

TOWNSVILLE ORCHID SOCIETY INC.



November 2025 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

Account Number: - 0009 0973

Name of Account: Townsville Orchid Society Inc.

Commonwealth Bank, Aitkenvale.

Please advise your name and membership number.

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 1pm Saturday 22nd November. The (very short) November General Meeting will be held from Noon Sunday 23rd November, followed by our Christmas Lunch. You are reminded to be early!

It would be appreciated if members would donate some items for the **raffle table**.
Quality items appreciated!

Judges for November 2025:

Not required!

Presidents Report November 2025

Hello everyone, it's that time of the year again - Christmas is fast approaching as is our Christmas Lunch. The number attending is looking very good. I hope everyone is able to attend, as there is great entertainment from Jeff Knowles again. So, start studying your Christmas Carols, your different orchid genera and anything else you think might be part of his Christmas quiz.

It's been a pleasure to be nominated as President for another year, but next year others will have to stand for the position of President and Secretary as the Constitution only allows three-year tenures for these positions. I have to thank everyone within the club for making it a successful year. From hard work from members of the committee, ensuring all our Shows and events actually happen and run smoothly, to the club members volunteering to work at the Shows, ensuring they are a success, not to mention providing the plants for the exhibitions. There is also a need to recognise the vendors, for without them selling plants and making a donation to the club, we wouldn't be able to keep the hall open. Thank you all.

There's been a lot of upgrade work done on the hall this year - from new doors, new ceiling panels and painting, to the floor stripped and polished and the display frames built for the vendors. There are so many other things we need to look at next year. Hopefully, the committee can get these jobs identified and corrected.

The new calendar for 2026 is out (see below). We've confirmed with the main vendors their ability to attend. I'm hoping there will be no reasons for any changes, allowing everyone to plan for another great year. I have to thank our supporters for coming on board: Thank you, Project Plants, PPS (Professional Pumps Services) and North Queensland Hydroponics Store, all offering free advice and discounts on stock. Also, thanks to Bunnings for allowing us to have information stands at their stores - thank you. Hopefully some other groups may also come onboard and support our club.

There have been a few changes to the committee this year, so thank you to the outgoing members and thank you to the new members and members staying on. A big thank you to the judges for your support at the general meetings and the Shows.

Next year, we will have a small change to how we run judging of meetings. It will run very similar to this year with the exception that members will be asked to judge the "People's Choice". The idea is we can all put into practice what we are taught. What makes a good orchid? Remember the big 6 items: Shape, Colour and Texture, Size, Substance, Floriferousness and Stem Habit and Arrangement. Also, the points scoring systems will change this year as well. Members will no longer be awarded points for the number of plants they bring to meetings, but will still be awarded points in each section. Please don't stop bringing in plants, we need flower to appreciate and judge.

Finally, please remind all your friends we are having our 2nd ever December Christmas plant sale, 5th and 6th of December 9am to 4pm.
Stay well over the break.

Thank You
Troy

Townsville Orchid Society 2026 Calendar

| | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--------------------|-----------|
| January | | | | | |
| 24 th | Committee Meeting | 1pm | 25 th | General Meeting | 1pm |
| February | | | | | |
| 14 th | Association Hall Clean | 9am | 21 st | Committee Meeting | 1pm |
| 22 nd | General Meeting | 1pm | | | |
| March | | | | | |
| 21 st | Committee Meeting | 1pm | 22 nd | General Meeting | 1pm |
| April | | | | | |
| 2 nd | Box Day | 10am | 9 th | Autumn Show Set Up | 9am |
| 10 th , 11 th 12 th | Autumn Show | 9am - 4pm | | | |
| 25 th | Committee Meeting | 1pm (Anzac Day) | 26 th | General Meeting | 1pm |
| May | | | | | |
| 16 th | Ask the Experts and BBQ | 10am - 2pm | 23 rd | Committee Meeting | 1pm |
| 24 th | General Meeting | | | 1pm | |
| June | | | | | |
| 25 th | Box Day | 10am | 27 th | Committee Meeting | 1pm |
| 28 th | General Meeting | | | 1pm | |
| July | | | | | |
| 2 nd | Winter Show Set Up | | 9am | | |
| 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th | Winter Show | 9am - 4pm | | | |
| | Townsville City Council Eco Festival | TBA | | | |
| 25 th | Committee Meeting | 1pm | 26 th | General Meeting | 1pm |
| August | | | | | |
| TBC | Blue Water Fair | | 22 nd | Committee Meeting | 1pm |
| 23 rd | General Meeting | 1pm | 27 th | Box Day | 10am |
| September | | | | | |
| 10 th | Spring Show Set Up | 9am | 11 th , 12 th , 13 th | Spring Show | 9am - 4pm |
| 26 th | Committee Meeting | 1pm | 27 th | General Meeting | 1pm |
| October | | | | | |
| 10 th | Field Day Set up | 10am | 11 th | Field Day | TBC |
| 24 th | Committee Meeting | 1pm | 25 th | General Meeting | 1pm |
| November | | | | | |
| 21 st | Set Up Xmas Lunch | 9am | 21 st | General Meeting | 1pm |
| 22 nd | Christmas Lunch | 11am | | | |
| December | | | | | |
| 3 rd | Xmas Plant Sale Set Up | TBC | 4 th , 5 th | Xmas Plant Sale | 9am - |

Minutes from the Management Committee Meeting held Saturday 25th October 2025.

Meeting opened: at 1.05pm by President Troy McGill

Present: Troy McGill, Leann O'Neill, Samantha McGill, Tony Kapcelovich, Lynette Johnson, Robert Rasmussen, Joseph Walker, Noel Grant, Jan Allen, Janelle Stevens.

Apologies: Ruth Whiting

President report: Troy stated that the BBQ was successful, with 30-35 people turning up. It was a good way of members getting to know each other and he would like to see more of the new members coming along to these more casual events. He would like to see next year's Field Day arranged differently, with maybe a BBQ incorporated into it. Food for thought for next year's committee.

The minutes of the previous meeting were published in the October bulletin. Troy collected them on behalf of the Secretary.

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

M: Troy McGill

S: Robert Rasmussen

Carried

Business arising: Nil.

Correspondence In: National e-deposit summary; DMC Electrical & Airconditioning- invoice; Orchid Species of the World; NQ Flooring – invoice; C-mobile account; October AOS corner; Apology for AGM; September Run sheet; Responses – Plant and Orchid Market x 4; Orchids needing a new home; Meeting Apology and Christmas Lunch; Autumn Show timing; C-mobile account; NQOS Newsletter Oct.; Triple T bulletin; New email address; FB Boost Post claim; Manolis Carpentry – invoice x 2 ; Software programs, website; Auditor – request for documents x 3; 4TTT Community subscriber renewal; DMC payment receipt; Payment to carpenter approved; Proposed calendar; Rentokil notification; Auditor – more statements x2; Updated membership list; Notice of RHSV AGM; Calendar suggestions; Christmas Luncheon quote; New updated membership list; Herbert River OAPS – October newsletter; NOS Species Show; Orchid Books – pick-up; MDOS Newsletter; Apology – BBQ; CIDOS Newsletter; Apologies, BBQ ;

Townsville Learning & Recreation Directory; BOS 2025 Spring Show; Response – Welcome Pack; Advice;

PC Medico October News; TOS Bulletin – October; National e-deposit; Query re tabling of plants; Microsoft Subscription notice; TOS Bulletin; Ergon Energy invoice; TOS financials.

Correspondence Out: Correspondence for September; Orchid and Plant Market invitations – vendors; New memberships; Plant Market Invites; Financials for September; Spring Show; Orchid & Plant Sale; Updated membership list; Cashflow documents x 2; Computer software, website, programs; Invoices for Manolis carpentry; Reconciliation, bank statements etc. x 4; Orchid books; Newest financial membership list; Amended financial membership list; Welcome Pack – new members x 5; Stocktake; Reminder – BBQ Get together 19th October; TOS Stocktake; Minutes; TOS Bulletin; Response to query; Information about NFP rules; October Financials; Newsletters to Bulletin recipients; Query re Fernland advertising; Orchids needing a new home – response.

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

M: Jan Allen

S: Janelle Stevens

Carried

Business arising: Covered in General business

Treasurer: Leann O'Neill

Incoming payments to be paid: electricity, reimbursement forms for Sam, Noel, Carolyn.

Major income came from payment for hall hire by Karate group. Major expense this month was for the flooring. A considerable amount was transferred from the Investment Account to the Cheque Account to cover ongoing expenses.

Funds available to TOS as at 24/10/25:

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

Motion: That the Treasurer's reports be accepted, and accounts be passed for payment

M: Leann O'Neill

S: Lyn Johnson

Carried

Vice President Reports:

Show Report: Tony Kapcelovich

Plant Sale 5th and 6th December. 28 – 30 vendors 9.00 – 4.00 both days. Orchid and Foliage Market – Ask Carolyn to make up poster and post on Facebook.

Thanks to Ray Layton who has invented a new device to ensure that large hanging plants will be able to be hung without damaging the plants. This is especially for Show Plants and General meetings. Hanging frames were made for vendors but sometimes large hanging plants are brought

Nominations in hand are:

| Position | Nominee | Proposer | Second |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Patron | | | |
| President | Troy McGill | Jan Allen | Leann O'Neill |
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| Secretary | Jan Allen | Leann O'Neill | Troy McGill |
| <u>Vice Presidents:</u> | | | |
| Shows | Tony Kapcelovich | Noel Grant | Troy McGill |
| Hall | Tony Kapcelovich | Noel Grant | Troy McGill |
| Hospitality | Samantha McGill | Jan Allen | Leann O'Neill |
| Publicity Officer | Joseph Walker | Lynette Johnson | Leann O'Neill |
| Committee Member 1 | Noel Grant | Jan Allen | Troy McGill |
| Committee Member 2 | Janelle Stevens | Ruth Whiting | Robyn Dundas |
| Committee Member 3 | Ruth Whiting | Jan Allen | Troy McGill |
| Committee Member 4 | Lynette Johnson | Joseph Walker | Leann O'Neill |
| Committee Member 5 | Judith Thomson | Noel Grant | Tony Kapcelovich |
| <u>Other Officers</u> | | | |
| Editor | | | |
| Librarian | | | |
| Technical Officer | | | |
| Programme Director | | | |
| Host 1 | | | |
| Host 2 | | | |
| Host 3 | | | |
| Auditor | | | |
| Host 4 | | | |
| Returning Officer | | | |
| Scrutineer 1 | | | |
| Scrutineer 2 | | | |

As Scrutineer Noel Grant was unavailable, Kevin Owens agreed to fill in. Returning Officer Nuss then confirmed the nominated members in their positions.

Nominations from the floor were called for the outstanding positions. John reminded members that, according to our Constitution, other members can be elected to the management committee at the meeting. The following members were confirmed in their positions.

| Position | Nominee | Proposer | Second |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Patron | Warren Sewell | Jeff Knowles | Robert Rasmussen |
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| <u>Other Officers: from the floor</u> | | | |
| Committee Member 6 | Robert Rasmussen | Janelle Stevens | Terry Ruxton |
| Editor | Noel Grant | Jan Allen | Robert Rasmussen |
| Librarian | Noel Grant | Jan Allen | Troy McGill |
| Technical Officer | Reg Dix | Troy McGill | Terry Ruxton |

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| Programme Director | Troy McGill | Tony Kapcelovich | Lynette Johnson |
| Host 1 | Joseph Walker | Jan Allen | Troy McGill |
| Host 2 | John Rutledge | Troy McGill | Jan Allen |
| Host 3 | Luz Lewis | Jan Allen | Troy McGill |
| Host 4 | Kerry Turner | Troy McGill | Lynette Johnson |
| Host 5 | Tony Kapcelovich | Troy McGill | Jan Allen |
| Auditor | Peter Dadic | Troy McGill | Jan Allen |
| Returning Officer | John Nuss | Terry Ruxton | Kathy Skinner |
| Scrutineer 1 | Noel Grant | Terry Ruxton | Ron Scott |
| Scrutineer 2 | Robert Rasmussen | Troy McGill | Terry Ruxton |
| Scrutineer 3 | Kevin Owens | Terry Ruxton | Ron Scott |

President Troy McGill then assumed the chair.

General Business:

Troy McGill stated that, according to the rules of the Office of Fair Trading, we need to disclose remuneration paid, and other benefits given to management committee members and their relatives. It is confirmed that no remuneration has been paid to any committee member or their relatives.

Meeting Closed at 1.40pm

T McGill President

J Allen Secretary



**Judges Choice
October 2025**

Open Section: (Left)

Phal. Lioulin Golden Beauty

Owner: G&L Johnson

72 Points

Judges Choice October 2025

Species Section: (Right)

Dendrobium farmeri

Owner: A&J Knowles

82 Points



Points Tables after October 2025

| Number | Name | Open | Species | Novice | Aggregate |
|--------|--------------------|------|---------|--------|-----------|
| 280 | Barlow H | 19 | | | 19 |
| 356 | Beasley D | | | 3 | 3 |
| 221 | Blanchard D | 71 | 6 | | 77 |
| 316 | Cooper H | 2 | | | 2 |
| 190 | Figuera B | 49 | 8 | | 57 |
| 338 | Genrich L | | | 4 | 4 |
| 226 | Gibson C | 5 | | | 5 |
| 213 | Grant N&M | 128 | 100 | | 228 |
| 143 | Horn J | 30 | | | 30 |
| 87 | Hughes W | 3 | | | 3 |
| 240 | Johnson L&G | 285 | 122 | | 407 |
| 116 | Kelly G&S | 207 | 1 | | 183 |
| 193 | Knowles A&J | 13 | 61 | | 74 |
| 320 | Layton R | 4 | | | 4 |
| 149 | Lewis P&L | | 3 | | 3 |
| 71 | Lucke P&J | 9 | | | 9 |
| 375 | Martens A | | | 3 | 3 |
| 322 | McCulloch/Weaver | 58 | 25 | | 83 |
| 241 | McGill T | 3 | | | 3 |
| 148 | Nuss J | | 3 | | 3 |
| 344 | O'Neill LB&H | | | 22 | 22 |
| 63 | Owens K | 90 | 17 | | 107 |
| 131 | Richardson J&B | 20 | 15 | | 35 |
| 52 | Ruxton T&S | 4 | 4 | | 8 |
| 168 | Scott R | 9 | | | 9 |
| 233 | Serra P&J | 4 | 19 | | 23 |
| 172 | Sewell C&W | 3 | | | 3 |
| 378 | Slatter P | 4 | 1 | | 5 |
| 258 | Stevens J | 12 | | | 12 |
| 310 | Walker J | 13 | | | 13 |
| 220 | Watt G | 8 | 5 | | 13 |
| 104 | Woodhouse/Richards | 15 | | | 15 |

PRIZE WINNERS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2025

Bold Type indicates a correction using Orchidwiz.

| Section | | | TOS No. |
|---|-------------------|--|---|
| OPEN CATTLEYA 75mm to 109 mm | 1st 2nd | C Mini Love C Pat Mason 'Lyn' | Julie Horn G&S Kelly |
| CATTLEYA Cluster | 1st 2nd 3rd | Lc Kamadii name not found Jkf Appleblossom Epi Pixie Charm | P Slatter G&L Johnson G&L Johnson |
| CATTLEYA Any other Hybrid | 1st 2nd 3rd | Ctna Dal's Strike Enc Gail Nakagaki E Atropine | G&S Kelly D Blanchard K Owens |
| DENDROBIUM Spatulata | 1st 2nd 3rd | Den Magenta's Chocolate Curls Den Coleman's Big Red x Den (Black Spider x Ly's Pride) Den Toro Lassie x <i>canaliculatum</i> | G&L Johnson L McCulloch K Owens |
| DENDROBIUM Any other Hybrid | 1st 2nd | Den Roongkamol Vejvarut Den Lady Gem x Topaz Dream | G&L Johnson P&J Serra |
| VANDA 40mm to 65mm | 1st 2nd 3rd | Van Pine Rivers 'KBR' Van Pine Rivers 'Pink' V Little Gem | G&S Kelly D Blanchard G&S Kelly |
| PHALAENOPSIS Any Other Hybrid | 1st 2nd | Phal Tying Shin Beagle Phal Lioulin Golden Beauty | G&L Johnson G&L Johnson |
| PAPHIOPEDILUM Multi Floral | 1st 2nd 3rd | Paph Ecithis name not found Paph St Swithins x Pinocchio Paph Mary Franz Smith | G&L Johnson G&L Johnson G&L Johnson |
| TOLUMNIA | 1st 2nd 3rd | Tolu Asternova Sunspot x Willowbank Strawberry Rrm Swan's Statement Rrm Molly | G&S Kelly G&S Kelly G&S Kelly |
| ANY OTHER ORCHID Under 75mm | 1st 2nd | Zygonisia Cynosure 'Blue Birds' Cym Unknown | D Blanchard Julie Horn |
| NOVICE PHALAENOPSIS | 1st 2nd | Phal Unknown Phal Fullers F8930 name not found | D Beasley D Beasley |
| SPECIES AUSTRALIAN NATIVE | 1st 2nd | <i>Cym suave</i> <i>Den discolor</i> 'Ronny No 2' | P&J Serra P&J Serra |
| CATTLEYA | 1st 2nd 3rd | <i>Enc fragrans</i> <i>Enc chacaoensis</i> <i>C intermedia v alba</i> | L McCulloch G&L Johnson A&J Knowles |
| DENDROBIUM | 1st 2nd | <i>Den farmer</i> <i>Den amabile</i> | A&J Knowles P&L Lewis |
| ONCIDIUM | 1st 2nd | <i>Onc sphacelatum</i> <i>Milt flavescens</i> | G&L Johnson G&L Johnson |
| PAPHIOPEDILUM | 1st 2nd | <i>Paph primulinum var purpurescens</i> <i>Paph exul</i> | G&L Johnson D Blanchard |
| BULBOPHYLLUM | 1st | <i>Bulb amplebracteatum</i> | A&J Knowles |



**Judges Choice
October 2025**

Novice Section

Phal. Fullers F8930

Owner: Donette Beasley

70 Points