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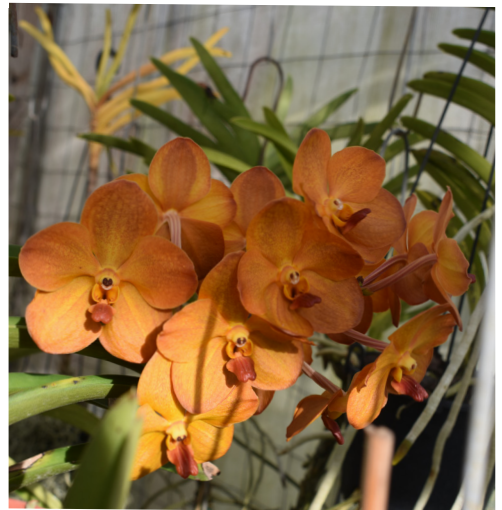
Welcome to our May newsletter for 2021. Our April 24th meeting was held at Mel & Judy Wheeler's place and it was a very relaxed and convivial meeting with final show preparations as the main agenda. We welcomed new member Malcolm Ellis and Paul Sheldon was added to our email list. Mel had some nice plants flowering in the shade house at the time including the Vanda (pictured below) which he bred.

This was the last meeting before our show on the 1st and 2nd May. Jim reported that "Gympie Today" had run an ad and he had the booklet which featured Sharon Stretton's colourful orchid show poster printed at a pleasing size.

Mitre 10 was donating a tipping cart to be raffled and Nestle a hamper. Sauers donated 4 x \$25 vouchers. It was decided the combined value of the vouchers would be used to buy other raffle prizes from the store.

This newsletter is an opportunity to once again thank all our sponsors.

Members were also reminded of the Gympie Ag Show to follow 14th -16th May. May when the club sets up an annual display. This show was judged by John Rees. John is also looking for a show of interest in a bus trip with Glasshouse members planned for 11th



Vanda Bribie Gold

Full details are in the email sent to members on May 24th. Please email him at lavina.rees@bigpond.com if you would like to go and have not contacted him already.



Den. Burana Stripe



Den. Dal's Dream



Den. bigibbum

Beautiful dendrobiums flowering freely at Mel and Judy's place.

Our May show has come and gone and by all accounts was well planned, run smoothly, and very well supported by the other orchid clubs. You may have noticed there have been some very positive comments in 2 of the other May newsletters we have received from clubs who attended and many of our members heard appreciative comments from the public.

It is our first benched show and happily president Jim Evans proposition to have this event at a new venue has worked out well as the show was well patronised.

The vendors also did quite well and supplied a good variety of quality plants and nursery supplies to their customers. Thanks to all who participated and contributed their time, resources and expertise and a special thanks to our own club members.

We are looking forward to our president's and treasurer's report and review of the event at our next meeting.



Show Champion: (also winner of Cattleya exhibition 'Any other Colour class')
Rlc. Subprasert
grown by R & J Hopkins

Popular Vote

These orchids won the popular vote at our April meeting

Cattleya	<i>Rlc. Gerard Scalia</i>	Jim Evans
Dendrobium	<i>Den. Kiliani Stripe 'Northern Star'</i>	Gary Walker
Species		
Any Other	<i>Vanda 'Blue'</i>	Mel Wheeler
Judges' choice	<i>Den. Kiliani Stripe' Northern Star'</i>	Gary Walker



Rlc. Gerard Scalia



Vanda 'Blue'



Best Species & Reserve Champion:
 (also winner of any other genera species class)
Ddc. pangasinanense
 grown by D. McKenna



Den. Kiliani Stripe 'Northern Star'

**Our next meeting will be at Jim & Leanne Evans' place
 on Saturday May 29th. The address is 106 Pine Valley Drv. Pie Creek.
 The meeting starts at 2 pm.**



Best Specimen: *Bulb. rothchildianum*
grown by Gary Walker

Other GDOS members who won 1st prizes with their entries include Jim & Leanne Evans, Don Elms, Ted Mann, and Mel & Judy Wheeler. Thanks to everyone who put entries in as the variety and quality of entries was outstanding. If you would like to see more photos, the winners of each section are on the show page of the gypie orchid society website. A link to the website is on the first page of this newsletter. Yes, our new website is up at last.



Cattleya exhibition under 65mm
C. Precious Jewel
grown by L & S Downing



The tall vandas looked beautiful grouped together.

Calendar of Events for 2021

June

Saturday 6th
STOCQ Meeting, Childers/Isis

July

Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th
Caboolture Orchid Society Winter Show at Community Ctr. Morayfield Rd., Morayfield

August

Friday 6th, Saturday 7th
Maroochydore Annual Show (set up 5th) at Buderim Uniting Church Hall. King St. Buderim