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

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

Subscriptions:

Due February Yearly Family \$25.00 Single \$25.00

Disclaimer

Autumn Show 2012 Grand and Reserve Champion



David Woolf with both Grand and Reserve Champions; Onc. Heart of Gold 'Cleo' and Paph. wardii 'Florafest'. Congratulations David.

Autumn Show at Gardenfest

Well once again we were blessed with a weekend of brilliant weather for our Autumn Show at Gardenfest. We can be very proud of the display we presented. The quality of orchids was very good, although down on numbers. One thing we weren't down on was the amount of helpers. I congratulate all those who participated by showing orchids, assisting in the setup, judging night, sales, plant repotting & of course our three larger than life speakers who did the Society proud in the main speakers tent.

The after show get-together at the Blue Mountains Hotel was once again enjoyed by all those who attended and I can only recommend it to ALL members of the society, it was a great way to relax for the night.

May I also congratulate our Novice Champ Trevor Deans and all other winners. To all those who participated, just remember that without you there would not be a show and your turn will definitely come.

On behalf of the Show Committee once again thanks to everyone for making our job easier. *Murray*.

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TOOWOOMBA ORCHID SOCIETY INC. General Meeting Minutes

27th April, at St Paul's Church, Phillip St, Toowoomba.

Vice President David Woolf opened the meeting at 7.30pm and invited members to cast their popular vote. The meeting then resumed at 7.40pm and David welcomed all.

Visitors and New Members: Nil

Apologies. As per the attendance book plus A & J Miller, J Sheath, R. Benson, W. Williams, B & K Williams, The Newby Family, M. & K. Koschel, H. Scholl and P. Noone.

Sick List: Len Cherry – speedy recovery Len.

Judges for the night. J. Woolf, E. Dedekind & E. Koelmeyer

Minutes. The minutes for the March 2012 meeting, as printed in Tan Bark as being true and correct, was moved by C. Harriman and seconded by B. Polzin, All those in favour, carried.

Inwards Correspondence:

Letters & Emails: Bunnings declining support, Mitre 10 providing 4 x \$10 vouchers for Spring show, LVOS AGM minutes, Email from C. Dritsas looking for very old Victa Mowers, Brochure from P. Ritchie regarding Den. speciosum Spectacular in September, #9 newsletter re AOC conference in Perth. Oncidium alliance catalogue from Woolf Orchid Culture.

Accounts: Inkstation, Toowoomba Regional Council, Aust. Show Ribbons.

Newsletters & Bulletins

QOS, Southport, NOSTI, OSNSW, EDOS, Townsville, Bribie Island.

Show Schedules & Flyers

Flyer re Taiwan Orchid Tour in 2013, Brom Spectacular, LVOS Autumn Show schedule, Boonah O.S. Show

Publications

Orchids Australia, Bromeliaceae, Australian Orchid Review.

TOS Outward Correspondence:

Email

To Margaret Lostroh re holders of hall keys.

Letters

Cards to A & N Rosenberg, M. Ferguson, L & B Richardson

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

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Bob Lander presented the financial report showing a credit balance in the working account of \$1530.54. Bob moved that the financial report be accepted and all accounts tabled be passed for payment. Seconded by C. Dedekind - carried.

Bob also reported on the success of the Happy Diners Breakfast and reminded members of the next lunch event to be held at Preston Peak Winery on the 3^{rd} of May at 11.30am.

General Business:

- 1. Members were reminded of the suggestion box located in the foyer and encouraged to suggest any changes for the betterment of the club.
- 2. Annual Subscriptions are now overdue \$25
- 3. David also reminded the members to return questionnaires published in Tanbark 2 months ago.
- 4. Murray spoke on the Gardenfest Autumn show and reminded members holding Autumn Show trophies to return them by next meeting.
- 5. A copy of Orchid Wiz Express was auctioned and was won by G. Vettiger. Thanks to OrchidWiz.
- 6. New & Novice Growers Group is to be held at Con Harriman's place at 420 Goombungee Mt. Darry Road at 2.00pm on Saturday 12th May.
- 7. Brom Workshop to be held at Bernie Polzin Sunday 29th April.
- 8. The club is to hold a cent auction as part of the June Meeting. This could be an important fund raising event for the society. C. Terry spoke on the matter urging full member participation.
- 9. John Middleton kindly donated a book; "Starting out with Orchids" by David L. Jones in memory of his late parents. Thank you John. The book now resides in the Library cupboard.

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Speakers for the Night. Firstly David Woolf gave a description of the cultural requirements of varicosum type Oncidiums and then gave us an interesting insight into their breeding and future trends in the breeding of these magnificent plants. This was followed by an informative presentation by Athol Rosenberg on the subject of awards and award judging. Athol described the awards given, their purpose and requirements to achieve these awards as well as a pictorial presentation. I'm sure this has cleared up a few grey areas of this complex subject. Thanks to both speakers. **COMPETITION RESULTS:**

\$10.00 Judges Choice Species: D & C Woolf \$7.50 Foliage: I & R Anderson \$10.00 Judges Choice Hybrid: D & C Woolf \$7.50 Novice: E. Koelmeyer

Following the monthly raffle, the Vice President thanked everybody for coming and wished all a safe trip home. The meeting closed at 9.40pm

Plant of Interest from April Meeting

By David Woolf

Native habitat: This orchid is a native of Mexico and Guatemala where it grow at altitudes of over 2,700m.

History: It was discovered in 1839 by George Ure Skinner, a professional plant hunter, who sent samples to plant collector, James Bateman. If first flowered in Britain in 1841 at Woburn Abbey.

Description: The flower spikes appear from the base of the bulb in summer and can grow to a height of 30cm. They each produce two to six flowers which grow to 15cm in diameter and have a waxy, artificial appearance. The petals are reddish brown at the centre fading to yellow at the tips. The pseudobulbs grow to 10cm high and produce two or three thick, dark green leaves up to 30cm long from the top of the bulb. The underside of the leaves are speckled light brown which can be mistaken for red spider mite damage.



Rossioglossum grande

Flowering season: In ideal conditions it flowers twice a year, but if it flowers only once it is in autumn.

Cultivation: This plant requires a less humid environment than other orchids and also appreciates lots of light; therefore, in summer it should be grown in a cool to intermediate house, and positioned in light shade. In winter it should have no shade at all. Ideally, it should be potted in coarse grade bark compost in a wooden basket to accommodate its thick roots and suspended from the roof of the greenhouse in order to gain the best light and drier air. It should receive a dry rest in winter. It is ideally suited to growing indoors as a houseplant.

Synonym: The very centre of the flower contorts to affect a shape and character not unlike that of a clown, which explains its common name: Clown Orchid.

Information for Members

Next Meeting - May 25th

Annual subscriptions are now overdue - \$25 - Please see the Treasurer.

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Note New Starting Times

As of last meeting new starting times are as follows; - Plants are to be in by 7.20pm, Popular voting will start at 7.30pm and the meeting will start at 7.40pm. Don't be late or you'll miss out on casting your vote.

It is also envisaged that the business part of the meeting will be completed by 8.10pm and thus leaving us with more of the evening to spend on orchids. Any unfinished business at 8.15pm will be referred to the committee for finalization. If you have business that needs to be dealt with then forward it to the secretary so that the agenda for the night might be prioritized in an effort to complete all important business.

Committee seeks your indulgence in these changes in an effort to streamline the meetings.

Photographic Competition - Spring Show

Yes it's on again this year – the Wayne Reis Jr. Memorial photographic competition to be held as part of our Spring show. Trophy and \$100 prize money is up for grabs so start snapping. More details to follow.

Cent Auction Postponed - Last meeting it was announced that we would hold a cent auction as a fund raiser as part of the June meeting. At this stage it has been deferred to a later date - to be advised – hopefully when it is a little warmer to encourage members to brave our chilly Toowoomba weather.

"Art in Bark" Monday Group invite TOS members to come along to "BARKING MAD" at the Culliford Gallery, 1 Godsall St. Toowoomba. 22nd May – 17th June with the official opening at 2pm Sunday 27th May. Works for sale, Refreshments available and admission is free.

Lions Creative Exhibition

The Highfields Lions Club has invited TOS to participate in the Lions Creative Exhibition to be held on 16th & 17th of June. Our participation would consist of a stall to display/sell plants. There are over 130 organizations booked for the event. The management committee has discussed this venture and member approval will be sought at the next meeting. The only down side is the fact that we wouldn't be permitted to run a raffle. Air your thoughts at the next meeting.

Guest speaker /Presentation

Next Meeting - Our speakers for the May meeting will be Reg Dix on Cattleyas and Kev Baker on Neofinetia

Date Claimers

TOSCA -Toowoomba Orchid Society Cultural Afternoon

The next TOSCA will be on **Saturday 9th June at 2.00pm**, at the home of Max and Robyn Bishop, 88 Costello Rd Cabarlah. Please bring a plate for afternoon tea.

New and Novice Growers Group

The next New & Novice Growers Group will be at the home of Con Harriman on Saturday the 12th May at 2.00pm - 'Belgarion' 420 Goombungee - Mt Darry Rd.

TOS Shows

Winter Show - 28th July from 8am to 5pm - St. Pauls Church Hall, Crnr James and Phillips St.

 $\textbf{Spring Show -} \ 21^{st} \ to \ 26^{th} \ September - \textbf{Orchids} \ at \ Centenary \ Heights \ State \ School \ Hall, \ Ramsay \ St. \ \& \ September - \textbf{Orchids} \ at \ Centenary \ Heights \ State \ School \ Hall, \ Ramsay \ St. \ \& \ September - \textbf{Orchids} \ Annex \$

Bromeliads at St. Pauls Church Hall, Crnr James and Phillips St.

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

Brom Workshop – 12 members and 8 visitors attended the Brom workshop at Bernie's on a rather ordinary day. Despite the weather, a fun time was had by all and a good deal of knowledge gained.

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Happy Diners Club Lunch - by Bob Lander;

12 members enjoyed our Happy Diners lunch at Preston Peak Winery. It's such a nice place, high up with great views. We tried to spot the flag on top of Picnic Point but couldn't see it.

Not a comprehensive menu, mainly pizzas, but they were very nice. As always we all had a good chat with laughter thrown in. Afterwards a few of us drove up steep Panorama Drive to a lookout not far from the Winery. What a magnificent view towards Cambooya and Warwick. All in all it was a pleasant few hours with good company.

Don't forget next Happy Diners will be at **The Federal Hotel, 111 James Street, Toowoomba** around 11.30 am on the first Thursday of the month, 7th of June, 2012.' *Thanks Bob* – Ed.

For the full calendar of Happy Diners gatherings see the table below.

Happy Diners Calendar

Date	Venue	Time
7 th June 2012	Federal Hotel, 111 Jame4 Street, Toowoomba	11.30am
5th 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
4th Oct. 2012	The Stock Exchange Hotel, Anzac Avenue, Toowoomba	11.30am
1st 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

Autumn Show Raffle Results at Gardenfest

Box of Orchids – R & I Anderson Cymbidium Orchid – D. Raymond Bunnings Voucher – D. Short

Unfortunately the autumn show results are not available at time of printing. Next month.

Diary

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

Aranbeem Orchids Open Day Sale - Saturday 2nd June - 9am - 4pm

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

Southport & District Orchid Society – 2nd & 3rd June – Albert Waterways Centre. 91 Sunshine Blvd. Mermaid Waters.

Aspley Orchid Society – 12th & 13th May – Community Hall, Edinburgh Castle Rd. Wavell Heights

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

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

Contact the editor.

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Toowoomba Orchid Society Inc. Judging Rules - 09/11

- 1. All entries are free and open to all current financial members of The Toowoomba Orchid Society Inc (financial means, as at the last official club meeting prior to this show). Members wishing to Bench Plants &/or Sell plants must have attended 5 General Meetings &/or tended apologies during the year. The Show Committee has the power to waive this condition in Special circumstances.
- 2. All plants, Show and Sales, must be in show bench condition, and appear free from pests and diseases. They must be established in their pot or on their mount. The show marshal and two members of the Show Committee have the right to reject any plant/s carrying pests or in their opinion appearing to have disease or not established.
- 3. PLANTS COMPETING FOR PRIZES AND ALL SALES PLANTS shall be owned by and have been in possession of the owner for at least the preceding SIX MONTHS.
- 4. Staking and tying for support to enhance the plant will be permitted. The Judging panel has the right to remove any staking and / or tying if necessary to ascertain the strength of the flower spike. Any plant with tying on or above the pedicle or to the ovary, of a flower will be disqualified. On multi--flowered unbranched inflorescences, staking and ties are allowed up to but not above half way along that portion of the inflorescences carrying flowers and buds. On branched inflorescences, the main branch may be staked or tied up to but not above the uppermost branch.
- 5. A seedling is a complete plant grown from seed, EXHIBITED for the first time (Not a mericlone or division of an adult plant) and is identified by a pink dot on the green card.
- 6 All Australian native species presented for sale at the show must have **the owners propagation number** attached to the plant; plants presented for sale **without** a propagation number will be refused permission to be sold.
 - The Show Marshal has the right to reject any plants that do not adhere to satisfactory standards
- 7. An Australian Native Orchid is defined in the Australian Orchid Council standards.
- 8. Natural hybrids **are not species** and will not be judged in species classes.
- 9. A specimen plant is identified as a single clone carrying many spikes (judges' discretion to the No. of spikes appropriate) of flowers, except where noted in the schedule.
- 10. Mounted plants must be well established on its mount, Plants growing on mounts must be firmly attached by its own root system and growth to be well established.
- 11. The Grand Champion Orchid of the show shall be selected from the winners of the Champion Classes. The Reserve Champion Orchid shall be selected from the remaining winners of the Champion Classes plus the second best orchid chosen from all orchids benched in the classes from which the Grand Champion Orchid was chosen.
- 12. Any Novice (Blue Dot on the green card) or Junior (Yellow Dot on the green card) plant may also be judged in the Championship for that Genera
- 13. In Championship classes only a first place will be awarded.
- 14. The Judges decision is final.

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15. A Steward's duty is to record placings correctly and aid the judging panel as requested. They must not interfere with the Judges while they are judging. They will place a coloured sticker on the plant name tag representing 1st. 2nd. or 3rd and take the results to typists.

- 16. When there are only three plants in a class First only will be awarded. When there are only four plants in a class First and Second will be awarded. When there are five or more plants in a class First, Second and Third will be awarded. Unless in the Judge's discretion an award is warranted.
- 17. In all classes, orchids judged first will be given a card and/or ribbon and/or trophy. Those judged second and third will be given an award card.
- 18. Plants are to be exhibited in one class only, <u>except for Champion's of classes</u>, <u>Grand Champion and Reserve Champion</u>.
- 19. A Novice member is who is noted as such by the Society prior to the commencement of this show. Novice plants are identified by a blue card or blue grey card
- 20. A junior member is a member under the age of 18 years. (unless working full time)
- 21. In the case of an entry winning a trophy and the owner wishing to remove the plant from the show, the flower/s must be cut off and suitably displayed before the plant can be removed from the show. This can only occur with the permission of a quorum of (3) Committee members.
- 22. Plants must be identified by clearly marking your exhibitors Number (Pot No) on your show plant name tag. Also the Class Number should also be on the name card.
 - All plants must carry a second tag with plant name clearly printed, your pot number and Class No., these tags to be attached by a glide- on clip to plant label.
- 23. Plants exhibited in all classes must be in the setting up area by the time nominated by the committee for this show. The Show Marshall shall be able to waive this rule under Special circumstances.
- 24. Entries and sales plants are accepted on the basis that the Society will take all reasonable care of exhibits but will not be responsible for any theft, loss, damage or destruction of such exhibit or sales plants and the exhibitor will have no claim whatsoever against the society.
- 25. Classes and/or amendments may be added or deleted to the Show Schedule in any section as required by the show committee
- 26. Members wishing to sell plants at Shows must:
 - a. Enter plants for competition
 - b. Must work a shift on duty at the Show
 - c. Take a space on the plant sales tables no larger than the size of 6 eight inch Cymbidiums, spare sales plants to be placed on the stage where Members can bring them forward and Customers can still see them.

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27/4/2012 Results

Category	Name of Plant	Owner
Species Miniature	C. coccinea	K & Y Baker
Species Other	Rossioglossum grande	D & C Woolf
Exotic Hybrid	Mclna. Mem. Artur Elle 'Luke'	D & C Woolf
Seedling	Oda. Stirbec	D & C Woolf
Novice	Alcra. Winter Wonderland	E. Koelmeyer
Cultural Plant	C. Chocolate Drop x Lc. Wrigleyi	B & B Klemm
Plant of Interest	Rossioglossum grande	D & C Woolf
Golden Oldie	Lc. Wrigleyi	E. Koelmeyer
Foliage	Neo. Copper Blush	I & R Anderson
Judges Choice - 1 st	Mclna. Mem. Artur Elle 'Luke'	D & C Woolf
Judges Choice - 2 nd	Zed. Heart Of Gold 'Cleo'	D & C Woolf
Judges Choice - 3 rd	Alcra. Winter Wonderland	E. Koelmeyer
Judges Choice - Species - 1st	Rossioglossum grande	D & C Woolf
Judges Choice - Species - 2 nd	Phrag. longifolium	J & C Terry
Judges Choice - Species - 3 rd	Paph. villosum	B & B Klemm
Judged Choice - Oncidiinae - 1st	Zed. Heart Of Gold 'Cleo'	D & C Woolf
Judged Choice - Oncidiinae - 2 nd	Zed. Heart of Gold 'Zelda'	D & C Woolf
Judged Choice - Oncidiinae - 3 rd	Onc. Easy Gold x Onc. Glowing Gold	D & C Woolf
Popular Vote Hybrid	Zed. Heart Of Gold 'Cleo'	D & C Woolf
Popular Vote Species	Rossioglossum grande	D & C Woolf
Popular Vote Foliage - Tie	Adianthum	I & R Anderson
Topulai Vole Foliage - Fie	Neo Predator	B Polzin



C. coccinea



Rossioglossum grande



McIna. Mem. Artur Elle 'Oda. Stirbec





Alcra. Winter Wonderland



C. Chocolate Drop x Lc. Wrigleyi



Neo. Copper Blush



Zed. Heart Of Gold 'Cleo' Lc. Wrigleyi





Figure 1

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New New New

Check out our NEW Website http://www.woolforchidculture.com

Flashs And Plants

Our new 2012 listings contain many new Mericlones & seedlings in Aussie Dendrobiums.

Aussie Sarcochilus, Catasetums, Cattleyas, Cymbidiums, Oncidium Alliance, Phalaenopsis, Paphiopedilums, Promenaeas, Species and Zygopetalums. Write, email or download your copy now

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