# Bulletin of the Orchid Society of Canberra, Inc.

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### **Regular monthly meetings:**

Monthly meetings of the Society are held on the first Wednesday of each month (except January) at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, corner of Gould and Macleay St. Turner. Meetings commence at 8:00pm with the library and sales table open from 7:30pm.

### Next meetings

6 Nov Three sessions — Cattleyas, Zygopetalums and How to keep your orchids healthy
4 Dec Christmas party

### **Upcoming Events**

9-10 Nov Canberra Horticultural Soc. show incl. orchids

16-17 Nov 3 Rivers Orchid Society Show

17 Nov 2–4 pm Open glasshouse. Geoff Dyne's 2 Doolette Place, Kambah

### For further info, visit:

- http://www.canberraorchids.org/
- https://www.orchidsocietynsw.com.au/Shows2019.htm
- <u>https://hsoc.org.au/activities-and-events/#flowershows</u>

### Welcome to new members

We are delighted to welcome the following new members to the society: Lulu Kendrick, Thalia Greinke, Nicholas Spence, Moira Rily, Graeme Mayo, Katarzyna Barry and Pamela Jenkins. We hope your association with the society will be long and productive.

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### **Contributions to the next Bulletin**

All contributions to the bulletin are most welcome. Deadline for the January–February edition is 24 January 2020 to Peter Coyne (petaurus@gmail.com).

### **November-December 2019**





The Society's winning display at the South and WestRegional Show[photos: Karen Groeneveld]

<b>Committee Members</b>								
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		Audrey Rough						
Meeting supper co	Zoe Groeneveld							
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		Karen Groeneveld						
		Mike Pieloor						
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Public officer	Peter Coyne							
Librarian	Andrea Robold							
		Geoff Dyne						
Benching officer		Mark Fraser						
Judges choice		Robyn Noel						
		Krysia Szkiela						
		Jane Wright						

Members also help in other areas, like storing society equipment or lending us resources. Several members also support our monthly benching and popular vote.



Karen Groeneveld's display "Carnival of the Orchids" at the Canberra Orchid Show [photo: Peter Coyne]

### **From the President**

What a success our 2019 show was!

Open and novice plants benched, awards given, plants sold, new members embraced, praise received and the public thoroughly enthused. And if that wasn't enough, shortly after, a group of our members managed to steal the show down at the South and West Regional Orchid Conference at Moruya. See Jane's summary below. I hear our society is the one to beat next year and the display committee are already planning.

We owe huge thanks to the many members who have contributed their time and energy to make both of these events a success. The society committee, the display committee and all the members who volunteered. Without their passion and energy we just wouldn't be able to have an orchid show in Canberra, or a display at a conference. Well done and thank you!



**Members' Thelychitons at our show** [photo: Peter Coyne] Another recent society adventure was the repotting workshop on 12 October. Twenty happy people turned up to get their hands dirty splitting cymbidiums, soaking medium, upsizing dendrobiums and treating scale. Novice and experienced growers alike walked away with great looking plants and little more experience under their belts. A great success. A big thank you to Jane Wright for hosting this event.

We are trying out some new approaches to benching starting at our November meeting. We will have new classes that won't change each meeting, and benching slips to streamline our processes. See the article on page 4 for more detail. As with all new things, we will see how it goes and tweak as required to make it work the best we can!

As a part of our open growing areas, Geoff Dyne has kindly agreed to open his glasshouses on Sunday **17 November** from **2:00-4:00pm.** Geoff grows some great stuff, so pop along to find out how he does it. Sharing our growing areas and techniques is an excellent way to learn new ways of managing our hobby.

We also have the Christmas party in December — games and fun to be had, so bring a plate to share and take home a plant.

Don't forget to check the bulletin or our website for other upcoming events.

the sales table for plant sales. If you can, please collect these and bring with you to the show.



Jenny Cooke and Robyn Noel exchange tips at the repotting workshop [photo: Mike Pieloor]

### **Culture tips November–December**

- Keep moisture up to your plants as the weather continues to warm and the humidity drops.
- Fertilise your plants to ensure the new growth has the best chance of bulking up over summer. Use a fertiliser that orchids can tolerate. Some of the generic versions can be too strong. Always follow the instructions.
- Plan your cool spots and get your shadecloth in place before the heat. Many cooler growing species (such as Pleurothalids) need relief from very high temperatures during late spring and summer.
- Monitor for pests. Mites are still active and aphids and munching pests can quickly take hold. Check your plants at night with a flask light to do some on-the-spot extermination.
- Allow your Australian terrestrials to dry out as their leaves turn yellow. Repot once the tubers are dormant. Karen Groeneveld will be hosting a native terrestrial orchid potting workshop in January, so keep an eye out for the date and time.
- Bring your plant along to our next meeting if you are unsure how to care for it over summer.
- Check out our book 'Growing Orchids in Cool Climate Australia' for more cultural tips.

# The South and West Regional Show Jane Wright

The show was hosted this year by the Eurobodalla Orchid Club and they did a brilliant job for us all.

A contingent of 10 people in 5 cars with 2 trailers full of plants and gear headed off the day after our October meeting. We stayed together in an Airbnb house that even had a big garage where we could store all the plants overnight. The venue was large and airy and he Eurobodalla Orchid Club couldn't have been more helpful, solving our little problems during setup (like letting us use their club computer to print the labels after ours died). We set up the display on Friday and found our new display design quite easy to place plants.

Thanks to the display team – Jacquie Bannerman, Sandra Corbett, Mark Fraser, Karen & Peter Groeneveld, Robyn Noel, Andrea Robold, Krysia Szkiela, Roger Williams and Jane Wright – who also helped ahead of time with 'rock' carving and painting and cork preparation. Extra thanks to Roger Williams who spent days and days building the infrastructure which worked out so well. We were very pleased to see other members make the trip to Moruya over the weekend to see the show.

Thanks to our members who provided plants for the display. Mark Clements, Peter Coyne, Brian Dear, Bill Ferris, Bob Forrester, Mark Fraser & Sandra Corbett, Karen Groeneveld, David Judge, Rob and Audrey Rough, Krysia Szkiela, and Jane Wright. As you can see from our results we won a lot of ribbons! Of particular note is that David Judge won Champion Paphiopedilum and Grand Champion and Krysia Szkiela won Novice Champion Any Other Orchid and Novice Champion. Our display was Best Club Display.



Crucial support team Roger Williams and Peter Groeneveld ponder the next step to assemble the Society's display at Moruya [photo: Karen Groeneveld]

# New Benching Classes for monthly meetings

### Jane Wright

Your committee has been discussing how to streamline the setup of the plant benching at meetings and avoid plants moving between classes or inadvertently from novice to open. After analysis of the classes used for the last 20 meetings, we agreed that we would combine species and hybrids and try a set of classes that follows the general order of our show schedule. You will note that we have several classes now for novices.

Class #	Category (incl species & hybrids)						
OPEN							
1	Australian epiphytic orchid						
2	Australian terrestrial orchid						
3	Cymbidium						
4	Laeliinae						
5	Cypripedioideae						
6	Monopodial Vandeae						
7	Oncidiinae						
8	Pleurothallidinae						
9	Exotic Dendrobiinae						
10	Coelogyninae						
11	Bulbophyllinae						
12	Lycastineae and Maxillariinae						
13	Exotic terrestrial						
14	Any other orchid						
NOVICE							
15	Australian native orchid						
16	Cymbidium						
17	Laeliinae						
18	Monopodial Vandeae						
19	Any other orchid						

From now on we will use this set for every meeting. Some months there may be a large number in a class or only one. We will still have orchid of the night, judges choice and specimen. These will be joined by a novice orchid of the night.

Members will be responsible for putting their plant into the correct class. But, if you need help, ask our friendly Benching Marshal, Mark Fraser, or one of his helpers.

Please also remember to arrive by 7:45pm if you are benching plants. Arranging plants into their classes can take time and plants that arrive late can cause problems.

### New benching slips

The committee have also agreed to use benching slips. These are useful and popular among other societies. These slips will help:

- streamline our popular voting process
- gather more information on what plants our club grows
- identify when our plants flower and how many plants are shown in each class.

From now on, members will put a benching slip beside each plant with the class number, plant name and owner name. These will be collected at the end of the night.

The Orchid Society of Canberra						
Class:1						
Plant Name:Thelychiton speciosus						
Exhibited by:Jane Wri <mark>g</mark> ht						

A Word file of benching cards is available on our website if you prefer to print it out and prepare the cards before the meeting; otherwise, cards will be available every meeting.



Joint Choice — specimen October: Serapias orientalis grown by Mark Clements. [photo: Mike Pieloor]

### **Members' Notice Board**

The committee would like to invite members to provide information they think other

members may like to see. Contributors to the members' notice board will be responsible for content. Inclusion will not imply endorsement by the Society. Please send contributions to petaurus@gmail.com

### **General Meeting, 4 September 2019**

Members Present: 29; Apologies: 6; Visitors: 1

Society President, Mike Pieloor, is currently overseas. Vice-President, Bill Ferris opened the meeting at 8:05pm.

Bill thanked Peter Coyne for putting together and distributing the Sep/Oct Bulletin, but noted one correction – that the Society T-shirts are held by Jane Wright (rather than with Bill), so see Jane if you wish to buy a T-shirt. Members wishing to enter our upcoming show for free will need to wear their Society T-shirt and membership badge.

Most of the information for the show is on the Society's website – go to "Our Show." In addition, Bill will email registration forms, schedule and definitions this weekend. For those not on email, Peter included some of these with the Bulletin mail-out, but a few hard-copies are available tonight.

There are a few changes to the Show Schedule this year, including a new class for Maxillariinae. We will also be providing 'pass outs' for show visitors – allowing visitors to come and go freely after initial entry fee has been paid. We're hoping that this will reduce pressure on the plant creche.

Bill asked that members consider committing to help out at the show, and to please fill out the sign-up sheets for various jobs, available here tonight, or contact Karen Groeneveld.

Bill then invited Jane Wright to talk about preparing plants for the show and what show judges look for in orchid flowers.

# **Presentation – Jane Wright: Preparing Plants for the Show:**

- 1. Ownership:
- You must have owned and grown the plant for at least 6 months.
- A plant owned for less than 6 months may be displayed but will not be judged. If you have something special that you acquired recently, bring it along to bulk out the display just let the show registrar know.
- 2. Plants and flowers need to be in 'show condition' and staged to show them at their best:
- Clean no pests or disease
- Tidy old flowers and bracts removed
- Groomed leaves cleaned and racemes staked
- Cover dirty pots with an attractive outside pot

- Provide plant stands for hanging plants (except Dockrillias, for which there is a screen)
- 3. Stake flowers/racemes correctly:
- To show plant in its best arrangement
- Below the ovary
- Below the lowest flower or branch (preferably)
- 4. Plant registration:
- Electronic forms by 8:30pm on Wed before the show. Use the excel sheet if possible.
- Phone entries by 6:30pm on Tues before the show.
- Registrar will check class entries and prepare tickets for you to put on plants at setup.
- 5. Show Schedule and Definitions:
- Jane explained how to use the Definitions document to help interpret the Show Schedule.
- You need to identify whether your plant is a seedling or not, and identify whether it is a species or hybrid and (in some cases) identify the hybrid subclass according to the size of the flowers. However, note that the Best Miniature, Best Seedling and Best Specimen classes will be decided by the judges.
- Never Fear, Help is Near! If you need help, call the registrar.
- 6. Setup:
- Bring plants from 11am-5pm (by 4pm preferably) on the Friday before the Show. Put your tags on your plants, set them on the tables where indicated by class. There will be volunteers to help.
- If you need help getting your plants to the show, talk to a committee member to organise help.
- 7. Sales area:
- Members can purchase plants on Friday afternoon from the vendors and club tables, as long as vendors are present and ready to take money.



David Judge receives awards at the regional show [Photo: Karen Groeneveld]

- If you have plants to sell, bring them in from 11am on Friday. Each pot must have a separate price tag with your name and initials on it (prices in whole dollars, please). These will be removed when the plant is sold and will be used to determine your sales. The Society will take 10% commission. Payment to you from the Society will be by direct deposit (preferred) or cheque, after the show.
- 8. Assisting at the Show:
- It's our goal that every club member participates in the show in some way, so please consider signing up to volunteer over the weekend. There are many important jobs that do not need extensive orchid knowledge and even a few hours of your time will be valuable – particularly for setup and take-down, and on Saturday morning, which are busy times.
- Wear your society badge and T-shirt. In addition to helping the public, they get you into the show for free.
- The show closes and take-down starts at 4pm on Sunday afternoon.
- 9. Resources:
- Show Schedule Rules and Conditions (at the end of the schedule).
- Sectional Definitions what genus goes where available from our website.
- Our book Chapter 9 "Showing your orchids."
- Our website the section on our show.
- Experienced members, registrar, show marshall.



Orchid of the Night, October — Cypripedium formosanum grown by Mike Pieloor [Photo: Mike Pieloor]

# **Presentation 2 – Jane Wright: What do judges look** for?

Two key aspects influence whether an orchid has the potential to be judged a winner:

- The plant's genetics which affect shape, colour, size, floriforousness etc.
- The culture of the plant which determines whether it reaches its full potential.
- Kinds of judging:
- Showbench judging the flowers in a class are compared with each other.
- Award judging the flowers are compared to an ideal flower or plant of that type hybrids are expected to be improvements on the parents and species plants are expected to be outstanding examples of their kind (shape/colour/size etc).

What criteria are judged?

- Shape determined by genetics:
  - For hybrids of groups where a lot of breeding has taken place (eg cattleya, phalaenopsis, cymbidium) – preferred shape is symmetrical and circular in outline.
  - For species and developmental hybrids flowers are judged as better if they have broader segments and more filled-in flowers than the norm.
  - Faults in flower shape include: furling or reflexing of segments; the labellum rolls under (esp in cymbidiums); malformed segments.
- Colour determined by genetics:
  - ✤ Colour should be attractive and appealing.
  - Clarity and vibrancy of colour.
  - Markings well-defined.
  - Colour faults include smudging, blurring or bleeding of one colour into another; colour breaks; and inconsistency of colour between flowers.
- Substance and Texture determined by genetics
- Floriferousness determined by genetics & culture
- Habit and Arrangement determined by genetics & culture
  - Flowers should sit up and look at you.
  - ✤ Racemes should be well filled-out and even.
  - Plants should be clean and well presented.
- Flower size determined by genetics & culture.

### Secretary's report:

Received this month:

• *Australian Orchid Review* (August-September 2019)

- Flyers for the Southern Highlands Orchid Society Annual Orchid Show at Mittagong on Saturday 28 September 2019 – at the front bench for members to take
- Posters and flyers for the Eurobodalla Orchid Club 'Orchid Spectacular' at Moruya on 5-6 October – will be made available at our show.

### **Other Business**

- 1. Derek Corrigan spoke about possible conservation projects that the Society could be involved in and called for interest from members. There are a number of locally endangered/vulnerable terrestrial orchid species and Society members could potentially assist with projects aimed at conserving and/or reintroducing species to the wild in the ACT and locally in NSW. For example, conservation relies on monitoring of existing species; and reintroduction requires site surveys (including determining availability of pollinators and mycorrhizal fungi), preparation of ground (including clearing weeds), planting out advanced seedlings, irrigation of reintroduced plants and ongoing monitoring and weeding. Members who are interested in being involved in this sort of work should provide their contact details to Derek.
- Kristina Neumann has set up an Instagram account 2. for the Society and offered to manage it. Instagram is a social media platform designed to share photos and videos, and Kristina provided a brief overview of how it works. It will allow us to raise awareness about the Society in yet another niche. Kristina will be drip-feeding orchid photos onto the Society's account, and has offered to visit our growers to take photos of their plants for the Instagram feed. If you would be happy for Kristina to visit and take photos of your beauties, please email her at Kristina.neumann@hotmail.com Alternatively, if you are happy to have your photos of cultivated orchids posted on Instagram, you can send them to her, with the following information:
  - Your name
  - Name of the orchid
  - Name of the photographer
  - A caption or other information that you think would be interesting to share (eg details about the orchid or how you grow it)
  - It's a good idea to strip the location and other information from the photo's properties first. Kristina says that an easy way to do this is just to take a screen capture of the photo – the resolution would still be fine for Instagram.
- Growing Competition We have had limited success with these in the past, but will try again. Our first run will be with *Thelychiton speciosus* seedlings that will be handed out to members at the October meeting. The idea is to take a plant, pot it

on and bring it back to future meetings to see who achieves the best growth and flowering. Other genera will be used in growing competitions in later meetings.

- 4. Upcoming events in our local region:
  - 14-15 September, Wesley Centre in Forrest Horticultural Society of Canberra Spring Bulb & Camellia show. There is a section for orchids, and members are encouraged to enter – it's a good opportunity to raise awareness of our show the following weekend. Registration information is on the Hort Society's website <u>https://hsoc.org.au/</u>
  - 5-6 October in Moruya S&W Region orchid show & conference (Eurobodalla Orchid Spectacular).
  - 12 October Repotting workshop at Jane Wright's, commencing at 1:30pm.

Next meeting: <u>2 October</u>. Three of our members will give advice and answer questions on growing cymbidiums, phalaenopsis and natives. Commencement of growing competition. Meeting closed: 10:10 pm



Angraecum sesquipedale at the October meeting, grown by Mark Clements

[Photo: Mike Pieloor

### General Meeting, 2 October 2019

### Members Present: 37; Apologies: 5; Visitors: 9

Society President, Mike Pieloor opened the meeting at 8:05pm. He awarded the prize of a *Coelogyne*, donated by Rob Rough, to the first new member to sign up as a result of the recent Society show – Lulu Kendrick.

Tonight's meeting did not feature a presentation, but three simultaneous discussion groups that shared tips on growing cymbidiums (discussion led by Ben Walcott), phalaenopsis (Sandra Corbett & David Judge) and Australian natives (Peter Coyne). After 20 minutes, members could choose to rotate to a second



Judges' Choice – Hybrid, October — *Jackfowlieara* Appleblossom gron by Rob Rough [Photo: Mike Pieloor]

group. Following is a summary of the key information and growing strategies shared:

#### Cymbidiums (tips for growing them outdoors):

- Repot Cymbidiums when the pot is too full of plant to water effectively (water runs off and doesn't penetrate the mix).
- Divide the plant with each piece having at least 5 pseudobulbs. Using a knife to cut the plant up is ok!
- Repot in soil-like mix leaving space between mix and top of pot.
- Water regularly in summer, fertilize with slow release in spring and autumn.
- Give plants lots of sun without burning the leaves; shelter in winter from frost.

#### Phalaenopsis (tips for growing them indoors):

- Phalaenopsis are a great beginners orchid that can be easily grown in the house. They like growing indoors in warm bright spots. Not strong direct sun because they will burn. Place your hand a foot above the plant and if it makes a faint shadow that's about right for sun.
- Phalaenopsis are warm growing orchids that need to be grown at temperatures above 14oC (minimum). Generally, they are happy growing where people feel comfortable.

- As Phalaenopsis have no significant water-storage organs other than their leaves, they should never completely dry out. Watering is best done in the morning, avoiding the crown if possible, so that the leaves and crown are dry when temperatures drop at night. Don't use really cold water in winter which can cause root shock and tissue damage.
- Sandra's advice is to mist with water under the leaves as often as possible during the day. Growing in sphagnum moss keeps the moisture up and makes it easier to avoid over-watering. Wait until the sphagnum is crispy to touch and then give them a good watering but never on the plant always into the mix, as Phalaenopsis can get rot if the crown of the plant has water sitting in it. A pinch of inorganic fertiliser like Peter's fertiliser can be added every time you water (this is available from the Society's sales table).
- As the roots can photosynthesise, clear plastic pots are good. Lots of roots growing outside of the pot are not a problem don't be tempted to tidy up and cut them off!
- When the plant is in bud try not to have wild swings in temperature and humidity as Phalaenopsis can be very prone to bud blast.

#### Australian native orchids:

There are many species of native orchids — 1847 taxa listed in the 2006 Checklist of the orchids of Australia including its island territories. (Following taxa numbers refer to this checklist.) They include 'epiphytes' (some of which grow on rocks as well as on trees); and 'terrestrials' which grow annually from tubers in the soil – nearly all terrestrials are summerdeciduous (dormant in summer).

### **Epiphytes**

About 100 species in Cape York Peninsular reducing to 5 species in Victoria.

Main genera in cultivation:

Dendrobium — Thelychiton, Dockrillia, Vappodes, Tetrabaculum, Durabaculum (103 taxa) Sarcochilus (20) Cymbidium (3 taxa)

More-or-less local species of those three genera grow in a strip from the coast to Clyde Mountain. They have varied needs for cultivation. Some are fairly cold tolerant. Peter's preferred potting mix for epiphytes is one-third each of Orchiata bark, clay balls and perlite. Many will grow in straight scoria and some even mounted on stone.

#### Terrestrials

Numerous local species — about 125 species in the ACT, many growing on Black Mountain. Many terrestrial species cannot be grown in cultivation, due to the complexity of their relationships with mycorrhizal fungi. Main genera in cultivation:

Pterostylis — Diplodium, Oligochaetochilus (354 taxa)
Diuris (120 taxa)
Chiloglottis — Myrmechila
Caladenia — Arachnorchis, Petalochilus & 9 others (369 taxa)
Phaius – tropical terrestrial from N Qld

Infrastructure needs are minimal as most species in cultivation are fairly frost-hardy and will grow in a shaded location outside (protect from heavy watering/rain when tubers are dormant). They are generally grown in a well-drained, soil-based mix. When repotting, include some of the old potting mix from near the top of the pot, to introduce the mycorrhizal fungi into the new mix. Sources of tubers — ANOSVic Tuberbank (members

can order via the Society later in the year); Les Nesbitt in South Australia.

### Treasurer's report:

2019 Annual Show highlights:

- 1098 people paid to come into the show; > 30 entered for free (children under 14yrs)
- The raffle made \$475 profit
- The vendors paid more than \$800 between them for the privilege of selling at our show. All the vendors were happy with the business they did; Sims sold every plant they brought!
- The Society purchased 110 orchids from AON and sold these on at the show, making a tidy profit.
- The Society also made money through the sale of Society plants, books and fertiliser.
- Member sales totalled around \$3500, with 10% commission to the Society.
- Expenses included compensating the judges for their accommodation, travel and providing them dinner; and hall hire costs of \$1650.
- Overall the Society made a \$500 profit from the show.

### **Other Business**

- A team from the Society will be going to Moruya tomorrow (Thurs 3 October) to set up a Society display at the Eurobodalla Orchid Spectacular. This is the biennial S&W Regional Show, with which Canberra is associated. With member's permission, the team will select plants from tonight's benching to take down to Moruya for the display; plants that don't fit into the display (it's always difficult to tell what will fit until the day), will be benched for judging.
- 2. Jane Wright will host a repotting workshop on <u>Saturday 12 October from 1:30 pm</u>. Bill Ferris will email the details shortly.
- 3. Geoff Dyne has agreed to open his greenhouse to members in November, date TBC. Karen

Groeneveld will open her greenhouse when the *Vanilla planifolia* is in flower (likely November).

- 4. Derek Corrigan, as our new environmental officer, is busy negotiating possible projects that members of the Society can be involved in. Watch this space!
- 5. Growing Competition We have had limited success with these in the past, but will try again. Our first run will be with *Thelychiton speciosus* seedlings that are being provided to members tonight. The idea is to take a plant, pot it on and bring it back to future meetings to see who achieves the best growth and flowering remember to add a tag with your name to the pot.
- 6. David Judge was given his certificates for the Award of Merit he received for his *Paphiopedilum rothschildianum* at the 2018 show.
- 7. Orchid of the Night tonight is *Cypripedium formosanum*, grown my Mike Pieloor. This is a cold-growing terrestrial slipper orchid from China. Mike grows it in a mix of clay balls and perlite. He rarely, if ever repots it, as they resent repotting. As soon as the shoots appear, he provides it with a good dose of organic, pelletised fertiliser, then reduces the fertilising to next to nothing for the rest of the growing season. (see the November/December 2018 Bulletin for more details on how Mike grows his Cypripedium).

**Next meeting:** <u>6 November</u>. Further workshop sessions - members will give advice and answer questions on growing zygopetalums, cattleyas and orchid health.

Meeting closed: 10 pm



Judges Choice Species, October — Durabaculum tangerinum grown by Mark Clements [Photo: Mike Pieloor]

## Popular Vote - September 2019

Category	Plant	Owner
NOVICE	Dendrobium Balnarring	Brian Dear
	Dendrobium Jonathan's Glory 'Dark	Brian Dear
	Joy'	
OPEN		
Laeliinae hybrid	Rhyncholaeliocattleya Golf Green	Mark Fraser & Sandra
		Corbett
Laeliinae species	Cattleya intermedia	Mark Clements
	Cattleya loddigesii	
Pleurothallidinae	Dracula bella	Jane Wright
Monopodial Vandae	Phalaenopsis lobbii	Jane Wright
Coeloygninae	Coelogyne Unchained Melody	Peter Coyne
Exotic Dendrobium species	Epigenium triflorum	Mark Clements
Australian epiphytic species	Dockrillia teretifolia	Bill Ferris
Australian terrestrial	Pterostylis baptistii	Mark Clements
Any other orchid	Maxillaria picta	Bill Ferris
Orchid of the Night	Caladenia actensis	Mark Clements
Judges' Choice - Hybrid	Cattleya Dendi's Perfection 'Tanya'	Rob Rough
Judges' Choice - Species	Pterostylis baptistii	Mark Clements
Judges' Choice - Specimen	Maxillaria picta	Bill Ferris

## Popular Vote – October 2019

Category	Plant	Owner							
NOVICE	Pleione Noogee	Krysia Szkiela							
OPEN									
Laeliinae Species & Hybrid	Jackfowlieara Appleblossom	Rob Rough							
	Prosthecea Green Hornet 'Button'	Andrea Robold							
Cypripedioidea	Cypripedium formosanum	Mike Pieloor							
Exotic Dendrobiinae species & hybrid	Callista amabilis	Mark Clements							
Coelogyninae	Coelogyne cristata	Bob Forrester							
Cymbidium	Cymbidium unknown 'Mini Pink'	Bob Forrester							
Australian epiphytic species - <i>Thelychiton</i>	Thelychiton speciosus	Bob Forrester							
Australian epiphytic species - <i>Dockrillia</i>	Dockrillia linguiformis	Bill Ferris							
Australian terrestrial	Caladenia pectinata	Mark Clements							
Exotic terrestrial	Serapias orientalis	Mark Clements							
Any other species & hybrid	Angraecum sesquipedale	Mark Clements							
	Bulbophyllum falcatum	Ken Turner							
Orchid of the Night	Cypripedium formosanum	Mike Pieloor							
Judges' Choice - Hybrid	Jackfowlieara Appleblossom	Rob Rough							
Judges' Choice - Species	Durabaculum tangerinum	Mark Clements							
Judges' Choice - Specimen	Serapias orientalis	Mark Clements							

### **2019 Show Champions**

Award	Plant/item	Exhibitor/s
Champion Display	Tabletop display	Rob and Audrey Rough
Champion Orchid of the Show Champion Hybrid Orchid Champion Cypripedioideae	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> Bel Royal 'Memoria Terry Turner' AM/AOC	David Judge
Champion Species Orchid Champion Australian Native Champion Specimen Orchid	Pterostylis baptistii	Mark Clements
Champion Cymbidium	Cymbidium eburneum	David Judge
Champion Laeliinae	Cattleya intermedia var. flammea	Rob and Audrey Rough
Champion Monopodial Vandeae	Gastrochilus calceolaris	Jane Wright
Champion Oncidiinae	Oncostele Wildcat 'Carnival'	Rob and Audrey Rough
Champion Pleurothallidinae	Masdevallia Pichincha 'Cape View' AM/AOC	Jane Wright
Champion Any Other Orchid	Durabaculum tangerinum	Mark Clements
Champion Miniature Orchid	Gastrochilus calceolaris	Jane Wright
Champion Seedling	Paphiopedilum philippinense	David Judge
Best Orchid Benched by a Novice Club Member	Pterostylis curta	Andrea Robold
Popular Vote	Dendrobium chrysotoxum	Mark Clements
Best Exhibit: Art, Craft, Photography	Canberra Orchids	Zoe Groeneveld
Dennis Diehm Memorial Prize for Most Successful Exhibitor		Karen Groeneveld

### 2019 Show Results

Class	Description		Plant	Owner		
Displays						
1	Tabletop	1	Tabletop display	Rob and Audrey Rough		
		2	Display: "Carnival of the Orchids"	Karen Groeneveld		
			Open			
		Aust	ralian Native Orchid			
3	Dockrillia species	1	Dockrillia teretifolia	Karen Groeneveld		
		2	Dockrillia linguiformis	Bill Ferris		
4	Dockrillia hybrid	1	Dockrillia Hot Coals	Jane Wright		
5	Thelychiton kingianus species	1	Thelychiton kingianus	Diana Herrald		
		2	Thelychiton kingianus	Diana Herrald		
6	Thelychiton speciosus complex	1	Thelychiton speciosus	Mark Clements		
	species	2	Thelychiton speciosus	John Ryan		
7	Other Australian Dendrobiinae and Grastidiinae species	1	Tetrabaculum capitisyork	Bill Ferris		
		2	Tetrabaculum melaleucaphylum	Bill Ferris		
8a	Australian <i>Dendrobium</i> hybrid large flowers	1	Dendrobium Balnarring	Brian Dear		
		2	Dendrobium Hilda Poxon	Karen Groeneveld		
8b	Australian Dendrobium hybrid small	1	Dendrobium Wonga	Brian Dear		
	flowers	2	<i>Dendrobium</i> Jonathan's Glory 'Dark Joy'	Brian Dear		

Class	Description		Plant	Owner
9	Monopodial Vandaceous species	1	Sarcochilus falcatus	Karen Groeneveld
10	Monopodial Vandaceous hybrid	1	Sarcochilus Sunny	Rob and Audrey Rough
	2	Sarcochilus Durras	Rob and Audrey Rough	
13a	Australian Terrestrial Species -	1	Pterostylis baptistii	Mark Clements
	Pterostylis	2	Pterostylis baptistii	Mark Clements
13b	Australian Terrestrial Species -	1	Caladenia quadrifaria	Mark Clements
	Caladenia	2	Caladenia pectinata	Mark Clements
13c	Australian Terrestrial Species - Other	1	Myrmechila platyptera	Bill Ferris
	genera	2	Chiloglottis truncata	Peter Coyne
14	Australian Terrestrial hybrid	1	Pterostylis Dusky Duke	Karen Groeneveld
		2	Pterostylis Dusky Duke	Karen Groeneveld
15	Best Australian miniature	1	Cyrtostylis robusta	Karen Groeneveld
17	Best Australian specimen	1	Pterostylis baptistii	Mark Clements
17	Dest Australian speelinen	1	Cymbidium	Wark Clements
18	Cymbidium Species	1	Cymbidium eburneum	David Judge
19b	<i>Cymbidium</i> Hybrid - flowers >90mm	1	Cymbidium Sleeping Nymph	David Judge
170	<i>Cymbulum</i> Hyond - Howers - Johnn	1	'Perfection'	David sudge
19d	<i>Cymbidium</i> Hybrid - flowers <60mm		Cymbidium Fairy Rouge 'Lavender	David Judge
		1	Falls'	
		2	Cymbidium Ruby Eyes 'Red Baron'	David Judge
22	Best Cymbidium specimen	1	Cymbidium eburneum	David Judge
			Laeliinae	
23b	Laeliinae Species - flowers	1	Cattleya intermedia var. flammea	Rob and Audrey Rough
	70–120mm	2	Cattleya intermedia var. flammea	Rob and Audrey Rough
23d	Laeliinae Species -flowers <50mm	1	Epidendrum centropetalum	Karen Groeneveld
		2	Arpophyllum giganteum	Karen Groeneveld
24	Laeliinae Hybrid: Cluster flowers	1	Epidendrum Wedding Valley 'Sakura'	Karen Groeneveld
		2	<i>Cattlianthe</i> Trick or Treat 'Orange Beauty'	Rob and Audrey Rough
25a	Laeliinae Hybrid: Exhibition shape - flowers >120mm	1	<i>Rhyncolaeliocattleya</i> Hawaiian Morning	Geoff Dyne
25c	Laeliinae Hybrid: Exhibition shape - flowers <70mm	1	Cattleya Dendi's Canberra	Jane Wright
26c	Laeliinae Hybrid: Other shape - flowers <70mm	1	Procatavola Golden Peacock	Karen Groeneveld
27	Best miniature Laeliinae	1	Domingoa purpurea	Jane Wright
29	Best Laeliinae specimen	1	Epidendrum Wedding Valley 'Sakura'	Karen Groeneveld
		(	Cypripedioideae	
30a	Cypripedioideae Species:	1	Paphiopedilum philippinense	David Judge
	Paphiopedilum	2	Paphiopedilum rothschildianum	David Judge
31d	Cypripedioideae Hybrid: Multifloral	1	Paphiopedilum Bel Royal 'Memoria Terry Turner' AM/AOC	David Judge
33	Best Cypripedioideae seedling	1	Paphiopedilum philippinense	David Judge
34	Best Cypripedioideae specimen	1	Paphiopedilum Bel Royal 'Memoria	David Judge
			Terry Turner' AM/AOC	
		Mo	onopodial Vandeae	
35a	Vandeae Species: Phalaenopsis	1	Phalaenopsis lobbii	Jane Wright
		2	Phalaenopsis lobbii	Jane Wright
35c	Vandeae Species: Other -	1	Gastrochilus acutifolius	Jane Wright
	flowers 15–50mm	2	Renanthera imschootiana	Jane Wright

Class	Description		Plant	Owner
35d	Vandeae Species: Other - flowers	1	Gastrochilus calceolaris	Jane Wright
	<15mm	2	Pomatocalpa spicata	Mark Clements
36a	Phalaenopsis Hybrid: Standard	1	Phalaenopsis hybrid unknown	Rob and Audrey Rough
		2	Phalaenopsis I-Hsin Honey	Jane Wright
36b	Phalaenopsis Hybrid: Novelty	1	Phalaenopsis hybrid unknown	Craig Allen
		2	Phalaenopsis hybrid unknown	Craig Allen
36c	Phalaenopsis Hybrid:	1	Phalaenopsis Brother Sandra	David Judge
	Miniature/multifloral	2	Phalaenopsis hybrid unknown	Craig Allen
36e	Phalaenopsis Hybrid: Harlequin	1	Phalaenopsis Chian Xen Panda 'CX492'	David Judge
		2	Phalaenopsis Dendi's Lattimore	Jane Wright
37b	Other Vandaceous Hybrid: Classical flowers <50mm	1	Vanda Peggy Foo 'Angelina'	Jane Wright
38	Other Vandaceous Hybrid: Non- classical flowers	1	Vanda Golden Doubloon	Jane Wright
39	Best miniature Vandaea	1	Gastrochilus calceolaris	Jane Wright
41	Best Vandaea specimen	1	Phalaenopsis unknown hybrid	Nick Westerink
			Oncidiinae	
42c	Oncidiinae Species: Flowers 40–80mm	1	Trichopilia fragrans	Geoff Dyne
43c	Oncidiinae Hybrid: Flowers	1	Oncostele Wildcat 'Carnival'	Rob and Audrey Rough
	40–80mm	2	Oncidopsis Nelly Isler	Karen Groeneveld
		]	Pleurothallidinae	
47b	Pleurothallidinae Species: Restrepia	1	Restrepia radulifera	Karen Groeneveld
47c	Pleurothallidinae Species: Other	1	Specklinia grobyii	Karen Groeneveld
		2	Myoxanthus congestus	Geoff Dyne
48a	Pleurothallidinae Hybrid: Flowers >25mm	1	Masdevallia Pichincha 'Cape View' AM/AOC	Jane Wright
		2	Masdevallia Copper Fire x caesia	Jane Wright
49	Best miniature Pleurothallidinae	1	Specklinia grobyii	Karen Groeneveld
51	Best Pleurothallidinae Specimen	1	Masdevallia Pichincha 'Cape View' AM/AOC	Jane Wright
			Other Orchid	
52a	Dendrobiinae Species: Softcane	1	Dendrobium crepidatum	Mark Clements
		2	Dendrobium polyanthum	Mark Clements
52b	Dendrobiinae Species:	1	Durabaculum tangerinum	Mark Clements
	Vappodes/Phalaenanthe	2	Durabaculum dalbertisii	Mark Clements
52c	Dendrobiinae Species: Other	1	Dendrobium lindleyi	Mark Clements
		2	Callista thyrsiflora	Mark Clements
53b	Dendrobiinae Hybrid: Vappodes/Phalaenanthe	1	Dendrobium Yukidaruma 'The King'	Jane Wright
54a	Coelogyninae Species: Coelogyne	1	Coelogyne cristata	Rob and Audrey Rough
		2	Coelogyne cristata	Robert Forrester
54c	Coelogyninae Species: Pleione and	1	Pleione limprichtii	Karen Groeneveld
	other	2	Pleione formosana	Karen Groeneveld
55a	Coelogninae Hybrid: Coelogyne	1	Coelogyne Unchained Melody	Peter Coyne
56a	Bulbophyllinae Species: Flowers >30mm	1	Bulbophyllum sulawesii	Mark Clements
56b	Bulbophyllinae Species: Flowers <30mm	1	Trias cambodiana	Mark Clements
		2	Bulbophyllum ambrosia	Bill Ferris

Class	Description		Plant	Owner
58b	Lycastineae and Maxillariinae	1	Maxillaria porphyrostele	Bill Ferris
	Species: Flowers 25–50mm			
58c	Lycastineae and Maxillariinae	1	Maxillaria variabilis	Karen Groeneveld
	Species: Flowers <25mm	2	Maxillaria schunkeana	Bill Ferris
60c	Other Epiphytic Species: Flowers	1	Polystachya galeata	Jane Wright
	<25mm	2	Eria rosea	Karen Groeneveld
62b	Other Terrestrial Species: Flowers 25 - 50mm	1	Spathoglottis plicata	Karen Groeneveld
62c	Other Terrestrial Species: Flowers	1	Serapias lingua	Karen Groeneveld
	<25mm	2	Serapias orientalis	Mark Clements
64	Best miniature Other	1	Trias cambodiana	Mark Clements
66	Best Other Specimen	1	Serapias lingua	Karen Groeneveld
			Novice	
		A	Australian Native	
68	Australian Dendrobium Hybrid	1	Dendrobium Rutherford Starburst	Derek Corrigan
		2	Dendrobium ×delicatum 'Alwin'	Chris Szigetvari
69	Australian Other	1	Sarcochilus Joyful	Andrea Robold
		2	Sarcochilus Melba 'Snowflake'	Andrea Robold
70	Australian Terrestrial	1	Pterostylis curta	Andrea Robold
		2	Pterostylis curta f. variegata	Tony Tritschler
			Laeliinae	
73	Laeliinae Species	1	Cattleya coccinea	Andrea Robold
		2	Epidendrum radicans	Michelle Au
			Cypripedioidae	
75	Cypripedioidae Species	1	Paphiopedilum concolor	Yvonne Day
			Vandeae	
78	Phalaenopsis Hydrid	1	Phaelaenopsis hybrid unknown	Tony Tritschler
		2	Phalaenopsis hybrid unknown	Chris Szigetvari
79	Other Vandaceous Hybrids	1	Papilionanthe Mundyi	Andrea Robold
		1	Oncidiinae	
81	Oncidiinae Hybrid	1	Psychopsis Kalihi alba 'Green Valley'	Andrea Robold
		2	Oncidium Massai Red	Michelle Au
		]	Pleurothallidinae	
85	Other Hybrid	1	Dendrobium hybrid unknown (nobile type)	Yvonne Day
		2	Zygopetalum Cynosure 'Blue Birds'	Michelle Au
			Cultural Classes	
88	Best Novice Specimen	1	Pterostylis curta	Andrea Robold
		Art, C	Craft and Photography	
89	Art	1	Canberra Orchids	Zoe Groeneveld
90	Craft	1	Phalaenopsis	Zoe Groeneveld
		2	Craft	Yvonne Day
91a	Photography - Studio work	1	Trias cambodiana	Mark Fraser
		2	Vanilla planifolia	Zoe Groeneveld
91b	Photography - Field work	1	Calochilus montanus	Derek Corrigan
		2	Caladenia actensis	Derek Corrigan
91c	Photography - Enhanced	1	Sestochilus (Bulbophyllum) patens: Crystalline Proliferation	Mark Fraser
		2	<i>Rhynchocattleya</i> Golf Green: Remaining in Light	Mark Fraser

Class	Description	Place	Plant	Owner		
			SECTION A			
	Display - Affiliated Society					
1	Display - affiliated Society	1	Nature's Way	Canberra Orchid Society		
		5	SECTION C	Boolety		
			stralian Native			
25	Dendrobium kingianum	2	Dendrobium kingianum	Jane Wright		
26	Dendrobium speciosum	2	Dendrobium speciosum	Robert Forrester		
28	Dendrobium hybrid yellow or green	2	Dendrobium Laurell	Karen Groeneveld		
31	Sarcochilus hybrid white	2	Sarcochilus Judith 'Snowy'	Rob and Audrey Rough		
33	Sarcochilus Hybrid spotted	2	Sarcochilus Jaydee	Rob and Audrey Rough		
		1	Pterostylis baptistii	Mark Clements		
35	Other Aust Species (inc terrestrials)	2	Pterostylis baptistii 'Gosford'	Karen Groeneveld		
36	Other Aust Hybrid (inc terrestrials)	1	Pterostylis Dusky Duke	Karen Groeneveld		
		1	Laeliinae			
42	Laeliinae Hybrid <70mm	2	<i>Epidendrum</i> Wedding Valley 'Sakura'	Karen Groeneveld		
	1	Pa	aphiopedilum			
44	Paphiopedilum Species	1	Paphiopedilum rothschildianum	David Judge		
		2	Paphiopedilum urbanianum	David Judge		
45	<i>Paphiopedilum</i> Novelty or Primary Hybrid	1	Paphiopedilum Bel Royal 'Memoria Terry Turner' AM/AOC	David Judge		
		2	Paphiopedilum Gary Romagna	David Judge		
48	Paphiopedilum Seedling	2	Paphiopedilum rothschildianum	David Judge		
		Ple	urothallidinae			
49	Masdevallia or Dracula species	2	Masdevallia caesia 'Kingston'	Karen Groeneveld		
50	Other Pleurothallidinae Species	1	Acianthera bragae	Jane Wright		
		2	Lepanthopsis astrophora	Jane Wright		
			Vandaceous			
60	Phalaenopsis species	1	Phalaenopsis lobbii	Jane Wright		
00	1 nuidenopsis species	2	Phalaenopsis cornu-cervi	Jane Wright		
64	Other Vandaceous Species	2	Angraecum sesquipedale	Mark Clements		
65	Other Vandaceous Hybrid	1	Vanda hastata x tessellata	Jane Wright		
	Other Orchids					
67	Dendrobium Species not Aust native	1	Callista lindleyii	Mark Fraser and Sandra Corbett		
		2	Dendrobium aphyllum	Karen Groeneveld		
	SECTION D					
Novice						
86	Hybrid not included elsewhere	1	Pleione Noogee	Krysia Szkiela		

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