

# GYMPIE & DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY Inc.



## NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the July edition of our newsletter. Our last meeting was held on June 26th at St John's Hall, Gympie. Our president confirmed that a bus trip was being organized for the Hervey Bay Orchid Show in September and Gary Walker informed members the Imbil Show will be on 18th August this year.

In response to a query from one of our members, Jim Evans demonstrated his technique for pollinating a cattleya using a toothpick to transfer pollen to the ovum of a pod plant. He elaborated on the subject and here are a few of the points he made: The pod parent of the hybrid influences the size of the plant while the pollen parent has more influence on the colour of the flower; for good yellow blooms you need C. Horace in the background as is the case with C. Goldenzelle; C. Precious Jewel, which has an outstanding red flower, won't work as a pollen parent in his experience, but it will produce viable seeds when used as the pod parent.



C. Precious Jewel

Horticultural tip: To neutralize Roundup residue in a spray container so you can use the container for other sprays, fill it with water mixed with clay until you have a cloudy solution and leave for 2 hours before thoroughly rinsing.

At recent meetings some of our members have asked for advice on the latest conventions for nomenclatureso they can update the naming of their orchids for showing.

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The Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) in England is responsible for naming conventions which apply to orchids and all other plants.

The Australian Orchid Council (AOC) website accordingly has an updated list as of Feb. 2017 of all of its awarded plants with old names and new names side by side, available as a .pdf download. This list includes most commonly grown genera and intergeneric crosses so you can adjust the names accordingly for your plants. Click this [orchidsaustralia](http://orchidsaustralia.com.au) link. Go to page 4 for more detailed information on the Cattleya Alliance.



*Pot. Burdekin Nugget*  
grown by Noelene Auer



*Cattleya Chia Lin 'new city'*  
grown by Sharon Stretton

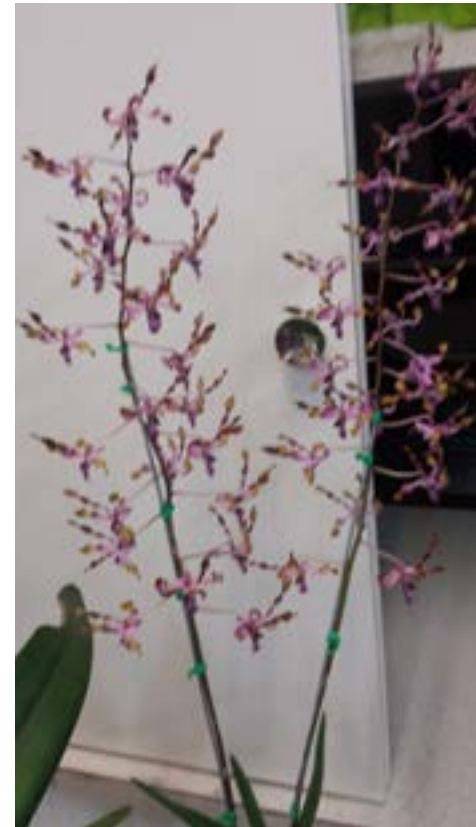


**Judge's Choice**  
*Vasco. Prapawy Tanzanite*  
grown by Ted Mann

### Popular Vote

These orchids won the popular vote at our June meeting

<b>Dendrobium</b>	<i>Den. Alice's Rainbow 'Keith' &amp; Den. Prince's Sharon red</i>	Ted Mann
<b>Cattleya</b>	<i>Cattleya Chia Lin 'new city'</i>	Sharon Stretton
<b>Species</b>		
<b>Any other</b>	<i>Vasco. Prapawy Tanzanite</i>	Ted Mann
<b>Novice</b>	<i>Pot. Burdekin Nugget</i>	Noelene Auer



*Den. Alice's Rainbow 'Keith'*



*C. Caudebec X Lulu*

We wish Jim and Leanne a safe and happy trip to China. Our monthly meeting is on next Saturday 28th July at Ted & Kays' place 195 Kandanga/Imbil road. Meeting starts 2 pm.

The St Augustine Orchid Society of North Florida has produced a wonderfully informative and detailed article on the new nomenclature for the Cattleya Alliance. For instance Brazilian Laelias are now classified as Cattleyas. Only those native to Mexico and Central America are still considered Laelias.

This 6 page .pdf article is absolutely worth downloading. It is succinct, covers the the major changes and with its examples and illustrations is a delight to read and a handy reference. Click this [link](#).

### **Known Dates for 2018**

July 13-15 th - Qld. Garden Expo Nambour

14th July - Combined Societies Workshop at Howard. Hosted by BOSI

18-21st July - Australian Orchid Council Conference & Show - Sydney

20-22th July - Caboolture OFS Show

August 10-11th - Maroochydore Orchid Show

11th & 12th August - AWOS Orchid Show. Set up and Judging 10th

31st Aug & 1st Sept. - CIDOS Spring Show. Set up and Judging

Thursday 30th

31stAugust-1st Sept. - Nambour Orchid Show

MDOS Show is on 13-15th September with set-up on 12th. Venue is St Paul's Memorial Hall, Cnr Ellena and Adelaide Streets, Maryborough.

Sept. 14-15th - Noosa Dist. Orchid Show

21-22nd Sept.- Glasshouse OFS Show

29-30th Sept. -ROSI Spring Show

The HBOS Annual Spring Orchid & Garden Spectacular will be held at Xavier Catholic College in WideBay Rd Eli Waters. ( off Dundowran Road) Dates for setup and Judging Thurs. 27th September. Open Friday

28th 8am -4pm and Saturday 29th 8am-4pm

Sunday 30th 8am -2pm Presentations.

Oct 12-13th - Bribie Island OFS Show

Nov 2-3rd - Nambour Species Society Show

14th - 15th September 2019: STOCQ Orchidfest Rockhampton