

HAPPY NEW YEAR

N A M B O U R O R C H I D N E W S

January 2018



Results for November 2017 Popular Vote & Judges Choice.pdf



Photo L-R Alex Moore Director of Cittamani Hospice Services , Jean Harris, Alison Parkes, Gina McMonagle. Treasurer, Secretary & President Nambour Orchid Society. Our final activity for our 2017 year was to make a presentation to Cittamani Hospice Services. After a successful show year, we were able to make a \$2000 donation. Cittamani Hospice Services are in Palmwoods and provide end of life palliative care for people in need in their own homes. They also provide end of life palliative equipment free of charge for patients use in their own home. The Orchid Society donation will help in the purchase of a syringe driver pump that delivers regular pain relief.



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Christmas Party



Alan & Alison receiving Trophy from Gina
Popular vote Australian natives



Bob & Joan receiving Trophy & Painting
Popular vote Overall



Richard & Rita Judges Choice 2017
Richard receiving Trophy & Painting



Patrick & Heather
Judges Choice Novice 2017



Waiting for the show to begin

Club News

From the Secretary

Happy new Year to all. Time to start a new orchid year. No doubt you have all been busy potting and tidying your orchid house ready to produce some spectacular plants for the 2018 show year. If you have not yet participated in any of our local shows, why not make 2018 your year. It is a great way to make new friendships and learn about new and different orchids. The 2018 show calendar is on the last page of your newsletter and on our website.

Results of 2017 Popular Vote & Judges Choice Congratulations to Bob & Joan Raabe and Alan & Alison Parkes who took home the Popular Vote and Native trophies for the year, Patrick & Heather English for most points in novice.

Our Judges Choice was Richard & Rita Hand with their beautiful V. Laksi

OPEN COMPETITION				NOVICE	
B & J Raabe	53	B Letcher	7	P & H English	37
C & G McMonagle	45	D & L Lee	6	C & M Brackin	14
A & A Parkes	29	C Basic	5	C Stiller	8
G & B Robertson	28	P Mann	5	L & D Swan	5
R & J Aisthorpe	27	W & I Eckhardt	4	G & J Caterer	3
T Buckley	26	S & B Yeoman	4	E Davidson	3
M & A Vlekkert	26	B & P Cairns	3	L Hansen	3
B & M Morris	25	B Chessman	3	G Dean	2
L Hallcroft	24	D Hunter	2	B Fitzgerald	2
C & A Alexander	22	J Slocombe & G Short	2	M Walsh	2
R & R Hand	20	NATIVE		R & M Wright	2
M & B Pye	16	A & A Parkes	22	G Rode-Braminis	1
M Rivers	15	T Buckley	8	B Tutin	1
N & E Walker	13	C & A Alexander	7		
J & K Green	12	B & J Raabe	6		
J Hutchins	12	M & A Vlekkert	6		
D McMartin	12	W & J Harris	6		
M Atkinson	11	C & G McMonagle	5		
W & J Harris	10	J Hutchins	4		
F & J Wall	9	F & J Wall	3		
N Bettridge	7	D Hunter	2		
N Gould	7	G & B Robertson	2		

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Club News

Our 1st meeting for this year is on Saturday 27th January at 2pm. Charlie will continue with his very popular cultural corner from 1.15pm to 1.45pm each meeting day. He will be looking for volunteers from our more experienced growers to assist him with different topics. If you have a passion for growing some genera, please see Charlie and offer him your assistance at a meeting.

Members can sell spare Orchids or foliage plants at our meetings. Only plants that we would use in show displays are permitted. **Please remember to add your gold coin donation to the honesty box.**

Our first species get together for 2018 will be at Rod & Jan's Sunday 11th February, due to the STOCQ and OQI meeting in Gympie on the Saturday.

Our 2018 AGM will be held on Saturday 24th February prior to the normal cultural meeting.

All positions will be declared vacant. Nominations to fill any position must be in the hands of the Secretary by **Saturday 10th February** as required by the club rules.

Nomination form will be attached to your newsletter.

**Thank you to the members who continue to provide afternoon tea for the meetings.
Let's continue the tradition for 2018. Your efforts are very much appreciated.**

Presidents report.

Happy New Year to all and I hope 2018 will bring you lots of orchids in flower and all those pesky chewing insects eliminated. Wishful thinking? Maybe, but this is the time of the year to be vigilant and check your orchids for lurking pests. Growing conditions are very tropical at present and it looks like we are in for a humid, hot couple of months. The Phallies love it but I am struggling with the cooler growers. I ask myself why do I persist with them, but it must be the challenge of coaxing a flower from those orchids that come from cloud forest habitats such as we saw in Ecuador at the World Orchid Conference.

Looking forward to catching up at our first meeting for the year.

Gina

Membership fees are now due.

To be able to vote at the AGM in February you must be financial.

Banking details for Direct Deposit to the Society Commonwealth Bank Account.

Nambour Orchid Society Inc. BSB: - 064424 - ACCOUNT No: - 00909232

Please remember to include as a reference (M 'ship and your name) so the Treasurer is able to identify that you are financial. Cost is \$10 single or \$15 for family

A selection of Plants on display at the November 2017



C Jungle Gem - Tom



Eny. Burdekin Surprise - Nita



Den. Roongkamol Vejvarut - Bob & Joan



Gptm. Arlene Armour - Michael & Betty



Phal. *speciosa* - Charlie & Gina



Vdnps. Irene Dobkin - Judy



Onc. Unknown - Pat



V. Rak Jai x Fuchs Spotted Orange
Mavis



Paph *philippinense*
Beryl & Graham

Awarding Orchids

Orchid growers sometimes will ask an orchid Judge “is my orchid awardable?” There is much more to this apparently simple question than meets the eye. The judging system within the Australian Orchid Council has been in use for many years. This system is used to judge individual orchids where the owner has requested an assessment of a plant, award orchids judged to be of superior quality, to judge orchids at a show, and to judge orchids benched at a society meeting.

If a grower thinks that one of their orchids may be worthy of an award, a Judge should be contacted and the Area Registrar or the Area Assistant Registrar should be notified. Three judges will arrange to view the orchid and if they think it should be looked at by a full panel, the area Registrar will arrange for a panel to be convened. Usually, 2 or 3 days’ notice is required so that judges can do some research on the plant concerned. Within the judging system, there are the following awards possible:

- A Highly Commended Certificate where the plant must gain from 75pts to 79.9 pts.
- An Award of Merit where the plant must gain from 80pts to 84.9pts.
- A First Class Certificate where the plant must gain 85pts and above and these three awards are referred to as ‘quality awards’. It goes without saying that a plant that gains an FCC would be truly exceptional.

There are other awards including a Cultural Award which is given to the owner of the plant for excellence of culture, a Certificate of Botanical Merit for a species or natural hybrid which is rare or unusual in cultivation, and an Award of Distinction for a feature which is outstandingly distinctive e.g. unusual colour.



C. Dal's Tradition
Photo from AOC. website

This orchid is Cattleya Dal's Tradition.

This orchid gained a Highly Commended Certificate of 77.5 points at a special judging in 2007. Notice how the outline of the flower forms a circle going from the very top of the dorsal sepal around to the edges of the petals, then down to the tips of the lateral sepals then following the lower extremity of the labellum. The petals are rounded as is the labellum and the colour is good. It displayed 2 flowers and the width was 85mm and the length, top to bottom was 77mm. Substance, which we say is firmness of the flower flesh, was reasonable. This orchid is not in the class of an AM or FCC.



C. Royal Beau 'Dendi'
Photo from AOC. website

This orchid is Cattleya Royal Beau 'Dendi' and gained a First Class Certificate. The flower is well balanced, has good colour and forms an almost perfect circular outline of the flower. This is a very good flower.

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Awarding Orchids



Bulbophyllum lobbii 'Murph'
Photo from AOC. website

This orchid is *Bulbophyllum lobbii* 'Murph' and gained an Award of Cultural Excellence for its owner. Cultural awards are granted to an owner while the other awards are granted to the plant. We can see from the photograph that it is a very large plant, carries a large number of flowers and that the foliage is in very good condition. Well deserved to the owners.



Vanda ampullacea 'Hayley Carius'
Photo from AOC. website

This orchid is *Vanda ampullacea* 'Hayley Carius' which was awarded an Award of Distinction for the unusual white colour. This award is given to an orchid displaying characteristics not usually seen. It can be for unusual colour, size, splash petals, peloric flowers, and other oddities.

There has to be a majority of judges in favour of any award for it to be granted. If awarded, the owner of the plant is required to complete an Application for Award and is required to supply details about the plant. Then 'colour cards' are used to get the nearest colour to all parts of the flower and measurements of the flower have to be taken. Photographs of the flower and the plant have to be taken. If they're lucky, the judges get a cuppa and a bikkie. **Mal.**



Nambour Orchid Society

Business meeting

Is held on the 4th Saturday of each month at 12.45pm prior to the cultural meeting

All members are welcome to attend.

Cultural meeting

Is held on the 4th Saturday of the month at the Nambour Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave., Nambour at 2pm. All members and visitors are welcome.

Plants are to be tabled by 1.30pm for judging.

The Species Appreciation Group get together is held monthly from February to November at member's homes. Contact the Secretary for details.

All STOCQ members are welcome. Bring your flowering species plants, a chair, a cup and a plate to share for afternoon tea.

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A reminder for all winners of Judges Choice, cultural awards etc. at both our meetings, please send a few lines on how you grow your plants, growing conditions and anything relevant, for inclusion in the Newsletter to - rhand39@gmail.com. Information is required two weeks prior to the monthly meeting

FOR SALE

Any Nambour Orchid Society member may use this space free of charge, if you have any Orchid related items for sale,. Please send your ad to - rhand39@gmail.com no later than 2 weeks prior to the monthly meeting

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Class	1 st	2 nd	3rd
Cattleya	Catyclia. Burdekin Honey. Luda.	C.Jungle Gem. Tom.	Enanthleya Burdekin Surprise. Nita.
Vanda	Papilionanda Sheddy Hinds. Rob & Joan.	V.Pine Rivers. Nita.	V.Pine Rivers. Nita.
Oncidium	Mps.Breathless 'Beauty'. Marty & Anita.	Oncidium Pacific Passage. Michael & Betty.	Onc. Unknown. Pat
Aus Native Species	Den.antennatum. Cliff.	Den.johnsoniae. Alison & Alan.	Den.johnsoniae. Alison & Alan.
Any Other	Gptm.Arlene Armour. Michael & Betty.	Bulb.Wilmar 'Candy Stripes. Duncan	NE.
Dendrobium	Den.Tangerinum Triumph Gina & Charlie tied with Den.Roongkamol Vejvarut. Rob & Joan.	Den. unknown. Luda.	Den. Pacific Pride. Marty & Anita
Paphiopedilum	Paph. Quirola. Charlie & Gina.	NE	NE
Species	C. purpurata. Werner. Tied with Aerides rosea. Rod & Jan.	Paph.philippinense. Graham & Beryl.	Bulb.musicola. Alan & Alison.
Novice	Encyclia alata. Patrick & Heather.	V. Rak Jei x V. Fuchs Spotted Orange. Mavis.	Phalaenopsis unknown. Glenda.

Judges Choice (in Blue) overall: Mps. Breathless. Marty & Anita.

NOTES:

Kindly change your labels to the name on this sheet if it differs from the name on your plant label.

Nambour Orchid Society Show Calendar 2018

(NOS commitment in blue)

February

Saturday 10th **STOCQ AGM & OQI meeting** **Albert Park Bowles Club, Gympie**

March

Fri/Sat 2/3 Queensland International Orchid Fair Showgrounds, James Street, Beenleigh
 Fri & Sat 16/17th Childers & Isis Charity Show Cultural Centre, Childers
Fri & Sat 30/31 **Bribie Orchid Show** **Orchid House, 1st Ave. Bribie Island**

April

Fri/Sat 6/7th **Sunshine Coast OS show** **Uniting Church Hall, Cnr Ulm & Queen St. Caloundra**
Sat. 21st **South Burnett Orchid Show** **RSL Hall, Wondai**

May

Sat/Sun 5/6th **Gympie Garden Expo & Orchid Show** **Pavillion, Gympie Showgrounds**
 Sat/Sun 11/12 Noosa Show (closed) CWA Hall Cooroy
 Fri/Sat/ 26/27 Boyne Tannum OS show St Francis Catholic Primary School, Tannum Sands

June

Saturday 16th **STOCQ & OQI meeting** **Hosted by Maryborough OS**

July

Fri/Sat/Sun 12/13/14 **Nambour Garden Expo.** **Nambour Showgrounds, Coronation Ave. Nambour**
Fri/Sat/Sun 20/21/22 **Caboolture OS Show** **Morayfield Community Centre**
18th to 22nd July **21st AOC Conference** **Hawkesbury Indoor Stadium, 16 Stewart St, South Windsor, Sydney**

August

Fri/Sat 10/11 **Maroochydore OS show** **Milwell Road Community Centre, Maroochydore**
 Sat/Sun 11/12 Agnes Water OS show Agnes Water Community Centre, 71 Springs Road,
Fri/Sat 31st Aug & 1st Sept **Nambour OS Spring Show** **Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour**

September

Sat 1st **Nambour OS Spring Show** **Day 2**
 Fri/Sat 31st Aug 1st Sept. Childers OS Spring Show Cultural Centre, Childers
Fri/Sat 14/15 **Noosa Show** **RSL Hall Cooroy if renovated**
Fri/Sat 21/22 **Glasshouse Country OS show** **Beerwah Community Hall, Peachester Road.**

October

Fri /Sat 12/13 **Bribie Island OS Show** **The Orchid House, First Ave. Bribie Island**
 Sat/Sun 20/21 Orchid Species Society show Auditorium Mt Cootha Botanic Gardens

November

Fri/Sat 2/3 set up Thurs 1st **Nambour OS Species Show** **Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour**
Saturday 10th **STOCQ & OQI meetings** **Caboolture**

2018 AOC Conference

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Orchidfest

Sat/Sun 14th & 15th Sept 2019 **STOCQ Orchidfest** **Hosted by Rockhampton Orchid Soc.**