



The Australasian Native Orchid Society The Warringah Group Inc.

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Monthly Meetings: 3rd Tuesday at 8:00 pm - Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville



Dendrochilum longifolium Thuy Tran

March 2022



Dendrobium Red Ballerina Ela Kielich



Cadetia taylori Thuy Tran

Tuesday 15th March 2022

AGM and Mystery Auction

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE ANOS WARRINGAH GROUP HELD ON TUESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2022

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville on Tuesday 15 February 2022.

The Meeting was opened at 8.15pm by President Trish Peterson.

Guest Speaker: Bill Dobson to give a culture presentation.

Visitors: Paul McDonagh, Kathy Penwell from Hawaii, Joy Gouroussis

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

Apologies: Mick Korzenowski, Jan & Geoff Duggin, Warleiti Jap, Bryan & Marie Spurrs, Erik Lielkajis, Lynne Lane, Matthew Roberts, Lorraine Dobson

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 21 December 2021 as published in the Bulletin were accepted as a true record on the motion of Nel Davis seconded by Ian Tanner.

Matters Arising: Nil

Correspondence:

Incoming:

- **Dept of Fair Trading -**
Approval of application to defer AGM until before 31 Mar (17 Jan)
- **Northern Beaches Council**
NBC - Invoice for use of Community Centre for Feb (17 Jan)
- **Bendigo Bank**
BB-Statement for Term Deposit a/c 1505554319 1/7-31/12/21
BB-Maturing TD notice a/c 136602125- Reinvested for 7 months @ 0.30%
- **NSW Virtual Spring Spectacular 2021**
Place Certificates for David Hemmings, Bill Dobson and Trish Peterson
- **St Ives Orchid Fair** email from Secretary of the Orchid Fair advising the intention to conduct the Fair on 19, 20 and 21 August 2022
- **The Orchadian** – December 2021 issue
- **Garden Clubs of Australia** - Autumn issue of magazine

Outgoing:

- **Garden Clubs of Australia**
 - GCA-Insurance Renewal 2022/23 - Form 2 (mailed 11 Jan)

Notices to members

- Cancellation of January General Meeting (11 Jan)
- January Bulletin (17 Jan)
- February Bulletin (13 Feb)
- Email advising Covid arrangements for meeting on 15 Feb including vaccination requirements (14 Feb)

Moved for acceptance by Bruce Potter seconded by Ian Tanner.

General Business:

- **Covid protocols** -Trish noted that the Committee has determined that attendance at Group meetings will be restricted to those members and guests who are double vaccinated

and who provide evidence of up-to-date vaccinations to the Group's representative at the entrance to the meeting venue. Other protocols to be observed at meetings are checking in on arrival, wearing masks and practising social distancing. These protocols will remain in place until cancelled or changed by the Committee. Hand sanitizer will be made available at meetings.

- **Library** - A new book "Guide to Native Orchids of NSW & ACT" Lachlan Copeland & Gary Backhouse, is to be purchased for the library. To encourage use of the library, Judith will place a selection of books on the front table at meetings. See Judith re borrowing arrangements.
- **March meeting** -The meeting in March will be the 2020/2021 Annual General Meeting. As well as electing the new Committee and Office Bearers, members will be asked to vote on a new Constitution for the Group. The new Constitution will be emailed to members for their consideration prior to the meeting. There will also be a Mystery Auction.
- **Guest speakers/topics** - Trish asked for suggestions from members regarding speakers and topics they would like to hear about.
- **Membership fees for 2021/2022** - Fees for 2021/2022 were waived. Those members who have already paid fees will have the amount applied as a credit to fees due for 2022/2023 which are due on 1 July 2022.
- **Hall maintenance** - Our meeting hall will be unavailable for our April and September meetings due to maintenance. We will hold our meetings for these 2 months at the Forest Youth Centre on Forestway. More details next month.
- **Supper Coordinator volunteers** - Trish called for a volunteer to coordinate suppers at our meetings. Ros Matthews and Thuy Tran kindly offered. Trish thanked Judith for her efforts over a long period in coordinating the suppers as well as recording benching results.
- **Nomenclature** - Ian Chalmers (AOC NSW Registrar) spoke about the changes to the nomenclature of two Australian native orchids, *Dendrobium x delicatum* (*Den. Speciokingianum*) and *Den. x gracillimum* (*Den. Gracillimum*). Further information on these changes were included in our December 2021 bulletin.

Judges Report: John McAuley

Plant of the Evening: *Sarcochilus eriochilus* David Hemmings

Other Plants of Interest: *Den. Purple Spiral x Den. gouldii* Jane & Peter D'Olier
Dendrochilum longifolium Thuy Tran

Guest Speaker - Bill Dobson. Bill gave his usual interesting presentation, this time on changes, especially over the past few years, that he has made in his approach to growing his collection. Recently he has been busy removing moss from under benches. Bill talked about changes he has made to the growing medium he uses including the supplier and use of clay balls, water well pots and net pots especially for *Dockrillia*. Bill said that he has returned to hand watering as this allows him to keep a close eye on his plants and identify problems early. He also spoke about his pest management approach.

(Ian Chalmers commented that he has had success controlling pests biologically and referred members to the website "Bugs for Bugs")

Trish thanked Bill for his informative presentation and his willingness to share his

knowledge and experience with us.

Lucky Door Prize Winners: Cary Polis, Bruce Potter

Raffle Prizes Winners: Jane D'Olier, Trish Peterson, Kathy Penwell, Ros Matthews, Ted Shaw, Richard Blaxland.

The Meeting closed at 9.35pm. Trish wished members a safe journey home and hoped to see all at our March meeting.

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Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville on 16 November 2020.

The **General Meeting** was suspended at 8.15pm and the **Annual General Meeting** was commenced.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2020

The AGM was opened by Bill Dobson at 8.15pm.

The Minutes of the last AGM held on 16 July 2019 had previously been circulated and were moved without discussion.

The Financial Report was made available for perusal by members.

The President's Report (Trish Peterson) was read out by Bill who encouraged members to consider joining the Committee. The President's report is reprinted below.

Election of Committee Members 2020

Patron Mick Korzenowski acted as Returning Officer and declared all Committee positions vacant. Mick thanked the Committee for their work in such a difficult year as well as the contributions and participation of the Group's members who together make the Group such a successful and friendly club. He noted the success of the photo benching initiative and thanked Trish, Jane and Bill for their efforts.

The current Committee members, with the exception of Lorraine Dobson, have declared themselves available for re-election in their current roles. Nomination forms had been duly completed and lodged with the Secretary. Mick called for nominations from the floor for each of the Committee office-bearer positions and for the ordinary members of the Committee.

There being no nominations from the floor, Mick declared the following members elected:

Office Bearers

President: Trish Peterson

Secretary: Bruce Potter

Treasurer: Ela Kielich

Editor: Bill Dobson

Librarian & Recorder: Judith Barry

Web Coordinator: Jane D'Olier

Committee

Peter D'Olier

Cary Polis

Bryan Spurrs

Ian Tanner

President's Report: Trish Peterson

The AGM was closed by Bill Dobson at 8.30pm and the monthly General Meeting was then recommenced.

President's Report 2020

2020 has been a horrible year which we will not soon forget.

We were just recovering from the drought, the horrendous bushfires and the smoke, when we were hit with the Covid-19 virus. The pandemic has affected us all in every aspect of our lives and we have all become familiar with terms such as 'social distancing' 'hand sanitising' and 'lockdown'.

Despite the difficulties of holding regular meetings due to the pandemic restrictions, our members have managed to stay connected through our photo benching competition and monthly bulletins. I would like to acknowledge and thank our Patron, Mick Korzenowski who initiated the photo-benching program and our Editor, Bill Dobson for collating, resizing, and formatting the hundreds of photographs sent in by members which were included in our bulletins.

This has enabled members to share their orchids with others when it has not been possible to bring them to meetings and to maintain contact with our orchid friends. A very special thanks to Bill for all his hard work.

We have had some sad moments during the year, we lost one of our special members, Garry Williams who died in June after a long illness. He and Harleen are very much missed at our meetings. Another of our Life Members, Lorraine Dobson has had to stand down from the Committee due to ill health – we send her our very best wishes; and our long-standing and dedicated Secretary, Bryan Spurrs has also had to stand down from his position due to an 'orchid-related' accident, but Bryan intends to remain on the Committee once he has recovered.

As you are all aware, most of the orchid shows this year have been cancelled due to the pandemic. This has had a huge impact on all orchid societies but shows are now restarting with strict Covid precautions being enforced.

We have been fortunate in having access to this hall for our meetings which restarted in July after an enforced break of 4 months. The precautions required by the Council are eminently manageable, although we have had to forego our suppers due to the closure of the kitchen. Despite some members choosing not to attend meetings due to the risk of contracting the virus, we have had reasonable numbers at our meetings. Thanks to George for keeping our Contact Tracing Register which is another Covid-19 requirement. We have also welcomed several new members during the year.

I would like to thank the members of our Committee, new Secretary Bruce, Bill, Ela, Judith, Cary, Peter, Jane, Ian and Bryan. Each of them is important to the smooth running of our Society and their contribution is very much appreciated.

Jane, our Web Coordinator has done an outstanding job in keeping up our profile on Facebook and posting photos on our website as well as taking the photographs of benched orchids each month.

Our Treasurer, Ela keeps accurate financial records of the Group, and Judith has the challenging task of deciphering our scrawled orchid names on the benching cards and recording our achievements. Bruce has taken over the Secretary's duties with great gusto and we thank him for his enthusiasm. Ian has had a reprieve from mounting banners this year, due to the cancellation of our shows.

Due to popular demand, the sales table has restarted, with social distancing being observed, and it appears to be going very well, thanks to Cary and Peter. Our lucky door and raffle prizes have also been reinstated.

There are so many people who make this Group special and my thanks to all of you. Thanks to our Judges whom we rely upon for their involvement and pronouncements each month; we very much appreciate their participation and expertise. And thanks also to all those members who help with setting up and pulling down each month and contribute in many ways to the successful running of the society.

Thank you all for your support and encouragement during the year. We hope that the coming year will prove less stressful and much happier and we trust that you will continue to support and enjoy belonging to our society.

I shall now hand over to Patron Mick who is Returning Officer for the election.

Trish Peterson



I found a very damp little ringtail possum on the balcony the other night... he'd collected all the Spanish moss from my Murrayas and had made himself a nest. Unfortunately he also broke off some beautiful growths from my very best *Plectorrhiza tridentata* in his efforts. He visited again last night.....I think he likes snuggling down in the moss!

Trish Peterson



Pterostylis coccinna Judith Barry



Aphid Yates website



Sarcochilus eriochilus David Hemmings



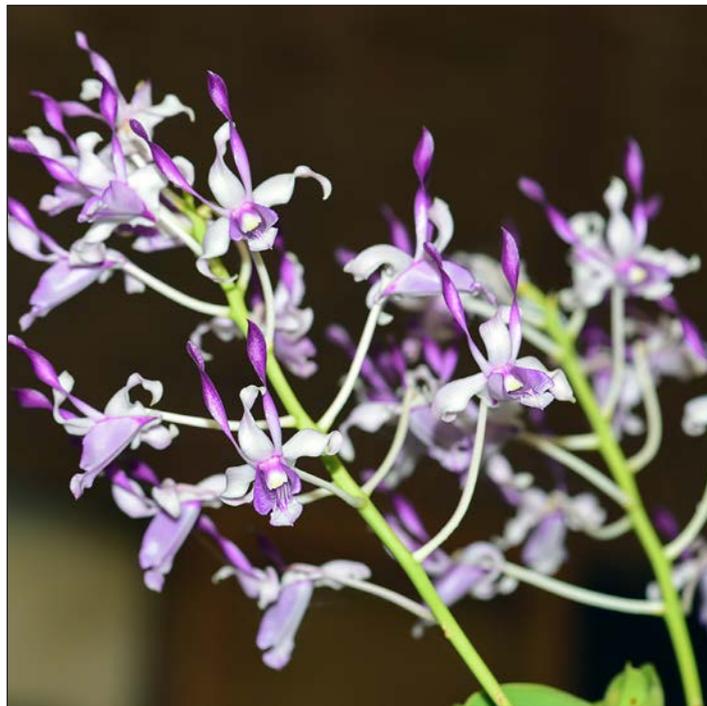
Dendrobium lawesii Guy Cantor



Dendrochilum longifolium David Hemmings



Sarcochilus Autumn Clover Bradley



Dendrobium Purple Spiral x gouldii 'Blue' P & J D'Olier



Dendrochilum longifolium Thuy Tran

I received an email from one of our members, Chris Murray.

"I am interested to know your thoughts on how to look after orchids when there is constant rain. Are there some orchids that handle it well and others that should definitely be brought under cover- or even indoors? Some of the leaves on an aemulum of mine have dropped off in recent days ☹"

Before I answer your question, I had to duck out & check mine in between showers. We have had approximately 32" or 80cm of rain in 15 days and as I write this it's resumed raining again.

While some of my *Dendrobium aemulum* had lost leaves all have had or are having new growths. Only one I have mounted, and the rest are in net pots, so they drain as well as if they are on mounts but will retain more moisture but so far, they are coping.

All my orchids have new growths or have new emerging root tips and are in good growth.

I must say that most of my orchids are doing surprisingly well with all having new growths. In between showers I continue to fertilise. When they have been repotted, they also have had an application of 9-month slow release.

My *Dendrobium speciosum* are loving it with new growths everywhere. I use a mix that allows for free flow of water and air to the roots. So, they are still like they are in the wild living as lithophytes or epiphytes. If anything, I'd say they are enjoying themselves.

Although it's wet and humid the temperature is above 22 and most days its been over 25. The only thing that you need to prevent fungal infections is air movement i.e. wind/breeze.



My Rain Gauge - Bill Dobson



Bulbophyllum exiguum L & B Dobson



Bulbophyllum exiguum L & B Dobson



Dockrillia cucumerina L & B Dobson

ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - February 2022

1. Dockrillia species

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

2. Dendrobium species

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

3. Sarcanthinae species

- 1st *Sarcochilus eriochilus*
- 2nd *Sarcochilus eriochilus*
- 3rd *Sarcochilus setosus*

4. Bulbophyllum species

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

5. Miscellaneous species

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

6. Dendrobium Hybrids

- 1st *Dendrobium* Red Ballerina
- 2nd *Dendrobium* Ellen x *speciosum*
- 3rd Nil

7. Sarcanthinae Hybrids

- 1st *Sarcochilus* Autumn
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

8. Miscellaneous Hybrids

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

9. Australasian species

- 1st *Dendrochilum longifolium*
- 2nd *Dendrochilum longifolium*
- 3rd *Dendrobium lawesii*

10. Australasian Hybrids

- 1st *Dendrobium* Purple Spiral x *gouldii* 'Blue' P & J D'Olier
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

11. Novice & Junior

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

12. Pterostylis species

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

13. Other terrestrials

- I & I Chalmers

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

14. Terrestrial hybrids

- David Hemmings
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- L & B Dobson

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

15. Best specimen

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

16. Best First Flowering seedling

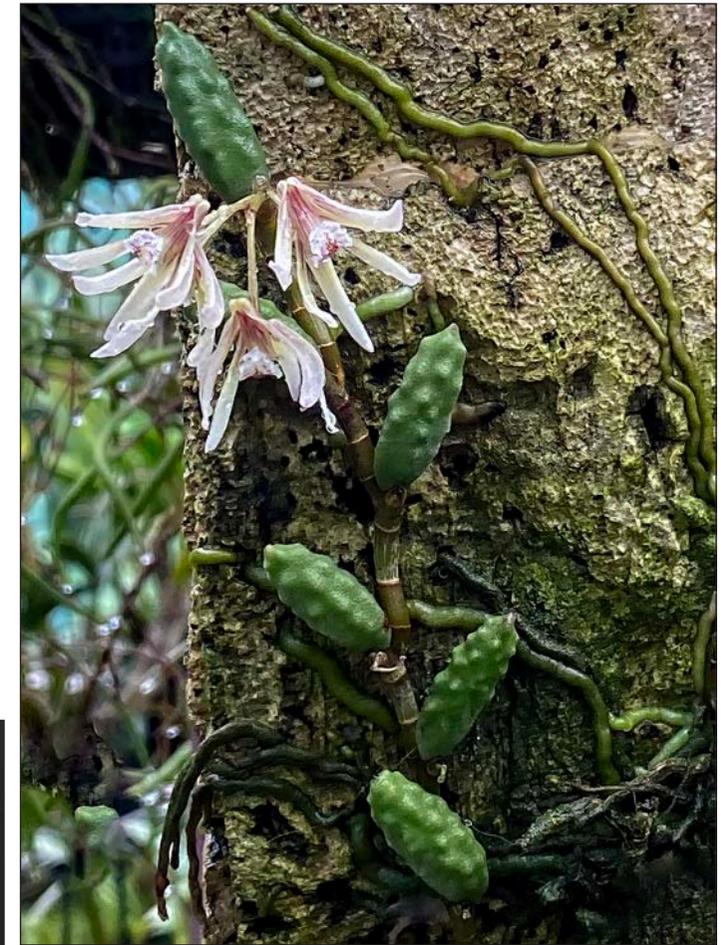
- Thuy Tran
- L & B Dobson
- I & I Chalmers

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

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Pterostylis truncata Judith Barry



Dockrillia cucumerina L & B Dobson

Aphids

Just a warning that despite the wet weather one pest that it hasn't deterred is aphids. So keep checking on all those new growths that the aphids will attack.

Use what ever pesticide you have to control (kill) them as they give birth to live young and you can have hundreds overnight.

If treatment is required, perhaps spray with **Yates Baythroid Advanced Garden Pest Insect Killer** a ready to use spray. Also this will give you a reason to check your orchids and make sure they are surviving the wet.

Bill Dobson



Dendrobium monophyllum Trish Peterson



Dockrillia Beverly Anne Trish Peterson



Dockrillia Limestone x brevicauda Trish Peterson



Oberonia complanata Trish Peterson



Crab spider species David Hemmings



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Den. Glenstar Robbie x Regal Hilda David Hemmings



Crab spider species David Hemmings



Litoria peronii - Peron's Tree Frog David Hemmings



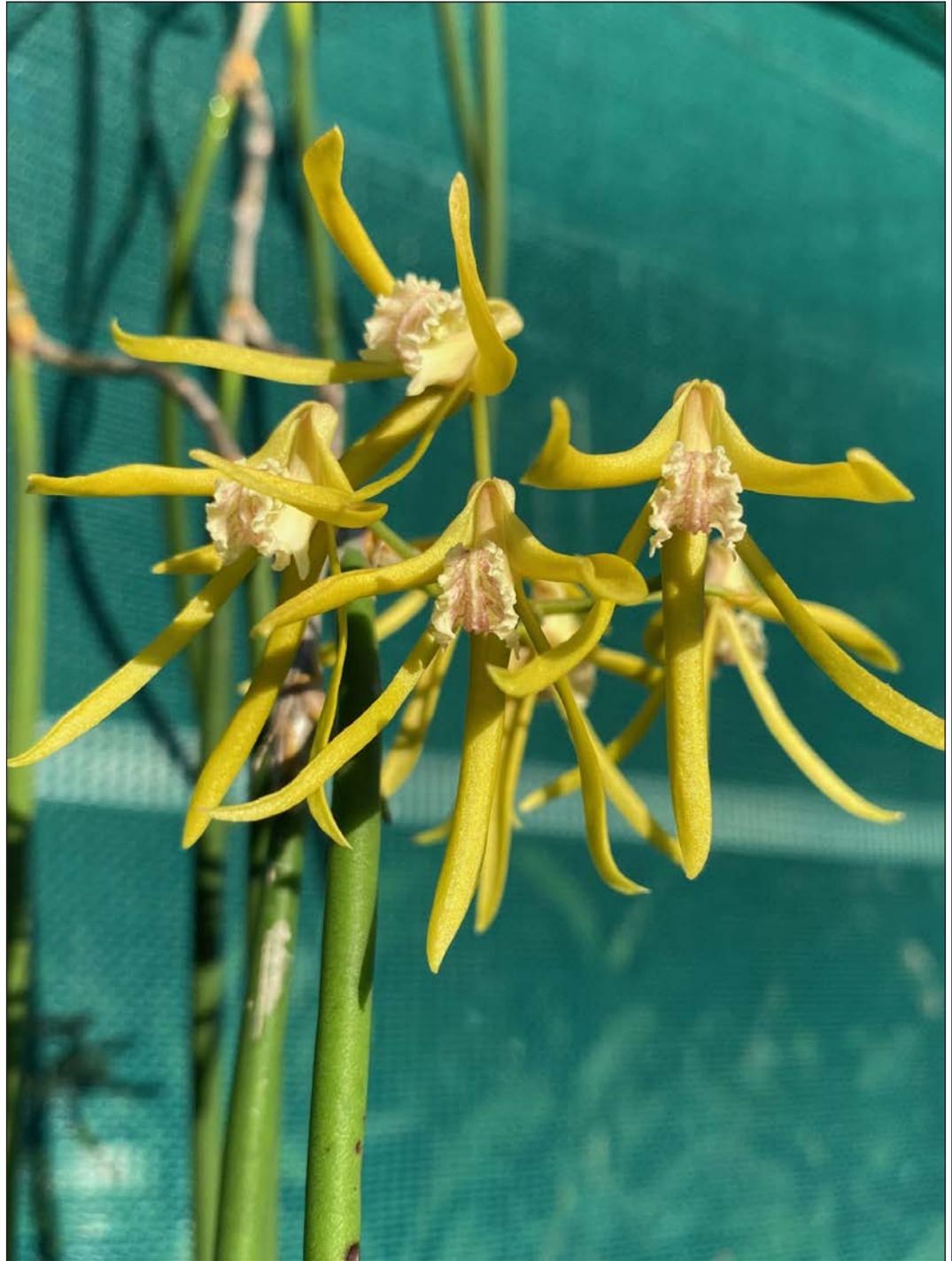
Dockrillia bowmannii x brevicauda David Hemmings



Den. Karani 'Burgundy' David Hemmings



Den. Red Ballerina 'Macquarie' David Hemmings



Dockrillia brevicauda FFS David Hemmings



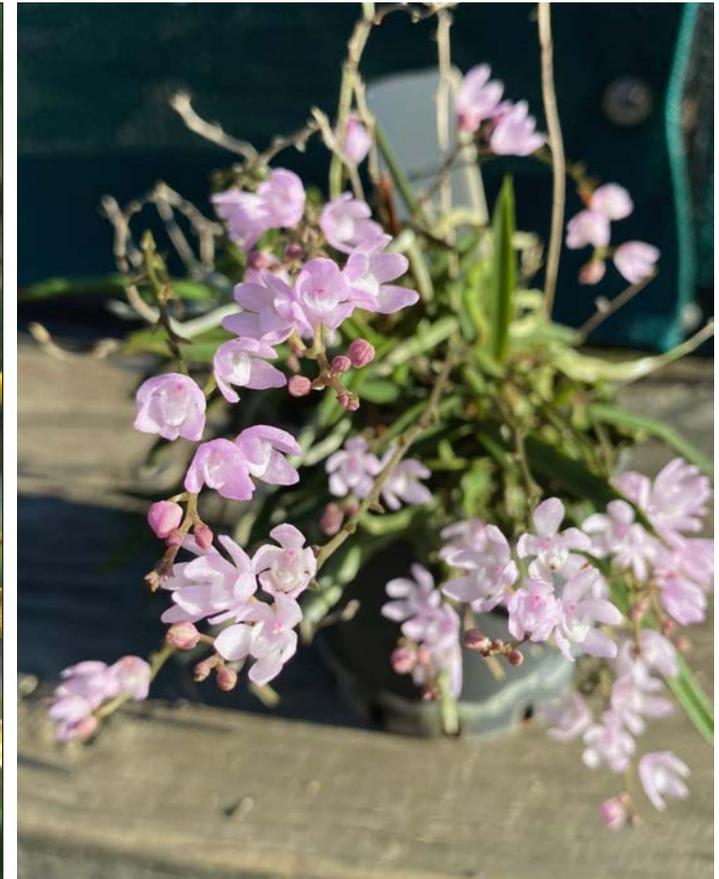
Docrillia Tweetie x *brevicauda* David Hemmings



Docrillia Tweetie x *brevicauda* David Hemmings

An interesting cross with the relatively recent *Docrillia* *brevicauda* which occurs in far north-east Queensland on Mount Finnigan and Mount Misery and named in 1996. It grows in rain forests and cloud forests at higher altitudes and flowers, in the wild from December to January.

Docrillia Tweetie is *fuliginosa* x *contextum* both from Papua New Guinea.



Sarcochilus *eriochilus* David Hemmings



Sarcochilus *eriochilus* David Hemmings