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We meet on the 3rd Friday of each month at 8.00pm in the Baulkham Hills Community Centre, 15 Conie Ave, Baulkham Hills, NSW

Next Meeting Friday 17 August 2018
Visitors are very welcome!

This month is our Australasian Native Orchid Display and Sale!

Saturday 25 August at the Federation Pavilion, Castle Hill Showground, Castle Hill NSW



July 2018 Plant of the Evening

Den. (Dockrilla) Tweetas 'Red Lip' – R. & J. Schneidereit.

Photo by J. Klepetko

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Our Club Bulletin Board

Our Guest Speaker:

Presentation: "Ira Butler Trophy Winners for 2017"

Our President Andrew Locke will run through the photos of 2017 winners of the Ira Butler, G. Hermon Slade and Bill Murdoch Trophy.

ANOS Sydney Native Orchid Spring Show!

Saturday & Sunday 8 - 9 September 2017 at Eden Gardens, Macquarie Park.

The Spring Show, our major event of the year, will soon be upon us. Members are asked to participate in whatever way possible.

The show is for ALL members to exhibit and it goes without saying that if each member could bring along a few plants we could again present an outstanding display of both native species and hybrids.

This is a wonderful chance for all to participate in, to produce a show of the usual high standard and on completion to go away with a sense of satisfaction for a job well done.

The show is at <u>Eden Gardens</u>, 301 - 307 <u>Lane Cove Road</u>, <u>Macquarie Park</u> and is commended to everyone. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Note: All members must ensure each plant they make available for sale to the public at our shows and display meets the requirements to comply with ANOS Sydney Group's Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 grower licence, and the conditions in the Office of Environment and Heritage publication "Protected Whole Plants Sustainable Management Plan 2018-2022". See the requirements document attached on the email sent with this newsletter.

ANOS Sydney Sales Table.

Member's Plants Welcome!

Members are encouraged to bring plants to sell at the (new) sales table at each meeting. This provides a regular and great opportunity for members to sell any excess divisions and desirable plants to members and visitors. A 15% sales commission applies to all sales plants, the same as at our shows and auction.

Sales plants should be in good health and clearly tagged with the selling price and sellers initials. On the sale of the plant this tag will be removed/detached and used as a record of the sale.

Barry Moore manages the sales table and will organise the selling of any sales plants brought in by members, and the payment back to members for any plants sold (minus the sales commission). Contact Barry if you have any queries.

Our Native Orchid Annual Auction 2018!

A wonderful day was had by all at our inaugural auction on Saturday 28 July 2018 at Castle Hill Showground.

We had great quality plants, more vendors, more bidders, more buyers & most importantly, more fun than ever before!

For me the highlight of the day was the terrific atmosphere created, the enthusiasm was infectious. People came from as far afield as Maitland & Melbourne! It was also great to meet some well known names in the native orchid fraternity for the first time.

I think we've quickly established the ANOS Sydney annual auction as a must attend event on the native orchid calendar. The result for the club was tremendous; especially given it was our first attempt at such a big undertaking.

Thanks for the great work by the sub-committee for putting it together (Charlie Moraza, Graeme Russell, Joe Portelli, John Happ & Ron Fomby); to our honorary committee member, Shoo Peng Siah, who flew up from Melbourne especially for the day; to Henk van den Berg & Bill Dobson for a very entertaining call; & everyone else on the day who lent a hand: Yin & Sau-Wan Chan, Clover & Bill Bradley, Lorraine Dobson, John Klepetko, Andrew Locke, Malu Moraza, and of course to all the growers, without whose plants we would not have had such a successful auction!

Also, a big welcome to our nine new members who signed up on the day. May you have many enjoyable times with ANOS Sydney in the years ahead!

Barry Moore

Growing Competition Month!

Please don't forget to bring in your plants to this month's meeting - regardless of how they are growing.

The plants involved are:

- 2016 plants: Sarcochilus Aequalis Yellow x Aequalis 'Brown Spots'; and Dendrobium dolichophyllum x Grumpy 'George'.
- 2017 plants: Dendrobium Black and Green* x tetragonum
 'Purple lip' and CV962 D. speciosum v grandiflorum 'Will's Gold' x 'Ted's Gold'

The competition provides an opportunity to see how different cultural techniques and conditions can affect plant growth.

Competition plants benched also provide a talking point and an opportunity for members to learn from other growers.

Benching months are February, May, August and November each year.

Bulletin Board (Cont..)

Some Photos from the Auction.



Plant inspection before the auction start.



'The Rock Lily Man' Gerry Walsh, Graeme Russell, Andrew Locke & John Klepetko



Nothing but top quality plants being auctioned!



"I've been growing orchids since I was this high!"



Our auctioneers: Bill Dobson & Henk van den Berg



Henry Wilson? & Don Cruickshanks



Shoo Peng Siah & Joe Portelli manning the payment table.

Bulletin Board (Cont..)



The auction gets underway.





David Butler taking a break for some coffee & tea



Lorraine Dobson & Clover Bradley



Winners are grinners!



Our new member Cliff Wiltshire scored a coup at the auction winning these 4 beautiful *Den. speciosums* for only \$30! A great welcome to ANOS Sydney Cliff!



Laurie Treanor & Chris Nidagal

Bulletin Board (Cont..)

Native Orchid Display & Sale 2018!

For those who can't make it to the **St Ives Orchid Fair (The Big One)**, no need to fret. The following weekend on Saturday 25th of August is our **ANOS Sydney Native Orchid Display & Sale (a.k.a. 'The Little One')** at the Federation Pavilion, Castle Hill Showground in Castle Hill!

The event also coincides with the very popular Castle Hill Farmers and Fine Food Market which are held at Castle Hill Showground on the 2nd and 4th Saturday's of each month (8:00 am -12:00 pm). The Federation Pavilion is next to the Farmers Markets and last year, we had many members of the public visiting us to buy plants and also learn about native orchids. Some of our new members who joined our group last year was at this event!

Tables for the event are already at the venue, so set-up and pull-down will be easy. Members are encouraged to display plants in flower and bring plants to sell at the event.

The aim of the display is to be eye-catching and a talking point for the public, and consequently plants in the display need not be perfect or award quality! Also there will be plenty of room for the display and sales, so the more plants members can bring the better.

Setup will start after 7:00am. Pull down will be at 1:00 pm. Display plants ideally should arrive early in the morning or by 9:00 am at the latest. Sales plants can be brought in at any time during the day. Please clearly label any sale plants with the price and your initials. (A sales commission of 15% will go to ANOS Sydney Group) and in accordance with the requirements also outlined in this newsletter.

Helpers: If anyone can assist for an hour or two, either manning the sales table, or talking to the public and acting as security around the display, this would be greatly appreciated.

For our friends in the Central Coast, ANOS Central Coast will also be hosting their Annual Spring Show this weekend.

ANOS Central Coast Group 38th Annual Spring Show



August 17 - 19, 2018

Venue: Narara Valley Nursery 2 Manns Road, NARARA NSW

Click here for more Details

Minutes of the ANOS Sydney Group General Meeting Held at Baulkham Hills Community Centre – Friday 20 July 2018

Meeting opened: 8:09 pm by President, Andrew Locke welcomed members and visitors.

<u>Apologies</u>: John Davis, Phyl Murn, Lilliana Hurst, Kevin and Robbie Edwards.

Visitors: Cliff Wiltshire and Lercia Macleod.

Correspondence In/Out: Routine

<u>Treasurer's report</u>: presented for the June 2018 period.

General Business: The President advised:

- Members are encouraged to nominate for the Secretary position. In addition a Show Marshall and Publicity Officer is needed on Committee. Please speak to Andrew if you are able to assist.
- The auction is on Saturday 28 July, at the Federation Pavilion at the Castle Hill Show Ground – kicking off at 10:00am sharp. Thanks to the Auction sub-committee.
- The ANOS NSW Judging Panel is looking to start a new judging course. If you are interested please speak to Andrew.
- Orchids in the Foothills is on now and well worth getting out to see. Cumberland's show at Kellyville Plaza is also on until tomorrow.
- Talk to Barry about the sales table if you have any requests or ideas.
- ANOS Sydney shirts are still available in selected sizes speak to Charlie.
- Of the tagging requirements for member's plants to be sold to the public and Sydney Group events.
- Members discussed the current growing season and other cultural matters.

Meeting broke for refreshments.

Presentation by Chris Nidagal: "Some rarely seen epiphytic and terrestrial orchids of South India".

Plant of the evening – *Dock*. Tweetas 'Red Lip' – R. & J. Schneidereit.

Next meeting 17 August 2018. Presentation: tbc.

Meeting closed at 9:35pm

June 2018 Meeting Photos:



Den. Nha-Trang – J. Hurst.



Den. Phena's Charm – G. Oehm.



Den. Pink Orb – Y. & S. Chan.



Mediocalcar decoratum – B. Spurrs.



Pterostylis taurus – J. & Y. Villien



Den. Warringah 'Snow' – G. Oehm



Den. Colonial Surprise x Autumn – G. Lane.

(All Photos by John Klepetko)

Benching results for July 2018.

Section 1 - Dendrobium species (3 entries)

- 1. Den. tetragonum var. giganteum A. Locke
- 2. Den. prenticei R. & J. Schneidereit
- 3. Den. prenticei B. Spurrs

Section 2 - Dendrobium hybrids (16 entries)

- 1. Den. Nha-Trang J. Hurst
- 2. Den. Esme Poulto 'Gordon Y. & S. Chan
- 3. Den. Hilda Poxon 'Clear Yellow' R. & J. Schneidereit

Section 4 - Dockrillia hybrids (5 entries)

- 1. Dock. Tweetas R. & J. Schneidereit
- 2. Dock. Martin x teretifolia 'Myall Lakes' G. Oehm
- 3. Dock. Tweetas R. & J. Schneidereit

Section 8 - Sarcanthinae hybrids (2 entries)

- 1. Sarco. Eastment B. Spurrs
- 2. Sarco. Velvet B. Spurrs

Section 9 - Other epiphytic species (1 entry)

1. Liparis reflexa R. & J. Schneidereit

Section 11 - Australasian species (1 entry)

1. Mediocalcar decoratum B. Spurrs

Section 12 - Australasian hybrids (2 entries)

- 1. Den. Pink Orb Y. & S. Chan
- 2. *Pterostylis* sp. aff. *tenuicauda* (New Caledonia) G. Steenbeeke

Section 13 - Pterostylis species (4 entries)

- 1. Pterostylis collina J. & Y. Villien
- 2. Pterostylis taurus J. & Y. Villien
- 3. Pterostylis collina J. & Y. Villien

Section 18 - First flowered seedlings (3 entries)

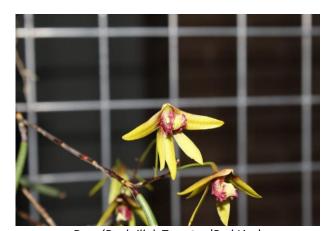
- 1. Den. Copperhead Road '#2' J. Hurst
- 2. Den. Sorrento Star G. Steenbeeke
- 3. Den. Brimbank Sparkler Y. & S. Chan

Section 3 - Dockrillia species (0 entries)

- Section 5 Sarcochilus species classic shape (0 entries)
- Section 6 Sarcochilus species novelty (0 entries)
- Section 7 Other Sarcanthinae species non Sarcochilus (0 entries)
- Section 10 Other epiphytic hybrids (0 entries)
- Section 14 Diuris species (0 entries)
- Section 15 Caladenia species (0 entries)
- Section 16 Other terrestrial species (0 entries)
- Section 17 Terrestrial hybrids (0 entries)
- Section 19 Bulbophyllum species (0 entries)

Plant of the evening: Den. (Dockrilla) Tweetas 'Red

Lips' – R. & J. Schneidereit



Den. (Dockrilla). Tweetas 'Red Lips' Photo by J. Klepetko



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In My Bush House By Bill Dobson

We continue to have North Queensland weather in Sydney at and during the days 21-23 degrees but with no rain and the proverbial August winds.

the moment, at least in the highlands with overnight 5-7 degrees

What does this mean for the grower? Well for a start 'spikes' are starting to grow at an alarming rate so you have to make sure that you have room around the plant so they don't touch and bend. Pseudobulbs and spikes should be staked now so that the flowers will be facing in the right place. Be careful around the 'spikes' as they are brittle and I suggest that from bitter experience you do this in the afternoon when the plants have warmed up. Personally I like to face my plants north so they follow the sun during the day so the 'spikes' don't move around too much.

With the wind the plants will be drying out so you will have to water at least once a week and preferably early in the morning. Plants on mounts may have to be watered at least twice a week. Don't forget to fertilise as this is when the plant requires nutrients as they are sending out 'spikes' and eventually flowers hoping to

Keep a look out for the nasties aphids, check new growths and any buds 'spikes' and spray with something that won't damage them. I use Pirimor, but Eco oil will probably do as well as they will smother the insect. Also sprinkle snail baits around plants to catch the odd slug that may try to gobble your newly formed

At the moment we have Sarcochilus falcatus in flower as well as Dendrobium tetragonum var. cacatua and the other varieties the buds are swelling. Dockrillias seem to be ready to open and some hybrids, yes I have some, are either opening or ready to open.

All in all it looks like a good season but we won't know until after the shows are done and dusted.

Good Growing Bill Dobson



Den. tetragonum var. cactua (Photo by Sau-wan Chan)

Dendrobium (Dockrilla)Tweetas 'Red Lips'.

It is a well-grown small specimen of Dockrillia. The plant had 16 inflorescences, each with 2 to 4 open well-shaped and attractively coloured flowers. Lateral spread of the flowers was 32 mm which is large for this type of orchid. The tepals are yellow-green with striated greyed purple markings towards the centre. The labella are also yellow-green but with purplish red edges, hence the clone name of 'Red Lips'.

ANOS Sydney July 2018 Plant of the evening

By Yin and Sau-wan Chan

This is an Australasian hybrid belonging to the Rhizobium section of Dendrobium. It is a cross between D. Tweetie and D. striolatum, with the former being progeny of two Papua New Guinea species, namely D. fuliginosum and D. contextum. It is interesting to note that both the latter two species are highly coloured but have rather poor shape. The nice shape of D. Tweetas 'Red Lips' must have come from D. striolatum. This hybrid which flowers this time of the year (July) is earlier than the normal flowering time of D. striolatum, viz. September to November in Sydney. This is a cross that has produced quite a few good quality hybrids which have won quality and cultural awards, namely 'Red Lips', 'Violet Lip' and 'Mustard' in the last 10 years.

According to Reiner, he hangs his plant high up in the 50% shade house all year around to ensure good light and air movement which are important for healthy growth and flowering.



Den. Tweetas 'Red Lips' - Photos by Sau-wan Chan



A Lovely Day for Mounting on to Sandstone By George Oehm (aussieorchids@bigpond.com)

A rock wall with a *Sarcochilus* orchid growing on it was my inspiration.



1.) Sandstone Rock roughly 30 x 25 cms.



3.) 4 x holes drilled to a depth of 45 mm – I use a bit of bonsai wire on the drill bit as a depth indicator.



2.) Preparing to drill 4 x 5mm holes, plus a few others.



4.) Wall plugs and galvanised flat head nails.



A Lovely Day for Mounting on to Sandstone..... (Cont..)

5.) Tie down bonsai wire 1mm - made of aluminium, flexible, but strong.



7.) Root system is reasonable given that this *Sarco*. does not receive a great deal of attention.



9.) Lined with a little coco fibre to help retain a little moisture.



11.) Firmly secured.



6.) The Victim - *Sarco. fitzgeraldii* cross - pot bound needs to be repotted, so a good subject.



8.) Half of the roots system cut off, and some of the bark mix removed.



10.) A few more holes to allow water to penetrate the sandstone, tag and bonsai wire in place - tie will be diagonal forming an 'X'



12.) This has been watered in using a sprayer that also contains Auxinone (root hormone) and Aminogrow. White powder contains, dolomite, lime, blood and bone, rock dust, slow release fertiliser and metarex.



Dates to	
Remember	
17 August 2018	ANOS Sydney Group – Monthly Meeting 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm Baulkham Hills Community Centre, 15 Conie Ave, Baulkham Hills Presentation by Andrew Locke: 2017 Ira Butler, G. Hermon Slade and Bill Murdoch Trophy Winners.
17 – 19 August 2018	ANOS Central Coast Group 38th Annual Spring Show 2018 Narara Valley Nursery, 2 Manns Road, NARARA NSW 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (3:00 PM on Sunday 19 August)
17 – 19 August 2018	St. IVES ORCHID FAIR St. Ives Showground. Mona Vale Road, St. Ives 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (3:00 PM on Sunday 19 August)
25 August 2018	ANOS Sydney Group 2018 Australasian Native Orchid Display and Sale Federation Pavilion, Castle Hill Showground. 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
1 – 2 September 2018	ANOS Mid North Coast Group Kempsey Speciosum Spectacular Kempsey Dirt Bike Track, 15 Alverton St. Greenhill NSW (via Kempsey) SAT. 9:00 am – 4:00 pm & SUN. 9:00 am – 2:00 pm
8 – 9 September 2018	ANOS Sydney Group Annual Spring Show 2018 Eden Gardens at Macquarie Park, 307 Lane Cove Rd, Macquarie Park NSW 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
8 – 9 September 2018	ANOS Warringah Spring Show. Forestville Memorial Hall - Starkey Street, Forestville Sat. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm and Sun. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.
22 September 2018	ANOS Macarthur Spring Show Rosemeadow Marketplace, Rosemeadow 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
20 October 2018	ANOS Sydney 2018 Sarcanthinae Native Orchid Show Kellyville Village (in front of COLES), 92A Wrights Rd, Kellyville NSW 2155 Sat. 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
16 November 2018	ANOS Sydney Native Cymbidium Celebration 2018 Baulkham Hills Community Centre, 15 Conie Ave, Baulkham Hills 8:00 pm – 10:30 pm

