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NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

The excursion to Rosella Orchids was a great success with 12 members attending, everyone spent up on plants and the Club purchased plants for raffle prizes for next year. After the nursery we drove to the Crown Hotel in Grafton and enjoyed a lovely lunch overlooking the Clarence River. Everyone who attended really enjoyed the day.

The October meeting had a good turn-up of members but 2 of our Committee members were off sick. Paul did a demonstration on how to break up a large plant which was pot bound. A member who bought the plant at Rosella Nursery the day before went from one overgrown plant to at least 6 well established plants once they were divided and re-potted. Peter Constable (a Club member) invited the Club to attend the Kyogle Garden Flower & Foliage Show next year which will be held in the Memorial Hall Kyogle on Fri/Sat. 17th-18th April. The Club can have a display table plus a table for sales, so if you have plants to sell get them up to scratch by then as this year's show had a large crowd attend and they are expecting it to be even bigger and better next year. Our Club will need some flowering orchids for the display so closer to the date we will send out more information plus we will need a few members to volunteer to man the display and sell plants.

The Club has now taken delivery of bark so if you need bark for re-potting please contact Neil on **0439 095 750** to organize a time to meet him at the storage shed for collection and payment, bags are \$27.00 each. At present there is small, medium and large sizes available.

The raffle plant, *Sobralia Xantholeuca*, was on show at the meeting and tickets were sold for \$1.00 each there will be another opportunity to purchase tickets at the Christmas party before the draw. The Christmas Hamper raffle will also be on sale at the Christmas party \$1.00 per ticket and it will be drawn on the day.



The Christmas party will be at the Oxford Hotel, Cnr. North & Walker Streets Casino on Thursday 28th November at 6.00 pm. Partners are welcome to attend; the cost of the dinner is \$24.00; the Club will be subsidizing \$4.00 towards the cost of the meal for members and their partners so it will be \$20.00 / head. If you haven't let Margaret Scofield know you are attending please contact her on 0413 519 832 a.s.a.p. if you are attending as she will have to notify the Hotel of numbers.

Benching Results

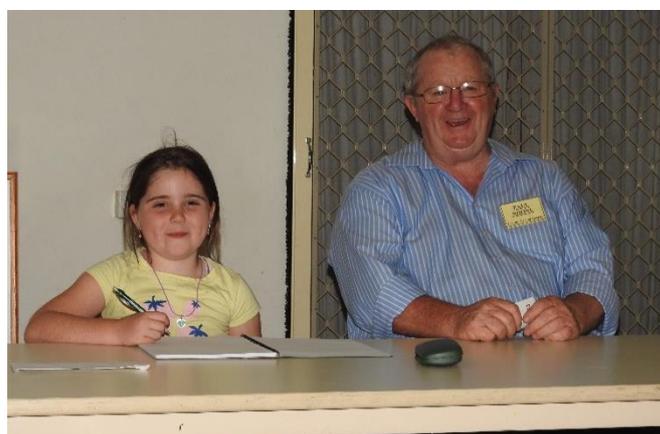


Judges' Choice & Popular Vote

Species Den. Loddigesii
owned by Narelle Wynn



Novice – Blc Burdekin Storm 'Midnight'
owned by Peter Constable



Paul, our President had a very special Acting Secretary for tonight's meeting

**NEXT MEETING; CHRISTMAS PARTY THURSDAY
28TH NOVEMBER AT 6.00 PM**