

COMING EVENTS 2017

7th, 8th, 9th July – Caboolture Orchid Society Show (setup on 6th)

4th & 5th August – Maroochydore Orchid Show

12th August 2017: STOCQ meeting hosted by Agnes Water O&FS at Agnes Water

1st & 2nd September – Nambour Orchid Show

1st & 2nd September – Childers Orchid Show

14th, 15th & 16th September – Maryborough Orchid Show

23rd & 24th September – ROSI Spring Show

22nd to 23rd September – Glasshouse Country Orchid Show

7th-8th October, Hervey Bay Orchid Show (set up 6th)

27th & 28th October – Nambour Species Show

4th November 2017: STOCQ meeting hosted by Glasshouse Country OS

14th, 15th September 2019: STOCQ Orchidfest Rockhampton



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Gary and Julie Walker hosted our monthly meeting in May. About 30 members came to the Saturday arvo meeting at the Dawn. It was an enjoyable afternoon in a lovely country setting. We thank them heaps.



Gary and Julie Walker's residence at the Dawn. More photos of Gary's new shade house and orchids on page 2

Kay and Ted have organized a bus trip to Mount Coo-tha on Saturday 15th July to take in a large orchid show. There will likely be a visit to a nursery along the way. The bus leaves the top park at the Civic Centre at 7 am sharp. Cost per person is \$20. Ted will provide an update at our 27th June, Tuesday meeting to be held at St. Peter's Hall on Lady Mary Terrace. (7pm for 7.30 start)

Thanks Gary for sharing these recent photos with us.

So it is winter time and I for one seem to be running out of steam if you will pardon the pun.

In the latest Caboolture Orchid Society newsletter there is quite a good article titled 'The Winter Resting Season' by Sue Bottom which shares advice on caring for orchids at this time of year. You will also find the schedule for their winter show which is coming up soon.



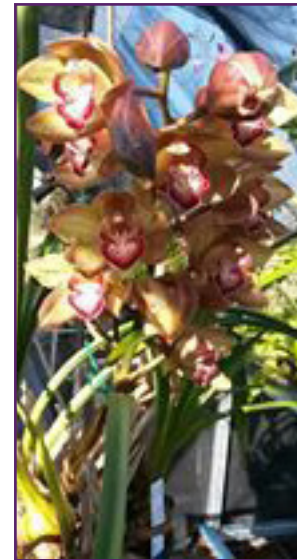
Blc Owen Holmes x Blc Sunstate Colour Chart) x Blc Burdekin Heights Pinky



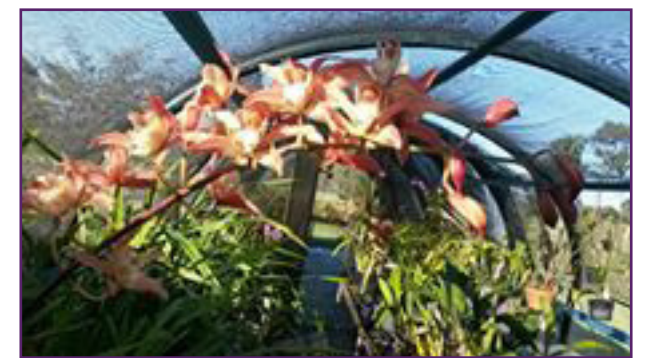
BC Mount Hood 'White'

Our orchids seem to have a mind of their own when it comes to flowering and will adapt to the conditions they are sheltered in and climate variations of the year. Laelias in our district which are normally out for our May show flowered later this year so there were fewer entries and some growers found their dendrobiums were also a bit behind.

On the other hand I have a specimen of *Den. speciosum* var *hillii* well into its second week of spiking and ahead of the other *speciosum*s in my collection and its definitely earlier than last year. So we could be in for an early spring flowering of natives. Also noted that *phalaenopsis* were spiking months earlier this year, though not all of them, so at the moment I have some plants with spikes 30 cm long and a last few just beginning to spike. An *Angraceum* I have outside has been flowering for more than a month while those in the shade house are still weeks away from blooming. So finding the sweet spot and ideal location for each plant is always a challenge.



Cymbidium Dolly X Cymbidium Sleeping Beauty



Cymbidium traceyanum



Cattleya Mari's Song "Princess"

