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This happy fellow is *Paphiopedilum* Greenshanks 'Goblet' grown by Vicki and Dave Cleaver. An excellent article on the special features displayed by *Paphiopedilum* orchid blooms can be viewed here - <http://www.microscopy-uk.org.uk/mag/indexmag.html?http://www.microscopy-uk.org.uk/mag/artdec11/bj-slipper2.html> (control click with your cursor anywhere on the link)

Photograph S Greatbatch.

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## From the Editor

Hello and welcome to the September GREENHOOD newsletter.

We have four new members to welcome to the TOS; they are Lupe Falon, Leigh Burbury, Craig Burgess and Louise Abrahamsson. I hope you are all getting excited and are looking forward to participating in our first Spring Show in two years. A briefing from Glenn, our Show Steward, is included on page 12. I would like to encourage any new members to have a go at entering your blooms in the Show, even if you have only one plant in bloom, you can enter it onto the community stand. Have a go, it's great experience.

This past month I have had the opportunity of visiting both Geoff Curry and Matt Kemps orchid collections. Thanks to you both for your hospitality. A photo of myself with some of Geoff's natives is on page 14. Unfortunately, I had left my camera memory card in my computer before visiting matts garden so was unable to photograph the lovely display of bulbs or the orchids. Also Matt visited my orchids a week before to see my growing areas, a lot of which are seedlings I'm growing on indoors.

Recently I came across some youtube videos that showed native orchids of Jamaica in their natural habitat. I was surprised to see the landscape looked a dry limestone with low scrubby bush land with Broughtonia and Tolumnia growing amongst Tilandsia low on bushes and twigs in dappled light. Another video showed a guide going into in lush dense forest with a machete hacking off branches laden with blooming Tolumnias and Ionopsis off the trees! I found myself cringeing and wincing at the sight of it. To check it out search the underlined above. The deadline for the October Greenhood is Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> but don't wait till then, get your items and articles in today. Cheers for now  
Sandra Greatbatch Editor.

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**Deadline for the newsletter Wednesday 13 days prior to the general meeting.**

## Calendar of Events

Month	Event
<b>September</b>	<b>General Meeting</b> Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 Legacy Hall 6.30pm for 7.30pm start. Guest Speaker - Show preparation, promotion and staking preparing blooms Floral Art – Curvaceous <b>Spring Show</b> Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 at the Town Hall Hobart. See date details on page 12
<b>October</b>	<b>General Meeting</b> Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2021 Legacy Hall 6.30pm for 7.30pm start. Guest Speaker – Show prize presentation and general discussion on culture Floral Art – Include Orchids
<b>November</b>	<b>General Meeting</b> Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 Legacy Hall 6.30pm for 7.30pm start. Guest Speaker - TBA Floral Art – Use an Unusual Container <b>Sarcochilus and Masdevallia Show</b> Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> November. Venue Legacy Hall 159 Macquarie Street Hobart
<b>December</b>	<b>Christmas Meeting</b> Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2021 Legacy Hall 6.30pm for 7.30pm start. Guest Appearance – Santa Clause Floral Art – Xmas Table Centre Piece

### Tasmania's COVID-19 safe app 'Check in Tas'

enables you to quickly sign into venues and events all around the state where your contact details will be securely retained for 28 days with the Tasmanian Department of Health. It enables quick contact tracing of a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the community. Details can be found here-

<https://coronavirus.tas.gov.au/>

If you already have the app you can sign in others who are unable to get or use the app. Please consider this at our orchid meeting places.



### Tasmanian Orchid Society Inc. Orchid Mix

The T.O.S. Orchid Mix, 40lt bags, are available at \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. The keeper of the mix is **Peter Willson**. Please phone Peter on 62484375 (who lives near Cambridge) to arrange pickup and payment.

**Right** is Vicki and David Cleaver's soft cane dendrobium, *Den. Yukidarima Queen*.  
Photo S Greatbatch

## **2021 September Presidents Report.**

I hope you all are getting excited that our show is just around the corner. This is our largest event of the year. It gives us, in one way or another, an opportunity to showcase to the public our passion for orchids. The good thing about it is that everyone can participate by showing our orchids, helping out during the show or promoting it by just mentioning to friends and family.

The success of the show isn't only up to your hard-working committee but also all of our members. There is still time to enter a display or benching on the community stand. If you only have a couple of orchids and are in doubt as to how to prepare them for showing give me a ring.

### **The roster is still full of spaces waiting to be filled.**

The committee also discussed future topics for our general meetings. We have a wide range of members who are at various stages of orchid growing, all of whose needs should be met by our society.

Members of the committee were concerned that if the speaker goes into too much depth a lot of our members will quickly lose interest. The society also has members who have come along to learn in depth. The meetings should contain something for everyone and at times I would like to ask for your understanding.

Discussions and demonstrations on potting, splitting up plants, growing medium, fertilizers etc are always popular. An occasional screen presentation is appreciated.

Please let me know your ideas on topics.

I hope the show is enjoyable and all of you take from it what you are wanting and heaps more.

### **Garden Clubs of Australia Southern Zone**

Hopefully some of you will remember that I asked at a general meeting if anyone would like to represent our Society at a Zone meeting this was about three or four months ago. There was no interest on the night but Elizabeth and Sandra ended coming with me. There is to be another on the 25<sup>th</sup> of September at Middleton, hosted by The South Channel Garden Club, we only need three representatives.

Why I am pushing this is because the GCA provides a great service to us in the way of publicity for our society. The majority of the garden clubs in the south of Tasmania is represented there and promotional material is sent back to members.

Every two years the GCA Southern Zone holds a Plant Fair. Two years ago it was at Wood Bank Gardens at Longley. At the time I couldn't drum up any support so I represented the Society on my own with help from outside the Society.

I am hoping that this time I can get some help. It is to be held at 'Valleyfield' New Norfolk. All of the information is below. I would love some people to do shifts over the two days as well as assisting in the setting up. We will mainly be focusing on our display and handing out society information. If there are any orchids left over from our show we could sell them.

If you do not wish to be a part of this event but would like attend all of the necessary information is below.  
Shirley

## **GCA Southern Tasmania Zone Plant Fair ‘Valleyfield’,**

120 Hamilton Rd, New Norfolk.

Saturday 30 & Sunday 31 October 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

at the family property of the past Governor of Tasmania, Prof. Kate Warner, AC.

‘Valleyfield’ is a National Trust listed property with sweeping grounds to stroll through and enjoy the garden. **\$10 entry**. Children under 12 are free. Exhibitors at the Fair will include local Zone Garden clubs, Derwent Valley-based companies, Angus Stewart and his native plants, professional horticultural-related items, specialty plants such as irises, lilliums, orchids, succulent specialist, perennials and more.

Coffee van plus Silverbean Catering will have delicious snacks (including wine by the glass).

### **Cash only event.**

**Parking:** To making parking easier on the busy Hamilton Road/ Lyell Highway, please make use of the free mini bus shuttle service by parking at New Norfolk Football Club, 21 Back River Road, New Norfolk. To get there from Hobart, get yourself on to the Lyell Highway side of the river. Just after the bridge you will see a road sign ‘Magra 3”. This is Back River Road. (C184). Turn onto the C184. Cross the railway lines, view the Fire Station on the left and the New Norfolk Football Club is on the right, approx. 250 m from the turnoff. Park your car and then catch the free bus.

## **Orchid Nurseries available to Tasmania.**

I put up a request on the Tasmanian Orchid Forum site to get a list of orchid nurseries that send to Tasmania. I had this great response from Les JH, who has obviously done a lot of research on it and has kindly given me permission to put this into our newsletter. **Shirley.**

I am new to the world of orchids but have started growing them and as part of my journey I have been searching for places that do sell and send orchids to Tasmania. Some of these have already been noted in other comments but here are the ones I have found to date:

### **Mt Beenak Orchids**

<https://mtbeenakorchids.com.au/>

There is a \$15.00 surcharge to send orchids to Tasmania to cover requirements. They will soon close down.

### **Orchid Species Plus**

<https://orchidspeciesplus.com.au/>

There is a \$15.00 surcharge to send orchids to Tasmania to cover requirements. There is also then a \$5.00 ‘dipping fee’ per plant up to 10 plants. (I think it caps at \$50.00)

\*\*The man I spoke to said that it doesn’t hurt to email them first to check availability of the plant/s you are after and they can confirm total costs at that time as well.

### **Barrita Orchids**

<https://barritaorchids.com/>

Barrita ship orchids on Mondays and due to requirements to send to Tasmania need orders in by Thursday or they will wait the extra week before sending.

Rosella Orchids

<https://www.rosellaorchids.com.au/>

There is a \$15.00 surcharge to send orchids to Tasmania to cover requirements.

## Orchids R Us

<https://orchidsrus.com.au/>

This Nursery only ships flasks to Tasmania not flowers at this time.

## Collectors Corner on ebay

<http://www.ebaystores.com.au/collectorscornervictoria>

When you order from here you also need to add the fee for the certificate to have your order progress utilising the below link.

<https://www.ebay.com.au/itm/264819809028>

This will add 7 to 10 days to the delivery time.

(Sadly I waited nearly 3 weeks without them letting me know before I followed up with them about why the flowers hadn't arrived before finding this out.)

## Orchidsnmore

<https://www.ebay.com.au/usr/orchidsnmore>

This is a Tasmanian orchid seller on ebay. Based at Sulphur Creek I am pretty sure.

## Oceanview Orchids

<https://oceanvieworchids.com.au/>

Located in NW Tasmania and take orders via email. Mail orders only.

## The Hanging Garden

<https://www.thehanginggarden.biz/>

There is a \$20.00 surcharge to send orchids to Tasmania to cover requirements.

### \*\*To Note:

The gentleman I spoke to at Orchid Species Plus said that he had been advised of the quarantine requirements possibly changing in the future due to a couple of new bugs being considered by the Tas Govt. to be an issue. He said if this occurs it may change accreditation requirements and costing to the point that its very expensive to send plants to Tasmania or simply not viable for sellers.

I tried Ezi Gro orchids who said that it costs \$150.00 to have plants checked for quarantining as they aren't accredited so maybe the Gentleman from Orchid Species Plus meant that this type of check could be required if the rules change affecting people's ability to get accredited. Anyway can't worry about it unless it happens I guess!

I also had a look at Down Under Orchids whose website said that they aren't currently shipping live plants to Tasmania.



# August Meeting Results

## Judges Vote 1st. Division

Cymbidium Hybrid over 90mm		No Entry	
Cymbidium Hybrid 90mm and Under		No Entry	
Laelinia Species and Hybrid	1st.	<i>Rth.</i> Chief Sunkiss	I Woodgate
	2nd.	No Entry	
Oncidium and Allied Sp./Hyb.	1st.	<i>Ons.</i> Wildcat 'Petete Sirah'	M Smith
	2nd.	<i>Onc.</i> Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'	S Jackson
Gomesa Species or Hybrid		No Entry	
Masdevallia and Dracula Sp./Hyb.	1st.	<i>Masd.</i> Orinoco x Funky	S Jackson
	2nd.	<i>Masd.</i> Red Hot Chilli 'Beenak'	J & B Smith
Other Orchid Species	1st.	<i>Max.</i> <i>porphyrostele</i>	I Woodgate
	2nd.	<i>Cu.</i> <i>pulchella</i> 'Kindred'	I Woodgate
Other Orchid Hybrid	1st.	<i>Den.</i> Amphion Veil	J & B Smith
	2nd.	<i>Zba.</i> Kiwi 'Twilight' x <i>Z.</i> John Banks 'Purple Lips'	M Smith
Australian Sarcochilus & All. Sp./Hyb.		No Entry	
Australian Native Tuberosus	1st.	<i>Ptst.</i> <i>curta</i>	J & B Smith
	2nd.	No Entry	
Australian Native Other Sp./Hyb.	1st.	<i>Den.</i> Brimbank Dream	S Jackson
	2nd.	<i>Den.</i> Ellen	J & B Smith
<b>Best Species Orchid</b>		<i>Max.</i> <i>porphyrostele</i>	I Woodgate
<b>Best Hybrid Orchid</b>		<i>Den.</i> Brimbank Dream	S Jackson
<b>Best of Best</b>		<i>Den.</i> Brimbank Dream	S Jackson
<b>Orchid of the Month</b>		<i>Masd.</i> Red Hot Chilli 'Beenak'	J & B Smith

## Judges Vote 2nd. Division

Cymbidium Hybrid over 90mm.	1st.	<i>Cym.</i> Unknown	S Greatbatch
	2nd.	No Entry	
Cymbidium Hybrid 90mm and Under	1st.	<i>Cym.</i> Red Pepper 'Janice'	V Byers/G Durkin
	2nd.	No Entry	

Laeliinae Species and Hybrid	1st. <i>Rlc.</i> Pastoral 'Innocence'	D & V Cleaver
	2nd. <i>Rth.</i> Netrasiri Starbright	E Mulder
Oncidium and Allied Sp./Hyb.	1st. <i>Onc.</i> Opalescent 'Springtime'	S Greatbatch
	2nd. <i>Oip.</i> Living Fire 'Blazing Embers'	I Crocker
Gomesa Species or Hybrid	No Entry	
Masdevallia and Dracula Sp./Hyb.	1st. <i>Masd.</i> Bay of Fires 'Wob Wob'	E Mulder
	2nd. <i>Masd.</i> Chaparana x <i>princeps</i> 'Red Bull'	M Kemp
Other Orchid Species	1st. <i>Ros. grande</i>	E Mulder
	2nd. <i>Rstp. nittiorhyncha</i>	M Kemp
Other Orchid Hybrid	1st. Den. Yukidaruma Queen	D & V Cleaver
	2nd. Paph. Greenshanks 'Goblet'	D & V Cleaver
Australian Sarcochilus Sp./Hyb.	No Entry	
Australian Native Tuberosus	1st. <i>Ptst. curta</i>	M Kemp
	2nd. <i>Chil. pescottiana</i>	G Curry
Australian Native Other	1st. Den. Rutherford Starburst 'Tinonee'	M Kemp
	2nd. Den. Brinawa Charm 'WC'	W Glidden
<b>Best Species</b>	<i>Ros. grande</i>	E Mulder
<b>Best Hybrid</b>	Den. Rutherford Starburst 'Tinonee'	M Kemp
<b>Best of Best</b>	<i>Ros. grande</i>	E Mulder
<b>Orchid of the Month</b>	<i>Ros. grande</i>	E Mulder

#### House Plants

1st.	Cyclamen	W Glidden
2nd.	No Entry	

#### Floral Arrangement

1st.	"Shades of Green"	G Allen
2nd.	"Shades of Green"	W Glidden

### Popular Vote

#### First Division

1st	<i>Ons.</i> Wildcat 'Petite Sirah'	M Smith
2nd	<i>Rth.</i> Chief Sunkiss	I Woodgate
3rd.	<i>Masd.</i> Red Hot Chilli 'Beenak'	J & B Smith

#### Second Division

1st.	<i>Rlc.</i> Pastoral 'Innocence'	D & V Cleaver
2nd.	Den. Brinawa Charm 'WC'	W Glidden
3rd.	<i>Ctt.</i> Chocolate Drop 'Kodama'	
	x <i>Rlc.</i> Mount Sylvan 'David Littman'	I Crocker

#### House Plants

1st.	Cyclamen	W Glidden
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#### Floral Arrangement

1st.	"Shades of Green"	G Allen
2nd.	"Shades of Green"	W Glidden
3rd.	"Shades of Green"	S Davey





**Invitation to attend the Annual General Meeting of  
The Australian Orchid Foundation**

**Guest Speaker**

**MIKE DUNCAN**

**Many people around the world have been entertained and educated by one of Mike Duncan's orchid talks on his global travels looking for orchids. This time Mike is taking us to two special areas of Australia.**

***His topic: In big things, little things grow: mountains of orchids***  
There's nothing like an adventure in the mountains. Being immersed in nature, dwarfed by mighty peaks, and soaking in breath-taking views. Mountains draw strong emotions and primal feelings. Mike's going to talk about two of his favourite places in Australia.

And they just happen to contain mountains of orchids!

**Venue: City of Whitehorse Horticultural  
Centre 82 Jolimont Road  
Forest Hill VIC 3131**

**A Zoom link is available for those unable to travel to the meeting.**

**Date: Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2021**

**Time: 2 pm for AGM followed by Mike's presentation.**

**Afternoon tea provided. Plant & Book Sales**

**PLEASE EMAIL:**

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**FOR THE LINK TO THE MEETING**



### **Tasmanian Orchid Society payments and treasury matters**

Members should be aware that the Treasurer is **Christine Doyle** and can be contacted:

By **email noel.doyle3@bigpond.com**, by **phone 62729820**, or at all general meetings.

Should payment be required, the preferred method is by direct debit. **Direct Debit details are**

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Please put your name/s in the description area and inform Christine by sending an email. Cash / cheque can be paid directly to Treasurer Christine Doyle at a meeting or **posted to PO Box 51 South Hobart 7004**. Thank you for your past membership of the Society as we very much value your attendance and contribution to this dynamic and active Society of Orchid growers. As of the 1st January 2021 membership renewal dues are required. Dual & family renewal membership is \$25.00 p.a. and \$20.00 for individual's renewal. These can be paid by Direct Debit, cheque or by cash at any meeting. Direct Debit details are given above.

### **Show dates for all other Tasmanian Societies**

#### **Burnie Orchid Society Inc. -**

Spring Show 8th -10th October 2021  
Burnie Arts Function Centre

#### **Devonport Orchid Society Inc. -**

Spring Show 1st to 3rd October 2021  
Sarcochilus & Masdevallia Show 27th November 2021  
Both events at Maidstone Hall Sprayton

#### **Launceston Orchid Society Inc. -**

Spring Show 24th to 26th September 2021  
Max Fry Hall Trevallyn  
Sarcochilus & Masdevallia Show 20th November 2021  
Newnham

# SPRING SHOW 2021

## VOLUNTEER and EXHIBITOR

### BRIEFING

- Do not attend the Spring Show if you have been diagnosed with COVID-19.
- Do not attend the Spring Show if you have had a COVID 19 test and are awaiting results.
- DO NOT attend the show if you are experiencing any flue like symptoms.
- ALWAYS check in with the Check In Tas app or by paper sign in.
- SOCIAL DISTANCING must be adhered to. Please keep 1.5 metres separation.
- DO NOT USE THE LIFT if at all possible. Use the stairs if you are able.
- All attendees are reminded to sanitise their hands before entering.
- Please bring your own pens, pencils, clipboards, drinking cup and anything you may need while you are attending.
- Maximum number of people in the Ballroom is 50.

### TOS 2021 Spring Show Dates

Held at the Hobart Town Hall

**Setup - 8am to 7pm\* Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

\*(amended from 8pm as advertised in the August GREENHOOD notice)

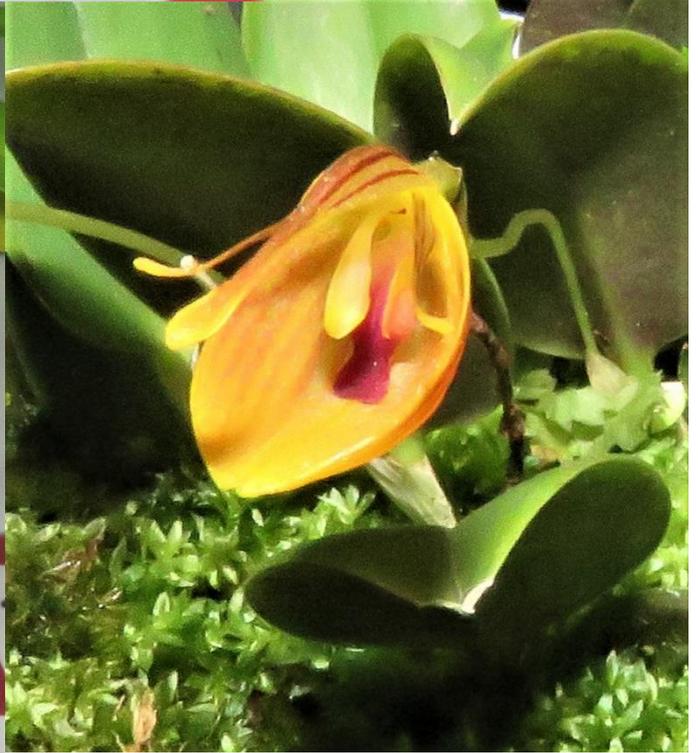
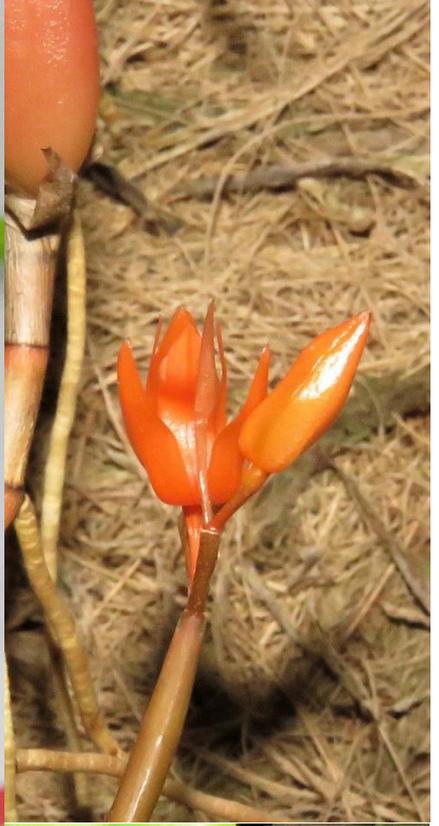
Plants may be staged after 10.30am

**Judging - Thursday morning 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

**Show Opens - 1pm to 5pm Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Official Opening – 2pm** by the  
Right Honourable, Lord Mayor of Hobart  
Councillor Anna Reynolds

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 9am to 5pm  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September 9am to 3pm **Close and pack up**





**Above Left.** This is Wendy Glidden's *Dendrobium* Brinawa Charm 'WC' **Above Right.** The Editor on a visit to Geoff Curry's wonderful collection, standing next to a super specimen sized *Dendrobium Speciosum* named Beverly. This photo taken by Geoff Curry.

### Photograph Details

all photos in this Edition by S Greatbatch

**Page 6. Left.** Shirley Jackson's *Dendrobium aemulum*, a wonderful Australian native species found from North Queensland down to South-Eastern NSW. **Right.** *Pleurothallis macra* an interesting South American pleurothallid species featuring fine reed-like stems topped with long thin lanceolate leaves from the base of which emerges the 6-9mm blooms that resemble tiny paphiopedilums. Grown by Sandra Greatbatch

**Page 9. Clockwise from top Left.** Ian Woodgate's Rth. (*Rhyncattleanthe*) Chief Sunkiss, *Maxillaria porphyrostele* and *Cu.(Cuitlauzina) puchella* 'Kindred' (formerly known as Osmoglossum). The blooms on this plant are non-resupinate meaning the lip is uppermost and the column and dorsal sepal point down. Well done Ian on these beauties. *Pterostylis curta* with its distinctive twisted lip grown by Jim Smith. Congratulations to Elaine Mulder for an amazing blooming of *Rossioglossum grande* a plant she has had for many years without blooming. Its really gone to town this time! And finally, Marcus Smith's *Lycaste ciliata* the common name for this plant is the small haired Sudamerlycaste which I presume refers to the fringing on the sides of the lip.

**Page 11.** *Oncidium* Opalescent 'Springtime' produced 18 powdery fragrant blooms on a branched spike. A first flowering from a seedling grown by Sandra Greatbatch.

**Page 13. Clockwise from top Left.** Featured is Matt Kemp holding his *Masdevallia Falcata* 'Gold Digger'. **Top Right** and detail **Bottom Right** is Matt's *Restrepia nittiorhyncha*. This is a cool to cold growing, high altitude (up to 2900m) cloud forest species from Columbia and Venezuela. Its common name is the duckbilled Restrepia which the lip resembles. The orange bloom **Centre Right** is Marcus Smith's *Coelogyne miniata*. The pseudobulbs are also tinged orange. **Bottom Left** is Jim Smith's Orchid of the Month *Masdevallia* Red Hot Chilli 'Beenak' a large wide bloom with an intense deep red colour. And **Centre** is Jim's *Masdevallia* Golden Kreiks Crown Vista. This bloom displays an attractive silvery pearlescent lustre.