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Next Meeting 27th July including WINTER SHOW

**TOOWOOMBA ORCHID SOCIETY INC. . General Meeting Minutes
22nd June, at St Paul's Church, Phillip St, Toowoomba.**

The meeting was declared open at 7.40pm by President Paul Noone, who welcomed all those present.

Visitors: Tania (with Michael) **New Members:** Julieann Berghofer

Apologies. As per the attendance book plus B Polzin, D Woolf, B & K Williams, J Sheath, A & J Miller, C, D & R Crees, C & E Dedekind.

Sick List: Jim Miller **Judges for the night:** R. Dix, G. Vettiger, T. Deans & B. Lander.

Minutes: The minutes for the May 2012 meeting, as printed in Tan Bark as being true and correct, was moved by K. Baker and seconded by D Howell, All those in favour, carried.

Inwards Correspondence:

Letters & Emails: Letter from Chronicle re Spring Show advert, Thank you letter from Rosenbergs.

Newsletters & Bulletins; NOSTI, Bribie Island O S, QOS, Townsville O S, Bundaberg, EDOS, Southport OS of NSW.

Show Schedules & Flyers; Gold Coast District OS re their Spring Show.

Publications; Orchids Australia & Australian Orchid Review.

TOS Outward Correspondence:

Email; Nil

Letters; Welcome letter to Julieann Berghofer.

Thank-you letter to Ian MacFarlane's office for printing.

Get well card to Jim Miller

Acceptance & Endorsement: Moved by J Terry that the Inward correspondence be accepted and Outward correspondence be endorsed. Seconded by B. Klemm. All in favour – carried.

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Bob Lander presented the financial report showing a credit balance in the working account of \$3448.07. Bob moved that the financial report be accepted. Seconded by M Howell - carried.

Bob, also reminded members of the next Happy Diners to be held at the Farmers Arms.

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Fourth Friday of each month at 7.30pm, except September & December.

Venue: St. Paul's Hall
Cnr. James and Phillip St
Toowoomba

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General Business:

1. The Winter Show will be setup and Judged at our next meeting on 27th July. Murray reminded helpers to be at the Melco shed at 2pm and the hall at 3pm and all plants must be in by 6pm on meeting night. There will be an after show lunch at the Federal Hotel at 11.30 on Sunday 29th July.
2. Further to discussion at last meeting and the suggestion of publishing separate newsletters for public and members John Woolf moved that financial details and committee minutes not be printed in Tanbark but be available at the front desk on meeting night. The motion was seconded by C Harriman and was carried.
3. Paul reminded members that subscriptions are well over due and failing to remedy this will result in the cessation of Tanbark delivery.
4. Autumn Show trophies were handed out to winners not present at last meeting.
5. Black cardboard for mounting photographs on for the Spring show photo comp were displayed and available. Further supplies will be available next meeting.
6. Bruce Vayro gave us all an update on their relocation as the result of the January 2011 flood.
7. Reg Dix provided the meeting with new information on orchid nomenclature. If you wish to establish the correct generic name of an orchid you could consult the RHS website or see Reg at future meetings.
8. Suggestion box in the foyer. Keep them coming.

Speakers for the Night. Kev Baker gave an informative talk on the culture of Laelias or they've probably been renamed Cattleyas by now. Kev spoke about their rewarding blooms and ease of growth in this area. There were also several beautiful slides of excellent plants grown by members. This was followed by a presentation by John Woolf on hybridisation of Oncidiums and other genera. It's always interesting to see parents and progeny on display together. Orchids that is. Thanks to both speakers.

COMPETITION RESULTS:

\$10.00 Judges Choice Species: B & B Klemm

\$10.00 Judges Choice Hybrid: G & J Bloodworth

\$7.50 Novice: The Newby Family

Following the drawing of the raffles, the President thanked everybody for coming and wished all a safe trip home. The meeting closed at 9.45pm

Date Claimers & Information for Members

TOSCA –Toowoomba Orchid Society Cultural Afternoon

The next TOSCA will be at 2pm on 11th of August at the home of Graham and Shirley Vettiger. 373 West St. Toowoomba. Please bring a plate for afternoon tea.

New and Novice Growers Group

The next New & Novice Growers Group will be at the home of Bob and Betty Lander 33 Diosma Dr. Highfields on Saturday the 14th July at 2.00pm – Bring something to share for afternoon tea please.'

TOS Shows

Winter Show - 28th July from 8.30am to 5pm - St. Pauls Church Hall, Crnr James and Phillips St.

Spring Show - 21st to 26th September – **Orchids** at Centenary Heights State School Hall, Ramsay St. & **Bromeliads** at St. Pauls Church Hall, Crnr James and Phillips St.

Summer Show - 27th October 8am to 5pm at St. Pauls Church Hall.

Guest speaker /Presentation

Next Meeting - Kev Baker will give us the good info on Encyclias. John Terry will tell us how he grows Cymbidiums and if time permits will also talk on the effects of nitrogenous fertilisers on the pH of the substrate (potting mix).

Jim Miller has now been transferred to Saint Andrews Hospital Toowoomba.
Inge Anderson is also on the sick list and is in Saint Andrews Hospital as well.
We wish them both a speedy recovery.

Happy Diners

Date	Venue	Time
5 th July 2012	Farmers Arms Hotel, New England highway, Cabarlah	11.30am
2 nd Aug. 2012	West Lake Chinese Restaurant, Anzac Ave. (opposite Clifford Gardens)	11.30am
6 th Sept. 2012	The Bull & Barley Hotel, 61 Eton Street, Cambooya	11.30am
4 th Oct. 2012	The Stock Exchange Hotel, Anzac Avenue, Toowoomba	11.30am
1 st Nov. 2012	The Meringandan Hotel, Main Street, Meringandan	11.30am
6 th Dec. 2012	The Wilsonton Hotel, 40 Richmond Drive, Wilsonton	11.30am
3 rd Jan. 2013	The Hockey Club, 564 Boundary Street, Glenvale	11.30am

Diary

19th AOC Orchid Conference and Show 11th – 16th September 2012. Perth, Western Australia.

ANOS – Native Orchid Show – 25th – 26th August. Lions Hall, Lawnton Showgrounds, 757 Gympie Rd. Lawnton

John Oxley District OS – 21st – 22nd July. Auditorium, Botanical Gardens, Mt. Coot-Tha Brisbane.

Logan & District OS – 25th – 26th August. Logan Central Community Centre. Logan

Queensland Orchid Society – 21 – 23rd September. Auditorium, Botanical Gardens, Mt. Coot-Tha Brisbane.

TAPS – (The Aust. Paphiopedilum Society) Mini show & cent auction. 3rd July at 7.30pm TLC Hall, Crnr. Grey & Peel St. South Brisbane.

Reminder: Could all members with winter show trophies please return them next meeting.

Buy, Swap or Sell

Pots, Pot hangers & Tags – Graham Vettiger Phone: 46353731.

Graham also has some Coffee Mugs and Glasses with the society logo. Mugs \$6, Glasses \$5.00, Bark, Perlite, Peat etc. and all other orchid necessities including plants – Woolf Orchid Culture Phone 4630 1788

Bush House for Sale; - Peters Glen Shade house - 2.4 meters x 4.4 meters complete with shade cloth and benching. Make an offer – Russ Benson – Phone 46383547.

Want to buy or sell some orchid or orchid related item – this is your forum.

Contact the editor.

Winter Show: As mentioned earlier, our next meeting will be part of the setup and judging of our winter show. Helpers to transport props to the hall should be at the Melco shed at 2.00pm, Set up at the hall will be at 3.00pm. **All plants to be benched by 6.00pm.** So if you bring your plants along at normal meeting time you'll be too late.

A Word from the Treasurer

Dear members,

Next year will be a busy year for Betty and I as we are contemplating a possible move with the view of down-sizing somewhat and I thought it might be an idea to start now with finding someone to take over the job of treasurer.

It's quite an easy job really with a couple of times a year when it's a bit busier such as at the Spring Show and maybe early in the year when most members pay their membership.

If someone would come forward now we could work together for the rest of the year so as to become familiar with the job and ensure a smooth takeover next year.

Thanks

Bob and Betty

OrchidWiz News – Just to let all you members that use OrchidWiz know that although some sectors of the orchid establishment in Australia have been slow to make photos available to OrchidWiz, one of our own members, John Woolf has provided over 800 photo to help make life a little easier for us orchid growers. *Thank you John*

22/6/2012 Results

Category	Name of Plant	Owner
Australian Native Hybrid	Sarco. Sun Spot	M Zink
Species Miniature	Mobilabium <i>hamatum</i>	M Zink
Species Other	Paph. <i>villosum</i>	B & B Klemm
Exotic Hybrid	Ascda. Princess Mackasa 'Sapphire'	G & J Bloodworth
Seedling	Paph. Hunters Red x Personnella	J & C Terry
Novice	Paph. Leeantum	Newby Family
Plant of Interest	Dryadella Zebrina 'Wyl'd'	K & Y Baker
Cultural Plant	Cym. Jess's Luck 'Jenny'	M & R Bishop
Golden Oldie	Cym. <i>tracyanum</i> 'Superior No 1'	M & R Bishop
Judges Choice - 1 st	Ascda. Princess Mackasa 'Sapphire'	G & J Bloodworth
Judges Choice - 2 nd	Paph. Double Deception x Singing Minstrel	M & K Ferguson
Judges Choice - 3 rd	Wils. Zoe's Fire 'Floricultura'	M & K Ferguson
Judges Choice - Species - 1 st	Paph. <i>villosum</i>	B & B Klemm
Judges Choice - Species - 2 nd	<i>C. coccinea</i> 'Perky'	K & Y Baker
Judges Choice - Species - 3 rd	Dryadella Zebrina 'Wyl'd'	K & Y Baker
Popular Vote Hybrid	Ascda. Princess Mackasa 'Sapphire'	G & J Bloodworth
Popular Vote Species	<i>C. coccinea</i> 'Perky'	K & Y Baker
Popular Vote Foliage	Vriesia Roro	H. Scholl

New Label: Paph. Double Deception x Singing Minstrel = Paph. Double Delight

Sarco. *falcatus* x Sarco. Fitzhart = Sarco. Sun Spot



Sarco. Sun Spot



Mobilabium *hamatum*



Paph. *villosum*



Ascda. Princess Mackasa 'Sapphire'



Paph. Hunters Red x Personnella



Paph. Leeantum



Dryadella *zebrina* 'Wyl'd'



Cym. Jess's Luck



Cym. *tracyanum* 'Superior No 1'



Paph. Double Deception x Singing Minstrel



C. coccinea 'Perky'



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My Plants and How I Grow Them - by Murray Ferguson

The Orchid House is of steel construction with Alsonite and iron on the roof; north wall is Iron to waist height then Alsonite and iron & glass windows/louvers on the eastern wall. The remainder is iron. Western and southern wall are insulated with fibreglass bats, builders paper and plastic. Overall dimensions are 11 meters by 6 meters with plenty of height inside. It is a hot and cold house which enables me to grow a variety of orchids with a reasonable amount of success. The current structure is just over 15 years old and has evolved to what it is today as I strived to get the best conditions for my plants. I also only water with tank water.

The house is cooled during the summer months by a large evaporative cooler that switches on at 25°C & holds the temperature to a max of 32°C. Under bench sprays (when used) and overhead misters add to the humidity and aid cooling. Various other methods of cooling were used through the years and still form part of the overall plan. I.e. additional sheets of iron on the roof. The Northern end is also heated (some 5 meters by 4 meters) by natural gas through a commercial gas heater. This area is divided off by plastic curtains, which I drop down around Anzac Day and lift around spring show time. The heated portion I heat to approx 15°C whilst the cold end will get down to 3°C.

I would suggest that this is by no means the end of the evolvement of the glasshouse but it is getting to that end. The plants that I grow at the cool end are Paphiopedilums – ranging from the Classics to Maudiae types, Species and Multi Florals that basically hang from joists or are in high positions on the staged benches (these would get higher temperatures probably to 38c). The Paphs are all grown in deep plastic pots. The mix is bark with charcoal, coir & perlite in equal portions. Mini, small, medium) depending on pot size. Paphs would make up 45% of my collection.

Growing with them are Phragmipediums, which I grow in a finer mix of 75% bark and 25% charcoal but the plants are in water all the time. They need good light so they are grown in a higher light area.

Also Masdavallias seem to like it there but are placed so that they receive a good amount of cool air from the A/C. They are in a fine mix very similar to the small Paphs. The temperature would rarely get over about 28°C where they are positioned. They also have overhead misting sprays to help moderate the temperature.

I also dabble in a few Odonts and similar genera that are basically grown in the same mix as my Paphs.

The other main genera, I grow here are Vandas and allied genera i.e. Aerides, Rhyncostylis and some Ascocendas. The Aerides and Rhyncostylis grow better in the “Cold” end as they do not need the same heat. These are all hanging, mainly in baskets but some in pots ranging from no mix to a fairly coarse mix.

In the “Hot” end of the glasshouse grow another 40% of the plants, Phalaenopsis. As you know these are the ones that supposedly need heat, I have grown them with min temps of around 8°C and whilst they slow down you can still get growth on them especially if there is Doritis in the background, as they will tolerate the cold to a greater extent. These plants are grown in a more open mix than the Paphs as they do not like to be as moist but I still add the 25% charcoal to the bark. Once again I vary the size of the bark and charcoal to the size of the pot that the plant is going into.

In this end are also some Ascocendas etc that hang over the Phals (I can't say that the ones in the “Hot” end grow any better or worse than those in the “Cold” end.

Scattered through are a few other little gems mainly botanical types that have caught my eye at different nurseries. These are the types of orchids and methods that work for me. I make sure that I repot any orchid that I get into “MY MIX” straight away. I cannot emphasize that enough as it needs to be in the same pot/mix that the remainder of your plants are in so that they will not dry out or get too wet as you do your normal watering regime.

I use Horticultural Solutions fertilizer (genera specific) and am currently trialling their liquid fertilizer on the Phallies and alternate with Fish Emulsion, Maxicrop, Seasol, and Nitrosol. Once a year I normally supplement with Epsom Salts, Molasses, Calcium, Dolomite and other trace minerals. *Murray & Kath Ferguson*

CHAMPIONS OF AUTUMN SHOW

CHAMPIONS	
Grand Champion Onc. Hearts of Gold 'Cleo'	D & C Woolf
Reserve Champion Paph. wardii	D & C Woolf
Champion Specimen Rossioglossum grande	D & C Woolf
Champion Species Paph. wardii	D & C Woolf
Champion Seedling Onc. Hearts of Gold 'Cleo'	D & C Woolf
Champion Cattleya Soph. fidelensis	D & C Woolf
Champion Cymbidium Cym. Gypsy Rose 'Princes'	J & C Terry
Champion Oncidium Onc. Sundown x Golden Sun	D & C Woolf
Champion Oncidiinae Odcdm. Bittersweet 'Black Rose'	D & C Woolf
Champion Paphiopedilum Paph wardii	D & C Woolf
Champion Phalaenopsis Dtps. Chain Xen 'Super Idol'	M & K Ferguson
Champion Restrepia Cuprea	M & K Ferguson
Champion Zygopetalum Z.Titanic Pinafore x Zba. Beenak Jester	P Noone
Champion Any Other Genus Lycaste xytrophora	J & C Terry
Champion Australian Native Hybrid Den. Hilda Poxon	G & J Bloodworth
Champion Novice Rlc.Brunswick Gem 'Coral'	T Deans
Champion Dendrobium Den. Burana Pearl x Chao Praya Gem	R Dix
Champion Foliage Vriesia 'Chestnut' Hybrid	B Polzin



President Paul congratulates John Terry



President Paul congratulates Murray Ferguson



President Paul congratulates Gordon Bloodworth

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TOS Christmas Party 2012

To assist us in making this Christmas party one to remember can you please fill in the following questionnaire.

Please Tick the boxes of your choice

What price range suits you?

\$15 \$20 \$25 \$ 35

Would you prefer –BBQ at private home or meeting hall

Club (Bowls etc)

Spit Roast at meeting hall

(Christmas Golden Roast \$23.75, meats, vegies, salads, bread, condiments, 4 desserts & tea & coffee)

Other.....

What day suits – Meeting night Saturday night Sunday lunch

What type of food – cold meats & salad hot meats and vegies

hot meats and salad mix of both BBQ

pre dinner nibbles – cold hot

dessert

drinks - Tea & Coffee Soft drink

Beer Wine BYO

Will you be coming – yes

If BBQ selected, to keep the prices down ask members to bring along an allocated desert and pre dinner nibbles, if we were having it at the hall or private home.

Please fill out this questionnaire and return it to John Woolf or John Terry.

Thank you for your assistance.