

TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC.



July 2021 Bulletin

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Annual Membership Fees are due **1st September** each year
Family \$20.00
Single \$15.00

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

Are you currently un-financial? To remain a member of the Townsville Orchid Society Inc. and to continue to receive the TOS Bulletin, you MUST pay your annual membership.

The next Management Committee Meeting will be held from 7.30pm Friday 23rd July.

The next General Meeting will be held from 1pm Sunday 25th July.

It would be appreciated if members would donate food items for the afternoon tea.

Please also donate some items for the raffle table – e.g.plants, which don't have to be orchids!

Judges for July 2021:

Open

Charlie, Marie

Novice/Species

Alison, Peter

The President's Comments

Welcome to all.

The cancellation of the Winter Show was a disappointment to all involved in the TOS - Covid has struck again. The Queensland Government restrictions limited numbers in the hall to 60 persons at any one time which is difficult to manage over three days. Prior to any decision being taken, members were queried to ensure that we had sufficient on the roster to satisfactorily run the show. Some members withdrew from the roster which would have stretched those working further. We looked at alternate dates and none readily appeared. A decision was then made by the Committee to cancel the show. Every Committee member who responded to my email voted for the action taken.

I know some, and presumably others, would have continued with the show. I know that some members are fully vaccinated but I do not know everyone's position in that regard. The demographics of the club is that most members would be over 60 years and most of the senior members suffer from some ailment. I am hopeful that by September, the percentage of fully vaccinated people in Queensland is such that lockdowns will not be used unless the situation is dire. I am fully vaccinated but have siblings who have stated that they will not have the jab. That is a personal decision that I hope they don't regret. Onwards to the Spring Show.

As previously indicated, our July meeting will have a longer and better afternoon tea. Please bring a plate as usual. I am expecting numbers of *Rhynchostylis gigantea* at this meeting as just about everyone I spoke to indicated that have one or more in flower. These are usually a major attraction at our Winter Show.

The Club still needs scribes to record the winners of each monthly meeting's plant competition. With the new set up, the recording sheets reflect the plant competition's sections. All that needs to be done is to record the winning plants in each section, and each section has a clear sign. I know this may be daunting for some but with repetition it becomes much easier to understand. A senior member will coach you and you will also learn more about orchids as you go. Please think about it.

I walk through my bush house most days. At the moment I have numbers of Cattleyas either in bloom or bud but nothing too eye catching. I continue to have about eight Vandaceous plants in flower at any one

time, which has happened all year. There are a couple of better ones in flower now. I have just on one hundred Tolumnia inflorescences, some of which should open in the near future. I always look forward to that.

The AGM is fast approaching. While the Constitution does not allow me to nominate for President and I do not intend to nominate for a Committee position, I am working on deciding what I will do for the club next year. As President, I am doing a number of things simply because no one else wants to do them. At this time, I feel that I should continue with some of those tasks - but I will not be doing all of them. Please think about what you can do for your club in the next membership year. The Annual General Meeting is to be held at our October Meeting.

Good growing.

Greg Kelly

Minutes from the Management Committee Meeting held Friday, 25th June 2021.

Meeting opened: 7.36pm by President Greg Kelly

Present: Greg Kelly, Jan Allen, Noel Grant, Bill Hughes, Ruth Whiting, Leonie Johnson, Robyn Dundas.
Apologies: June Cairns, Robert Rasmussen

Minutes

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

M: B. Hughes

S. R. Whiting

Carried

Correspondence

Newsletters/Bulletins:

Mail Inwards 2021 AGM and BOM meeting - Marion Davey; Winter Schedule; Garden Fair 2021 x 2; Phillip Thompson - response to email; Mobile ATMs Hire; Reminder - Invoice due to Council for Councillor Discretionary Grant; Application for Membership; Phillip Thompson - Insurance Review x 3; Show Schedule; OrchidWiz X 7.3 has been shipped; Searching for Ionmesa (syn. Ioncidium) Popcorn "Haruri" x 2; Membership Form; Townsville Orchid Society's Insurance x 15; Ecuagenera List June; C-Mobile account; COVID plan request - Shell Club; List your event FREE on Townsville Community Diary; Ergon Energy; Campbell's Coaches - Invoice; RHSV Affiliated Club Membership and Insurance Invoice for 2021 - 2022; Orchid Queensland Inc.; Price Labels TOS Show - Hilders; Campbell's Coaches - bank details; Orchid Queensland Inc - receipt; AGM change - Orchids Queensland Inc; Rentokill Account; Re: 2021 AGM and BOM meeting; DMC Electrical & Air Cooling Pty Ltd - Invoice; Membership Application; Renew your Microsoft 365 subscription; EFT Remittance Advice from Townsville City Council; Ekka 2021; Request for barcodes; Submission: 20/21027CDG - Form added to your submission; Subscription to Orchids Australia; OrchidWiz X 7.3

Mail Outwards: Response to Application of Membership; Orchid Fair Assistance request; Townsville Orchid Society Insurance; May minutes; TOS Bulletin; Orchids Queensland Inc Membership Application/Renewal; RHSV Affiliated Club Membership and Insurance Information.

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

M: J. Allen

S: R. Dundas

Carried

Business arising: Mobile ATM Hire and Show Schedule to be discussed in General Business

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: J. Knowles

S: B. Hughes

Carried

Business arising: Nil

Vice President Reports:

Show (Robyn Dundas):

Need more names on the roster.

Motion: "That we purchase a new 20L urn in preparation for the Winter Show in two weeks' time"

M. G. Kelly

S. R. Whiting

Carried

Bags from Russ Cook - agreed to randomly give them out.

New Show Schedule - some concerns about omissions. Robyn will talk to Reg to better understand his reasoning and come to an agreement.

Property (Greg Kelly on behalf of Robert Rasmussen):

Robert has suggested dates for next year's show. Will go through those next month.

Hospitality (Ruth Whiting):

Quote for Christmas Party - \$38p.head

Smorgasbord is now allowed.

Will not be free to members. Nominal charge will be made to all members attending.

"Christmas in July" – next month.

General Business:

1. Julie Jurgins – member of Bowen Orchid Society – about 150 family 1.00pm – 5.00pm. Committee agrees to hire the hall. Mainly elderly people – family reunion.
2. Grower's Competition – Very few people are participating in the grower's competition so we will change it to giving out the de-flasked plants rather than a competition. Peter Lucke still has some competitions plants that we can hand out - do a draw. Use the rest for new member's plants. July Meeting.
3. Demonstration on de-flasking Jeff – August.
4. TQOC meeting – nominations for positions up next year. They want the Club who is holding the next conference to run the Orchid Fair. TQOC acknowledged the work that TOS members did at the Orchid Fair.
5. OrchidWiz. Cheaper to upload from the Internet – not from DVD. Club should look into it.
6. ATM Machine – look at trying it out at the Spring Show.
7. Insurance rates – Philip Thompson spoke in Parliament about insurance.
8. "Move that we draw a float of \$946.00 for the Winter Show."
M. J. Knowles. S. T. McGill **Carried**
9. Microsoft 365 subscription due. Jan to check it out.
10. Insurance – Jeff has investigated our insurance and has determined that we need insurance on our property and public liability as owners and as tenants. Will end up with two policies.
11. Special interest groups – subgroups of Clubs – could be covered by our insurance.
12. Plants in a show/Sunday afternoon – need to have a minimal number of people touching/moving other people's plants.
13. Need someone to help teach people to be judges.
14. Feedback about advertising – Townsville Bulletin – will charge us the same price as last Show. Facebook ad up to \$50. Committee agreed that this was the best way to go.
15. Need to refine the COVID check-in. Bill feels that it interfered with the takings/raffle table.
16. Ralph Robinson has offered to supply some plants for the raffles as he is unable to be able to help during the year.

New Member Applications:

Ellen Fielder - single – Open – accepted,

Helen Campbell – single - Open - accepted

Jo Melvin – single – Novice – accepted,

Petrice Melvin – single – Novice - accepted

Meeting Closed at 9.53 pm

Greg Kelly - President

Jan Allen – Secretary

Minutes from the General Meeting held Sunday, 27th June 2021.

Meeting opened: 1.05 pm by President Greg Kelly.

Present: 59 as per registration book.

Apologies: Clara Sewell, Peter Sera, Keith Day, Aiden Skinner, Malcolm & Mary Triebel, Robert Rasmussen.

Visitors: Marion Barlow, Anne Molan, Carsten Molan, Karen Davies, Cheryl Stout.

Minutes:

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

Moved: J. Johnson

Seconded: K. Turner

Carried

New Correspondence. No new correspondence since Management Meeting on 25th June 2021.

Treasurer's Report:

TOS available funds are healthy. Details are available at monthly meetings.

Moved: J. Knowles

Seconded: R. Dundas

Carried

Business arising: Need two different types of public liability. Jeff explained why.

Robyn Dundas (Show Vice-President):

- Show rosters coming around again – a few spots to fill in.
- Plants must be clean and free of disease and pests.
- Novices – red dots – see someone for a red dot to place on the orchid.
- Green tags available for the names of your orchids. Put membership number on the back.
- Members and general public will not be allowed in the Hall prior to the commencement of the Show. Thursday – no buying of plants on set-up day – only people working on that day can put them aside on that day.
- COVID rules apply.
- Placing orchid at the Show, a Section sign will be on the table to assist you.
- Marquees will be out the back again for the members to sit and chat. Need help to put them up and pull them down at about 3.00pm.
- Box Day 9.00am on Thursday 1st July.

Ruth Whiting (Hospitality Vice-President):

- Shirt order is in
- Donation of cakes and slices roster will be sent around.

General Business:

1. Orchid Fair – run by TQOC. Thanks to the people who came to help pack tables and set up at the Fair. Rod Shoemith was grateful for the help that TOS members gave.
2. Next TQOC Conference in Mackay.
3. Next month will have an extended afternoon tea. Bring a plate but we will be supplying pizzas and cheesecakes as well.
4. Christmas Party in November – cost of food has risen. Every attending member will contribute something towards the cost of the Party. It will not be free.
5. Townsville Show on this week. Good if people put their plants in.
6. Charlie Truscott – spoke about the need for beneficial bacteria in your pot. Helps break down fertiliser. Stops bad bacteria from affecting your plants. **Go-Go Juice**, available at Bunnings, has lots of beneficial bacteria in it. Works well with molasses. Charlie uses it once a month with organic fertiliser and molasses.
Use Ph strips (from a pool shop) – put your watered plant pot in a plastic bag and leave for half an hour, then measure. One test should tell a story of your overall bush house health.
7. Rex Dix - presentation on Disease in plants (some notes below).
8. Rex Dix announced Judge's Choices.
9. Raffle.

Meeting Closed: 3.00pm

Greg Kelly – President

Jan Allen - Secretary

Disease in Plants – Reg Dix

Reg showed photos of the different viruses that affect our plants - some have been brought into our Orchid Hall.

Viruses

– 5 common viruses and twenty not so common viruses

Need a host to survive.

No treatment for the viruses on our plants.

It is believed that viruses are spread through pollen, insects, snails and slugs, rodents, wind and plant movement, mechanical and hand contact.

Bacteria and Pathogens.

Seal cuts with Steri-Prune (in propagating aisle at Bunnings) using a cotton bud to paint the wound. Use a fresh cotton bud every time you dip it in the pot.

Sterilisation of secateurs etc

Use Trisodium Phosphate (orange box).

Keep solution out of the sunlight.

TABLED PLANTS: PRIZE WINNERS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2021.

Bold Type indicates a correction using Orchidwiz.

Section			TOS No.
OPEN CATTLEYA 110mm and over	1st 2nd 3rd	Rlc Burdekin Bells Rlc Burdekin Dream Rlc Chont Hong 'Big Red Lip'	C Truscott B Figuera H Barlow
CATTLEYA 75mm to 109 mm	1st 2nd 3rd	Rlc Lakehaven Pearl 'Evie' Ctna Topaz Raspberry 'Lea' Rth Alyssa Valmadre	G&S Kelly G&S Kelly R Whiting
CATTLEYA Miniature under 75mm	1st 2nd 3rd	Rlc Little Toshie 'Gold Country'	G&S Kelly
CATTLEYA Cluster	1st 2nd 3rd	Ttna Dark Prince C Angel Heart x C Chocolate Drop Ttna Dark Prince	N&M Grant R Whiting K Owens
DENDROBIUM Phalaenanthe	1st 2nd 3rd	(Den Frasers Blue Twister x Den cochliodes) x Den Adrian Lonne Den Alice's Salverno Den Tropical Lass x <i>Den canaliculatum</i>	K Owens K Owens K Owens
DENDROBIUM Spatulata	1st 2nd 3rd	Den Caesar Red	R&E Dundas
VANDA 40mm to 65mm	1st 2nd 3rd	V Kulwadee Fragrance Mkra Chao Praya Sunset V Pachara Delight	W&C Sewell B Figuera W Hughes
VANDA Under 40mm	1st 2nd 3rd	Van Precious 'Glorious' V Peggy Foo V Unknown	G&S Kelly N&M Grant W Hughes

PHALAENOPSIS Over 60mm	1st 2 nd 3 rd	Phal Pinlong Golden Pride P Allura 'Lady Margaret'	L Johnson R Whiting
ONCIDIUM Any Other	1st 2 nd 3 rd	Onc Tsiku Marguerite Btcm Hwuluduen Chameleon	J&B Richardson R Whiting
TOLUMNIA	1st 2 nd 3 rd	Tolu Sniffen 'Evie' Tolu Red Dragon	G&S Kelly L Johnson
PAPHIOPEDILUM Multi Floral	1st 2 nd 3 rd	Paph Miss Faith Hanbury Paph Mayfair	L Johnson L Johnson
ANY OTHER	1st 2 nd 3 rd	Clo White Magic Fdk After Dark Monn Jumbo Delight	B Figuera N&M Grant R&E Dundas
<u>NOVICE</u> CATTLEYA	1st 2 nd 3 rd	Bc Binosa Kirk C Pink Panther Rlc Mem. Peter Clifton	D Blanchard D Blanchard D Blanchard
DENDROBIUM	1st 2 nd 3 rd	D Little Princess	B&L Howell
VANDA	1st 2 nd 3 rd	V Doctor Anek V Tiger (Not Known) V Princess Mikasa	M Boyd M Boyd M Boyd
PHALAENOPSIS	1st 2 nd 3 rd	Phal Long Pride Snowboard	B&L Howell
ANY OTHER	1st 2 nd 3 rd	Bulb Cheryl Kurizaki Gmn Rosa Ballerina	M&J Draper B&L Howell
<u>SPECIES</u> CATTLEYA	1st 2 nd 3 rd	<i>Epi nocturnum</i> <i>Bark whartonia</i> <i>Bark whartonia</i>	N&M Grant N&M Grant N&M Grant
VANDACEOUS	1st 2 nd 3 rd	<i>V luzonica</i> <i>Rhy gigantea</i> 'red'	N&M Grant L Johnson
PHALAENOPSIS	1st 2 nd 3 rd	<i>Phal bellina</i>	L Johnson
PAPHIOPEDILUM	1st 2 nd 3 rd	<i>Paph spicerianum</i> <i>Paph spicerianum</i> <i>Paph spicerianum</i>	L Johnson P&J Lucke R Whiting
BULBOPHYLLUM	1st 2 nd 3 rd	<i>Bulb grandiflorum aureum</i> <i>Bulb grandiflorum green</i> <i>Bulb stockeri</i>	A&J Knowles A&J Knowles A&J Knowles

Points for Tabled Plants after June 2021

Name	Open	Novice	Species	Aggregate
Barlow H	2			2
Blanchard D		24	2	26
Boon T	1			1
Boyd M		11		11
Cairns J	18			18
Cooper P&M	12		5	17
Day K			4	4
Dix R	2			2
Draper M&J		4		4
Dundas R&E	104		11	115
Eggin P	3			3
Fighera B	42		16	58
Grant N&M	140		111	251
Howell W&L		17	8	25
Hughes W	41		4	45
Johnson Lyn	154		65	219
Kelly G&S	134		4	138
Knowles A&J			87	87
Lee C	36		11	47
Lewis P&L	3			3
Lucke P&J	6		17	23
Nicholson J	11		3	14
Owens K	118		31	149
Phillips T	2		4	6
Rasmussen R	6			6
Richardson J&B	13		8	21
Ruxton T&S	3			3
Ryan L	5			5
Serra P			5	5
Sewell W&C	40		5	45
Stevens J		19		19
Tappenden R	4			
Truscott C	14			14
Watt G		33		33
Whiting R	114		20	134



Judges Choice June 2021

Novice:

Bulb. Sheryl Kurizaki 70 pts

M & J Draper



Judges Choice June 2021

Species:

Bulb stockeri 74 pts

A&J Knowles



Judges Choice June 2021

Open:

Fdk After Dark 77 pts

N & M Grant