

GYMPIE & DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY Inc. NEWSLETTER



Date/Month of Meeting:

27th October 2024

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Message from the Editor

Our last meeting for the 2024 year is now done and dusted, with Christmas looming up on all of us. The years rush by so fast now and this year was no exception. I'd like to thank all the club members for showing up to the meetings, benching their plants and making our club the awesome club that it is. Hopefully next year will be another great year, especially now that we are going to have two annual shows that we are all excited about!

Remember that AGM annual fees were due last month, so if you haven't paid your membership fees for 2025, please get your money to Shirley Downing promptly. The mailing list will be updated to only include financial members after this newsletter, so if you are not receiving newsletters after this one, that is why.

The Christmas Party is at the end of November and numbers are being finalised by Shirley Downing – if you haven't RSVP'd and paid your \$10 refundable deposit, you will miss out on this event.

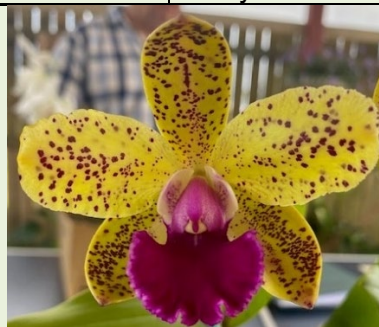
I wish all of our fellow orchid grower's a beautiful Christmas season with your families and looking forward to seeing all of your lovely orchids next year at the shows and monthly meetings!

Winners of the Popular Vote at monthly Meeting:

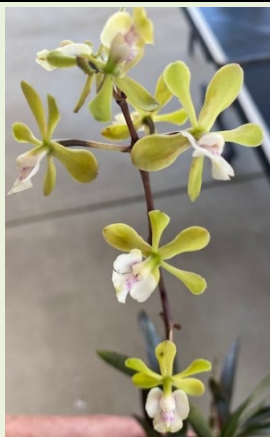
GENRE	Name of Orchid	Owner of Plant
Cattleya >100mm:	Rlc. Pink Spice 'Ziva'	Jim & Leanne Evans
Cattleya <100mm:	Ctt. Armonia De Suenos X C. Mark Jones	Gary & Julie Walker
Species:	Encyclia (unnamed)	Phil Langridge
Vanda:	V. Princess Mikasa 'Alba'	Gary & Julie Walker
Dendrobium:	Den. suavissimum	Sharne Toop
Any Other:	Phal. Yellow Splash	Gary & Julie Walker
Novice:	Den. Airy Crimson	Barry & Jen Grainger



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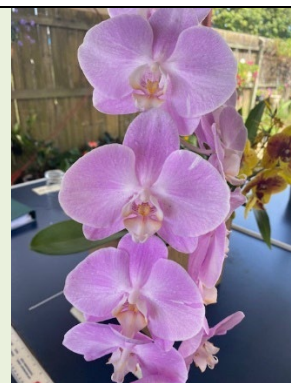


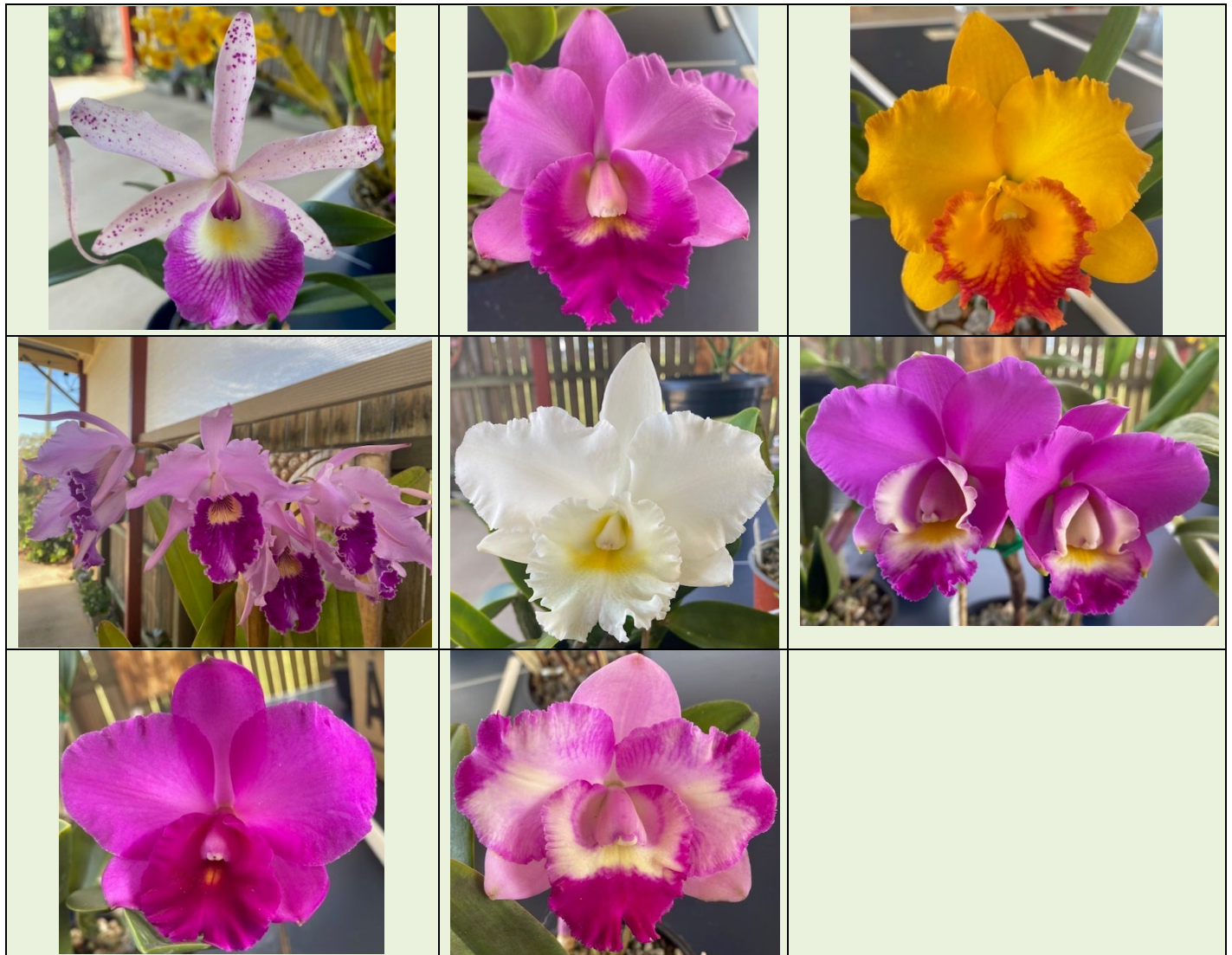
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Dendrobium: Den. suavissimum

Other orchids tabled at the meeting:





Winners of the Raffles for the day were:

Des Schuler, Kent Bartlett and Glen Bell who all took home a new orchid and also Phil Langridge and Linda Faulkner who took home a bag of bark each. **Congratulations to all raffle winners!**

Editors Highlight – Gympie Society website

Orchids are a large, worldwide, exciting family of plants that deserve attention beyond the casual glamour long associated with them. The beauty of wild species and elegance of cultivated hybrids are widely acclaimed. But orchids are a unique, highly evolved plant group of great scientific importance as well. Further, they are relatively hardy and can be grown, studied, and enjoyed by any interested amateur. Australia have so many native orchids that they are often taken for granted. Species are extremely variable in size and shape; some are fragrant, and a few have an unpleasant odour. Most are small-flowered.

Joe Tramacchi has done a lot of hard work updating our Gympie society website with all of the various species that grow in our local region (taking numerous photographs while hiking, and documenting their names and such), and as most club members missed out on watching the presentation, I highly encourage you to take the time to view all the hard work that Joe has completed on the subject and to make yourself knowledgeable on what orchids grow in our native area.

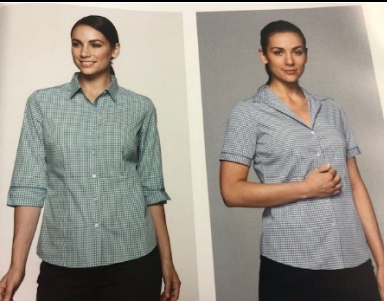
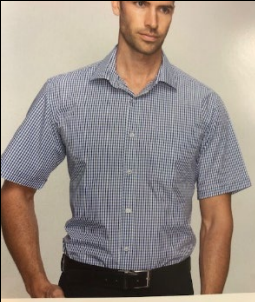
Not enough time was given to the work that Joe has dedicated to this, which should be enjoyed by all of our club members. Here is the link to our Gympie Club website (look under the Species TAB at the top of the page): www.gympieorchidsociety.com Once again, **THANK YOU Joe!**



Watch this space! Bus trips for 2025 are being organised now – don't miss out! 😊 **Further details will be released early next year.**



New Club Shirts: Below are the different styles available for our new club shirts (decided colours are Purple and White, pictured at the end). Please purchase the style of shirt you like below in the purple and white option, from Gympie Embroidery (working out of the Post Shop complex), at 33B Exhibition Road, Southside, and the club will pay for the club logo to be embroidered on your shirt. Hours of business are M-F 8am to 5pm, and Saturdays 8am to 12pm. Telephone Narelle Roberts to organise on 5483 8145.

				
Women's polo shirt \$19.95	Men's polo shirt \$19.95	Women's button-up (2 options) \$35.25	Men's button-up \$35.25	Approximation of the colour of shirts (in the purple/white)

Events Schedule:

NOVEMBER 2024	
9 th November 2024	Nambour Species Show (set up 8 th)
9 th November 2024	STOCQ Meeting, Hosted by Maroochydore OS, Buderim Men's Shed, 38 Advance Road, Kuluin
30 th November 2024	Gympie Club Christmas Party – Amamoor Public Hall, Busby Street, Amamoor. Arrive at 10am / lunch at 12pm.
2025	
March 2025	15th Asia Pacific Orchid Conference & Show, Taiwan
June 2025	STOCQ meeting hosted by Bundaberg OS.
21 st June 2025	Gympie OS Winter Closed Show
6 th & 7 th September 2025	STOCQ meeting hosted by Nambour OS in conjunction with STOCQ Orchidfest at 114 Sportsmans Parade, Bokarina
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>)

Next Meeting:



DATE: Saturday, 30th November 2024

ADDRESS: Amamoor Public Hall, Busby Street, Amamoor

TIME: Arrive at 10.30am for activities & raffles, lunch will be 12.00pm. **BYO drinks.**

Please bring along something to donate for the multiple Christmas raffles!



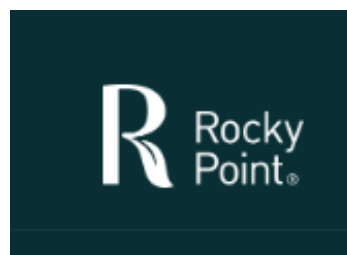
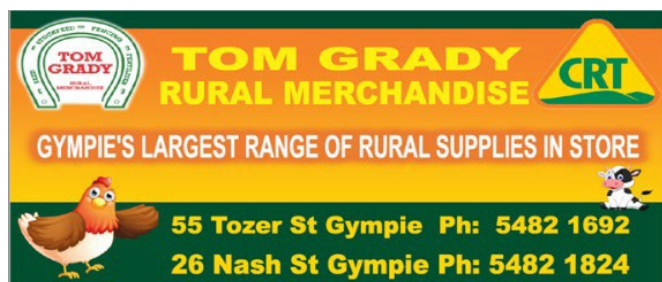
2025 Future Club Meetings

25 th January 2025	Jim & Leanne Evans – 106 Pine Valley Drive, Pie Creek, GYMPIE
22 nd February 2025	Gary & Julie Walker – 26 Palmer Court, The Dawn, GYMPIE
29 th March 2025	Jim, Michelle & Cristian Lenske – 303 Power Road, WIDGEE
26 th April 2025	Barry & Jennifer Grainger – 50 Diamondfield Road, AMAMoor
31 st May 2025	Sharon Stretton – 16 Watt Street, GYMPIE
June 2025	John & Kaye Green – 785 Mary Valley Road, Lagoon Pocket, GYMPIE
26 th July 2025	Sharon Stretton – 16 Watt Street, GYMPIE
30 th August 2025	Gary & Julie Walker – 26 Palmer Court, The Dawn, GYMPIE
27 th September 2025	AGM – Kent & Sharon Bartlett at 6 Tailor Street, TIN CAN BAY
25 th October 2025	TBA
29 th November 2025	Club Christmas Party - TBA

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

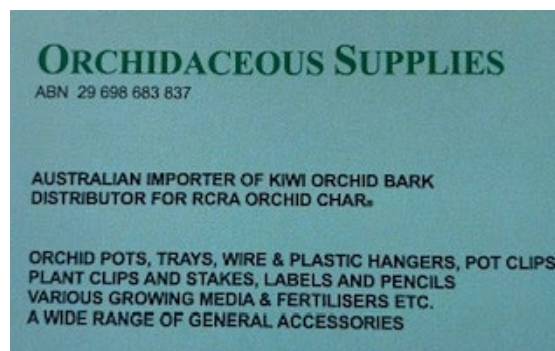
Our Sponsors: Sponsors are an important part of our Club. Their support allows us to pay the prizes we do at our Show. Please support our sponsors and let them know that we appreciate their support!



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Vendors:



Remaining 2024 SHOW EVENTS



NORTH MORETON QLD ORCHID COUNCIL INC

Summer Orchid Show

November 2nd & 3rd 2024

MT COOT-THA BOTANIC GARDENS AUDITORIUM

MT COOT-THA ROAD, TOOWONG

SAT. 8.30AM TO 3.00PM

SUN. 8:30AM TO 2.00PM



ADMISSION: ADULTS \$4.00

CHILDREN UNDER 14 YRS. FREE

- ✓ ORCHID PLANTS
- ✓ CULTURAL ADVICE
- ✓ LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
- ✓ AMPLE PARKING
- ✓ WHEELCHAIR ACCESS
- ✓ EFTPOS AVAILABLE
- ✓ TRADE TABLE BY

**BRISBANE ORCHID
SUPPLIES**

ENQUIRIES DAVID BOARD

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Nambour Orchid Society Presents

SPECIES Orchid SHOW

SATURDAY NOV 9

8AM - 4PM

Admission \$5.00 | Eftpos Available

Buderim Uniting Church, Gloucester Road, Buderim

VENDORS:

- Robertson Orchids
- Orchid Mania
- Orchidaceous Supplies
- Aurora Orchids
- Rolin Farms Orchids
- Member Plant Sales

- ✓ Benched species orchids on display
- ✓ Orchid & Foliage Plant Sales
- ✓ \$1 Raffles

Open to all orchid society members

**ORCHID SHOW
SATURDAY NOV 30, 2024
8AM-3PM**



Country Paradise Parklands, 231 Beaudesert Nerang Rd, Nerang QLD 4211

**Orchid Vendors
Air Plant Vendors
Bromeliad Vendors
Gift Stalls**

**Orchid Growing Supplies
Succulent Vendors
Garden Plant Vendors
House Plant Vendors**

**Benching of orchids for showing is from 4pm to 6pm Friday
(To enter orchids in the show you must be a member of an orchid society or club)**

Parking arranged by Vietnam Veterans Federation
Refreshments arranged by Sheila's Shack Nerang
Nerang Community Gardens will be open
\$3.00 Entry to the Orchid Show and Traders Area
Raffle

Presented by The Southport & Districts Orchids Society Inc.
For more info or to arrange bus trips, contact Show Co-ordinator
A-J Van Bael on 0411020563

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BRISBANE ORCHID SOCIETY

Spring Show

**\$4
ADMISSION**

16TH NOVEMBER SATURDAY 8:00AM - 3:00PM

**BELMONT SHOOTING COMPLEX
1485 OLD CLEVELAND ROAD BELMONT**

ONE DAY ONLY

**Showcase of Quality Judged Orchids
Cultural Advice, Member and Vendor Sales**

Kingfisher Orchids - Red Fox Orchids

Orchid Den - Rolin Farms Orchids

Orchid Mania - Windemere Orchids

Refreshments & Meals Available - Help Support Lions Club

Enquiries: 3841 3330 - brisbane.orchid.society@gmail.com

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2025

GYMPIE ORCHID SHOW

35 Graham Street (Indoor Bowls Centre)

3rd and 4th May 2025

Saturday: 8.00am – 4.00pm
Sunday: 8.00am – 2.00pm

- Huge display of benched Show Orchids & Foliage plants
- Multiple Vendors for sale plants & accessories
- Refreshments
- Expert Advice
- Raffle prizes (\$1 a ticket)
- Assessable to all



Admission
Adults - \$4 each
Children under 12 Free

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Phone President Gary Walker on 0407 640 516 for any questions



GYMPIE WINTER ORCHID CLOSED SHOW

Indoor Bowls Club

26 Graham Street, Gympie

Saturday, 21st June 2025

Plants to be tabled before 8.30am
Judging at 9.00am
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: 9.30am – 3.00pm
FOR SALE: Orchids * Tea * Coffee * Slices * Scones



Enquiries: Gary Walker (President) on 0407 640 516

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