



# Nambour Orchid News

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## **MEETINGS:**

**Business Meeting is held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month at 12.45pm prior to the cultural meeting. All members are welcome to attend the business meeting.**

**Cultural Meeting is held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at the Nambour Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave. Nambour at 2pm. All members and visitors are welcome.**

**Plants to be tabled by 1.30pm for judging**

**Species appreciation get together is held monthly from February to November at member's homes. Contact the Secretary for details. All STOCQ members welcome.**

**Bring your flowering species plants, a chair, a cup and a plate to share for afternoon tea.**

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**REMINDER:**

The August meeting of the society will be held in the downstairs hall at the Uniting Church Hall due to a function in our usual meeting venue.  
Entry via the gate to the church office.

**July 2013 Popular Vote – Hybrid Names as per Orchidwiz, Species names Kew Monocot List**

<i>CATTLEYA HYBRID</i> 1 <sup>st</sup> & Judges Choice Tie 1 <sup>st</sup> Tie 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tie 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tie 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Ctt. Secret Love</i> <i>C. Royal Beau</i> <i>Rth. Shinfong Little Love</i> <i>C. Jewel Chest</i> <i>Rlc. Velvet</i> <i>C. Hawaiian Splash</i> <i>C. Aloha Case</i> <i>C. Jomals Sunrise</i>	N & E Walker T Buckley T Buckley T & H Thompson Rob Wright T & H Thompson M & J Rivers M & J Rivers
<i>ONCIDIUM HYBRID</i> 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Judges Choice Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Tolu. Pink Profusion</i> <i>Onc. Red Stars</i> <i>Onc. Twinkle</i> <i>Onc. Annabel</i> <i>Onc. Misaki Twinkle Obry</i> <i>Zed. Calico Gem</i> <i>Onc. Stirling Tiger</i>	N & E Walker G & B Robertson G & B Robertson G & B Robertson M & A Vlekkert June Hutchins M & A Vlekkert
<i>VANDA/PHALAENOPSIS</i> 1 <sup>st</sup> & Judges Choice 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Phal. Rose Beauty</i> <i>V. Roman Choice x Keeree's Delight</i> <i>V. Pure's Wax</i>	N & E Walker R Hand R & J Raabe
<i>DENDROBIUM</i> 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Judges Choice  Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Den. Mousmee</i> <i>Den. (Fran's Twist x Red Toro) x Gouldii</i> <i>Den. Andrew Green</i> <i>Den. Pacific Pride</i> <i>Den. (Neo-Hawaii x canaliculatum) x semifuscum</i>	R Hand C Alexander  C Alexander M & A Vlekkert C Alexander
<i>ANY OTHER GENERA</i> 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Judges Choice 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Cym. unknown</i> <i>Lyc. Aquila</i> <i>Cym. Darch Joy</i>	Rob Wright B Letcher M & A Vlekkert
<i>EXOTIC SPECIES</i> 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Judges Choice	<i>Dendrochilum wenzelii</i> <i>Cymbidium sinense</i> <i>Bulbophyllum ambrosia</i>	N & E Walker Wayne Harris A & A Parkes
<i>AUST. NATIVE HYBRID</i> 1 <sup>st</sup> & Judges Choice 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tie 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Den. Robbie McInnes</i> <i>Den. Flaxton</i> <i>Den. Avril's Gold</i> <i>Den. Gillieston Jazz x speciosum</i>	M & A Vlekkert M & A Vlekkert T Buckley G & B Robertson
<i>AUST. NATIVE SPECIES</i> 1 <sup>st</sup> & Judges Choice 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Dendrobium speciosum</i> <i>Dendrobium tetragonum</i> <i>Dendrobium kingianum</i>	W Harris W Harris M & A Vlekkert
<i>NOVICE</i> 1 <sup>st</sup> & Judges Choice	<i>Ons. Wildcat</i>	M Walsh

2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Ons. Wildcat</i> <i>Cal. Veitchii</i>	Pat Cairns Pat Cairns
<b>FOLIAGE</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> & Judges Choice 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Fern sp.</i> <i>Anthurium</i> <i>Anthurium</i>	N & E Walker Rob Wright Rob Wright

**Judges Choice plant of the month for July: is**

Lyc Aquila

This is an old hybrid but still very attractive. I believe that local grower Doug Paroz was the one of the first on the Sunshine Coast to grow and propagate this plant along with many other Lycastes . My division was obtained from another grower namely Rod Aisthorpe. The plant is potted in a finer Cattleya mix and grown in the shady end of my Cattleya house which is open to the rain as I only have shadecloth covering them. A very forgiving plant to grow and flower and will also flower over a long period of time with new buds appearing in succession.



**Competition for our Members:**

Each month we will publish a photo of an orchid species. You then use all available resources such as internet, books and each other to identify the plant

Then on a piece of paper submit your name and the plant name at the next meeting where the name will be revealed.

Next month Wayne will put in the newsletter a new species as well as distribution and culture of last month's species

At the end of the year the points will be totaled up and the winner will receive a prize at the Christmas Party.

Last month's plant fooled some people including a well-known senior judge. Come on join in the fun. Here is the information on the *Ceratostylis*

***Ceratostylis retesquamea* Rchb.f. 1857**

**Synonyms:** *Ceratostylis latipetala* Ames 1910;  
*Ceratostylis rubra* Ames 1910

**Flower Size:** up to 2.5cm wide.

**Flowering time:** Mostly in spring but may flower at any time.



A small plant from the Philippines with terete pseudobulbs and tough, linear-falcate leaves. Flowers arise from the dry, brown sheaths at the base of the pseudobulb. These grow into dense mats. It is a warm to hot growing epiphytic plant found at elevations up to 500 meters. It is free flowering in almost all seasons with a solitary or pair of, short-lived flowers arising on a short stalk on a new growth at the base. Flowers may cover the whole plant and make a spectacular display.

**Culture:** Plants may be mounted on wood slabs or on cork and do well in a shallow tray with a medium grade bark mix or coconut chips. It is an easy plant to grow in our climate.



At left is the photo of this month's plant.  
The editor is not giving away any clues this month.

### HOW DO YOU IDENTIFY AN ORCHID

When you look at a plant how can you be sure it is an orchid. What characteristics or special things do all orchids have?

### THIS IS YOUR HOMEWORK.

At the meeting we are all going to do a test and if you fail then you will have to stay behind and clean up the hall. You are going to be asked to be able to recite at least 3 of the 5 main things or characteristics that orchids have.

Answers can be researched on the net or in reference books

Once you know these characteristics then never again will some unscrupulous seller will not sell you some lily or asparagus plant instead of an orchid.

Do I hear you laughing about asparagus?

Well the closest group of plants to orchids are asparagus (look at the new growth on a Cattleya and see how much it resembles an asparagus shoot)

So this means that if you get hungry when in your orchid house then you can start chewing on your Cattleya's new growths. They are better if blanched and then covered with butter, salt and pepper.

Recipe for next month is braised Dendrobium cane.

### JUDGING ORCHIDS

All awarded orchids in Australia have been judged by a panel of certified AOC (Australian Orchid Council) judges. The categories are listed below. Once a plant has been awarded by a regional panel such as our STOCQ Then the registrar of our area will prepare the paperwork and photographs of the plant. These are then forwarded to the QLD registrar, who then forwards this to the Aust. Registrar. Also the plant is then given a clonal name, which is place at the end of the orchid name inside inverted commas. Only this plant or divisions of it can then carry this clonal name.

e.g. Rlc. Goldenzelle 'Lemon Chiffon' AM/AOC

This actually reads as Rlc –what genus or hybrid is i.e. this is a Cattleya type

Goldenzelle – the name of the orchid cross

Lemon Chiffon- the name of a particular plant of the cross Goldenzelle or clone

AM/AOC-the award granted to the clone Lemon Chiffon which is a single plant from the Goldenzelle cross

If everything is agreed to then the owner of the plant can place one of the abbreviations given below after the name of their plant.

<b>FCC</b>	First Class Certificate	85 points or more of possible 100
<b>AM</b>	Award of Merit	80 to 85 points
<b>HCC</b>	Highly Commended Certificate	75 to 80 points
<b>AD</b>	Award of Distinction	awarded for distinctive attributes e.g. colour
<b>CBM</b>	Certificate of Botanical Merit	
<b>ACE</b>	Award of Cultural Excellence	85 points or more of possible 100
<b>ACM</b>	Award of Cultural Cultural Merit	80 to 85 points
<b>ACC</b>	Award of Cultural Commendation	75 to 80 points

## Changes in the Vandaeae

The following are changes in this tribe to be published later in the year in *Genera Orchidacearum*.

*Vanda* will be expanded to include *Ascocentropsis*, *Ascocentrum*, *Christensonia*, *Eparmatostigma*, *Euanthe*, *Neofinetia* and *Trudelia*.

*Aeries flabellata* has been transferred to *Vanda*.

*Papilionanthe* is to be accepted as distinct from *Vanda*.

*Arachnis* to include *Armodorium* and *Esmeralda*.

*Gastrochilus* to include *Haraella*.

*Holcoglossum* to include *Ascolabium* and *Penkimia*.

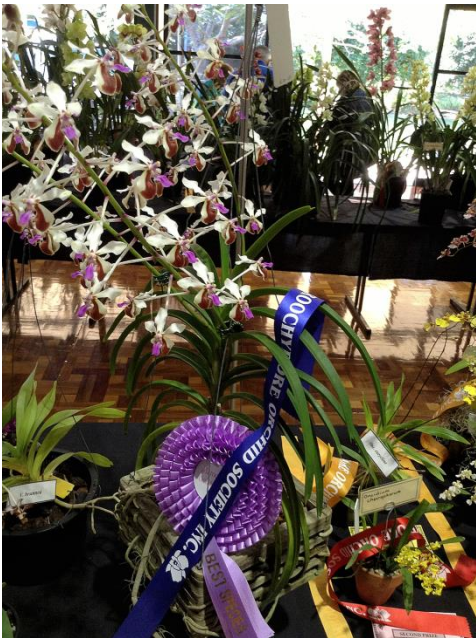
*Phalaenopsis* to include *Doritis*, *Kingidium*, *Lesliea*, *Nothodoritis*, *Ornithochilus* and *Sedirea*.

*Renanthera* to include *Ascoglossum*, *Porphyrodesme*, and *Renantherella*.

*Robiquetia* to include *Abdominea*, *Malleola*, *India*, *Megalotus*, and *Samarorchis*.

*Trichoglottis* to include *Ceratochilus*, *Staurochilus*, and *Ventricularia*.

### Maroochydore Show



Congratulations to Judy Robbins who won not only numerous ribbons at the Maroochydore Orchid Show but also came away with Champion species with her lovely *Vanda lamellata*.

Well done to other participants.

No doubt about Nambour growers.

Other winners were – John Robertson, Alan & Alison Parkes, Marty & Anita Vlekkert, Mal Rivers.

Champion Orchid went to Russell & Jan Hopkins for their *Paph. Neridah*

Reserve Champion went to Doug Wanka for his *Cym. Radiant Ruby*

Champion Specimen was won by Carol Warland with her *Dendrochilum wenzelii*.

Champion species Judy Robbins with her *Vanda lamellata*

The August species was held at the home of Margie & Alex Tymson. We had a really lovely afternoon in Margie's garden in fantastic weather conditions. I think we all came home wishing we could swap gardens.

Thank you Margie & Alex for your hospitality. The list of plants on the bench was down on previous months due to the fact that most of our flowering plants were at Maroochydore show.



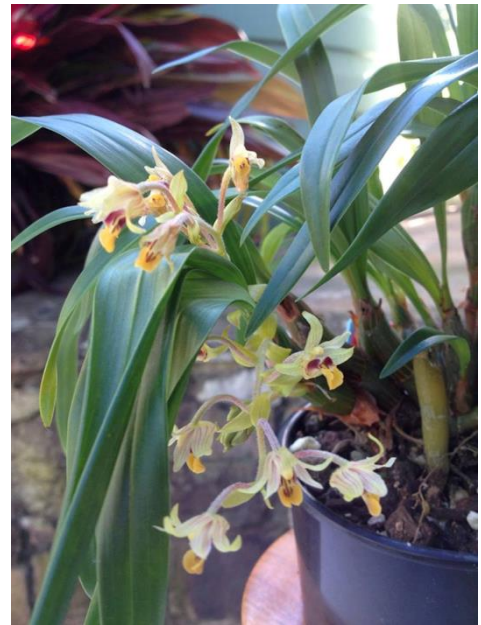
Below is the list of plants on show. Names as per Kew checklist in ( )

*Chysis brectescens*- *Dendrobium gracicaule* - *Dendrochilum glumaceum* - *Laelia anceps* var *wiliamsiana*  
*Ludisa discolor* - *Masdevallia menatoi* - *Maxillaria porphyrostele* -  
*Pinalia amica* -*Prosthechea radiata**Rhyncholaleia glauca* -*Vanda coerulea*

Plant of interest at the species at Margie's was *Pinalia amica*

Found from the Himalayas to China as a hot–cool growing epiphyte, mostly found between 600-2200m. Flower size approx. 1.5cm The flowers are quite fragrant. Syn. *Eria andersonii*.

Cultural plant of the day was Judy Robbins *Dendrochilum glumaceum*.



### **Guest Speakers:**

August; - John Salway & Bill Letcher. Their Thailand Trip (the censored version)

September; - Potting time- this will be a cultural month.

October;- TBA

November;- TBA

**Species appreciation meeting Calendar (subject to change due to availability)**

		<b>September – Wayne &amp; Jean Harris</b>
<b>October – Alan &amp; Alison Parkes</b>	<b>November – Lesley Beare</b>	<b>December – No meeting</b>

We have a plant sales table at each meeting for members to sell any surplus plants. If you have any you would like to sell, bring them along tagged with your name & price so members can purchase them. Members are responsible for their own plants. Plant sale tags are on our website.nambourorchidsociety.com - Go to links/forms and print off what you need.

Our thoughts go out to Val Siebenhausen who is not so well at the moment. If you would like to visit then please talk to Hazel

## **2013 Show Catalogue**

**If you have some spare time this week, don't miss the ANOS show at Strathpine. Details below. I am sure there will be plenty to see.**

ANOS Kabi Group Inc. 7th Australasian Native Orchid Conference & Show Strathpine – 22nd - 25th August 2013- Strathpine Community Centre, Cnr Mecklem Street & Gympie Road, Strathpine

**Nambour Orchid Society Spring Show- Fri 6<sup>th</sup> & Sat 7<sup>th</sup> September – Nambour Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour**

Childers Orchid Show – Fri 6<sup>th</sup> & Sat 7<sup>th</sup> September

Noosa Orchid Show – Fri 20<sup>th</sup>, Sat 21<sup>st</sup> September – Set up Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> – Cooroy RSL Hall

Glasshouse Orchid Show- Fri 27<sup>th</sup> & Sat 28<sup>th</sup> September – Set up Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>.

Bribie Island Orchid Show – Sat 12<sup>th</sup> & Sun 13<sup>th</sup> October – Bribie Island State High School. Set up Friday 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Nambour Orchid Society Species Show & Trade Fair – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> & Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> November Set up Thurs. 31<sup>st</sup> October**

STOCQ meeting hosted by Sunshine Coast Orchid Society- sat 9<sup>th</sup> Nov. – CCSA Hall, Nutley Street, Caloundra @ 9am