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## NEWSLETTER MAY 2024

### **NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

The next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 23 May, 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**

Maurie Page will be doing his Red Spotter presentation on Dendrochilums (or as they are now known Coelogyne). Maurie grows these extremely well.

### **FEATURE ITEM**

May's presentation will be done by Amanda O'Reilly, and will be on "Paphiopedilums from New Guinea".



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

**Judges:** G Webb, L Vickers, J Rooks, R Reitano, L Rapkins  
**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 6 June, 2024** at Wynnum Manly Leagues Club.

## **58th EDOS Inc AUTUMN SHOW**

Once again, the EDOS Inc Autumn Show was a great success, both financially and in numbers.

We had 609 visitors through the door, which is almost the same as the 2023 Show.

There were 371 plants on the Show Bench, which was fantastic, coming from 41 of our members, and 17 non-members. Our numbers continue to increase each year,

let's hope we can keep it up! It would be fantastic to see more of our Novice growers joining in as well.

Our Sales area was well attended, with 1780 plants sold over the weekend. Hopefully this is an indication of more interest in growing orchids, and more new members to learn how to grow successfully. It was interesting to see more young people amongst those attending and purchasing plants, and asking lots of questions.

The Committee would like to Thank all of those members who attended during the weekend, assisting in the smooth running of the Show. Without your assistance the Show would not happen.

Thanks also to those from other Societies who assisted as well. Let's hope that EDOS members return the favour and assist other Societies during their Shows.

**Front Entry** - Hostess Dot Rooks would like to say Thanks to those who assisted on the Front Door, 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. Margaret had an extra "assistant" this show, with a fantastic help from her niece, to whom we all say "Many Thanks".

**Craft Sales** - Convenor Narelle Edmonds 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 area 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 new cash registers worked extremely well.

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

Also, a big Thanks to Rob Kerr, for his Potting Demonstrations.

## Show Sponsors 2024

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

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## Proposed 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).

**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.

## 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 maybe give you some advice on how to get even better results.

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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 May and June Meetings.

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.

## *Show Dates for 2024*

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

**What:** *John Oxley OS Winter Show*  
**When:** 27 & 28 July, 2024  
**Where:** Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha

**What:** *EDOS Inc Spring Show*  
**When:** 6 and 7 September, 2024  
**Where:** BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, Belmont

**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

## **Something to Ponder**

Recently the Club lost a member – Someone Else. Someone's passing left a vacancy that will be difficult to fill. Else has been with the club from the beginning, and did far more work than a normal person's share. Whenever something needed doing, everyone nominated Someone Else.

It was common knowledge that Someone Else was the largest contributor of their time to the Club, whenever there was a need for a volunteer, everyone just assumed that Someone Else would do it.

A person can only do so much. In all honesty, everybody expected too much of Someone Else, but now Someone Else has gone.

We wonder what we are going to do. Someone Else left a wonderful example to follow, but who is going to do the things Someone Else did?

**When we ask for volunteers, remember we can't depend on Someone Else.**



## HOW BIG IS THE SMILE!!!!

Andrew Mackie has only been showing his orchids for a short time, but at the EDOS Autumn Show 2024 he took out the Grand Champion of Show and Champion Specimen of Show, as well as Champion Australian Native, with his *Liparis condylobulbon*.

To top this off, this plant was also awarded on the night.

Congratulations to Andrew and Jess on their success.



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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.

### 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)**

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