

## Eastern District Orchid Society Inc Founded 1966

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### **JULY 2015**

#### **NEXT GENERAL MEETING**



#### PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR NEXT GENERAL MEETING!!!

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 30 July, 2015** commencing at 8.00 pm, at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

#### RED SPOTTERS CLUB

Commencing at 7.30 pm, Ken Webster's presentation will be "My Rhynchostylis are now in flower". This is a follow-on from his previous presentation in May on growing Rhynchostylis.

#### **FEATURE ITEM**

Maurie Page will be doing a presentation on Dendrochilums. Maurie has been growing orchids for a very long time, and has a wealth of knowledge on the background species orchids. includina Dendrochilums.

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

Judges: Eric Locke, Les Vickers, Gary Yong

Gee, Les Lobley, Brent Nicoll

**Observers:** Student Judges Janelle Girdlestone

and Helen Vickers

Volunteers required please. Scribes: Supper Steward: Marion and Colin Samuels Hostesses: Dot Rooks and Margaret Rieck

Library: Helen Vickers Plant Registrar: Ann Kable

Plants Worth Noting: Ken Webster Trade Table: In recess until August.

#### **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 6 August, 2015 at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

#### Trade Table

The Trade Table will be in recess for the July Meeting. (Michael is in Finland) However, if you require any items, please contact Nikki on 3245 1383 to organise delivery or collection.

#### **Club Shirts**

For those members who ordered a new EDOS Inc Club Shirt, these will be available for collection from Secretary Ken Webster, at the July 15 General Meeting. Cost to members will be \$20

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## Plants Worth Noting June Meeting

Another meeting has come and gone, and as such another Plants Worth Noting is to be written. In the past, every time I have gone to write a Plants Worth Noting I've always tried to find the most beautiful flowers, the hardest to grow, or the most rarely seen orchids on the benches, but this month I thought to do something different. This time I've chosen the most sentimental plant. Some of you may have noticed a pale pink exhibition Cattleya in the corner at last month's meeting. It wasn't the prettiest, or most "perfect" flower, or by any means the rarest or hardest to grow plant. But to me, on the night it was the most important plant in the room, because that orchid once belonged to my Grandmother who loved and adored her orchids to no end... although she wasn't exactly the greatest grower of them.

When my grandma passed away some years ago the entire family knew that the orchids would go to me as I was the only one in the family who had a thumb green enough to grow them, and from there the obsession began. I first started out growing my handful of orchids on top of the shoe rack at the back door, then for Christmas I got my very own shade house (could you believe it?! me, with my OWN shade house, well, I had arrived in life). Now I have several shade houses and the area under shade cloth in our backyard grows each year, as do the orchids. These orchids bring me so much joy, watching them grow, and flower, and occasionally set seed, and I can't imagine my life without them.

However, the greatest gift these plants have given me are some of the truest, and best friends that I have ever had. Thanks to these plants I now have a place I can go every month filled with smiles, hugs, playful taunts, but more importantly, a place filled with my friends.... I know, how soppy and emotional... so that is why at last months meeting, the pink Cattleya in the corner (that Ken said may be Cattleya George King 'Serendipity) was to me, the most note worthy plant in the room. I hope you all have a brilliant Christmas in July, I wish I could have been there.

#### Michael Tervo

#### Toowoomba Bus Trip

For those members who are travelling to Toowoomba for their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference and Show on 25 July, enjoy the day (and don't forget to take some woollies, it is Toowoomba after all!!)

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

What: ANOS (Qld) KABI Group Inc

Where: Bald Hills State School, 2156 Gympie Rd,

**Bald Hills** 

**When:** 22 and 23 August, 2015

What: North Brisbane Orchid Society Inc

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 22 and 23 August, 2015

What: Nambour Diamond Jubilee Spring Show Where: Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave,

Nambour

When: 28 and 29 August, 2015

What: Logan & District Orchid Society Inc

Where: Centre for Aging, Cnr Jacaranda &

Wembley Rd, Woodridge

**When**: 29 and 30 August, 2015

What: Ballina & Dist Orchid Society Inc

Where: RSL Club, Ballina When: 29 and 30 August, 2015

What: Gold Coast District Orchid Society Inc
Where: Albert Waterways Comm Ctr, Cnr Hooker

& Sunshine Bvds, Broadbeach Waters

When: 4 and 5 September, 2015

What: QOS Inc

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 12 and 13 September, 2015

What: Beaudesert Districts Orchid & Foliage

Society Inc

Where: Canungra School of Arts Hall, 37 Pine St,

Canungra

When: 12 and 13 September, 2015

What: West Brisbane Orchid Society Inc

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 19 and 20 September, 2015

What: Orchids in Paradise – 20<sup>th</sup> Australian

Orchid Council Conference & Show

Where: Hosted by Mackay & District Orchid

Society

When: 18 to 23 September, 2015

What: Glasshouse Country Orchid Society Inc Where: Beerwah Community Hall, Peachester

Road, Beerwah

When: 25 and 26 September, 2015

What: EDOS Spring Show

Where: Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420

Wondall Road, Manly West

When: 3 and 4 October, 2015

What: Bribie Island Orchid Society Inc

Where: The Orchid House, 15A First Ave, Bribie

Island

When: 3 and 4 October, 2015

What: Ipswich Orchid Society Inc
Where: Silkstone State Primary School

When: 3 and 4 October, 2015

What: Redlands Orchid Society Inc

Where: Donald Simpson Centre, 172 Bloomfield

St, Cleveland

When: 17 October, 2015

What: Boonah Charity Show
Where: Boonah State High School
When: 17 and 18 October, 2015

What: Tweed District Orchid Society Inc Annual

Orchid Fair

Where: Tweed Civic Centre, Brett St, Tweed

Heads

When: 31 October and 1 November, 2015

What: Orchid Species Society Inc

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

**When:** 14 and 15 November, 2015

#### **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.

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## Orchid Display during RNA Show 2015

Once again this year EDOS Inc is inviting members to be involved with the display being put on at the Ekka

The event last year was very successful, with those helping out on the stand being kept very busy, answering many and varied questions from the general public, and handing out information sheets

An explanation for those new members -

The aim of this display is to showcase orchids grown in SE Queensland in a display at the Brisbane Exhibition. This will consist of a joint display with as many societies participating as possible, hopefully creating some public interest in orchids and orchid growing with a view to increased member recruitment. A hand out sheet with contact details of all Orchid Societies in South East Queensland will be available.

If you would like to Volunteer please contact Barry Kable. Volunteers will need to have a broad knowledge of orchids and how to grow them.

We will also be looking for plants to include in the Display, so please keep this in mind if you have something that might be suitable.

More information will be available closer to the Ekka.

## KEMPSEY SPECIOSUM SPECTACULAR and NATIVE ORCHID SHOW 2015

The 14th annual Kempsey Speciosum Spectacular and native orchid show will be held over the weekend of 5th/6th September 2015.

Because of the growth of the show over time, it has become necessary to move the venue of the show to the Kempsey Dirt Bike Club track (Greenhill, via Kempsey) which adjoins the previous venue. This will allow an increased area for show plants and visitor area, as well as easier parking for cars and buses.

The new venue also provides the option for visitors to camp in tents or caravans on the site of the show. Should you be interested in this please contact us for further details.

Having accepted the challenge to host the 8<sup>th</sup> Australasian Native Orchid Conference and Show in Kempsey from 1st – 4th September 2016, at this years show we will be conducting an auction of some high quality speciosums and hybrids. Plants have been promised by some top native growers and funds raised will be put towards the staging of the Conference.

The show schedule is available along with other information from Ted Walmsley 02 6562 7150 or John Zietsch 02 6554 9773

Please contact us should you require details of available accommodation or other information.

#### **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 <a href="webmaster@edos.org.au">webmaster@edos.org.au</a>
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 <a href="mailto:edoc.org.au">editor@edos.org.au</a>

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