C. Lee/list financial members.

Held Over: Associations Incorporation Form.

Outwards: W. Sewell/Townsville Bulletin; T Boon/confirmation Judges hall hire; C. Lee/Weight Watchers Invoice; Allan Knott/Sympathy Card; Thelma Paris/Thank You Card/donation books; Other Societies Bulletins; AOS Magazine; Orchids Australia; J. Knowles/bulletin items.

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

Business Arising From Correspondence: W. Nicholson explained details of N Coulson's email.

Treasurer's report: given by C. Lee who Moved that his Report be Received with Confirmation of Cheques Paid. Seconded by W. Sewell. Carried.

Business Arising From Treasurer's Report: C. Lee explained mix-up re cheque for Southern Cross Media.

Novice/New Growers Report: D. Hobden will speak on Catasetums.

Registrar's Choice: Hybrids: Phal. (Flight of Birds x Golden Bells) x Taipei Gold 'Golden Star' owned by W&C Sewell and gaining 79 Points.

Species: Paph. *glaucophyllum* owned by W&J Nicholson, gaining 79 Points.

Specimen: Enc. *acmicta* owned by M. Keith. Congratulations to all members.

General Business: W. Nicholson explained samples of Neutrog Fertilisers given by Jason Peoples who donated these for trial use. Bunnings stock products in larger quantities. He has also offered to speak at a future meeting.

W. Nicholson told about problems in securing new lid for toilet paper holder in men's toilet.

W. Nicholson would like to see the installation of a watering system for surrounds of club building.

Tina Phillips was appointed as a Hostess following being nominated by Joan MacIntyre and seconded by Jean Nicholson. J. Nicholson asked for a volunteer to take minutes at November meeting and write up for whoever types up the monthly bulletin as she will be away – no one interested. She agreed to write up as much as possible before leaving on 11.11.2011 and send it to W. Sewell.

Following the tea break T. Boon gave a very interesting appraisal of tabled plants.

W. Nicholson commented on Rockhampton's problem with having to rent a hall – it was sold so no meeting last month.

Ted Boon asked if our *Bulbophyllum* book had been found. As it has not the Society may have to look at replacing it.

Following discussion it was decided to go ahead with a shorter meeting and a High Tea at the November meeting for the break-up for the year – cost to be met by the Society.

R. Robinson remarked on one of the books donated by 96 year old former orchid grower from Halifax Thelma Paris. It is an original copy of only a few that were typed up and later printed. Apparently given to her by Alf Schnacal who was rumoured to be our first Life member – Delia Hobden to find article to verify same. Inside one book was an old T.O.S. Inc. bulletin which Kathleen Greenway had typed. David Greenway was listed as President.

W. Sewell warned members about scams on the computer.

Lucky Door & Raffles: were drawn – congratulations to the winners.

Meeting Closed: 9.50pm



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TABLED PLANTS 28 OCTOBER 2011

VETERANS

Dendrobiums:

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|---|---------------|
| 1) Den. Thongchai Gold 'Hildos' | W&C Sewell |
| 2) Den. Black Spider K. B. x Lyns Pride | W&C Sewell |
| 3) Den. Blue Foxtail 4N | W&J Nicholson |

Dendrobium:

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| 1) Den. Andree Millar | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) Den. <i>atroviolaceum</i> x Den. Nellie Slade | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) Den Proud Appeal "Ace" | W&J Nicholson |

Vandaceous:

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| 1) Asco. (Fuch's Gold x Kenny's Gold) x <i>V. tessellata</i> 'Ernie' | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) <i>V. coeruleascense</i> x <i>Asca</i> .Arunski | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) <i>V. Robert Smith</i> x <i>V. Gordon Dillon</i> | W&J Nicholson |

Vandaceous:

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|---|------------|
| 1) <i>V. Manuwadee</i> | W&C Sewell |
| 2) <i>V. Dawes Golden Heritage</i> x <i>V. Sumon Spot</i> | W&C Sewell |

Cattleya:

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|---|---------------|
| 1) Bc. Daffodil x <i>C aurantiaca</i> | M Keith |
| 2) Ctna. Why Not Walk 'Jodi' | W&C Sewell |
| 3) Slc. Tangerine Jewell x Kauai Starbright | W&J Nicholson |

Cattleya – 75mm:

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|-------------------------|------------|
| 1) Lc. Mini Song | Mick Keith |
| 2) Lc. Nora Melody | W&C Sewell |
| 3) C. Bactia 'Grapewax' | W&C Sewell |

Oncidium:

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|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1) Onc. Solar Landing | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance' | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) Onc. Space Race | W&J Nicholson |

Tolumna:

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| 1) Tolu. Sniffen x Kenmaree | W&C Sewell |
| 2) Tolu. (Barbie x Boots) x Phyllis Envy 'Ruby Queen' | W&J Nicholson |

Miscellaneous:

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| 1) No Name | W&C Sewell |
| 2) Blrra. Peggy Ruth Carpenter 'Morning Joy' | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) Colm. Wildcat 'Lucky Seven' | W&J Nicholson |

Phalaenopsis:

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| 1) Phal.(Flight of Birds x Golden Bells) x Taipei Gold 'Golden Star' | W&C Sewell |
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Paphiopedilum:

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| 1) Paph. Saint Swithin | W&C Sewell |
| 2) Paph. Saint Swithin | W&J Nicholson |

Paphiopedilum:

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| 1) Paph. Pinocchio | W&J Nicholson |
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Phragmipedium:

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| 1) Phrag. Praying Mantis | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) Phrag. Green Hornet | W&J Nicholson |

OPEN

Phalaenopsis:

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| 1) Dtps.(Chainxen Magpie x Dtps. Yukipie) x Dtps. Sogo Yukioan | N Hardwick |
| 2) Phal. Sogo Flash | N Hardwick |

Phalaenopsis:

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| 1) Dtps. I-Hsin Madam | R&J MacIntyre |
| 2) Phal. Golden Amboin x Mem. Anna Ventosa | |

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| 3) Phal. Ming Hi-Sin 'Cinderella' | R&J MacIntyre
N Hardwick |
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Phalaenopsis:

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| 1) Dtps. Little Gem 'Stripes' | R&J MacIntyre |
| 2) Phal. Stripes x Fine Stripes | N Hardwick |

Phalaenopsis:

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|---|---------------|
| 1) Phal. Brother Lawrence x Taipei Gold x <i>deventeniana</i> | R&J MacIntyre |
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NOVICE:

Cattleya:

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| 1) Blc. Rustic Spots | C Berzinski & L Mutch |
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SPECIES

Dendrobium:

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|--------------------------------|---------------|
| 1) Den. <i>chrysotoxum</i> | M Keith |
| 2) Den. <i>friedricksianum</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) Den. <i>hercoglossum</i> | W&J Nicholson |

Miscellaneous- Australiana:

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|----------------------------------|---------------|
| 1) Den. <i>discolor</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) <i>Pomatocalpa marsupiale</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) Den. <i>discolor</i> | W&J Nicholson |

Cattleya:

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|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1) <i>C. forbesii</i> | W&C Sewell |
| 2) <i>C. gaskelliana</i> | M Keith |
| 3) <i>C. intermedia</i> | W&J Nicholson |

Vandaceous:

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|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1) <i>Asctm. cuvifolium</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) <i>Sorbenikeffia humbertiana</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) <i>Ren. monachica</i> | W&J Nicholson |

Miscellaneous:

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|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 1) <i>Celogyne burfordiense</i> | M Keith |
| 2) <i>Lycaste aromaticum</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) <i>Thecopsis maingayii</i> | W&J Nicholson |

Bulbophyllum:

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|---|---------------|
| 1) <i>Bulb. basisetum</i> x <i>lobbii</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) <i>Bulb. claptonense</i> | W&J Nicholson |

Oncidium:

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|----------------------------|---------------|
| 1) <i>Onc. splacelatum</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) <i>Onc. multiflorum</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) <i>Onc. sphacelatum</i> | W&J Nicholson |

Paphiopedilum:

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|----------------------------------|---------------|
| 1) <i>Paph. primulinum</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) <i>Paph. glaucophyllum</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 3) <i>Paph. chamberlainianum</i> | W&J Nicholson |

Epidendrum Alliance:

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|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1) <i>Enc. chacoense</i> | W&J Nicholson |
| 2) <i>Enc. amicta</i> | M Keith |

		POINTS		28.10.11		
No.	Name	Veterans	Open	Novice	Species	Aggregate
84	Berzinski - Col & Mutch - Lyn			4		4
106	Hardwick - Noel		11			11
117	Keith - Mick	8			13	21
167	MacIntyre - Ross & Joan		15			15
147	Nicholson - Wal & Jean	45			50	95
172	Sewell - Warren & Clara	37			4	41

Editors note:

For those members that may require a system that is able to keep track of their orchids, the following information is directly from OrchidWiz. We have been using Encyclopedia 8.0 for the last two years, and it has proven to be an excellent program for the recording of all our orchids (not that we have many), for example; when adding photographs it is interesting to note the variations in color from year to year. This program also makes it easy to keep track of repotting, watering and fertilizer routines etc. (see following information from OrchidWiz).

Regards
Fred and Donna Marnock

OrchidWiz Express 2012 is an easy-to-use application that allows orchid growers to get cultivation and genealogy information for thousands of species and more than 145,000 hybrids. It is aimed at the beginner to intermediate hobby grower. Growers can keep track of their orchids by using the Orchid Journal, as well as print labels for their tags. This version of OrchidWiz comes with more than 4,000 photographs of the most common species and hybrids. Available at www.orchidwiz.com for only \$95.00. Express 2012 can also be purchased as part of group order of five (5) or more for a discount. Contact the team at OrchidWiz to learn more.

Comparison of OrchidWiz Express 2012 versus Encyclopedia 8.0

Express 2012

1. Registration Database
2. 30,000+ Species
3. **4,000 Images**
4. Hybrid/Cross Look-up
5. Orchid Journal
6. **Basic Cultivation Data (Light and Temperature)**
7. All Genealogy Charts
8. Print Reports
9. Print Labels
10. Genus Search & Members
11. F1 Offspring: Progeny
12. Registrant and Originator
13. Primary Hybrids
14. All Aliases / Name Changes
15. "Explain" Sander vs. RHS
16. **One (1) Computer Only**
17. **Charles Baker Habitat Data Only (No Charts)**
18. Annual Upgrades

Encyclopedia 8.0

1. Registration Database
2. 30,000+ Species
3. **80,000 Images**
4. Hybrid/Cross Look-up
5. Orchid Journal
6. **Extended Cultivation Data (Baker Descriptions)**
7. All Genealogy Charts
8. Print Reports
9. Print Labels
10. Genus Search & Members
11. F1 Offspring: Progeny
12. Registrant and Originator
13. Primary Hybrids
14. All Aliases / Name Changes
15. "Explain" Sander vs. RHS
16. **Two (2) Computers**
17. **Charles Baker Full Data (Including Charts)**
18. Annual Upgrades
19. **Quarterly updates**
20. **Award Data (85,000 Awards)**
21. **"Cousins" analysis**
22. **All Illustrations**
23. **Image References (Sources)**
24. **Species Geographical Data**
25. **Top-Menu Lists ("Most Awarded," etc.)**
26. **Class, Subgenus, Section**
27. **My Awards**
28. **Show-Plant Registration**
29. **My Album**

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