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NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 22 January, 2015** commencing at 8.00 pm, at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on **Thursday 5 February, 2015** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

RED SPOTTERS CLUB

To start the Red Spotters off for 2015, Ken Webster will be doing a presentation on Paphiopedilum Culture, commencing at 7.30 pm at the far end of the Hall.

2015 ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Members are reminded that Annual Subscriptions are now due – Family \$16, Single \$15. They can be paid at the January General Meeting, or a cheque can be mailed to the Secretary, PO Box 60, Wynnum Central Q 4178.

It is great to see that EDOS Inc Fees have not increased for many years, thanks to the hard work put in by our members at our Autumn and Spring Shows, and other fund-raising events.

FEATURE ITEM

Barry Kable and Ken Webster will be co-presenting this session, the Topic being 'Mixing Potting Mediums, in particular using Sphagnum Moss'.

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.

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

- Judges:** Les Vickers, Eric Locke, John Rooks, Brent Nicoll
Observers: Student Judges Michael Tervo and Ken Haase
Scribes: Volunteers required please.
Supper Steward: Marion and Colin Samuels
Hostesses: Dot Rooks and Margaret Rieck
Library : Helen Vickers
Plant Registrar: Ann Kable
Plants Worth Noting: Ray Girdlestone
Trade Table: Michael and Nikki Tervo

49th EDOS AUTUMN SHOW

Don't forget that our Autumn Show will be held on 11 and 12 April, 2015, with judging on Friday night 10 April 2015.

The Show Schedule will be available in the next Newsletter so that members can start planning and organising the plants they may want to bench or sell.

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 Trade Table at any time before the expiry date shown.

RED SPOTTERS CLUB

The Red Spotter's Club Coordinator Secretary Ken Webster is seeking your assistance in the identification of topics for the forthcoming year. Whilst Ken is well acquainted with various orchid genera, he would appreciate your assistance in any particular topic which you may have an interest in. In this manner, he can organize the appropriate speaker or prepare the relevant information (himself) to provide an informative session. Currently Ken chooses the majority of the topics himself however it would be appreciated if some input is provided by the members to assist him in this regard. Thank you.



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New Member Badges

New members who have joined in the past few months are requested to see Ken Webster at the next meeting to collect their Name Badges please.

EDOS Inc Club Shirts

'President Barry Kable and Secretary Ken Webster have received several requests for placing an order for our club shirt. This is the last call for members to place their request (and particular size). Even if you have placed an earlier request, please re-discuss with them to ensure the order is appropriate - I.e the right size';

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Queensland International Orchid Fair

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Sunday 8am-3pm.

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International orchid nurseries, specialist
plant sellers and nursery supplies.**

Venue: Beenleigh Showground, James Street,
Beenleigh 4207

Free Admission

Plants Worth Noting for 2015

The Editor would like to find some Volunteers to cover Plants Worth Noting in 2015. 2014 was covered by the

Student Judges, but as there are only 5 members involved, and they also cover the Judging on the night, we would like to open this up to ALL the members. You would only have to write one article for the year, and if you need assistance, the Secretary and Editor would be only too pleased to help.

You don't have to "go all technical", if you wish, you can just give your opinion and description of some of the orchids which take your eye.

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Expressions of Interest for Bus Trip

EDOS Inc is looking to organise a Bus Trip to the Toowoomba Orchid Show on Saturday 25 November, 2015. This is always a great show to visit.

If you are interested can you please let either Barry, Ken, John or Allan McKell know as soon as possible, so that plans can be set in place.

UPCOMING EVENTS

What: Aspley Orchid Society "Celebrating Valentines Day"

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 14 and 15 February, 2015

What: Queensland International Orchid Fair

Where: Beenleigh Show Grounds, Beenleigh

When: 6 to 8 March, 2014

What: Bribie Island Orchid Society Inc Easter Orchid & Foliage Show

Where: The Orchid House, & Indoor Bowls Clubhouse

When: 3 to 5 April, 2014

What: Eastern District Orchid Society Inc
Where: Bayside Uniting Church, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West
When: 11 and 12 April, 2015

What: Brisbane Orchid Society Inc
Where: Mt Gravatt State School, 1263 Logan Rd, Mt Gravatt
When: 18 and 19 April, 2015

What: Redlands Orchid Society Inc
Where: Donald Simpson Centre, Cleveland
When: 2 May, 2015

What: Orchids in Paradise – 20th Australian Orchid Council Conference & Show
Where: Hosted by Mackay & District Orchid Society
When: 18 to 23 September, 2015

Reminder Orchids in Paradise Mackay Early Bird Closure

This is a Reminder to those who may be considering going up to The Orchid Conference to be held at the Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre (MECC) on Friday the 18th September to Wednesday 23rd September 2015.

The Early Bird Registration offer closes on 31 January, 2015, so if you are thinking of attending you will need to act ASAP!!

You can find all the Information you will need at <http://orchidsinparadise.com.au/>

Toowoomba Orchid Conference and Show

In July 2015 it is Toowoomba Orchid Society 60th Birthday. We are having a conference to celebrate this event from 23rd – 26th July 2015 at the USQ Berghofer Recreation Centre.

We would like to invite other orchid societies to join us and provide an Orchid display. For the first 12 orchid Societies who commit to having a display by 1st March we will offer a **\$100** bonus.

Grand Champion Prize will be \$1500
Champion Display Prize will be \$1500

There will also be International Speakers and Vendors

We all grow a large range of orchids in Southeast Queensland and it would be great to join forces and provide a wonderful display of our collective passion.

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Snippets from the Australian Orchid Council Annual General Meeting and Board of Management Meeting held on October 25th 2014 by Skype.

AGM

- All members of the Executive Committee were re-elected except that there is still no nomination for Treasurer. Coralie Hills is prepared to continue for a short time, but someone else is needed urgently. If anyone knows of a suitable person, please forward his/her name and details to the President.
- Alan Stephenson, AOC Conservation Director, and Ian Chalmers, AOC Nomenclature Representative, were awarded Fellow of the Australian Orchid Council (FAOC) for their services to the Council.

- The Board recognised the passing of Miss Pam Bartlett, former AOC President and Secretary with a minute's silence.

Board Of Management

- Motion passed: The maximum term of office for the AOC President was extended to 5 years.
- AOC Orchids of the Year for 2013 were announced
- All Officers of Council remain the same except that John Rees (*from Qld*) was elected Registrar General.
- Motion to change the page size of 'Orchids Australia' to A5 was passed after much discussion. The resulting saving means that affiliation fees and magazine subscriptions do not need to be raised at this time.
- Orchid Wiz and possibly AQ+ to become available through the AOC, bringing in a new source of revenue.
- Some school students in South Australia are being taught to grow orchids by mentors from an orchid club – see future article in 'Orchids Australia' if you wish to do something similar.
- Regular brief Skype meetings suggested between Annual Meetings.

Thea Shaughnessy
AOC Secretary

WEBSITE

www.edos.org.au. Our Webmaster Ray Girdlestone would like you to have a look at our EDOS website, and 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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