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Calendar of Events

Memberships became due as of October AGM.

April General Meeting will be held on 15th at the Sporting Wheelies Hall on Bridge Road, starting at 7.30pm.

New Growers Workshop on 24th, hosted by Rod Shoesmith at 67 Grendon St Nth Mackay, starting at 2pm.

Points of Interest

- Members are requested to bring in an orchid, plant or another item to donate for the raffle at each General Meeting & assistance is appreciated to tidy the Hall after the Meeting finishes.
- **A reminder to Members** - You must own an orchid for a minimum of 3 months before it is eligible to be entered in the Monthly Popular Vote.
- Please have your Popular Vote Orchids tabled **at least 15 minutes** prior the start of the meeting.
- MDOS is looking for volunteers to present a talk at the General Monthly Meetings. It could be about a particular type of Orchid or common diseases or even your setup in your shade-house. Please let Dennis or Ros know if you are interested.
- We still have a vacant spot in November on our **Supper Roster**.
- Pests & Diseases reference site: **www.staugorchidsociety.org**
- MDOS has a Facebook page. Like us on Facebook.

General Meeting Supper Roster 2021

April	Carmel Cristaldi & Rose Brownsey	May	Ron Bassan & Christine Cotterall
June	Merv Toon & Peter Milward	July	Delores Micallef & Ken Drury
August	Carolyn Ischenko & Helen Fleming	September	Doug Penningh & Ian Pilcher
October	AGM (MDOS)	November	*

Birthdays

Many happy returns to those members whose birthdays are in April.

3 rd	Christine Cotterall & Pat Nolan	10 th	Ryan Hardy & Graham Stabler
13 th	Ross Stephen	29 th	Marcel Micallef
		30 th	Lyn Whitmore

PRESIDENTS REPORT – APRIL 2021

We ran our first orchid show since 26th & 27th October 2019, nearly exactly 17 months between shows thanks to COVID. The show was a success with multiple positive comments from the general public and members alike, resulting in seven new members and a number of other members of the public giving serious consideration about becoming members. All in all, it was a very rewarding show in promoting orchid growing in the Mackay region. There were a few changes on how we conducted the show, a larger venue with extra room and ample parking for the general public. The committee will hold a de-brief on the show at the next committee meeting. Members will also be able to contribute on how we can improve the show as it will be an agenda item at the next General Meeting. It was wonderful to see Pauline & Ken Webster, long term MDOS members who reside in Brisbane, at the Autumn show. The last time a number of us caught up with Pauline & Ken was in Perth in 2017 at an orchid conference. Ken has had a few health issues however it was great to see him up and about.

Congratulations to Doug and Eve on taking out both the Show Champion and Reserve Champion with a lovely Rlc. Mem. Beryl Gilotti 'Eisie' and an extremely well grown Den. bigibbum respectively. Also a big congratulations to the "new kids on the block" Roger and Debbie Clark with their Bc. Hawaii Stars 'One Only' for taking out the Champion Novice. Congratulations to all the exhibitors who took the time to enter plants into the show, without their efforts there would have been no show. A very large thank you to all the members who assisted in the set-up on Thursday and the running of the show on Friday and Saturday. It was very pleasing to see the number of members who stayed back on Saturday or arranged to return on Saturday afternoon to assist with the dismantling of the show and the clean up of the hall.

On behalf of MDOS Committee, I wish to sincerely thank our long term members Iris and David Getta, Mackay Orchids, who again generously donated the door raffle. Iris has again taken the time, as she does with every show each year, to assemble a basket of flowering orchids and other items in a wonderful display that woos the public into buying the raffle tickets in the hope of winning. The display makes it easy for the ticket sellers to sell the tickets. The winner of the Autumn Show raffle was Wayne Culla, who a number of members know through purchasing irrigation equipment from Dowden's. The word on the grapevine is that Wayne is seriously considering joining MDOS.

The 3rd New Growers Workshops is scheduled for 24th April at Rod Shoesmith's residence at 67 Grendon St, North Mackay. Entry is via the rear of the house. The workshop subject is: Insecticides for various pests, fungicides for various diseases. What N-P-K represents, when to use fertilizers with high nitrogen or high phosphorus fertilizers etc. and which fertilizers to use in the growing and flowering seasons. The 2nd New Growers Workshop held at Merv and Helen Toon's was well attended and the questions were fired at the presenters on a regular basis.

Bev Rush has decided to relinquish the position of Property Officer and the Society is calling for nominations for someone to step into the position on a short term or preferably on a long term basis. If no one fills the position, then the Property Officer position may have to be wound up. Please give it some thought if you can take on this position. On behalf of the MDOS Committee and members, I wish to thank Bev and Trevor on their dedication and tireless work they have devoted to the position of Property Officer.

MDOS are again running the North Queensland Orchid Fair on June 5th & 6th at the Townsville Table Tennis Hall at 60 Charters Towers Road, Townsville. The initial orchid Fair in 2019 was a great success however the COVID Pandemic caused us to cancel the 2020 event, and we are planning on surpassing the 2019 event. The Banjo Patterson Motel is again the preferred accommodation (Contact: 4725 2333, Email: banjo.paterson@bigpond.com), the motel has reserved all the rooms for that weekend for the orchid fraternity. If you plan on attending the NQ Orchid Fair, I suggest your book your accommodation ASAP as the motel is filling up fast. The motel managers, Annette and Greg, really looked after us in 2019, and while we had a great time at the Orchid Fair, we certainly enjoy the comradery of sharing the odd lemonade with orchid growers from other societies back at the motel over dinner or around the pool.

If you cannot attend the NQ Orchid Fair, MDOS have 50 raffle tickets to presell at \$1 each, these will be available at the General Meeting. First prize in the 2019 raffle consisted of basically a small orchid collection of approximately 25 orchids of various genera.

Happy Orchid Growing.

Kind Regards,

Dennis Farlow

MDOS President

Mackay and District Orchid Society Inc

Committee Meeting

Date 04/03/2021

Location: Rod Shoemsmith residence.

Opened by President: Dennis Farlow

Time: 4.24pm

Attendance:

E. Penningh, D. Micallef, D. Farlow, R. Clark, J. Turner, C. Mifsud, D. Clarke, Ros Farlow.

Apologies:

C. Green

Visitors: Nil

Previous Committee Minutes as printed and distributed:

“that the minutes as printed be confirmed as a true and correct record”.

Moved: D. Clark

2nd: J. Turner

Carried: Y

Business Arising from Minutes:

The email address for New Members Don and Anita does not perform. Jay will phone them and get them to send an email to her.

Correspondence: – Inwards:

- TQOC in Townsville is still going ahead 06/03/21. Dennis Farlow is going.
- TQOC has sent their Flyer for the TQOC Fair in June.
- Invoice from Mackay Trophy House.
- Letter from Muir and Gedda Families re Autumn Show.

Newsletters:

- QOS Bulletin, Herbert River, TATTOS, Townsville Bulletin.

Correspondence – Outwards:

- Dennis – Sporting Wheelies for an invoice not a statement for Fees for the hall.
- Rod – Notification for all NQ clubs for NQ Fair.

“that the inwards be received, and the outwards endorsed.

Moved: R. Shoemsmith

2nd: R. Clarke

Carried: Y

Business Arising from Correspondence:

- The Trophy house was questioned. We seem to have a lot of bills for their mistakes. Maybe we could look at changing Trophy inscribers.

Treasurer’s Report:

Read by: Eve Penningh (Treasure)

Moved: E. Penningh:

“that this report be accepted, and accounts passed for payment”.

2nd: R. Shoemsmith

Carried: Y

General Business:

- Application for Membership: Trevor Foster. Proposed R. Shoemsmith 2nd D. Farlow Approved by the committee.
- D. Micallef bought 300 Plastic plates for Autumn Show.
- E. Penningh asked if a meeting could be held before the show. There are a lot of logistics to get it going. This can be discussed at the general meeting to show members how this will work. The meeting will be held at R. Shoemsmith residence, Monday 15th 4.30pm. Signs for the show must be gotten. Dennis Farlow will ring Peter Milward and ask him to order them.

The Show will be placed on Face Book Community Board. All plants for sale must be in good order. No pests, clean pots and plants should be what you would like to buy. No plants falling out of pots. Plants will be vetted before the show.

- New Growers Group held at Doug and Eve Penningh – Went well. 22 members showed up. Doug cut up wire, showed the members how to stake flowers and how to present. The members asked a lot of questions.
- Sally Muir and David Gedda letter - Dennis Farlow to give Sally Muir a phone call and speak to her about this letter.

Next Meeting:

Being no further business,

Meeting closed: 5.20 PM

Have a safe trip home.

Next committee meeting: 01/04/2020

Mackay and District Orchid Society Inc

General Meeting

18/03/2021

Location: Sporting Wheelies

Opened by President: Dennis Farlow

Time: 7.35pm

Attendance & Apologies:

As per attendance book

Visitors: Nil

- What a lovely display of orchids tonight. We should all be immensely proud of ourselves.
- At the general meetings – plants are to be tabled by 7.15pm. This gives the stewards time to ensure all plants are in the correct section.
- When plants are tabled, please ensure they can stand by themselves. If not, place in a bigger pot with stones to ensure it will stand alone.

Previous Minutes as printed be Accepted:

“that the minutes as printed be confirmed”.

Moved: J. Turner

2nd: R. Clark

Carried: Y

Business Arising from Minutes:

- D. Farlow rang S. Muir. She let him know that she is not happy about the way the orchids sales are going to be held. It was explained to Sally that most societies now do it this way. As it is trial, and the committee wants to free a lot of people up to work.

Correspondence – Inwards:

Newsletters:

- Herbert River, TATTOS
- QOS Show Schedule

MAIL:

Correspondence – Outwards:

- Acceptance Membership letter to Trevor Foster.

Moved: R. Bassan

2nd: M. Toon

Carried: Y

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Treasurer's Report

Read by Eve Penningh

General Business

- 25th, 26th 27th March Autumn Show for 2021. Set up is Thursday 25th, 12.00pm. All show plants are to be tabled by 2.45pm. Judging will start at 3.00pm. COVID 19 is top priority. There will be a QR code so people can do this on their phone. The computer will also be there for public that cannot do this. Members were informed on how to show plants with numbers. Also, members were informed on how to sell their plants. If members could volunteer their time to make this a successful show. Members are also reminded to have 5 plants in the show before they can sell plants.
- New growers' group will be held at Merv. and Helen Toons residence, 20th March. The talk will be on what type of pots and what medium you would plant in.
- TQOC Orchid Fair in Townsville – Book now at Banjo Patterson's Motel. It has now been ¾ booked.
- NQOS contacted D. Farlow. A number from the society will be visiting a couple of greenhouses to visit. The NQOS would like names and places to visit.
- 2022 WOC in Perth has been cancelled. The WOC organising committee decided to cancel it and the next WOC will be in Taiwan in 2024.
- Bev Rush has relinquished the position as Property Officer of MDOS. The President Dennis Farlow thanked Bev. Rush for all her and Trevor's hard work over the years. **Nominations are being called, as Property Officer.** If nobody is willing to take this position on then, it will go back to everybody buying all their own pots and medium.
- It was great to see 6 out of 11 classes were won tonight by new growers. As Dennis Farlow says, "if you don't show you will never know." Congrats to all the winners tonight.

Thank you, Christine Mifsud, & Ron & Joanne Laird **for tonight's eats.**

Smoko Roster for Next Meeting: Carmel Christaldi & Rose Brownsey.

Plant for disposal: Kari

Lucky Door: Roger Clark

Being no more business:

Meeting Closed: 9.15pm

Have a safe trip home.

Next Meeting: 15/04/2020

Growers Tip

RAID Oneshot is good for controlling Dendrobium Beetles & Slugs.
If you have a problem with ants, put some **ANTRID** on a plastic label and place it in the ants' pathway.

Popular Vote Results...March General Meeting

Place	Plant Name	Owner
First Flowering		
1	Den. Fraser's Mosaic Spiral x Fraser's Red Dragon	D. & E. Penningh
2	Rlc. Sunshine Sunset	M. & D. Micallef
3	Den. bigibbum var. compactum	M. & D. Micallef
Dendrobiums		
1	Den. Kasem Gold	K. Drury
2	Den. tapiniense	R. Bassan
3	Den. Nopporn Pink	M. & D. Micallef
Exotic Species		
1	<i>V. utsi</i>	R. Bassan
2	<i>Bulb. makoyanum</i>	D. & R. Farlow
3	<i>Bulb. annandalei</i>	D. & R. Farlow
Australian Native Hybrids		
1	Den. superbum	R. Bassan
2	Den. Mini Compactum x Den. affine	R. Bassan
3	Den. superbum	K. Morgan
Australian Native Species		
1	<i>Den. Unknown</i>	P. Milward
2	<i>Den. bigibbum var. superbum "Stripe Best"</i>	D. & R. Farlow
3	<i>Den. bigibbum</i>	R. Bassan
3	<i>V. hindsii</i>	R. Bassan
Novice		
1	Cat. Unknown	R. & D. Clark
2	Den. Burana Sunshine	R. & D. Clark
3	V. Kee Yong Wee = V. Kultana Gold x Guo Chia Long *	R. & J. Laird
3	Milt. Unknown	R. Brownsey
Cattleyas		
1	Rlc. Glenn Maidment 'Southern Cross'	R. & J. Laird
2	C. Deception Palouse	D. & E. Penningh
3	C. Crispian	P. Milward
Vandaceous		
1	Van. Pine Rivers 'Wasana'	R. Bassan
2	V. Susan Ong Ah Mooi x V. coerulea *	C. & C. Mifsud
3	Phal. cornu-cervi forma chattaladae *	K. Morgan
Any Other Genre		
1	Unknown Brassia	M. & D. Micallef
2	Bulb grandiflorum	R. Bassan
3	Brat. Sadie Loo x Mtdm. Christmas Eve *	R. Bassan
Judges Choice read by Arthur Pinkney		
1	Clowesia Raymond Lerner	R. Bassan
2	Phal. cornu-cervi forma chattaladae *	K. Morgan
3	V. Pine Rivers 'Wasana'	R. Bassan
Member's Choice		
1	Rlc. Glenn Maidment 'Southern Cross'	R. & L. Laird

(Names followed by an asterisk* have errors of spelling, genus name or nomenclature corrected. Owners may wish to make changes).

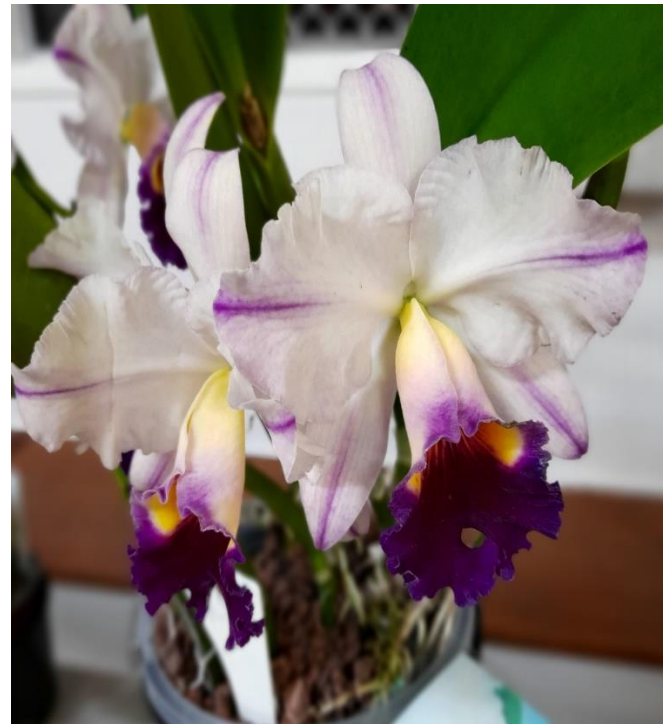
MDOS March General Meeting

Judges Choice



Plant:
Clo. Raymond Lerner
Parentage:
Cl. russelliana x Ctsm. pileatum
Originator:
P. Lerner
Registered: (1983)
Grower:
R. Bassan

Members Choice



Plant:
Rlc. Glenn Maidment
Parentage:

Originator:

Registered:
Grower:
Ron & Joanne Laird

BUDDIES FOR NEW MEMBERS

Peter Milward	Margaret Thompson Ron & Joanne Laird Bev Kunst
Dennis & Ros Farlow	Steven & Tracey Matsen Cheryl Green Roger Clark Katrina Corry Graham Stableton
Rod Shoesmith	Carolyn Ischenko Jay Turner
Ron Bassan	Ian Cruickshank Christine Mifsud
Doug Penningh	Mark Trindorfer Kari Morgan
Mervyn Toon	Delores & Marcel Micallef Helen Fleming Rose Brownsey Carmel Cristaldi

ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION

MDOS CALENDAR 2021

<p><u>JANUARY</u></p>	<p><u>FEBRUARY</u></p>	<p><u>MARCH</u></p>	<p><u>APRIL</u> Committee Meeting 1st Ingham Field Day 11th MDOS Meeting 15th + Information Session TOS Show 16th, 17th, 18th New Members Training 24th, 2pm @ Rods'</p>
<p><u>MAY</u> TQOC Conference organising meeting 1st @ 10am at Delores Bowen Autumn Show 1st & 2nd Committee Meeting 6th Bowen Field Day 16th MDOS Meeting 20th Farleigh Palm Fete 23rd New Members Training 29th, 2pm @ Ron Bassans'</p>	<p><u>JUNE</u> Committee Meeting 3rd NQ Orchid Fair 4th,5th 6th Finch Hatton Show 13th Mackay Show 15th - 17th MDOS Meeting 17th + Information Session New Members Training 19th, 2pm @ Dennis & Roslyns' MDOS Winter Show 25th & 26th (Setup 24th, 12pm)</p>	<p><u>JULY</u> Committee Meeting 1st TOS Show 9th, 10th, 11th MDOS Meeting 15th Social Dinner 24th, Venue TBA. Proserpine Field Day 25th</p>	<p><u>AUGUST</u> Committee Meeting 5th MDOS Meeting 19th + Information Session Sarina Show 31st & 1st</p>
<p><u>SEPTEMBER</u> Committee Meeting 2nd AOC Conference 1st – 5th Brisbane MDOS Meeting 16th TOS Show 17th, 18th, 19th Orchid Extravaganza -</p>	<p><u>OCTOBER</u> Bowen Spring Show 2nd & 3rd Committee Meeting 7th MDOS Spring Show 15th & 16th (Setup 14th, 12pm) MDOS Meeting + AGM 21st</p>	<p><u>NOVEMBER</u> Committee Meeting 4th MDOS Meeting 18th + Information Session</p>	<p><u>DECEMBER</u> Committee Meeting & Lunch Christmas Lunch & Awards -</p>

MACKAY & DISTRICT ORCHID SOCIETY INC.
AUTUMN SHOW 2021



CHAMPION ORCHID
Rlc. Mem. Beryl Gilotti 'Elsie'
D. & E. Penningh



RESERVE CHAMPION
Dendrobium bigibbum
D. & E. Penningh

CHAMPION SPECIES
Dendrobium bigibbum
D. & E. Penningh



CHAMPION NOVICE
C. Hawaiian Star 'One Only'
R. & D. Clarke

CATTLEYA – EXHIBITION TYPE HYBRID (over 111mm)

1. Rlc. Mem. Beryl Gilotti 'Elsie'
2. Rlc. Glenn Maidment 'Southern Cross'

D. & E. Penningh
D. & R. Farlow

CATTLEYA - EXHIBITION TYPE HYBRID (71mm – 110mm)

1. Bc. Mr Chang 'Coach'
2. C. Elusive Dream 'Ruby Lip'

M. & D. Micallef
D. & E. Penningh

CATTLEYA – CLUSTER HYBRID

1. C. Hawaiian Star 'One Only'
2. C. Deception Palouse

R. & D. Clark
D. & E. Penningh

DENDROBIUM – PHALAENANTHE HYBRID

1. Den. Burdekin Crystal x (Alvia Ann x White Wine)
2. Den. Bubble White

D. & E. Penningh
B. Perkins

DENDROBIUM – INTERMEDIATE HYBRID

1. Den. Boonchoo Gold x Jiad Gold
2. Den. unknown

R. Bassan
J. & R. Laird

DENDROBIUM – SPATULATA HYBRID

1. Den. Cherub 'Samuel'
2. Den. Lorraine's Delight

D. & E. Penningh
D. & E. Penningh

DENDROBIUM – ANY OTHER HYBRID

1. Den. Frieda Bratanata
2. Den. White Comet

S. Muir
M. & D. Micallef

VANDA – (60mm or over)

1. V. Pachara Delight 'Rosa Diamond'
2. V. Kulwadee Fragrance '# 22'

S. Muir
C. & C. Mifsud

VANDAS – (under 60mm)

1. Van. Pine Rivers 'Wasana'
2. V. Su Fun Beauty

R. Bassan
C. & C. Mifsud

BULBOPHYLLUM

1. Bulb. Rita Lai 'Bicolor'
2. *Bulb. grandiflorum*

D. & R. Farlow
R. Bassan

CATASETUM – ANY HYBRID

1. Fdk. Midnight Lace
2. Ctsm. Orchidglade 'Davie Ranches'

J. & R. Laird
R. Bassan

ONCIDIUM – ANY HYBRID

1. Onc. Sweet Sugar
2. Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'

D. & E. Penningh
R. Bassan

AUSTRALIAN NATIVE ORCHID

1. *Den. bigibbum*
2. *Den. bigibbum*

D. & E. Penningh
R. & D. Clark

AUSTRALIAN NATIVE HYBRID

1. Den. Mini Compactum 'Pink' x Den. Affine
2. Den. x superbum

R. Bassan
R. Bassan

SPECIES – ANY OTHER

1. *Ctsm. saccatum*
2. *Gur. bowringiana*

R. Bassan
R. Bassan

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

1. Bllra. Sadie Loo x Milt. Christmas Eve
2. Phrag Calurum

R. Bassan
D. & R. Farlow



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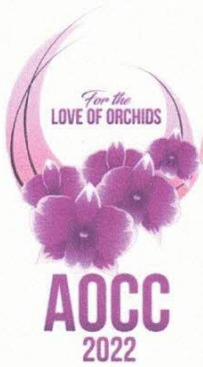
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50 mm Tubes	\$0.25	Plastic Labels (Bags of 100)	\$0.15	ea
70 & 80mm Herb Pots	\$0.30			
100 mm	\$0.25	Graphite Pencils	\$7.00	ea
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110 mm	\$0.30	Ezy Clips (Medium) - 25	\$9.00	
125 mm Squat	\$0.30	Ezy Clips (Large) - 25	\$9.00	
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150 mm Port Pot	\$0.65	Tri-Sodium Phosphate	\$8.00	
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140 mm x 100 mm Basket Pots	\$1.55	Fertilizer Basket	\$0.50	ea
Round Saucer Tray Pots		Slow-Release Fertilizer - 250 g	\$5.00	
150 mm Round (Drilled)	\$1.20	1 Litre of Flower & Grow	\$15.00	
		Calcium Nitrate 500 g	\$5.00	
Large Stanhopea Pots	\$3.20	Small Hydroponic Basket	\$1.20	
		Large Hydroponic Basket	\$2.20	
See the Secretary for the following items:				
<u>BOOKS</u>		<u>BADGES</u>		
Virus Diseases of Orchids	\$1.00	MDOS (metal)	\$6.00	
Orchid Growing in Queensland (Bundaberg Orchid Society)	\$5.00	MDOS (cloth), TQOC,	\$2.00	
Fungal Disease Leaflets	\$2.00	OCQ #1, OCQ #2,	\$2.00	

PEST CONTROL - HOME REMEDY (For all plants, including Orchids): Supplied by Doug Penningh

*500 MLS luke-warm water *5 MLS Pariffin Oil *3-4 drops of dishwashing liquid (I use Morning Fresh)

I only spray early morning or late afternoon, never in the heat of the day. This mixture has been very effective on all plants, ferns and especially the orchids (dens, cats, onchids & phallys).

It stops **RED SPIDER, WHITEFLY, SCALE & MEALY BUGS**. The best of it is, it's not poisonous!



22nd Australian Orchid Council Conference & Show

'For the Love of Orchids'

31 August - 4 September 2022

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Planning Committee Update February 2021

No one needs to tell you all what a difficult time we have had over the last 12 months. Covid19 has made, and continues to make, a serious impact on our daily lives. There is ongoing uncertainty with respect to travel, borders, vaccination timelines, and social distancing for everyone's safety, so...

POSTPONEMENT OF 22ND AOC CONFERENCE & SHOW

It is with considerable regret that the planning committee has had to make the difficult decision to postpone the 22nd AOC Conference & Show by 12 months. The new dates for the event are **31st August to 4 September 2022**.

Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused, and thank you for your understanding. It is important to all committee members that your health and safety are protected, and the opportunity to attend is provided to all.

On the positive side of this announcement, we now have 18 months to plan for a fantastic event, with the probability that more people will be able to attend. Close off dates for various events and entries will of course also change, and these will be updated on our website <https://www.aocc2021.org> as soon as they are finalized. The first change is to the **early bird registrations** which will now close 12 months later on 31 March 2022. Keep an eye on the website for further announcements.

If you require further information, you can contact any member of the planning committee. Contact details are above and on the AOCC website.

Stay well everyone.

Robyn Brown

AOCC2021 Planning Committee Member

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