



Spring Show Schedule 26/27 Sept 2026

Venue : The Robert Schwarten Pavillion

Exhibition Rd. R'Ton Showgrounds

Open to the Public

Saturday 26th September 9.00am – 4.00pm

Sunday 27st September 9.00am – 2.00pm

Show Set-up – Thursday 24th Sep. 8am

Club Display – plants from 8am Friday 25th

Tabling of plants, Friday 25th Sept. 9am-4.00pm

***Only Judges and Show Officials allowed in Show 4pm-5pm**

Light refreshments for Judges and Officials 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Judging from -6.30pm approx.

Admission –Adults \$5.00 Children Free

President Jeff Bloxsom 0407995122

Show Marshall – Peter Jenkinson 0472513170

Judging Rules

Summary:

Show Judging shall conform to the judging standards of the Australian Orchid Council.

Both RHS and Sanders Nomenclature is acceptable for the purpose of Show-bench Judging.

Classes refer to hybrids unless otherwise stated. Plants are only eligible for judging in one section in a class and must have a unique barcode number displayed (Rules 4 & 5).

***Unregistered named plants entered will be judged; however, the onus for registration for the purpose of Award Judging or any other purpose such as, Sales; is entirely the responsibility of the owner/owners.**

The decisions of the Judges are final in all respects.

- (1) Entries are free and open to all current financial members of the Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc.
- (2) All plants entered shall be owned and grown by the exhibitor for the preceding six months. Plants submitted for both Showing or Sale, may not be removed before the stated closing time; except at the direction of either the President, Vice-President and or Show Marshal.
- (3) Plants and Floral Art may be entered between **9.00am and 4.00 pm on Friday 25th Sept 2026**. Judging will commence at 6-6.30pm that evening. Only Judges and Officials as per the 'Show Judging Notice 'are allowed in the venue during judging.

***(4) Plants** may be exhibited in the Club Display, Container Display, or individually Tabled under the direction of the Show Marshal and in the Club-Display, also by the Club Display Convenor. **All orchid and foliage/fern plant names that are to be exhibited for judging, whether in the Club Display or a Container Display, Tabled or Free Hanging, must be registered by the ROSI Barcode/Unique exhibitor's code system. (Rule 5)**

***(5) Members** are to have their list of plants being entered supplied to your nominated 'collator' before **5pm Wednesday 23rd September 2026**, to ensure your labels with the required Barcode (**Rule 4**) will be printed before exhibiting. Unregistered or incorrect plant names will be printed but no responsibility will be taken by the collators. **It is members' responsibility to supply correct names to the best of their knowledge.** 'Unknown' is acceptable. **The plant label should be attached as close to the inflorescence as possible either directly to the plant or by means of a suitably unobtrusive support stemming from the pot.**

*** Plants with no name label and unique barcode number will not be judged.**

(6) Plants are only eligible for judging in one section in a class.

(7) A bloom or blooms damaged or broken from an inflorescence in transit to the show will not disqualify that inflorescence, provided the damaged or detached blooms is placed on the pot. A bloom/s missing from an inflorescence of a plant that flowers progressively, shall not disqualify that inflorescence.

Staking Guideline: Staking and tying for support is permitted. However, in all genera, no inflorescence should be tied or supported on any part of the flower or its attachment to the inflorescence. If tied /staked excessively or otherwise the plant **will not be disqualified**; however, it may negatively influence the ranking awarded by judges in an individual section should the plant be considered for a placing. Judges can request ties/stakes be removed for further assessment. Parafilm or florist's tape are not allowed as ties.

(8) **Prizes** are awarded for 1st & 2nd in each section. **Class Champions** shall be selected from the winners of each section in that class. Likewise, a 2nd is awarded to each Class Champion. (Sections 1-7) **Best Aust. Species, Best Exotic Species along with a second 2nd to each**, shall be selected from the **Species Class and awarded a Rosette.** In the case where a species is selected for **Best Specimen (Rosette)** it is also eligible for **Best Aust or Exotic Species and either Grand Champion or Reserve Champion. Best Foliage is selected from Section 9.01-9.14 and is also awarded a Rosette.** *

***Grand Champion Orchid** of the Show shall be selected from all Class Champions plus **both Best Australian Species and Best Exotic Species and Best Specimen.**

*** Reserve Champion Orchid** shall be selected from the remaining Class Champions, Best Aus Species, Best Exotic Species, Best Specimen and the 2nd to the 'Class Champion' selected for the Grand Champion.

***Best Specimen Orchid** will be selected from all plants/genera exhibited but must be easily recognizable as being of specimen form/culture and not just physical size. (eg. Mini-Forms)

***Additional Trophies:** (Trophy Only)

Note 1 John Frisch Memorial Trophy: 'Best Softcane Dendrobium' is to be chosen from the first prizes from Sections 3.01, 3.02 and 3.03. The selected plant can also be Dendrobium Class Champion and as well the trophy can be in addition to other Major Prizes.

Note 2 The STOCQI 'Best Species' Trophy is to be chosen from the best Best Australian Species and Best Exotic Species and as well the Trophy can be in addition to other Major Prizes .

(9) Container Displays: The container may be a pot, saucer, basket or natural structure, such as, a hollow tree section or other device to house and support the display. Overall dimensions shall fit within a 50cm. square area with no height restriction but must be free standing. A minimum of two (2) flowering orchid plants required, Cut Orchid Flowers are allowed in displays but are not eligible for judging. Embellishments and other props may be used to highlight a theme. The only flowers allowed in the display, other than orchids are bromeliads and anthuriums or related exotic types. **Flowering orchid plants within the display are eligible for individual judging but must comply with barcode/unique number rules. (Rules 4 & 5)** Container display judging will be based on the overall aesthetic appearance and quality of all the plants included and will be completed before any individual judging. No one style of display is the ideal.

All styles are of equal value when being judged. *Please note plant ownership rules as per Rule 2 applies if plant is marked for judging with unique no. If joint display, names to be displayed at front of container.

(10) The Show Marshall in conjunction with Plant Marshalls shall have the right to refuse the exhibition of any plant which, in their opinion appears diseased or pest infected. Likewise, the nominated plant sale supervisors will have authority to accept or reject any plant/s submitted for sale with disease or pests in evidence. Commission to the Society on plant sales is 15%. Judges, with notification to and by the approval of the Show Marshall, have the power to withhold any prize in any section.

(11) The Rockhampton Orchid Society Inc. or its agents will accept no responsibility for theft, loss, destruction or damage to plants or property.

SHOW PRIZES AND TROPHIES

Grand Champion: \$250 Terry & Ellie Dean Mem. Trophy & Rosette

Reserve Champion: \$150 Trophy & Rosette

Best Specimen: \$100 Trophy & Rosette

Best Exotic Species: \$40 Trophy & Rosette

2nd Exotic Species: \$20

Best Aust. Species: \$40 Trophy & Rosette

2nd Aust. Species: \$20

Best Orchid by Novice Grower: \$50.00 Trophy & Rosette

2nd Orchid by Novice Grower: \$25

Best Overall Foliage/Fern \$50 Trophy & Rosette

2nd Overall Foliage/Fern \$25

Class Champions (Classes 1 to 7) \$25

2nd to Class Champions (Classes 1 to \$15

Class Sections: (1.01 to 9.14) 1st \$10.00 2nd \$5

Additional Trophies:

John Frisch Memorial Trophy : ‘Best Soft cane Dendrobium Orchid’ (Rule 8 Note 1)

The Sub Tropical Orchid Council Inc : ‘ Best Species ’ Trophy (Rule 8 Note 2)

Container Display:- 1st \$100 2nd \$ 50.00

Floral Art (Class 10) Arrangement : Advanced 1st \$30.00 2nd \$15.00

Arrangement: Novice 1st \$30.00 2nd \$15.0

Corsage: 1st \$20.00 2nd \$10.00

(All prizes include Ribbon or Rosette and Card or where otherwise stated)

Sections.

***Class 1. Laeliinae**

- 1.01 Laeliinae, Standard Shape, over 110mm, predominately white
- 1.02 Laeliinae, Standard Shape, over 110mm, predominately mauve/pink
- 1.03 Laeliinae, Standard Shape, over 110mm, predominately Yellow/orange
- 1.04 Laeliinae, Standard Shape, over 110mm, any other colour combination
- 1.05 Laeliinae, Standard Shape 75mm to 110mm predominately white
- 1.06 Laeliinae, Standard Shape 75mm to 110mm predominately mauve/pink
- 1.07 Laeliinae, Standard Shape 75mm to 110mm any other colour
- 1.08 Laeliinae, Standard Shape under 75mm any colour
- 1.09 Laeliinae, Cluster, not less than 5 blooms. (Including Broughtonia influence hybrids and excluding reed stem Epidendrums (Crucifix Orchids)
- 1.10 Laeliinae, Non-Standard, or any other

***Class Champion Laeliinae**

***2d to Class Champion Laeliinae**

*** Class 2. Vandeae (Excluding Phalaenopsis)**

- 2.01 Vandeae, Standard shape, bloom size over 70mm
- 2.02 Vandeae, Standard shape, bloom size 35mm to 70mm
- 2.03 Vandeae, Standard shape, bloom size under 35mm
- 2.04 Vandeae, Non – Standard shape, bloom size over 70mm
- 2.05 Vandeae, Non – Standard shape, bloom size 35 to 70mm
- 2.06 Vandeae, Non – Standard shape, bloom size under 35 mm

***Class Champion Vandeae**

***2nd to Class Champion Vandeae**

*** Class 3. Dendrobium**

- 3.01 Dendrobium, Eugenanthe (soft cane) predominately white
- 3.02 Dendrobium, Eugenanthe (soft cane) predominately purple/mauve
- 3.03 Dendrobium, Eugenanthe (soft cane) any other colour
- 3.04 Dendrobium, Phalaenanth or Intermediate type
- 3.05 Dendrobium, Spatulata type
- 3.06 Dendrobium, Any other type

***Class Champion Dendrobium**

***2nd to Class Champion Dendrobium**

***Note 1 Prizes, Rule 8 . John Frisch Memorial Trophy ‘Best Softcane ‘**

*** Class 4. Oncidiinae**

- 4.01 Oncidiinae, Tolumnia / Zelenkoa type characteristics (ie. Miniature growing)
- 4.02 Oncidiinae, Gom.(Onc.) varicosum type characteristics (Dominant yellow lip)
- 4.03 Oncidiinae, Brassia type characteristics. (long, narrow segments)
- 4.04 Oncidiinae, Any other type not included in the above

***Class Champion Oncidiinae**

***2nd to Class Champion Oncidiinae**

*** Class 5. Paphiopedilum / Phragmipedium**

- 5.01 Paphiopedilum, Standard Complex Type
- 5.02 Paphiopedilum, Maudiae type characteristics
- 5.03 Paphiopedilum, Brachypetalum / Parvisepalum type characteristics
- 5.04 Paphiopedilum, Multi-floral type
- 5.05 Paphiopedilum, Any other type
- 5.06 Phragmipedium

***Class Champion Paphiopedilum/ Phragmipedium**

***2nd to Class Champion Paphiopedilum/ Phragmipedium**

***Class 6. Phalaenopsis**

6.01 Phalaenopsis , standard shape, over 90mm

6.02 Phalaenopsis , standard shape, 60mm to 90mm

6.03 Phalaenopsis , standard shape, under 60mm

6.04 Phalaenopsis , non-standard shape any other over 60mm

6.05 Phalaenopsis , non-standard shape any other under 60mm

***Class Champion Phalaenopsis**

***2nd to Class Champion Phalaenopsis**

***Class 7. Other Genera**

7.01 Catasetinae hybrid

7.02 Epidendrum hybrid -- reed stem type (crucifix orchid)

7.03 Bulbophyllum hybrid

7.04 Phaius alliance Hybrid

7.05 Zygopetalum and alliance hybrid

7.06 Cymbidium, Standard, intermediate, or pendulous type

7.07 Cymbidium hybrid any other

7.08 Any other hybrid

***Class Champion Other Genera**

***2nd to Class Champion Other Genera**

*** Class 8. Species**

- 8.01 Laeliinae Species (Cattleya, Laelia, Sophronitis or Brassavola only)
- 8.02 Vandeae Species (excluding Phalaenopsis)
- 8.03 Phalaenopsis Species
- 8.04 Dendrobium Species(Including X Natural Hybrid) – Australian
- 8.05 Dendrobium Species -- Exotic
- 8.06 Oncidiinae Species
- 8.07 Paphiopedilum Species
- 8.08 Phragmipedium Species
- 8.09 Catasetinae Species
- 8.10 Any other Australian Species (Including X Natural Hybrid)
- 8.11 Any other Exotic Species

***The following prizes are to be chosen from this Section. (Rule 8)**

***Best Australian Species**

***2nd Australian Species**

***Best Exotic Species**

***2nd Exotic Species**

***Note 2 Prizes, Rule 8 STOCQI Best Species Trophy**

***Class 9. Foliage / Fern**

- 9.01 Anthurium (var. andreanum or schizeraenum)
- 9.02 Bromeliad, miniature growth habit (including Cryptanthus)
- 9.03 Bromeliad in flower
- 9.04 Bromeliad any other
- 9.05 Tillandsia small growing type (ie. ionantha, stricta etc.)
- 9.06 Tillandsia any other (large growing type)
- 9.07 Succulent
- 9.08 Cactus
- 9.09 Bonsai
- 9.10 Any other foliage – over 200mm diameter pot size
- 9.11 Any other foliage – up to 200mm diameter pot size
- 9.12 Adiantum (Maiden Hair fern)
- 9.13 Phlegmariurus (Tassel fern)
- 9.14 Any other fern

*** Best Overall Foliage or Fern (Rule 8)**

*** 2nd Overall Foliage or Fern**

***Class 10. Floral Art**

- 10.01 Advanced - Floral Arrangement – using predominately orchid blooms with embellishments.
- 10.02 Novice – Floral Arrangement – using predominately orchid blooms With embellishments.
- 10.03 Corsage – using predominately orchid blooms.

***Please note: No Class Champion Ribbon in Class 10**
