



What a beauty! This lovely example is the very first orchid Di purchased from the KOS sales bench & hasn't she done a fantastic job with it. As you can see in the background, it lives on a tree fern so there is one advantage of virtual benching – we would never have seen this one at a meeting



Bulbophyllum rothschildianum – Di Flinders



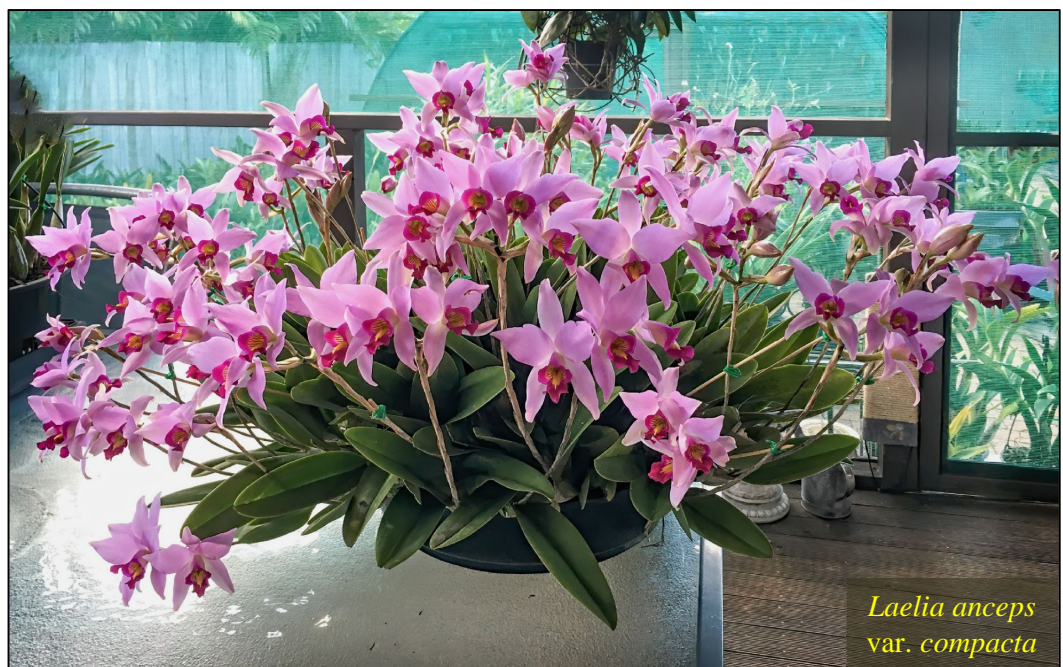
Red velvet anyone? What a glorious colour!

C. Mem. Robert Strait T & P



Cymbidium traceyanum
Margaret Barrett

From Bill Dobson →
“This flower will never win an award, however it makes up for this by easily growing into a specimen. Another plant that I obtained from David Banks in the 1990's. This plant now is growing in a 430mm garden sieve, it has 73 spikes and 204 flowers and 15 buds. It's 1100mm across x 550mm high x 900mm front to back can't weight it cause I can't see the scales but it's very heavy.”



Laelia anceps
var. *compacta*

A few more impressive, specimen sized plants from some of our very experienced growers



Laelia perrenii – T & P



Dendrochilum saccolabium - Margaret Barrett



Epicattleya Geradus Staal - Gowan Stewart



Ang. Lemforde 'White Beauty' - T & P



Liparis nutans – Margaret Barratt



Dendrobium bigibbum - T & P

A collection of stunners from T & P

Note the little glimpses of their very well maintained growing area



C. Lucille Small x *Blc. Dundas*



Bc. Island Charm x *Sc. Cherry Bee*



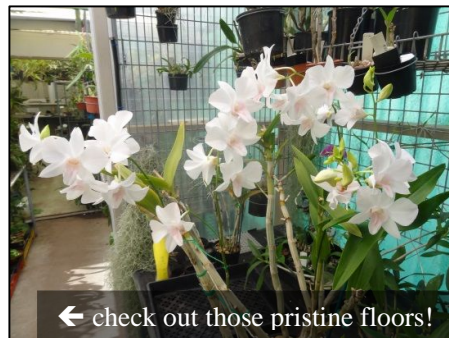
Den. Elva Ann x *White Tower*



Blc. George King 'Southern Cross'



Dtps. KV Charmer



Den. Emma Wilson



Cattleya cernua



Holcoglossum wangii



Oncidesa Mayfair



Tolumnia Carotone



Blc. Erin Kobayashi

More breathtaking blooms, this time from the orchid house of **Gowan Stewart**



Coryanthes macrantha

WOW & more WOW! Oh my goodness, I almost fell off my chair when I opened Gowan's email. What absolutely incredible flowers, there are just not enough superlatives. Sentimentally my favourite orchids will always be cymbidiums because they were my Dad's passion. However, since joining KOS & becoming aware of the enormous range of orchids that exist, of all the orchids I've seen 'in the flesh' if I was forced to pick one (just one – come on that's not fair) it would be Stanhopeas. I think because of the sheer extravagance of the structure of the flower & to top it off, the intoxicating fragrance.

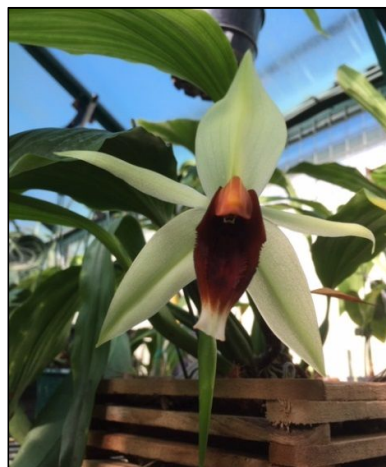
..... now I have something new to be enthralled by - *Coryanthes macrantha*, also known as the Bucket Orchid or Monkey Throat Orchid a large, hot/warm growing epiphytic orchid. *Coryanthes macrantha* is native to Trinidad, French Guiana, Surinam, Guyana, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru and Brazil and is found in wet lowland rain forests, thriving in 70-80% humidity. Reaching 13cm it has one of the largest blooms amongst its genus. The large, waxy flowers are short lived and smell strongly of mint. In nature, these orchids are often found in so-called ant gardens. The plants offer the ants nectar in extrafloral nectaries and provide a framework for nest construction with their root system. The ants return the favour by defending the plants against herbivores and fertilising them providing nutrients that allow the plants to grow rapidly. The pollination process by the beautiful male Euglossini bee is particularly fascinating. If you are interested in seeing this process in action enjoy the short videos via the links below – don't you just love Mother nature!

The videos are all quite similar but have slightly different information, the first 2 are visually stunning
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_uHJGdTgtXE <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K1WSuVIQKfK>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mm8DEKbOWbg> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yOHUU5JoliA>

Note in the backgrounds, little sneak peaks of **Gowan's** special set up



Angraecum Crestwood
'Tomorrow's Star'



Coelogyne Bird In Flight



Angraecum sesquipedale



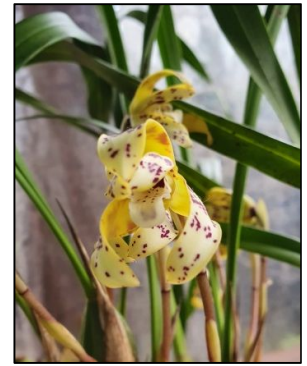
Epc. René Marqués 'Flame Thrower' - Gowan Stewart



Blc. Crispín Rosales
Gowan Stewart



Cochleanthes amazonica
Gowan Stewart



Maxillaria picta
Margaret Barrett



Bulbophyllum pardalotum- Margaret Barrett



Zelenkoa onusta – T & P



Serdioara Yokosuka Story 'Little Oriole' (*Epc.*
René Marqués x Rth. Free Spirit) - DL



Onc. enderianum
T & P



Catasetum Planiceps
Lina Huang



Lina enjoyed watching ↗
the resupinate flowers
emerge on her *Catasetum*

↖ *Paph. sukhakulii*

Paph. Rosi Dawn →

Both of these exquisite
Paphs are **Lina Huang's**,
she certainly grows these
beautifully.





Bulbophyllum medusae

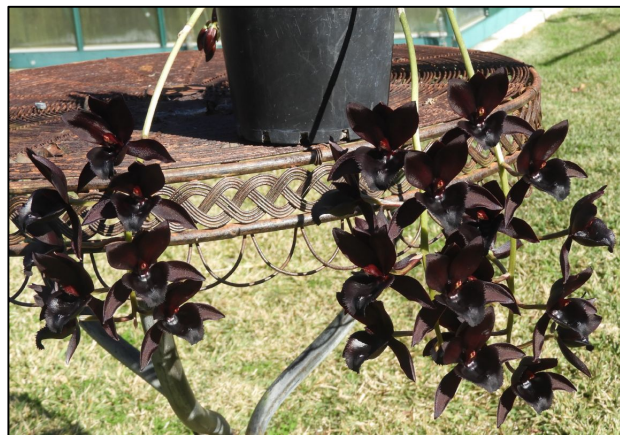


Psychopsis Kalihi



↑ A nod to Greek mythology – Medusa also called Gorgo was one of the 3 monstrous Gorgon sisters. Born a beautiful mortal, Medusa incurred the wrath of Athena & was transformed into a vicious monster. With bronze hands, wings of gold & writhing, venomous snakes in place of hair. Her face so hideous & gaze so piercing that looking into her eyes could turn a man to stone.

← *Phalaenopsis leuddemanniana* (Mindanao type). Measures 58mm across the lateral sepals. G&J F



Fredclarkeara After Dark

→ Note slight twist in the column from its *Mormodes sinuata* parent & broad labellum from the *Cism. Orchidglade* parent. G&J F

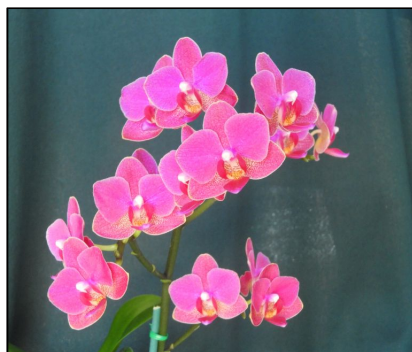


Catamodes Black Magic 'Witchcraft'

Who said there are no black orchids?



Phalaenopsis unknown
Very light pink G&J F



Phalaenopsis unknown



Phalaenopsis probably *aphrodite* or possibly hybrid G&J F



Lina Huang



Laelia anceps var. *chamberlainiana*
DL



Laelia anceps unconfirmed
Denise Hendy



C. Little Suzi 'Joy'
DL



L. anceps 'Disciplinata' HCC/AOS
x *L. anceps* 'SVO Flair'
Jessie Koh



Cattleya unknown
Jessie Koh



← Jenny Richardson →
← *Stanhopea wardii* perhaps, or a hybrid, 2 spikes emerged together, 1 bloomed mid April, the other 3 months later – I thought it was a dud but it was just delayed developing. JR

Laelia anceps →
unconfirmed



Catasetum Marge Soule - Jessie Koh
see April 2019 bulletin for write up



A selection of lovelies from Jessie Koh's back garden

An interesting look into the set up at **Gloria & Allan Cushway's** & some of the wonderful flowers produced



How would you like this lovely set up in your back garden? All available space is taken advantage of with pots hanging from the rafters & over benches that are packed with beauties waiting to bloom.

← Notice the schedule in the foreground – even the experts need a reminder of when to do what 😊

↓ in the middle shot below towards the back you can see 2 tier benching to accommodate more plants

In the photo below to the right - the red trays look like they might be a bit of a slipper nursery. ↓

Some output from this set up is shown in all its splendour in the shots underneath.



Rlc. Dream Trader 'Colossus' AM/AOC



Blc. Pamela Heatherington 'Coronation'



Rlc. Mem. Isabel Keenan



Blc. California Girl 'Orchidlibrary'



Bc. Island Charm 'Carmela'



Paph. Magic Mood 'Royal Sunshine' HCC/AOS x Paph. Emerald Crown 'Contemporary'



Beallara Tahoma Glacier
 'Green' J&A Angove from the
 St.Ives Show as a seedling 2015



Dendrobium unknown
 Jenny Richardson



Den. Aussie Parade 'Perfection'
 x Hilda Poxon 'Measles'
 Jenny Richardson



↔↔ *Wilsonara Tan Treasures*
 'Puppy Pleasure' - Jenny
 Richardson. The flowers to the
 left appeared last month – the
 flowers below are the same ones
 a few weeks later. I have seen
 colours change hue over time
 but I was intrigued to see such a
 marked colour change & the
 appearance of the outline on the
 petals which was not evident
 when the flowers
 initially opened. I
 will have to thank
 Ray (from Tinonee)
 for the unexpected
 2 for 1 – bonus! JR



Rlc. California Girl x *Rth.* Dal's Moon
 Lina Huang



↔ *Bcdm.* Possum Woolf
 Janine & Dennys Angove
 Bought from Woolf 2018 in
 Toowomba DA

↔ Same plant →
 (*Onc.* Twinkle 'Weston' x
Bapt. echinata)
 The genus classification has
 changed over the years

→ *Oncidesa* Possum Woolf
 Jessie Koh
 The 11 spikes on Jessie's
 impressive specimen
 produce a beautiful,
 pendulous display



A beautiful rainbow of colours from the home of Lee Payne



Cattleya trianae



Cattleya percivaliana



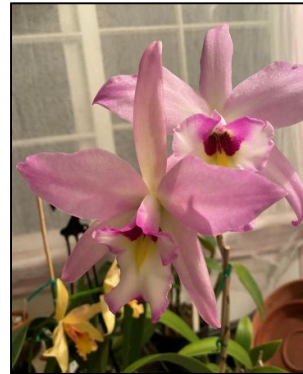
Cattleya Mini Purple



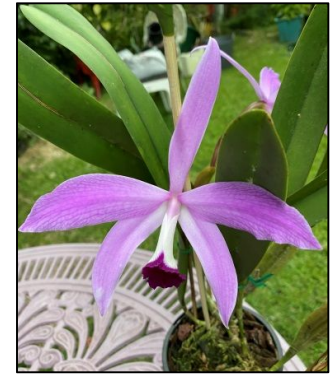
Cattleya Dolosa



Cattleya Orchid Library



Bl. Sea Urchin



Cattleya perrinii



Onc. Sharry Baby
'Sweet Fragrance'



Cattleya Burdekin Bells
'Roscoe'



Cattleya Chocolate Drop



Zygopetalum unknown



Den. Hilda Poxon



Maxillaria triloris



Paphiopedilum insigne



Dendrochilum
convallariaeforme



← Cym. Fairy Rough 'Lavender Fall' - DL

↓ Cym. Enzan Shining 'Royal Flame'
Jenny Richardson



Garden display at Janine & Dennys Angove's of
Cym. Lustrous 'Betty'
their first orchid purchased ~1982 →

Coelogyne speciosa – Jenny Richardson Grown under
the cover of my Silky Oak. 7cm flowers bloom
sequentially & are very droopy if not staked - you
have to peer up to see the intricate detail within. ↓



← *Onc. Miltassia* Charles M. Fitch
DL
What a beautiful specimen!

↓ Cym. My Sweet Amy
Jessie Koh



A beautiful collection from the home of **Christine Rethers**

Christine says that with the exception of the Vanda, all these are the easiest of orchids to grow in Sydney and quite happy in a bush house. The *Cattleya* Intercepts is a real beginner's *Cattleya*.

..... hmm it seems *Paph. fairrieanum* has just found itself on my 'I need to get one' list



See in the background of these shots, the tree branch laden with hanging baskets full of orchids, how lovely!

Cattleya Intercepts



Laelia anceps var. *compacta*

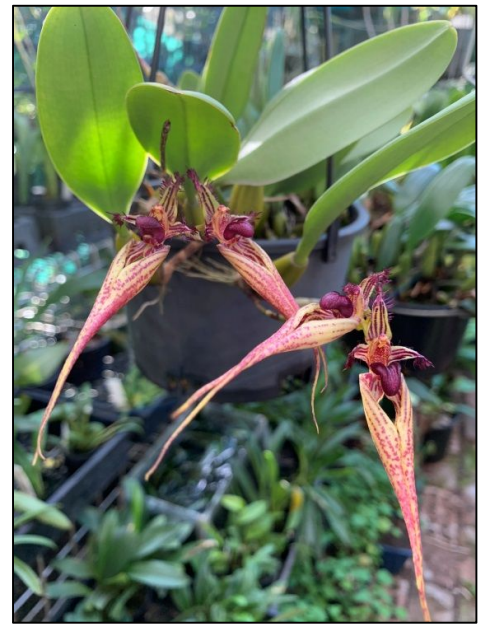


Vanda JVB x V. Gordon Dillon



Christine mentioned that *Bulb. Cindy Dukes* → is interesting as it has a mobile lip that quivers when you touch it.
What fun!

Medicalcar decoratum



Paph. fairrieanum

Glorious!



Phrag. Sedenii