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Orchid News

Next meeting: 24th April at Boronia Grove, Epping

HYBRID OF THE NIGHT

Otra. Pink Delight 'Burdekin' (Joe Gafa)



SPECIES OF THE NIGHT

Milt. moreliana 'Nev' (J Robinson)



Orchids Out West



Orchids Out West 26-28 May 2023

Vendors & Displays
Hawkesbury Showground, Clarendon
Friday & Saturday 9am-4pm; Sunday 9am-2pm
Light Refreshments available

Friends of OSNSW

Friends of OSNSW are putting on a display and need plants for the display. If you think you might be able to put some plants in please let us know on info@orchidsocietynsw.com.au



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Meeting Venue: Ermington Community Hall, River Rd, Ermington NSW 2115, last Monday of the month

**WHAT'S ON AT FUTURE MEETINGS PRESENTED VIA ZOOM -
TO BE HELD AT BORONIA GROVE EPPING**

24 April: Martin Motes 'Developments in Vanda breeding'



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We seem to be getting through the year very quickly. Already we have had the Easter Show and again there were some very nice orchids on display. This month should be our last meeting at Epping, we will enjoy Martin Motes on his breeding of Vandas. Martin Motes is the principal breeder, at his nursery in Florida. I'm sure we will be pleased to be back in our usual meeting place in Ermington. It will be interesting to see the changes, although our secretary, Veronica Clowes has been keeping the committee abreast of the works. Hopefully I will see many of you at Orchids Out West in May.

Irene

MEMBERSHIP JOINING FEES

- Metro Member & 1st Yr (Incl. Name badge) \$40.00
- Joint Metro & 1st Yr (Incl. Name badges) \$62.00
- Single Country or Interstate & 1st Yr \$22.00
- Joint Country or Interstate & 1st Yr \$29.00

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- Single Metropolitan Member \$25.00
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- Single Country and Interstate Member \$22.00
- Joint Country and Interstate Member \$29.00 (i.e. \$24 membership and \$5 for insurance)
- Associate Member \$20.00
- Overseas Member \$32.00
- Affiliated Society \$62.00
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B/c. Burdekin Snowdrift. Owned by Joe Gafa and awarded Supreme Champion Orchid and Champion Laeliinae Orchid at the Royal Easter Show, April 2023.

JUDGES' ROSTER

	April	May	June
Panel 1 Class 1-11	P Anderson J D'Olier M Aldridge	C Polis P Radford J Robinson	W Chapman P D'Olier K Siew
Panel 2 Class 12-22 Nov. 40-42	K Siew T Yee D Law R Damon	C Rethers S Tay P Miszalski	N Gill J Allen T Peterson
Panel 3 Class 23-33 Nov. 43-44	G Hart T Peterson L Bromley	P D'Olier J McAuley B Richens	G Scott-Harden C Polis S Tay R Damon

N.B. Reserves and Ass. judges for panels will be chosen on the night

**Orchid Society of NSW General Meeting Monday 27th March 2023
at the Boronia Grove Community Centre, 51 Rawson Rd Epping**

Opening

Tonight's meeting was declared open at 8.10pm by President Irene Chalmers who welcomed those present to our March 2023 meeting. She reminded members that social distancing must still be observed by all those present, and that the wearing of masks is not only highly recommended but strongly encouraged by our committee. Irene told members to make sure they have signed the register at the entrance and to enjoy the plants on display this evening. Another reminder to members about these newly carpeted floors....please don't bring wet plants, and if you spill bark etc please clean up after yourself.

Visitors – Louise Liu, Vic Petrovski and Louise Wu

New Members – Atian Tsai of Qld Orchid Biotechnology in Kuranda Qld. Welcome Atian!

Apologies –Chris Dalrymple, Jean Fulcher, Craig Scott-Harden, Bailey Wong, Peter Mizsalski and Sylvia Lee Joe

Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 27th February 2023 were confirmed as a true account of that meeting. Moved for acceptance by Veronica Clowes and seconded by Toni Benton - accepted unanimously.

Matters Arising

We meet again tonight in our temporary home here in Epping. Our stay here has been extended by a couple of months because of building delays at Ermington, we hope to return for our May meeting.

Supper will be served in your mug, to be collected from the volunteer serving tea/coffee. Social distancing during supper is essential, please be aware of the carpeted meeting rooms.

General Business

- **Affiliated Societies competition:** Now open for the 2023/24 competition. Get those entries to Veronica as soon as you can after your shows. Leaving it until the end of year might mean you forget. Please see details about the Affiliated Societies competition which can be found in the Affiliated Societies section of our website.
- **Orchids Out West** – 26th to 28th May 2023. New venue this year....bigger and better than the racecourse! The venue is called the Hawkesbury Showground....so you turn off the Hawkesbury Valley Way as before and proceed over the railway line at Clarendon station....then turn RIGHT to the Showgrounds (NOT LEFT for the Racecourse) Flyer available at the front.... On Toni's table.
- **Orchids Central** - 13th to 15th Oct 2023. Set up on 12th October. New Show at new Venue – Club Condell Park, 178 Eldridge Rd Bankstown, a licensed club with all the 'club facilities' food, drink and other club activities to provide orchid buyers with facilities to enjoy a day out at the show. The new venture is a combined society endeavor comprising OSNSW, Eastern Suburbs O/S, Bankstown O/S, Five Dock RSL O/S and Fairfield O/S. The next meeting of the Orchids Central Committee is on Friday 28th April 2023. The second flyer, including vendors is now available
- **Ira Butler competition.** Open for 2022/23, entries to the Secretary (Irene)
- **RAS Easter show 2023** The Easter Show will be held from April 6th to 17th with Orchid competition and benching days 10th and 16th April. OSNSW is this year sponsoring the section Champions and the Best in Show (x2). We will also be manning our promotional 'cart' on the 4 'Orchid Days' and Veronica wishes to thank those who have volunteered to provide security, orchid growing advice, and society locations/contacts to the public. Tickets are to be distributed tonight to those on the roster. As a reward for the prize donations to the Orchid Section by OSNSW we have 2 tickets to the show, we will offer them as a raffle prize in tonights raffle...good luck

Treasurer's Report

Cheque account balances as at 25th March total \$21,973.27. This includes \$3530 for OC and \$7423.06 for Affiliated societies insurance renewal.

Term deposit balances at Westpac \$150000,

Public Liability Insurance 2023/2024 – Information has been lodged with our brokers, confirmation from insurer soon with new Certificates of Currency to be added to our website as soon as possible after receipt of same.

We, and our brokers are aware of the need for this C of C to be available for Society shows in May 2023, but a reminder for those who encounter aggressive venues.....the current C of C is applicable up to and including May 1st 2023.

Registrar's Report

The current judging class, which started in June 2022, is continuing until June 2023 when students will transfer to the Zoom course. Affiliated Societies were recently informed of a new format Orchid Appreciation course (Zoom classes) beginning on 14th May 2023. Enquiries to Ian. State Judges meeting in Canberra on w/e of 6/7 May 2023

Awards – Nil this month

Supper break - Tea and coffee was provided in BYO mugs with a snack this evening. It was a help yourself from the supper table.

Guest Speaker

Tonight we saw a Zoom presentation by Alek of AWZ Orchids in Brazil....WOW! What a great presentation by Alek. We learned so much about the Brazilian *Cattleya* species, their native habitats (most quite unique to each species) and the advances in seed raising culture by Alek and his company AWZ. Thank you Alek...please come again!

Plants of the Night

- Best species – *Miltonia moreliana* 'Nev' owned by Jan Robinson
- Best Hybrid – *Otra*. Pink Delight 'Burkedin' owned by Joe Gaffa
- Lucky exhibitor – Cary Polis

Congratulations to our winners this evening.

Raffle

Raffle prizes this month were won by Trevor Yee (who took the 2 free Easter Show tickets, awarded to OSNSW for their sponsorship of prizes at the 2023 show), Joel Cass, Jan Robinson, Frank De Zotti and Dora Law.

Irene told members that our guest Zoom Speaker next month will be Martin Motes who will present Vanda advances in breeding for your enjoyment.

Members were asked to assist with the packing up of the hall

The meeting was then declared closed by Irene who thanked members for their attendance and wished everybody a safe trip home.

Meeting closed at 9.50pm

Best of the Evening Series by Jim Brydie (Courtesy of The Monthly Bulletin of the Ku-Ring-Gai Orchid Society Inc)

Noefinetia falcata 'Tenkei Fukurin' (grown by John Chang)



Back in 1854, this Japanese species was first described as a Vanda but in 1925 it was separated into a new little 3 species branch of the Vandaceous alliance from China and Japan to be called *Noefinetia*. However, taxonomists have now decided that many of these 'branches' of the alliance are not different enough and are really Vandas after all.

Noefinetia falcata (known by the Japanese as Fuh-Ran, or 'orchid of the winds') has long been a highly prized orchid grown by the Samurai and the aristocracy. Unusual clones such as variegated leaf forms, like this one of John's are especially prized, as are the pinkish flowered forms.

Noefinetia falcata occurs only

in Japan. It is occasionally found growing on rocks but it more usually occurs on the smallish branches of deciduous trees. When the trees lose their leaves, the plants receive strong light through winter and early spring and they are reported to have an unusual habit in that they grow at an angle on the branches so that water cannot accumulate in the crown or the leaf bases. Most mature plants are only about 7 or 8cm tall but they can be a little larger. Also, plants have a habit of making multiple side growths to form a relatively large, dense cluster.



Pink form (Courtesy of WWW)



Many Japanese traditionally grow *Noefinetia* in sphagnum moss, often sort of mounting it on the top of a dome of sphag. artificially formed in a small decorative pot, but it will also grow well enough in any professional epiphytic mix provided you take care with the watering and allow the roots to dry in between. It tolerates our cold but as with most orchids, take care with the watering in winter. This is a delightful small orchid that doesn't take up a lot of space but rewards you with a wonderful cloud of delicious 3cm white or pink flowers.

SOCIETY SHOWS MAY-JULY 2023

MAY		
10-13	Five Dock RSL Orchid Society	Market Place, Leichhardt, Cnr Flood & Marion Streets Leichhardt
10-13	Boolaroo Orchid Society	Belmont Prime West Centre, Macquarie & Edgar St Belmont
11-13	Western Suburbs Orchid Society	Ashfield Mall, level 4, in front of Food Court
13-14	Woodburn/Evans Head & District Orchid & FS	Woodburn Memorial Hall, River St Woodburn
18-21	Bankstown Orchid Society	Chester Square Shopping Centre, 1 Leicester St Chester Hill
18-20	Hawkesbury Orchid Society	Richmond Market Place, 78 March St Richmond
24-26	Newcastle Orchid Society	Wallsend Plaza Shopping Centre, 24 Kokera St Wallsend
26-28	Orchids Out West	Philip Charley Pavilion, Hawkesbury Showground, Clarendon
JUNE		
3-4	Maitland & Coalfields District Orchid Society	St James Anglican Parish Hall, 19 Tank St Morpeth
10-11	Great Lakes Orchid Society	Forster Public School, Head Street Forster
10-11	Camden Haven Orchid Society	Laurieton United Service Club, Seymour St Laurieton
15-17	North Shore Orchid Society	St Ives Shopping Village, Mona Vale Rd St Ives
16-17	Sutherland Shire Orchid Society	Woolooware Shores Retirement Village Reef Centre, 2-28 Alexander Ave Taren Point
16-18	Manly Warringah Orchid Society	Belrose Supacentre, 4/6 Niangala Close Belrose
17-18	Leisure Coast Orchid Society	Woonona/Bulli RSL Club Woonona
17-18	Blacktown City Orchid Society	Seven Hills Plaza, 224 Prospect Hwy, Seven Hills
24-25	Mingara Orchid Club Fair & Show	Mingara Recreation Club, Tumbi Umbi
JULY		
1-2	Milton Ulladulla Orchid Society	Ulladulla Civic Centre, Princes Highway, Ulladulla
1-2	Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts Orchid Soc	Girl Guides Hall, Emu Plains
1-2	Illawarra Orchid Society	Senior Citizens Hall, Benaud St Warilla
7-8	Eurobodalla Orchid Society	Moruya CWA, Queen St Moruya
8	Shoalhaven Orchid Society	Bomaderry Community Centre, 19 Birriley St Bomaderry
14-16	Central Coast-Hunter Regions Cym. Society	Tuggerah Super Centre, Cnr Wyong Rd & Bryant Drive Tuggerah
15-16	Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society	Batemans Bay Soldiers Club, Beach Rd Batemans Bay
19-22	Boolaroo Orchid Society	Wallsend Village Centre, Kokera & Bunn Sts Wallsend
19-22	Fairfield District Orchid Society	Bonnyrigg Plaza, 100 Bonnyrigg Ave Bonnyrigg
20-22	Hawkesbury Orchid Society	Richmond Market Place, 78 March St Richmond
20-23	Campbelltown Orchid Society	Macarthur Square Shopping Centre, 200 Gilchrist Drive Campbelltown
26-28	Newcastle Orchid Society	Jesmond Central Shopping Centre, Blue Gum Rd Jesmond

BENCHING RESULTS MARCH 2023

Best Hybrid: J Gafa
Best Species: J Robinson

Otra. Pink Delight 'Burdekin'
Milt. moreliana 'Nev'

Open Classes - Hybrids

Class 3 - Laeliinae (120mm and over)

1. J Gafa *Otra.* Pink Delight 'Burdekin'
2. FMusial&LChang *Rlc.* Nakornchaisri Red
3. A Baker *Blc.* California Girl x Donna Kimura

Class 4 - Laeliinae Cluster (min 5 Flowers)

1. FMusial&LChang *Rlc.* Rosella's Caudebec Leopard
2. FMusial&LChang *C.* Jungle Queen x *Ctt.* Chocolate Drop
3. L&G Bromley *C.* Angel Love 'Pink Panther'

Class 5 - Laeliinae (71mm - 119mm)

1. FMusial&LChang *Lc.* Angel Heart x (*Rlc.* Fantasy Maker x *C.* Lulu)
2. J Gafa *C.* Michellie's High Bid
3. FMusial&LChang *Ctt.* Susan Holcombe x Deception Drop

Class 6 - Laeliinae Miniature (up to 70mm)

1. J Cass *Rth.* Petit Patti
2. T Yee *Psh.* Edith Arakawa
3. L&G Bromley *Vkt.* Barrel of Spirit 'Becky'

Class 8 - Cyripedioideae Maudae shape

1. A Baker *Paph.* Schuetzchen

Class 8a - Cyripedioideae Other

1. T Yee *Paph.* Jogjæe
2. I&I Chalmers *Phrag.* calcrum
3. T Yee *Paph.* Dollgoldi

Class 10 - Terrestrial Species/Hybrid Any Genera

1. J Gafa *Hab.* medusa
2. T Tran *Ptst.* Hoodwink

Class 11 - Seedling Any Hybrid Genera

1. L&G Bromley *Trt.* Nathakhun x Sib.
2. FMusial&LChang *Rlc.* Duh's Golden Age 'Royal' x Duh's Jade
3. T Tran *Paph.* Magic Lantern x Fumi's Delight

Class 13 - Phalaenopsis (51-75mm)

1. A Baker *Dtps.* Fusheng Pink Pearl

Class 15 - Vandaceous (up to 50mm)

1. L&G Bromley *Vasco.* Crownfox Magic 'Gigi Magic'
2. L&G Bromley *Van.* Pine Rivers 'Pretty 'n Pink'
3. P&J D'Olier *Ascda.* Samsri Nugget 'Canary Yellow'

Class 16 - Vandaceous (50mm and over)

1. L&G Bromley *Van.* Ashley Lowe 'Tangerine'
2. F De Zotti *V.* Pachara Delight
3. F De Zotti *Ascda.* Parinlada

Class 17 - Dendrobium

1. L&G Bromley *Den.* Genting Lipstick 'Violet Lip'
2. L&G Bromley *Den.* Enobi Purple 'Splash'
3. J Gafa *Den.* unknown

Class 18 - Oncidiinae (> 61mm)

1. J Gafa *Brs.* Brown's Sunrise 'Mark'
2. L&G Bromley *Milt.* Cast Gold x *russeliana*
3. FMusial&LChang *Brsdm.* Golden Gamine 'White Knight'

Class 19 - Oncidiinae (36-60mm)

1. FMusial&LChang *Alcra.* Samurai
2. F De Zotti *Odcdm.* Bittersweet 'Roll of Honour'
3. L&G Bromley *Trt.* Maureen

Class 19A - Oncidiinae (up to 35mm)

1. J Gafa *Gom.* Moon Shadow
2. L&G Bromley *Lsz.* Lava Burst 'Nicci'

Class 20A - Australian Native Hybrids Other

1. L&G Bromley *Den.* Topaz Dream
2. FMusial&LChang *Den.* Red Ballerina 'Macquarie'

Class 22 - Hybrid Not Elsewhere Specified

1. J Robinson *Zns.* Cynosure 'Blue Birds'
2. FMusial&LChang *Z.* Artur Elle
3. I&I Chalmers *Coel.* Bird in Flight

Open Classes - Species

Class 23 - Laeliinae

1. FMusial&LChang *Gur.* *bowringiana* var. *coerulea*
2. C Polis *S.* *acuensis*
3. P&J D'Olier *C.* *gloedeniana*

Class 24 - Cyripedioideae

1. T Yee *Paph.* *tigrinum*

Class 25 - Vandaceous

1. I&I Chalmers *V.* *robingiana*
2. J Gafa *Phal.* *buyssoniana*
3. J Robinson *Aerth.* *grandiflora*

Class 26 - Oncidiinae

1. J Robinson *Milt.* *moreliana* 'Nev'
2. L&G Bromley *Onc.* *trulliferum*
3. D Law *Milt.* *moreliana*

Class 27 - Dendrobium

1. P&J D'Olier *Den.* *bracteosum*
2. C Polis *Den.* *erectifolium*
3. C Polis *Den.* *devonianum*

Class 27A - Bulbophyllum

1. T Yee *Bulb.* *orientale*
2. P&J D'Olier *Bulb.* *sikkimense*
3. I&I Chalmers *Bulb.* *dearei*

Class 28 - Australian Native Dendrobium

1. L&G Bromley *Den.* *biggibum* 'Samantha'
2. C Polis *Den.* *taylorii*

Class 29 - Australian Native Other

1. I&I Chalmers *Cad.* *taylorii*
2. J Cass *Lip.* *swenssonii*
3. D Law *Lip.* *reflexa*

Class 30 - Miniature flowers

1. C Rethers *Gchls.* *retrocallus*
2. C Polis *Max.* *cerifera*
3. P&J D'Olier *Den.* *cyanocentrum*

Class 31 - American Species Other

1. D Law *Gga.* *galeata*
2. T Tran *Bif.* *aurantica*
3. P&J D'Olier *Gga.* *rufescens*

Class 32 - Pleurothallidinae

1. P&J D'Olier *Ste.* *porchiana*
2. D Law *Pleu.* *striata*

Class 32A - Coelogyninae

1. I&I Chalmers *Ddc.* *laxifolium*
2. C Polis *Coel.* *speciosa*
3. P&J D'Olier *Coel.* *septemcostata*

Class 33 - Species not elsewhere specified

1. I&I Chalmers *Lip.* *condybulbon*
2. C Polis *Cym.* *erythrostylum* forma *alba*
3. C Polis *Cym.* *dayanum*

BENCHED PLANTS MARCH 2023



Rlc. Nakornchaisri Red (F Musial & L Chang)



Rlc. Rosella's Caudebec Leopard
(F Musial & L Chang)



Rlc. Duh's Golden Age 'Royal' x Duh's Jade
(F Musial & L Chang)



Propetalum Kiwi Leopard x Z. Titanic
(L&G Bromley)



Paph. tigrinum (T Yee)



Gga. galeata (D Law)