



EUROBODALLA ORCHID CLUB INC

Newsletter

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February, 2022

From President Diane...

I am absolutely sure most of our Members will be thinking "Why did she ever put up her hand for the job?" Well... at that time there was never a doubt in my mind! I certainly was not going to let all of the wonderful efforts made by Tony and his past Committees over the last 11 years just amount to nothing. I didn't want our Members to be without their Club. That was totally unacceptable! I couldn't possibly stand by without at least giving it a chance.

The stresses of living with COVID and other health & family issues have been hard on many of our Members. We can understand and appreciate that, but living with Covid we must...always being ever mindful of the necessary precautions.

The EOC Committee has agreed that the Club's activities for the foreseeable future retain as a condition of participation – face masks to be worn and proof of double-vaxxed status to be provided...with social distancing observed at all times. Let us try to concentrate on growing, showing and enjoying our beautiful orchids. Our new Committee will work on providing such a programme that will enable this to happen. Here's looking forward to a challenging but lovely year ahead ... always did love a challenge! ~ Diane



NEXT MEETING

February 11

Doors open 1pm
for set up, benching
& Popular Vote.
Meeting: 2pm

President:

Diane Hay
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Vice President:

Garry Evans
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Treasurer:

David Hay
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Secretary:

Glenda Clapin
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Committee:

Anne-Marie Collins
Sue Nash

Una Roberts

Barbara Williams

Show Marshall:

Jean Swindley



At the last meeting.....

The rather bleak weather conditions on Dec. 4th, when the E.O.C. chose to farewell the year with the A.G.M. and Christmas drinks, didn't prevent 17 Members getting together in the outdoors at Shelley Beach. It was good to catch up with one another and particularly great to see Graham Jackson well enough to attend a function.

Tony Groube stood down as President and Jean Swindley stood down as Vice President. Both have made significant contributions to the Club and Jean will continue in her role as Show Marshall. In-coming President, Diane Hay, thanked Tony for the work he has done over the past 10+ years. Those Members present expressed their gratitude to Diane for stepping into the role for 2022.

The 2022 positions are:

President Diane Hay

Vice President Garry Evans

Secretary Glenda Clapin

Treasurer David Hay

Committee Members Anne- Marie Collins, Sue Nash, Una Roberts and Barbara Williams.

At the next meeting.....

As this current strain of Covid is predicted to peak in late January, we will approach the year optimistically.

The plan, at this stage, is to hold a meeting on February 11th at the CWA Hall in Moruya.

The meeting will commence at 2pm., however the doors are open from 1pm. and plants must be on the bench by 1.30pm.

Members attending should wear masks and be double vaccinated. We would ask that hand sanitising and social distancing also be strictly observed.

Ron Boyd will speak to us about Multifloral Paphiopedilum and how he grows them.

Ron will have some young Cymbidiums with him to sell. These are 2 to 3 years old, in 100ml pots and are \$12 each. There will be a mix of show quality plants and hobby plants.

There will also be a Raffle of orchids so bring along your small change.



FROM OUR EOC Secretary/COVID MARSHALL



Dear EOC Members,

Please read the following protocols for meetings and apply when we are together in meetings.

*masks must be worn covering the nose and mouth while within the CWA.

*we will have the QR code available for you to check in with your Service NSW app, we will also take a record of attendees.

*keep 1.5m distance apart wherever possible. Try not to crowd each other when doing the popular vote or when speaking with one another.

*we will canvas opinions on having refreshments at meetings.

We have a number of vulnerable people in our Club and it is our Club duty to protect them. Please understand my intentions of protecting all, if I remind you in a meeting to be Covid Safe.

Regards, Glenda Clapin

Monthly Maintenance.....

1. If you haven't already done so, remove the dried sheaths of spent flowers. It is amazing what can be found hiding under these, completely out of sight.
2. February is the time when early flowering cymbidiums start to spike. Check for spikes and stake them to prevent inadvertent damage.
3. Thanks to the very wet Summer, weeds have thrived in those pots not under hard cover. Try and keep these under control so they are not competing with the plant for nutrients.
4. Keep up the bug inspections. The wonderful new growth brought on by our Summer conditions this year is very attractive to chewing insects.
5. Continue to monitor the amount of rain we are having so that you can judge if or when fungal treatments are necessary.



Sphagnum Moss by Sue Carroll

In the May, 2021 Newsletter, there was an article about growing Sphagnum Moss. At the time there was a shortage of it available in Australia.

Two methods were outlined and I chose to grow it in trays over a base of used bark.

The bottom tray was set up in April and the moss was un-used. The top tray was set up a month later with discarded moss which was found in a bucket, wet and waiting to be recycled.

Both are growing.

Since then more trays of used moss have been added to the collection.

They grow under the Orchid House benches in semi shade.

This was recognised as a long term project and I will never be able to fill my needs, but it will be very pleasing to harvest moss (I hope) for those special plants that deserve pampering.

Editor's Orchid Spotlight



This delightful little plant, with its delicate 1cm. flowers, comes from Brazil. The flowers bloom inside the foliage, close to the pseudo bulb. It can be grown mounted or in a pot. It enjoys cool temperatures, semi-shade and constant year round moisture. This lovely example belongs to Diane and David Hay.

From the Treasurer: Membership Fees

Annual Membership fees are now due and payable to Treasurer David Hay.

He'll accept dues at the February Meeting or they can be posted to him.

Fees are \$10 single Membership and \$15 for a family Membership.

Those wanting hard copy Newsletters/Minutes , which will be sent by

Australia Post, should add the additional fee of \$10.

Newsletters will cease for those not renewed by 31st March 2022.

Preferred method of payment is Direct Deposit: BSB 082 739 ACC 131636113 Don't forget your name.

Cheques made payable to Eurobodalla Orchid Club

From the Treasurer...
EOC banking details for all
payments
NAB Moruya
BSB 082 739
Account No. 131636113
Don't forget your name!



2022 CLUB ACTIVITIES

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| February 11 | Club Meeting: Ron Boyd 'Paphiopedilums' |
| March 11 | Club Meeting: Steve Morgan 'Bromeliads' |
| April 8 | Club Meeting: Sue Carroll 'Compact Orchids When Space Is Limited.' |
| April 16 | Growers Workshop: Gordon & Jean Workshop |
| May 13 | Club Meeting: Round table Problem Plants: Tony Groube |
| June 10 | Club meeting: 'Jean Swindley 'Plant presentation & transportation for Show' |
| June 18 | Orchid Crawl: Tony & Liz Sue Carroll |



July 7 Set up for EOC Winter Show ...

July 8 & 9 EOC Winter Show - CWA HALL Moruya

Some Summer Flowering Orchids...



'Easy to grow, fast growing and a great orchid for beginners,' are just some of the accolades given to this orchid.

Maxillaria tenuifolia has distinctive flowers and an even more distinctive perfume with hints of coconut.

It can be grown in pots, baskets or mounted and which ever way it is grown, it is certainly worth having in your collection.

You will not be able to show it or probably even bench it, but if you have one in your collection, you will certainly enjoy it.

Watch out for some on the Raffle Table at E.O.C meetings this year.



Gongora galeata is a very easy orchid to flower. It likes our South Coast conditions and if grown in semi-shade and hung in the orchid house, it will produce a number of pendulous clusters of fragrant flowers in January. Whilst the flowers are unusual, when in full bloom the display is quite eye-catching. It is also fairly easy to source. This one came from 'Orchids On Newbold.'



Promenaea (Limelight x Chameleon) x Mike Leaty

This little plant, with flowers quite large for the plant size, enjoys cool conditions. It is Summer flowering and not often seen on the bench at meetings. The pictured plant is grown under cover in Sphagnum Moss and it is in light shade most of the time. It is kept damp all year round with less water in Winter and is given weak, non-organic fertiliser in Spring and Summer.

This plant is a hybrid and was bred by David Woolf of 'Woolf Orchid Culture'.

Stanhopea tigrina

This striking Summer flowerer is rarely seen at a club night. The magnificent flowers, which pop through the bottom of their hanging basket, are quick growing and highly perfumed, but sadly last for only a few days.

They like to be grown moist but not wet.





EUROBODALLA ORCHID CLUB INC.,

**MINUTES OF THE TWENTY SEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT SHELLY BEACH, SOUTH HEAD ON THE 4th DECEMBER 2021**

Meeting opened at 4:17pm with the President Tony Groube in the Chair.

Members present:16 Apologies:3 Visitors:0

President Tony welcomed all present.

Tony discussed situation: Diane nominated to be President. Seconded Sue Nash, Diane was elected unopposed.

Garry was asked to be Vice President. He is not sure. No other nominees. We will consider having a revolving Vice President.

President Tony reviewed and moved that the Minutes of the 27th Annual General Meeting held on the 6th December 2020 be accepted as a true record. Seconded: Glenda Clapin CARRIED

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: The report in full is attached.

Motion to accept the report: Tony Groube Seconded: Una Roberts CARRIED

Tony then called on David Hay to deliver the Treasurer's report.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

David presented the Statement of Financial Receipts and Expenditure for the Financial Year ending -September 30 2021.

David's report informed Members fully of the Club's finances.

Motion to accept the report: David Hay Seconded: Barbara Williams CARRIED

AUDITORS' REPORT:

David Hay read the Auditor's Report which was conducted by Peter Stubbs & Tony Clapin. The Auditors' opinions were, "subject to the above, we report that in our opinion the accounts, being the Income and Expenditure Account of the Eurobodalla Orchid Club Inc., are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the State of affairs of the Club's General Account as at 30th September 2021 and of its results as recorded in the accounting records for the year then ended". Dated 4th November

David expressed appreciation of the Auditors' efforts and Members responded with acclamation.

Motion for the Report to be accepted. David Hay Seconded: Liz Cleaver CARRIED

Tony expressed his thanks to the Auditors.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR 2021

President Tony moved that Peter Stubbs and Tony Clapin be appointed as Auditors for 2022

Seconded: Bob Williams CARRIED

JOINING FEES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Membership fees for 2021-22 will remain the same to - Single \$10.00; Family/Dual \$15; Junior \$5.00 and for those opting to receive hard copy Newsletters, a fee of \$10.00 for the year be levied. Badge fee \$10:00

Moved: Tony Groube Seconded: Tony Clapin Unanimously CARRIED

PUBLIC OFFICER: President Tony proposed that David Hay remain as Public Officer.

Moved: Tony Groube Seconded: Jean Swindley CARRIED

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS:

Nominations were called in accordance with our constitution.

President Tony declared all positions vacant.

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The following Executive were returned unopposed:

PRESIDENT: Diane Hay

VICE PRESIDENT: (Garry Evans has since agreed to accept that position.)

SECRETARY: Glenda Clapin

TREASURER: David Hay

Show Marshall: Jean Swindley

Newsletter : Sue Carroll

Publicity Officer: Helen Watson has withdrawn her membership, thus we are in need of a Publicity Officer

Other Committee Members: Anne-Marie Collins, Barbara Williams, Una Roberts, Sue Nash.

Meeting times: Friday afternoon 1pm-4pm every 2nd Friday of Month. Meeting consensus.

President Tony thanked the committee members for their work this year and for the year to come.

Tony Badged the new president Diane Hay.

Diane invited to speak. Diane thanked Tony for everything he has done over the past 10 + years. Diane hopes that someone will take over after 1 year. The group thanks Diane for nominating.

Tony will remain as signatory until Diane is positioned as the President for NAB.

EOC Secretary Glenda Clapin

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Stanhopia oculata x nigroviolacea
Jean Swindley



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rotschildianum x laevigatum,
nice big flower
Ron Boyd