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Newsletter

September 2015



In my garden



Coelogynes in greenhouse



C. intermedia; *C. Unchained Melody*

CLUB BUSINESS

Welcome to new members Donna and Simon Edmonds.

The outing to Kevin Foster and Athol Lavis' colourful greenhouses was small but successful. Thanks to the hosts!

Proposed outing on Fri Oct 16 to Rosella Nursery **STILL TO BE CONFIRMED**. If it goes ahead we will meet at Marg Scofield's, 3 Walker St, at 8.30am. Take a share morning

tea and optional lunch at Maclean Bowling Club.

Meg Kerr (bless her heart!) has taken on pot custodian and bark custodian. Please contact Meg on 6663 3162 to place orders.

Lionel Frame was happy with the well supported display at the Richmond Lodge Fete and extends his thanks.

Joan Causley is asking for someone to be Steward for the Orchid Competition at the Casino Ag Show. Due to another commitment Joan is unable to do it this year. It will be on Oct 9th and there are usually 30 to 50 plants. Please let Joan know 66633366 if you can help out.

Eric Rankin gave an impressive presentation last meeting on bush orchids and his long association with them. Many whispers about how incredible it was!

And finally, congratulations to all members who have been winning championships at Spring Shows in the Northern Rivers.

NO MEETING in SEPTEMBER due to the Spring Show

However John Pitkins will be guest speaker in October on some exotic Sth American orchids.

SPRING SHOW BUSINESS

Meet 10am at Nella Pinkerton's Barker St garage to move stands to the hall. Setup will be at 1.30pm on Wed 23rd Sept. Helpers will be required to move our tables across from the tin hall and of course the more bodies the less effort for everyone.

Exhibits will be received from 3pm till 6.45pm.

Requesting sandwich fillings, slices, biscuits and donations for the kitchen refreshments. Thanks to all those good cooks who deliver again and again – we couldn't do it without you!

Pot plant entries are encouraged as this section gives interest to the public.

OTHER SHOWS

* St Mark's Spring Flower Show – Sat 19th Oct – St Mark's Hall – 8.30 to 1pm

* Woodburn Orchid Society – 18 to 20th Sept – Memorial Hall

* Eastern District Orchid Society – 3 & 4th Oct – Bayside Uniting Church Hall, Manly West

* Woolgoolga – 3 Oct – Woolgoolga Public School

* Boonah Orchid Show & Qld Sarcophilus Festival – 17 & 18th October – Boonah High School

* Northern Rivers Species Spring Show – 29 to 31 Oct – Lismore Central

* Tweed Fair & Show – Oct 31, Nov 1 – Civic Ctr

CULTURE NOTES

Things Orchid Judges Don't Like To See.

(Ref: QOS Bulletin April 2014 Vol 54 Number 3)

1. Missing flowers or buds
2. Damaged flowers or buds.
3. Marked flowers.
4. Dirty, diseased or ugly foliage.
5. Weeds in pots
6. Overgrown plants
7. Poor presentation of flowers
8. Illegal or poor staking
9. Evidence of manipulation of blooms
10. Presence or evidence of packing material used to manipulate the flowers.