Welcome to the 2017 Tanbark from the editorial team

Wishing you all a fabulous new year filled with orchids, family and everything that we enjoy.

Our next meeting is on the 27th of January and we look forward to your company and any plants that are in flower.

Please consider nominations for committee positions as our AGM will be held in conjunction with the February meeting. We appreciate any help you can give but it takes a strong committee to steer the society.

Remember that you must be financial by the February meeting to be eligible to vote.

Nomination and proxy forms enclosed.

Uncaptioned photos this issue are a selection from the October and November meetings including the Christmas function.

Meetings:

Fourth Friday of each month at 7.30pm, except September and December.

Venue:

St. Paul’s Lutheran Church Hall
Cnr. James and Phillip St, Toowoomba

Annual Subscription:

Due February—Family $25.00 / Single $25.00

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New Growers Group

2pm 11th February 2017
with Rudy & Rhonda Barnett,
558 Greenwattle Street
Toowoomba
TOOWOOMBA ORCHID SOCIETY Inc.

General Meeting Minutes, 25th November 2016.

The President opened the meeting and welcomed all present at 7.00pm.

General housekeeping including toilet location and evacuation procedures were mentioned.

**Apologies:** All in attendance book plus Val Jellyman, Mal Martin and Murray Ferguson.

**Visitors:** Glenn Tankard, welcomed as a new member.

**Guest Speaker:** Nil

**Judges for Tonight:** No judging tonight as only a few plants benched. Popular vote only.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the October 2016 meeting, as printed in Tan Bark, are true and correct. Moved by Brian Williams and seconded by Kev Baker. Carried.

**Correspondence:** Inward: newsletters, travel brochure, Toowoomba Regional Council—acquittal of event support grant, and account from AOC.

Outward: Nil

Con Harriman moved that the correspondence be accepted. Seconded by C. Dedekind. Carried.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Presented by H. Guppy in the absence of Roy Anderson (acting treasurer) Heather moved that the financial report be accepted. Seconded by C. Dedekind—carried.

**Happy Diners:** Thursday 2nd December at Withcott Hotel.

**General Business:**

1. **John Woolf** moved that the club purchase as a priority a new computer for the Tanbark editor. Seconded John Terry - carried.

2. **President Heather** presented trophies to the Summer Show winners.
GENERAL BUSINESS cont’d:

Plants Tabled: Popular vote:
Hybrid - C. Dedekind
Species - C. Dedekind
Foliage - Peter Kajewski
Novice - J. Brown
The meeting concluded at 7.15pm for Christmas fare.

Thank you to all who donated items for the raffle.
Committee Positions to be Filled

Nomination and proxy forms enclosed/attached

All nominations to secretary by 10th February 2017

President
Vice President
Secretary
Assistant Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Tanbark Editor
Publicity Officer
Committee Members

Show Marshall
Assistant Show Marshall
Show Secretary
Meeting Recorders
Database Custodian
Librarian
Host/Hostess
Facebook Operator

TOS Growing Accessories
Available from Heather & Neville
at 43 Noll Street, Toowoomba

Bark - 5 sizes
Perlite - coarse, super coarse and jumbo (smaller sizes on request)
Coconut (coir) chip - various
Fertilizer - 500g or 1kg
Pots - in most popular sizes
Clips - in 3 sizes
Wire stakes -
Small Hangers - 4 prong
Large Hangers (swivel) - 4 prong
Prices available from Heather as these vary with different orders.
News Flash

Gaming Commission Grant. The society made an initial application for equipment valued at $20,000.

$15,000 was received by the club.

This amount needs to be spent within 12 months. Any amount over $300 must be returned to the commission. Only items on the list may be purchased—the number can differ eg 3 computers- 2 may be bought. Receipts for purchases must be kept and a record of same be sent to the Commission.

The management committee has perused the list - and reworked same to fit with lesser amount.

The committee has agreed to the immediate purchase of the following.

Computer for Tanbark editor, printers for Tanbark editor and treasurer.

H Guppy will liaise with E Mahoney’s son and K Baker to meet at the hall to measure space for cupboard.

Orchid Wiz and renewals for 5 years (need to be purchased in advance).

Data projector.

The executive and committee members wish all members are very Happy and safe Christmas. May all your wishes be granted.

We look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Happy growing .

Cultural Segment - 27th January Meeting

John Terry will speak on potting mediums, fertilisers and general growing tips. These talks are very informative so don’t be afraid to ask questions.
Happy Diners at the Withcott Hotel December 2016
New Growers Group at Con Harriman’s home

An enthusiastic group travelled west to Con’s for a very informative gathering. David Woolf imparted some good tips on growing in difficult areas. The group then enjoyed a sumptuous afternoon tea and a light hearted discussion on orchid growing. These meetings can be attended by all growers, not just new ones.
Supper at the meeting

Please bring along a small plate of nibbles for our general meetings.
Your offering is greatly appreciated.

Thought for the month!

Just living is not enough. One must have sunshine, freedom, and a little flower.
- Hans Christian Andersen

Remember -
Next Meeting  27th January 2017