



## **Orchidwise January 2023**

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|               |              |
|---------------|--------------|
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|             |           |               |
|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| Wayne Culla | Ron Laird | Doug Penningh |
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## **Calendar of Events**

**Memberships became due as of October AGM.**

**MDOS General Monthly Meeting & Committee Meeting** 19<sup>th</sup> January at Sporting Wheelies Hall, starting at **7.30pm**.

**MDOS** are hosting a lecture programme at the Senior Citizens Hall (58 Macalister St, Mackay) on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> January from 1:00pm to 5:00pm

## **Points of Interest**

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

## **Birthdays**

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

|                  |               |                  |                 |                  |              |                  |                 |
|------------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Scott Morice  | 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Albert Pearce   | 11 <sup>th</sup> | Mary Hawkens | 14 <sup>th</sup> | Heinz Eichhorn  |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> | Beth Benson   | 20 <sup>th</sup> | Gina Waddington | 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Debra Paul   | &                | Mark Trindorfer |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Janelle Cowan | &                | Julie Watson    | 27 <sup>th</sup> | Helen Holt   | 29 <sup>th</sup> | Irene Donald    |

# PRESIDENTS REPORT – JANUARY 2023

Happy New Year and welcome back. The growing season is in full swing with our orchids and Roz's foliage plants flourishing. We have been busy with repotting as have a number of other growers. The club has a number of 9 litre bags of 18-25mm bark and a number of 9 litre bags of pre-mixed potting mix with 18-25 bark, Charcoal and Perlite available.

We had a wonderful time at the Christmas and Awards Luncheon. The event was very well attended with everyone enjoying themselves judging by the continuous laughter and happy conversations occurring during the lunch. There were a few pleasant surprises in the winners of the 2022 Popular Vote categories. The Arthur Ladbrook Memorial Trophy was won by Doug & Eve Penningh. Congratulations to Doug & Eve. The two largest surprises and a big congratulations go to Ron and Joanne Laird for winning the Orchid of the Year with Rth. Alyssa Valmadre 'Clifton' and to Shannan Ross for winning the Cattleya Section. As I mentioned last year the "*changing of the guard*" is well and truly occurring in MDOS. Check out the Awards presentation photos and Popular Vote category winners in the January edition of the Orchidwise.

The first General Meeting in 2023 will be held on January 19<sup>th</sup> at the Sporting Wheelies hall. The January Committee meeting will be held immediately following the General Meeting.

On Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup>, MDOS are hosting a lecture programme at the Senior Citizens Hall (58 Macalister St, Mackay) from 1:00pm to 5:00pm. Charles Lee from Ayr Orchid & Allied Plant Society will discuss Greenhouse Construction and Trevor Heitman will provide a presentation on Pest Management, this is the same lecture Trevor provided at the TQOC Conference. Entry is free for MDOS members however we will be conducting a raffle to pay for the hire of the hall. See you there.

The New Growers Workshops (NGW) will be conducted again in 2023 along the same lines as in 2022 with the 5 workshops being conducted by different experienced growers and held at the experienced growers' residences. This provides the new grower with exposure to a range to different orchid growing techniques and a chance to view different greenhouses and growing conditions. The first workshop is on Saturday February 25<sup>th</sup>. The MDOS 2023 Calendar lists the dates of the five New Growers Workshops.

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.

# ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION

## MDOS CALENDAR 2023

|   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| <p><b><u>JANUARY</u></b><br/>MDOS Meeting &amp; Committee Meeting – 19<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Lecture – 21<sup>st</sup></p>   | <p><b><u>FEBRUARY</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Meeting - 16<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>New Growers Workshop - 25<sup>th</sup> @ TBA</p>   | <p><b><u>MARCH</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup><br/><br/>Rocky Field Day – 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 5<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Meeting - 16<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Autumn Show – 31<sup>st</sup> &amp; 1<sup>st</sup><br/><br/>TQOC Meeting –</p> | <p><b><u>APRIL</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting - 6<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>Ingham Field Day -<br/><br/>MDOS Meeting – 20<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>New Growers Workshop – 29<sup>th</sup> @ TBA<br/><br/>TOS Autumn Show -</p> |
| <p><b><u>MAY</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting - 4<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Meeting - 18<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>Farleigh Palm Fete - TBA<br/><br/>Bowen Field Day – TBA</p>  | <p><b><u>JUNE</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting – 1<sup>st</sup><br/><br/>Finch Hatton Show - TBA<br/><br/>Mackay Show - TBA<br/><br/>MDOS Meeting - 15<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>New Growers Workshop - 24<sup>th</sup> @ TBA<br/><br/>TQOC Meeting –</p>     | <p><b><u>JULY</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting - 6<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Winter Show - 14<sup>th</sup> &amp; 15<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Meeting – 20<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>Proserpine 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday Field Day – 23<sup>rd</sup></p>               | <p><b><u>AUGUST</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup><br/><br/>Sarina Show - TBA<br/><br/>MDOS Meeting - 17<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>New Growers Workshop - 26<sup>th</sup> @ TBA</p>                            |
| <p><b><u>SEPTEMBER</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting – 7<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>Orchid Extravaganza – 16<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>Townsville Field Day – 16<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Meeting – 21<sup>st</sup><br/><br/>TOS Spring Show -</p> | <p><b><u>OCTOBER</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting - Monday – 5<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Spring Show - 13<sup>th</sup> &amp; 14<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Meeting &amp; AGM - 19<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>New Growers Workshop - 28<sup>th</sup> @ TBA</p> | <p><b><u>NOVEMBER</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup><br/><br/>MDOS Meeting - 16<sup>th</sup><br/><br/>TQOC Meeting –</p>  | <p><b><u>DECEMBER</u></b><br/>Committee Meeting &amp; Lunch – 2<sup>nd</sup><br/><br/>Christmas Dinner &amp; Awards – 10<sup>th</sup></p>  |

### **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!

# MDOS XMAS DINNER & AWARDS PRESENTATIONS 2022

## Judges Choice

### (A.O.C. Trophy)

|                 |                  |           |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1st             | D. & E. Penningh | 23 points |
| 2nd             | T. Heitman       | 10 points |
| 3rd             | D. & R. Farlow   | 7 points  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | L. Coburn        | 7 points  |

## First Flowering

### (Merv & Helen Toon Perpetual Trophy)

|     |                  |           |
|-----|------------------|-----------|
| 1st | D. & E. Penningh | 18 points |
| 2nd | D. & R. Farlow   | 16 points |
| 3rd | D. & M. Micallef | 7 points  |

## Dendrobiums

### (Ron Bassan Perpetual Trophy)

|                 |                  |           |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | J. & R. Laird    | 12 points |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | C. & C. Mifsud   | 12 points |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | S. Ross          | 8 points  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | D. & M. Micallef | 7 points  |

## Australian Native Hybrids

### (Clyde Shoemith Memorial Trophy)

|     |               |           |
|-----|---------------|-----------|
| 1st | L. Coburn     | 12 points |
| 2nd | R. Bassan     | 10 points |
| 3rd | M. Trindorfer | 5 points  |

## Cattleyas

### (Doug & Eve Penningh Perpetual Trophy)

|     |                  |           |
|-----|------------------|-----------|
| 1st | S. Ross          | 24 points |
| 2nd | D. & E. Penningh | 15 points |
| 3rd | L. Coburn        | 13 points |

## Any Other Genera

### (George & Beryl Gilotti Perpetual Trophy)

|                 |                  |           |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1st             | D. & R. Farlow   | 29 points |
| 2nd             | J. & R. Laird    | 13 points |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | D. & E. Penningh | 12 points |

## Overall Points

### (Arthur Ladbrook Memorial Trophy)

|                 |                  |           |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1st             | D. & E. Penningh | 80 points |
| 2nd             | D. & R. Farlow   | 67 points |
| 3rd             | J. & R. Laird    | 62 points |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | C. & C. Mifsud   | 62 points |

## Novice

### (M.D.O.S. Trophy)

|                 |               |           |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|
| 1st             | J. & N. Acton | 12 points |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | S. Ross       | 12 points |
| 2nd             | S. Morice     | 8 points  |
| 3rd             | J. Tonks      | 6 points  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | C. Owens      | 6 points  |

## Exotic Species (Dorothy Ebner Mem. Trophy)

### Donated by Neville & Merril Baldock

|                 |                  |           |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | D. & R. Farlow   | 17 points |
| 2nd             | D. & E. Penningh | 10 points |
| 3rd             | T. Heitman       | 9 points  |

## Australian Native Species

### (Jim Quinlan Memorial Trophy)

|     |                  |           |
|-----|------------------|-----------|
| 1st | M. Trindorfer    | 34 Points |
| 2nd | D. & E. Penningh | 7 points  |
| 3rd | J. & R. Laird    | 4 points  |

## Vandaceous

### (Thelma Cameron Memorial Trophy)

|     |                  |           |
|-----|------------------|-----------|
| 1st | C. Mifsud        | 33 points |
| 2nd | D. & M. Micallef | 9 points  |
| 3rd | J. & R. Laird    | 8 points  |

## Bulbophyllum

### (Dennis & Rosalyn Farlow Perpetual Trophy)

|                 |                  |          |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | D. & E. Penningh | 5 points |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | R. Bassan        | 1 point  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | D. & R. Farlow   | 1 point  |

## Orchid of the Year Trophy

Ron & Joanne Laird

Rth. Alyssa Valmadre 'Clifton'





**OVERALL POINTS** (Arthur Ladbrook Memorial Trophy)  
Doug & Eve Penningh



**NOVICE** (MDOS Trophy)  
Jenny & Noel Acton



**AUST NATIVE HYBRIDS** (Clyde Shoemith Memorial Trophy)  
Lyn Coburn



**AUST NATIVE SPECIES** (Jim Quinlan Memorial Trophy)  
Mark Trindorfer (Accepted by Ron Bassan)



**CATTLEYAS** (Doug & Eve Penningh Perpetual Trophy)  
Shannan Ross (Accepted by Ron Bassan)



**BULBOPHYLLUM** (Den & Ros Farlow Perpetual Trophy)  
Doug & Eve Penningh





**ANY OTHER GENERA**  
**(George & Beryl Gilotti Perpetual Trophy)**  
 Dennis & Ros Farlow



**Orchid Of The Year Perpetual Trophy**  
**(Donated by Orchids Mackay)**  
 Ron & Joanne Laird **(Accepted by Betty Dovey)**  
 Rth. Alyssa Valmadre 'Clifton'

### MDOS AGM AWARDS 2022



**TQOC Trophy – Best Plant Tabled at AGM**  
*Den. thrysiflorum* D & M Micallef



**Marj Purnell Trophy – Best Ceretobe at AGM**  
*Den. Gouldii 'nigresens'* D. & E. Penningh



**Ros & Andy Cunningham Trophy – Best Exotic Species at AGM**  
*Den. thrysiflorum* D & M Micallef

| <b>Mackay &amp; District Orchid Society Inc. Property Stock for Members (05/01/2023)</b> |        |                                       |           |
|--|--------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Plastic Pots</b>  |        | <b>Labels</b>                         |           |
| 50mm Tube  | \$0.25 | Bag of 100                            | \$15.00   |
| 80mm Herb Pots   | \$0.30 | Bundle of 20                          | \$4.00    |
| <b>Modiform Pots</b>   |        | <b>Graphite Pencil</b>                |           |
| 100mm  | \$0.25 | <b>Plant Clips</b>                    |           |
| 110mm x 75mm squat   | \$0.40 | Ezy Clips (Small) – Pack of 20        | \$3.50    |
| 125mm  | \$0.50 | Ezy Clips (Medium) – Pack of 20       | \$5.00    |
| <b>Port Pots</b>   |        | Ezy Clips (Large) – Pack of 20        | \$6.50    |
| 70mm   | \$0.30 |                                       |           |
| 100mm  | \$0.50 | <b>Stakes &amp; Hangers</b>           |           |
| 125mm  | \$0.80 | 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 ea |
| 200mm  | \$2.50 | Wire 3 leg hangers (pack of 5)        | \$1.50    |
| 300mm  | \$4.00 | 600mm x 4mm Fiberglass stake (pack 5) | \$1.00    |
| <b>Vanda Baskets</b>   |        | 900mm x 5mm Fibreglass stake (pack 5) | \$1.50    |
| 100mm square   | \$0.70 | <b>Fertilisers etc</b>                |           |
| 200mm round  | \$2.60 | Tri-Sodium Phosphate 350g             | \$8.00    |
| 140mm x 100mm round  | \$2.00 | Slow-Release Fertiliser 250g          | \$5.00    |
| <b>Saucers</b>   |        | Flower & Grow 1 litre                 | \$15.00   |
| 150mm Saucer (drilled)   | \$1.50 | Calcium Nitrate 500g                  | \$7.50    |
| 200mm Saucer (drilled)   | \$2.50 | Fertiliser Baskets – large            | \$1.00 ea |
| 250mm Saucer (drilled)   | \$3.00 | Fertiliser Baskets – medium           | \$0.75 ea |
| 350mm Saucer (drilled)   | \$5.00 | Fertiliser Baskets – small            | \$0.50 ea |

## **BUDDIES FOR NEW MEMBERS**

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





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