

Eastern District Orchid Society Inc

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NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2017

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 23 February, 2017**, commencing at 8.00 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 is "One for the Girls" and will be presented by Amanda from the Floral Art School. Amanda will be giving advice and tips for those who may be interested in entering the Floral Art sections of our Shows.

FEATURE ITEM

This month's Feature Item will be a presentation by John Olsen from the Bromeliad Society, explaining how the Bar Coding System will operate in our Plant Sales.

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

Judges: Eric Locke, John Rooks, Ken Webster, Brent Nicoll, Les Vickers
Associate Judges: Ray Girdlestone, Kev Hamment
Scribes: Volunteers required please.
Supper Steward: Ian Want, plus some assistance
Hostesses: Dot Rooks and Margaret Rieck
Library : Helen Vickers
Plant Registrar: Ann Kable
Plants Worth Noting: Ken Haase
Trade Table: Greg Webb

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on **Thursday 2 March, 2017** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

2017 ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Members are reminded that Annual Subscriptions are due on 1 January, 2017 – Family \$16, Single \$15. They can be paid at the February General Meeting,

OR a cheque can be mailed to the Secretary, PO Box 60, Wynnum Central Q 4178.

OR

This year we have a new method of payment. EDOS Inc is now able to take payments using Direct Transfer into their bank account. Bank details are as below:

Bank: CBA
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PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU PUT YOUR NAME (SURNAME PREFERRED) AS THE REFERENCE, OTHERWISE OUR TREASURER WILL NOT BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY WHO THE PAYMENT BELONGS TO.

Please take note that any members who have not paid their Subscriptions when the March Newsletter is due will not receive their copy, as they will be deemed to be unfinancial at the end of February (as per our Constitution).

Please also remember that you need to be a financial member to be able to table plants or have plants in Plant Sales at the upcoming Autumn Show.



Show Kitchen Convenor for 2017



C'mon guys and gals! There must be someone out there who could take on the position of Kitchen Convenor for our 2 (yes – only 2) Orchid Shows for 2017.

This position involves the Overall Co-ordination of the Kitchen, which includes Ordering and Purchasing of the food for the weekend. **Don't forget that Marion will be available to offer assistance to whoever is interested in volunteering for the position.** Remember also, there are plenty of members to assist with the work in the kitchen, and to "Slip out" to purchase anything extra that may be required over the weekend if necessary.

Another point to remember is that **ALL EXPENSES FOR THE SHOWS ARE COVERED BY EDOS Inc** – whoever takes the position on will NOT be "out of pocket". If you have any concerns on this, please speak to Treasurer John Rooks.



Sadly, if this position isn't filled, we may all have to bring our morning tea and lunches in an Esky!!

Flowers Needed

If anyone has any "spare" flowers that could be used for the Red Spotters segment at the next meeting it would be appreciated if you could please bring them along on the night for Amanda to use in her demonstration.

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 the any of the Sponsors noted on the vouchers.

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51st EDOS Inc AUTUMN SHOW

Don't forget that our Autumn Show will be held on 8 and 9 April, 2017, with judging on Friday night 7 April 2017.

The Show Schedule is attached to this Newsletter so that you can start planning and organising the plants you may want to bench or sell.

One change that has been made to the Schedule is that there will now only be two classes in Floral Art. Management has decided that, due to lack of entries, there will only be Open and Novice classes.

A reminder also that Entries must be tabled by 7.30 pm and available for Judging at 8.00 pm.

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

Plant Tags will be available at the February and March Meetings – If you need more Tags or are unable to attend the meeting to collect please contact John Rooks. **Please ensure that you use EDOS sale plant tags only.**

Craft Sales Tags will be available at the February and March Meetings from Ann Kable.

Member Number - Your EDOS Member Number is on the newsletter envelope following your name, or

available from the Plant Registrar. This number needs to be used if you are benching and/or selling plants.

Plant Labels - 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

Fire Ant Register – Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry requires that Members **MUST** sign the Fire Ant Register before Plants can be accepted for either showing or Sales.

This Register MUST be signed regardless of where you live. Although the Hall is no longer in a Fire Ant area care needs to be taken when transporting plants.

Please remember that Plants MUST NOT be placed on the ground or floor at the Hall.

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.

It has been noted that some plants presented for Sale at recent EDOS Shows were below the standard and quality that this Society considers acceptable. If a plant is not of the standard that you yourself would purchase, then it should not be presented to Plant Sales

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

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.

Assistance During The Show

If you are available to help out at the Autumn Show please put your name on the Roster at the next meeting (Roster will be at the front table), or contact

either Show Captain Ray, Secretary Milton or President Barry and let them know when you would be available to help out.

We particularly need volunteers for the Front Door, and raffle sellers, and to set up on Friday afternoon around 3 pm, and clean up on Sunday afternoon.

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 GIVE ALL OF OUR WORKERS A BREAK AND A CHANCE TO HAVE A BROWSE AROUND THE SHOW!

Kitchen – Not sure what is happening here at this point in time. Currently we don't have a Convenor. More information will be available later..

Plant sales – Convenor Dick Dorham will require helpers in Plant Sales. Dick would also appreciate it if anyone can bring in small boxes and shopping bags.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- What:** Queensland International Orchid Fair
Where: Beenleigh Showground, James Street, Beenleigh
When: 3, 4 and 5 March, 2017
- What:** Beaudesert Districts Orchid & Foliage Society Inc.
Where: School of Arts Hall, 3-7 Pine St, Canungra
When: 11 and 12 March, 2017

What: West Brisbane Orchid Show
Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha
When: 25 and 26 March, 2017

What: Brisbane Orchid Society Inc
Where: Mt Gravatt State School, 1263 Logan Road, Mt Gravatt
When: 1 and 2 April, 2017

What: EDOS Inc Autumn Show
Where: Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.
When: 8 and 9 April, 2017

What: Queensland Orchid Society Inc.
Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha
When: 14 and 15 April, 2017

What: Bribie Island Orchid Show
Where: The Orchid House
When: 14 and 15 April, 2017

What: Redlands Charity Orchid Show
Where: Donald Simpson Centre, 172 Bloomfield St, Cleveland
When: 22 April, 2017

What: Aspley Mother's Day show
Where: Edinburgh Castle Road, Wavell Heights
When: 13 May, 2017

What: Toowoomba Orchid Society
Where: St Paul's Church Hall, Cnr James & Phillip Sts, Toowoomba (TBC)
When: 13 and 14 May, 2017

What: North Moreton Orchid Council Show
Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha
When: 24 and 25 June, 2017

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Bus Trip to Toowoomba OS Workshop and Presentations

EDOS Inc members have been invited to attend a Workshop and 2 Presentations by President of OSCOV (Victoria) Michael Coker who will be Guest Speaker at the Toowoomba Orchid Society on Friday 24th March. We will be running a bus for our members, leaving early afternoon, (time to be confirmed), attending the Workshop, then on to Dinner, followed by the 2 Presentations. Numbers are limited. **Names and payment will need to be finalised at the February meeting.** Cost for EDOS Inc members is \$20, non members is \$26.

WEBSITE

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 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

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