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# Newsletter

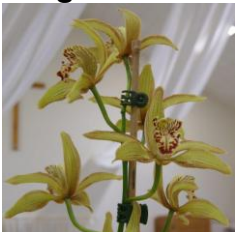
## July 2015



### Photo Gallery June meeting



### Judge's Choice June meeting



### Judge's 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice



### People's Choice June meet'g



### 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration Dinner



Our 50<sup>th</sup> celebration dinner was a huge success, although disappointing to see some of the long term members missing. The dinner and dessert were delicious, followed by a decadent birthday mud cake with tea/coffee. Brenda provided the entertainment which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. I wish I had some of your energy Brenda! Joan once again excelled herself with the games and her hilarious green snake story. Not quite an orchid Joan but close enough. Thanks Joan for providing the prizes. I thought we could divide the 50 years into 5 segments about the history of the Casino & District Orchid Society. I met with Gary and together we researched and Gary recalled information from his experience as a founding member. You may not know that Gary and Eric are the only two original members still in the society. That's dedication and a genuine love of orchids. Our birthday cake was cut by two of our Patrons, Shirley and Brenda. Joan presented Gary and Meg with lovely species orchids which we had both been searching for. Ten

orchids were won by members as a lucky door prize and there were several booby prizes. Can't wait for our Christmas dinner! Meg Kerr, President.

### CLUB BUSINESS

The proposed coach trip to the Toowoomba Orchid Soc 60<sup>th</sup> Conf and Show has been cancelled. Carpooling is an option.

Proposed outings: Early August a Sunday morning to member's orchid houses in Goonellabah. Sept 12 is Eric's Open Day. Early Oct to Rosella Nursery. The move to St Mark's Parish Hall went well and all agreed it was roomier.

There is a new category at monthly meetings 'Cut orchid in a bottle' in its own section.

VALE: We will miss Graham Gamble, his personality, cheer and knowledge. The club extends our sympathy and thoughts to Marion, Judy, Mark, Sarah and Kyle.

### NEXT MEETING

23<sup>rd</sup> July in the Show Hall (St Mark's Parish Hall), featuring a potting demonstration.

### OTHER SHOWS

- \* Toowoomba Orchid Soc 60<sup>th</sup> birthday – 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> July – USQ Berghofer Recreation Centre
- \* Bellinger Valley Show – 15<sup>th</sup> Aug – Uniting Church Hall
- \* Logan Orchid Society – 29 & 30<sup>th</sup> Aug – Community Centre
- \* Ballina Orchid Show – 28 & 29<sup>th</sup> Aug – Ballina RSL
- \* Laidley Spring Festival – 10 to 12 Sept – gardens, flower and orchid and quilt shows and more
- \* Boonah Orchid Show & Qld Sarcocylus Festival – 17 & 18<sup>th</sup> October – Boonah High School

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