

# Eastern District Orchid Society Inc

Founded 1966

Patron

Joan Pease MP



PO Box 60 WYNNUM CENTRAL QLD 4178  
[www.edos.org.au](http://www.edos.org.au)



This newsletter is kindly photo copied in the office of Joan Pease MP

## NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2018

### ***NEXT GENERAL MEETING***

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 23 August, 2018**, commencing at 8 pm, at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

### ***RED SPOTTERS CLUB***

Commencing at 7.30 pm, Red Spotters for this month will be presented by Ken Webster. Ken will be discussing how he grows *Rhynchostylis gigantea*.

### ***FEATURE ITEM***

The Feature Item for this month will be presented by Maurie Page. Maurie's topic will be 'Tips and Tricks', which should be very interesting, as we all know Maurie's ability to make the delivery of a presentation entertaining.

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

**Judges:** Les Vickers, Brent Nicoll, Jan Heitman, John Rees (Reserves John Rooks, Trevor Heitman, Eric Locke)

**Associate Judges:** Ray Girdlestone, Ken Haase

**Scribes:** Volunteers required please.

**Supper Stewards:** Ian Want and Bill Sedgwick

**Hostesses:** Dot Rooks and Margaret Rieck

**Library:** Helen Vickers

**Plant Registrar:** Ann Kable

**Plants Worth Noting:** Volunteer please.

**Trade Table:** Greg Webb

### ***NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING***

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.00 pm on **Thursday 6 September, 2018**, at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

### ***New Innovation for EDOS Inc***

EDOS Inc now has an EFTPOS machine available for any payments our members wish to make for items such as Memberships, payment of social activities, Trade Table and also for use at our Plant Sales at our Shows.



### ***Bus Trip to Toowoomba***

Our Social Co-ordinator Alan McKell is organising another Bus Trip – this time to Toowoomba on Saturday, 22 September. This trip will take in the Toowoomba Spring Show, the Native Orchid Show, and a visit to the Japanese Gardens. Lunch will be at the Hockey Club.

This is an excellent show to visit as they have orchids on show which we usually don't see here in Brisbane.

The cost will be \$25 for members, and \$50 for non-members. If you are interested please put your name down at the next Meeting.

## HORTICULTURAL SOLUTIONS

ORCHID FOOD

WITH **ATTITUDE**  
AND EXTREME ADDITIVES

◀ **DUETT A Plus B** ▶

Now available in 1 Litre Packs

**MORE THAN JUST A FERTILISER**

PO Box 213, Capalaba Qld 4157

Ph/Fax (07) 3206 0037 – Mobile 0419 710 634



**Catering** - Our Show Catering Convenor Margaret would appreciate any donations of cakes, slices and cookies etc. Margaret will also appreciate assistance in the kitchen, especially during the busy times of the day.



**Plant Sales** – Our Plant Sales Convenor Dick Dorham is looking for assistance in Plant Sales. If you are available to help out, please either see Dick or a Committee member, or put your name on the Roster.

**Benching Tags** – will be available at the August meetings from Secretary Milton. They are also available for printing from the EDOS Inc Website – [www.edos.org.au](http://www.edos.org.au)



**Plant Sales Bar Code Labels** – Please ensure that you have your Sales Plants labelled correctly with the EDOS Inc Bar Code Labels which need to be ordered from Ray Girdlestone in plenty of time prior to the Show. Labels on small pots need to be placed vertically so that the Bar code Label reader can work properly.



**Craft Tags** – Craft Tags will be available at the August EDOS meeting. If you are unable to collect them at the meeting please contact Secretary Milton.



**Plant Labels** - It is very important when benching plants that labels are easy to read and correct. A clearly written label makes it much easier for everyone to read, and avoids the possibility of a plant being given an incorrect name on the Prize Cards and in Competition Results, or even placed in the incorrect category. For any members who are unsure of, or would like to confirm that their plant labels are correct **before** benching, (either spelling or registration of crosses) EDOS will have available on Friday night prior to benching of plants, the Orchidwiz database for members to check their labels. Please see Ann Kable or Janelle Girdlestone.

**Member Number** – If you are unsure of your Member Number, please speak to either Ann Kable or Janelle Girdlestone. This number needs to be used if you are benching and/or selling plants.

**Show Attendance Register** - - It is EDOS Inc. policy that **ALL** persons attending; exhibiting; benching or selling orchid plants at the Spring Show sign the EDOS Inc. Attendance Register, so please make sure you sign when you arrive at the Hall.

## 52nd EDOS SPRING SHOW

15 & 16 September, 2018

A reminder that our Spring Show is only a few weeks away. It will be held on 15 and 16 September, 2018, with judging on Friday night 14 September, 2018, so it is now a good time to start preparing your plants, and to consider how you may be able to help out.

**DON'T FORGET THAT WE WILL BE AT OUR NEW VENUE – 1485 OLD CLEVELAND ROAD, BELMONT** in the Brisbane International Shooting Centre building. There will be plenty of signs to direct everyone to the right place. We have an amazing amount of room, so there will be room for more plants and more Plant Sales area.

Please do not judge your plants at home. Remember that the purpose of our Show is to showcase our Orchids to the public. The more plants we have on the Show bench, the more spectacular it looks to the public.

**Show Roster** - If you are available to **help out** at the Spring Show please put your name in the **Show Roster book** at the next meeting, or contact either Ray, Milton or Barry and let them know when you would be available to help out, and what job you be able to volunteer for.

**Even if you can only spare a couple of hours, we need as many members as possible to help make the show a success, and to share the load, so please put your name on the roster!**

It's also an opportunity to spend time getting to know other members – for our new members it is an excellent opportunity to learn from our more experienced growers.

**Attendance Book** – for Insurance Purposes it is necessary for Members to sign the Attendance Book EACH DAY when helping out at the Show



**Cut Flowers and Greenery** – The Ladies from the Floral Arrangement section of our show are requesting contributions of any orchid flowers, bromeliad flowers and Anthuriums, and also greenery for their floral arrangements, especially on Saturday, as these Floral Arrangements are very popular, and supplies usually run low by lunchtime.

The leaves from the cordylines, flax, anthurium, camellia bush, magnolia, strap leaves and crotons are great for greenery, along with all the others you kindly bring. We would also be very grateful for containers (small or large) suitable for flower arrangements.

Many thanks in advance to all who help us out. If in doubt please ask Brent Nicoll.

**Condition of Sale Plants** – Please ensure that any plants you may present for sale are virus free, clean and NOT recently potted. Plants need to be stable in the pots and not show any insect damage, etc. If it is not a plant in the condition you would consider purchasing yourself, then please do not put it up for sale!

As per our By-Laws, -refer in particular to EDOS Inc By-Laws 5.6 and 5.7 - plants which are deemed to be of an unsuitable standard will be removed from the Sales Tables.

**Show Schedule** - A copy of the Schedule for the 2018 Spring Show is attached to this Newsletter, and is also available through the EDOS Inc website.

**PLEASE NOTE:** There have been some changes made to the Show Schedule and General Conditions, so please have a read of these to ensure that you are aware of any changes that have been made. **One change in particular is the number of Champion categories. We have now included a Champion Novice category, and have removed the Floral Art Categories.**

**Another change in the programme is that JUDGING WILL NOW TAKE PLACE AT 7.30 PM, so Entries MUST be tabled and available for Judging by 7.00 pm**

If you have any queries please feel free to contact either the Show Captain Ray Girdlestone, Chief Steward Ken Haase, or the President Barry Kable.

## BAR CODING LABELS FOR PLANT SALES

The Bar Code Labels Request Form which Members will need to use to order Plant Sales Bar code Labels for the Spring Show 2018 will be available at the Entry table at the next meeting, or are available from the website.

Don't forget, you can still use any labels you may have left over from the last show.

**Remember, it will be a requirement to have these barcode labels on your pots, as this is the only method our Plant Sales Staff will be using to process the sale of your plants.** You can still put the "old style" information Tags on your plants with whatever information you want eg species, colour etc.

**WE ASK THAT MEMBERS PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AS SOON AS IS PRACTICABLE, AND RETURN TO RAY GIRDLESTONE, EITHER BY EMAIL OR AT A MEETING. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT TO THE LAST MINUTE, AS THESE TAKE TIME TO PRINT AND RETURN TO YOU.**

The contact details on the form are Important, so that Ray can contact the member if there is an issue, or to let the member know when they are ready for collection.

The most important information required is the number of labels required for each dollar value. **Any labels you do not use for the Spring Show can be used at any EDOS Inc show in the future.**

If there are any queries please contact Ray, either on 3823 4277 or email [taketwo@iprimus.com.au](mailto:taketwo@iprimus.com.au)

## Spring Show Sponsors

EDOS Inc would like to Acknowledge and Thank our Sponsors for our 2018 Spring Show:

Bendigo Bank  
Orchidaceous Supplies  
Fame Orchids  
G & M Botting  
Aranbeem Orchid Nursery  
M Ludlow

## Plants Worth Noting

There were many lovely orchids displayed at our meeting however one that always catches my eye – at shows as well as at our meetings – is *Epc. Rene Marques 'Flame Thrower'* HCC/AOS. This is a hybrid of *Epidendrum pseudepidendrum* and *Cattleya Claesiana*.

The plant displayed at our meeting was approx 800cm tall and had five flowers on a single spike. The flowers had three bright colours - the sepals and petals were sage green, the flower column was green and magenta, and the lip was bright yellow. The colours are quite a contrast but in my mind work well together.

## **Judy**

When I first got into Orchids the slipper orchids did nothing for me. However with a little experience and a lot less knowledge they have earned a place in the shade house and my interest. *Phragmipedium Green Hornet* (= *phrag. longifolium X phrag. pearcei*) to me is what it is all about. The plant on show on July 26<sup>th</sup> with three flowers displayed caught my eye and elicited my oft quoted "one day.. one day!". I live in hope that my modest collection of slippers will be able to compete with the likes of this plant.in years to come. Well done, that man.

## **Dick Dorham**

**PLEASE NOTE:** We have decided to re-introduce the "Volunteer List" for Plants Worth Noting in the Newsletter. So, what we are going to do from now on is create a list of volunteers, asking members to do just ONE MONTH ONLY (or more if you wish) with the following criteria:

### **WHAT IS NOT NECESSARY v WHAT WE WOULD LIKE**

Any articles too technical	Just your own thoughts
Photos	Your own descriptions
Judging Experience	Your own impressions
Long articles	Can be 10-12 lines

If you do not have email, I am happy to have the article posted to me during the following week after the meeting. If you wish to remain 'Anonymous' that is okay as well.

I will be taking names for the list at the next meeting, so if you are interested, please come and see me (Janelle).

*Editor's Note: I would like to Thank those members who have come forward so far to fill this spot.*

## **Disposal of Library Books**

The EDOS Inc Committee have made a decision to dispose of the reference books in the library (excluding the Sanders books and the magazines). These books will be offered to our members for a gold coin donation, on a first in basis. If you are interested in any of these books, please see a Committee member at the next meeting.

## **Redfest 7-9 September 2018**

**Redfest** is on again this year – 7 to 9 September at the **Cleveland Showgrounds**. EDOS Inc, in conjunction with Redlands Orchid Society Inc will be putting on a table-top display. We will need volunteers and plants to put on display, so please keep this date free in your calendar.

This is another great opportunity to advertise our Spring Show.

Once again, you will not be expected to be there the whole time, but if you can spare a few hours it will be a big help. If you are able to assist with supplying plants please let Milton or Barry know.

If you are able to assist as a volunteer on Saturday or Sunday, Please see Margaret Reick so that your Free Entry into the venue can be organised.

Set up will be from 1 pm on Friday, at the AMP Pavillion. More details will be available at the August General Meeting.

## **ORCHIDACEOUS SUPPLIES**

*Suppliers of Orchid Accessories*

**For all your orchid accessories –**

Kiwi orchid bark, RCRA Orchid char, Portugal cork, Perlite, Growing media, pots, clips, labels and lots more.

**Queensland Agent for Kiwi Orchid Bark**

Grahame & Margaret Muller  
PO Box 4192, Tinana, Qld 4650  
Phone: 07 4122 1251  
Mobile: 0408 076 511

Email: [supplies@orchidaceoussupplies.com.au](mailto:supplies@orchidaceoussupplies.com.au)  
[www.orchidaceousbooks.com.au](http://www.orchidaceousbooks.com.au)

## **Wynnum Plaza Display**

This display will be on 7 **September**. We will be looking for a couple of members to assist on the day from 9 am to 3 pm. We will also require plants for the display. Please let Milton know if you can assist.

# UPCOMING SHOWS

**What:** North Brisbane Orchid Show  
**Where:** Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha  
**When:** 25 and 26 August, 2018

**What:** Logan & District Orchid Show  
**Where:** Springwood State School, Springwood Road, Springwood  
**When:** 25 and 26 August, 2018

**What:** Nambour Orchid Show  
**Where:** Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Avenue, Nambour  
**When:** 31 August and 1 September, 2018

**What:** Redlands Orchid Show  
**Where:** Donald Simpson Centre, 172 Bloomfield St, Cleveland  
**When:** 1 September, 2018

**What:** West Brisbane Orchid Show  
**Where:** Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha  
**When:** 8 and 9 September, 2018

**What:** Beaudesert Orchid & Foliage Society  
**Where:** Canungra School of Arts Hall, Pine Street, Canungra.  
**When:** 8 and 9 September, 2018

**What:** Eastern District Orchid Society Show  
**Where:** Belmont Shooting Centre, Brisbane International Shooting Centre Building, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont  
**When:** 15 and 16 September, 2018

**What:** Toowoomba Spring Orchid Show  
**Where:** St Pauls Church Hall, Philip St, Toowoomba  
**When:** 21 and 22 September, 2018

**What:** Glasshouse Country Orchid Show  
**Where:** Beerwah Community Hall, Peachester Road, Beerwah  
**When:** 21 and 22 September, 2018

**What:** Ipswich Orchid Society  
**Where:** Silkstone State School, Prospect St, Silkstone  
**When:** 29 and 30 September, 2018

**What:** Pine Rivers Orchid Society  
**Where:** Aspley Hypermarket, Aspley  
**When:** 11 and 12 October, 2018

**What:** QOS Orchid Society  
**Where:** Belmont Shooting Centre, Brisbane International Shooting Centre Building, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont  
**When:** 13 and 14 October, 2018

**What:** Boonah Orchid Society  
**Where:** Boonah High School Hall, Boonah  
**When:** 20 and 21 October, 2018

**What:** Toowoomba Orchid Society  
**Where:** St Pauls Church Hall, Philip St, Toowoomba  
**When:** 20 and 21 October, 2018

**What:** Species Orchid Society Spring Show  
**Where:** Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha  
**When:** 20 and 21 October, 2018

**What:** Nambour Orchid Species Society  
**Where:** Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour  
**When:** 2 and 3 November, 2018

## Christmas in July 18



Our Christmas in July function for 2018 was held on 28 July, 2018 at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club.

Once again it was a great night, with plenty of prizes, good food and great company.

The venue has been tentatively booked for the last weekend in July next year, so keep this in mind when organising your calendar for 2019.

## Cultural Notes July 18

### **Cymbidium Bedivere**

**Cymbidium Bedivere** is a hybrid cross between *Cym. floribundum* and *Cym. Blue Smoke*.

It is made up of *Cym. floribundum* 50%, *Cym. lowianum* 30% and the other 20% is made up of *Cym. insigne*, *sanderæ* and other. According to OrchidWiz it was first crossed way back in 1963.

It is a really worthwhile Cymbidium to grow **and easy to flower**.

I say this because, we have great difficulty flowering most of our other Cymbidiums in our area of Caloundra, but much to our delight (and amazement) *Cym. Bedivere* has flowered well for us for the past few years. This year with 14 spikes.

It has lived for the past 3 years hanging, in the corner of our pool garden, where it receives ample humidity from the pool. It's in amongst other foliage plants, where it grows in semi shade and receives full sun in the late afternoon.

It is surrounded by brick walls on 2 sides, the other 2 side are open to the elements.

It seems happy here and almost thrives on neglect as we usually don't notice it flowering until it is well and truly in flower. It is watered and fertilised regularly along with our other orchids, using Horticultural Solutions and organic fertilisers.

**Trevor & Jan Heitman**



**FOR SALE**  
**PROCEEDINGS & PHOTOS**  
**of the 21st Australian Orchid**  
**Council Conference & Show**  
**18-22 July 2018**  
**USB Card \$42**  
*(incl postage)*

- strikingly beautiful exotic and native Australian orchid species and hybrids not often seen by the public
- comprehensive 2-day lecture program featuring eminent Australian speakers and international experts from USA, Japan, Ecuador, Brazil and Singapore who shared their scientific expertise and fascinating insights into the art of orchid growing and state-of-the-art culture. Featuring the story about the world's first blue *Phalaenopsis!*

Limited copies available, so please send your name and address by email to [helenrobmason@gmail.com](mailto:helenrobmason@gmail.com). Make your payment by Direct Deposit (quoting your name as a reference) to:  
Commonwealth Bank of Australia  
(BIC/SWIFT Code: CTBAU2S)  
**AOC2018 Account**

## EDOS Inc Show Vouchers

For those Members who are lucky enough to win Prize Vouchers at any of our EDOS Shows, please be assured that these vouchers CAN be used at the EDOS Inc Trade Table at any time **before the expiry date shown**, or at any of the Sponsors noted on the vouchers.

## Ekka Activities

As most of you will have heard by now (and for those who haven't), the Orchid Societies of South East Qld, supported by EDOS Inc members placed Third in the Display section. Some of our members also entered plants in the Potted Plant Competition, and among those prize-winners was Barry and Ann Kable with Plant of the Show. Congratulations to all who supported the Ekka, with both the Display and the Potted Plant Sections.

### **Fame *Orchids* Nursery**

119 Boundary Road Thornlands Q 4164

Ph 3206 4385 Open 7 days 8 am - 4 pm

Email [fameorch@bigpond.net.au](mailto:fameorch@bigpond.net.au)

- Huge range of Flowering Orchids
- Thousands of new release Seedlings
- Shade Houses and Plant Stands
- Orchid Barks and Potting Mixes
- Pots, Hangers, Hardwood Baskets
- Fertilizers, Chemicals, Fungicides
- Cutters, Stakes, Labels, Tie wire

[www.fameorchids.com](http://www.fameorchids.com)

## WEBSITE

[www.edos.org.au](http://www.edos.org.au). Our Webmaster Ray Girdlestone asks that if you have any Cultural advice or articles relating to orchid growing 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](mailto:webmaster@edos.org.au) or phone 3823 4277

## NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

If anyone has any articles they would be interested in having included in the Newsletter please let me know. For anyone who is interested in receiving their Newsletter electronically, please let me know your email address and I will include you in our email group. My email address is [editor@edos.org.au](mailto:editor@edos.org.au)

### GENERAL NOTICE

Members who wish to record change of address or other membership particulars – please advise the Secretary - email [secretary@edos.org.au](mailto:secretary@edos.org.au) or phone 3245 5428. **Disclaimer:** While the Management Committee and the Editor of the EDOS Inc Newsletter endeavour to assure the reliability of material and advertising printed in the Newsletter, neither EDOS Inc or the Editor can assume any responsibility for the views expressed in the Newsletter. Editors of other Newsletters are advised that EDOS Inc will be happy if they decide to use material printed herein.