

GYMPIE & DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY Inc. NEWSLETTER



Date/Month of Meeting:

30th August 2025

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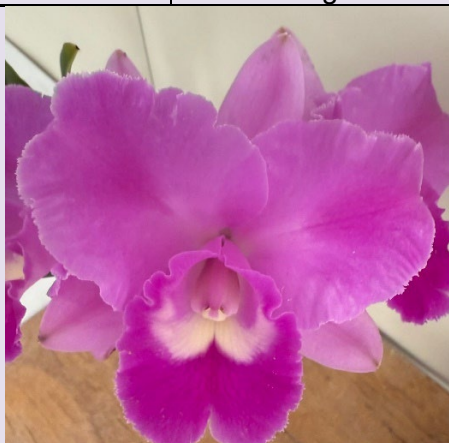
Winters hibernation is nearly over, those crisp mornings will soon be forgotten, and we are two days away from Spring! That also means it's nearly that time of the year when some of your orchids will need repotting. Time to stock up on your preferred medium and pots!

Next meeting is also our AGM and will be held on the 4th October 2025 at 6 Tailor Street, Tin Can Bay. If you are nominating anyone, please complete the AGM nomination form (included in the email with this newsletter), and forward to Sharon Bartlett by Friday, 19th September 2025.

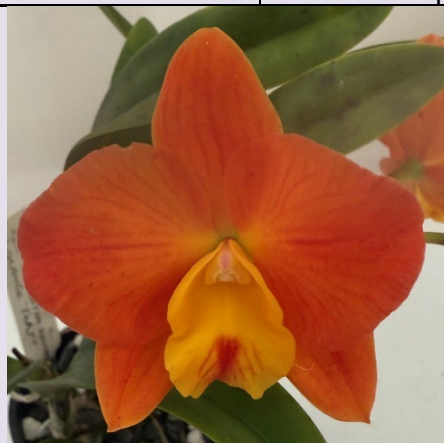
DATE CLAIMER: Our Club Christmas party will now be held on **6th December 2025** from 11.00am at the Indoor Bowls Club, Graham Street, Gympie. More information will be forthcoming.

Winners of the Popular Vote at monthly Meeting:

GENRE	Orchid name	Owner/s of Plant
Cattleya >100mm:	Rlc. Burdekin Spice	Gary & Julie Walker
Cattleya <100mm:	C. Chief Gem 'J' X Rlc. Samantha Duncan 'Orange Tart'	Gary & Julie Walker
Dendrobium:	Den. speciosum curvicaule 'Bee Creek' X Daylight Moon	Gary & Julie Walker
Species:	Rhynchostylis gigantea 'Red'	Sharon Stretton
Vanda:	V. Roberts Delight 'Red Spot'	Gary & Julie Walker
Any Other:	Cymbidium Hayley Sweet	Corrie Sheaffe
Novice:	C. Fire Magic X Rlc. Shin Shiang Diamond	Sharon Templeton



Cattleya 100mm +: Rlc. Burdekin Spice



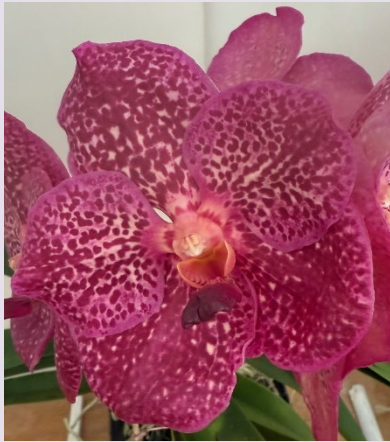
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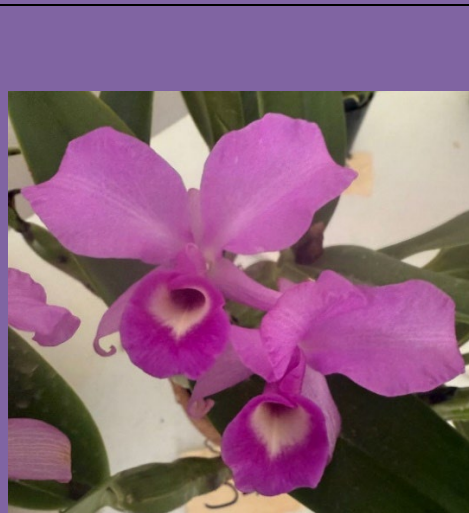
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Species: Rhynchostylis gigantea 'Red'

Other orchids tabled at the meeting:

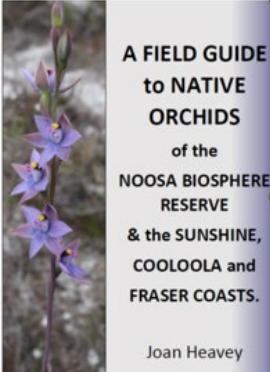




Winners of the Raffles for the day were:

Raffle winners were Glen Bell (flowering orchid) and Larry Downing (non-flowering orchid).
Congratulations to you both!

Highlight - Book available

	Linda Falkner would like to let members know that the book (left) is available and has a lot of information regarding the native orchids in our region. If you are interested, please phone Linda on 0427570022, and she can organise this for you.
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Next Meeting:

New Club membership cost for 2026, is \$15 (single), and \$20 (family)

DATE: Saturday, 4th October 2025

ADDRESS: Kent & Sharon Bartlett – 6 Tailor Street, Tin Can Bay

TIME: Benching of plants will commence from 1.30pm – 1.45pm

JUDGING: Voting of benched orchids will be held prior to meeting (between 1.45pm – 2.00pm)

MEETING: Will commence at 2.00 pm

Please bring: your flowering orchids, chair and a plate (to share) for afternoon tea.



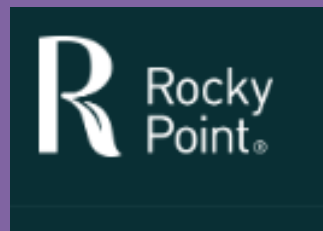
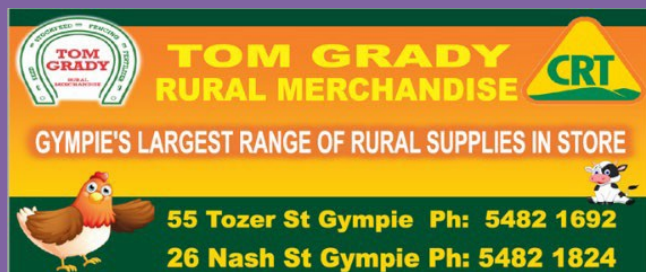
Upcoming 2025 monthly meetings

25th October 2025	Sharon Stretton – 16 Watt Street, GYMPIE
6th December 2025, from 11.00am	GDOS Club Christmas Party – Indoor Bowls Hall on Graham Street, Gympie

Newsletter snippets

Club members are encouraged to contribute to the newsletter. Please email Sharon Stretton for inclusion (prior to the upcoming meeting, otherwise they will be included the following month). Email: sharon.m.stretton@tmr.qld.gov.au

Our Sponsors: Sponsors are an important part of our Club. Their support allows us to pay the prizes we do at our Show. Please support our sponsors and let them know that we appreciate their support!



Upcoming SHOWS information / posters - 2025

4 th , 5 th , 6 th September 2025	Mary Valley Show – All entries are to be benched at the Imbil Public Hall at these times only (Thursday, 4 th September between 2.00pm-6.00pm, and Friday 5 th September between 8.00am and 9.30am. No entries will be accepted after this time.
6 th & 7 th September 2025	STOCQ meeting hosted by Nambour OS in conjunction with STOCQ Orchidfest at 114 Sportsmans Parade, Bokarina
11 th , 12 th , 13 th September	Maryborough DOS show with set up 10 th .
19 th & 20 th September 2025	Noosa District Orchid & Foliage Society – Cooroy Memorial Hall, Maple Street
20 th , 21 st , September	Rockhampton OS show Robert Schwarten Pavillion, Rocky Show Grounds
26 th , 27 th September	Glasshouse Orchid Society show; set up 25 th .
26 th , 27 th , 28 th September	Hervey Bay OS show with set up 25 th
1 st – 5 th October 2025	Australian Orchid Conference and Show at Wiigulga Sports Complex, Woolgoolga NSW (<i>Orchids from the Mountains to the Sea</i>)
10 th , 11 th October	Bribie OS show with set up 9 th
8 th November	Nambour species show, Buderim UC hall; set up 7 th

Noosa District Orchid & Foliage Society

SPRING SHOW

COOROY MEMORIAL HALL Maple Street

FRI 19 SEPT 8.30am-4pm
SAT 20 SEPT 8.30am-1pm

- * Orchids for sale
- * Advice from experienced growers
- * \$4 entry and \$1 raffle tickets
- * EFTPOS available

Hands-on potting workshop \$10
We supply everything, including the orchid, and you get to take it home

Nambour Orchid Society

SPRING ORCHID EXPO 2025

6-7 September

Venue 114, 114 Sportsmans Parade, Bokarina, Sunshine Coast

Entry only \$5 | Eftpos Available

- * 15 Orchid Nurseries selling a wide range of orchids and orchid supplies
- * Guest speakers
- * Arts & Craft Sales
- * Refreshments available

For more information please contact nambouro orchids@gmail.com

2026

- Saturday 14th February: STOCQ meeting in Gympie Bowls club hall
- 21st March: Maroochydore OS closed show Buderim (public hours 8.00 - 3.30)
- 21st, 22nd March: Rockhampton OS show Robert Schwarten Pavilion
 - 3rd, 4th April: Gladstone OFS with setup 2nd April

- 11th April: Glasshouse Country OS closed show, Glasshouse Community Hall.
- 17th, 18th April: Sunshine Coast OS show, Uniting Church hall, Queen Street Caloundra
 - 2nd, 3rd May: Gympie & DOS show in Indoor Bowls club hall, Graham Street.
- 8th, 9th, 10th May: Bundaberg OS show at Bundaberg Recreational Precinct Pavilion University Drive, Branyan set up 7th.
 - 9th May 2025: Maroochydore OS closed show Bli Bli (public hours 8.00 - 2.30 -
 - 17th, 18th July: Caboolture OS show with set up 16th.
 - 1st, 2nd August 2026: Port Curtis O&FS hosts STOCQ meeting
 - 7th and 8th August: Maroochydore OS show Buderim, benching on Thursday the 6th
 - 25th, 26th September: Glasshouse Country OS show; set up Thursday 24th September
 - 26th, 27th September: Rockhampton OS show Robert Schwarten Pavilion
 - November: GCOS hosts STOCQ meeting at Glasshouse Hall (moved from 13th June)

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