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NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 26 October, 2023**, commencing at 8.00 pm, at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

In order to give our Hostesses and volunteers time to set up the tables, organise Sign-in Registers and Plant registration, we ask that members **DON'T ARRIVE BEFORE 7 PM UNLESS YOU ARE COMING TO ASSIST WITH SETUP**, otherwise it gets very congested around the front door. This has been a bit of a problem at recent meetings, especially for those who are carrying in plants, so please be mindful of other members who are trying to get their plants inside.

RED SPOTTER PRESENTATION

Commencing at 7.30 pm on the side verandah of the Hall, September's Red Spotter will be done by Dick Dorham, who will be talking about how he grows his Pleurothallis and Masdevallia orchids.

FEATURE ITEM

October's Feature Item from Col Noy will be a very topical subject - Dendrobium Beetles. I think everyone will be interested in this one.



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

Judges: J Rooks, S Crosby, plus 2 others
Associate Judges: H Barker 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 9 November, 2023** upstairs in the meeting room at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club.

EDOS Inc 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



The EDOS Inc Annual General Meeting will be held on 23 November, 2023. Please give some consideration to who you think might be able to fill any of the positions on the EDOS Inc Committee.

If you are interested in becoming part of the Management, please feel free to talk to any of our Committee members for further information. Job Descriptions are available for anyone who may be interested in taking on a position.

Nomination Forms will be available at the October meeting if you wish to nominate someone for a position. (with their approval of course.)

Condolences

The Committee and members offer their Condolences to our Secretary Garth and family for the loss of his mother in New Zealand.

EDOS Inc Christmas Function 2023



The 2023 EDOS Inc Christmas Party will be held on 9th December 2023 at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club. Cost to members will be \$15, non-members will be \$50. Beer, Wine and Soft drinks will be included, however any other drinks (spirits etc) will be at the Member's cost.

Doors will open at 6.30 pm for Nibbles at 7.00 pm, and Main Meal at 7.30 pm, followed by Dessert and tea and coffee.

Tickets will be available at the October and November meetings. For catering purposes, management would prefer members to notify of attendance at the October meeting. EFTPOS will be available at these meetings.

If you have any dietary requirements please let the Hostesses know when you organise your tickets.

We will be having our usual **Rolling Raffle** again this year. On the night, please remember to bring along a gift

to include on the Raffle table (one per person please, preferably Orchid-related, and something you would be happy to receive yourself, value around \$10). We ask that there be NO Wine brought along, and also NO out-of-date Food . (Yes, unfortunately it does happen!)

We will also be having a raffle for a Hamper.

The Jack Feige Memorial Trophy for the Plant of the Year, which is judged from photographs of the plants chosen as Plant of the Night at each monthly meeting, will be finalised by our AOC Judges on the night.

Please come along and enjoy a great evening and the company of your fellow EDOS Inc members.

57th EDOS Inc SPRING SHOW

Woo-hoo!!! Another very successful Spring Show. The number of plants on the Show Bench was phenomenal - a total of 473 plants, from 56 growers. Once again, we had to put up more tables to accommodate the number of plants presented. We also had to add another 5 classes to the schedule, as some of the classes were just too large to judge fairly.

Plant Sales were massive, with over 2000 plants sold for the weekend. There was very little left by Sunday afternoon, even after President Kable did a "ring-around" on late on Saturday to refill the benches.

We continued with the idea of having the third Register for Cash Only, which made Sales flow better. Dick and his crew were kept very busy indeed.

The Potting Demonstrations were very popular once again, with 2 of our long-standing and experienced members, Rob Kerr and Jim Stratford doing a wonderful job as usual.

The Floral Art experts were back for this show, and were kept very busy, as were the Craft Ladies.

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.



Hostess Dot Rooks would like to thank 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, feeding our members and the public. They had a busy weekend.



The Craft Table Ladies were also kept very busy all weekend. Many Thanks to those members who supplied items for the Sale table.



The Plant Minding Area proved itself once again as a necessity. Convenor Dick would like to Thank those who manned this area.



Plants Sales Convenor Dick would like to thank all those who helped out in Plant Sales over the weekend, especially those working on the Registers, and those experienced growers who made themselves available to provide advice about the plants people were looking at purchasing.

It was fantastic to have Jerry Coleby-Williams at the show over the weekend. Jerry has been a tremendous help with getting the message out there for our Show, and he and his partner also purchased some great orchids for their collection.

Thanks to our Patron, Joan Pease, and our local Doboy Councillor Lisa Atwood, who both visited us on Saturday

Councillor for Chandler Ryan Murphy came along on Sunday to have a look around and take part in our Presentations. Brisbane City Council, through Ryan, are of great assistance to EDOS.

Many thanks to everyone who helped out with setting up on Friday, assisted during the weekend, and especially with cleaning up on Sunday afternoon. All efforts are greatly appreciated as it allows everyone to go home at a reasonable hour. The old saying "Many hands make light work" certainly works when everyone helps out!

Show Dates for 2023

What: **North Moreton Summer Show**
When: 28 and 29 October, 2023
Where: Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

What: **Orchid Species Show**
When: 4 and 5 November, 2023
Where: Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

What: **Nambour Orchid Species Show**
When: 11 November, 2023
Where: Buderim Uniting Church Hall, Gloucester Road, Buderim

What: **Brisbane Orchid Society Mini Show**
When: 11 November, 2023 (1 day only)
Where: BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont

What: **Woolgoolga Conference 2023**
When: 18 and 19 November, 2023
Where: Wilgoolga Sports Complex, Solitary Islands Way, Woolgoolga NSW

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New Member Draw

EDOS Inc Committee have decided to introduce a "New Member Draw", which will be open to those members who have joined during the EDOS Financial year – October 22 to September 23. The 3 names drawn out will win an Annual Membership to the Australian Orchid Council, which will entitle them to receive the Orchids Australia magazine.

Show Sponsors 2023

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

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