### **OCTOBER 2024 BULLETIN**

# Bribie Island Orchid Society Inc.



Celebrating 37 years 1987—2024

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**Next New Growers Meeting SATURDAY 9TH NOVEMBER** 

Next Birthday Lunch
TUESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER
Next Cultural Meeting
TUESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

To those members/family/friends who are not enjoying the best of health at the moment, we wish you all the best for your recovery and look forward to seeing you at Society functions in the future. Stay safe!!



#### A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello and welcome to our October bulletin for 2024.

Due to the Electoral Commission taking over our hall for the coming State Election we will not be able to have our usual Cultural Meeting this month. Unfortunately our planned combined New Growers & Cultural Meeting trip to visit Rob & Linda Trost's RoLin Orchids at Wamuran had to be abandoned due to health issues. We will endeavor to organize a visit in the new year. Thanks you Liz for your organizational efforts.



Our very successful 2024 Spring Orchid & Foliage Show is now behind us, with a record number of 334 Orchids and 103 Foliage plants benched, and 922 visitors to The Orchid House over the 2 days. We even had to add an extra 2 Classes for the lovely display of 24 Sarcochilus plants which we don't usually see in big numbers.

Due to unforeseen circumstances we had a few changes to our vendor list at the last minute and had to put our contingency plans in to place. Our thanks to those members of other societies who greatly contributed to those numbers, including the 2 busloads of folk from the Aspley and Sunshine Coast Orchid Societies. I would like to thank our hard-working committee and members who contributed to the Show's success. It was good to see the number of our newer members who stepped in to help.

Our members and visitors were appreciative of our new system of paying Prizemoney electronically, with most funds deposited to nominated accounts the day after judging so a big thank you to our Treasurer Ros for her efforts.

Thank you to the team of STOCQ judges and members from other Societies, who, in many cases, travelled considerable distances to attend.

Finally, thank you to our Sponsors the Bribie Island RSL, Bribie Island Bowls Club, RoLin Orchids and the many businesses that contributed to our Show including Sunshine Mitre 10 and the Bribie Island Community Garden Centre for our popular raffles.

Our Spring Show results can be found on our website www.bribieislandorchidsociety.au

Our next Show is scheduled for Good Friday 18th April and Easter Saturday 19th April 2025. Hope to see you all there.

Happy growing!

Diann Sirett, President B I O S

Members may now bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea at Meetings however please note all food will be served, along with tea and coffee, by appointed Society members.



### SIGNING IN AT MEETINGS

Please note: All members and visitors must sign the Attendance Book which is on display at the front of the hall for attendance/Insurance purposes.

### **Show Co-ordinator's Report**

Well what a great show our Spring show turned out to be! The first indications that our show was going to be successful was on Thursday afternoon when entries continued to flow through the door and extra tables had to be added in the Orchid house to accommodate them. Thank you to all our members who benched plants and to all the other local orchid society members who bought orchids and foliage to bench at the show. I think we can all agree that the final display was spectacular. It was certainly great to watch people's faces light up as they walked through the Orchid House door and see and smell the wonderful display.

This show judging was moved forward to 4pm and an afternoon tea provided to the judges prior. This proved successful with everyone who was involved in the administration side as we were finished by 7.30pm (instead of around 10pm for previous shows).

In total, we had 437 plants benched over 60 classes (1 class uncontested) – 334 orchids benched (53 more than Spring 2023) and 103 foliage plants (10 less than Spring 2023). Two extra classes were requested by the judges at the last minute due to the number of entries in the Sarco class.

We had six vendors attend the show – Red Fox, Aaron's Air Plants, Pacific Beach Orchids, Fong Ping, Rolin Orchids and Orchidaceous with all having to restock for the Saturday rush due to the many purchases made by the public on Friday.

During the two days we had 922 people attend the show – with two bus groups attending on Friday This kept our vendors, kitchen staff, door and raffle staff and volunteers all very busy. Zelda's talks also continued to prove very popular on both days with all seats taken at both sessions.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our vendors, those who volunteered to help set-up, work at, bake and pack-up the show as well as our sponsors and patrons. Without your assistance, the show would never happen. I would also like to personally thank the Committee and Di Kennedy who were so supportive and helped me organise my first show as Show Co-ordinator.

Debbie Simpson – Show Co-ordinator





Our next New Growers Meeting (and final for 2024) will be held on Saturday 9th November. Topic to be confirmed.







Check out the wide range of pots & vanda baskets, fungicides, ties, cutters, bark and perlite etc available at both the New Growers and Cultural Meetings at The Orchid House. EFTOS available. For more information contact Paul on 0475 851 603.



## PROPOSED GUEST SPEAKERS AT COMING CULTURAL MEETINGS

NOVEMBER: Peter Farquharson. "Plant of Health" supplier, Fertilisers for orchids

This will be our last meeting for the year.

If you have any suggestions for Guest Speakers or if there is a particular topic you would like to hear about, please contact Teresa on 0407 782 290

### Bribie Island 2024 Spring Orchid & Foliage Show Champions





CHAMPION ORCHID OF SHOW
CHAMPION SPECIES &
CHAMPION AUSTRALIAN NATIVE
Cym. canaliculatum
Grower M Jennings



RESERVE CHAMPION ORCHID

Den. primulinum

Grower K Gowlett

### Bribie Island 2024 Spring Orchid & Foliage Show Champions



CHAMPION SPECIMEN

Sarco. Cherie

Grower J Kelly



CHAMPION FOLIAGE

Aeschymanthus Pink Lipstick Plant
Grower T Beenders



CHAMPION NEW GROWERS Phal. Unknown Growers B & J Jackson



RESERVE CHAMPION FOLIAGE

Huperzia phelgmaria

Grower L Kerle

### **OUR 2024 SPRING SHOW CHAMPION GROWERS**

# WITH PETER MANN & KERRY MULLER, REPRESENTING THE BRIBIE ISLAND BOWLS CLUB AND OUR PRESIDENT DIANN SIRETT



MARK JENNINGS
Champion Orchid of Show, Champion
Species & Champion Australian Native



KEITH GOWLETT
Reserve Champion Orchid



JENNIFER KELLY
Champion Specimen



JO-ANNE JACKSON Champion New Grower



THEO BEENDERS Champion Foliage



LEN KERLE Reserve Champion Foliage

## Bribie Island Orchid Society Inc. 2024 Spring Orchid & Foliage Show





### A SPECIAL AWARD FOR BRIBIE ISLAND ORCHID SOCIETY NEW GROWERS

A special award for the most successful New Grower (Bribie Island Orchid Society Members only) was awarded at our recent Spring Orchid & Foliage Show. This Award was sponsored by Rob and Linda Trost from RoLin Orchids and the winning growers Brad and Jo-Anne Jackson will receive a \$100 voucher to purchase plants from their nursery at Wamuran. Congratulations to Brad and Jo-Anne and thank you to Rob and Linde.





CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
NEW GROWERS ON A LOVELY
DISPLAY OF BLOOMS WITH
1 CATTLEYA, 13 PHALAENOPSIS
AND 1 ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE
BENCHED. WELL DONE!









SOME OF THE BEAUTIFUL BLOOMS ON DISPLAY!

















### .... AND THERE'S MORE!





























**FABULOUS FOLIAGE!** 















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# S AND SOME OF OUR HELPERS





THANK YOU
TO ALL OUR
HELPERS!



Apologies for the poor shots—operator error!













# MISSTIMED BLOOMS' - Those plants that flower when there are no meetings (or you can't get there) or Shows!





Sue & Paul Jones from Candle Mountain Horticulture sent in these photos of their plant that was just too big to bring to our show. Their beautiful *Cym.* Black Stump 'Come in Spinner' was a small plant bought from Tinonie Orchids in 2016. So that makes it 8 years old. Sue said "I haven't split it up - just kept potting it up. It's now in a 450mm pot and has 45+ flower stems." She didn't attempt a flower count!



Pcv. Key Lime Stars



Tolu. Millbank 'Spots 'Yum Yum' X Tolu. Capalaba Queen 'Shapely'

(First flowering)



Den. loddigessii



Paph. rothschildianum 'Rex' X Paph. philippinense 'Horizon'



If you have any plants that flower between meetings, email the photos to our Bulletin Editor—sandyjens@bigpond.com for inclusion in the next bulletin.

Don't forget Nambour's Species Show <u>Saturday 9th November</u> at Buderim Uniting Church Hall, Gloucester Road, Buderim, benching Friday 8th November. This will be the last Show for 2024.





### **TUESDAY 3RD DECEMBER**

### **CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

**Venue: THE ORCHID HOUSE** 

Gate 3, 1st Avenue, Bongaree

Names/numbers to Liz please on 0407 388 771 or kundecrew@bigpond.com

Menu: Traditional Christmas Dinner

**Alternate Drop Dessert** 

**Drinks: BYO** 

**Tea and Coffee** 

COST: \$10 per head for members/\$35 per head for non-members.

**Secret Santa— limited to \$15** 

Please bring along a gift that you would like to receive yourself, and mark the parcel Male, Female or Unisex

To receive a present, you must bring one to the lunch.

### Live entertainment

Raffle

December Birthdays will also be celebrated!

# October Birthday Lunch

The Bribie Island RSL Social Cafe was the place to be for our October Birthday lunch. 21 members attended, including Chris Pickering celebrating his birthday on the 7th and Julie Bacon and Bruce Keipert celebrating their birthdays on the 25th. Nice to see a mix of our older and newer members attending. With some changes going on at the RSL including a facelift at the front, and a new menu which found some of the favourites missing, it was time to start the taste-tests all over again with most selections getting the nod of approval. Unfortunately a few of our regulars were absent due to illness. We hope you're all on the mend and look forward to your return.

Due to the size of this bulletin, there was only room for photos of the Birthday people sorry.

November's Birthday Lunch will be held at 12 noon at The Deck, Pacific Harbour Golf & Country Club, 141 Avon Avenue, Banksia Beach on Tuesday 19th November.

Look forward to seeing you all there.







Julie and Di K



Bruce

# November Birthdays

Our next Birthday Lunch will be held on

**Tuesday 19th November 2024** 

Time: 12 noon

enue: The Deck Restaurant, Pacific Harbour Golf & Country Club,

141-159 Avon Avenue, Banksia Beach

Please contact Liz on 0407 388 771 or email kundecrew@bigpond.com if you plan to attend, if you have not already done so

> Many Happy Returns to our members celebrating their Birthdays in November

Joe Watson 9th November

**Rodney Mitchell 14th November** 

**Paul Firth 16th November** 

Liz Grubb 19th November

**Tierney Thomas 19th November** 

**Ian Montgomery 20th November** 

Leisa Parkes 20th November

Allan Geppert 25th November

**Kay Smythe 28th November** 

89 years young!



Is your name and Birth date in our Birthday Book? If you're shy, your year of birth is not necessary, just the day and month!

We Look forward to seeing you all at lunch to celebrate coming Birthdays.

# **BIOS Birthday Lunches**

Our monthly Birthday lunches are usually held on the third Tuesday of each month at 12 noon various locations around the Island and surrounds. They are a great way to get to know other members of the Society. Everyone pays for their own meal/drinks so the choice is yours whether it be a low cost outing or something a bit more up-market.

Website Our new website address is www.bribieislandorchidsociety.au

### **FACEBOOK**

Members are reminded that our Society has a Facebook page. Just type in Bribie Island Orchid Society in the Facebook search field and the group page will appear. In the section headed Groups ask to join. Our administrator will then accept your request. Our Facebook page is attracting a large number of views and comments from both within the Society and outside and it is interesting to note that some of our new members found us on Facebook. Many thanks go to Teresa Watson and Debbie Simpson for their contribution to this platform.

### Suggestions for our monthly Bulletin

If you have any suggestions for our monthly bulletins or would like more information on any particular subjects, please don't hesitate to contact our editor **Sandy Jensen on 3408 3317 or email sandyjens@bigpond.com** and we will do our best to accommodate your requests.

### **Cultural Meeting**

**Cultural Meeting** is normally held on the Fourth Tuesday of the month at The Orchid House, 156A First Avenue, Bribie Island. Meeting times are arrival 1.00 pm for start at 1.30 pm. Plants must be benched by 1.15 pm when judging will commence. Members may now bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea however please note all food will be served, along with tea and coffee, by appointed Society members due to COVID-19 restrictions.

### **New Growers' Meeting**

**The New Growers' Meeting** is normally held on the Second Saturday of the month. These meetings are held at The Orchid House, arrival time 1.00 pm for start at 1.30 pm. Plants must be benched by 1.15 pm when judging will commence. Members may now bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea however please note all food will be served, along with tea and coffee, by appointed Society members due to COVID-19 restrictions.

**CLUB BADGES AND/OR SHIRTS** To order your Club polo shirt and/or name badge, see our friendly Treasurer. The costs are Polos \$ 38 each and Name badges \$15. Wearing a Club shirt and name badge readily identifies Bribie Island Orchid Society members to the public who patronize our Shows and name badges come in handy at our meetings/functions when we sometimes experience a 'Senior's moment or two'. **Be proud to stand out in the crowd!** 



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