











GYMPIE & DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY Inc. NEWSLETTER



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Message from the Editor

- ❖ Happy New Year and welcome to 2025! We're looking forward to seeing your beautiful flowering orchids each month at our monthly meetings. Of course, please feel free to bring along any problem plants and our experienced growers can offer you help in fixing any issues and being able to grow even better orchids.
- Remember to visit Gympie Embroidery (working out of the Southside Post Shop complex), at 33B Exhibition Road, Southside, to purchase your new club shirts. The club will pay for the club logo to be embroidered. Hours of business are M-F 8am to 5pm, and Saturdays 8am to 12pm. Telephone Narelle Roberts to organise on 5483 8145.
- ❖ Our Gympie club is hosting the STOCQ meeting on the 8th February 2025 at the Indoor Bowls Club, Graham Street. Come along and listen to our guest speaker for the day.

Winners of the Popular Vote at monthly Meeting:

Name of Orchid	Owner of Plant
Rlc. Karens Sunrise 'Wainae'	Jim & Leanne Evans
C. Pink Spice 'Lucy' X Ctt. Alsaks Pattern 'Hannah'	Jim & Leanne Evans
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V. Kulwadee Fragrance 'Black Spot'	Larry & Shirley Downing
Den. Masaka 'Taki' X Den. Areedang 'Light Blue'	Larry & Shirley Downing
Phrag. Ackers Charm	Joe Tramacchi
Den. Thongchai Gold 'Splash'	Barry & Jen Grainger
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Cattleya 100mm +: Rlc. Karens Sunrise 'Wainae'



Cattleya Less than 100mm: C. Pink Spice 'Lucy' X Ctt. Alsaks Pattern 'Hannah'



Dendrobium: Den. Masaka 'Taki' X Den. Areedang 'Light Blue'



Vanda: V. Kulwadee Fragrance 'Black Spot'



Novice & Judges Choice: Den. Thongchai Gold 'Splash'



Any Other: Phrag. Ackers Charm

Other orchids tabled at the meeting:



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Winners of the Raffles for the day were:

@ who all took home a new orchid. Congratulations to all raffle winners!

Editors Highlight – Watch this space! A bus trip to Bundaberg is now being organised that will include visits to local growers (so you can purchase some new orchids), and a stop for a nice social lunch. Don't miss out! Further details will be released soon.



Events Schedule:

2025		
8 February 2025	STOCQ meeting hosted by Gympie OS	
March 2025	15th Asia Pacific Orchid Conference & Show, Taiwan	
3 rd & 4 th May 2025	Gympie OS Show (to be benched 2 nd May)	
June 2025	STOCQ meeting hosted by Bundaberg OS.	
21st 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 (Orchids from the Mountains to the Sea)	

Next Meeting:

DATE: Saturday, 22nd February 2025

ADDRESS: Gary & Julie Walker – 26 Palmer Court, The Dawn

TIME: Benching of plants will commence from 1.30pm – 1.45pm **JUDGING**: Voting will be held prior to meeting (between 1.45pm – 2.00pm)

MEETING: Will commence at 2.00 pm

Please bring your plants, chair and a plate to share for afternoon tea.







2025 Club Meetings			
22 nd February 2025	Gary & Julie Walker – 26 Palmer Court, The Dawn, GYMPIE		
29th 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 – If you would like to host for Oct, please advise Sharon Stretton		
29th 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.qov.au

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2025 SHOW EVENTS

Aspley Orchid Society Inc.

Summer Show

8th FEBRUARY 2025

Pine Rivers Showgrounds Hall 757 Gympie Road, Lawnton

SATURDAY 8.00am - 3.30pm



ORCHID PLANTS, POTS, LABELS, FERTILIZER ETC. ON SALE

CULTURAL ADVICE

AMPLE PARKING & WHEELCHAIR ACCESS

ADMISSION: ADULTS \$4-00

CHILDREN UNDER 16 years FREE

EFTPOS available for plant sales

ENQUIRIES – Roslyn Hunt: 3865 5615: Mob. 0402 156 448: aspley@y7mail.com www.aspleyorchidsociety.com



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 qu







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