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*Patron Neil Symes MP*



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### **MARCH 2013**

#### ***NEXT GENERAL MEETING***

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 28 March, 2013** commencing at **8.00 pm** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

#### ***RED SPOTTERS CLUB***

Tony Beck will be doing a presentation on Phragmipediums. As one of our top growers, this session should be very informative.

#### ***FEATURE ITEM***

This month's Feature Item will be a 'Panel Discussion' If you have any questions you would like answered please have them ready on the night.

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

**Judges:** Les Vickers, Adrian Bergstrum, Bill Williams (Other Judges co-opted as required on the night)

**Observers:** Please see Eric if you are interested

**Scribes:** Volunteers required please.

**Supper Stewards:** Marian Samuels, Daphne McKell

**Hostesses:** Margaret Rieck, Dot Rooks

**Library :** Helen Vickers

**Plant Registrar:** Ann Kable

**Plants Worth Noting:** Alan Nalder

**Trade Table:** Pauline Webster

#### ***NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING***

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 11 am on **Sunday 7 April, 2013** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

#### ***EDOS AUTUMN SHOW***

***Don't forget that our Autumn Show will be held on 6 and 7 April, 2013, with judging on Friday night 5 April 2013.***

There have been some changes made to the Show Schedule (in particular the Classes) and General Conditions, so it would be timely for ALL members, old and new, to have a read of these to ensure that they are aware of any changes that have been made.

One change to note is that Entries must be tabled and available for Judging by 7.30 pm

If you have any queries please feel free to contact either the Show Captain Brent Nicoll, Chief Steward Eric Locke, or the President Barry Kable.

***Plant Tags*** will be available at the March Meeting from Roy Jope— 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 March Meeting from Pauline Webster.

**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** – Legislation requires that Members **MUST** sign the Fire Ant Register before Plants can be accepted into the Hall for either showing or Sales. 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.

## HELP NEEDED!!!

**If you are available to help out at the Autumn Show please put your name in the Roster book at the next meeting**, or contact either Brent, John or Barry and let them know when you would be available to help out.

**EVEN IF YOU CAN ONLY SPARE A COUPLE OF HOURS, WE NEED AS MANY MEMBERS AS**

## POSSIBLE TO HELP MAKE THE SHOW A SUCCESS!

We particularly need volunteers for the Front Door, and raffle sellers, and to set up on Friday afternoon around 4 pm, and clean up on Sunday afternoon.

**Kitchen** - Catering Convenor Marion would appreciate any donations of cakes, slices and cookies etc. Marion will also appreciate assistance in the kitchen.

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

## Request to Members

Is there any member who would be willing to put an EDOS Inc Orchid Show sign on their front fence for a few days prior to the Shows?

If you are please contact either Barry, John or Brent. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

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## Spring Show Vouchers

Please remember that any Prize Vouchers from our EDOS Spring Show 2012 will expire at the end of March.

Date Claimer



Once again we will be holding our Christmas in July this year with a function on 27 July 2013 at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club, so keep this date free and come along and have a great night.

More information will be available in coming months.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- What:** Bribie Island Orchid Society  
**Where:** Student Centre Bribie Island State High School, First Ave, Bribie Island Q  
**When:** 29 and 30 March, 2013
- What:** Queensland Orchid Society Inc  
**Where:** Auditorium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha  
**When:** 29 to 31 March, 2013
- What:** EDOS Inc Autumn Show  
**Where:** Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West  
**When:** 6 & 7 April, 2013
- What:** Brisbane Orchid Society  
**Where:** School Hall, Mt Gravatt State School, 1263 Logan Rd, Mt Gravatt  
**When:** 20 and 21 April, 2013
- What:** Redlands Orchid Society Autumn Show  
**Where:** Donald Simpson Centre, Cleveland  
**When:** Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2013
- What:** Aspley Orchid Society Inc Autumn Show  
**Where:** Community Hall, Wavell Heights  
**When:** 11 and 12 May, 2013
- What:** Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular  
**Where:** Gympie Showgrounds, Gympie  
**When:** 8 and 9 June, 2013
- What:** John Oxley District Orchid Society Inc  
**Where:** Auditorium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha  
**When:** 20 to 22 July, 2013

- What:** 7<sup>th</sup> Australasian Native Orchid Conference and Show (hosted by ANOS Kabi Group)  
**Where:** Strathpine Community Centre, cnr Gympie Rd and Mecklam St, Strathpine  
**When:** 21 to 25 August, 2013
- What:** North Brisbane Orchid Society  
**Where:** Auditorium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha  
**When:** 24 and 25 August, 2013

## Cultural Award February 2013

### Milt . *moreliana* .

This plant was mounted on a tree fern slab some 18 months ago, and since then it has gone from strength to strength, nearly doubling in size. It currently faces east at eye level where it is misted daily with a very weak solution of Horticultural Solutions Duett Fertilizer. In summer this can be morning and evening depending when conditions allow. This may surprise many growers but as I like to eat everyday so why shouldn't my orchid plants as well.

Pests are not usually a problem but I like to spray either Supracide or Diazanone on a rotational basis monthly. This keeps the nasties at bay and along with a monthly spray of Phosjet fungicide not many problems occur. Now coming up to our show a regular spray of Alginox (from Woollies) at 6ml/ltr on your orchid house floor will help keep Botrytis from marking your blooms .

Good growing and see you at the show .

*Eric Locke*

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# Proposed Bus Trip

After the great success of our recent Bus Trip to the Beaudesert Show, EDOS is looking to organise another trip, this time to the Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular in June. The proposed plan will also include a visit to J & V's Fraser Coast Orchid Nursery. If you are interested, please let one of our Committee members know.

Our Thanks to Alan McKell for organising the last trip on short notice. Those members who went along had a great time.

## Beginning with Orchids

EDOS Inc will be holding the next "Beginning with Orchids" following our Autumn Show on Saturday, 13 April, 2013 at **Fame Orchids**, beginning at 9.00 am.

Please bring a chair, a hat and a water bottle, and enjoy the morning.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Australasian Native Orchid Society Conference & Show.

Held at Strathpine (Queensland, Australia).

Hosted by Kabi Group(Inc).

Full Conference - 22-25<sup>th</sup> August 2013

Public show days - 23-25<sup>th</sup> August

NOTE: Programme update

ANOS Gen. Meeting for affiliated members 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug

For fuller details see [www.ourshopfront.com/kabi](http://www.ourshopfront.com/kabi) and follow the Conference link.

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## Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular

The Gympie Golden Orchid Spectacular will be held at the Gympie Showgrounds, Gympie on 8 and 9 June, 2013. Entry Fee is \$5 which includes parking. There will be 20 vendors, as well as Guest Speakers. For further information contact John Green on 07 5483 2764 or [johnandkayegreen@southernphone.com.au](mailto:johnandkayegreen@southernphone.com.au)

### WEBSITE

[www.edos.org.au](http://www.edos.org.au). Our Webmaster Ray Girdlestone would like you to have a look at our EDOS website and make comment – remember it is still a work in progress and any suggestions will be appreciated. If you have any Cultural advice 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](mailto:webmaster@edos.org.au) or phone 3823 4277

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