

Nambour Orchid News.

April 2020

Judges Choice - March - Paphiopedilum Crossianum fma. album

Let's go back in time. About two hundred years. Two very intrepid and dedicated gentlemen went in search of who knows what.

One gentleman a Mr. Wallace, a Scot, in 1816 must have been trekking in the Himalaya, Darjeerling (in need of a cup of tea perhaps!) and Sikkum districts, there he discovered a paphiopedilum, but, back then they were referred to I believe as Cypripediums. This plant was introduced as Cypripedium venustum.

A book we have, given to us amongst others by Ken Richards shortly before he passed away, written in 1983 tells me Cypripedium venustum was also discovered in the Assam area North of the Bramaputra River, India.

Cypripedium venustum an unusual plant was the first slipper taken to Europe. No wonder it piqued the curiosity of those that first saw it.



The other gentleman by the name

of Nathaniel Wallich, a Dane, who in 1820 discovered in the Meghalaya district, Bangladesh another slipper, and introduced this unusual plant as, 'Cypripedium insigne.

Paphiopedilum Crossianum was a cross of Cyp. insigne and Cyp.venustum made and registered in 1873, and accredited to Lady Ashburton.

At some point in time, Cypripediums were renamed as Paphiopedilums.

There appears to be a few variations of this cross. Our label tells me both Paphiopedilum insigne and Paphiopedilum venustum were a combination of both the alba and the album forms. Our Paph. Crossianum now becomes Paph. Crossian fma. album.

It flowers for me annually, and I enjoy it's vibrant lemon/lime colour. I suppose living where we do it likes our slightly cooler clime.

It receives the same treatment as all our other slippers. Fortunately it seems to be happy to do so.

Paphiopedilum Crossianum, a primary hybrid, has only been registered for an award once, in 1994 in Victoria. A cultural award for a splendid array of 12 flowers. **Anita and Marty**



Secretary news April

Covid reminders as per Government regulations.

Social distancing is still in place please be mindful of this while moving around and doing the popular vote.

Hands to be sanitized before entering the hall.

Do not come to the meeting before 12.45pm or if you have any cold or flu symptoms.

Members must notify the Secretary if they intend to come to the meeting to enable a covid safe register to be prepared. We are now registered to use the Check in Qld app. For those with a smart phone this makes checking in much easier as you only need to put your details in once when you download the app. You will still be required to sign on for our fire safety check list.

Please bring your own pen.

Reminder to use the same chair for the duration of the meeting.

Bring your own cup if you wish to have afternoon tea. Afternoon tea will be served by members who have completed the Tafe Covid safe for dining in food handling course. This is required by Qld. Govt. regulation. You may bring your own afternoon tea if you prefer.

Plants must be tabled by 1.30 for judging. Your pot number is required for display of plants.

CLEANING:

Thank you to those on the March cleaning roster. Things went a lot more smoothly when it came time for the clean up.

April Roster will be attached to your newsletter. Please let me know if you are unable to assist so I can get a replacement.

SHOWS: Any shows while we have Covid restrictions will be subject to change.

There are no open shows schedule for our area for April. The first show on our calendar at this stage will be Gympie. Set up is Friday 30th April, Show 1st & 2nd May. This will be a bench show at a new venue Albert Park Bowls Club located directly off the highway. Alison

From the President

It is starting to feel like winter is just around the corner. Now it is close to the time when you need to consider your growing conditions for some species of orchids. If you have plants that like a winter rest, it can be helpful to do some research about the climatic conditions of their origins. Seek help and advice from experienced growers, ask questions at the Culture corner at our monthly meetings and don't be shy about looking for help.

Your orchids will love you and reward you with beautiful blooms. (Oops, see below)!

Gympie Orchid Society is hosting an Autumn show on 1st and 2nd May (setting up on 30th April), at the Albert Park Bowls club, Gympie. I encourage you to support their efforts either as an exhibitor or visitor. Details of the schedule and times have been forwarded by email and will be available at our April meeting too.

The last word, thanks to Roger Rankin from "Orchid Wise" may resonate with some of you!

"Those who believe that on a well grown plant a flower will appear, haven't tried orchids"

Don't give up,

March meeting





Steve & Luda receiving their STOCQ awards



Judges choice - Novice

Vanda Yip Sum Wah x Van. Veeraphol

Cyrus & Natalie



C. Deception Palouse - Judy.



Alcra. Snowblind - Roger



Den. Enobi Purple - Tom



Bulb. Santa Claus x annandalei.

Duncan



Den. Little Princess Luda



Vanda falcata. - Judy



Ceratostylis retisquama
David & Lorraine



Bulb. Fascination - Luda

Helena's gallery



















Native orchids of Australia

Australian native orchids come under 3 categories, terrestrial, epiphyte orchids, lithophyte orchids.

Terrestrial orchids are the largest of the category with well over 100 varieties and 600 Species. They occur throughout Australia in forested habitats including open forest, woodland, shrubby forest, swampland, and coastal scrub. The three terrestrial orchids displayed at the March meeting were *Pterostylis baptistii*, *Pterostylis alverta and Chiloglottis sylvestris*.

I grow these orchids in mix of a good quality loam composted leaf mulch and a mixture of course sand and fine gravel.





Pterostylis alverta





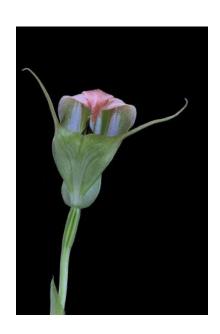
The mixture has to be free draining to prevent the orchid tubers from rotting out during the dormant season and the tuber and roots during the growing season. They are grown under 50% shade cloth and during the heat of the summer an additional layer is added to reduce the light intensity. The reason for this is when they grow under natural conditions it is usually in dappled light. They get watered about once a week during the growing season and during the dormant season the mixture is kept damp. Normally they get fertilized with a diluted fertilizer. **Alan**

Chiloglottis sylvestris.





Pterostylis baptistii



All Species photos taken by Helena



Plant of Botanical Interest: Prosthechea boothiana - Judy

This small growing plant is commonly known as Dollar Orchid, (because of the round flattened shape and size of the mature pseudobulb), or Booth's Orchid. It is distributed in the West Indies, Mexico, Central America and extends into South Florida, and grows in dry scrub forests and tropical deciduous forests from sea level to 1500 m. This orchid supposedly grows best mounted, but mine is quite happy in a shallow pot in a mix of bark, charcoal and perlite. It is under 70 percent shadecloth all year, has a small

amount of Plantacote Top K controlled release fertiliser twice a year with weak doses of foliar fertiliser occasionally and alternate sprays of systemic and contact fungicides and pesticides.















Judges Choice

Vanda lamellata

Beryl & Graham



Species



Benched Plants:

Bifrenaria vitellina, Bulbophyllum annandalei, Bulbophyllum complanatum, Bulbophyllum grandiflorum, Bulbophyllum laxiflorum, Bulbophyllum medusae, Bulbophyllum sanguineopunctatum x2, Bulbophyllum sinapis, Bulbophyllum tricorne, Cattleya cernua, Cattleya dormaniana, Cattleya jenmanii, Cattleya perrinii, *Ceratostylis retisquama, Dendrobium bigibbum var. compactum x2, Dendrobium bullenianum, Dendrobium glomeratum, Dendrobium hodgkinsonii, Dendrobium macrophyllum, Dendrobium rigidum, Dendrobium sanderae, Dendrobium taylorii, Epidendrum porpax, Gomesa radicans x2, Gongora grossa, Holcoglossum kimballianum, Liparis condylobulbon, Liparis reflexa, Liparis swenssonii, *Robiquetia aberrans, Miltonia regnellii, Pleurothallis viduata, Prosthechea boothiana, Prosthechea cochleata, Phalaenopsis bellina, Phalaenopsis deliciosa x3, Phalaenopsis hieroglyphica, Phalaenopsis micholitzii, Phalaenopsis violacea, Stenoglottis longifolia, Trichoglottis amesiana, Vanda bensonii, Vanda lamellata, Vanda miniata

Plant names are checked on the WCSP list of species plants. If your name given on the day differs from that on Kew it is identified on this list with an *

^{*}Ceratostylis rubra; Ceratostylis retisquama

^{*} Malleola baliensis; Robiquetia aberrans

Popular Vote & Judges Choice - March 2021					
Judges	Choic	ce in Blue	Red See Notes		
Cattleya	1st	Cattleya Netrasiri Waxy	Grahame		
	2nd	Rlc. Chief Journey	Tom		
	3rd	Cattleya Carol Bernice	Patrick & Heather		
Oncidium	1st	Oncidium Sharry Baby	Grahame		
	1st	Oncostele Everglades Elegance	David & Lorraine		
	2nd	Oncidium Sharry Baby	Patrick & Heather		
Vanda/ Phalaenopsis	1st	Vanda Green Light	Luda		
	2nd	Vanda Unknown	Peter		
	3rd				
Dendrobium	1st	Dendrobium Enobi Purple	Tom		
	2nd	Dendrobium Little Blush	Luda		
	3rd	Dendrobium Pacific Pride	Marty & Anita		
Any Other Genera	1st	Bulbophyllum Plemont	Duncan		
	2nd	Cymbidium Tropical	Roger		
	3rd	Bulbophyllum Fascination	Lynn		
	3rd	Z. Titanic x Pab. jugosa	Marty & Anita		
Paphiopedilum/	1st	Paphiopedilum Hilo Citron	Marty & Anita		
Phragmipedium	2nd	Phragmipedium Perseus	David & Lorraine		
	3rd	Paphiopedilum Fumi's Gold	Marty & Anita		
	JC	Paphiopedilum Crossianum	Marty & Anita		
Species America's	1st	Cattleya dormaniana	Judy		
	2nd	Guarianthe skinneri	Peter		
	3rd	Huntleya gustavi	Rod & Jan		
Species Asian	1st	Ceratostylis retisquama	David & Lorraine		
	2nd	Bulbophyllum sanguineopunctatum	Duncan		
	3rd	Bulbophyllum dearei	Marty & Anita		
Aus. Native Hybrid	1st	Dendrobium Fantasyland	Tom		
	2nd				
	3rd				
Aus. Native Species	1st	Dendrobium bigibbum var. compactum	Judy		
	2nd	Oberonia insectifera	Luda		
	3rd	Pterostylis baptistii	Alan & Alison		
	3rd	Chiloglottis sylvestris	Alan & Alison		
	JC	Pterostylis baptistii	Alan & Alison		
Novice	1st	V. Yip Sum Wah x Van. Veeraphol	Natalie & Cyrus		
	2nd	V. Kultana Fuchsia x V. Mama Purita	Natalie & Cyrus		
	3rd				
Foliage	1st	Calathea Unknown	David & Lorraine		
	2nd	Asplenium australiascum (Crow's Nest Fern)	Peter		
	3rd				

Notes

^{*}Cattleya Caudebec Candy x Chocolate Drop = Cattleya Carol Bernice

^{*}Cattleya skinneri; Guarianthe skinneri

^{*} Ceratostylis rubra; Ceratostylis retisquama

^{*}Liparis toppingii; Oberonia insectifera

Nambour Orchid Society



Nambour Orchid society meets on the 4th Saturday each Nambour Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave., Nambour

Business meeting commences at 12.45pm prior to the cultural meeting.

Cultural meeting Follows the business meeting at 2pm.

All members and visitors are welcome to both Business and Cultural meetings.

Plants are to be tabled for judging by 1.30pm.

Charlie's Cultural corner from 1.15pm to 1.45pm each meeting day.

The Species Appreciation Group is held monthly from February to November at member's homes. Contact the Secretary for details. at nambourorchids@gmail.com

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

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Articles for inclusion in the Newsletter should be sent to the editor at rhand39@gmail.com
Send all adds, articles and photos etc. no later than 2 weeks prior to the monthly meeting

Members may use space in the Newsletter to sell Orchid related items free of charge.

Members selling plants must submit a list of Plants for Sale, 10% commission is payable to the Society. Members must sell their own plants, only plants that we would use in show displays are permitted

Direct deposits for Shirts, name Badges and Membership are encouraged to the Club Bank Account.

Commonwealth Bank BSB 064424 A/c No 00909232.

Add your name as a reference so our Treasurer knows who the money is from.

Club shirts are available, cost to members, \$25 for shirt with logo + \$5.50 if you require a pocket

Name badges, cost is \$7.00 for new members after attending 3 meetings, or \$10.95 for a replacement



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Cittamani Hospice Services are in Palmwoods and provide end of life palliative care for people in need in their own homes.

They also provide essential equipment free of charge for patients use in their own home.

Nambour Orchid Society Show Calendar 2021

Set up is the day before Show date unless otherwise noted.

(NOS commitment in blue)

May

Sat/Sun 1/2 Fri/Sat/Sun 7/8/9 **Gympie OS Show Bundaberg OS**

Albert Park Bowles Club

July

Fri/Sat/Sun 9/10/11 Fri/Sat/Sun 23/24/25 Nambour Garden Expo. Caboolture OS show

Nambour Showgrounds, Coronation Ave. Nambour Morayfield Community Centre (Behind Bunnings)

August

Fri/Sat 6/7 Sat/Sun 14/15 Fri/Sat 27/28

Maroochydore OS show Agnes Water OS show Childers OS Spring Show

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Buderim Uniting Church Hall, Gloucester Road, Buderim Agnes Water Community Centre, 71 Springs Road,

September

Fri/Sat 3/4 Thurs/Fri/Sat 16/17/18 Fri/Sat 16/17

Fri/Sat 24/25 Fri/Sat/Sun 24/25/26

Sat/Sun 25/26

Maryborough OS Show **Noosa DOFS Show Glasshouse Country OS show**

Rockhampton OS Spring Show

Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour

St Paul's Memorial Hall, Maryborough

Hervey Bay OS show

Beerwah Community Hall, Peachester Road.

Xavier Catholic College, 1 Wide Bay Drive, Eli Waters

October

Fri/Sat 1/2 Thurs/Fri/Sat 21/22/23

Fri/Sat 29/30

Caloundra OS Show Caboolture OS (closed) **Nambour Species Show** Uniting Church Hall, Ulm St Caloundra

Morayfield Shopping Centre

Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave. Nambour

November

Sat/Sun 6/7 Tweed Show