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NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 25 April**, **2013** commencing at 8.**00 pm** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

RED SPOTTERS CLUB

Bill Sedgwick will be giving a demonstration of his "Home-made Sprayer" which he uses in his Orchid house.

FEATURE ITEM

This month's Feature Item will be presented by Gary Yong Gee. Gary's topic will be **Photographing Orchids**.

This will be very informative for many of our members who always strive to take better photos of our orchids.

The following members are requested to make themselves available for the next meeting:

Judges: Reg Illingworth, Bill Williams, Maree Illingworth, Gary Yong Gee (Other Judges co-

opted as required on the night)

Observers: Please see Eric if you are interested

Scribes: Volunteers required please.

Supper Stewards: Marian Samuels, Daphne McKell

Hostesses: Margaret Rieck, Dot Rooks

Library: Helen Vickers **Plant Registrar:** Ann Kable

Plants Worth Noting: Brent Nicholl Trade Table: Pauline Webster

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on **Thursday 2 May, 2013** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

EDOS AUTUMN SHOW

"WOW – How good has this Show been!!" – these were President Barry Kable's words at the end of the Autumn Show.

Once again the EDOS Autumn Show was a great success. There was a fantastic display of plants on the Show benches (despite the weather in previous weeks), and plant sales were "phenomenal".

The Committee would like to say a very big Thanks to ALL the members who helped out, especially in light of the weather conditions (word has it that Bev had an "unexpected shower" in Plant Sales one morning helping to clear the water from the top of the awning). As always it is greatly appreciated, and adds to a very successful event.

Marian would like to thank those members who helped out, either in the kitchen during the weekend, or for providing delicious home-made goodies.

Alan McKell also thanks the members who helped out in Plant Sales, including those members who were on hand to offer advice to prospective buyers.

Below is an excerpt from an email Secretary Ken received following the show – comments like these make it all worthwhile.

Hi,

My husband and I spent the morning at your groups Orchid show, We must let you know what a great show it was and how much we enjoyed it. The display was impressive and we also spent a lot of time in the well stocked sales area and the morning tea area. We found the members very friendly and helpful and happy to pass on their knowledge to us, especially Reg? and Bill Williams

Congratulations to all on a job well done

Sincerely (Names withheld)'

Reply from Ken -

'Glad you had a good day at our orchid show.

It is good to receive positive feedback from you and I will make sure your kind comments are made known to our members particularly Reg McIlwain and Bill Williams

The day has been very successful and people like yourselves make it more pleasureable to our society members.

Once again I thank you for your kind comments.

Kind Regards'

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Once again we will be holding our Christmas in July this year with a function on 27 July 2013 at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club, so keep this date free and come along and have a great night.

More information will be available in coming months.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

What: Redlands Orchid Society Autumn Show Where: Donald Simpson Centre, Cleveland

When: Saturday 27th April, 2013

What: Aspley Orchid Society Inc Autumn Show

Where: Community Hall, Wavell Heights

When: 11 and 12 May, 2013

What: Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular Where: Gympie Showgrounds, Gympie

When: 8 and 9 June, 2013

What: North Moreton Qld Orchid Council Inc
Where: Auditorium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt

Coot-tha

When: 29 and 30 June, 2013

What: John Oxley District Orchid Society Inc Where: Auditorium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt

Coot-tha

When: 20 to 22 July, 2013

What: 7th Australasian Native Orchid Conference

and Show (hosted by ANOS Kabi Group)

Where: Strathpine Community Centre, cnr Gympie

Rd and Mecklam St, Strathpine

When: 21 to 25 August, 2013

What: North Brisbane Orchid Society

Where: Auditorium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt

Coot-tha

When: 24 and 25 August, 2013

What: Gold Coast District Orchid Society Inc

Orchid and Bromeliad Spring Show

Where: Albert Waterways Community Centre, Cnr

Hooker Blvd & Sunshine Blvd, Mermaid

Waters

When: 31 August and 1 September, 2013

What: Queensland Orchid Society Inc

Where: Auditorium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt

Coot-tha

When: 13 to 15 September, 2013

What: Beaudesert Districts Orchid & Foliage

Society Inc

Where: Canungra School of Arts Hall, 2 Pine St,

Canungra

When: 14 and 15 September, 2013

What: Eastern Districts Orchid Society Spring

Show

Where: Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall

Rd, Manly West

When: 21 and 22 September, 2013

The Orchid Species Society Inc Special Guest Speaker

The Orchid Species Society Inc is extending an invitation to all EDOS Members to hear their special **Guest Speaker Bruce Gray on Monday 20 May 2013**, commencing at 7.45 pm at Red Hill Community Sports Club, Fulcher Street, Red Hill. Gold coin Admission.

Bruce's Topic will be "Native Orchids of North Queensland"

Bruce was awarded the AOF's 'Award of Honour' in 2007 as recognition of his discoveries and expertise in the field of native orchids and plants.

Bus Trip – 8 June

EDOS is organising another bus trip, this time to the Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular on Saturday 8 June, with a visit to Aranbeem on the way home. If you are interested, please put your name on the list.

Final costs will be available at the next General Meeting.

Those members who went along to the Beaudesert Show last time had a great time, so join in with your fellow members and have a great day out.

Cultural Award March 2013

Paphiopedilum Mary Franz Smith

With the parents of Saint Swithin and *glaucophyllum* you would expect a reasonable offspring and that is exactly what we have here, a big classic Paph which is almost majestic in its stance. There are several plants of this cross around the benches and this one is one of the darkest I have seen.

I purchased this plant several years ago and it was not in good shape, having few roots and 2 sad looking growths, but as luck would have it, the growth and vigour now is as good as I could expect. I am sure if Don were alive today he would be happy with the result.

The plant is grown under 2 layers of 75% green shade cloth and is watered twice a week. The mix is 1/3 jumbo perlite, 1/3 small bark, 1/3 small coconut chips. Fertilising is done weekly with what ever I have on hand. Apart from a bi-annual dusting of cinnamon powder the plant is never sprayed with fungicide or pesticide and only tank water is used.

Happy growing,

Tony Beck

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Aranbeem Orchids May Sale 2013

Aranbeem Orchids will be holding their May Sale on Saturday 4 May 2013 from 9 am to 4 pm at their nursery on Priests Road, Deception Bay.

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- Large number of orchids at bargain prices, from compots to plants in flower
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Beginning with Orchids

Many Thanks to those EDOS members who attended the "Beginning with Orchids" on Saturday, 13 April, 2013 at Fame Orchids to help out.

It was "Rather Damp" to say the least, however we had a great turnout of interested people who braved the elements to listen to Todd's very informative (and often comedic) session.

7th Australasian Native Orchid Society Conference & Show.

Held at Strathpine (Queensland,Australia).

Hosted by Kabi Group(Inc).

Full Conference - 22-25th August 2013

Public show days - 23-25th August

NOTE: Programme update

ANOS Gen. Meeting for affiliated members 23rd

For fuller details see www.ourshopfront.com/kabi and follow the Conference link.

Reminder TAPS 25TH ANNIVERSARY LUNCH

TAPS 25TH Anniversary Lunch is being held on Saturday 5th May 2013 at the Palms Auditorium, Redlands Sporting Club from 11am to 4pm. This lunch is open to members, partners and friends, and will be a 3 course meal for \$50.00 per head (with entertainment provided) with any alcohol at your own expense.

If you require any further information please contact Marilyn Corbin on mmcorbin@internode.on.net and she can give you further information.

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Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular

The Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular will be held at the Gympie Showgrounds, Gympie on 8 and 9 June, 2013. Entry Fee is \$5 which includes parking. There will be 20 vendors, as well as Guest Speakers. For further information contact John Green on 07 5483 2764 or johnandkayegreen@southernphone.com.au

WEBSITE

<u>www.edos.org.au.</u> Our Webmaster Ray Girdlestone would like you to have a look at our EDOS website and make comment – remember it is still a work in progress and any suggestions will be appreciated. If you have any Cultural advice you think may be useful to others please pass it on to Ray for inclusion on the website.

Ray can be contacted on email webmaster@edos.org.au or phone 3823 4277

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