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MONTHLY NEWS LETTER



MEETING: 7.30 pm
2ND WEDNESDAY
OF THE MONTH.
Senior Citizens Hall
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OUR NEXT MEETING

11 December

END OF YEAR Party

CHAMPIONSHIP NIGHT

Popular Choice Vote

REMINDER

**Annual membership fees are due on
January 1**

Fees \$12.00 per couple (2 people, 1 newsletter); \$10.00 single,
\$5.00 junior. Annual membership fees are due on January 1.



No Beginner's class at December Meeting

Volunteers needed for 2014 to give a talk or demonstration. Please see Maureen

WE PRIDE OURSELVES ON BEING THE FRIENDLY SOCIETY

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CHAMPIONSHIP NIGHTS

MARCH:

Cattleya (under 90mm) and clusters

Vandaceous

APRIL:

Species

MAY:

Hardcane Dendrobium

JUNE:

Paphiopedilum

Oncidium Alliance

JULY:

Cymbidium

AUGUST:

Cattleya (over 90mm)

SEPTEMBER:

Australian Native (Except Sarcophilus)

OCTOBER:

Softcane Dendrobium &

AUCTION NIGHT

NOVEMBER:

Sarcophilus

DECEMBER:

CHRISTMAS PARTY &

Popular Choice Vote

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Proposed Show Dates for 2014

Koi Show
Sun 18 May

FDOS Winter Show
23 July - 26 July
(Set Up 5.30 pm Tues 22nd)

FDOS Spring Show
3rd September - 6th September
(Set Up 5.30 pm Tues 3rd)

Invitation Events

Hills District Orchids hold four Open Days a year. 9.00am until 4.00pm. Tea & coffee is provided and a BBQ is held from mid-morning to lunch-time.

Summer: first Sunday in December - 1 December

As there is no parking at the nursery, please park in either Mary Street or Windermere Avenue. Windsor Road is also on the main bus route between Parramatta and Baulkham Hills/Castle Hill. Westbus Operate from Parramatta railway station. To plan your trip on public transport visit www.131500.info

Tinonee Orchid Nursery www.tinoneeorchids.com (Ray Clement) and Macquarie Native Orchids (Michael Harrison) attend all of our Open Days.

Dark Star Orchids (Hans Schaible)

www.darkstarorchids.com.au is present at our Summer Open Day.

Orchids Out West 17th - 19th May 2014: Dates confirmed for 2014

Maureen would appreciate it if arrangements could be made to correct or forward any information about coming events.

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MINUTES GENERAL MEETING HELD 13th November 2013

President, John Abrahams, opened the meeting at 8.01 pm, at the Villawood Senior Citizens Hall.

VISITORS: Robert & Leonie Benge, Janet & Peter Hassos, Charlize Wheller, Kemeng Lim, Lesley & Garry Appleyard

NEW MEMBERS: Darana & Theraboyh Chap, Chi & Buu Huynh, Bishoa Ong, Pect Heng, Thina Eang, Bernard Brown

APOLOGIES: Barbara Lachmund, Alan McFarlane & Maria Pusic

JUDGES ASSISTANTS FOR January 2014: Laura Valli & Otilia Maia

SUPPER ROSTER FOR January 2014: Les Horner & Pete Dennis

RAFFLE PRIZES: Plants from Stock & Will Wagner

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (as published in the bulletin):

Moved: Sandra Crosby **Seconded:** Sonia Cosgrove **Carried:** Yes

TREASURER'S REPORT: Prepared and presented by Elaine Abrahams

Treasurers report deferred to January meeting due to an over worked treasurer

Moved: **Seconded:** **Carried:**

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

1. Bulletins from affiliated Societies
2. Bank Statement
3. SCU Statement

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

1. Bulletins to members & affiliated Societies

Moved: Laura Valli **Seconded:** Scott Sullivan **Carried:** Yes

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Don't forget we will be having a giant raffle at our Christmas Party so you can start donating goodies, but please make sure they are in date. If you are cleaning out your cupboard check the dates please.
- Reminder to all members that you must be wearing your name badge to purchase in the store or to receive your prize if your lucky number is called out.
- Mainly to new members at our Christmas party we have what we call members choice, each member is encouraged to bench one plant only (any genera) and all members vote on what they consider the best.
- The president thanked Will Wagner for doing the beginners class tonight

RAFFLE RESULTS: Evelyn McFarlane x 2, Madga Kurtyka x 2, Christos Patsalou, Robert Benge x 2, Elizabeth Braga, Sandra Crosby & Ian Lawson

MEMBERS NUMBER DRAW: No: 93 Doug Cramp not present Jackpot \$20.00 in January

Meeting closed at 8.50 p.m. by John Abrahams.

Note from Editor -A badge is required to claim the Lucky Number Draw Prize or to buy from our Store. If you do not have a badge, ask Maureen at the next meeting. Have your name written down the way YOU want it spelled. Bring your own plastic holder or buy one

CHAMPION SARCOCHILUS

Sarco. Kurumba X Kulnura Musk Don Roberts

BENCHING RESULTS — November 2013

OPEN

Best Exhibit: *Rhync. retusa* T & M Brutto

CLASS 1 Standard Cymbidium	No Entries
CLASS 2 Intermediate Cymbidium	No Entries
CLASS 3 Miniature Cymbidium	
1: <i>Cym. Cricket</i>	Laura Valli
2: <i>Cym. Plush Canyon 'Beenak'</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
CLASS 4 Cattleya – Exhibition	
1: <i>Lc. Rosies Surprise</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
2: <i>Blc. Beautiful Morning</i>	Kim Mung
3: <i>Cankamiana ? Coerulea Azure Skies</i>	Peter Denise
CLASS 5 Cattleya – Novelty	
1: <i>Lc. Angel Heart Hihimanu X Sl. Orpetii Eastwind</i>	M Kurtyka
2: <i>Cym. Lyn Spencer 'Cha' X Beaufort 'Big Circle'</i>	Laura Valli
3: <i>Rsc. ? Beverley Blietz</i>	Minh Bau Nguyen
CLASS 6 Cattleya – Cluster	
1: <i>Ct. ? Cockara Bill ?</i>	Kim Mung
2: <i>C. unknown</i>	Laura Valli
CLASS 7 Cattleya – Miniature	
1: <i>Sl. Dal's Good One 'Janelle' MCC/AOC</i>	Laura Valli
2: <i>Lc. Tokyo Magic X Slc. Tangerine Jewel</i>	John English
3: <i>C. Jewel Box 'Schezerade' ?</i>	Laura Valli
CLASS 8 Cattleya – Intergeneric	
1: <i>Unknown Dial Pink Jewel ?</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
2: <i>Iwanagara Appleblossom</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
3: <i>Iwanagarra Apple Blossom 'Golden Beauty' X (Dial Snowflake X Blc. Orange Nugget) Ian Lawson</i>	
CLASS 9 Paphiopedilum Species	
1: <i>Paph. hirsutissimum</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
2: <i>Paph. liemianum</i>	Quoc Luong Ly
3: <i>Paph. sukhakulii '9359' X sukhakulii 'Ann' AM/AOC Stephen Ly</i>	
CLASS 10 Paphiopedilum – Hybrid	
1: <i>Paph. Purple Volver X Flame Arrow</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
CLASS 11 Paphiopedilum – Complex Hybrid	
1: <i>Paph. Marita</i>	Laura Valli
CLASS 12 Oncidium Hybrid..	
1: <i>Onc. Sydney</i>	Laura Valli
2: <i>Onc. Golden Shower</i>	T & M Brutto
3: <i>Onc. Sharry Baby 'Perfumed Princess'</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
CLASS 13 Oncidinae Intergeneric Hybrid - up to 65 mm	
1: <i>Colm. Space Race 'Topaz Gold'</i>	Louie Friess
2: <i>Wils. unknown</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
3: <i>Burrageara Dee Luce 'Everglades'</i>	Arthur Smyrnios
CLASS 13a Oncidinae Intergeneric Hybrid - over 65 mm	
1: <i>Wils. Hilda Plumtree 'Purple Wings'</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
2: <i>Odcdm. Tiger Crow X Oda. (Petit Ford ? X Wearside Pattern)</i>	Arthur Smyrnios
3: <i>Wils. Alicia Husimchuk ? 'Maroon Doubloon'</i>	Laura Valli
CLASS 14 Australian Native Species (excluding terrestrials)	
1: <i>Cym. canaliculatum</i>	John English
2: <i>Sarco. ceciliae</i>	John English
3: <i>Sarco. hartmannii 'Vaci' X 'Red Snow'</i>	Ian Lawson
CLASS 14a Australian Native Terrestrial (species & hybrids)	No Entries
CLASS 15 Australian Native Hybrid (excluding terrestrials)	
1: <i>Sarco. Kurumba X Kulnura Musk</i>	D Roberts
2: <i>Sarco. Riverdene X Plctrza. ? tridentata</i>	D Roberts
3: <i>Sarco. Cherie Joy X Orange Glow</i>	Ian Lawson

CLASS 16 Dendrobium Softcane	No Entries
CLASS 17 Dendrobium Hardcane Hybrid	
1: <i>Den. Gatton Sunray</i>	T & M Brutto
2: <i>Den. ? Kip Mckillop X Mighty Mite</i>	Kim Mung
3: <i>Den. Impact 'O'</i>	Kim Mung
CLASS 18 Standard Species from the Americas	
1: <i>Onc. Splinter X sphacelatum</i>	T & M Brutto
2: <i>Epi floribundum</i>	Rosa Sessa
3: <i>Onc. crispum</i>	T & M Brutto9
CLASS 19 Standard Species other than the Americas	
1: <i>Ascocentrum ampulloceum</i>	93
2: <i>Den. chrystoxum var. vasumissimum</i>	Kim Mung
CLASS 20 Miniature Species	
1: <i>Eria spicata</i>	Kim Mung
CLASS 21 Vandaceous	
1: <i>Rhync. retusa X unknown</i>	T & M Brutto
2: <i>Renanthera Tom Thumb</i>	Kim Mung
3: <i>Vasco. Pine Rivers 'Narrangba'</i>	Kim Mung
CLASS 22 Phalaenopsis - Classic	
1: <i>Phal. Golden Sand</i>	T & M Brutto
2: <i>Phal. Sogo Smith</i>	T & M Brutto
3: <i>Phal. Pueblo Jewel X Louise Jansen</i>	T & M Brutto
CLASS 23 Phalaenopsis - Novelty	
1: <i>Phal. unknown</i>	T & M Brutto
2: <i>Phal. Sun Beauty</i>	T & M Brutto
3: <i>Phal. I-Hsin 'Black Valentine'</i>	T & M Brutto
CLASS 24 Miscellaneous	
1: <i>Phrag. Wossner 'Super Grande'</i>	Quoc Luong Ly
2: <i>Lycaste Macama 'Jenny Wren'</i>	T Costa & S Crosby
3: <i>Epi. Sunny Girl</i>	T & M Brutto
CLASS 25 Seedling – Any Genus	
1: <i>Sarco. hartmannii X (Bernice Klein X Zoe)</i>	Ian Lawson
2: <i>Sarco. Melba X (Bernice Klein X Zoe)</i>	Ian Lawson
CLASS 26 Fern & Foliage	
1: <i>Neo. Riens Pride</i>	Rosa Sessa
2: <i>Rabbit Foot Fern</i>	Rosa Sessa
CLASS 27 Floral Art	No Entries

NOVICE

Best Exhibit: *Paph. Dragon Flag* Xuan Quang Ho

CLASS 28 Standard Cymbidium	No Entries
CLASS 29 Intermediate Cymbidium	No Entries
CLASS 30 Miniature Cymbidium	No Entries
CLASS 31 Cattleya – 90mm and over	
1: <i>C. mossiae</i>	Xuan Quang Ho
CLASS 32 Cattleya – under 90mm	No Entries
CLASS 33 Paphiopedilum	
1: <i>Paph. Dragon Flag</i>	Xuan Quang Ho
2: <i>Paph. unknown</i>	Xuan Quang Ho
CLASS 34 Dendrobium	No Entries
CLASS 35 Australian Native	No Entries
CLASS 36 Species	No Entries
CLASS 37 Miscellaneous	
1: <i>Phal. Hita 'Snow Bird'</i>	Xuan Quang Ho

BENCHING RESULTS - Change of Policy

The committee has instructed me to make no corrections to the

results (Spelling, Genus, abbreviations etc.) The results are as taken from the Benching Result Sheets. These are filled in by copying YOUR plant name labels. If there are errors on YOUR label, there will be errors on the result sheets.

Some errors have been marked with a Question Mark (?)
Please ask Show Marshals for assistance in correcting your labels.

There will be a BOOK or CORK PRIZE for the member who supplies the most corrected names to Maureen (Beginner's Class)

Ivan Hope won the last prize with only ONE answer but did not claim the prize. How many can you find?

Don Roberts with *Sarco. Kurumba*
X *Kulnura Musk*



EXIT Maria displays *Rhync. retusa*



Xuan Quang Ho's *Paph. Dragon Flag*



WILL WAGNER'S TALK ON CYMBIDIUMS

Due to requests from Open members, Will's talk, originally planned for the Beginner's class, was presented to all interested members. You can see by the photo that the Wagners went to a lot of trouble to demonstrate most aspects of their Cymbidium propagation and care. Unfortunately, due to the acoustics of the hall, members at the back could not hear too well, so the really keen listeners migrated to the front. Will's notes are below if you missed out.

Flower pollination

Seedpods, seed, sown flask

Protocorm flask and replant flask

Community pot

Empty 100, 130 and 200mm pots

Samples of composted ingredients

Dolomite, dynamic lifter, blood and bone

Iron sulphate and BMX

Sample plants in 100 and 300 mm pots

Plant placement in pot

Potting on

Plant Maintenance

Watering and Fertilizing

MAP, Pot. Nitrate, Mag Sulphate and Pot. sulphide

Stock solution at 20% of full strength

Applied every watering. Flush/ rinse out weekly

Top dressing every 6 months with superphosphate

Pest and disease control

Rots, red spider mite, scales, snails and slugs

Confidor, Eco Oil and Slugger

Mancozeb, Thiram DC and Dithane 45

Rat Poison (Talon45) or leave the snake there

Plant conditioning

Agral - wetting agent

Arcadian SSE biostimulant and Aminogro food supplement

Envy for frost control

pH control

Agri sulphur powder or iron sulphate

Plant propagation - division

Allow cut sections to dry

Tool sterilization

Trisodium phosphate - Na_3PO_2

Boiling water





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