

TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC.



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Annual Membership Fees are due **1st September** each year
Family \$20.00 Pensioner Family \$10.00
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Details for paying membership fees: BSB: - 064823
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Judges for January 2018:

Veterans/Open:
Ted/Peter

Novice/Species:
Alison/ Warren



JANUARY

John Pollock	7
Tom Hobden	12
Marie-France Mack	15
Jolly Trotman	19
Delia Hobden	30
Bruce Warren	31
Glennis Edwards	

President's Message

I do hope you all enjoyed the break, and with the Festivities etc. now all behind us, welcome to our New Year of meetings, shows, field days etc. to keep us busy. My wish is for some decent rain to fall before everything in the garden disappears completely. Orchids seem to flower regardless, as I have found out while trying to rescue them from a period of severe neglect. Congratulations to all members who have moved up from Novice to the Open Section, and I do hope you will continue to bring your flowering orchids along to the meetings, to compete with members already in that section – competition prepares you for the shows. I would like to remind all members left in charge of money - at all times, please do not leave it unsupervised, as temptation always rears its ugly head. Thank you to the new Management Committee, I am sure we will all work together for the best outcome for our Society.

Thank you also to all members of the Townsville Orchid Society for supporting me, and helping to make things so enjoyable at the monthly meetings. I have had a request from an Andrew Toogood for information about a Cattleya Margaret Hort, His mother was connected with our Society years ago and apparently bred this orchid. Anyone know anything about it? Jean Nicholson

Minutes from the General Meeting held 26th November 2017

Meeting opened: 12:30pm President Jean Nicholson in the chair

Present 69 as per attendance book.

Apologies 2 as per attendance book

Visitors Sandra Arthur

Minutes

Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as a true and correct record.

M: J Knowles S: R Rasmussen Carried

Business arising: Nil

Correspondence

There was no new correspondence since Friday night's Management Committee to table.

Items of interest: We have had requests for *Den. discolor* var. *broomfieldii*, C. Margaret Hort, a flowering orchid and an orange orchid.

Treasurer's Report

TOS available funds are healthy. Details are available at Monthly Meetings.

Motion: That the treasurer's report be accepted, and accounts be passed for payment.

M: R Scott S: J Johnson Carried

Business arising: Nil

General Business

1. The price of raffle tickets will be \$1 from today.
2. New members Kathy Ritchie, Bruce and Vikki Warren, Peter and Joanne Serra were all welcomed into the Society and presented with their welcome packs.
3. T Boon requested that the Management Committee send a letter of thanks to Alice's Orchids for the orchids purchased for today's raffle.
4. W Sewell advised that Quincan gravel is available at Bunnings.

Meeting Closed 12:37pm

Annual awards were presented.

First Flowering: Col Berzinski and Lyn Mutch

Registrar's Choice:

Novice – Bill Hughes for an Unknown Phalaenopsis with 83 points

Hybrid – Warren and Clara Sewell for *Rlc. Dream Trader* gaining 84 pts

Species – Peter Lucke for *Enc. gracilis* with 83 points

Popular Vote:

First – Robyn Dundas

Second – Bruno Fighera

Third – Kerry Turner

Tabled Plants:

Novice – Ruth Whiting

Species – Noel Grant

Open – Robyn Dundas

Veteran – Noel Grant

Aggregate – Noel Grant

Jean Nicholson - President

Jeff Knowles - Secretary

Tabled Plants:

As Table Judging was not conducted at the November Meeting (the Christmas Lunch), there will be no "Tabled Plants" list or Points Table in this issue of the Bulletin.

The Editor

Calendar

January 2018

26 TOS Management Meeting
28 TOS meeting

March 2018

2 - 12 Taiwan International Orchid Show
6 ANOS Meeting
23 Management Meeting
25 TOS meeting

February 2018

1 ANOS Meeting
23 TOS Management Meeting
25 TOS meeting

April 2018

5 ANOS Meeting
8 Ingham Field Day
12-15 TOS Autumn Orchid Show

Congratulations!

I have updated the membership list and offer congratulations to the following members who have now officially graduated from the Novice Section to the Open Section:

Clare Colledge
Debbie Condren
Alan and Wilma Dean
Mila and Martin Dolan
Karen Donnell
Robyn and Eric Dundas
Sandra Hague
Ann Hardy
John Johnson
Lucy Joynson
Sharon Kenny
Sue Mahoney
John Mellick

Beverley Murdock
Fred Parker
John Pollock
Mark Sanim
John and Wendy Sibthorpe
Eva Smith
James Steven
Elsie Thompson
Jolly and Lawrence Trotman
Kerry Turner
Ruth Whiting
Thomas Zierk

Let me know if you see any errors or omissions ☺
Jeff Knowles.

Minutes from the Management Committee Meeting held 24th November, 2017

Meeting opened: 7:37pm by President Jean Nicholson

Present J Nicholson, R Scott, R Rasmussen, G Kelly, J Knowles, T Ruxton, P Lucke, N Grant, L Johnson, C Lee, J Cairns, S Cairns, R Dundas

Apologies Nil

Visitors Nil

Minutes

Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as a true and correct record

M: J Knowles S: G Kelly Carried

Business arising: Nil

Correspondence

Newsletters: Australian Orchid Review, AOS Orchids, AOS Phalaenopsis, Ipswich, Rockhampton, Nightcliff, Mackay and District, Eastern District (2), Childers and Isis, Boyne Tannum, Atherton Tableland (2), Pohlman's Tour, Tropical Exotique - flask list, Long Pride - catalogue, Ipswich, South Coast SA, Gladstone

Mail: Weight Watchers Workflow - \$950, Townsville City Council Community Grants - received outcome report, T Boon - TQOC meeting report, Hubbards Nursery - Bank details for \$250 plants, Orchids Queensland – minutes, Chef on Call - Christmas Lunch \$2751.37, Orchids Queensland - AOC office holders, David Allom - information request regarding *Peristeria elata* seeds, Queensland Government Fair Trading - TOS annual return - \$53.50, Philosophie Group Cleaning - Tax Invoice \$400.00, Philosophie Group Cleaning - Tax Invoice \$500.00, Gracie Signs - Tax Invoice \$55.00, Cmobile - Tax invoice \$49.80, Nisbets - Tax invoice (dishwasher trays) \$49.50, Other Orchid Organisations - TOS 2018 Directory, Robert Larsen - Information request re Den. discolor, Flaming North - Tax invoice (fire extinguisher check) \$60.50, Mary Shaw - request for orchid, Proserpine Orchid Soc - field day on 4th Sunday in July, Sharyn Turner - TOS meeting information request, Andrew Toogood - Request for information re. Ctt. Margaret Hort, AOC - TOS order for leaflets, T Boon - Den. superbien's classification, (T Burnett) - Comprehensive list of orchid abbreviations, T Boon - Life membership request for ..., Douglas Orchid Society - Proposed activities, R Tappenden - Christmas Lunch inquiry, Townsville City Council - procurement activity review.

New Member Applications: Eric Usher and Maureen Davis (Open), Bruce and Vikki Warren (Open), Peter and Joanne Serra (Open), Kathy Ritchie (Novice), Peter Depperdene (Novice). They were all accepted into the Society.

Motion: That the inwards correspondence be accepted and the outwards adopted.

M: J Knowles, S: R Rasmussen Carried

Business arising:

- Resolved that we pay Hubbard's Nursery \$250 with the invoice to arrive later.
- T Boon to be informed that P Merritt is a life member of TOS.

Treasurer's Report

Total funds are healthy. Details are available at Monthly Meetings.

Motion: That the treasurer's report be accepted and accounts be passed for payment

M: R Scott S: T Ruxton Carried

Business arising: Nil

General Business

- Resolved that all the Novice growers, as per the list circulated, who have been members of the Society for 3 years or more be elevated to the Open class.
- Resolved that G Kelly be Senior Vice-president.
- Resolved that the \$100 club be discontinued.
- Resolved that J Nicholson approach C Truscott to address a future meeting.

- Information booklets to be given a makeover by S Cairns and N Grant.
- Resolved that C Lee obtain \$250 of orchids for the Christmas Lunch raffle from Burleigh Park Orchid Nursery.
- Resolved that all raffle tickets be \$1.
- Resolved that J Knowles supply all Committee members with a membership list.
- Motion: "That accounts paid by T Ruxton and J Knowles during the handover period be ratified" M: T Ruxton S: C Lee Carried
- J Nicholson clarified R Dundas' role. Including food preparation at the hall on the Saturday before our field day.
- R Dundas donated a Christmas tree to the society.
- Resolved that R Dundas be authorised to purchase \$100 Christmas decorations in 2018
- G Kelly has reorganised the points recording system.
- Resolved that general meeting points paperwork be kept for only one month.
- G Kelly to begin planning the 2018 Autumn Orchid Show in January 2018.
- R Rasmussen reported that the office was found open with the light on, with no explanation. Key storage and key register will be updated.
- R Rasmussen has repaired a toilet door and blocked drain and magically got the refrigerator to work.
- R Rasmussen advised that the Weight Watchers will continue hiring the hall in 2018 with the Garden Club to advise us after their AGM.
- R Rasmussen will organise the regular checking, and necessary repair, to exit signs together with any other electrical problems identified.
- Resolved that T Ruxton is to source quotes to repair the safe.
- P Lucke has two applications for membership forms, accompanied by payment.
- Resolved that J Knowles send TOS email logon details to all committee members.
- Motion: "That two new books brought back from Singapore by N Grant be purchased for \$100" M: N Grant S: R Rasmussen Carried
- Resolved that the dates for 2018 Orchid Shows on TOS website be corrected.

Meeting Closed 9:34pm

Jean Nicholson - President

Jeff Knowles - Secretary

Growing Competition Plants for 2018.

The current plants are listed below and with the rain and sunshine we have been getting lately they should all be growing madly. You can skate a bit about your growing prowess by bringing your darlings along to meetings. I know you will be able to easily identify your plants as they will be the biggest - but just in case, ensure you have your membership number on the back of the tag. I plan to distribute No. 2187 at the January meeting to lucky members who are present.

2183 *Vanda sanderiana* var. *albata*

2186 *Vanda* ((Varut Leopard x Dona Isabel Bosch) x V. (Viboon x Varut Fuchsia)) x V. Mungkud

2187 *Vanda* (Fuchs Harvest Moon x Jukkich Gold) x V. Suksamran Spots

Jeff Knowles

To inspire you with the 2018 Growing Competition, here is a photo of *Dendrobium lasianthera*, from our Growing Competition in October 2010:



I am hoping it will still be in flower for our January Meeting on Sunday 28 January 2018.

Noel Grant