

# Eastern District Orchid Society Inc

Founded 1966



Patron		Joan Pease MP
President	Barry Kable	0414 725 294
Secretary	Garth Dale	0410 318 587
Treasurer	John Rooks	0449 131 309
Editor	Janelle Girdlestone	0407 351 922



PO Box 60 WYNNUM CENTRAL QLD 4178  
[www.edos.org.au](http://www.edos.org.au)  
Visit us on Facebook

## NEWSLETTER JUNE 2024

### **NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

The next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 27 June, 2024**, 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 and leave a clear path.

### **RED SPOTTER PRESENTATION**

Brent Nicoll will be doing this Red Spotter Presentation. At the time of printing, Editor didn't know what the topic will be, however whatever it is will be informative, as Brent is one of our very experienced growers.

### **FEATURE ITEM**

John Clatworthy will be doing this month's Feature Item. His topic is "What's in my Backyard". For those members who receive the Orchids Australia magazine, you will have seen John's articles on Australian Native Orchids, especially in our local area.



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

**Judges:** G Webb, L Vickers, J Rooks, R Harrison  
**Student Judges:** Those present  
**Scribes:** Volunteers required please.  
**Supper Stewards:** Kay Ludlow and Malcolm Hay  
**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 July, 2024** at Wynnum Manly Leagues Club.



### *Planned Bus Trip*

The EDOS Committee is planning a Bus trip to the Glasshouse Orchid Society's Show on **Friday 20 September, 2024**, followed by lunch, and a visit to another venue (yet to be decided).

Tickets will be available at the July and August meetings.

**Please note that this trip will be a little different as it is on Friday, instead of Saturday.**

More details will be available as soon as everything is finalised.



The Editor would like to say a great big **“THANK YOU!”** to **John Clatworthy** for filling in at the last minute to take the photos for the Newsletter at the last Meeting. Unfortunately, both Ray and I managed (for the first time) to contract the dreaded Covid.

## Attention Novice Growers

The Committee would love to see more of our Novice Growers bring their flowering orchids to the monthly Meetings and put them on the benches.

It is the “Old Story” - Please do not judge your plants at home, bring them in to let others see what you are growing and flowering, and even have our experienced growers give you some advice on how to get even better results.

The EDOS Inc Xmas in July function will be held on 27 July, 2024 at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club. Tickets will be on sale at the June Meeting. If you want to attend, but won't be at the meeting, please contact Treasurer John Rooks ASAP as numbers need to be in to the venue at least a week prior to the event.

Cost will be \$20 for members, and \$60 for non-members for Canapes, Main and Dessert, which includes drinks (no spirits) and tea and coffee. Doors will be open at 6.00 pm, for Canapes at 6.15, with the Main meal being served at 7 pm, and Dessert at 7.45 pm.

**If you have any special dietary requirements, please let the ladies know when you pay for your tickets.**

We will have our usual Cent Auction. Each person attending is asked to bring an item (preferably something orchid related, around \$10 to \$15, no wine please). We also ask that you do NOT wrap the item. We will have a variety of plants, orchid supplies, chocolates and other goodies on the table for members to bid on. There will be a few other specialities as well. Tickets for the Cent Auction will be \$5 per sheet.

Come along and enjoy a good night of fellowship with other members, have some fun, and win some prizes.

## *Brisbane Orchid Supplies* *For all your Orchid Accessory Needs*

Pots, Orchid Mixes, Labels, Clips, Hangers,  
Fertilisers and lots more.

Suppliers of Orchid Bark

**Contact**

*Paul and Leanne McCarthy*

Phone 0435 959 297

Email: [sales@brisbaneorchidsupplies.com](mailto:sales@brisbaneorchidsupplies.com)

## Rolin Orchids



**Robert & Linda Trost**

Contact us by email: [rolinorchids@gmail.com](mailto:rolinorchids@gmail.com)  
Or Facebook Messenger: Rolin Orchids

[www.rolinorchids.com](http://www.rolinorchids.com)

# Show Dates for 2024

**What:** **North Moreton Orchid Show**  
**When:** 29 & 30 June, 2024  
**Where:** Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

**What:** **Caboolture Orchid Society Winter Show**

**When:** 12 & 13 July, 2024  
**Where:** Morayfield Community Centre, 298 Morayfield Road (Behind Bunnings)

**What:** **John Oxley OS Winter Show**

**When:** 27 & 28 July, 2024  
**Where:** Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

**What:** **West Brisbane Orchid Society/TAPS Show**

**When:** 17 & 18 August, 2024  
**Where:** Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

**What:** **ANOS KABI Group Show**

**When:** 17 & 18 August, 2024  
**Where:** Pine Rivers Showground Hall, 757 Gympie Rd, Lawnton

**What:** **Logan & District Orchid Society**

**When:** 24 & 25 August, 2024  
**Where:** Springwood Road State School, Springwood Road, Springwood

**What:** **North Brisbane OS Show**

**When:** 24 & 25 August, 2024  
**Where:** Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

**What:** **Beaudesert District Orchid & Foliage Society Show**

**When:** 31 August & 1 September, 2024  
**Where:** School of Arts, Pine St, Canungra

**What:** **Nambour Orchid Society Show**

**When:** 6 & 7 September, 2024  
**Where:** Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour

**What:** **EDOS Inc Spring Show**

**When:** 7 and 8 September, 2024  
**Where:** BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont

**What:** **Toowoomba Orchid Society Spring Show**

**When:** 20 – 22 September, 2024  
**Where:** Cnr Phillip & James Sts, Toowoomba

**What:** **Glasshouse Orchid Society Show**

**When:** 20 & 21 September, 2024  
**Where:** Beerwah Community Hall, Peachester Rd, Beerwah

**What:** **Pine Rivers Orchid Society Show**

**When:** 21 & 22 September, 2024  
**Where:** Kallangur State School Hall, Gympie Road, Kallangur

**What:** **Ipswich Orchid Society Show**

**When:** 28 & 29 September, 2024  
**Where:** Silkstone State School, Prospect St, Silkstone

**What:** **Orchid Species Society Show**

**When:** 28 & 29 September, 2024  
**Where:** Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

**What:** **Redlands Orchid Society Inc Spring Show**

**When:** 12 October, 2024  
**Where:** Redlands Multi Sports Club, Judy Holt Park Complex, Bailey and Randall Roads Birkdale

**What:** **Queensland Orchid Society Inc Show**

**When:** 19 and 20 October, 2024  
**Where:** BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont

**What:** **Brisbane Orchid Society Inc Show**

**When:** 16 November, 2024  
**Where:** BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont



**Fame Orchids Nursery**  
**Peter's Glen Shade Houses**

119 Boundary Road Thornlands Q 4164  
Shade Houses & Orchid Specialists  
Ph 3206 4385 Open 7 days  
[www.fameorchids.com](http://www.fameorchids.com)  
Est 1978

Thousands of Orchids and Growing Accessories  
Orchid Bark, Charcoal, Sphagnum Moss, Perlite  
Squat Pots, Trays, Timber Baskets, Wire Hangers  
Cork Bark, Tree Fern Mounts, Hollow Logs

[www.petersglenshadehouses.com.au](http://www.petersglenshadehouses.com.au)  
Huge range of Shade Houses, Open & Closed units  
Plants Stands, Benches, Rolled Edge Shelving  
Email [sales@fameorchids.com](mailto:sales@fameorchids.com)

## Cultural Notes May 24

### *Bulbophyllum grandiflorum*

Commonly found in New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, this species is distributed widely in both Papua New Guinea and Irian Jaya (Indonesian or western New Guinea).

In Papua, Schlechter found these plants in the Minjem Valley at about (500 m) and near Jaduna on the Waria River at about (300 m).

This species reportedly also occurs in Sumatra, the Celebes, and the Moluccas, but details of habitat locations and elevations are not available. The plant that is now considered a synonym, *Bulbophyllum cominsii*, is widespread in the Solomon Islands, growing in coastal forests, mangrove swamps, and coconut plantations from near sea level to about (50 m).

My plant grows in a small greenhouse densely populated with other similar plants, under 70% shade cloth on the roof and 50% on the sides. I keep the plants constantly moist but not wet, and use a wide Variety of inorganic fertilizer and organic combinations.

I like to use products such as popul8, Strike back for Orchids, Duet, Gogo Juice, Seamungus, Sea sol, Powerfeed, Cal mag and Campbells. I also cover these plants during winter with solar weave and run a heater at night and don't let the temp get below 14°C, and a fan during the day for air movement and mist to avoid drying out.

Regards

**Bruce Prebble**

### **IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING EDOS MEMBERS BARCODES**

If any of our EDOS members have old barcodes which start with an asterisk \* before the barcode number (eg \*123456.....), **can you please throw them away!!!** They do not work properly with the new Square systems that most Societies are now using. They create a problem at the checkout as they do not read properly.

If you need replacement labels in preparation for future shows, please fill a Bar Code Label Request Form and send it to Ray to print new labels for you.

This will also apply if you use EDOS labels at other Societies.

## Date Claimer



EDOS will be holding a Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Manly West on Sunday 25 August, 2024. If you are able to assist, please contact Greg

Webb.

## Volunteers Needed

EDOS Inc will again be holding the Wynnum Plaza promotional display on 31 August for the upcoming Spring Show which is on 7 and 8 September. If you have just a couple of hours to spare to help promote the Show and our Society, handing out flyers and answering questions, please contact President Barry Kable. It is not an onerous job, but if we can get enough members to assist, it makes it easier for everyone to have regular breaks.

## EKKA TIME AGAIN

Once again, the Ekka is getting close. It will be held from Saturday, 10 to Sunday, 18 August, 2024. The Orchid Societies of Southeast Qld have again been invited to mount a display, which will be in the same area as last year, under the Convention Centre. A number of members have banded together to design and set up the display, and hopefully will be able to source enough plants without having to go out to the wider growing group. (This makes it so much easier when trying to get plants in and out of the venue).

Members will be needed to help on the display to provide information, hand out flyers, etc, during this time. There will be 2 shifts of 2 people each day – 9 am to 1 pm, and 1 pm to 5 pm each day. You will receive Free Entry for the day you are volunteering. At this stage, the information is that the Ekka Train station will be open.

If you can assist, please contact Ann Kable on 0414 738 110 or email [kableab3@bigpond.com](mailto:kableab3@bigpond.com) and let her know what days and times you would be available.

## Show Sponsors 2024

EDOS Inc would like to Acknowledge and Thank our Sponsors for our 2024 Autumn Show:

Aranbeem Orchid Nursery  
Bendigo Community Bank  
Brisbane Orchid Supplies  
D Dorham

Fame Orchids Nursery  
G & M Botting  
Michael Sue  
Robertson Orchids  
Rolin Orchids

## Shadehouse and Orchids For Sale

### Fun in the Sun???



This is what some of our Committee members (and others) do on a clear Winter's day! They spent the morning playing in water and cleaning solution, cleaning 140+ of the tables that EDOS owns. I think that Dennis managed to wet everyone there – his directional skills with the gurney were a little off-direction at times!?! Many thanks to these members who did the maintenance, washed down, hosed off, stacked and blow-dried the tables – yes, Barry used his leafblower to finish drying the tables off before they were put back on the trailer!! All good now for another year.

This is a great opportunity for a new grower to increase the size of their collection for very little cost. This collection belongs to an elderly couple downsizing.  
1 x Peter's Glen DF8 Open Front Shadehouse (\$600 new)  
30+ assorted orchids, several mature plants  
Total price \$450.  
Located at Redland Bay.

For more information please call Paul McCarthy on 0435 959 297.



### NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

For anyone who is interested in receiving their Newsletter and any other information from EDOS electronically, please let me know your email address and I will include you in our email group. You will receive your Newsletter in a much faster timeframe, and not miss out on anything else that is often sent out in between Newsletters. My email address is [editor@edos.org.au](mailto:editor@edos.org.au)

#### GENERAL NOTICE

Members who wish to record change of address or other membership particulars – please advise the Secretary - email [secretary@edos.org.au](mailto:secretary@edos.org.au) or phone 0410318587. **Disclaimer:** While the Management Committee and the Editor of the EDOS Inc Newsletter endeavour to assure the reliability of material and advertising printed in the Newsletter, neither EDOS Inc or the Editor can assume any responsibility for the views expressed in the Newsletter. Editors of other Newsletters are advised that EDOS Inc will be happy if they decide to use material printed herein, on condition of acknowledgement of where the information was obtained.