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NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 22 June, 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 being presented by Rob Kerr, who is covering his method of "Potting and Orchid Culture".

FEATURE ITEM

This month's Feature Item will be a presentation by Angelina Rowell, which is "From compots and small 25 mm pots, to flowering care." This topic will follow on very nicely from last month's topic on flasking.

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

Judges: Eric Locke, John Rooks, Brent Nicoll,

Les Vickers

Associate Judges: Ken Haase, Helen Vickers 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: Ray Girdlestone

Trade Table: Greg Webb

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on **Thursday 6 July, 2017** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.



Our Christmas in July function for 2017 will be held on 29 July, 2017 at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club.

Doors will be open at 6 pm, with nibblies at 6.15 pm, and the main meal to be served at 6.45 pm. (If you have any special dietary requirements let one of the Hostesses know at the June Meeting please.)

Tickets will be available at the June General Meeting. Cost will be \$20 per head for Members, and \$40 for Non-members. Soft drinks, beer and wine will be included, however anything else will be at your own cost.

We will be holding our usual Cent Auction, so if you are planning on coming along, please bring a prize (one per person attending) for the Cent Auction — preferably something "Orchid" (please bring something you would be happy to win yourself). Cent Auction tickets will be \$5 per sheet.

There will also be a Lucky Door prize.

It is a great social night, so keep this date free and come along and relax, enjoy a great meal, have lots of laughs, enjoy yourselves with your fellow society members, and if you are lucky you can win lots of prizes.

Fred Clarke Evening

The Ipswich Orchid Society Inc hosted Guest Speaker Fred Clarke who is in Australia to lecture at the Tropical Queensland Orchid Conference and Show in Townsville.

For those who attended this event, it was a very entertaining and informative evening. Fred is a very entertaining speaker, and willingly passes on his knowledge to those who are interested.

We would recommend to our members to take the opportunity to attend these events, as there is so much to learn from these experienced growers. Even our most learned and experienced growers can always learn something new!!

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SEQ Orchid Display at RNA Show 2017



Once again this year local Societies are involved with the Orchid display being put on at the Ekka.

The event last year was very successful, with the Orchid Display winning the "Mabel Burnett Award for Most Effective Display" and First in the Flower and

Garden Display Internal Studio. The members helping out on the stand were 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 to visitors.

We will also be looking for members to help out as stewards on this display, handing out Information sheets, and answering questions from the Public. You do not have to be there for the duration – there will be a Roster System, usually for a half-day. If you are available please let Barry or Ann Kable know.

We will also be looking for plants to include in the Display, so please contact Barry Kable if you have something that might be suitable.

Orchid Competition at the EKKA

The 140th Royal Queensland Show is on from Friday 11 August to Sunday 20 August 2017 inclusive. There will be a **Potted Plants Competition** covering 26 classes, including the following **7 classes for orchids**:

Cattleya Hybrid
Dendrobium Hybrid
Paphiopedilum including Phragmipedium Hybrids
Vandaceous including Phalaenopsis Hybrids
Australian Native Hybrid
Any Other Genera Hybrid
Species Any Genera

Prizes will be: First - \$15 and certificate; Second - \$7 and certificate; Third - \$5 and certificate. Overall champion will win \$100.

Entries are open now and will close at 5pm on 30 June 2017. If you have a plant that you think might be out at this time of the year, put the name forward to the RNA. However, if the plant isn't out or suitable for showing, it won't be a problem if you don't take it along. Entry fee is \$15.00 (non-member of RNA), which will include an exhibitor pass. There is no limit on the number of entries other than a maximum of 3 entries per class.

For more information, go to the EKKA website: https://www.ekka.com.au/competitions/categories/flowe r-and-garden and download the Show Schedule.

BAR CODING LABELS

The Bar Code Labels Request Form which Members will need to use to order Plant Sales Bar code Labels for the Spring Show 2017 will be available at the Entry table at the next few meetings, or are available from the website.

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

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.

51st EDOS SPRING SHOW 16 & 17 September, 2017

A reminder that our Spring Show will be held 16 and 17 September, 2017, with judging on Friday night 15 September, 2017, so it is now a good time to start preparing your plants, and to consider how you may be able to help out.

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!

SHOW SCHEDULE

A copy of the Schedule for the 2017 Spring Show is available through the EDOS website, and is attached to this Newsletter.

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UPCOMING SHOWS

What: North Moreton Orchid Council Show
Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 24 and 25 June, 2017

What: Caboolture Orchid Show

Where: Morayfield Community Centre, Morayfield

Road, Morayfield

When: 7-9 July, 2017

What: John Oxley Orchid Show

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens Mt Coot-tha

When: 15 and 16 July, 2017

What: Logan And District Orchid Society

Where: Springwood State School When: 26 and 27 August, 2017

What: ANOS (Qld) Kabi Group Inc

Where: Strathpine Community Centre, 119 Gympie

Road, Strathpine

When: 26 and 27 August, 2017
What: North Brisbane Orchid Show

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 26 and 27 August, 2017

What: Nambour Orchid Show

Where: Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave,

Nambour

When: 1 and 2 Sept, 2017

What: Redlands Orchid Show

Where: Donald Simpson Centre, 172 Bloomfield

St, Cleveland

When: 2 September, 2017

What: Lockyer Valley Orchid Society Orchid &

Flower Show

Where: Laidley Cultural Centre, Laidley-Plainland

Road, Laidley

When: 7-9 September, 2017

What: West Brisbane Orchid Show

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 9 and 10 September, 2017

What: EDOS Inc Spring Show

Where: Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420

Wondall Road, Manly West.

When: 16 and 17 September, 2017

What: Glasshouse Country Orchid Show

Where: Beerwah Community Hall, Peachester Rd,

Beerwah

When: 22 and 23 September, 2017

What: Bribie Island Orchid Show

Where: The Orchid House, 1st Avenue, Bribie

Island

When: 30 September and 1 October, 2017

What: Queensland Orchid Society

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 21 and 22 October, 2017

What: Nambour Orchid Species Show & Trade

Fair

Where: Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave,

Nambour

When: 27 and 28 October, 2017

What: North Moreton Orchid Council Show
Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 28 and 29 October, 2017

What: Orchid Species Show

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 11 and 12 November, 2017

Other Dates to Remember

➤ EDOS Inc will be having a couple of displays to advertise our show at the office of our Patron Joan Pease MP. One will be in August, date to be confirmed, and the second one will be 5 September. We will be looking for a couple of members to assist, and we will also need some plants. More information in the future.

- ➤ Wynnum Plaza Display will be on 2 September. We will be looking for members to assist on the day from 9 am to 3 pm. We will also require plants for the display.
- Redfest 2017 is on again this year 8 to 10 September. EDOS Inc, in conjunction with Redlands Orchid Society Inc will be putting on a display. We will need volunteers and plants to put on display, so please keep this date free in your calendar.

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.

More information will be available in the near future.

- EDOS Inc Beginning With Orchids 23 September, 2017 will be held at Fame Nursery, commencing with Morning Tea at 9.30 am. This is a great information session for new and prospective members.
- ➤ QOS Inc Guest Society EDOS Inc will be the Guest Society at the QOS Inc Monthly Meeting on 9 October, plants to be benched by 7.30 pm. Please consider attending and benching your orchids, to showcase our Society to other Societies.

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If you are interested, see John Rooks or Milton and make an offer.

(No) Plants Worth Noting

You may have noticed that the Plants Worth Noting have been missing in recent editions of the Newsletter. Unfortunately, our small band of Associate Judges who have been covering this topic for the past 2 years or so, are finding it very difficult to do their regular jobs on meeting nights (including judging, stewarding, scribing and photos) and also gather information for an article for the Newsletter.

In order to continue with this article, we would like to see some of our members put their hand up.

Please NOTE, it does NOT have to be a Technical article, it can just be your thoughts on any of the plants on the Benches that may attract your attention on the night, and it only needs to be a paragraph or two (or more if you wish).

We would like to hear our members' opinions of plants which are benched – whether they are eyecatching, unusual, or just plain "pretty".

If you are interested, please speak to Editor Janelle, and she will help you out with more information.

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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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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