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NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on Thursday 26 May, 2011 commencing at 7.30pm at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

RED SPOTTERS CLUB

Due to our Guest Speaker this month, there will be NO Red Spotters Club, as the General Meeting will commence at 7.30 pm

FEATURE ITEM

Our Guest Speaker for May will be Alan Merriman from Miriam Ann Orchids, whose presentation will be on "Pests and Diseases". Please note that this presentation will commence at 8.00 pm. Alan will also have merchandise available for sale.

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

Judges: Eric Locke, Bill Williams, Arthur Cornell,

Les Vickers

Associate Judges: John Rooks, Brent Nicoll,

Adrian Bergstrum

Observers: Please see Eric Locke if you are

interested

Scribes: Volunteers required please.

Supper Stewards: Marian Samuels, Daphne McKell

Margaret Rieck, Dot Rooks **Hostesses:**

Helen Vickers Library: Plant Registrar: Ann Kable Plants worth Noting: Tony Beck PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no Trade table for May and June. If you require any items please contact Pauline prior to the meeting on 3286 4910

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 2 June. 2011 at the Bayside Uniting Church Meeting Room, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

NOTE FOR MAY GENERAL MEETING!

Please note that there will be a change to our May General Meeting starting time. There will be NO Red Spotters, and our Guest Speaker, Alan **Merriman** from Miriam Ann Orchids in Sydney will be commencing his presentation at 8.00 pm, after our General Meeting which will commence at 7.30 pm..

Could members planning on Benching plants please do so as early as possible on the night to enable judging to be done as soon as is practicable.



Our Plant Co-ordinator Alan McKell would like to issue a very big Thanks to everyone who helped out in Plant Sales at our very successful Autumn Show. The old saying of 'Many hands make light work' certainly proved itself, including those members who were on hand to offer advice to prospective buyers.

Our Kitchen Co-ordinator Marian Samuels would also like to issue an extra big Thanks to those who helped out in the Kitchen during the Autumn Show, and to those who supplied cakes, slices etc. With 4 buses over the weekend it was a very big task.

Once again Marian and her helpers in the kitchen excelled themselves.

The Autumn Show was once again an extremely successful event, with a large and varied display of quality plants. Plant Sales was a very busy spot, especially when the buses arrived.

Among the comments from attendees were that it was the best show so far this year.

More detailed information from the Show is in the attached Minutes.

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Christmas in July and 45th Anniversary Celebrations

Don't forget our combined Christmas in July and EDOS 45th Anniversary Celebrations on 23 July 2011 at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club. It will be a great night, so keep this date free and come along and enjoy yourselves with your fellow society members.

Cost to members will be \$15, non-members will be \$30. Soft drinks will be free, alcohol will be at your own cost.

If you are planning on coming along, please bring along a prize for the Cent Auction (please bring something you would be happy to win yourself)

Tickets will be available at the May and June Meetings.

Tickets will also be available at the next 2 meetings for the 45th Anniversary Raffle.

Information from March Meeting

For those who were at the March EDOS Meeting when Ann Sales did her presentation, the Garlic and Chilli Insect spray she was talking about is called "Beat-a-Bug", which is available at Bunnings.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

What: Queensland Week Orchid and Gardening

Expo

Where: Bribie Indoor Bowls Club, First Ave, Bribie

Island

When: 4 and 5 June, 2011

What: 46th Tropical Queensland Orchid Council

Conference and Show 2011 (Registration

Form available on EDOS website)

Where: Bowen Showgrounds, Mt Nutt Rd, Bowen

When: 10,11,12 June 2011

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

When: 2 and 3 July, 2011

What: Caboolture Orchid Society Inc Where: Morayfield Community Complex,

Morayfield Rd, Morayfield

When: 8-10 July, 2011

What: John Oxley District Orchid Society Inc Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 16 and 17 July, 2011

What: EDOS Christmas in July Where: Wynnum Manly Leagues Club

When: 23 July 2011

What: Toowoomba Winter Show

Where: St Pauls Church Hall, cnr James & Phillip

Sts Toowoomba

When: 30 and 31 July, 2011

What: Maroochydore Orchid Society Inc – Open

Show

Where: Community Hall, Millward Rd,

Maroochydore

When: 6 and 7 August, 2011

What: North Brisbane Orchid Society Inc

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 20 and 21 August, 2011

What: 9th Open Australasian Native Orchid Show

(ANOS QLD - KABI Group Inc)

Where: Lions Hall, 757 Gympie Road, Lawnton

When: 27 and 28 August, 2011

What: Logan & District Orchid Society Inc Where: Logan Central Community Centre

When: 27 and 28 August, 2011

What: West Brisbane Orchid Society Inc

Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha

When: 27 and 28 August, 2011

What: Eastern Districts Orchid Society Inc. Where: Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420

Wondall Rd, Manly West

When: 17 and 18 September, 2011

Cultural Award For April

Bulbophyllum rothschildianum

To say that growing Bulbophyllum rothschildianum is ridiculously easy is an understatement. Our plant was purchased as a small piece in a pot about 10 years ago. It showed a yearning to wander so was planted gently (shoved) onto a piece of tree fern and hung high in the cattleya house where it gets good light. In that position, it grew prolifically into a specimen plant. A native of India and Thailand, this species does not appear to be prone to pests and diseases. I think it deserves 'unkillable' status. What do you think, Mr. Page?

Danny and Linda Hall

HORTICULTURAL SOLUTIONS

ORCHID FOOD HAS AN ATTITUDE WITH EXTREME ADDITIVES HSO-12 - HSO-22

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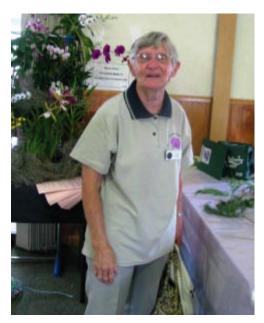
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For more information please contact Horticultural Solutions.

Miss Socializer!!

One of our long-standing members, Lyla Feige, came to our recent Autumn Show and in her words – "I had a Wonderful time!" Lyla met people she hadn't seen for a long time.

(We had a lot of trouble getting Lyla to do any work, she was too busy socializing!!)



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one particular plant. All articles would be greatly appreciated, and if you would rather not have your name published, that's okay, please talk to Janelle (Editor) and maybe we can create a "pen-name". The Editor is happy to assist with these articles.



Beginning With Orchids

EDOS held its second "Beginning With Orchids" day at Burbank recently, and once again it was a very successful morning. We had 37 non-EDOS members in attendance.

Many Thanks to Steve and Wendy for their hospitality and time, and their donations of plants for those attending.

HELP WANTED

EDOS would like to issue a challenge to those members who have a keen eye and a way with words. (Technical expertise is not essential, just your thoughts) We are looking for members who would be willing to "put pen to paper" and make comment on what has caught their eye on our meeting nights, even if it is only

WEBSITE

<u>www.edos.org.au</u>. 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 – either on the website or in the Newsletter.

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

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