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Den. Tweetas 'Baees Gold' x (Australian Sunblessed x teretifolium 'Shane')

Owner & Photographer Elaine Mulder

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#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**18th Sept. 2023** at Legacy Hall, 159 Macquarie St, Hobart. **Guest speaker to be confirmed.** And a practicable advice on how to do a small display for the Show.

Floral Art: "Practise one for the Spring Show"

**16th Oct. 2023** at Legacy Hall, 159 Macquarie St, Hobart.

Presentations of Trophies and Certificates from the Spring Show. Welcome to all new Members.

Guest speaker to be confirmed.

Floral Art: "Spring Basket"

**12th Nov 2023** Sarcochilus & Masdevallia Show at the Uniting Church Hall, Kensington Street, Glenorchy. Full details on Page 8, April 2023 Greenhood.

**20th Nov. 2023** at Legacy Hall, 159 Macquarie St, Hobart.

Presentations of Medallions and Certificates from the Sarcochilus & Masdevallia Show.

Guest speaker to be confirmed.

Floral Art: "The Big & The Little "

**11th Dec 2023** at Legacy Hall, 159 Macquarie St, Hobart.

Christmas supper, so please bring something to share with everyone. Santa will also be visiting us if he can get away from all the snow at the North Pole.

Floral Art: "A Christmas Table Arrangement." (Not too big please as the tables will have lots of food on them, I hope.)

**15th Jan. 2024** at Legacy Hall, 159 Macquarie St, Hobart.

It's a New Year, so make an effort to join us all and see what you have flowering at this time of the year.

Guest Speaker to be confirmed

Floral Art: To be advised

**20th Feb. 2024** at Legacy Hall, 159 Macquarie St, Hobart.

Guest Speaker to be confirmed

Floral Art: To be advised

**18th Mar. 2024** at Legacy Hall, 159 Macquarie St, Hobart.

Our Annual General Meeting followed by the Annual Presentations to the winning Members who have won points in Classes over the last 12 months.

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#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

G'day All,

We hope you enjoyed the presentation from Neutrog at our last meeting. There was good advice on their products, not only on orchids but on your garden as well.

The Spring Show has come around very quickly. It only seemed a short time ago that we had our Christmas party and now we are worrying that we won't have enough orchids blooming to put in a display. We are seriously low on people who have let Glenn know whether you are entering a display, so please advise him sooner rather than later.

It is the Society's chance to show the public the many different types of orchids that can be grown in Tasmania. We are also down on people to assist with the various jobs over the time of the show, so please, if you can spare 2 or 3 hours let Christine know either by email or phone, the days and times you can help. A big thankyou to those that have already put their hands up. If you are displaying plants, make sure they are well watered a few days before so that they are not wet on your display. Don't forget your sale plants if you have some.

A small group of members have bagged our society bark, so we have a good supply for your repotting needs. Many thanks to Dave and Vicki Cleaver, for having us at their home and storing the bark for us. I also have some at my place so contact either one of us for your requirements.

Stay safe and enjoy your orchids,

Noel.

#### Lost at the 21st. August 2023 General Meeting

Sharn Davies had left some Ice Tongs behind from her Floral Art entry at the August meeting. Does anyone know where they are now? If so, please bring them along to the September Meeting so they can be reunited with Sharn.

#### YOU HAVE TO LOVE BEING AN AUSTRALIAN

Being Australian is about driving in a German car to an Irish pub for a Belgian beer, then on the way home, grabbing an Indian curry or A Turkish kebab, to sit on Swedish furniture and watch American shows on an Asian TV.

Oh and...... Only in Australia ... can a pizza get to your house faster than an ambulance. Only in Australia ... do supermarkets make sick people walk all the way to the back of the shop to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front. Only in Australia ... do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries and a DIET coke. Only in Australia ... do banks leave both doors open and chain the pens to the counters. Only in Australia ... do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and lock our junk and cheap lawn mower in the garage.

## **August Meeting Results**

#### Judge's Results 1st. Division

Cymbidium Hybrid over 90mm 1st No entries

Cymbidium Hybrid 90mm & Under 1st. Cym. Unknown N & C Doyle

2nd. Cym. Avant Garde 'Geyserland' N & C Doyle

Laeliniae Species & Hybrid 1st. C. Chian-Tzy Guiding 'Chian-Tzy Red Top'

N & C Doyle

2nd. Pcv. Golden Peacock I Woodgate

Oncidium & Allied Sp. / Hyb. 1st. Oncostele Eye Candy 'Penny Candy' I Woodgate

2nd. Onc. Chaculatum 'Clockwork' M Smith

Gomesa Species or Hybrid 1st. No Entries

Masdevallia & Dracula Sp./Hyb 1st. Masd. Curacao 'Hamish' I Woodgate

2nd. Masd. Falcon Sunrise 'Lava Flow' N & C Doyle

Other Orchid Species 1st. Brassia verricosa D & V Cleaver

2nd. Cym. hookerianum var. kalawensis B Woodward

Other Orchid Hybrids 1st. Den. Australian Ginger 'Ratty Ruffles' M Smith

2nd. Coel. Unchained Melody D & V Cleaver

Aust. Sarcochilus & Allied Sp./Hyb. 1st. Sarco. Wodonga I Woodgate

2nd. Sartylis Bravehart 'Sandy' N & C Doyle

Australian Native Tuberous 1st. Ptst. nutans J & B Smith

2nd. No Entries

Australian Native Other Sp. /Hyb. 1st. Den. Sundaana Special M Smith

2nd. Den. Australian Nugget M Smith

Best Species Orchid Brassia verrucosa D & V Cleaver

Best Hybrid Orchid Den. Australian Ginger 'Ratty Ruffles' M Smith

Best of the Best Den. Australian Ginger 'Ratty Ruffles' M Smith

Orchid of the Month Brassia verrucosa D & V Cleaver

#### Judges Results 2nd. Division

Cymbidium Hybrid over 90mm 1st. Cym. Cronulla 'Coolibah' A Millward

2nd. Cym, Tracey Reddaway x Trinity Gold A Millward

Cymbidium Hybrid 90mm & Under 1st. No Entries

Laeliniae Species & Hybrid 1st. Lc. Lues Angel Beau x Unknown A Millward

2nd. L. anceps var. chamberlainianum A Millward

Oncidium & Allied Sp. / Hyb. 1st. Oncidopsis (Oip.) Living Fire 'Blazing Embers' I Crocker

2nd. Oncostele (Ons.) Midnight Miracles N Mickleborough

Gomesa Species or Hybrid 1st. No Entries

Masdevallia & Dracula Sp./Hyb 1st. Masd. Rubicon 'Top Gun' I Crocker

2nd. Masd. Midas Touch 'Crown Vista' | Crocker

Other Orchid Species 1st. Restrepia nittiorhyncha M Kemp 2nd. Restrepia Unknown M Kemp 1st .Den. Tweetas 'Baees Gold' x (Australian Sunblessed Other Orchid Hybrid x teretifolium 'Shane' F Mulder 2nd. Phalaenopsis (Phal.) Unknown K & S Dorsett Aust. Sarcochilus & Allied Sp./Hyb.1st No Entries Australian Native Tuberous 1st Chilosimpliglottis (Csg.) Pescottiana G Curry 2nd. Pterostyllis (Ptst.) curta M Kemp Australian Native Other Sp. /Hyb. 1st. Den. dolicophillum 'Medusa' x teretifolium E Mulder 2nd. Den. Cobber x Australian Rhubarb E Mulder Best Species Orchid Restrepia nittiorhyncha M Kemp Best Hybrid Orchid Den. dolicophillum 'Medusa' x teretifolium 'Yellow' E Mulder Best of the Best Restrepia nittiorhyncha M Kemp Orchid of the Month Den. Avril's Gold 'Romance' F Mulder **House Plants** Floral Arrangements

1st. Poinsettia W Glidden 1st. Unusual Container M Hope 2nd. African Violet K & S Dorsett 2nd. " G. Allen

### Popular Vote

1st. Division

#### 2nd. Division

1st. Brassia (Brs.) verricosa D & V Cleaver 1st. Den. Cobber x Australian Rhubarb E Mulder

2nd. Coelogyne (Coel.) Unchained Melody 2nd Chilosimpliglottis (Csg.) Pescottiana

D & V Cleaver G Curry

3rd. Den. Austrailian Ginger 'Ratty Ruffles' 3rd. Phalaenopsis (Phal.) Unknown

M Smith K & S Dorsett

#### **House Plants**

#### Floral Arrangements

1st. PoinsettiaW Glidden1st. "Unusual Container" M Hope2nd. CyclamenA gerrard2nd. " " G Allen3rd. African VioletK & S Dorsett3rd " " S Davies

Little Johnny runs down the stairs in tears. His Mother asks 'What's wrong?

"Dad was hanging pictures, and he hit his thumb with the hammer" said little Johnny through his tears,

That's not so serious," soothed his Mother. "I know you are upset, but a big boy like you shouldn't cry at something like that. Why didn't you just laugh?"

"I did!" sobbed Johnny.





Elaine & Richard Mulder live in Penna and they grow a very varied collection of orchids. They are housed in a Wooden framework which has been covered with Laserlite that allows eastern and northern sunshine, with protection from the hot intense westerly sun in Summer.

Elaine has proved that she has managed to perfect the art of growing and flowering her mounted Dendrobiums to perfection, as was demonstrated at the August Meeting where she benched a magnificent display.

#### HELP NEEDED FOR THE SPRING SHOW

Christine Doyle would appreciate notification from all Members who can assist in the running of this years' Spring Show.

Without people to greet and welcome visitors at the entrance table and encourage them to buy raffle tickets, our big fund raiser for the year, or assistants at the sales tables, and the fun chore of Stewarding where you keep an eye on the public as they wander around the Show, things can become a headache for the safety of our Member's plants on display.

I've reprinted the Form from August edition of the Greenhood on Page 10 of this edition that you can fill in and either send to Christine by email prior or phone the details to her at our General Meeting on the 18th of September 2023 so that she can have available copies of the roster for you to take with you on the night.

Also, Glenn Durkin would really like to hear from anyone who hasn't already advised him of your display size if you are planning to submit one. Remember that a card table display only needs 1 huge plant or 3 to 5 smaller plants to make a beautiful display and be competitive and maybe win a prize. Email addresses & Phone numbers are on Page 2 of this Greenhood.

Bev Woodward (Editor)



Lc. Lues Angel Beau x Unknown Owner & Photo: A Millward



Cym. Cronulla 'Coolibah' Owner & Photo: A Millward



Brassia (Brs.) verricosa Owners: D & V Cleaver



Photographer: V Cleaver



Left:
Laelia (L.) anceps 'Troweena'
Owner & photographer
B Woodward

#### **ORCHID HUNTING WITH GEOFF CURRY**

On a recent trip to North Queensland, I managed to make time to look for some native orchids and was successful finding 3 species.

I travelled on The Savannahlander from Forsayth to Cairns over 2 days and frequently saw Cymbidium canaliculatum growing on Narrow-Leaf Ironbark (Eucalyptus crebra) trees as we rattled along through the Savannah. The plants were easy to spot as the clumps of leaves stood out against the tree's black bark. Narrow-Leaf Ironbark is also the Koala's favorite food tree and we were passing through known Koala habitat so I was busy looking for Koala's and orchids. Cymbidium canaliculatum were just starting to show buds and Will our Train Driver and Guide told me they see them in flower in late September.

I visited family on the Atherton Tablelands and although the area is 'Epiphyte Orchid Central', I can't get used to looking up in trees while I walk along so concentrated on terrestrial orchids.

I had been told about a site that had *Pterostylis stricta* (northern greenhood) in flower and was able to locate several flowering plants. Once I had found the location they were easy to see as they are a large greenhood growing on the side of a walking track to a waterfall.

I had a couple of unsuccessful stops at likely looking spots along the road and one very successful stop where I found a large colony of Caladenia chamaephyllus (redleaf fingers). Walking up a track I found a single flowering plant of Caladenia chamaephyllus so took a heap of photos and made some notes to confirm identification, then continued about 20 metres along the track and found an extensive colony covering a large area. The flowers ranged from white to dark vivid pink so I was able to get the full range of colors in one location.



The Savannahlander, my means of transport.



Caladenia (Calda.)
chamaephyllas
(Red leaf fingers)





Caladenia (Calda.) chamaephyllas





Pterostylis (Ptst.) stricta Northern Greenhood



© Tas Orchid Hunter

Pterostylis (Ptst.) stricta

# TASMANIAN ORCHID SOCIETY INC. SHOW ASSISTANCE FORM

Please place a X in the box for the times you can assist. We really need & welcome your help.

Name	Tel:	Em	ail	
Thursday 28th Sept.	1pm to 3 pm	3 pm	1 to 5 pm	
Friday 29th Sept.	9 am to 12 noo	on 12 noon to 3	3 pm	om to 5pm
Saturday 30th Sept.	9 am to 12 noo	on 12 noon to 3	3 pm 3 p	om to 5 pm
Sunday 1st Oct. 9 am to 12 noon 12 noon 2.30pm  Please send this completed form to Christine Doyle, noel.doyle3@bigpond.com  Or bring to a General Meeting, or Phone her on 0437 517 712  Tear along this dotted line.				
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