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# Orchid News

Next meeting: 27th February

## HYBRID OF THE NIGHT

*Paph. Magic Lantern*  
Seong Tay



## SPECIES OF THE NIGHT

*Gram. scriptum var. citrinum*  
Joe Gafa



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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**

- 26 February:** Garrie Bromley will present the latest awarded orchids
- 25 March:** Ken Siew will be talking on Miniature and Cold growing Vandaceous
- 29 April:** Ian and Irene will talk about their adventures in Taiwan and Dresden

**OSNSW MANAGEMENT 2024**

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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

We are getting into this 2024 and hopefully orchid meetings will get back to the meeting sizes they used to have before Covid-19's, this has caused so many problems in our society also with other societies such as garden clubs, square dancing clubs and the list goes on. I think it's time our orchid society members remember that we love orchids. I hope to see you at Orchids Out West. It's a great time to talk to people and discuss the flowers. Of course you can find all our shows on our website  
Irene

**JUDGES ROSTER 2024**

	<b>February</b>	<b>March</b>	<b>April</b>
<b>Panel 1</b> Class 1-11	N Gill D Law K Siew	J Fulcher C Polis J Gouvoussis	M Aldridge J D'Olier G Hart
<b>Panel 2</b> Class 12-22 Nov. 40-42	M Aldridge P D'Olier S Tay	W Chapman P Miszalski P Serb	L Bromley D Law T Yee
<b>Panel 3</b> Class 23-33 Nov. 43-44	L Bromley J D'Olier T Yee	K Koutsoukis C Rethers J Robinson	N Gill C Scott-Harden K Siew

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

**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

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES PAYABLE 1st JULY**

- Single Metropolitan Member \$25.00
- Joint Metropolitan Members \$32.00 (i.e. \$27 membership and \$5 for insurance)
- 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
- 11 Posted issues of Orchid News \$12.00 (Orchid News is normally emailed)
- If you require a receipt mailed to you please include \$1.10 in your payment.

**\*\*\*\*\* ATTENTION SECRETARIES & TREASURERS - INSURANCE RENEWALS 2024 \*\*\*\*\***

Dear Secretaries & Treasurers,

It is that time of year again to start preparing your insurance information for OSNSW.

The cost per member is unlikely to rise (we hope) for both Public Liability and Volunteers Personal Accident cover. There is no age limit to the volunteers involved in the Personal accident policy. The relevant form is now available on the website:

<https://orchidsocietytnsw.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/AplAffSocPublicLiabilityInsurance.pdf>

for those societies who wish to take up our Insurance offer.

**Completed forms with Member Numbers and \*'Interested Party' Information**

**MUST be with Veronica before 19th February please - no reminder will be sent and no interested parties will be added on the policy after 1st March, 2024**

Veronica must finalise with the insurers before 1st March.

Preferred method of Payment is via Direct Deposit: BSB: 032-080 | Acct No. 558587 | Westpac

Alternatively if you are unable to do Direct Deposits, please post a cheque to: PO Box 5396 Chullora NSW 2190,

For further information or help ring Veronica on 0424 070 757, or email: secretary@orchidsocietytnsw.com.au.

\* Interested Party is the venue where you have each of your shows.

## Orchid Society of NSW General meeting held on January 29<sup>th</sup> 2024 at the Ermington Community Centre River Rd Ermington

Opening: Tonight's meeting was opened by the President Irene Chalmers at 8.00pm who welcomed those present to our January General meeting. She reminded members and guests that social distancing is still encouraged and that the wearing of masks is a personal preference.

She asked that those present also sign the attendance book and asked that members enjoy the plants benched tonight.

A little later we will see and hear about the trade in threatened species orchids by Amy Hinsley from the U.K

**New Members:** Louise Wu

**Confirmation of minutes:** We ask that the minutes of 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023 and the Christmas 2023 meeting be confirmed....moved for acceptance by Veronica Clowes seconded by Toni Benton - Accepted.

**Apologies:** David Liu, Jenny Jiang, Jean Fulcher, Cary Polis and Frank DeZotti.

**Matters Arising:** Left over presentation - Irene presented Lesley Bromley with her Life Membership badge.....Congratulations Lesley.

### General Business:

- Revamped website - Has anyone looked at our new website and found it more user friendly? Or not? Please speak to Toni if you have found problems.
- Supper assistance – would someone please volunteer to assist with supper at meetings, also required is someone to help Toni collect the benching accessories. (Benching cards, place numbers etc)
- Thank you Linda Chang for assisting with the collection of benching equipment after judging.
- **Annual Subscriptions:** unfinancial members no longer receive Orchid News.
- **Affiliated Societies competition:** The competition has been run and won for 2023 and we were disappointed with the smaller number of entries this year. I ask you all to go back to your other societies and encourage participation in this event. It would be a shame to see it cancelled because of poor participation.
- **RAS Easter Show 22<sup>nd</sup> March to 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2024:** Orchid Judgings are on March 26<sup>th</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>. (So orchids are on display on March 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, and on April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Entries for the competition closed on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024. Veronica needs volunteers for the orchid cart roster....please talk to her about when you might be able to volunteer and get free entry to the show. The roster is here tonight and will be finalised and hopefully tickets issued at our February meeting.
- **Orchids Out West (17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024)** First meeting of committee is by Zoom tomorrow 6 Feb 2024.
- **Orchids Central ( 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> October 2024)** First meeting of committee on March 1st.
- **Ira Butler Competition:** Open for entries. Irene also told members that numbers of entries to this competition have also declined over the last couple of years.
- **AOC Conference and Show (1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> October 2025):** To be hosted by Woolgoolga Orchid Society – news as it comes to hand. Woolgoolga also will be hosting a weekend workshop on October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> this year. This weekend was a very popular 'weekend away' in 2023.

### Treasurer's Report

Cheque account balances at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 total \$13,285.41. Term deposits total \$150,000

**Public Liability Insurance:** Certificate of Currency on OSNSW website

Notice of renewal has gone out to affiliated societies who take out cover under our policy. Numbers of members need to be with Veronica by 19<sup>th</sup> February please, and monies to our account by March 1st NB: an increasing amount of our affiliates are requesting venues be added to the 'Interested parties' section of our Public Liability POLICY. IF you wish to add an 'Interested Party' to our policy in 2024, please nominate the party on your renewal application.

### Registrar's Report

Judge Training

The Zoom Course has resumed in February with about 40 trainees.

The trainees come from all over the state with a fairly even spread.

Awards

Metro

- Paph. acmodontum 'TOM' AM 81.8 pts Seong Tay Paph Soc. Dec Meeting 20.12.23
- Paph. Magic Lantern 'Lockerbie' AM 83.5 pts Rod Nurthen Paph Soc. Dec Meeting 20.12.23
- Ctsm. tenebrosus 'Jonathan's Regret' AM 82.9 pts Craig Scott-Harden SPECIES O S Nov meeting 8.11.23
- Vasco. Little Gem 'River' AD L & G Bromley Metro Judges Meeting 19.11.23
- Bulbo. Affine 'Robyniana' AM 83.5pts /ACM 84 pts to Paul Wilson Eastwood 14.12.23

Hunter Panel

- Den. Gowan's Tangelo 'Marley' AM 83.5pts Steve Dunstan ---- pts Mingara O S 24.10.23
- Phrag. Fliquet 'Bart' J & M Bartlett AM 82.6 pts 6.1.24

South West Panel

- Den. Australian Goldrush 'Stan' R Findlater ACM 5.9.23

Special judgings

- Paph. St Swithin 'Philip' HCC 77pts Hans Schaible and Sue Daniels.
- Cattleya purpurata var. sanguinea 'Emanuel' FCC. 85 pts

Ian then handed out recent award certificates to those recipients present, and continued with a report about recent nomenclature issues.

Break for supper

**Guest Speaker:** Amy Hinsley, a research scientist from the U.K. gave a very interesting talk about world wide species (plant and animal) and about illegal trade. She spoke about 'What', 'When', 'Where' and 'Why' this illegal trade continues, and how it might be addressed.

**Tonight's benching results**

Congratulations to our winners:

**Best Species:** *Grammatophyllum scriptum* var. citrinum owned by Joe Gafa.

**Best Hybrid:** *Paphiopedilum* Magic Lantern owned by Seong Tay.

**Lucky exhibitor:** Irene and Ian Chalmers

**Raffle prizes tonight were won** Kathy Koutsoukis x 2, Fred Musial, Lesley Bromley, Alan Baker, Craig Scott-Harden and Louise Wu.

Irene told members that next month will be a plant description.

The meeting closed with Irene asking members to assist with the pack up of the hall, and to have a safe trip home.

**Affiliated Society's opportunity to promote and advertise at the Royal Easter Show 2024**



Hello to all our affiliates,

There is again an opportunity for you to advertise your society to the general public at the Sydney Royal Easter Show. The 2024 Show runs from Thursday 21 March to Tuesday 2 April at the Sydney Showgrounds in Homebush NSW.



The Orchid Society of NSW will be operating an information booth (a cart with a display of orchids) during the 4 days of orchid competition (26 and 27 March, and 1 and 2 April), manned by OSNSW judges and members providing orchid advice and society information to the thousands of passing garden enthusiasts.

If you would like to provide me with advertising flyers or society meeting information, I would be happy to make it available to show visitors on our 'cart'.

We need volunteers to man the cart during orchid display days (like last year) so, I need 2 volunteers each shift (x 3 shifts/day...8am- 12, 12-4 and 4-8pm) for 26 March & March 27, 1 April & 2 April.

Please contact me if you are willing to volunteer for a shift (free entry for the day of your shift) I will have the roster at OSNSW meetings on

29 January and 26 February 2024, or call me if you wish.

Please contact Veronica for further info: [secretary@orchidsocietynsw.com.au](mailto:secretary@orchidsocietynsw.com.au)

## Society Shows March-July 2024

<b>March</b>	Shoalhaven Orchid Society Workshop	9-10	Nowra Golf Club
<b>April</b>	Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts Orchid Society	6-7	Melrose Hall, Cnr Great Western Hwy & Park St Emu Plains
	Maitland & Coalfields District Orchid Society	27-28	Cessnock Scouts Hall, 284 Maitland Rd Cessnock
<b>May</b>	Hawkesbury District Orchid Society	2-4	Richmond Market Place, March St Richmond
	Western Suburbs Orchid Society	10-12	Ashfield Mall, 260A Liverpool Rd Ashfield
	Orchids Out West 2024	17-19	Philip Charley Pavilion, Hawkesbury Showground, Clarendon
	Bankstown Orchid Society	23-25	Lidcombe Shopping Centre, Level 1, 92 Parramatta Rd Lidcombe
	Macleay Valley Orchid Society	25-26	Masonic Hall, 24 Tozer St West Kempsey
<b>June</b>	Great Lakes orchid Society	8-9	Forster Public School, Head St Forster
	North Shore Orchid Society	13-15	St Ives Shopping Village, Mona Vale Rd St Ives
	Manly Warringah Orchid Society	21-23	Belrose Super Centre, Level 1, 4-6 Niangala Close Belrose
	Blacktown City Orchid Society	22-23	Seven Hills Shopping Plaza, 224 Prospect Highway Seven Hills
	Mingara Orchid Club Fair & Show	29-30	Mingara Recreation Club, Tumbi Umbi
<b>July</b>	Hawkesbury District Orchid Society	4-6	Richmond Market Place, March St Richmond
	Blue Mountains & Penrith Districts Orchid Society	6-7	Melrose Hall, Cnr Great Western Hwy & Park St Emu Plains
	Leisure Coast Orchid Society	6	Woonona/Bulli RSL455-459 Princes Hwy Woonona
	Maitland & Coalfields District Orchid Society	6-7	St James Anglican Church Hall, Tank St Morpeth
	Illawarra District Orchid Society	6-7	Senior Citizens Hall Benaud St Warilla
	Milton Ulladulla Orchid Society	6-7	Ulladulla Civic Centre, Princes Highway Ulladulla
	Eurobodalla Orchid Club	12-13	Moruya CWA
	Eastwood & District Orchid Circle	11-13	Eastwood Shopping Centre, 152-160 Rowe St Eastwood
	Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Society	20-21	Batemans Bay Soldiers Club, Beach Rd, Batemans Bay
	Bankstown Orchid Society	23-25	Lidcombe Shopping Centre, Level 1, 92 Parramatta Rd Lidcombe



17-19 May 2024  
Hawkesbury Showground

## BENCHING RESULTS JANUARY 2024

Best Hybrid: Seong Tay

Best Species: Joe Gafa

Paph. Magic Lantern

Gram. scriptum var. citrinum

## Open Classes - Hybrids

## Class 3 - Laeliinae 120mm and over

1. FMusial&LChang *Rlc.* Jac Golden Tainan

## Class 4 - Laeliinae Cluster (min 5 Flowers)

1. J Gafa *C.* Towering Inferno 'Geoff'
2. J Gafa *Ctna.* Dal's Capri 'Gift' x Bc. Dal's Charm 'Ebony'
3. FMusial&LChang *Pvc.* Golden Peacock

## Class 5 - Laeliinae (71mm - 119mm)

1. L&G Bromley *Rlc.* Mari's Melody 'Carmela'
2. L&G Bromley *C.* 'Streeter's Choice'
3. A Baker *Lc.* Puppy Love 'True Beauty'

## Class 6 - Laeliinae Miniature (up to 70mm)

1. FMusial&LChang *Gct.* Distant Drums 'Fireball'
2. L&G Bromley *Sc.* Geanne Woolf 'Zoe'
3. A Baker *Sc.* Love Hero x Pot. Freespirit

## Class 8a - Cypripedioideae Other

1. S Tay *Paph.* Magic Lantern
2. J Xiao *Phrag.* Green Hornet
3. L&G Bromley *Paph.* Mem. Arnie Linsman

## Class 10 - Terrestrial Species/Hybrid Any Genera

1. D Law *Sngl.* woodii

## Class 13 - Phalaenopsis (51mm-75mm)

1. L&G Bromley *Phal.* Bedford Golden Taylor

## Class 14 - Phalaenopsis (up to 50mm)

1. B Wong *Phal.* Mituo Kaiulani Eagle
2. FMusial&LChang *Phal.* unknown

## Class 15 - Vandaceous (up to 50mm)

1. L&G Bromley *Van.* Pine River 'Wasana'
2. L&G Bromley *Van.* Is x Sagarik Gold 'Napporns Gold'
3. L&G Bromley *Van.* Viboon Velvet

## Class 16 - Vandaceous (50mm and over)

1. T Tran *V.* Pinas x *coerulea* 'Blue'
2. L7G Bromley *V.* Muang Thong 'White Crystal'

## Class 17 - Dendrobium

1. C Scott-Harden *Den.* Kuranda Blue x *johannis*
2. J Gafa *Den.* Blue Planet
3. R Blaxland *Den.* Mingle's Sapphire

## Class 18 - Oncidiinae (&gt; 61mm)

1. B Wong *Pyp.* Mariposa 'Three Lips'
2. L&G Bromley *Bcd.* Gilded Tower 'Mystic Maze'
3. FMusial&LChang *Brsdm.* Golden Gamine 'White Knight'

## Class 19 - Oncidiinae (36-60 mm)

1. T Tran *Onc.* Alka Baby 'Raspberry Chocolate'
2. FMusial&LChang *Mtdm.* Pacific Ripple 'Coqui Poke'
3. FMusial&LChang *Onc.* Pacific Panache 'Fire Side Fever'

## Class 19A - Oncidiinae (up to 35mm)

1. R Blaxland *Onc.* Rosy Sunset 'Rosebud'
2. A Baker *Onc.* Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'
3. FMusial&LChang *Odcdm.* Everglades Elegance 'Nancy Lee'

## Class 22 - Hybrid Not Elsewhere Specified

1. L&G Bromley *Clo.* Jumbo Apollo
2. I&I Chalmers *Bulb.* JM Guilloty
3. J Robinson *Prom.* Catarina 'Top Gold'

## Open Classes - Species

## Class 23 - Laeliinae

1. J Robinson *C.* maxima var. alba
2. L&G Bromley *Psh.* cochleata
3. J Robinson *C.* bicolor var. brasiliensis

## Class 24 - Cypripedioideae

1. S Tay *Paph.* sangii
2. B Wong *Paph.* superbiens var. curtsii
3. J Xiao *Phrag.* pearcei

## Class 25 - Vandaceous

1. C Scott-Harden *Dimo.* lowii 'Joana'
2. J Robinson *Aerth.* grandiflora
3. B Wong *Phal.* violacea var. indigo 'HP Norton Strain'

## Class 26 - Oncidiinae

1. R Blaxland *Onc.* planilare 'Christina'
2. I&I Chalmers *Asp.* lunata

## Class 27 - Dendrobium

1. P&J D'Olier *Den.* secundum
2. R Blaxland *Den.* devonianum
3. J Gafa *Den.* harveyanum

## Class 27A - Bulbophyllum

1. I&I Chalmers *Bulb.* biformum

## Class 29 - Australian Native Other

1. R Blaxland *Cad.* taylorii

## Class 30 - Miniature flowers

1. R Blaxland *Oma.* grandiflora
2. I&I Chalmers *Gchls.* japonicus
3. FMusial&LChang *Max.* schunkeana

## Class 31 - American Species Other

1. R Blaxland *Max.* luteograndiflora
2. J Robinson *Prom.* stapelioides
3. R Blaxland *Gga.* galeata

## Class 32 - Pleurothallidinae

1. I&I Chalmers *Pleuro* sp.
2. P&J D'Olier *Pths.* prolifera
3. P&J D'Olier *Pths.* prolifera

## Class 32A - Coelogyninae

1. J Robinson *Coel.* lawrenceana
2. R Blaxland *Coel.* speciosa
3. R Blaxland *Coel.* speciosa

## Class 33 - Species not elsewhere specified

1. J Gafa *Gram.* scriptum var. citrinum
2. R Blaxland *Nba.* gracilis
3. I&I Chalmers *Pol.* neobenthamia



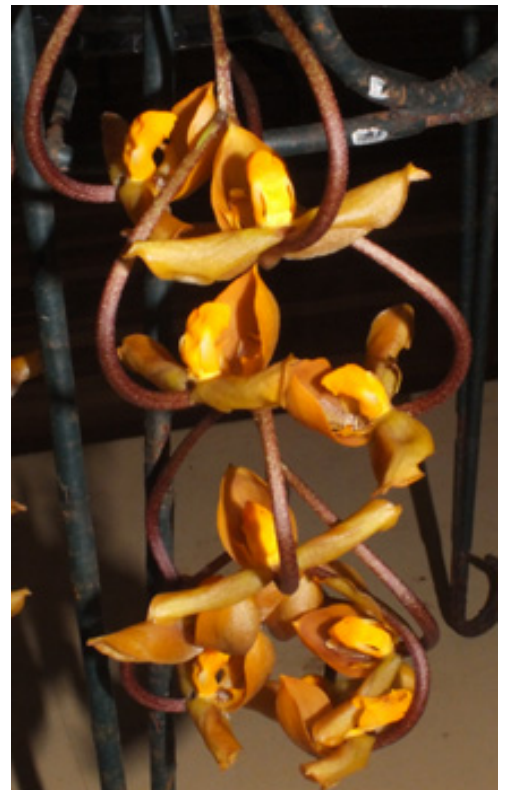
*Phal.* Bedford Golden Taylor (L&G Bromley)



*Bcd.* Gilded Tower 'Mystic Maze' (F Musial & L Chang)



*Paph. sangii* (S Tay)



*Gga. galeata* (R Blaxland)