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February 2023



Dendrobium litorale Erik Lielkajis



Plectorrhiza brevilabris Guy Cantor



Appendicula australiensis Erik Lielkajis

Tuesday 21st March
A Meander Through South Queensland
Erik Lielkajis

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE ANOS WARRINGAH GROUP HELD ON TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2023

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville on Tuesday 21 February 2023.

The Meeting was opened at 8.15 by President Trish Peterson.

Guest Speaker: David Hemmings "Plant Rescue"

Visitors: None

Committee Members Present: Trish Peterson (President), Bruce Potter (Secretary), Ela Kielich (Treasurer), Judith Barry, Jane D'Olier, Peter D'Olier, Cary Polis, Bill Saunderson, Ian Tanner

Apologies: Bill Dobson, Cathy Sinclair, Matthew Roberts, Bryan Spurrs.

Trish sent our best wishes to Bill who is in Rehab following hip surgery.

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 17th January 2023 as published in the Bulletin were accepted as a true record on the motion of Bruce Potter seconded by Ela Kielich

Matters Arising:

None

Correspondence:

Incoming:

- **Bulletins etc. from other societies:** MWOS; Berowra OS; OSNSW, ANOS Newcastle; Macarthur ANOS.
- Woolgoolga Orchid Society re Orchid conference and sale to be held 18 & 19 November, at Woolgoolga.
- **Garden Clubs of Australia.**
 - Invitation to Northern Beaches Zone friendship and information day to be held Wed 15 March at 11am at Aqua Bar/Cafe Dee Why RSL
 - Invitation to Biennial Convention 10/15 Sept at Lake Macquarie (16/2)
 - Our Gardens magazine for Autumn 2023
- The Orchadian - December 2022
- Aust Post invoice for rent of PO Box -\$153
- Membership application from Steve Levi

Outgoing:

- **Member Notices:**
 - February Bulletin
- Dr Peter Weston - email re invitation to attend and speak at a future meeting of our Group

Moved for acceptance by Bruce Potter, seconded by Ian Tanner

General Business:

- Guest speakers: Future guest speakers will include Dr Peter Weston and David Banks.
- The Orchadian. Trish encouraged members to subscribe to the official journal of ANOS Inc. She noted a new approach to articles and more relevant information for hobby growers with the new editorship. A copy of the Orchadian is in tonight's raffle.
- Supper: No more paper cups will be supplied. The Group's crockery will be

available but members will need to assist with cleaning up. Alternatively, members may bring their own cup.

Q & A. From February Bulletin.

Q1. What is the botanical name for the "striped pyjama" orchid?

A1. *Bulbophyllum radicans*

Q2 What plants in Bill's collection are flowering now?

A2. *Bulbophyllum lageniforme*, *Cadetia taylorii*, *Sarcochilus setosus*.

There were no winners.

Patron Mick Korzenowski - Mick's Musings.

Mick spoke about how, when space in his bush house became a problem, he resorted to hanging plants in his frangipani tree and the success and issues that he has had with this approach. He also illustrated with some of his plants how the water-soluble pigment, anthocyanin is found in orchids and has a protective function.

Guest Speaker: David Hemmings "Plant Rescue"

David demonstrated his approach to rescuing plants that, during his regular inspections of his collection, he had identified as lacking in vigour or otherwise not thriving. He used a number of plants to illustrate his methods of potting-on or mounting including a *Dendrobium bowmannii* that was attached to a rotting mount.

Trish thanked David for a very instructive talk and his generosity in donating plants to members and the raffle.

Judges Report:

Erik Lielkajis

Plant of the Evening: *Phalaenopsis amabilis* subspecies *rosenstromii* John McAuley

Other Plants of Interest: *Dendrobium* Stephen Batchelor Ela Kielich
Plectorrhiza brevilabris Guy Cantor
Sarcochilus tricalliatius Erik Lielkajis
Appendicula australiensis Erik Lielkajis

Lucky Door Prize Winners: Jane D'Olier

Raffle Prizes Winners: Trish Peterson, Jane D'Olier, Irene Chalmers, Nel Davis, Guy Cantor, Chris Murray, Ian Tanner, Mark Asbury

The Meeting closed at 10.00 pm



Dendrobium erythraeum L & B Dobson

Dendrobium erythraeum

Dendrobium erythraeum Schuit. & de Vogel, Blumea 48 (2003) 509

Type: Canberra Nat. Bot. Garden cult., 20 Aug. 1995 (Clements s.n.) (holo CANB).

Synonyms:

Dockrillia hepatica M.A.Clem. & D.L.Jones, Lasianthera 1 (1996) 14, pl. 6B & C. - Type: Canberra Nat. Bot. Garden cult., 20 Aug. 1995 (Clements s.n.) (holo CANB).

Colours:

Leaves dark green. Flowers greenish cream heavily spotted and suffused with dark red; lip dark red with a blackish red apex. Pollinia orange.

Habitat:

Epiphyte on trees in Castanopsis-Ternstroemia ridge forest. Altitude not recorded.

Distribution:

New Guinea (endemic).

Distribution New Guinea:

Papua New Guinea (Morobe Province).

Classification:

Subfamily

Tribe

Subtribe

Genus

Section

Family Orchidaceae

Epidendroideae

Dendrobieae

Dendrobiinae

Dendrobium

Rhizobium

Dendrobium erythraeum

Notes:

Dendrobium erythraeum Schuit. & de Vogel resembles *Dendrobium flagellum* Schltr., but the latter species has cream-coloured flowers, the petals lack an attenuate apex and the lip is larger with prominently elliptic lateral lobes.

An easy to grow free flowering species that grows well in a bushouse environment in Sydney.

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Den. Red Ballerina Ela Kielich



Dendrobium subclausum var. *alpina* Guy Cantor



Cadetia taylori R G Blaxland



Phalaenopsis rosenstromii John McAuley



Sarcochilus tricallatus Erik Lielkajis



Medicalcar decoratum R G Blaxland



Den. Robbie McInnes R G Blaxland



*Den.*Stephen Batchelor Ela Kielich

ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - February 2023

1. Dockrillia species

- 1st Nil
2nd Nil
3rd Nil

2. Dendrobium species

- 1st *Dendrobium litorale*
2nd Nil
3rd Nil

3. Sarcanthinae species

- 1st *Plectorrhiza brevilabris*
2nd *Sarcochilus tricallatus*
3rd *Luisa tertifolia*

4. Bulbophyllum species

- 1st Nil
2nd Nil
3rd Nil

5. Miscellaneous species

- 1st *Appendicula australiensis*
2nd *Cadetia taylori*
3rd *Cadetia taylori*

6. Dendrobium Hybrids

- 1st *Den red Ballerina*
2nd *Den Holly Dunne x Bessie Victory*
3rd *Den Robbie McInness*

7. Sarcanthinae Hybrids

- 1st Nil
2nd Nil
3rd Nil

8. Miscellaneous Hybrids

- 1st Nil
2nd Nil
3rd Nil

9. Australasian species

- 1st *Dendrobium subclausum* var *Alpina*
2nd *Mediocalcar decoratum*
3rd *Dendrobium bracteosum*

10. Australasian Hybrids

- 1st *Den Stephen Batchelor*
2nd Nil
3rd Nil

11. Novice & Junior

- 1st Nil
2nd Nil
3rd Nil

12. Pterostylis species

- Erik Lielkajis 1st Nil
2nd Nil
3rd Nil

13. Other terrestrials

- Guy Cantor 1st Nil
Erik Lielkajis 2nd Nil
Erik Lielkajis 3rd Nil

14. Terrestrial hybrids

- 1st Nil
2nd Nil
3rd Nil

15. Best specimen

- Erik Lielkajis 1st Nil
Erik Lielkajis 2nd Nil
R G Blaxland 3rd Nil

16. Best First Flowering seedling

- Ela Kielich 1st *Phalaenopsis amabilis* subsp *rosenstromii* J McAuley
R G Blaxland 2nd Nil
R G Blaxland 3rd Nil

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Phalaenopsis amabilis

Phalaenopsis amabilis, commonly known as the moon orchid or moth orchid in India and as anggrek bulan in Indonesia, is a species of flowering plant in the orchid family Orchidaceae. It is native to the Indonesia and Australia, and widely cultivated as a decorative houseplant. It is an epiphytic or lithophytic herb with long, thick roots, between two and eight thick, fleshy leaves with their bases hiding the stem and nearly flat, white, long-lasting flowers on a branching flowering stem with up to ten flowers on each branch.

In 1750, before the system of binomial nomenclature had been formalised by Carl Linnaeus, Georg Eberhard

Rumphius had collected the species on Ambon Island and described it as *Angraecum albus majus* in his book *Herbarium Amboinense*. Linnaeus described it in *Species Plantarum*

giving it the binomial *Epidendrum amabile* and in 1825, Carl Ludwig Blume changed the name to *Phalaenopsis amabilis*. The specific epithet (*amabilis*) is a Latin word meaning "lovely".

Subspecies

There are three subspecies of *P. amabilis* recognised by the World Checklist of Selected Plant Families:

- *Phalaenopsis amabilis* subsp. *amabilis* which is the most widespread subspecies and is distinguished from the other subspecies by its cross-shaped labellum middle lobe, the base of which has yellow and red markings;
- *Phalaenopsis amabilis* subsp. *moluccana* (Schltr.) Christenson which has a linear-oblong labellum middle lobe, with a slight dilation at its base where there are yellow and white markings;
- *Phalaenopsis amabilis* subsp. *rosenstromii* (F.M.Bailey) Christenson which has a relatively short, triangular labellum middle lobe where the markings are yellow;

Distribution and habitat

- *Phalaenopsis amabilis* usually grows on trees, rarely on rocks, in rainforest where the humidity is high but there is free air movement. Subspecies *amabilis* has the widest distribution and occurs from Palawan in the southern Philippines to Borneo, Sumatra and Java. Subspecies *moluccana* is separated from subspecies *amabilis* by the Wallace Line and is found in Sulawesi as well as Seram and Buru in the Moluccas. Subspecies *rosenstromii* is native to New Guinea and Australia where it occurs on the Cape York Peninsula between the Iron Range and the Paluma Range National Park. It is separated from subspecies *moluccana* by Lydekker's Line.

Conservation

- *Phalaenopsis rosenstromii* was listed as "endangered" under the Australian Government Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 but the listing was updated to *Phalaenopsis amabilis* subsp. *rosenstromii* in May 2016. The main threat to the subspecies in Australia is illegal collecting.

St Ives Orchid Fair



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<http://www.stivesorchidfair.com/>

2023 Australian Native Orchid Show And Plant Sales

Sat. 2nd & Sun. 3rd September 2023

Entry Adults \$2, Children Free

At Chris's Native Orchids Sat & Sun 8.30am to 4pm
73 Neville Morton Drive Crescent Head &
Ted Walmsley's Nursery Sun 9.30am to 12noon
57 Spooners Ave. Greenhills (Parking at Macleay Dist. Motor Cycle Club)



Orchid Vendors

- Chris' Native Orchids
- Ted Walmsley
- Daylight Moon Orchids by Tony Blewitt

Orchid Supplies

- Mingara Orchid Club Pot Shop

Food available all weekend - Guest Speakers - Potting Demos

Info Please Contact Chris Price - 0417624077 or cpr89230@bigpond.net.au

Plant Vendors

- Phena's Begonias
- Bromeliads Australia
- Manning Valley Plants

2023 Australian Native Orchid Show And Plant Sales Program

Sponsored by Kempsey Orchid Society

Fri. 1 st 6pm	Welcome Dinner	West Kempsey Bowling Club
Sat. 2 nd 7.30am	Show Benching	Crescent Head
Sat. 2 nd 8.30am	Plant Sales & Show Judging	Crescent Head
Sat. 2 nd 10am	Show opens for viewing	Crescent Head
Sat. 2 nd 4.00pm	Show & Plant Sales Close	Crescent Head
Sat. 2 nd 6pm	Dinner	Kempsey RSL Club
Sun. 3 rd 9.30am	Show & Plant Sales	Crescent Head
Sun. 3 rd 9.30am	Ted's Speciosum Display & Plant Sales	Greenhills (via Kempsey)
Sun. 3 rd 12.30pm	Ted's Display & Plant Sales closes	Greenhills (via Kempsey)
Sun. 3 rd 1.00pm	Orchid Show closes	Crescent Head
Sun. 3 rd 4.00pm	Plant Sales closes	Crescent Head

Food available all weekend at Chris's Orchids Crescent Head

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In my Bushhouse

We are well into March now and what should have been a hot summer, (that never was) has transferred to Autumn with a couple of days hitting 43 deg C in my bushhouse. This year plants passed it with flying colours. No misting during the day but watered heavily the previous evening. It looks like the worst may have passed, but watch out for those hot days that may occur. Make sure that you don't let any water sit for too long in leaf axils. Better yet spray with a fungicide such as Eco Fungicide at 4gm/l and EcoOil at 5ml/l.

Keep an eye out for pests like aphids, grasshoppers and Dendrobium beetle. I have sprayed with my usual Bugmaster® Carbaryl at 2ml/l + 5ml/l Remember to ONLY spray new growths so you don't waste any.

Plants in flower: *Dendrobium erythraeum*, *Dockrillia* Hot Coals, *Dockrillia bowmanii* with those beautiful apple green petals and sepals with contrasting white labellum, *Dockrillia cucumerina*, *Cadetia taylori*, *Dendrobium prenticei*, *Bulbophyllum macphersonii*.

All plants are at varying stages of growth and I hardly have a plant inside or outside of the bushhouse that has not had new growth. The roots are growing everywhere through the bark so keep up the fertiliser. Most plants in my collection have a dose of blood and bone and a slow release like Osmocote Pro 8-9 month. Also keep up the fertilizing weekly with Peters Excel CalMag Finisher.

Bill Dobson

Bulbophyllum macphersonii

Bulbophyllum macphersonii, commonly known as eyelash orchids, is a species of 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 trees and rocks in sheltered places

Bulbophyllum macphersonii grows on trees, rocks and cliff faces in sheltered rainforest and open forest.

It is found between the Cedar Bay National Park, the Atherton Tableland and Rockhampton.

The small eyelash orchid 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 but it was later published by Arthur Stopps and Henry Deane who considered the orchid to belong to the monotypic genus *Osyricera*. With Bailey's approval, the description was published as *Osyricera purpurascens*. In 1905, Johannes Jacobus Smith changed the name of *Osyricera purpurascens* to *Bulbophyllum purpurascens*, but that name had already been used for a different orchid and was therefore a nomen illegitimum. The specific epithet (*macphersonii*) honours Ken PacPherson who "rediscovered" the species in 1933.

The names of two varieties of this orchid are accepted by the World Checklist of Selected Plant Families:

Bulbophyllum macphersonii var. *macphersonii* - the small eyelash orchid;
Bulbophyllum macphersonii var. *spathulatum* – the large eyelash orchid which is larger in all its parts. It has also been known as *Bulbophyllum sladeanum* A.D.Hawkes and *Blepharochilum sladeanum*.(A.D.Hawkes) D.L.Jones & M.A.Clem.

It has a fringe of long, fine hairs and vibrates in the slightest breeze. Flowering occurs between March and August.

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Bulbophyllum macphersonii L & B Dobson

A bushwalk with Chris Murray

Not much flowering in the epiphyte world for me to photograph recently. All photos taken in Ku-ring-gai National Park. If you are thinking of going *Corunastylis* hunting, then I would recommend heading out to a nearby fire trail and getting down on your hands and knees and crawl around with a magnifying glass. These guys are tiny.

Fringed Midge orchid *Corunastylis fimbriata*

Green Midge Orchid *Corunastylis pumila*

Cross Midge orchid *Corunastylis ansata*

Ladies Tresses *Spiranthes australis*

Sharp Greenhood *Pterostylis acuminata*

Dog orchid (or now called the Odorous Sphinx orchid) *Cestichis reflexa* or *Liparis reflexa*

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Corunsatylis sp.



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Dog orchid (or now called the Odorous Sphinx orchid) *Cestichis reflexa* or *Liparis reflexa*

Liparis reflexa

Liparis reflexa, commonly known as tom cats, onion orchid or dog orchid, is a plant in the orchid family and is endemic to New South Wales. It is a lithophytic orchid with up to four leaves and up to thirty or more yellowish green flowers which smell like urine. It grows on rocks, sometimes on the ground, in moist forests.

Distribution and Habitat

Liparis reflexa usually grows on rocks, including on escarpments and boulders in gorges and only rarely on trees. It is found between the Clyde River, Hastings River and Hunter River valleys.

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Dendrobium monophyllum Trish Peterson



Oberonia complanata (in bud) Trish Peterson



Oberonia complanata (full flower) Trish Peterson



Spiranthes australis Trish Peterson



Spiranthes australis

Commonly known as ladies' tresses, is a species of orchid that grows from southern Caspian Sea and Himalayan Mountains to the South-West Pacific. It has up to about ten leaves at the base of a flowering stem with up to sixty small pink and white flowers spirally arranged around it.

This usually grows in boggy or swampy places but also in high-rainfall grassy places. It is widely distributed from the southern Caspian Sea of Iran and Georgia to the southwest Pacific. In Australia, it occurs from Queensland, south through eastern New South Wales.