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NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 27 April, 2023**, commencing at 8.00 pm, at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

In order to give members time to set up the tables, we ask that members **DON'T ARRIVE BEFORE 7 PM UNLESS YOU ARE COMING TO ASSIST WITH SETUP.**

Please give our Hostesses and other Volunteers time to get organised, and also there will not be any tables available to place plants on until this task is completed.

RED SPOTTER PRESENTATION

At the time of printing, Red Spotters for April will be a mystery presenter and topic.

FEATURE ITEM

Our Feature Item for April will be presented by Michael Coker. Michael is Vice President of The Orchid Societies Council of Victoria Inc. (OSCOV), and is an expert in many genera of orchids. Michael's topic will be "Growing a Mixed Collection – how you can grow a range of orchids with different cultural requirements in the same space."

This will be of interest to most of us, as this is exactly what we do. Michael will also be bringing some plants for sale.



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

Judges: L Vickers, J Rooks, H Vickers plus volunteer
Associate Judges: S Crosby and C Barker
Scribes: Volunteers required please.
Supper Stewards: Kay Ludlow plus volunteers
Hostesses: Dot Rooks and Margaret Rieck
Library: Helen Vickers
Plant Registrar: Ann Kable

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee meeting will be held at 10.00 am on **Thursday 4 May, 2023** upstairs in the meeting room at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club.

UPDATING YOUR DETAILS

If you have changed any of your details in recent times, please let Secretary Garth or Editor Janelle know so that the database can be kept up-to-date. This is very important for the delivery of your Newsletter and any other important information from the Society, or if any of the Committee need to contact you.

NEW CLASS - MINIATURES

Your committee has decided to introduce a **new class for our EDOS Inc Shows**. So, to get members used to benching their Miniatures, we are **also introducing the class to our Monthly Meeting nights** in order to get members used to the idea. The new class, being miniatures, is to encourage members to bring along those little flowers that they wouldn't normally bring because "they can't compete against the larger and more impressive flowers."

This class is open to all Open growers, and Novice growers will then transition into being able to enter the new class when they move up into Open.

The criteria for this new class of Miniatures is:

- The flower size must be under the size of 15 mm.
- It can be either a species or hybrid.
- The class is governed by the size of the flower and not the size of the plant it is growing on.

So, for all those growers who wouldn't normally bring their miniatures along, you are encouraged to do so, showing others that miniatures can also be interesting and worthwhile.

If your plant fits into several classes, it will be the grower's decision as to which class it is put into, eg, if it is a small Australian species (under 15mm) it could go into either Australian species or Miniatures – growers choice.

Your committee will re-evaluate this class next year. If you have any thoughts/suggestions/comments please pass them on to your committee.

These guidelines relate to both Meeting nights and EDOS Inc Shows.

57th EDOS Inc AUTUMN SHOW

The 57th Autumn Show was held on 1 and 2 April, 2023. Once again, it was a fantastic turnout, with plenty of visitors, and great plant sales. The Show Bench was down a little on the previous show due to our "strange" weather lately, but still a fantastic display. Congratulations to all concerned.

Many thanks to those who helped set up, man the various positions over the weekend, and pull-down on Sunday afternoon. It is always so much easier with many helping hands!

Our members in their NEW shirts looked FANTASTIC!! It identified our members, and made it easy to look for someone to assist when needed.

The Committee would like to say Many Thanks to all those who assisted in any way to make this Show happen, including those non-EDOS people who offered their time to assist the Society in any way. It would be great if EDOS members could "return the favour" and assist other Societies, after all, we all have the same "obsession".

Front Entry - Hostess Dot Rooks would like to say Thanks to those who assisted on the Front Door, welcoming those who attended the Show, and selling Raffle tickets. Cheerful, smiling faces always help to make the public welcome.

Kitchen - Our Kitchen Convenor Margaret would like to Thank everyone who helped in the Kitchen over the weekend, feeding both our members and the Public over the 2 days.

Craft Sales – in the absence of Convenor Narelle Edmonds, Judy Walcot would like to thank those who assisted in any way for Craft Sales over the weekend.

Cut Flowers and Greenery – The Ladies (and Alan) from the Floral Arrangement section would like to thank all those who brought in flowers and foliage for them to create their masterpieces.

Plant Sales – Convenor Dick Dorham would like to thank all those who assisted in Plant Sales over the weekend. Everything ran smoothly all weekend, with plenty of plants for sale, and advice readily available to the visitors.

The Plant Minding Area proved itself once again as a necessity. Thanks to those who manned this area.

Also, a big Thanks to the two boys, Jim and Rob, for their Potting Demonstrations.

Show Sponsors 2023

EDOS Inc would like to Acknowledge and Thank our Sponsors for our 2023 Autumn Show:

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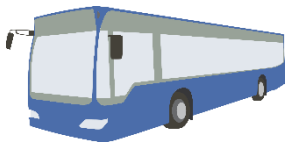
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EDOS Coach Trip 20 May 2023

Our first coach trip since before Covid-19 arrived and disrupted our lives will be on 20 May 2023.

There will be 2 pick up points, Kable's at 281 Redland Bay Road, Capalaba at 7:15am and the Uniting Church at 420 Wondall Road at 7:45am for sign-on before boarding the coach. Bring your own bags or boxes clearly marked with your name for any orchids you purchase.

We will be stopping at the Woombye CWA park for morning tea and a comfort stop before going to Robertson's Orchid Nursery at West Woombye.

Lunch will be at the historic Palmwoods Hotel. You will have a choice of menu options and you will need to choose these at the April meeting so they can be pre-ordered.

After lunch we will travel back down the M1 to Aranbeem Orchids at Deception Bay.

We will return to Manly West and Capalaba drop off points by around 5:15 to 5:30pm.

EDOS is subsidising this outing from accumulated funds so that the all inclusive cost for the day (excluding the

cost of plants) will be \$10/person. There will be a booking form at the April general meeting with payment and details to be completed by the April general meeting. As numbers are limited to 38 be sure you put your name on the list as soon as possible.

Pauline Semple

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Show Dates for 2023

What: *Redlands Orchid Society Show*
When: 22 April, 2023
Where: Redlands Multi Sports Club, Judy Holt Park Complex, Bailey and Randall Roads Birkdale

What: *Brisbane Orchid Society Show*
When: 29 and 30 April, 2023
Where: BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont

What: *Queensland Orchid Society Inc Show*
When: 6 and 7 May, 2023
Where: BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont

What: *Aspley OS Mothers Day Show*
When: 13 May, 2023
Where: Wavell Heights Community Hall, Edinburgh Castle Rd, Wavell Heights

What: *Southport & District OS Mother's Day Show*
When: 13 May, 2023
Where: Country Paradise Parklands, 231 Beaudesert Nerang Rd, Nerang

What: *North Moreton Orchid Council Show*
When: 24 and 25 June, 2023
Where: Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

What: *John Oxley Orchid Society Winter Show*
When: 29 and 30 July, 2023
Where: Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

What: *EDOS Inc Spring Show*
When: 16 and 17 September, 2023
Where: BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont

What: *Queensland Orchid Society Inc Show*
When: 6 and 7 May, 2023
Where: BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont

New Club Shirts

For those members who have not yet ordered the new club shirt, there will be sizes at the April meeting to try on and place an order.

Date Claimer #1

The EDOS Inc Christmas in July will be held on 29 July, 2023, so keep the date free for an enjoyable night with your fellow Society members.

More information will be available next month.

Date Claimer #2

Our Bus Co-ordinator Pauline is in the process of organising a Field Trip for EDOS members, tentative date being 3 June, to 2 of our local growers. More information will be available next month.

Date Claimer #3

The Hervey Bay Orchid Society Inc is hosting the STOCQ Triennial Conference and Show 2023, with setup on Thursday 21st September, 2023 and the Show and Conference on Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th.

Further information on registration, vendors and speakers, including Registration forms and schedule is available at <https://www.herveybayorchidsociety.com>



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