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NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2025

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 23 October, 2025**, 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. Please be mindful of members who are trying to get their plants inside, and leave a clear path.

RED SPOTTER PRESENTATION

October's presentation will be done by Greg Webb. Greg will be covering the requirements for Watering Catasetinae and Habenaria orchids.

FEATURE ITEM

October's Feature Item will be a webinar - topic to be decided.

IF ANYONE HAS A SUGGESTION OR KNOWS SOMEONE WHO CAN PRESENT A FEATURE ITEM PLEASE LET PRESIDENT KABLE OR SECRETARY DALE KNOW. WE ARE OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS!!!! REMEMBER, IT IS YOUR SOCIETY AND YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee meeting will be held at 10.00 am on **Thursday 6 November, 2025** at Wynnum Manly Leagues Club.

Member Roster October 2025

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

Judges: J Rooks, L Vickers, S Crosby, E Locke
Associate Judges: S Pandey, P Latimore, Jason
Scribes: Volunteers required please.
Supper Stewards: Kay Ludlow and Volunteers
Hostesses: Dot Rooks and Margaret Rieck
Library: Helen Vickers
Plant Registrar: Ann Kable

EDOS Inc 2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



The EDOS Inc Annual General Meeting will be held on **27 November, 2025**. 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.)



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Show Dates for 2025

What: *North Moreton Orchid Society Show*

When: 1 and 2 November, 2025

Where: Pine Rivers Showgrounds Hall, 757 Gympie Road Lawnton

What: *Nambour Species Show*

When: 8 November, 2025

Where: Buderim Uniting Church Hall, Gloucester Road, Buderim

What: *Brisbane Orchid Society Spring Show*

When: 15 November, 2025

Where: BISC Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Rd, Belmont

AOC Conference and Show 2025

There were around 20 EDOS members who travelled to the AOC Conference, with quite a few just going down for a day or two to look at the Show and "Find some Bargains" at the Sales area. It was very well attended, and the Guest Speakers were varied and interesting. I

think that we all learnt something useful about growing our orchids.

The Committee would like to thank those members who provided plants for the display – packing Barry's trailer was quite a challenge for Barry Ray and Bruce on Sunday afternoon, before it went to Kingfisher for Fire Ant treatment. We would like to send a huge Thanks to Kingfisher Orchids for attending to the treatment (especially since they were at another show the previous weekend, and they were also trying to pack up their own plants to attend the Conference at the same time as treating our plants!!!!!!)

Thanks to Bruce for towing the trailer with its precious cargo (ably?? assisted by John Rooks riding shotgun, even if he missed the turnoff to the service centre), and Thanks to those members who helped set the display up. There were quite a few plants in the display that won prizes, which was great, considering the distance the plants had to travel.

All in all, it was a very interesting week. Some of us even got to watch the Broncos win the NRL Grand Final at the local Bowls Club! Queensland commandeered their Sports Lounge for the event.

EDOS Inc Christmas Function 2025



The 2025 EDOS Inc Christmas Party will be held on 13th December 2025 at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club. Cost to members will be \$20, non-members will be \$70. Beer, Wine and Soft drinks will be included in this cost, 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-\$15**). Gifts may be wrapped. We ask that there be NO Wine brought along, and also NO out-of-date Food . (Yes, unfortunately it is still happening!).

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.

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59th EDOS Inc Spring Show 2025

Well, the 59th EDOS Spring Show on 13 and 14 September, 2025 is now “done and dusted”.

As mentioned in the previous Newsletter, Friday night was a huge challenge trying to find room on the benches for the multitude of Australian Native Orchids which were brought in for benching at the Show. However, the display was absolutely amazing in the end, giving the

Judges plenty of work to do. The number of individual plants was down slightly on previous shows – mainly due to the variability of recent weather conditions – but that was made up for by the sheer size of those plants that were brought in by members of EDOS and other societies.

We have some statistics from the Spring Show – still quite impressive!

	<i>Spring 2025</i>	<i>Spring 2024</i>
Admission	670	760
Show Bench Plants	409	472
Number of Exhibitors	58	59
Plants Sold	1776	2012

All of our Convenors would like to thank those members (and non members) who offered their time to assist in any way during the weekend – without your help the Show would not be the success it was.

Let's hope we can repeat it next year, or better still, go even better!!!

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EDOS Inc 60th Anniversary Celebrations

I know that it might seem a long way away, but in 2026 EDOS Inc will be celebrating its 60th Anniversary.

The Committee is planning on having a Luncheon in June 2026, as well as a commemorative plant for all members.

If anyone has any memorabilia they would like to share, please contact one of our Committee members.

Once we have a firm date, we will let everyone know as early as possible so that it can be included in everyone's calendar.

Acknowledgement of BCC Support

We would also like to acknowledge the Support of the Lord Mayor's Community Fund and Councillors Ryan Murphy (Chandler Ward) and Lisa Atwood (Doboy Ward) for their assistance in Supporting EDOS Inc.

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