



Orchidwise August 2022

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Calendar of Events

Memberships become due as of October AGM.

MDOS General Monthly Meeting 18th August at Sporting Wheelies Hall, starting at 7.30pm.

- Double vaccination is no longer required to enter the Hall, however masks are optional.

New Growers Workshop & Sausage Sizzle 27th August, 10am at Trevor Heitmans', 110 Kippen St, East Mackay.

- Please bring a chair

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 has a Facebook page. Like us on Facebook.
- Pests & Diseases reference site: **www.staugorchidsociety.org**
- **MDOS Bank Account:** BOQ, BSB 124001, Acc 100003961
- **MDOS Website:** www.mdos.com.au

Birthdays

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

2 nd	Hanife Allen	3 rd	Pauline Webster	9 th	Debra Greinke
17 th	Lyn Coburn	18 th	Judith Tonks	19 th	Max Rawlings
20 th	Kym Waddington	31 st	Bruce Higgins		

PRESIDENTS REPORT – AUGUST 2022

Winter seems to have been around for a number of weeks this year when compared to the last few years. The last few Winters usually only lasted 1 or 2 days where a coat or cardigan was required. One of the benefits for an orchid grower of having a cold and longer Winter will be the excellent colour displayed in the Spring flowering season. The colours will be vibrant with the reds, purples and darker colours displaying deeper shades, and the whites and yellows should be very clear and distinctive.

The MDOS Spring Show is scheduled for Friday 7th & Saturday 8th of October with the set-up commencing at noon on Thursday 6th. Plants should be tabled between noon and 2:30pm with the judging commencing at 3:00pm. Take the time now to ensure the plants that are in spike or are displaying flower sheeves have ample space around them, so the flower spikes and inflorescences are not in danger of being tangled or caught a leaf of a nearby plant etc. With Dendrobiums, consider how you are going to stake the flower inflorescence. With Cattleyas, do any of the leaves on the plant require tying back to ensure the flowers are not impeded when opening, does each of the flower buds have room to open next to each other without being crushed together. Trevor Heitman and Doug Penningh will share their ideas and methods they use in plant presentation in preparation for an up-coming show at the August General Meeting.

Remember, if you remove a plant from the bench the plant must be placed back on the bench in the same orientation as previous to ensure the flowers open correctly, the inflorescence is straight and not twisted etc. I find the easiest method in achieving this is by taking note where the pot label is placed in relation to a clock face i.e. the label is positioned at say 4:00 o'clock. The plant can be removed from the bench to complete any staking requirements etc. and placed back on the bench so the label is at 4:00pm.

The rescheduled annual Farleigh Palm Fete is on Sunday August 21st 8:00am to 1:00pm. The Bowen Orchid and Foliage Society Spring Show is on September 17th & 18th, opening times are Saturday 10:00am to 5:00pm and Sunday 8:00am to 2:00pm.

Happy Orchid Growing.

Kind Regards,

Dennis Farlow

MDOS President

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.

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

*500 MLS luke-warm water *5 MLS Paraffin 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, oncidis & phallys).

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

Popular Vote Results...July General Meeting

Place	Plant Name	Owner
First Flowering		
1	Paph. Yi-Ying Bouncing Flames	D. & R. Farlow
Dendrobiums		
1	Den. atrovioleaceum	R. & J. Laird
2	Den. Foundry Salad Bowl	R. & J. Laird
3	Den. Pakkret Stellar *	J. Turner
Exotic Species		
1	<i>Paph. spicerianum</i>	R. & J. Laird
2	<i>Paph. primulinum</i>	D. & R. Farlow
3	<i>Bulb. lasiochilum</i>	D. & R. Farlow
Australian Native Species		
1	<i>Spa. plicata</i>	M. Trindorfer
Novice		
1	V. Dr. Anek	S. Morice
Exhibition Cattleyas		
1	Rth. Dal's Emperor 'Michelle'	D. & E. Penningh
2	C. Unknown	R. & J. Laird
3	Rth. Burdekin Gypsy 'Roman'	R. & J. Laird
Oncidiums		
1	Onc. Tsiku Marguerite 'Chian-Tzy Yearing'	D. & E. Penningh
2	Onc. Twinkle 'Red'	D. & E. Penningh
3	Ons. Wildcat 'Yellow King' *	D. & E. Penningh
Phalaenopsis		
1	Phal. Cranberry 'Cha Cha'	C. & C. Mifsud
2	Phal. Unknown	J. Turner
3	Phal. Ox Golden Star Phal. Cranberry 'Cha Cha'	R. & J. Laird C. & C. Mifsud
Any Other Genre		
1	Paph. Unknown	D. & R. Farlow
2	Phcal. Kryptonite	C. & C. Mifsud
3	Epi. Butterball 'Beacon'	D. & R. Farlow
Judges Choice read by Merv Toon		
1	Rth. Dal's Emperor 'Michelle'	D. & E. Penningh
2	Paph. primulinum	D. & R. Farlow
3	Bulb. lasiochilum	D. & R. Farlow
Members Choice		
1	Rth. Dal's Emperor 'Michelle'	D. & E. Penningh

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

MDOS July General Meeting

Judges & Members Choice

Plant:

Rth. Dal's Emperor 'Michelle'

Parentage:

Rth. Free Spirit x C. Lana Coryell

Originator:

D & B Littman

Registered: (1998)

Grower:

D. & E. Penningh



Mackay & District Orchid Society Inc. Property Stock for Members

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Plastic Pots		Labels	
80mm Herb Pots	\$0.30	Bag of 100	\$15.00
Modiform Pots		Bundle of 20	\$4.00
100mm	\$0.25	Graphite Pencils	\$7.00
110mm x 75mm squat	\$0.40	Ezy Clips (Small) – Pack of 25	\$3.50
125mm	\$0.50	Ezy Clips (Medium) – Pack of 25	\$5.00
Port Pots		Ezy Clips (Large) – Pack of 25	\$7.00
100mm	\$0.40	Stakes & Hangers	
125mm	\$0.70	Bamboo stakes (pack of 5)	\$1.00
150mm	\$1.00	Plastic 4 leg hangers (pack of 5)	\$4.00
175mm	\$1.60	Wire 4 leg hangers	\$1.00 each
200mm	\$2.00	Fertilisers etc	
300mm	\$3.50	Tri-Sodium Phosphate	\$8.00
Vanda Baskets		Slow-Release Fertiliser 250g	\$5.00
100mm basket	\$0.70	Flower & Grow 1 litre	\$15.00
200mm round	\$2.60	Calcium Nitrate 500g	\$5.00
140mm x 100mm	\$1.60	Fertiliser Baskets – large	\$0.75 each
		Fertiliser Baskets -medium	\$0.50 each

ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION

MDOS CALENDAR 2022

<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY</u>	<u>MARCH</u>	<u>APRIL</u>
<u>MAY</u>	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUGUST</u> Committee Meeting - 4 th MDOS Meeting - 18 th Farleigh Palm Fete – 21 st New Growers Workshop & Sausage Sizzle - 27 th , 10am @ Trevor Heitmans'
<u>SEPTEMBER</u> Committee Meeting - 1 st AOC Conference 1 st - 5 th Brisbane MDOS Meeting - 15 th TOS Spring Show - 16 th , 17 th Orchid Extravaganza - TBA	<u>OCTOBER</u> Committee Meeting - Monday - 3 rd MDOS Spring Show - 7 th & 8 th Townsville Field Day - 9 th MDOS Meeting & AGM - 20 th New Growers Workshop - 29 th @ TBA	<u>NOVEMBER</u> Committee Meeting - 3 rd MDOS Meeting - 17 th	<u>DECEMBER</u> Committee Meeting & Lunch - 3 rd Christmas Dinner & Awards - 11 th

BUDDIES FOR NEW MEMBERS

Peter Milward	Ron & Joanne Laird Albert & Denise Pearce	Kerry Daly Peter De Haas
Dennis & Ros Farlow	Stuart Johnson Graham Stabler Ryan & Amber Hardy	Keith Allen Kathy Dine Cheryl Green
Ron Bassan	Ian Cruickshank Kym Waddington Scott Morice	Wayne Culla Clare Grant
Doug Penningh	Mark Trindorfer	Ian Pilcher
Mervyn Toon	Rose Brownsey	
Trevor Heitman	Carolyn Ischenko Mary Hawkins	Lyn Whitmore Geoff Miles Debra Paul
Joe Stroppiana	Lyn Coburn	



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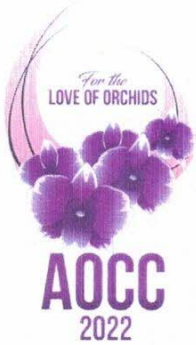
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Conference registrations are still available but if you want to be part of the full conference experience, please don't leave it to the last minute to register, as the lecture auditorium capacity is around 200. Single day registrations are available for those who would like to attend for one day only. A fee of \$150 gives you access to all lectures for that day, plus access to the Show and Vendors' Area. Register at <https://aocc2022.org/forms>

Lecture Program:

The lecture program continues to be fine-tuned as we get closer to the conference, but we recently received some very exciting news. **Fred Clarke**, of Sunset Valley Orchids in San Diego, California, U.S.A. will be able to join us, and has two very interesting topics to share with registrants: **Today's Mini and Compact Cattleyas** and **Becoming an 80 Percentile Grower**. Those of you who haven't had the pleasure of attending one of Fred's lectures before are in for a treat. He is a very charismatic and engaging speaker, who passionately shares his knowledge and love of orchids with whomever will listen. Those of you who have heard Fred speak before know that you can expect sessions full of fun and information.

Fred has been growing orchids for 42 years and has been hybridizing for 38 of those years. Developing Cattleya hybrids has been his sustaining interest during this time, but he is also actively creating new Paphiopedilum and Aussie Dendrobium hybrids. His pioneering work in Catasetum intergeneric hybrids led to the development of several notable hybrids, including *Fredclarkeara* After Dark, which produced "the blackest flower ever witnessed".

Fred will also be bringing flasks with him. To see what he has available and to preorder flasks for pickup at the show, visit

http://sunsetvalleyorchids.com/htm/offerings_flasks-oz-2022.html

To find out who is appearing when over the two days of the lecture program, visit aocc2022.org/speakers

22nd AUSTRALIAN ORCHID COUNCIL CONFERENCE - 31st August - 4th September 2022

Vendors:

Vendors continue to confirm their attendance. In addition to those listed in the last update, the following have now confirmed their attendance.

Alice's Orchids, Ching Hau Orchids from Taiwan, Ezi-Gro Orchids, Fong Ping Orchids, Ivan's Orchids, Orchid Inn, Orchids Mackay, Rolin Farms & Sunset Valley Orchids.

There are more to come, so keep an eye on the website <https://aocc2022.org/vendors>

Social Events:

Both events promise to be extremely enjoyable evenings.

The **Opening Ceremony**, after the welcomes and formalities, will be a very entertaining and refreshing experience featuring **Master Magician Josh Norbido** mingling with attendees, performing close-up slight-of-hand illusions. Josh, who was a Semi-finalist in the 2019 season of Australia's Got Talent, will make sure everyone isn't just stunned by Magic, but also entertained with both quick wit and comedy. While this is an included event for registrants, anyone else can attend for just \$75 per person.

The highlight of the AOCC 2022 Conference Dinner will undoubtedly be **Professor Kingsley Dixon's 'Working with Indigenous Communities to Save Our Tree Orchids'** dinner speech. Entertainment for the evening will be provided by acclaimed **Australian string quartet, Point Quartet**. Tickets are still available at \$90 per person.

Both events can be booked by completing the appropriate section of the registration form.

<https://aocc2022.org/forms>

Bus Field Trips:

Seats are still available on both the **Springbrook National Park** and **Mount Glorious National Park** field trips on the Sunday, a great way to get up close to orchids in the environment. Follow the link at

<https://aocc2022.org/field-trips>

Show:

The Orchid Show will showcase both orchid and foliage displays, benched orchids, including cut flowers for those travelling large distances, and an Arts Section. Being an open show, any orchid society member from around Australia and overseas is eligible to enter. Those entering in the **Photography, Visual Arts and Floral Arrangements** classes need to plan ahead as **applications for the Section 4 Arts Section close on 16 August 2022**. The required registration form is available on the AOCC 2022's website at <https://aocc2022.org/forms>.

To date, 18 registrations have been received to stage **displays**, including an exhibit from Western Australia, featuring their native orchids and promoting the 2024 Perth International Orchid Conference & Show. We are working on the final floor layout, so if you are intending staging either a floor or table display, register now, using the link at <https://aocc2022.org/show-displays>. Remember, you'll be paid for staging a display!

And lastly, get your society **bus trips** organised, as groups of over 20 will qualify for a **discount on entry** to the show: 40 & over - \$8.00 per person; 30 to 39 - \$8.50 per person; 20 to 29 - \$9.00 per person.

As always, if you have a question, go to <https://aocc2022.org/planning-committee> to contact one of us.

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