

TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC.



OCTOBER 2013 BULLETIN

Full contact details are on our web site <http://townsvilleorchidsociety.org.au>

TOS Members: To print, put in envelopes, put on stamps, and then post copies of the Bulletin, costs time and money. If you would like to receive the TOS Bulletin by email, you can contact me at the following address: siarni@gmail.com. You will then receive the Bulletin in colour, with the occasional attachment.

TOS Inc. Directory of useful information:

Postal Address: PO Box 836 D.C AITKENVALE QLD 4814 Ph: 07 4773420	Hall Location: Joe Kirwan Park Charles Street KIRWAN QLD	Meetings are held 8pm on the 4 th Friday of each month except December in the Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Hall
General Meeting Friday 25 th October at 8.00 pm	Novice/New Growers' Sunday 27 th October at 1.00pm	Next Management Committee Meeting: Friday 01 st November at 7.30 pm

Patron:	Phyllis Merritt	
President:	Wal Nicholson	Ph: 07 47734208
Secretary:	Jean Nicholson	Ph: 07 47734208
		Email: walandjean@bigpond.com

Assistant Treasurer:	Charles Lee	Ph: 07 4778 4815
VP Show:	Marie Bloom	Home: 07 47783497
VP Bulletin:	Alis Siarni	Mobile: 0406548057

TOS CALENDAR 2013

October 2013	25 th – Annual General Meeting - 8.00 pm General Meeting
	27 th – Novice /New Growers' Meeting – 1.00pm
November 2013	01 st - Management Committee Meeting – 7.30pm
	24 th - Novice/New Growers' Christmas Party – 12 noon



New Annual Membership Fees (commencing 1st September 2013)

City Family	\$20.00	Pensioner Family	\$10.00
City Single	\$15.00	Pensioner Single/Junior	\$7.50
Country Family	\$10.00		

Details for paying membership fees: BSB: 064823 Account Number: 0009 0973
Name of Account: Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Commonwealth Bank, Aitkenvale
Fees are due 1st September each year – NOW OVERDUE
Members joining after 30 June 2013 have their membership paid to August 2014

JUDGES FOR NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER

MASTERS/OPEN D. BENSON, C. TRUSCOTT
NOVICE/SPECIES E. BOON, O. KROGH

TOS – 2014 SHOWDATES

*Autumn Show 11th, 12th
& 13th April*

*Winter Show 18th, 19th
& 20th July*

*Spring Show 19th, 20th &
21st September*

Registrar's Choice: Hybrid:

Den. Cherway Clura Paige gained 81
Points for W & C Sewell.



Registrar's Choice Species:

Den. polysema gained 79 Points for
W&J Nicholson.



Specimen Plant:

Den. Pixie Princess owned by B
Figuera.



PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: Our list of nominations for election to the Committee indicates that many of you are eager to help, but not to take on one of the more responsible positions. Unfortunately, our Constitution provides for five (5) Committee Members, as well as the dedicated "jobs," so unless some nominees alter their course, we may be forced to decline their offers, yet go short on office bearers. Any of you would be welcome to, and encouraged to, serve for a year or so in an "apprentice" capacity.

Unfortunately I was away from the Novice meeting when our worthy Assistant Treasurer (and I thank him for standing in as Treasurer for the past year), spoke about the A.G.M. I don't support much of what he is reported to have said. Jean and I certainly would like a break, but are not going to let the Society down. As for candidates for Treasurer needing to be "qualified," that is just plain rubbish. Anyone who has managed a household's finances could do the job. It is big at show time – bus trips – field day, but that's why we usually have an Assistant Treasurer. Just think, over the past ten years Treasurers have been Wal, Jean, Warren, Rodney, Charles – if they can do it so can you. There are going to be other vacancies, so put your name forward PLEASE!!

On more mundane matters, air-conditioning is finally well advanced (no doubt working by the time you've read this) - the Council has indicated that the irrigation (irritation) will be in during this financial year - and by now the Field Day should be behind us, and indications are that it should be very successful with up to seventy names listed to attend.

Apart from the annual luncheon at the end of next month, we will be free of major activities for several months (April's Autumn Show). Show ribbons were ordered without a year mentioned for 2013, enabling anyone who does not want to keep their ribbon, returning it to be recycled in 2014. Now is the time to return any unwanted ribbons as the 2014 list will have to be ordered very shortly.

Several years ago it was decided to relax our rules about who can sell at shows, so that if one of our willing workers is unable to display five flowering orchids in the show, provided he/she works on the set-up etc., then he/she is entitled to a sales table. This relaxation has caused considerable dissension at recent shows, so from now on the display of five flowering orchids will be an essential requirement for a sales table.

As this will be my last "comments" for the 2013/14 year I wish to take the opportunity to congratulate and thank all members for a very successful year, particularly the Committee Members, and wish the Society well for the New Year.

Wal Nicholson

MISSING PLANTS: I hoped I would never have to write what I now find I must do – but it seems that we have a "grot" in our midst.

Our missing *Cat.amethystoglossa* could well have been taken by mistake at the pulling down of our Spring Show, but if it was a mistake, surely by now, it would have been returned, and a plant about 45cms (18") tall would need to be involved in a big mistake. Another member is also concerned that his favoured *Tolumnia* was swapped for another.

Does this mean that we must all waste time writing up a list of tabled plants, and then having it checked when we take our plants at conclusion of the show?

For years we have been told of sales plants disappearing without cash exchange, and have introduced measures to circumvent this, but we are now becoming suspicious that there is a "germ within!!"

There has been talk for a while of C.C.T.V. cameras being installed – it looks like we may need to do so.

Wal Nicholson

NOVICE/NEW GROWERS' REPORT Novice/New Growers Report: - At our last meeting held on the 29th September in the Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Hall, Charles Street, Kirwan, we welcomed 65 members and 5 visitors with some of the visitors indicating the desire to become a member of the society in the future. They were all encouraged to join in with us for our Field Day activities to be held on the 13th October. Unfortunately our Guest Speaker Tony Grice was unavailable to attend this meeting for his views on the safe handling of Chemicals needed to control Pests & Diseases in our Orchid Houses, John Sibthorpe and Wal Carlill both offered to give us their ideas on this subject. John only joined our Society last year and it was quite interesting to hear how he had approached this subject knowing full well how dangerous it was when using chemicals in your orchid house. John commented on what he considered to be are the five most important items that we all should remember when spraying chemicals substances are our feet, hands, mouth, nose and eyes. Wal also spoke on this subject and a fertiliser programme that he uses to grow his orchid plants it was very rewarding to have John and Wal come forward and help out and it is great to have other people ideas on growing orchids. Thank you John and Wal for helping us on this occasion for a job you both done well..

For those of us who live in the tropic now is the time for dividing, repotting or mounting our orchids on slabs as most of the plants will be sending out new roots and pseudobulbs at this time of the year.

Don't forget about your *Dendrobium* and *Phalaenopsis* seedlings for our growing competition as we need to take measurements each month to see how well you are growing them. The *Phalaenopsis* seedling should have started to send out new growth so now is the time for more water and fertiliser to help it grow better. In the popular Voting Competition, the Novice Section First Prize: - Mark Sanim, Second Place:- John & Wendy Sibthorpe, Third Place:- Mark Sanim and Jan Allen Tied. In the Open Section, First Place: - June & Stacey Cairns, Second Place:- Peter & Joanne Lucke and Peter & Mary Cooper tied, Third Place:-June & Stacey Cairns. We wish to thank Jan Hendricks, a past member of the

society for the Orchid Books he so kindly donated to our Multi raffle table at this meeting, also wish to thank everybody for your support to the raffles and supply afternoon tea which makes a wonderful finish to the afternoon activities. The Novice/New Growers Christmas Party Luncheon will be held on the 24th November at the Townsville Orchid Society Inc. Hall starting at 12 noon. Members who have attended 4 or more meetings, a fee of \$5.00 will apply (Caterers 15% surcharge Sunday). All other members including other Townsville Orchid Society members who would like to come the cost will be \$20.00, non members or visitors \$30.00. Donations of grocery items for the grocery buckets would be greatly appreciated. Your name must be on the Christmas Party List for catering purposes (numbers needed 1Week prior to luncheon) and then if for some unknown reasons or illness, please contact Warren on 47716793. Many thanks to all our members who donated the food and Raffle prizes, shade houses visits for our Field Day activities last week-end and to all our visitors who came from the other various kindred clubs and societies, I truly hope and trust you all had a pleasant and a enjoyable day.

MINUTES FROM GENERAL MEETING HELD 27th SEPTEMBER 2013

Meeting Opened: 8p.m by President W Nicholson who remarked about smallest meeting for some time, and reminding members to register in the Attendance Book.

Minutes: of Previous Meeting Moved as a True Record by F Marnock. Seconded R Rasmussen. Carried.

Business arising from Minutes: Nil.

W Nicholson congratulated all members on success of Spring Show, regretting the fact that two flowering orchids - one belonging to himself - *C. amethysoglossa* disappeared during dismantling of the show, and one of Greg Kelly's *Tolumnias* appears to have been swapped during the show, for an inferior plant. These things happen unfortunately and someone has come out on the winning side.

Correspondence: Inward: CBA/Cash Investment A/c Statement; T&L Verran/Subs; Ergon Electricity A/c due 1/10/13; Rentokil/Reminder Notice; Orchids Qld/Membership/AGM details; AOC/list CD/s/DVD's available; Southern Cross/Advertisement Spring Show; TQOC/Minutes/Agenda Meeting 9.11.13; TCC/ Irrigation Upgrade; Fair Trading/Incorporation Form; Chris Galvin/enquiry orchid; Michael Lee/LAMR/workshop Paluma 22/23 Oct. PROPA OS/reply field day; Proserpine OS/reply field day; M Condon (phone)Hibiscus Club/10 members attending field day; House of Champions/trophies; F Marnock/change telephone contact; Lucille Parfitt/thank you Good Shepherd Nursing Home; Mark Sanim/orchid photos; Weight Watchers/meeting times; TOS Bulletin/returned; Hall Hire/several emails; Other Society Bulletins; AOS Magazine; Orchadian. **Outward:** New Members/Patricia & Graham Waring; Marguerite & Craig Rushworth; Hilary & Elise Doyle; Angela Care; House of Champions/trophies order; Southern Cross/answers re advertisement; Chris Galvin/answer re orchid; M Sanim/request photos; Hall Hire/several emails.

J Nicholson Moved Receipt of Inward Correspondence and Confirmation of Outward. Seconded by C Berzinski. Carried.

Business Arising From Correspondence: TCC/Irrigation installation to be completed this financial year; Adeniam Fest/Anderson Park/19.10.13; no add in Bulletin for show/wait and see results in future.

Treasurer's Report: given by C Lee who Moved Receipt of Report and Payment of Cheques. Seconded by M Bloom. Carried.

Business Arising From Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer has list of paid up subscriptions - only 87 – some have paid this evening. New table in office cost \$88 plus paint. J Nicholson paid \$212 to have 100 copies of Constitution and By-Laws printed. She also had tablecloths from show done by a laundry – cost \$36.

Registrar's Choice: Hybrids: Den. Cherway Clura Paige gained 81 Points for W & C Sewell. **Species:** *Den. polysema* gained 79 Points for W&J Nicholson. **Specimen:** Den. Pixie Princess owned by B Fighera.

W Nicholson, in trying to work out the winners for the year the Species proved to be a problem with a tie of three members so he has ordered three trophies.

Novice/New Growers: Friend of John Sidthorpe from C.S.I.R.O. will speak on chemicals.

General Business: Not anxious to sell our bark, particularly to outside people. It will keep. We only have three bags of small left.

Field Day: We require members to complete list regarding bus and lunch tonight and on Sunday. Also a list circulating re donations of food for Field Day.

A.G.M.: Several members of the Committee wish to be relieved of their positions. We haven't had an official Treasurer for the year. C Lee has filled in as Assistant Treasurer but feels he can't continue. We would like some "apprentice" members.

Constitution & By-Laws: has been corrected and reprinted and must be accepted at the A.G.M. by 75% of those present before sending to Fair Trading for acceptance. A copy given to all present and will also be given to members on Sunday.

Certificates: W Nicholson presented Registrar's Choice certificates to W&C Sewell (Species), W&J Nicholson (Specimen). Spring Show Certificates to W&J Nicholson (Champion *Laeliinae*, Reserve Champion, Champion *Oncidiinae*), Bruno Fighera (Grand Champion, Champion *Australiana*, Best Specimen), Marie Bloom (Champion Any Other Genera), Greg & Santina Kelly (Champion *Vandaeae*).

New Members' satchel was presented to Nino & Cathryne Marciano who were also welcomed.

C Lee spoke of taking time off and not nominating for Treasurer this coming year. He spoke of he and

J Johnson contacting someone from TAFE to help with web page. Also to think about amount of information to place on web page.

E Boon spoke of changing of the Show Schedule and trouble with missing classes. This caused confusion at judging of plants at Spring Show. Scribblers Sheets did not correspond with Schedule so he will go through Schedule again. Sometimes

Champion Any Other Genera is not available in plants tabled. W Nicholson responded - two committee members thought of changes. C Lee felt there were deficiencies in the schedule, so N Grant and he have been working through it, to have a schedule to fit tabled plants at each show. He wishes to improve computer programme for printing of cards with scribblers sheets included and all to be printed out. He will take on board what has been said but feels the schedule has to be sorted out and finalised to everyone's requirements.

C Lee thanked the members L Mutch and L White for the help given to him during the Spring Show. W Sewell asked if raffle tickets still available as he is still tracking a winner.

Following the tea break E Boon gave a critique of the Tabled Plants.

Lucky Door and Raffle: tickets drawn.

Meeting Closed: 9.55pm.

NOMINATIONS FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 25.10.13

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NOMINEE</u>	<u>PROPOSER</u>	<u>SECONDER</u>
<u>Patron</u>	Phyllis Merritt	Wal Nicholson	Barbara Robinson
<u>President</u>	Wal Nicholson	Ray Robinson	Barbara Robinson
<u>Vice President</u>	Marie Bloom	Jean Nicholson	Warren Sewell
<u>Vice President</u>			
<u>Vice President</u>			
<u>Vice President</u>			
<u>Secretary</u>	Jean Nicholson	Ray Robinson	Barbara Robinson
<u>Assistant Secretary</u>			
<u>Treasurer</u>			
<u>Assistant Treasurer</u>			
<u>Technical Adviser</u>			
<u>Publicity Officer</u>			
<u>Librarian</u>			
<u>Committee Member</u>	C Lee	Wal Nicholson	Jean Nicholson
<u>Committee Member</u>	Ann Roberts	Peter Lucke	Wal Nicholson
<u>Committee Member</u>	Kerry Willey	Peter Lucke	Wal Nicholson
<u>Committee Member</u>	Lynne White	Wal Nicholson	Jean Nicholson
<u>Committee Member</u>	Brendon Blanchard	Wal Nicholson	Jean Nicholson
<u>Committee Member</u>	Jean White	Ross MacIntyre	Joan MacIntyre
<u>Committee Member</u>	Robert Rasmussen	Wal Nicholson	Jean Nicholson

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD 26.10.2012

Meeting Opened: 8pm by W Nicholson who welcomed all to A.G.M. and asked for volunteer pencilors.

Minutes: Moved as a True Record of A.G.M. held 28.10.2011 by G Christophers. Seconded by B Blanchard. Carried.

Business: Nil.

Financial Report: Given by C Lee. Report available on table. Purchased further Solar Power panels, reducing our profit.. C Lee Moved 'that the Financial Report as at 31.08.2012 be Adopted. Seconded M Bloom. Carried.

Business Arising From Financial Report: W Nicholson commented on the Grant for Solar Power being included in Profit for the year before, this increasing that year's profit.

President's Report: See attached. W Nicholson declared all positions on Management Committee vacant and handed over to the Returning Officer John Nuss who took the chair.

Nominations as follows:-

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Nominated by</u>	
<u>Seconded by</u>			
Patron	Phyllis Merritt	Ray Robinson	Wal
Nicholson			
President	Wal Nicholson	Ross MacIntyre	Col
Berzinski			
Vice President	Alis Siarni	Wal Nicholson	Jean
Nicholson			
Vice President	Marie Bloom	Wal Nicholson	Brendon
Blanchard			
Vice President			
Vice President			
Secretary	Jean Nicholson	Wal Nicholson	Col Berzinski
Assist. Secretary			
Treasurer			

Assist. Treasure	Charles Lee	Marie Bloom	Wal Nicholson
Publicity Officer	Stacey Cairns	Grant Christophers	Alis Siarni
Technical Officer	E Boon will continue doing as previously but not as a committee member		
Librarian	Noel Grant	Wal Nicholson	Jean Nicholson
Committee Member	Brendan Blanchard	Wal Nicholson	Jean Nicholson
Committee Member	Grant Christophers	Jean White	Charles Lee
Committee Member	Jean White	Joan MacIntyre	Ross MacIntyre
Committee Member	Warren Sewell	Jeff Knowles	Ron Scott
Northern Country Vice President	Tom Hobden	Wal Nicholson	Delia Hobden
Southern Vice President			
Host/Hostess	Joan MacIntyre	Warren Sewell	Wal Nicholson
	Lyn Mutch	Wal Nicholson	Col Berzinske
	Tina Phillips	Warren Sewell	Jeff Knowles
	Luz Lewis	Jean White	Wal Nicholson
Auditor	Peter Dadic	Wal Nicholson	Kathleen Greenway
Returning Officer	John Nuss	Wal Nicholson	Ray Robinson
Scrutineer	Robert Rasmussen	Warren Sewell	Rod Daveson
Scrutineer	Noel Grant	Wal Nicholson	Robert Rasmussen

W Nicholson resumed the Chair and thanked John Nuss and all members who nominated for positions.

Trophies handed out to winners for the year in Tabled Plants. **Novice Section:** (Book usually given to winner – not chosen yet).

First – Stacey & June Cairns; 2nd Tina Phillips; 3rd Alan Morris. **Open Section:** Ross & Joan MacIntyre; 2nd Fred & Donna Marnock;

3rd Bruno Fighera. **Veterans:** 1st Wal & Jean Nicholson; 2nd Warren & Clara Sewell; 3rd Greg & Santina Kelly. **Species:** 1st Wal & Jean Nicholson; 2nd Noel & Maureen Grant; 3rd Mick Keith. **Aggregate:** 1st Wal & Jean Nicholson; 2nd Warren & Clara Sewell; 3rd Noel & Maureen Grant. **Registrar's Choice for the year: Species:** R&J MacIntyre; **Hybrids:** Charlie Truscott.

Ivy Knott Memorial Trophy: given for excellence in *Dendrobium discolor* won by Wal & Lyn Carlill. Congratulations to all Winners.

General Business: Nil.

Meeting Closed: 8.34pm

Points 27.09.2013

No.	Name	Veterans	Open	Novice	Species	Aggregate
163	Allison - Allan		3			3
135	Blanchard - Brendan & White Lynne				7	7
118	Bloom - Marie		15		34	49
84	Berzinski - Col & Mutch - Lyn		20		4	24
68	Cairns - June & Stacey		78			78
85	Christophers - Grant & Siarni - Alis		23		4	27
59	Fay - Stephen	4				4
190	Fighera - Bruno		88		4	92
213	Grant - Noel & Maureen	129			153	282
58	Googh - Stephen & Fran			12		12
106	Hardwick - Noel		7			7
117	Keith - Mick	9				9
116	Kelly - Greg & Santina	105				105
65	Kennedy - Les & Ames - Fran	15				15
193	Knowles - Jeff & Alison	14			15	29
81	Lee - Charles	33			23	56
149	Lewis - Peter & Luz		25			25
71	Lucke - Peter & Joanne		94		16	110
167	Mac Intyre - Ross & Joan		60		17	77
77	Marnock - Fred & Donna		136		14	150
147	Nicholson - Wal & Jean	576			241	817
66	Osborne - Carl		7		3	10
96	Phillips – Tina			27	3	30

128	Rasmussen - Robert		4		4
104	Rutherford - Max		3		3
168	Scott - Ron		9		9
172	Sewell - Warren & Clara	125		31	156
216	Steel - Alf	2		9	11
61	Tracey - Jo			9	9
82	Truscott - Charlie	12			12

TABLED PLANTS AT GENERAL MEETING 27.09.2013

(Some names may have been changed)

Veterans

				W & J Nicholson
		2 nd Den. Myall Beauty x Den. Whitsunday Islands		W & J Nicholson
1 st Phrag Brysa	W & J Nicholson			
2 nd Phrag Sorcerers Apprentice	W & J Nicholson	3 rd Den. Burana Green Star 'Thani'		W & J Nicholson
3 rd Phrag Green Hornet	W & J Nicholson			
1 st Paph Saint Swithin	W & J Nicholson	1 st Cym. Ngairé Kupinski x Kalin Ping 'Victoria Falls'		W & J Nicholson
2 nd Paph Saint Swithin	W & J Nicholson			
3 rd Paph Joggae	W & J Nicholson			
1 st Paph Pinocchio	W & J Nicholson	1 st Brs Rex Chiapis		W & J Nicholson
1 st Phal Brother Free Spirit x Phal venosa	W & J Nicholson			

OPEN

1 st V [Vasco] Precious	G & S Kelly	1 st Paph. Rothschildianum x lowii (Paph Julius) x julins (believe this to be Julius. this equals Paph Julius)	F & D Marnock
2 nd V [Ascda] Udom Classic 'Udom'	G & S Kelly	2 nd Paph. Rothschildianum x Laeuigatum	F & D Marnock
1 st V [Asctm] Sagarik Gold 'Kultana'	W & J Nicholson	1 st Phal. I-Hsin Madame	J & S Cairns
2 nd V [Asctm] Sagarik Gold 'Kultana'	W & J Nicholson	2 nd Phal. Ming – Hsin Cinderella x Phal [Dtps] Leopard Prince	F & D Marnock
3 rd V [Ascda]. Temporary Loss (Unkn)	W & J Nicholson	Phal Alice's Clara	F & D Marnock
1 st Ctt Fire Dance 'Blanche'	W & C Sewell	3 rd Phal. Ching Hua Fair 'Red Flash'	F & D Marnock
2 nd Ctt [Lc.] Kingaroy	W & J Nicholson	1 st Phal. Sunrise Star	F & D Marnock
3 rd Ctt [C.] Jewel Box	W & J Nicholson	2 nd Phal. I-Hsin Kabuki	F & D Marnock
1 st Rlc [Blc] Silvia Fry x Rlc [Blc] Burdekin Bells	W & J Nicholson	3 rd Phal Unknown	F & D Marnock
Rlc Glen Lee Laura		1 st Phal Golden Taipei x Golden Sun	J & S Cairns
1 st Rlc. Lake Haven [Hajen] Pearl	G & S Kelly	2 nd Phal Malibou Icon Charlie x Taida Newlife 101 spots x sib	F & D Marnock
2 nd Rlc. Cariad's Mini-Quine 'Angel Kiss'	W & C Sewell	3 rd Phal. Chian Zen Queen	F & D Marnock
3 rd C. Brabantiae	W & C Sewell	1 st Phal. Cassandra –Every 'Spring King' x Cassandra	F & D Marnock
1 st C. Lyn Udris	G & S Kelly	2 nd Phal. Nobby's Amy	F & D Marnock
1 st Den. Cherway Olivia Paige 'Ruby'	W & C Sewell	1 st Phal. Little Gem Stripes 'Cat King'	F & D Marnock
2 nd Den Pabolo Sunshine 'Pure Yellow'	W & C Sewell	1 st Ascda. Super Cooper 'Ellen Schneekloth'	J & S Cairns
1 st Ons [Odc]. Catatanthe [Calatante] 'Pumpkin Patch'	W & J Nicholson	2 nd V. Roberts Delight 'InkBlue'	J & S Cairns
2 nd Onc. Space Race	W & J Nicholson	3 rd Ascda. Kulwadee Fragrance 'Adasiki'	J & S Cairns
3 rd Onc [Colm]. Wildcat 'Whitecat'	W & J Nicholson	1 st Grt [Ctna]. Why Not	B. Figuera
<u>This should be Onc Jungle Monarch</u>		1 st Rlc [Blc]. Tsutung Beauty 'Taiyoung 3 Brothers' B. Figuera	B. Figuera
1 st Onc. Kayster x Onc. Barbie =		2 nd Rlc. Shin Shiang Diamond	B. Figuera
Tolu. Capalaba Sunrise	G & S Kelly	3 rd Ctt [Lc.] Aussie Sunset 'Cosmic Fire'	B. Figuera
2 nd Rrm. Molly	G & S Kelly	1 st C. Lyn Spencer 'Cha'	B. Figuera
3 rd Tolu. Robsan x Tolu. Golden Sunset 'Taka' =	W & J Nicholson	2 nd Rlc [C]. Haadyai Delight 'Lucky Strike'	B. Figuera
Tolu. First Love		1 st Ons [Oncdm]. Catatante 'Kilauea Karma' B. Figuera	B. Figuera
1 st Den. Golden Aya	W & J Nicholson	1 st Den. Pixie Princess	B. Figuera
2 nd Den. Yukidarma 'King'	W & J Nicholson	2 nd Den. (Charelle x Fran's Twist) x <i>gouldii</i> 'Blue' x <i>tangerinium</i>	B. Figuera
3 rd Den. Frosty Dawn 'Wings of Gold'	W & J Nicholson	'Chocolate Drop'	B. Figuera
1 st Den. Burana Green Star 'Thani'			

1st Cym. Australian Midnight B. Figuera
2nd Cym Australian Midnight R & J MacIntyre

SPECIES

1st *Den. semifusum* C Berzinski & L Mutch
2nd *Den. teretafolium* M.Bloom
3rd *Cym.canaliculatum var Sparkisii* B. Figuera

1st *Phal. amabilis 'Formosa 'Pong Ping'* R & J MacIntyre
2nd *Phal. schilliuana* F & D Marnock

1st *Den.spectabile x self 'buzzcare'* W & J Nicholson
2nd *Den.polysema* W & J Nicholson

1st *C. intermedia var ametaystina* W & J Nicholson
2nd *C. intermedia var Aranbeen* W & J Nicholson
3rd *C. loddegessi x self 'Martinique'* W & J Nicholson

1st *Paph. philippinense* W & J Nicholson
1st *Rbq succisa* W & J Nicholson
2nd *Den. aggregatum* F & D Marnock
3rd *Den.aloitafolium* M Bloom

Go and Shop and Grow.

By Jeff Knowles (jk)

Growing Competition. Sadly, not many plants were shown and recorded at the September meetings. The tallest *Dendrobium* was tabled by Lorraine whilst the biggest *Phalaenopsis* recorded was owned by Clara. Well done to you both. This month it is time for the men to shine.

Taiwan International Orchid Show 2014.

(Probably open to the public from Saturday 8th to Monday 17th March, 2014). Start planning now as March is not all that far away.

1. No new information from Taiwan Orchid Growers' Association this month.
2. Helen's Luxury Orchid Tour out of Brisbane is taking shape.
 - a. Departing 4th March 2014
 - b. Inclusions: Return, direct, economy airfare with China Airlines ex Brisbane, 10 Nights 4 - 5 Star Accommodation, Almost all Meals, Return Airport Transfers in Taiwan, Air-Conditioned Coach Throughout, English Speaking Guide, Entrance fees, including Taiwan International Orchid Show.
 - c. Exclusions: Airport and Government Taxes of approximately \$350, Passport Costs, Entrance Fee to the viewing platform way up in the Taipei 101 Building, Tips, Food and drinks not mentioned in the final itinerary, Personal expenditure.
 - d. Additional Note: A minimum of 10 persons are required to guarantee a totally private tour and for Helen to accompany the group. (This is the only option I would recommend. – jk)
 - e. Cost: AUD\$3150 (Twin Share) (That is approximately \$3500 with the taxes).

Singapore Orchid Show 2014. (16th to 24th August, 2014.) This Orchid Show is organised by the Orchid Society of South East Asia (OSSEA) and at such shows, they will normally have talks organised. OSSEA will also host an appreciation dinner for judges and supporters of the orchid show. They will have overseas judges and they have already put up Alison's name to the Judging sub-committee.

Computerised Orchid Database. Order is being finalised and the copies might not be here at the October meetings.

New Product (biological fungicide). I received an email from Fernland agencies that included e-news from Growth Products that in part stated; 'Believe it or not, you really can keep your plants healthy and growing at peak levels by using your sprayer. The secret is to spray the right ingredients with the right sprayer at the right time. Growth Products' [Nursery Foliar Spray Program for Container and Field Applications](#) is a great place to start. This spray program complements a grower's regular soil fertility program and gives amazing results." Their basic mix consists of [Essential Plus 1-0-1](#) (growth chemicals – jk), [Companion Biological Microbial Inoculant](#) (biological fungicide, *Bacillus subtilis* GB03 –jk), ["TKO" Phosphite0-12.5-21.8](#) (P and K –jk), and [Micrel Total](#) (Trace elements –jk).

The data about the "Companion Biological Microbial Inoculant" caught my eye. "Companion® Biological Fungicide is a safe, 100 percent natural biological fungicide that both prevents and controls a broad spectrum of root and foliar diseases such as root rot, blight, wilt, bottom- and stem-rot, and bacterial leaf spot (*Phytophthora*, *Pythium*, *Fusarium*, *Rhizoctonia*, *Sclerotinia* and *Xanthomonas campestris*). The *Bacillus subtilis* GB03 isolate combats disease pathogens through multiple modes of action. It quickly colonizes a plant's root hairs (and leaf surface) and literally crowds out disease producing microbes in the soil. It produces antibiotics that disrupt the cell wall formation of pathogens, causing the pathogens to desiccate and die; and it creates a beneficial Induced Systemic Resistance (ISR) whereby plants' own natural immune system is stimulated to better resist diseases. Used alone, in combination with, or in rotation with chemical fungicides, Companion can serve a crucial role in a grower's disease resistance management program." It is compatible with most high quality fertilisers, micronutrients, organic materials, wetting agents, surfactants, fungicides, herbicides and insecticides." **Most importantly it lists application rates and frequency for orchids.** It can be applied as a dip (8mL/L), drench (1.2mL/L) or mist (0.13mL/L). The cost is about \$50.00/L.

Happy Growing.

Jeff

Note: Check dates and data given above before booking or using.

SAD LATE NEWS: Warren telephoned to say Doris Blakeney passed away Friday. Funeral Notice will be in Townsville Bulletin this coming week. Our Deepest Sympathy to daughters Vieiene Blakeney and Nolene Leroy and other Family members.

EDITOR'S NOTES

A very warm welcome to a TOS Inc. **new member:** Karen Mitchell

A very happy **October birthday** to the following members: John Sibthorpe – 7th; Robyn Dundas – 27th; Sue Mahoney – 27th, and a **very happy belated September birthday** to Ted Boon -20th September, and Kathleen Greenway – 27th September.

SALE OF PLANTS AT FRIDAY MEETING: Bring along your surplus/for sale plants on Friday night, ensuring that they each bear a name tag as well as a price tag with your number and price on it. Quality plants, free of disease etc. - and in respectable pots or mounts only please.



back wall



side wall



Back wall

Guess what your hard working Secretary and President had to do while most were relaxing on Sunday morning of the long weekend. We will need to draw up a list of willing members to be called upon at short notice if another such event arises in future. This is the fourth, or maybe the fifth lot of graffiti in eight years, which isn't too bad in these times.

ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY

'BEAT a BUG'

Good for Herbs, Vegetables & Fruit Trees

Insect spray and Natural Plant Food

Naturally based Pesticide

With Garlic, Chilli & Pyrethrum

Day Dawn
N U R S E R Y 