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## February 2026



*Dendrobium bigibbum* Erik Lielkajis



*Dendrobium torresae* Erik Lielkajis



*Sarcochilus eriochilus* David Hemmings

**Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday 17th February**

Erik Lielkajis

Growing Orchids Without a Shadehouse

## Minutes

**Minutes** of the monthly meeting held at the Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville on Tuesday, 20 January 2026.

The meeting was opened at 8pm by President, Bill Dobson.

**Committee Members Present:** Bill Dobson, James Litten, Ela Kielich, Judith Barry, Jane & Peter D'Olier, Bryanna Whitaker, Lynn Dabbs, Trish Peterson

**Visitors:** John Clarke, Ado van Rensberg, Craig

**Apologies:** Tony Agrela, John McAuley, Tim Dabbs, Cary Polis

No minutes from December meeting as Christmas Party was held.

**Mick's Rambles:** Mick Korzenowski

- Mick spoke about new growths being burnt by the recent dry hot weather and showed a *Dendrobium speciosum* var. *capricornicum* with unusual aerial growth.

**Badges:** Available to those present who had requested an ANOS Warringah name badge. A number of badges haven't been picked up yet.

**Correspondence:** Two Commonwealth Bank statements and Bendigo Bank statements handed to Treasurer Ela Kielich.

**Raffle:** Judith donated 10 packs of *Pterostylis* tubers to the raffle.

**Judges Report:** by Eric Lielkajis

**Plant of the Evening:**

*Dendrobium* Silver King grown by Ela Kielich

**Other Plants of Interest:**

*Dendrobium* Little Green Apples - Lynn Dabbs (Novice).

*Dendrobium aberrans* x *Den.* Gemwood – Mark Asbury

The Eungella *eria* species – Erik Lielkajis

**Guest Speaker:**

Following supper Bill Dobson gave a presentation on small plant media and he demonstrated a number of options for growing various orchids:

- Gutter guard rolled into a tube held with cable ties and capped, then filled with various media and slow-release fertiliser.
- Cypress pine weathered boards with grooves made to help root traction.
- Cork with plants tied on with fishing line (unfortunately bugs like cork).

In closing the meeting, Bill thanked everyone for their participation and wished all a safe journey home.

**The Meeting closed by Bill Dobson at 9:20pm**



*Cadetia taylori* - ex Mt Edith FNQ Bill Dobson



*Dendrobium lichenastrum* Bill Dobson

## In my Bushhouse

Hot summer days are here, and, 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 the plants most evenings, particularly the mounted ones, and water in the morning 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 will repot plants as required; in fact, I just repotted 3 plants this afternoon. 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 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® fungicide, 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 Woolies 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. Still, be wary as I was watering in the bushhouse yesterday when I noticed a chunk out of a new growth on a *Dendrobium jonesii*. I went out last night and captured a large grasshopper. I decided to give him some swimming lessons and last seen he was swimming on his way to North Head.

This week I was lucky to be contacted by a homeowner who wished to get rid of some *Dendrobium speciosum* plants from her garden, yes there are some out there. I was happy to oblige and spent over an hour levering the plants out of the ground. These were *Dendrobium var speciosum* and ended up filling up the whole back of the car. Some had been attacked by dendrobium beetle and some affected by the heat wave however, like the survivors they are, many clumps were sending up new growths. The roots were in good nick considering they were growing in dirt. However, this is closer to nature, and I think with all our orchids we tend to coddle them too much. I will give them some Seasol and plant hormone to push them on after potting in my normal potting mix.

Flowering in the bushhouse are *Sarcochilus eriochilus*, *Sarcochilus setosus*, *Cadetia taylori*, and *Dendrobium prenticei* and *Dendrobium lichenastrum*.

Speaking of rain, what a welcome relief the rain was as it filled my tank in one day, and there is more hot weather to come. On a final note, I have just spent 3-1/2 hours in the

bush-house at 35 degrees C and then went for a 45 minute walk, and although I am soaked in sweat I loved every minute of it.

Good Growing ..... Bill Dobson

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'The Swimmer'

## ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - February 2025

### 1. Dockrillia species

1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrobium torresae</i>	Erik Lielkajis
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Dendrobium prenticei</i>	L&B Dobson
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Dendrobium lichenastrum</i>	L&B Dobson

### 2. Dendrobium species

1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrobium bigibbum</i> var. <i>compactum</i>	Erik Lielkajis
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Dendrobium tetragonum</i> var. <i>capisyork</i>	Erik Lielkajis
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 3. Sarcanthinae species

1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Sarcochilus eriochilus</i>	David Hemmings
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Sarcochilus hirticalcar</i>	Erik Lielkajis
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Plectorhizza brevilabris</i>	Trish Peterson

### 4. Bulbophyllum species

1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 5. Miscellaneous species

1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Cadetia taylori</i>	L&B Dobson
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Liparis coelogynoides</i>	David Hemmings
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Eria</i> species ex Eungella FNQ	Erik Lielkajis

### 6. Dendrobium Hybrids

1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 7. Sarcanthinae Hybrids

1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 8. Miscellaneous Hybrids

1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 9. Australasian species

1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrobium secundum</i>	P & J D'Olier
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Dendrobium stratiotes</i>	I & I Chalmers
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Dendrobium secundum</i>	Ela Kielich

### 10. Australasian Hybrids

1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrobium</i> Silver King	Ela Kielich
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Dendrobium aberrans</i> x Den Gemwood	Mark Asbury
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Dendrobium</i> Pink Glow	Li Shan

### 11. Novice & Junior

1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrobium</i> Little Green Apples	Lynn Dabbs
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 12. Pterostylis species

1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 13. Other terrestrials

1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 14. Terrestrial hybrids

1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 15. Best specimen

1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

### 16. Best First Flowering seedling

1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	

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## 2026 Diary

### February

17<sup>th</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

### March

12<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

17<sup>th</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

### April

9<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

12<sup>th</sup> MWOS Auction Cromer Community Centre

18<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> A17<sup>th</sup> NOS CC Bigibbum Show @ Narara Valley

Nursery

21<sup>st</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

### May

14<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Orchids Out West

21<sup>st</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

### June

11<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

16<sup>th</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Mingara Orchid Club Fair and Show, Mingara Recreation Club

### July

9<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

21<sup>st</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

### August

13<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

7<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> National Orchid Extravaganza

**13 -14 -15<sup>th</sup> St Ives Orchid Fair**

17<sup>th</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

### September

ANOS Sydney Group Spring Show Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> & Sunday

6<sup>th</sup> North Rocks Shopping Centre

10<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

**12<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> ANOS Warringah Show** Memorial Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville

21<sup>nd</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Orchids Central @ Condell Park

### October

8<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

10<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> ANOS CC Sarcochilus Show Narara Valley Nursery

ANOS Sydney Group Sarcanthinae Show, North Rocks Shopping Centre Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>

20<sup>th</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting - Sarcochilus Show

### November

ANOS Sydney Late Spring Show Winston Hills Mall Date to be announced.

12<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

17<sup>th</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

### December

10<sup>th</sup> ANOS Sydney General Meeting

15<sup>th</sup> ANOS Warringah Group Meeting

- Christmas and Presentation

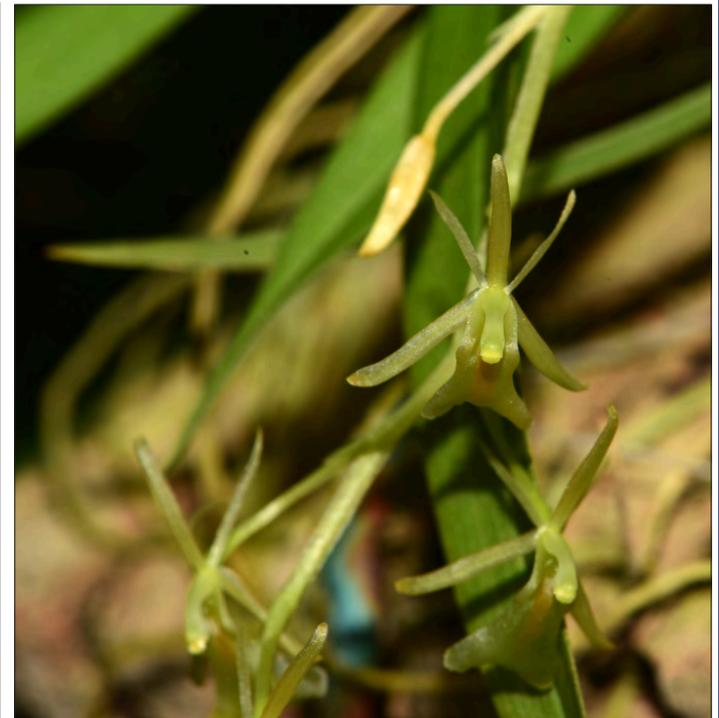
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*Dendrobium Tweed* David Hemmings



Eria species ex Eungella FNQ



Erik Lielkajis



*Dendrobium John's Charm* I & I Chalmers



*Dendrobium secundum* Ela Kielich



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