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Next General Meeting, Monday 11th March 2013

Venue:- Red Hill Community Sports Centre
22 Fulcher Road, Red Hill

Affiliated Societies, Judging Roster for March

<u>John Oxley O.S.</u>	2nd Wednesday	@ 7.30pm	J. Buckley , H. Edwards, M. Illingworth, R. Illingworth.
<u>Logan & District</u>	3rd Tuesday	@ 8pm	J. Rutherford , L. Calligros, D. Buhse, K. Buhse
<u>Brisbane O.S.</u>	4th Monday	@ 8pm	R. Illingworth , B. Nicoll, M. Illingworth, J. Rooks.
<u>Beaudesert O & F.S.</u>	3rd Wednesday	@ 7.30pm	G. Yong Gee , D. Walker, <i>Vacant</i> .

Judges for Q.O.S. General Meeting on 11th March 2013

L. Vickers, E. Locke, L. Rapkins, A. Bergstrum, J. Rooks.

March Meeting Guest Speaker
Christene Dennis will speak and present
Information on the ANOS Kabi Conference
To be held on the last full weekend in August

Visiting Societies in March
This Meeting is the AGM,
there will not be any Guest Societies.



NEW AWARD
Award No. 2310812
Paph. Mariedia 'Marie'
Grown by J & M McCubbin
Awarded HCC/QOS
21st August, 2012
Points 77.3



**QUEENSLAND ORCHID SOCIETY INC.
GENERAL MEETING**

Red Hill Sports Club, 22 Fulcher Road, Red Hill

Minutes Monday 11TH February 2013

The President, Reg Illingworth, declared the meeting open at 8.00 pm and welcomed the members and people from other Societies.

Eulogy –Mr. Fred Kleimeyer: Fred passed away on Saturday 2nd February, he was 87 years old.

We were advised of his passing after his funeral as Fred wanted only family to be present.

Fred joined QOS on 14th March 1977, a Member for 36 years and was also a Life Member. Fred was also President of the Species Orchid Society for some years. He will be sadly missed. A minutes' silence was held in his honour.

We had a visitor, a new grower, Ms. Susan Taylor, also it was good to see Mr. Col Neucom from Townsville and Mr. Laurie Green from Atherton.

Some newly appointed AOC/QOS Judges were present, they were congratulated on becoming full Judges, Lynn Calligos, Kaye Buhse, David Buhse, Brent Nicol and John Rooks.

Apologies: As per the attendance book.

Raffle: Reg announced details of the raffle for the evening and prompted members to obtain their tickets. Twelve raffle prizes were later presented. The Raffle tickets were sold by Barry Kable and John Rooks.

Correspondence: Members were advised that the Committee had attended to all routine correspondence

Financial Report: The Treasurer, Nick Woolley, presented the financial report for the months of November, December 2012 and January 2013 and moved acceptance. Seconded by Albert Gibbard. These reports were on view on the notice table for Members to peruse.

Your Committee has agreed that once more QOS will donate \$250 to the Australian Orchid Council and \$1000 is to be donated to Youngcare Ltd. All Members present were in favour.

Our Easter Weekend Show is only a short time away, on the 29, 30, 31st March with set-up on Thursday 28th March. The Auditorium at Mt. Coot-tha will be open from 12noon on Thursday 28th.

Our Show Organiser, Albert Gibbard, spoke to the Members, asking all Members to help with the various jobs listed in the work book. Also mentioned that as many sale plants as possible would be good. Now is the time to start getting sale plants ready.

Supper: Reg thanked Margaret Horsey, Ray Doolan, and Myra Westphal for providing the excellent supper and working in the kitchen. Reg also thanked Barry Kable & John Rooks for selling Raffle tickets

Lew Smith, the Secretary for Gold Coast Orchid Society and his wife Jo were also at the meeting. Lew spoke to the Members giving information regarding their Society. Thanks Lew.

Barry Kable reminded everyone of the Trade Show for this year, the show will be held at the Beenleigh Showgrounds on 1, 2 & 3 March. This is always an interesting event, lots of orchids to buy from many different Nurseries.

Les Vickers presented AOC Awards to Ross Harvey, Les Flood, Steve Waters and Jim & Marie McCubbin. Congratulations to these people.

Les also paid tribute to Allan Alvis for the work he has done as the Queensland State Registrar over many year. All those Members present showed their appreciation by acclamation. Many Thanks Allan! Allen then responded.

Guest Speaker: This evening the President, Reg presented a program which was shown at the Perth Australian Conference by Mr. Fred Clark. The subject was Cycnoches, Mormodes and Catasetum Orchids. The programme was very interesting, as well as the different types of orchids.

Plants Tabled - Ken Webster provided the plant commentary for the night and Reg Illingworth assisted him. Thank you to Ken and Reg.

The Lucky Exhibitor was Les Vickers.

The Plant of Special Interest selected by the judges was *Dryadella gomes-ferreirae* from Brazil owned by Gary Yong Gee. Details will appear in the Bulletin.

Reg thanked Anne Kable and for attending to the benching for the night.

Closure - There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.45 pm. The President thanked the Members, Visitors and Judges for attending and wished all a safe journey home.

SPECIAL INTEREST PLANT
SPECIAL INTEREST PLANT OF THE MONTH

FEBRUARY 2013

Owners Name Gary Yong Gee

Plant Name *Dryadella gomes-ferreirae* Brazil

Judges Comments Very small, colourful, and well grown.
Two open flowers. Small and petite.

Owners Comments Covered greenhouse with polycarbonate sheeting. Overhead watering System and misting system under humidistat control.

Watering Every two days during warm months September till April. Every 3-4 days in winter. Plant is never allowed to remain dry for long periods.

Feeding Programme Once a week during Summer with Horticultural Solutions HSO22. Once a month in Winter with Horticultural Solutions HSO12.

Potting Medium Mounted on cork with moss growing around roots.

Other Cultural Comments

Brazilian species that seems to do better during cooler months



SHOWS FOR MARCH 2013

Beaudesert Dist Orchid & Foliage 9/10th March at Canungra School of Arts, 2 Pine Street
Queensland Orchid Society Easter Show 29/31 March Auditorium, Mt. Coot-tha—Set Up 28th
Bribie Island Orchid Society Easter Show 29/30 March at Student Centre at Bribie Island State High
Nambour Orchid Society 30th March, Uniting Church Hall, Coolum



Benching Results for February 2013



<p><u>JUDGES' CHOICE - HYBRID:</u></p> <p>1 <i>Vasco.</i> Jean's Delight R & M Illingworth 2 <i>Paph.</i> Mount Toro 'Granada' L Vickers 3 <i>C.</i> Caudebec Candy * L Baxter</p> <p><u>JUDGES' CHOICE - SPECIES:</u></p> <p>1 <i>Aerangis articulata</i> G Yong Gee 2 <i>Stanhopea inodoro</i> G Yong Gee 3 <i>B. cucullata</i> K & P Webster</p> <p><u>CATTLEYA EXHIBITION OVER 90mm</u></p> <p>1. <i>C.</i> Caudebec Candy * L Baxter 2. <i>Ctt.</i> Narooma x <i>Ctna.</i> Capri K & M Horsey 3. <i>Rlc.</i> Canyon Way N Woolley</p> <p><u>CATTLEYA EXHIBITION UP TO 90mm:</u></p> <p>1. <i>Rly.</i> Maili's Surprise 'Aisaka' K & M Horsey 2. <i>Gct.</i> Wataru Kimura K & M Horsey 3. <i>Hknsa.</i> Rest in Peace 'Fire Ball' K & M Horsey</p> <p><u>CATTLEYA NON-EXHIBITION:</u></p> <p>1. <i>C.</i> Amethydid * T Jenkins 2. <i>Ctt.</i> Chocolate Drop x <i>C. guttata</i> N Woolley</p> <p><u>DENDROBIUM</u></p> <p>1. <i>Den.</i> Gloucester Sands K & P Webster 2. <i>Den.</i> Alice's Rainbow K & P Webster 3. <i>Den.</i> Woo Leng 'Blue Lip' R & M Illingworth</p> <p><u>PAPHIOPEDILUM OTHER:</u></p> <p>1. <i>Paph.</i> Mount Toro 'Granada' L Vickers 2. <i>Paph.</i> Jurgen Roth M. Tierney 3. <i>Paph.</i> Colorkuli L Vickers</p>	<p><u>ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE:</u></p> <p>1. <i>Bak.</i> Paul Hansen 'Akiikii' M Tierney</p> <p><u>VANDACEOUS:</u></p> <p>1. <i>Vasco.</i> Jean's Delight R & M Illingworth 2. <i>Rhctm.</i> Ladda Gold * L Baxter 3. <i>Aer.</i> Korat Koki 'Springwood' R & M Illingworth</p> <p><u>PHALAENOPSIS:</u></p> <p>1. <i>Phal.</i> Leopard Prince 'Seasons Prince' G. Grant 2. <i>Dtps.</i> K S Big Class * G. Grant 3. <i>Dtps.</i> Ox X-Ray G. Grant</p> <p><u>SPECIES SYMPODIAL :</u></p> <p>1 <i>Stanhopea inodora</i> G Yong Gee 2 <i>B. cucullata</i> K & P Webster 3 <i>Dryadella gomes-ferreirae</i> G Yong Gee</p> <p><u>SPECIES OTHER:</u></p> <p>1. <i>Aerangis articulata</i> G Yong Gee 2. <i>Phal. cornu-cervi</i> G Yong Gee 3. <i>Phal. cornu-cervi</i> K & P Webster</p> <p><u>AUSTRALIAN NATIVE SPECIES</u></p> <p>1. <i>Carparomorchis (Crp.) baileyi</i> G Yong Gee</p> <p><u>AUSTRALIAN NATIVE HYBRID</u></p> <p>1. <i>Sarco. reichenbakiana</i> 'Yellow' x <i>Dor. pulcherrima</i> M Tierney 2. <i>Sarco.</i> Cindy M Tierney 3. <i>Sarco.</i> Cindy M Tierney</p> <p>Orchids with an * asterix after the name indicates the plant has been registered. Please change your name tag.</p>
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QOS AUTUMN EASTER SHOW 2013

This show is on Good Friday 29, Saturday 30th, Sunday 31st March 2013

Set Up is on Thursday 28th Benching from 2pm until 7pm

Members are needed to help set up the Hall from approx. 12 noon
 Please ring Albert Gibbard, our Show Organiser on 3269 1631 and let him know
 when you can work

The Workbook will be available at the March meeting, please make sure your name is
 in the book for when you can work, help make this a great Show.

Get your sale plants ready we need as many as you can supply. Make sure they are in
 good condition not falling out of pots, etc.

On the Bench

Photography by Jim McCubbin

Judges Choice Hybrid



Plant :- *Vasco. Jean's Delight*
 Grower :- R & M Illingworth

Judges Choice Species



Plant :- *Aerangis articulata*
 Grower :- G Yong Gee



Plant :- *C. Caudebec Candy*
 Grower :- L Baxter



Plant :- *Den. Gloucester Sands*
 Grower :- K & P Webster



Plant:- *Rly. Maili's Surprise 'Aisaka'*
 Grower:- K & M Horsey



Plant :- *Bak. Paul Hansen 'Akiikii'*
 Grower :- M Tierney



Plant :- *Paph. Mount Toro 'Granada'*
 Grower:- L Vickers



Plant :- *Phal. Leopard Prince 'Seasons Prince'*
 Grower :- G. Grant



Plant: *Stanhopea inodora*
 Grower: G Yong Gee



Plant :- *Dryadella gomes-ferreirae*
 Grower :- G Yong Gee



Plant :- *C. Amethydid*
 Grower :- T. Jenkins

GROWING CYCNOCHES AS MOTHER NATURE WOULD

TEXT AND PHOTOGRAPHS BY FRED CLARKE

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CYCNOCHES IS A GENUS OF 34 SPECIES native to tropical America. The flowers are swan shaped and cascade down on pendulous inflorescences of 7–30 blossoms, depending on the species. Closely related genera include *Catasetum*, *Mormodes* and *Clowesia*. Their unique flowers, method of pollination, growth habit and dormancy period make these remarkable orchids and excellent plants for the hobbyist. *Cycnoches* have a well-defined growth and rest periods each year. Understanding how the weather influences their annual growth and flowering cycle will make you a better grower and lead you to awe-inspiring floral displays.

One of the most interesting things about *Cycnoches* is that the flowers are sexually dimorphic. This is where a single plant can produce flowers that are either male or female. In my experience, flower sex is determined by the environment. Plants that

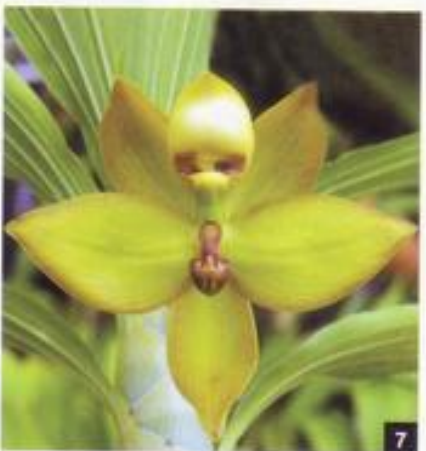
are mature and receive the right amount of light, moisture and fertilizer are more likely to produce female flowers. Plants that are small and are grown in low light or extremely bright light are most likely to bloom male. The reason for this may relate to the plant's resources. It takes a lot of energy for a plant to hold and mature a seed capsule through the dormant period of winter, and it makes sense that the largest plants growing in the best locations would produce female flowers.

Cycnoches plants have adapted in nature to growing where there is a wet summer followed by a dry winter period. The plants begin their growth cycle during the lengthening days of spring and are in active growth during the wet summer months. Flowering begins with the onset of shortening days and diminishing rains in the autumn. In winter, with short days, cool nights and an end to the rains, the

- [1] *Cycnoches* Richard Brandon 'Nice Different' (*warscewiczii* x Jean E. Monnier). Grower all plants: Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids.
- [2] *Cycnoches* Richard Brandon 'Sunset Valley Orchids'.
- [3] *Cycnoches* Richard Brandon 'Sunset Valley Orchids', female flower.

plants prepare for dormancy by dropping their foliage. This is the plant's adaptation to conserve moisture and survive until spring. Few orchid plants go through such a dramatic change based on strongly seasonal conditions, but once you understand these requirements and adjust your culture accordingly, *Cycnoches* will become some of the most rewarding orchids in your collection.

A SEASON-BY-SEASON GUIDE As with all orchids, closely duplicating the



- [4] *Cycnoches cooperi*, female flowers.
- [5] *Cycnoches cooperi* 'Sunset Valley Orchids III', FCC/AOS.
- [6] *Cycnoches Chloroge* 'Everglades' (*chlorochilon* x *loddigesii*).
- [7] *Cycnoches Jumbo Cooper* (*warscewiczii* x *cooperi*), female flower.

NEW AOC AWARD FEES

As from the 1st July 2012, Australian Orchid Council Award fees will increase as follows –

AOC Award Fee	\$35.00
GST	<u>\$ 3.50</u>
	\$38.50
Service Fee	<u>\$11.50</u>
Total	\$50.00

When a plant receives two awards at the same time the AOC fee is \$35 00

GST	<u>\$ 3.50</u>
	\$38.50 For the First Award
and a further	\$10 00
	<u>\$ 1 00GST</u>
	\$49.50 For a Dual Award

The Regional charges for a Dual Award will be \$61.00 – i.e. \$50 + \$11

The charges referred to above are outlined in Minutes of Meeting Judging & Awards Standing Committee (J & ASC) held recently.

AWARD JUDGING REQUIREMENT

24 hours notice is required for Award Judging at QOS meetings

48 hours notice is required for Award Judging at all other venues.

For QOS Awards please contact Athol Rosenberg
Phone 4635 2274 Or the area Representative

For AOC Awards please contact Les Vickers -Phone 3396
8060 Or Allan Alvis – Phone 3272 6639

Notes From the March Committee Meeting 2013

The Committee has recommended a new Member to you Ms. Caroline de Lore from West End. Welcome Caroline. Please make Caroline welcome and answer any questions she may have about her orchids.

Affiliated Societies please note that QOS have received our Show Dates at the Mt. Coot-tha Auditorium for 2014 they are -
11, 12, 13 April 2014 and 19, 20, 21st September 2014.

There are a couple of Magazines on the entry table for you to read, interesting articles in them, they are Australian Orchid Review, American O.S. 'Orchids' & Cynoches Species & Hybrids. Keep up to date with new information.

On behalf of the Queensland Orchid Society I have recently supplied details and images for 480 QOS awards to Alex Maximiano, Developer, OrchidWiz.

The earliest Award was 1295 Paphiopedilum sukhakulii 'Lindy' Grown by K & F Lindeman. It received a HCC with 79 points on 18th September 1996.

The most recent Award was 2301012 Tolumnia (Tolu) Kyelle's Dream 'Pink Mier' Grown by S & D Waters. It received a HCC with 78.4 points on 17th October 2012.

The current intention is to update the QOS awards on OrchidWiz on an annual basis. My thanks to Athol Rosenberg for his assistance in making this happen.

Charlie Edwards

Following the AOC Judges meeting on Thursday 14th March at 7:30pm, the QOS Judges meeting will convene, at the Red Hill Community Centre as usual. If there are any topics that need attention please submit prior to the meeting.

Athol Rosenberg



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Payable on the 1st January each year.