



With the warmer weather upon us, it is time to repot plants showing new growth and roots if they need it. Catasetum alliance plants, dendrobiums and phalaenopsis will appreciate extra water and liquid fertiliser to spur on growth and flowering. In general be aware of changing conditions in the shade house as we experience this hot dry spell.

After the first flush of Spring many native terrestrials are flowering in the coastal wallum between Tin Can Bay and Rainbow Beach. Here are some examples photographed last month in the Rainbow Beach area.



Known Show Dates for 2019

11th, 12th October: Bribie Island OS show with set up Thursday 10th.

1st, 2nd November Nambour OS species show; set up 31st October.

16th November 2019: STOCQ and OQI meetings at The Orchid House, 156A First Avenue, Bongaree hosted by Bribie Island Orchid Society.

Our next meeting (AGM) will be at Lynne & Doug Wilson's place ,
6 Kimberley Avenue, Southside. Bring a chair. The
meeting starts at 2pm. See you there!

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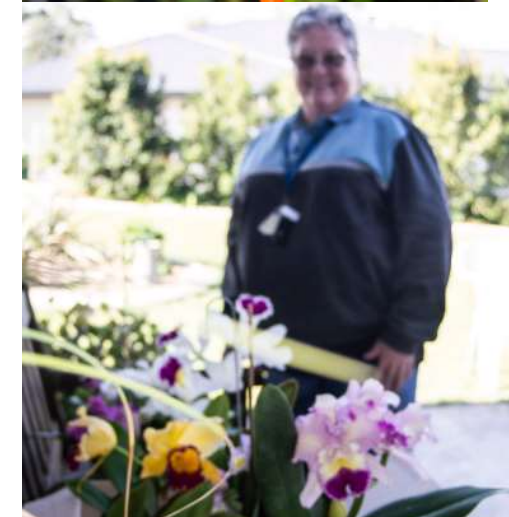


Gary Walker with Cymbidium

Welcome to the September edition of our newsletter. Our August meeting was held at Gary and Julie Walker's place.



Trick or Treat?



Exhibition type Cattleya (Brunswick hybrid)

Michelle & Cristian's orchids at Aug. meeting

We discussed preparations for the shows at Nambour, Maryborough, Glasshouse Mtns. and Hervey Bay. Thanks to all who sent plants to these shows and helped with the setting up of displays. They were all memorable events and a source of inspiration for what we might aspire to in our own orchid culture.

I thought Nambour's club display was outstanding this year. Jim Evan's commented favourably on the Imbil Centenary Show where Corrie Sheaffe took out the Champion Orchid prize with a nicely flowered *Cynochelone* Taiwan Gold.

Jim Evans in story telling mode at our August meeting!



With Jim and Leanne holidaying in Soweto, Mel and Judy Wheeler and Larry and Shirley Downing along with myself and Corrie Sheaffe represented the club at the Maryborough Show. Elwyn Webster and Gary Walker also sent plants for the display and Larry and Mel selected some of Jim's plants in his absence. There were a number of plants placed in their sections while over all the Gympie display was awarded 2nd place. Thanks to Judy and Larry and Shirley who supervised the arrangement and Corrie whose *Den. Hamana Lake* was awarded Champion Specimen and certainly added impact to our display.

The Hervey Bay and Glasshouse Mtns. shows happened to be on at the same time this year. Ted Mann and Kay Donnelly took some of theirs and Jim Evan's plants to the Hervey Bay Show. Jim took out first prize there with a cattleya. Mel and Judy and Larry and Shirley took plants to the Glasshouse Mtns. Show.



Gary walker was awarded first place for this fine flowering. Corrie Sheaffe seems to be on a roll with her entries in the last several shows and I am delighted to see her efforts and dedication to growing orchids acknowledged by the judges. She sent a couple of plants with Larry and Shirley to the Glasshouse Mtns. Show and once again it seems they were standout entries.



This is *Den. Hamana Lake 'Dream'* This was another plant of the same name as presented at Maryborough. It is a softcane hybrid (Dendrobium Kurenai X Dendrobium Snow Angel) Corrie's plant had 875 flowers on it.

It was judged Grand Champion and Champion Specimen at the Glasshouse Mtns. Show.

In addition it was nominated for and successful in being recognized with 2 awards: a HCC (Highly Commended Certificate which is a quality award. The cane and inflorescence judged had 43 flowers on it. It also received a cultural award, an ACC (Award of Cultural Commendation)



Corrie's *Den. Floralia* exhibit was also placed first in its class. Well done Corrie!