

GYMPIE & DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY Inc.



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Rth. Burdekin Sparkle



R/c. Gordon Valance 'White Queen' X
C. Cherry Bee 'Cherry Ripe'



This specimen plant of *Cym. traceyanum* is 12 years in Gary's care. A division of this plant won the species section at this month's meeting. The racemes were well over a metre long.

Welcome to our July newsletter for 2021. Our June meeting was held on the 26th at Julie & Gary Walker's place and the flowers on this page were in Gary's shade house.

Members were enthralled by the Cymbidium pictured right.



Julie suggested we might plan some more bus trips. Jim reminded members of the bus trip organised by John Rees for the 11th September leaving from Italo Frizzo's place. We will be joining the Glasshouse orchid society members on a trip to Wankas, EDOS show and Narcisi.

At our next meeting at Mel & Judy Wheeler's place, Kim Martin is coming to talk about her range of organic fertilizers for orchids.

Jim suggested that fish emulsion can be used occasionally as a tonic for orchids, but cautioned that Seasol can cause colour break in flowering Cattleyas and therefore is more suited to seedlings and young plants.

One of our members wanted advice on breaking up a large Cymbidium plant. The advice given was to include 2 or 3 green bulbs plus an extra back bulb when repotting. The back bulb acts as food source while the plant is being re-established.

The time to do it is when the Cymbidiums finish flowering and the weather starts to warm and also when there is new root growth from new leads. You can also strike back bulbs of a good or expensive plant but they will take a few years to reach flowering size.

Gary Walker advised the Mary Valley Show at Imbil is on the 21st August. Setup is Thursday afternoon or early Friday morning. The show is open to the public on Saturday only.

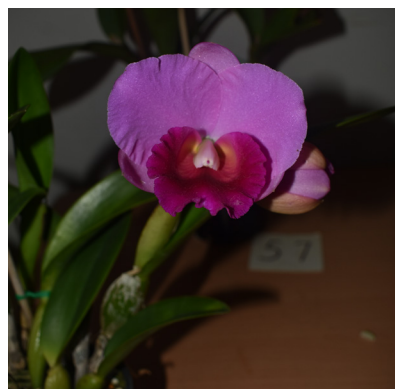
Our Xmas party is at Jim & Leanne's place after our November meeting which will start at 3pm and be followed by the party.



This orchid is 'Cactus' aka *epiphyllum*. Well grown, Julie and so beautiful.



Cymbidium traceyanum 'Doris'



Rlc. Rosella's Royal Sunset X Mini Purple

Popular Vote

These orchids won the popular vote at our May meeting

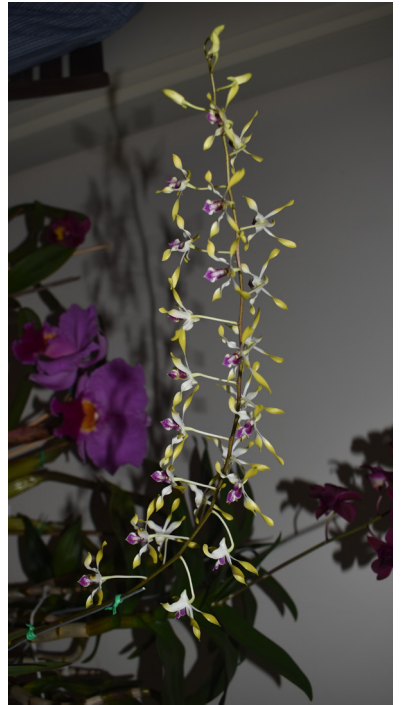
Cattleya	<i>Slc. Love Castle 'KK'</i>	Larry Downing
Dendrobium	<i>Den. Pixie Princess</i>	Ted mann
Species	<i>Cymbidium traceyanum 'Doris'</i>	Gary Walker
Any Other	<i>Vanda Pachara Delight 'Blue'</i>	Gary Walker
Judges' choice	<i>Rlc. Rosella's Royal Sunset X Mini Purple</i>	Jim Evans



Slc. Love Castle 'KK'



Vanda Pachara Delight



Den. Pixie Princess

Our next meeting will be at Mel & Judy Wheeler's place on Saturday July 31st. The address is 6 David Crt., Groundwater Rd. South Side. (Turn into Langara Drive off Groundwater Rd and David Crt. is the first turn off of Langara Drive. The meeting starts at 2 pm.

Calendar of Events for 2021

August

Friday 6th, Saturday 7th

Maroochydore Annual Show (set up 5th) at Buderim Uniting Church Hall.
King St. Buderim

Friday 27th, Saturday 28th

Childers & Isis District Orchid Society Show (Set up 26th)

September

Friday 3rd, Saturday 4th

Nambour Orchid Society Spring Show – Benched - (Set up 2nd) at Uniting
Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour.

Saturday 11th, Sunday 12th

Eastern Districts Orchid Society Spring Show.
at Belmont Shooting Complex, 1485 Old Cleveland Rd. Belmont

Thursday 16th, Friday 17th

Noosa Spring Show (set up 15th) at CWA Hall, Maple Street Cooroy

Thursday 16th to Saturday 18th

Maryborough DOS Show (set up 15th) at St Paul's Hall

Saturday 18th, Sunday 19th

Rockhampton Orchid Society Show
(Setup 17th) at Frenchville Sports Club, 105 Clifton St. North Rockhampton

Friday 24th, Saturday 25th

Glasshouse Country Orchid Society Spring Show (set up and judging 23rd)
at Beerwah Community Ctr, Peachester
Road, Beerwah

24th to Sunday 26th

Hervey Bay Orchid Society Show Friday (set up 23rd)

October