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March 2026



Dendrobium bigibbum Cary Polis



Bulbophyllum radicans P & J D'Olier



Dendrobium lichenastrum David Hemmings

Next Meeting:
Tuesday 17th March

Bill Dobson some Sarcochilus species



Dendrobium monophyllum Trish Peterson



Sarcophilus hirticalcar Trish Peterson



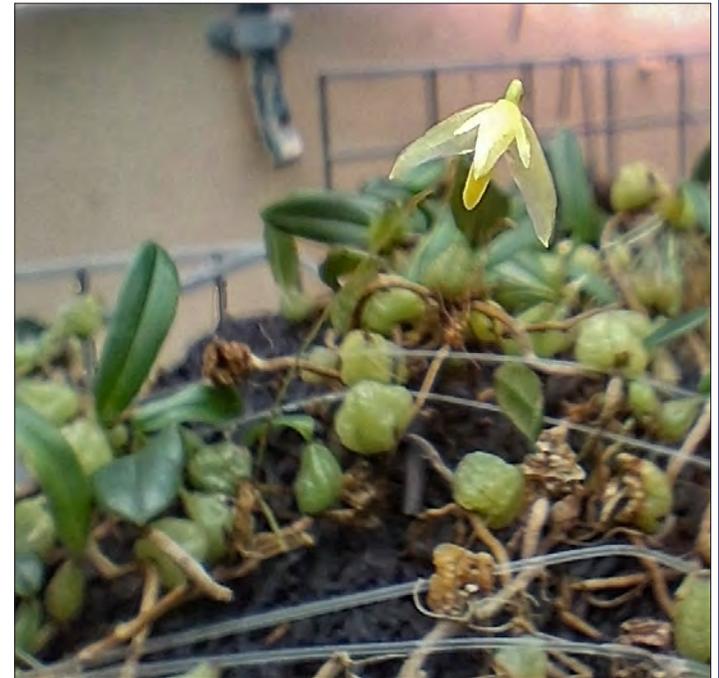
Liparis reflexa Trish Peterson



Dendrobium lichenastrum Trish Peterson



Oberonia complanata Trish Peterson



Bulbophyllum exiguum Trish Peterson

In my Bushhouse

Hot summer days are here, but soon we'll be into Autumn, although I have air-conditioning in the house, nearly every day I still like to get outside and into the bush-house when I can. I continue to see good growths on nearly every genus we have. I mist in the morning and water most evenings and continue to fertilise once a week.

I have just finished 'weeding' all my *Dendrobium kingianum* plants as they are looking good, so I feel pretty good as well. The *Dendrobium tetragonum* complex are still sending up new growths as are all our *Dockrillia* species and hybrids, and yes, I do have some hybrids. I am very pleased with all the new growths on some of my prized *Dockrillia striolata* and look forward to a good year with them. Keep an eye out for aphids as they can destroy all your efforts if left unchecked.

I will repot plants as required; in fact, I just repotted 30 plants last week. Some are growing so fast that they require potting on, so while this growth spurt is on I am happy to bump them up a size. If a plant needs breaking up, that will have to wait until later in March or early April when the weather tends to cool off.

Watering nearly every day, I was concerned that there could be a possibility of fungal infection. So I have sprayed all the plants in the bush-house with Bravo®, and later in the month I may also use Mancozeb®.

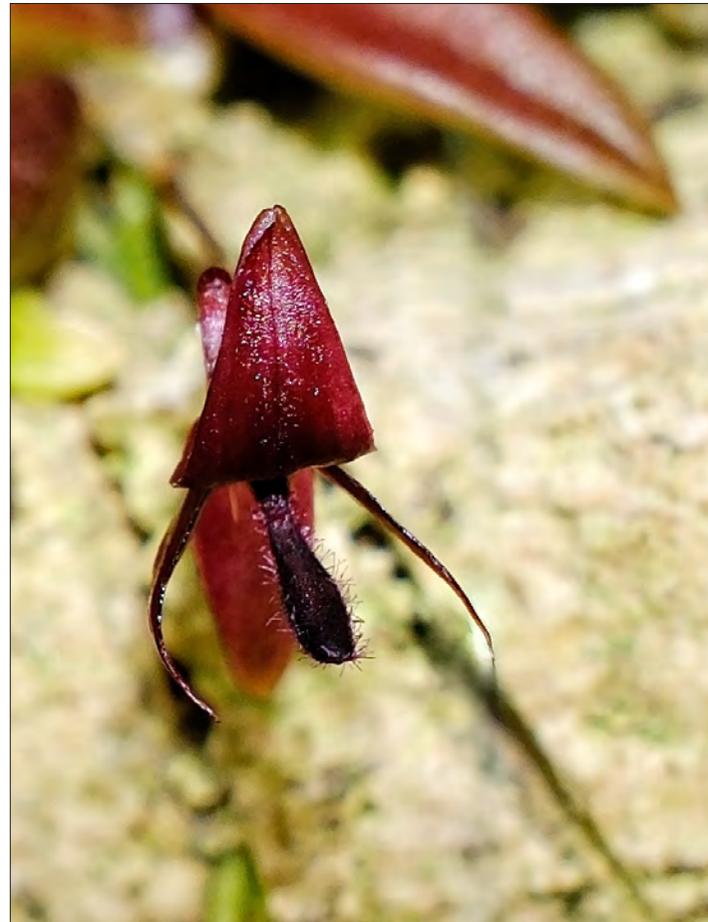
I have seen only 1 Dendrobium Beetle and caught it on the wing. This was the same day I was due to spray with Carbaryl® and EcoOil®. So, the message is they are still around and keep spraying every 2-3 weeks depending on the weather. Because of the rain that we had and now the hot and humid weather, my yard must look like the salad section of Woollies' or Coles to bugs, so keep a wary eye out. I have even resorted to leaving the spiders alone for the first time in the hope that they will keep some of the winged predators at bay. I even found an Assassin Bug that had caught a Dendrobium beetle in the new growth of a *Dendrobium speciosum*. Oh, happy days.

Speaking of rain, what a welcome relief the rain was as it half-filled my 'Rain-Gauge' in one day, and there is more rain to come.

Flowering at the moment I have *Sarcochilus setosus*, *Dendrobium prenticei*, *Bulbophyllum macphersonii*, *Cadetia taylori*.

On a final note I have just spent 2-1/2 hours in the bush-house at 38 degrees C and although I am soaked in sweat I loved every minute of it.

Good Growing Bill Dobson



Bulbophyllum macphersonii Bill Dobson

Bulbophyllum macphersonii

Bulbophyllum macphersonii, commonly known as eyelash orchids, is an epiphytic or lithophytic orchid that is endemic to Queensland. It has tiny, crowded, slightly flattened, dark green pseudobulbs, a single thick, fleshy leaf and a single dark red to purplish red flower with a narrow labellum. It grows on tree trunks and branches, vines and rocks in sheltered places, usually above 700m in FNQ from Eungella to Mount Lewis.

The petals spread widely and are about 4.5–7 mm long and about 2 mm wide. The labellum is 4–6 mm long and only about 0.5 mm wide. It has a fringe of long, fine hairs and vibrates in the slightest breeze. Flowering occurs between March and August

Bulbophyllum macphersonii was first formally described in 1934 by Herman Rupp and the description was published in The Victorian Naturalist. It had previously been described in 1884 by Frederick Manson Bailey, intending his description to be published in Robert D. Fitzgerald's book Australian Orchids. Fitzgerald died before the volume was published. The specific epithet (*macphersonii*) honours Ken MacPherson who "rediscovered" the species in 1933.

I grow my *Bulbophyllum macphersonii* on Cork or Cyprus Pine boards either vertical or horizontal, in my bushhouse under 2 layers of 50% shade cloth, and watered heavily in summer.

Bill Dobson



ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - February 2026

Section	Exhibitor	11 - Junior and Novice
1 - Dockrillia Species		
1 st <i>Dendrobium lichenastrum</i>	David Hemmings	1 st Nil
2 nd <i>Dendrobium toressae</i>	Erik Lielkajis	2 nd Nil
3 rd <i>Dendrobium prenticei</i>	Erik Lielkajis	3 rd Nil
2 - Dendrobium Species		
1 st <i>Dendrobium bigibbum</i>	Cary Polis	1 st Nil
2 nd Nil		2 nd Nil
3 rd Nil		3 rd Nil
3 - Sarcanthinae Species		
1 st <i>Sarcochilus setosus</i>	L & B Dobson	1 st Nil
2 nd <i>Luisia teretifolia</i>	Erik Lielkajis	2 nd Nil
3 rd <i>Sarcochilus eriochilus</i>	David Hemmings	3 rd Nil
4 - Bulbophyllum Species		
1 st <i>Bulbophyllum radicans</i>	David Hemmings	1 st Nil
2 nd <i>Bulbophyllum macphersonii</i>	L & B Dobson	2 nd Nil
3 rd <i>Bulbophyllum radicans</i>	P & J D'Olier	3 rd Nil
5 - Miscellaneous Species		
1 st <i>Cadetia taylori</i>	Erik Lielkajis	1 st <i>Dendrobium longifolia</i> David Hemmings
2 nd <i>Liparis coelogynoides</i>	Erik Lielkajis	2 nd Nil
3 rd <i>Liparis bracteatum</i>	Erik Lielkajis	3 rd Nil
6 - Dendrobium Hybrids		
1 st <i>Den trilamellatum x discolor</i>	I & I Chalmers	1 st Den Nanny Joy 'My Love' x D <i>fleckeri</i> 'Big' R G Blaxland
2 nd Den Hilda Poxon 'Teresa'	G & S Russell	2 nd Nil
3 rd Den Angellene	Ela Kielich	3 rd Nil
7 - Sarcanthinae Hybrids		
1 st Nil		-o0o-
2 nd Nil		
3 rd Nil		
8 - Miscellaneous Hybrids		
1 st Doc Goosebumps	David Hemmings	March
2 nd Nil		12 th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
3 rd Nil		17 th ANOS Warringah Group Meeting
9 - Australasian Species		
1 st <i>Dendrobium longifolium</i>	R G Blaxland	April
2 nd <i>Dendrobium stratiotes</i>	I & I Chalmers	9 th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
3 rd Nil		12 th MWOS Auction Cromer Community Centre
10 - Australasian Hybrids		
1 st Den Silver King	Ela Kielich	18 th -19 th A17 th NOS CC Bigibbum Show @ Narara Valley Nursery
2 nd Den Hibiki	Mark Asbury	21 st ANOS Warringah Group Meeting
3 rd Doc Tweetas 'Red Lip' x (Grey Ghost x Hot Coals)	David Hemmings	May
		14 th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
		15 th -17 th Orchids Out West
		19 th ANOS Warringah Group Meeting
		June
		11 th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
		16 th ANOS Warringah Group Meeting
		26 th -28 th Mingara Orchid Club Fair and Show, Mingara Recreation Club

July

9th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
21st ANOS Warringah Group AGM

August

13th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
7th -9th National Orchid Extravaganza
The Arena Sports Club
140 Rookwood Road
14 – 15 - 16th St Ives Orchid Fair
18th ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

September

ANOS Sydney Group Spring Show Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th North Rocks Shopping Centre
10th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
12th -13th ANOS Warringah Show Memorial Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville
15th ANOS Warringah Group Meeting – Members Show
18th – 20th Orchids Central @ Condell Park

October

8th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
10th -11th ANOS CC Sarcochilus Show Narara Valley Nursery
ANOS Sydney Group Sarcanthinae Show, North Rocks Shopping Centre Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th
20th ANOS Warringah Group Meeting - Sarcochilus Show

November

ANOS Sydney Late Spring Show Winston Hills Mall Date to be announced.
12th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
17th ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

December

10th ANOS Sydney General Meeting
15th ANOS Warringah Group Christmas Meeting and Annual Presentation

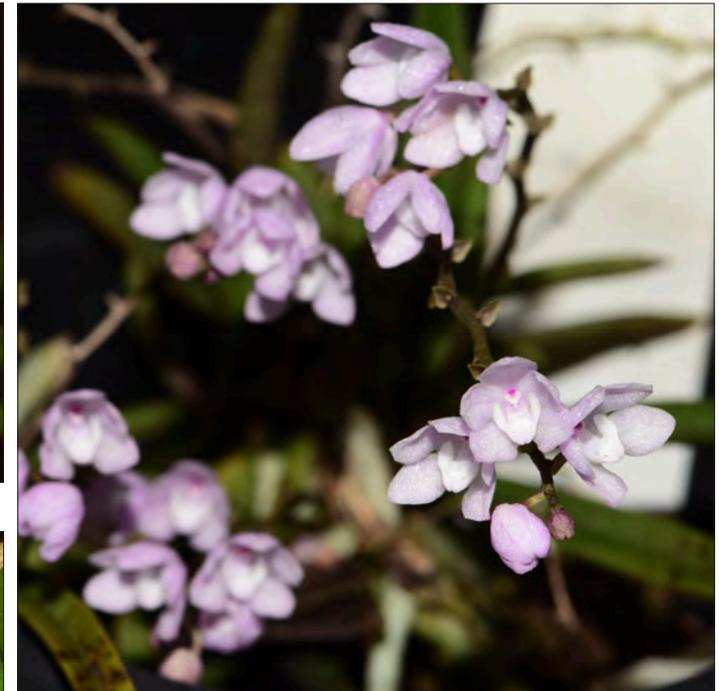
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Sarcochilus setosus L & B Dobson



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Luisia teretifolia Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium prenticei Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium torresae Erik Lielkajis



Bulbophyllum macphersonii L & B Dobson



Cadetia taylorii Erik Lielkajis

Cadetia taylorii

Cadetia taylorii, commonly known as smooth burr orchid, is an epiphytic or lithophytic orchid and is endemic to tropical North Queensland. It has a single leathery, dark green leaf on a cylindrical stem and one or two small white flowers. This species is insect-pollinated. It grows in rainforest, mangroves and sheltered forests.

There are one or two white flowers 10-12 mm wide open at a time. The side lobes are oblong and the middle lobe is fleshy, turns downwards and is densely covered with hairs. Flowering occurs between November and May, and remain open for many weeks

Cadetia taylorii was first formally described in 1874 by Ferdinand von Mueller who gave it the name *Bulbophyllum taylori*. He published the description in *Fragmenta phytographiae Australiae* from a specimen collected near the Bloomfield River by Norman Taylor. In 1885 Frederick Manson Bailey changed the name to *Dendrobium taylorii*, in 1912 Mueller / Schlechter listed this SECTION *Cadetia*. The specific epithet (*taylorii*) honours the collector of the type specimen.

Cadetia taylorii grows on trees and rocks in rainforest, mangroves and sheltered forests between the Iron Range and Townsville in North Queensland, Australia



CDendrobium Silver King Ela Kielich



Dendrobium Hibiki Mark Asbury



Dendrobium trilamilatum x discolor I & I Chalmers



Doc Tweetas 'Red Lip' x (Grey Ghost x Hot Coals) David Hemmings



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Dendrobium Angeline Ela Kielich



Dendrochilum longifolium David Hemmings