



Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.



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Newsletter – November 2021

It doesn't feel long since I compiled the last newsletter, but surprisingly it has been twelve months.

Kindly Tony March took over the role from me in January 2021 and has done a fantastic job. Sadly, he informed us in September that the October newsletter would be his last, and I am sure every member would like to thank him for his effort and assistance with the newsletters.



I am hopeful that another member would like to fill this position at our AGM to be held in February 2022. It is a rewarding role and I found assisted me in increasing my knowledge of the club. I have compiled the newsletter on two occasions, March 2015 to February 2018 and February 2020 to November 2020. A total of four years so far, so I would be grateful if another member would be interested to take up this role.

I am happy to guide the new editor into the role to ensure they are comfortable doing the newsletter. All you need are computer skills using Microsoft Office and a bit of time to do the newsletter. Tony kindly compiled a "How to Do" instruction sheet which will make the compilation job easier. So please give it some thought.

This is the last newsletter for 2021, our next event is our Christmas Dinner and Awards Evening on Sunday 5th December, so I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy & Safe New Year.

-Editor.



**Next Monthly Meeting: Tuesday 23rd November 2021.
Starts 7:30pm.**

Notice to Members: Please assist if you can with cleaning the hall after the meeting. ***-Editor.***

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Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.
General Meeting Tuesday 26th October 2021

Attendance: As per register

Apologies: As per register

New Members: Nil

Visitors: Nil

Lucky Number: 119 P Rankin

Next General Meeting 23rd November 2021.

Minutes of September monthly meeting as published in the newsletter were approved as correct and accurate.

Moved Y Manning

Seconded P Rankin

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE FOR GENERAL MEETING OF R.O.S.I. ON TUESDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2021

IN – NEWSLETTERS

Bundaberg Orchid Society Inc.

Blackwater & District Orchid & Foliage Club Inc.

Caboolture Orchid Society Inc

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The Sunshine Coast Orchid Society Caloundra Inc.

Townsville Orchid Society Inc.

West Brisbane Orchid Society Inc.

Mackay District Orchid Society Inc. – 53rd TQOC Conference -1st – 3rd July 2022

John Rees – Call to STOCQ & OQI meetings to be hosted by Caboolture Orchid Society on 6th November 2021

John Rees - Show updates 2022

OrchidWiz 8

Orchids Australia October 2021 edition

OUT

Nil

The report was read and moved by the secretary the inwards correspondence be accepted.

Seconded M Richardson

Carried

Treasurer's Report read and moved for adoption by D MacKenzie.

Seconded S Frisch

Carried

General Business:

Show Dates – 2022. The dates for the 2022 Spring Show were set as 10th & 11th September at the last general meeting. After discussion that this was too early in the season it was decided by a show of hands that the 2022 Spring Show would now be held on 24th & 25th September 2022.

Triennial Field Weekend – to be hosted by Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc. in 2022 will be held on 12th & 13th March 2022. Invitation to be sent to Gladstone, Bundaberg, Calliope, Agnes Water, Mackay, PROPA and Hervey Bay.

Tropical Queensland Orchid Council Conference (1st -3rd July 2022) – some interest in a possible coach trip to Mackay for this.

Christmas Party – Sunday 5th December. Lists of table preferences at November meeting. Table will be 10 or 12 seats. It was decided to keep the cost to members at \$25.00 per head. Cost above that to be subsidised by the Society. The meal will be buffet style served by Frenchville Sports Club staff to keep within the COVID19 rules,

Growers Workshop – 30/10/21 start at 3.30pm. There will be a BBQ/Sausage Sizzle with ingredients supplied by the Society. Members to bring own drinks, desert, and gift for raffle.

Plant Commentary: John Frisch

Exhibitor's Raffle: S Rowcliffe

General Raffle: M Richardson, B Jenkins, K Bauman, M Gillett, R Bills, J Rawlings.

Next Committee meeting will be on Wednesday 10/11/21 commencing at 7.00pm at Jeff Bloxsom's residence.

J Bloxsom
President

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Secretary

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Shows and Meetings - Officials

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Chief Steward: Moyna Richardson
Plant/Barcode Collators: Trish Craig & Barry English

Annual Competition – October 2021 Results

Judges Choice

<i>V. Pine Rivers</i> 'Wasana'	W & M Richardson
<i>Paph.</i> Yang-Ji Apple	J & N Glover
<i>Onc.</i> Ruth's Rainbow	K & R Smith

Popular Vote

Advanced (Plants Tabled: 64)

Cattleya up to 100mm	<i>C. Exotic Smile</i> 'Spring Sensation'	T & M Handley
Cattleya over 100mm	<i>Rth.</i> Shinfong Dawn 'Orange'	J & S Frisch
Vandaceous over 65mm	<i>V. Prapawan</i> x Kulwadee Fragrance	W & M Richardson
Vandaceous up to 65mm	<i>V. Pine Rivers</i> 'Wasana'	W & M Richardson
Dendrobium	<i>Den.</i> Gold Mine (name not registered)	J & S Frisch
Oncidiinae	<i>Onc.</i> Ruth's Rainbow	K & R Smith
Paphiopedilum	<i>Paph.</i> Red Shift x (Ruby Leopard x Hsinying Pulsa	J & N Glover
Phalaenopsis	<i>Phal.</i> Little Gem Stripes 'Cat King'	J & N Glover
Species	<i>Den. chrysotoxum</i> 'Capricorn's Gold Carat'	J & S Frisch
Miscellaneous	<i>Ctsm.</i> Jumbo Wallaby	J & N Glover

Novice (Plants Tabled: 25)

Cattleya (combined - up to & also over 100mm)	<i>Rlc.</i> Glenlee Magician 'Glenlee'	J & P Bennett
Dendrobium	<i>Den.</i> Jade Valmadre 'Clifton Green'	J & P Bennett
Species	<i>Onc. sphacelatum</i>	J & P Bennett
Phalaenopsis	<i>Phal.</i> Name unknown	J & P Bennett
Miscellaneous	<i>Bulb. makoyanum</i>	J. Dawes



Den. Gold Mine

The closing date for articles to be included in the next newsletter is the 5th January 2022; articles received after that date will be included in the following month.

-Editor.



V. Pine Rivers 'Wasana'



Paph. Red Shift x (Ruby Leopard x Hsinying Pulsa)



Phal. Little Gem Stripes 'Cat King'



Den. Chrysotoxum 'Capricorn's Gold Carat'

Rlc.



Glenlee Magician 'Glenlee'



C. Exotic Smile 'Spring Sensation'



V. Prapawan x Kulwadee Fragrance



Phal. Name Unknown



Ctsm. Jumbo Wallaby



Onc. Ruth's Rainbow



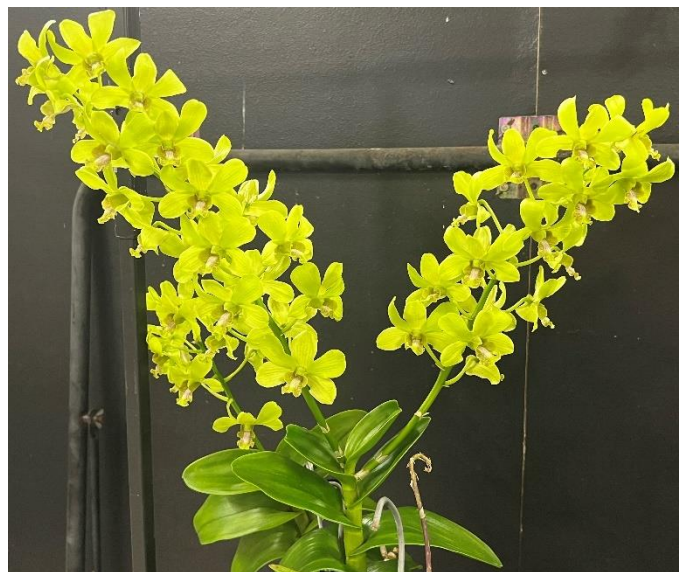
Paph. Yang-Ji Apple



Onc. sphacelatum



Rth. Shinfong Dawn 'Orange'



Den. Jade Valmadre 'Clifton Green'



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A Happy & Merry Christmas to all!

GROWERS WORKSHOP

30th October 2021

As this was our last gathering of the year, something a little different was decided on. That being a SAUSAGE SIZZLE ...with a CHRISTMAS THEME. 🎅👴

Held at David & Sue Eggleshaw's Gracemere residence on a balmy afternoon, with storms threatening, a good turnout of members attended.

David gave a rundown of how he & Sue maintain their Greenhouse & how their plants have fared since switching from bore to tank water. David also sought advice on the care of a couple of plants from learned members.

Time allowed for a brief question & answer session to further enhance newer members knowledge on the wonders of growing Orchids.

Moving on guaranteeing that nothing lethal would befall them, I managed to 'encourage' 20 souls to form a seated circle. Once organised, we had a variation on PASS THE PARCEL, with much hilarity & a little confusion when time to pass LEFT or RIGHT was read out. All good fun & everyone ended up with a little gift.

A conventional game of PASS THE PARCEL followed later with Jenny Moore the winner. Our hosts held a LUCKY SPOT throughout the day as well, with another three winners there.

Thanks, to all of you brave folk for being such good sports. 😊

The SAUSAGE SIZZLE was a success, no doubt thanks to David's expertise on the BBQ! Dessert followed, equally a winner. Thanks to everyone who brought along their delicious contributions.

Lastly, a free raffle was held, with donations from members. With a myriad of prizes & plants, everyone was a winner, with some lucky enough to have their tickets called again.

A HUGE thank you to our hosts, particularly Sue (who had a brief hospital stay that morning!)

The Christmas decorations were lovely.

BIRTHDAY WISHES to all who may be celebrating between now & when we meet again. 🍰🍷

🎄 SEASONS GREETINGS TO ONE AND ALL. 🎄

JAN, GWEN & MAXINE.

Species of the Month

Dendrobium convolutum or The Convoluted Orchid.

by Jeff Glover



Dendrobium convolutum or known colloquially as the Convoluted Orchid because of its pleated and folded appearance is a member of the Latouria section of the genus *Dendrobium*. It is endemic to northern New Guinea where it can be found in rainforests ranging from sea-level to 650 meters. Thus, it is a tropical orchid, growing best in warm to hot conditions. Many members of this section of *Dendrobiums* have a natural propensity for their flowers to have a 'drooping

Dendrobium convolutum

characteristic' which has not endeared them to collectors and orchid-breeders alike.

This is most evident in species such as, *Den. atrovioleaceum*, *alexandrae* and

spectabile. However, *Den. convolutum* does not share this habit to such an extent; which is an important feature that has been responsible for its greater use over other Latouria section members in hybridization. Its flowering habit is up to 6 flowers in size of 25-50 mm borne on short racemes both emanating from below and above the leaves on canes up to 45 cm tall.

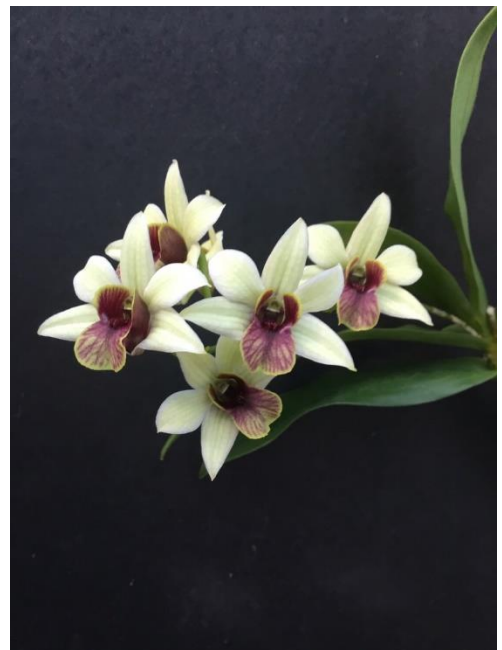
A search of Orchidz yields 31 first generation hybrids and 106 derived Progeny. Perhaps its most commonly known hybrid is *Dendrobium* Red Center,(sic) which is a hybrid with *Dendrobium biggibum* (The Cooktown Orchid).

Growing *Dendrobium convolutum* in Central Queensland should not be a problem as it thrives on heat and humidity. Like many *Dendrobiums* it enjoys a rest; as in a reduction of fertilizer and water during Winter which is a good option for growers to have it flower at its best in Spring.

Whereas, crosses such as *Dendrobium* Red Center, (sic) will flower through Autumn to Spring due to the influence of *Den. biggibum*, which is an Autumn flowerer.

Both growing in a container or mounted are successful for *Den. convolutum* with a smaller bark mixture being the choice for container (pot) culture.

Ref. www.orchidspecies.com



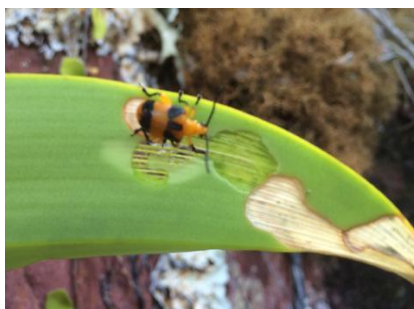
***Dendrobium* Red Center (sic)**

Dendrobium Beetle: (*Stethopachys formosa*)

After the return of warmer weather and following rain a few weeks ago the bane of all orchids grown in the open, the dreaded Dendrobium Beetle has returned in droves to my garden. They are decimating my outside orchids, but also the ones that slip inside greenhouses can wreck havoc on our collections.

For those who are not sure of what the Dendrobium Beetle is like below are photos, it shows the adult beetles, damage they cause to leaves, a mating pair, the larvae that eat flowers/buds etc and the pupar stage, if you see white styrofoam looking masses at the base of your orchids it is possible that the larvae have eaten through the inner stem, eventually the stem will die.

I have also included a recipe for home made enviro spray that discourages them landing on plants. Some growers use Diazinon for an instant kill of the grubs, followed by Confidor Pills to stop re-infection, then use Carbaryl Spray over leaves and blooms to stop the adult beetles eating them.



HOMEMADE ENVIRO DENDROBIUM BEETLE SPRAY

Mix 5 grams/mls of **PERMETTHRIN 25:75** (can be obtained from Nursery Outlets) to one litre of water and to this add about 8 drops of **EUCALYPTUS OIL** (can be obtained from supermarkets). After mixing decant into a plastic spray bottle and use as required. Spray onto entire plant, flowers and leaves about once a month or when needed. It costs around 60 cents per litre so is a very economical spray. Before each use remember to give the spray bottle a shake to mix the contents.

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**ROCKHAMPTON ORCHID SOCIETY INC
CHRISTMAS PARTY PRESENTATION NIGHT**

VENUE – FRENCHVILLE SPORTS CLUB – FUNCTION ROOMS

DATE – SUNDAY 5th DEC. – TIME – 6.30PM PRE-DINNER & NIBBLES

SEATED DINNER 7.30PM – 2 COURSE CHRISTMAS BUFFET
DRINKS SUPPLIED – FRUIT PUNCH & SOFT DRINKS
ALL ACHOLIC DRINKS AT OWN COST

THERE WILL BE THE USUAL LUCKY DOOR PRIZES
OUR USUAL – HUGE CHRISTMAS MULTI-DRAW RAFFLE
MAYBE SOME LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL COMPETITION TROPHIES
FINAL NAMES AND TABLES WILL BE REQUIRED BY OUR NOV MEET 23rd
YOU CAN BOOK ROUND TABLES OF 10 OR SQUARE TABLES OF 12
YOUR TABLE LIST OF NAMES ALSO REQUIRED BY NOV MEETING
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Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month (excluding December) at Calvary Lutheran Church Hall, Burnett Street, North Rockhampton. Meetings commence at 7:30pm and plants must be tabled by 7:15pm.

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