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NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2020



Cr Lisa Atwood
Councillor for Doboy Ward

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 27 February, 2020**, commencing at 8.00 pm, at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

RED SPOTTERS

Commencing at 7.30 pm, Red Spotters for this month will be presented by Rob Kerr. At the time of printing we are not sure of Rob's topic.

GUEST SPEAKER

Our Guest speaker for February will be Rick Emmerson from Pacific Beach Orchids. Rick's topic will be "My Vanda Heroes". Rick comes from Bundaberg and specialises in Vandas, and will be at the QIOF Fair on 28 and 29 February.

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

Judges: John Rooks, Les Vickers, Ray Girdlestone, Ken Haase, John Rees, Brent Nicoll

Student Judges: Hazel Barker and Colin Barker

Reserve Judges: Eric Locke, Kev Hamment, Helen Vickers

Scribes: Volunteers required please.

Supper Stewards: Kay Ludlow plus volunteers

Hostesses: Dot Rooks and Margaret Rieck

Library: Helen Vickers

Plant Registrar: Janelle Girdlestone

Plants Worth Noting: Volunteer required

Trade Table: Not available February

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.00 pm on **Thursday 05 March 2020** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

Membership Renewal 2020

Members are reminded that Annual Subscriptions are due on 1 January, 2020 – both Family and Single \$15.

Payment can be made either by:

- Payment at the February General Meeting, cash or EFT;
- A cheque can be mailed to the Secretary, PO Box 60, Wynnum Central Q 4178;
- Or by Direct Transfer to the following;

Bank: CBA

BSB: 064 133

Account No. 00902647 (please include your name in reference, otherwise it cannot be identified as yours)

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.

Trade Table February Meeting

Due to the absence of our Trade Table Convenor Greg Webb, there will be NO Trade Table at our February Meeting.

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54th EDOS Inc AUTUMN SHOW

I know it is hard to believe, but our 2020 Autumn Show is less than a month away!! It will be held on 21 and 22 March 2020 with judging on Friday night 20 April 2020.

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

For those members who have not sold through EDOS Inc before, EDOS Inc makes payments for Plant Sales via EFT. Treasurer Rooks will have forms available at the February meeting and at the Show for Members to fill out with Bank Details. These forms, once filled out, are to be handed back to either John Rooks, or Dot Rooks who is one of the Hostesses on the door at Meeting nights. Be assured that this information will remain confidential.

BAR CODE LABELS

Bar Coding Labels for the upcoming EDOS Inc Autumn Show **will need to be ordered early to avoid a last minute rush.**

It may not be possible to print labels on Friday night.

Remember, any labels that you had left over from the Spring Show can be used again at the Autumn Show.

The Bar Code Label Request Form is on the Website, and for those who need them, they will also be available at the February meeting.

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 can be used at any EDOS Inc show in the future.

To ensure that the Barcoding system works efficiently and quickly, we are requesting that ALL labels be put vertically on the pot (as below), instead of horizontally, to enable the reader to work more efficiently.



The Barcode label needs to be put on the **back of the plant name tag on mounted plants.**

If there are any queries please contact Ray, either on 3823 4277 or email taketwo@iprimus.com.au

Remember, it is 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.

In addition to the bar code labels, you can still put the "old style" information Tags on your plants with any other information you want eg species, colour etc.



DON'T FORGET – NO BAR CODE LABEL, NO PLANT SALES!

Plant Benching Labels - are available on the Website. They will also be available at the February Meeting.



Craft Sales Tags will be available at the February Meeting. If you have any queries about items to be sold through Craft Sales, please contact Convenor Narelle Edmonds.

Member Number – If you do not know what your Member Number is, it will be available from the Plant Registrar on the Friday night. This number needs to be

used if you are benching, otherwise we can't identify the owner of the plant should it win.



Names on 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 the Orchidwiz database available for members to check their labels on Friday night prior to benching of plants,. Please see Ann Kable or Janelle Girdlestone

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

Fire Ant Register – Department of Agriculture and Fisheries 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. Care needs to be taken when transporting plants.

Please remember that Plants **SHOULD NOT** be placed on the ground or floor at the Venue.



Kitchen - Catering Convenor Margaret would appreciate any donations of cakes, slices and cookies etc. Margaret would also appreciate assistance in the kitchen, especially early in the day for preparation.

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

If anyone is interested in operating the Cash Registers during the Show, please contact Plant Sales Convenor, Dick at the next meeting, and he will organise some training.

Convenor Dick would also like to emphasise that fact that you must NOT alter the monetary value on the bar code label by writing on it. If you wish to change the value, or you don't have a label of the value you want to charge, please replace the label with the correct value. You cannot put 2 labels on your plant to be added together (for example, a \$20 and a \$10 label for a \$30 plant)

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 - such plants which are deemed to be of an unsuitable standard will be removed from the Sales Tables.

Sales at EDOS Inc Shows are limited to Orchids and Orchid related products. Any queries relating to Sales need to be directed to the Plant Sales Convenor, Dick



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.

General Information

Members of other societies who are benching plants for judging are permitted to offer plants for sale (2 plants required to be benched to do so), subject to the normal conditions of sale and volume.

Plants remaining after completion of the show are the responsibility of the owner. All care is taken to limit any discrepancies but prompt collection is advised on completion of the presentations.

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 and where you would be available to help out.*

We particularly need volunteers for the Front Door, and Plant Minding, and to set up **on Friday afternoon from 3.00 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!

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.

This means that any Vouchers won at the Spring Show need to be used prior to the Autumn Show, or at the Autumn Show through Orchidaceous Supplies.

UPCOMING SHOWS

What: Queensland International Orchid Fair
Where: Beenleigh Showgrounds, Beenleigh
When: 28 and 29 February, 2020 (Friday, Saturday only)

What: Beaudesert Orchid Show
Where: School of Arts Hall, 3-7 Pine St. Canungra
When: 14 and 15 March, 2020

What: EDOS Inc Autumn Show
Where: Belmont Shooting Centre, Brisbane International Shooting Centre (BISC) Building, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont
When: 21 and 22 March, 2020

What: West Brisbane Show
Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha
When: 28 and 29 March, 2020

What: ANOS KABI Group – A Celebration of Cookies
Where: Albany Creek Community Centre, 15 Ernie St, Albany Creek
When: 4 April, 2020 9.00 am to 4 pm

What: Ipswich Orchid Society Show
Where: Silkstone State Primary School Prospect St. Silkstone
When: 18 and 19 April, 2020

What: Redcliffe OS and Pine Rivers OS Anniversary Show
Where: Redcliffe Showgrounds, Scarborough Rd, Redcliffe
When: 18 and 19 April, 2020

What: Queensland Orchid Society Show
Where: Belmont Shooting Centre, Brisbane International Shooting Centre (BISC) Building, 1485 Old Cleveland Rd, Belmont

When: 2 and 3 May, 2020

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Bus Trip

Our EDOS Inc Social Co-ordinators John and Pauline Semple have organised a Bus trip on Saturday 18th April, 2020, to attend the Redcliffe OS and Pine Rivers OS Anniversary Show, with lunch and visits to a couple of nurseries.

Pickups will be from the Kables, 281 Redland Bay Rd, Capalaba at 7.15 am, and the Bayside Uniting Church at 7.45 am.

After our visit to the Orchid Show, we will be visiting Doug and Kath Wanka's orchid collection, before heading off to Redcliffe Leagues Club for lunch.

After lunch, we are going to Aranbeem Orchids, followed by a visit to the Plant Shack at Deception Bay.

We plan on being back at the Church by around 4.45 and Kables by around 5.15 pm.

Cost will be \$20 for members, and \$50 for non-members.

Seats can be booked at our February and March meetings.

This is looking like a fantastic day, so be sure to keep the date free!

Local Field Trip

Greg has organised a visit on 26 April, 2020 at 9.30 am to local grower/member Ken Unsworth's Orchid houses. Ken's speciality is Dendrobiums, and is certainly worth a visit (and the odd purchase!!)

For more information contact Barry Kable 0414 725 294 or
Todd Marshall 07 3206 4385

Cultural Award January 2020

Dendrobium bracteosum

This epiphyte is from the lowlands of New Guinea and islands to the east. The large floral bracts are a distinctive feature for which *Den. bracteosum* is named. It has erect or pendulous, terete to spindle shaped slender green to yellow-green stems approx 50cm long. The flowers are variable in colour lasting up to 6 months. This species requires bright light and regular watering but will tolerate dry spells.

Under my conditions *Den. bracteosum* is grown under 70% shade cloth where it is hung high receiving strong air movement. It is grown in bark and perlite and is fertilised once a week at ½ strength with organic or inorganic fertiliser. Regular watering is needed depending on weather conditions so the roots don't dry out totally. Reduce watering during the winter months.

Cheers

Bill and Margaret Williams

Position Vacant

EDOS Inc is still looking a member who is willing to take on the position of Publicity Officer for EDOS Inc. The position is not a hectic one – most of the work is in the 3 or 4 months leading up to a Show. It needs someone who is computer-and internet savvy as most of our advertising is done via internet, emails and some post-outs. There is a spreadsheet with all of the "Who, When and Hows" to make the job easier. The Editor is currently covering the position, and is more than happy to provide assistance. If you are interested, please contact either Secretary Milton or Editor Janelle for more details.

Queensland International Orchid Fair

*Will be held at the Beenleigh Showgrounds,
Beenleigh on Friday 28 and Saturday 29 February,
2020. Open 8 am to 4 pm*

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Plant Sales at Monthly Meetings

To those members who are not familiar with the EDOS Inc By-Laws, By-Law 5 states that EDOS Inc members may, with the permission of the Committee, sell Plants at a General meeting. Such sales will attract a 15% Commission, to be credited to the Society.

So, if any of our members wish to sell at a meeting, please contact one of the Committee to confirm approval.

Acknowledgement of BCC Support

We would also like to acknowledge the Support of the Lord Mayor's Community Fund and Councillors Ryan Murphy (Chandler Ward) and Lisa Atwood (Doboy Ward) for their assistance in Supporting EDOS Inc once again in 2020.

Show Sponsors 2020

EDOS Inc would like to Acknowledge and Thank our Sponsors who have once again come on board for our 2020 Shows:

Bendigo Community Bank (Autumn and Spring Shows)
Orchidaceous Supplies (Autumn and Spring Shows)
Fame Orchids Nursery (Autumn and Spring Shows)
G & M Botting (Autumn and Spring Shows)
Aranbeem Orchids (Autumn and Spring Shows)
M Ludlow (Autumn and Spring Shows)
Robertson Orchids (Autumn Show)
Bunnings (Manly West)

AOCC 2021 For the Love of Orchids

The 22nd Australian Orchid Council Conference and Show (AOCC 2021) - **For the Love of Orchids** - will be held at the Logan Metro Sports & Event Centre at Crestmead from 1 to 5 September 2021. This Conference will be co-ordinated by the Orchid Societies of South East Queensland.

Early Bird Registration is now open.

**For more information and registration, go to
www.aocc2021.org**

Explanation of the Jack Feige Memorial Trophy

For our new members, and some of the older members who are not familiar with the story behind the Jack Feige Memorial Trophy, I will endeavour to give you some background.

Jack and Lyla Feige joined EDOS in 1973. In 1977 Jack was elected President, serving for 3 years, and again in 1981 for a further 3 years. He also served 6 years as Senior Vice President and 3 years as Junior Vice President.

In 1987 Jack became an AOC Judge, and just prior to his death was awarded Emeritus Judge Status by the Australian Orchid Council Inc.

Jack and Lyla were also Life Members of EDOS Inc. In later years ill health curtailed Jack's activities but he was always there with advice for both new growers and old.

Jack passed away in 2009, at age 90, and with Lyla's blessing, it was decided that EDOS Inc would instigate the annual Jack Feige Memorial Trophy, starting in 2011.

This plant is selected each General Meeting night by the AOC Judges on duty. The winner does not receive a plant on the night, but instead a photo of the plant is entered into the Annual Competition.

The winner of this trophy is selected by a panel of AOC judges at the Christmas Breakup each year, from photographs of the monthly "Plant of the Night" from our General Meetings, and presented at the Christmas break-up. Each winner is presented with a replica trophy at the end of the year they won.

As a mark of respect and with Jack's love of *Paphs* in mind, in 2012 Les Vickers registered a *Paphiopedilum* named in Jack's honour – *Paph. Memoria Jack Feige*. (*Paph. bellatulum* 'Jumbo' x *Paph. Tokyo Black Knight* 'Red Moon')

Explanation of General Meeting Night Cultural Award and other Prizes.

Some of you may have noticed a bit of "Banter" at the end of the Plant Results on Meeting nights when the Cultural Award is announced.

For those of you who are lucky enough to have your plant chosen for the Cultural Award at the meetings, the process requires that you write an article for the next Newsletter and forward to the Editor within a week on what you do to look after your prize plant.

The Cultural Awardee also receives a plant for their efforts.

Anyone who has a plant at General Meetings selected as "Popular Vote" has the choice of a plant or a voucher as their prize.

First Place in the Novice categories also has the choice of a plant or a voucher for their win.

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