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Regular monthly meetings:

Monthly meetings of the Society are held on the **first Wednesday** of each month (except January) at the **Seventh Day Adventist Church, corner Gould and Macleay St. Turner**. Meetings commence at 8:00pm with the library and sales table open from 7:30pm.

Meeting Program

February: - Mark Clements – Orchids of Europe
- Demo: potting on from com-pots

March: - TBA

Upcoming Events

Orchid Workshop: hosted by the Eurobodalla Orchid Club – 21 & 22 March 2015, Kyla Hall, Tuross Head

Connect and Participate Expo: Saturday 28 March 2015, 11am – 4pm. Old Bus Depot Markets, 21 Wentworth Avenue, Kingston.

Castle Hill International Orchid Fair: Friday 17th & Saturday 18th April, Castle Hill Showground

Canberra Horticultural Society Events

Autumn Flower Show: 7 & 8 March, Wesley Centre, 20 National Circuit Forrest

For further information and the show schedule, visit the Horticultural Society's website: www.hsoc.org.au



December Judges' Choice Species: *Renanthera angustifolia*, grown by Jane Wright



November Orchid of the Night & Judges' Choice Hybrid: *Cypripedium Phillip*, grown by Paul Tyerman

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Committee meetings:

3 March: Bill Ferris

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From the President

The committee is keen to arrange events that may be of interest to new and novice members. Accordingly I announced at the November meeting that the society would purchase several flasks to be used for demonstration purposes. Unfortunately the plants were in need of de-flasking as soon as they were received so I arranged to hold the demonstration at my place on 10 January. It was pleasing to see a good attendance given the time of year and I trust those attending found the afternoon enjoyable and interesting. In particular I would like to thank Mark Fraser who did an excellent job in conducting the demonstration and his commentary on what to do. Now the task for Mark, Karen and I is to grow the orchids to a size where they can be used on the raffle and the sales table. Note that Mark will demonstrate the re-potting of a community pot of orchids at the February meeting.

It is that time of year when many of the native terrestrials are emerging from their pre summer rest. This means it's time to repot and/or begin watering. I was surprised to find some mealybug on the new growth of a *Diuris* tuber some 50mm or so underground when investigating the state of the tubers. The Thelychitons seem to be putting on good growth this season as are other orchid species. Hopefully members will have a good display of orchids to enter in the Canberra Horticultural Society Autumn Flower Show on 7 and 8 March. However I have noticed new growths on some orchids have been lopped and caterpillars are also active.

The society has a new supply of sphagnum moss and tree fern which will be on the sales table at the meeting. Again, if there are any particular supplies you would like brought to the meeting, please contact David Judge (for nuggets), Laurie Woods (for coco husk chips) or myself for everything else.

The Committee has been considering whether current membership categories and fees are appropriate. It has been decided at this time that the only change would be to treat full time students as junior members.

Don't forget registrations for the Orchid Workshop on 21 and 22 March at Tuross Head, hosted by the Eurobodalla Orchid Club, close on 20 February. Further information is in this Bulletin.

Connect and Participate Expo

The Canberra Orchid Society will again be operating a stall at this year's Connect and Participate Expo to be held on Saturday 28 March 11am – 4pm at the Old Bus Depot Markets, Kingston. This is an opportunity to show off our society to the public and perhaps invite new members to join. We will need members willing to man the stall on the day and answer questions – anyone who wishes to volunteer some of their time (even an hour or two), please contact Jacquie Bannerman on 6154 7178.



November Judges' Choice Specimen: *Sarcochilus* Maria, grown by Rob Rough

General Meeting Minutes **5 November 2014**

Members Present: 29
Apologies: 12
Visitors: 1

President Bill reminded members that the ANOS Tuber Bank would soon be inviting orders for native terrestrials. Peter Coyne will coordinate orders for the society. Bill also noted the recent receipt of an interesting flask list from Easy Orchids, which has a wide diversity of orchids. He anticipated having a de-flasking demonstration, possibly at our February meeting.

Bill also reminded members that the Christmas meeting would be on 10 December, not the first Wednesday of the month, and outlined catering arrangements.

Speaker:

Ben Wallace gave an illustrated talk on the orchids of Sabah, a state of Malaysia on the island of Borneo. Sabah is one of the best places anywhere to see orchids. Many genera and species are common to Sabah and South-east Asia, but Sabah also has floral connections with Australia such as, for example, *Leptospermum* and *Phyllocladus*. Kinabalu National Park has more than 1000 species of orchids and 50 species of Rhododendrons. Ben showed photos of the beautiful flora, many of which were orchids, including:

Coelogyne papillosum

C. clemensii

C. pulverula

Aerides lawrencei

Eria gracilis

E. jonesiana

Thrixspermum triangulare

Renanthera bella

Podochilus tenuis

Bulbophyllum coriaceum

B. pelicanoides

B. catenatum

B. lobbii lobbii

Paphiopedilum virens

P. rothschildianum

Trichotosia jenseniana

Dossinia sp.

Dilochia sp.

Porrorachis [galbinii?]

Arundina graminifolia

Phalaenopsis fasciatum

Paraphalaenopsis labukensis

Dimorphorchis rossii

D. lowii

Dimorphorchis lowii has inflorescences up to two metres long and as many as eight inflorescences at once.



November Judges' Choice Species: *Durabaculum undulatum*, grown by Bob Bush



December Judges' Choice Specimen: *Bulbophyllum lobbii*, grown by Mark Fraser & Sandra Corbett

Secretary's Report: (most not read out)

Bulletins	Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society newsletter - November Milton-Ulladulla Orchid Society newsletters - September and October Albury-Wodonga & District Orchid Club newsletter - November Sapphire Coast Orchid Club newsletter - October Eurobodalla Orchid Club newsletter - November ANOS Victoria Group Bulletin - November OSNSW Orchid News - October
Magazines	Canberra Horticultural Society Bulletin - November 2014/January 2015 The Orchid Review - September/October 2014 Orchids Australia - October 2014
Other mail	Bank statement Email about the 2015 AOC Conference in Mackay Correspondence concerning the dates for next year's show Booking for next year's show Information on Dendi Orchids open weekend and stock reduction sale Information on 2015 orchid calendar Correspondence concerning a plant found in Aranda bushland (not orchid) Easy Orchids flask list (orders by 12 November) Information on the Connect and Participate (CAP) Expo 28 March 2015 Flyer for a two-week orchid tour in Thailand in March Information from Worldview Orchids for Life on conservation activity in Myanmar

Moved by Nita Wheeler, seconded by Mark Fraser - accepted.

Treasurer's report: The current bank balance is \$26,471.

Moved by Ben Walcott, seconded by Laurie Woods - accepted.

Karen Groeneveld reported on the Forum on the State of Native Vegetation in the ACT, held by the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand. There would be value in considering a possible role for the society in orchid conservation activities. Karen described a number of on-line facilities, some enabling the public to contribute to location data for species. Sites mentioned include:

Australian National Herbarium Plant Census —

<http://www.cpbr.gov.au/chah/apc/about-APC.html>

Atlas of Living Australia — <http://www.ala.org.au/>

ACT Vegwatch manual —

<http://www.molonglocatchment.com.au/Documents/News%20Page/ACT%20Vegwatch%20Manual.pdf>

ACT & Southern Tablelands Weedspotter —

<http://root.ala.org.au/bdrs-core/act-esdd/home.htm>

Canberra Nature Map —

<http://canberranaturemap.org/>

Minutes of the September and October meetings moved by Ros Walcott, seconded by Jane Wright - accepted.

Other business: Bill advised that the 2015 Show will be on 26–27 September. We are hoping to open earlier on the Sunday than this year but that has not been settled. The last Committee meeting discussed the membership fee structure, mainly the possibility of multi-year options and reduction of fees. Bill reminded members about the November Show of the Horticultural Society, which will have a number of orchid categories.

Next meetings: The December meeting will be the Christmas party and will be on 10 December.

February: Mark Clements to talk on orchids of Europe. Possibly also a de-flasking demonstration

March: Mark Clements on 'What we know and don't know about Australian orchids' and mapping orchids

Q & A: Don't water terrestrials from now on as they need to die back to the tubers, which can be re-potted around New Year.

Raffle Prizes: Bob Bush, Heather Macgregor, Ben Walcott, Christine Small, Nita Wheeler, Bill Ferris, Craig Allen, Trish Stewart-Richardson, Yvonne Day, Bob Forrester

Lucky door prize: Roger Williams



December Orchid of the Night: *Brassia verrucosa*, grown by Chris Finch

General Meeting Minutes

10 December 2014

Members Present: 34

Apologies: 6

Visitors: 2

This was the Christmas party and lacked the usual meeting structure.

Three intriguing quizzes provided interest, challenge and entertainment.

Three members, Nita Wheeler, Jim Wheeler and Lance Sanders won the award for attending all meetings in the year.

Jane Wright won the prize for the most successful exhibitor in the popular vote.

Sales Table (Members Only)

Pots	Bill Ferris	6297 5635
Fertilizer		
Wire products		
Shirts	Robyn Noel	6258 5734
25 th Anniversary glasses	Ben Walcott	6161 2742
Bark	David Judge	
Orchid Mate	Laurie Woods	0412 632 046 (or 6258 6187 after 8.00pm)

Orchid Workshop 2015
Hosted by the Eurobodalla Orchid Club

When: Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 March, starting 8:30am

Where: Kyla Hall, (off Hector McWilliam Drive) Tuross Head

Cost: \$50 per person (includes morning and afternoon teas and lunch on Saturday).

Registration closes 20 February. For registration forms and any further information visit the website:

<http://orchidworkshop2015.weebly.com/>

The Speakers:

Clive Halls (Mt Beenak Orchids, Three Bridges. Vic)

- Masdevallias, Oncidinae and Sarcocbilus

Walter (Wally) Rhodes (Camira Orchids, Tea Gardens. NSW)

- Paphopedilum & Phalaenopsis of Taiwan

Kevin Hipkins (Royale Orchids, Peats Ridge. NSW)

- Cymbidiums

All speakers will have plants for sale.

Program:

Saturday 21 March 2015	
8.30am	Registration, Plant Sales
9.30-10.30am	Kevin Hipkins—Cymbidiums Plus
10.30am	Morning Tea, Plant Sales
11.00 - 12noon	Clive Halls - Masdevallias
12.00 noon	Plant Sales BBQ Luncheon
1.30 - 2.30pm	Wally Rhodes- Paphiopedilums
2.30pm	Plant sales & a cuppa
3.00 - 4.00pm	Kevin Hipkins—Cymbidiums Plus
4.00pm	Plant Sales & last cuppa
4.30 - 5.30pm	Clive Halls—Oncidiums

5.30pm	End of day's presentations
6.30 for	Workshop Dinner at own expense -
7.00pm	Tuross Head Country Club
Sunday 22 March 2015	
8.30am	Open & Plant Sales
9.00 - 9.45am	Wally Rhodes - Phalaenopsis of Taiwan
9.45 - 10.00am	Plant Sales & cuppa
10.00 - 10.45	Clive Halls - Sarcocbilus
10.45 - 11.00am	Plant Sales & last cuppa
11.00- 11.45am	Kevin Hipkins—Cymbidium Plus
11.45– 12.30pm	Our three speakers in Open Forum
12.30pm	Last sales opportunity & Workshop Close

(All times indicative only)

Horticultural Society Spring Bulb and Camellia Show

13 September 2014

Orchid Section Results:

Champion Orchid		<i>Dendrobium</i> Rutherford Starburst x Gracillimum		K. Groeneveld
Class		Place	Plant	Owner
213	Cattleya alliance species	1	<i>Laelia jongheana</i>	J. Wright
		2	<i>Cattleya intermedia</i>	J. Wright
216	Vandaceous Alliance	1	<i>Rhynchostylis gigantea</i>	J. Wright
217	Oncidium alliance	1	<i>Tolumnia</i> unknown hybrid	J. Wright
		2	<i>Tolumnia</i> Crownfox Blush 'Udom'	J. Wright
218	Pleurothallid	1	<i>Restrepia nitiohyncha</i>	J. Wright
		2	<i>Restrepia roseola</i>	J. Wright
219	Native Dendrobium	1	<i>Dendrobium</i> Rutherford Starburst x Gracillimum	K. Groeneveld
		2	<i>Durabaculum undulatum</i>	M. Fraser & S. Corbett
220	Other Native Orchid	1	<i>Pterostylis pedunculata</i>	W. Ferris
		2	<i>Pterostylis nutans</i>	K. Groeneveld
221	Coelogyne alliance	1	<i>Coelogyne</i> Unchained Melody	W. Ferris
222	Any other species	1	<i>Bulbophyllum bicolor</i>	M. Fraser & S. Corbett
		2	<i>Stenorrhynchos speciosa</i>	J. Wright

Horticultural Society Iris & Rhododendron Show

25 October 2014

Orchid Section Results:

Champion Orchid		<i>Renanthera citrina</i>		M. Fraser & S. Corbett
Class		Place	Plant	Owner
55	Cymbidium	1	<i>Cymbidium</i> unknown	J. Hemingway
		2	<i>Cymbidium</i> Devon Lord 'Viceroy'	B. Bush
56	Cattleya - standard	1	<i>Cattleya</i> Spring Drumb	R. Rough
57	Cattleya- intermediate	1	<i>Cattleya</i> Tokyo Magic	J. Wright
58 58	Cattleya - miniature	1	<i>Cattleya</i> Dal's Halo	B. Bush
		2	<i>Cattlianthe</i> Trick or Treat	R. Rough
59	Cattleya alliance species	1	<i>Cattleya intermedia</i> 'Alba'	R. Rough
		2	<i>Cattleya intermedia</i>	R. Rough
60	Cypripedeae	1	<i>Cypripedium</i> Phillip	J. Wright
		2	<i>Cypripedium</i> Phillip	P. Tyerman
61	Vandaceous alliance	1	<i>Renanthera citrina</i>	M. Fraser & S. Corbett
		2	<i>Vanda tessellata</i>	J. Wright
62	Native Dendrobium	1	<i>Dendrobium</i> Snowman x Zip	B. Bush
		2	<i>Thelychiton kingianus</i> 'Black Gold'	R. Rough
63	Native Vandaceous	1	<i>Sarcochilus</i> Burgundy on Ice	R. Rough
		2	<i>Sarcochilus</i> Judith	R. Rough
64	Other Native Orchid	1	<i>Diuris punctata</i>	P. Tyerman
65	Oncidium alliance	1	<i>Tolumnia</i> Popoki 'Strawberry Wine'	R. Rough
		2	<i>Tolumnia</i> Crownfox Blood 'Udom'	J. Wright
66	Pleurothallid species	1	<i>Masdevallia sanctae-inesae</i>	J. Wright
67	Pleurothallid hybrid	1	<i>Masdevallia</i> Galaxy	J. Wright
68	Any other species	1	<i>Dendrobium pierardii</i>	B. Bush
69	Any other hybrid	1	<i>Coelogyne</i> Unchained Melody	B. Bush
		2	<i>Coelogyne</i> Unchained Melody	P. Hammond

Popular Vote November 2014

Category	Plant	Owner
Laeliinae species	<i>Barkeria spectabilis</i>	Jane Wright
Laeliinae hybrid	<i>Cattleya</i> Spring Drumb	Rob Rough
	<i>Brassanthe</i> Sommersonne	Karen Groeneveld
Pleurothallidinae	<i>Masdevallia veitchiana</i>	Jane Wright
Cypripedeae	<i>Cypripedium</i> Phillip	Paul Tyerman
<i>Phalaenopsis</i>	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Dendi's Odyssey	Mark Fraser & Sandra Corbett
Vandae	<i>Vanda miniata</i>	Karen Groeneveld
Exotic Dendrobium	<i>Durabaculum undulatum</i>	Bob Bush
<i>Bulbophyllum</i>	<i>Bulbophyllum grandiflorum</i>	Karen Groeneveld
<i>Sarcochilus</i>	<i>Sarcochilus</i> Jaydee	Rob Rough
Australian terrestrials	<i>Diuris punctata</i>	Paul Tyerman
Any other orchid	<i>Lycaste skinneri</i>	Ben Wallace
Orchid of the Night	<i>Cypripedium</i> Phillip	Paul Tyerman
Judges' Choice - Hybrid	<i>Cypripedium</i> Phillip	Paul Tyerman
Judges' Choice - Species	<i>Durabaculum undulatum</i>	Bob Bush
Judges' Choice - Specimen	<i>Sarcochilus</i> Maria	Rob Rough

Popular Vote December 2014

Category	Plant	Owner
Laeliinae	<i>Encyclia mariae</i>	Jane Wright
Cymbidium	<i>Cymbidium canaliculatum</i>	Nita Wheeler
Paphiopedilum	<i>Paphiopedilum callosum</i>	David Judge
Pleurothallidinae	<i>Pleurothallis tarantula</i>	Karen Groeneveld
Bulbophyllum	<i>Bulbophyllum lobbii</i>	Mark Fraser & Sandra Corbett
Vandae	<i>Renanthera angustifolia</i>	Jane Wright
Oncidiinae	<i>Brassia verrucosa</i>	Chris Finch
Exotic Dendrobeae	<i>Dendrobium chrysotoxum</i>	Ben Wallace
Orchid of the Night	<i>Brassia verrucosa</i>	Chris Finch
Judges' Choice - Hybrid	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Dendi's Art	Mark Fraser & Sandra Corbett
Judges' Choice - Species	<i>Renanthera angustifolia</i>	Jane Wright
Judges' Choice - Specimen	<i>Bulbophyllum lobbii</i>	Mark Fraser & Sandra Corbett

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