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Sorry, event
cancelled

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Following on from the Management Committee decision in March, EDOS Inc will not be holding a General Meeting until the situation surrounding the Covid-19 lockdown changes in such a way that it becomes safe to do so.

Unfortunately, the issues of the past few weeks prove that we all still need to be extremely vigilant. In order to protect Queenslanders, the Government have currently re-assessed the restrictions, making it difficult at present to hold any meetings and functions.

We want to keep everyone safe and protected from this virus, so the Committee will also be constantly re-assessing the situation.

As we have been doing for the past few months, if there is any important information to be distributed to the members, it will be emailed out to everyone.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The Management Committee hasn't set a date for the next meeting. The Executive Committee are attending to any matters that require immediate attention. Because most things have shut down, there has not been much happening.

54th EDOS Inc Spring Show

The decision was made at the last EDOS Inc Management Committee Meeting to cancel the Spring Show, due to the uncertainty surrounding the Covid-19 situation. We do not want to put any of our members or the public at risk by holding the Show, and given the latest issues that have come to light in the last week, this decision is even more justified.

Let's look forward to 2021, and make our EDOS Inc Shows bigger and better than ever!!!

Change of Members' Details

In order to keep our EDOS Inc. records up to date, and to be able to keep in contact with our members, we would appreciate that, if you change any of your details, eg phone number, address, email address, please let us know of the changes. Show Captain Ray currently manages the Database, and can be contacted either by phone 07 3823 4277 or (preferably) email at taketwo@iprimus.com.au

Your information is very safe – we do not give out any information without your permission.

SOMETHING TO FILL IN THE GAP

We will be continuing on with our Newsletter Photo Competition for next month, so please send in your photos of your best flowering plants that are currently out in flower – just like taking them to the monthly meetings, only you don't need to go out – we would love to receive more photos. 2 of our AOC Judges will decide which photos they consider the best.

August Results:

First – *Rlc. Burdekin* Bride 'Anne Marie', owned by Jim and Betty Stratford

Second – *Ddc. cobbianum*, owned by Paul and Leanne McCarthy

Third - *Rlc. Druinn's* Martin, owned by Jim and Betty Stratford

The Rules are:

The plant must be currently in flower

The plant must be yours, and you must have owned the plant for 6 months.

The photo needs to be clear and of good quality, since it could end up in the Newsletter.

The best plants will be selected, and printed in the Newsletter (seeing as we don't have photos from the meetings). This will allow everyone to share what they are currently flowering. Just email me a good quality photo of the flower, with its name, or if you don't have email, you can post a copy. I will endeavour to put as many photos into the Newsletter as I can.

Popular Vote

We would also like our members to have a "Popular Vote" from the photos attached to the Newsletter. Just email your choice (either plant name or just the number on the photo) to editor@edos.org.au, or phone 0407 351 922 if you can't email. We will announce the winner in the next month's Newsletter.

The popular vote for the July photos were:

First – *Ddc. javieri*, owned by Bill and Margaret Williams

This may be the last month for this activity, as very few members are taking part, so if you want it to continue please send in your vote.

UPCOMING SHOWS

Due to the current Covid-19 situation, all Societies have cancelled their Shows until further notice. The

recommencement of Orchid Shows will depend on the Government Rules and the Societies' ability to operate under these instructions, the availability of venues, and the availability of members to run these Shows safely. As we are all aware, most Societies' membership base is made up of "Senior Citizens", whose health is more important than Orchid Shows.

There is also an issue with the availability of AOC Judges being available due to their own health issues.

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EDOS Inc Facebook page

Don't forget members, that EDOS Inc now has a Facebook page. Keep up with what is important to EDOS Inc members via Facebook.

Articles for the Newsletter

If anyone has an article of interest for our members on an orchid-related subject, please feel free to send it in to me for inclusion in the Newsletter

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AOCC Conference 2021

Please see the attached information for the latest information on the AOCC Conference being hosted by South East Queensland Societies in September 2021.

If you are interested in sponsoring a Class please have a read of the attached information. There are plenty of options for anyone interested. EDOS Inc has chosen to support the Conference by sponsoring some of the Classes and Champions.

Remember, this is our Conference, so consider assisting wherever you can to make it a fantastic event.

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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