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March 2024

Photos by Jane D'Olier



Dendrobium lichenastrum Judith Barry



Dendrobium smilliae Cary Polis



Dendrobium schneiderae David E Styles

Tuesday 19th March

“Bushwalk and Back for Lunch”
Chris Murray

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville on Tuesday, February 20, 2024

The meeting was opened at 8.05pm by Bill Dobson.

Guest Speaker: Bill Dobson will present a talk on his recent trip to North Queensland by four members.

Visitor: Bob Cowan

Committee Members Present: Bill Dobson, Bill Saunderson, Trish Peterson, Ela Kielich, Jane

D'Olier, Peter D'Olier, Judith Barry.

Apologies: Ian Tanner, Mick Korzenowski, Barry Moore, Katherine Hsiao, Cam Lanceley, Lynne Lane, Thanh Mai

The minutes of the previous meeting do not exist due to secretarial shortcomings and were conveniently ignored.

Matters arising: *Move along...nothing to see here*

Correspondence:

Auspost P.O.Box renewal invoice

The Orchadian – December issue

Society bulletins from Berowra OS, ANOS Sydney, ANOS Newcastle, ANOS

Macquarie

Notice of Cymbidium Club presentation by Geoff le Marne on the 14/03/2024

GCA meeting invite for the 13/03/2024

Our Gardens magazine

Moved for acceptance by Cary Polis, seconded Ela Kielich

General Business:

Bill Dobson gave a precis of upcoming events that may be of interest to our members:

Manly Warringah Orchid Society Auction 14th April

ANOS Newcastle Autumn Show 20-21st April

ANOS Central Bigibbum Show 27-28th April

ANOS Macarthur Autumn Show – 11th May

Orchids Out West – 17-19th May

Mingara Club Fair & Show - 29-30th June

- Congratulations were offered to Clover Bradley for her recent OAM.
- The Orchadian has changed its publishing concept which now concentrates on pdf output. Articles are desired for this magazine.
- The current humidity problems were alluded to. Bravo and Mancozeb were mentioned as useful agents to help deal with this problem.

Judges Report:

Plant of the Evening:

Dendrochilum longifolium – David Hemmings produced this impressive specimen

Other Plants of Interest:

Den. Engagement (*engae* x *shiraishii*) – Richard Blaxland

Den. *bracteosum* – Cary Polis

Trachoma papuanum – Erik Lielkajis

Guest Speaker

Bill Dobson presented a very interesting report on the last expedition to North Queensland

by four society members (Bill Dobson, Cary Polis, Guy Cantor and Paul McDonough). Many local orchids were found and photographed in situ whilst expert commentary was offered. Difficulty of access to many sites was shown, as was the spectacular scenery characteristic of this region. The quality of the photography is worthy of note here.

Lucky Door Prize

Ela Kielich

Raffle Prizes

Jane D'Olier, Martin Davies, Bill Saunderson, Judith Barry, Richard Blaxland, Ted Shaw, and Jim Hemmings were amongst the winners here.

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

The Meeting closed at 9.44pm



Cadetia taylori

Commonly known as the smooth burr orchid, epiphytic or lithophytic endemic to tropical North Queensland, Australia. It has a single leathery, dark green leaf on a cylindrical stem and one or two small white flowers. Unlike other burr orchids, this species is insect pollinated. It grows in rainforest, mangroves and sheltered forests. Growing on trees and rocks in rainforest, mangroves and sheltered forests between sea-level and 1200m between the Townsville and Iron Range in Far North Queensland.

Fujifilm X-H2s 80mm macro, f20, 1/60, ISO -160 Bill Dobson



Phalaaenopsis rosenstromii Cary Polis



Trachoma papuanum Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium monophyllum Trish Peterson



Sarcochilus eriochilus David Hemmings



Cadetia taylori Erik Lielkajis



Oberonia complanata Trish Peterson

Dendrobium speciosum

Some years back, Roslyn Capell, past president of ANOS Warringah Group and current ANOS National Registrar of Judges, well known in our orchid world, did an extensive study on *Dendrobium speciosum*s.

On occasions and recently, Ros has updated the articles and the website has extensive breeding documents associated with the research. With Ros's OK I am publishing the articles but the breeding documents, I'll leave for members to look up the website.

Introduction to original 2012 version

About two years ago I took on the task of compiling a list of cultivars of *Dendrobium speciosum*. My object has been to record the named cultivars and record information as to provenance, of bush collected plants and also those which are the result of line breeding. It has not been my intention to discriminate in any way, so plants are listed whether or not they have won shows or awards or been used in breeding programs. If a cultivar has come to my attention, it has been included.

I have obtained the information from personal observation at orchid shows, from reading nursery catalogues, and from correspondence with people who have written providing valuable information from their own knowledge and records.

In a number of cases I received information about a cultivar from more than one source. I have not listed every source of information for every plant, generally replacing an earlier source name with a more recent source if the later source provided more details, so the fact that a single name is listed in the Information Source/Additional Comments column should not be taken as meaning that was the only source of information about that cultivar.

I am particularly grateful to Phil Ritchie, who provided extensive information from the database maintained by himself and Keith Riseley, and also subsequently provided further details. Bill Dobson, Dave Groffen, Wally Heath, Norm Stockton, and Gerry Walsh all provided me with lists and Graeme Russell shared the research paper he wrote on this subject for the ANOS judging course. Graeme's paper had a list of his own sources, although at this stage those sources are not included in the list. In the case of information provided by Wally Heath, the name of his source is included in parentheses after his name.

I wish to stress that the inclusion of a name as a source of information as to the provenance of a plant means no more than that person provided information to me about the plant; it certainly does not mean that person was the collector of the plant. In some cases, people have told me who collected the plant, but those details are not included in this list, with a few exceptions in cases where the collector is no longer with us or where the plant was collected from private property.

I have noticed an unfortunate trend for seedlings from particularly successful crosses

between two known parents to be given abbreviated names based on those of the parents in order to indicate that the plant is the progeny of those particular parents. For example, there might be a temptation to refer to plants produced by crossing *Dendrobium speciosum* var. *curvicaule* 'Daylight Moon' with *Dendrobium speciosum* var. *speciosum* 'Windermere' as *Dendrobium speciosum* "Moonmere". "Moonmere" might seem like a convenient way to refer to such plants, indicating, as it does, that it is the progeny of these two famous cultivars. It is also a nice, short, way of referring to the cross instead of using the proper nomenclature which involves writing about 80 characters. However, this practice has the potential to cause great confusion and should be avoided by hybridists and hobbyists alike.

Labelling a plant *Dendrobium speciosum* "Moonmere" suggests that it is a specific cultivar, despite the use of double quotation marks rather than single quotes, as only someone with a sound knowledge of orchid nomenclature - and caring about it - will appreciate the difference. It is foreseeable that dozens of people could end up having plants in their collections labelled *D. speciosum* 'Moonmere', with every one of them being a different clone. To avoid this sort of confusion, a particularly noteworthy plant of *Dendrobium speciosum* var. *curvicaule* 'Daylight Moon' x *Dendrobium speciosum* var. *speciosum* 'Windermere' should have another distinguishing name added, as has been the case with *D. speciosum* 'Moonmere Excellence'.

I have compiled this list on the assumption that *Dendrobium speciosum* is a complex involving a single species of nine varieties, in accordance with the findings of the study conducted by P.B. Adams, J.M. Burke and S.D. Lawson.

Their paper describing the study and their findings was published in *The Orchadian*, Volume 15 Number 5, September 2006, p208 – p240. However, thanks to Gerry Walsh, a couple of thelychitons have snuck in. This project is a work in progress, and the list will be regularly updated, but it was time to start the ball rolling and publish the list as it is so far. I invite anyone with comments to make about the current list, or additional information, to contact me by email at capell666@ozemail.com.au or by mail to

P.O. Box 1549, Ballina, NSW, 2478.

Roslyn Capell **May 2012**

Updated commentary as at January 2016

The list has been updated with particulars of further *speciosum*s that have come to my attention and further information about plants already on the list. These new entries are written in blue. A few names have been deleted on the recommendation of Graeme Russell because he was unable to verify his source. The deleted names are 'Bellinger Lassie', 'Brian's Choice', 'Gold Ermine', 'Grandi', 'Surprise', and 'White Siamese Twin'. If anyone has any information about plants bearing those names, please let me know. 'Debra' has been removed on the basis it was a misspelling of 'Denbra'. 'Kate's Choice' has been removed on the basis it is actually 'Kate's Special'. The list also adds the names of Graeme's sources after his name, but those sources are not added in blue. There have also been some amendments to correct errors.

ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - February 2024

1. Dockrillia species

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

2. Dendrobium species

- 1st *Dendrobium monophyllum*
 2nd *Dendrobium schneiderae*
 3rd *Dendrobium smillieae*

3. Sarcanthinae species

- 1st *Phalaenopsis rosenstromii*
 2nd *Sarcochilus eriochilus*
 3rd *Trachoma papuanum*

4. Bulbophyllum species

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

5. Miscellaneous species

- 1st *Oberonia complanata*
 2nd *Cadetia taylori*
 3rd *Liparis coelogynoides*

6. Dendrobium Hybrids

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

7. Sarcanthinae Hybrids

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

8. Miscellaneous Hybrids

- 1st *Dockrillia* Goosebumps
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

9. Australasian species

- 1st *Dendrobium bractescens*
 2nd *Dendrobium erectifolium*
 3rd Nil

10. Australasian Hybrids

- 1st *Dendrobium* Engagement
 2nd *Dendrobium* Stephen Batchelor
 3rd *Dendrobium* Pink Glow

Judith Barry

Trish Peterson
 David E Styles
 Cary Polis

Cary Polis
 David Hemmings
 Erik Lielkajis

Trish Peterson
 Erik Lielkajis
 Erik Lielkajis

Li Shan

David Hemmings

Cary Polis
 Cary Polis

R. G. Blaxland
 Ela Kielich
 Li Shan

11. Novice & Junior

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

12. Pterostylis species

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

13. Other terrestrials

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

14. Terrestrial hybrids

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

15. Best specimen

- 1st *Dendrochilum longifolia*
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

16. Best First Flowering seedling

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

David Hemmings

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Diary Dates

April

16th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting - YoYo's.
 14th MWOS Auction. Cromer Community Centre, Fisher Road North, Cromer.

April continued

20, 21st ANOS Newcastle Autumn Show (Bigibbum) Windale Bowling Club.
 27, 28th ANOS Central Coast Group Inc. Bigibbum Show, Narara Valley Nursery.

May

11th ANOS Macarthur Autumn Show.
 17, 19th Orchids Out West @ Hawkesbury Showground, Clarendon.
 21st ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.

June

18th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.
 29, 30th Mingara Orchid Club Show and Fair
 Mingara Recreation Club.

July

16th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.

August

16, 17, 18th St Ives Orchid Fair.
 20th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.
 24, 25th ANOS Newcastle Spring Show.
 24, 25th ANOS Central Coast Group Inc. Spring Orchid Show, Narara Valley Nursery
 31st Aug. 1st Sept ANOS Sydney Group Spring Show. North Rocks Shopping Ctr, North Rocks Rd, North Rocks 2151
 31st Aug. 1st Sept Crescent Head Orchid Show.

September .

7, 8th ANOS Warringah Group Spring Show.
 14, 15th Central Coast Spring Orchid Show Anglican Church Hall, Bateau Bay.
 14th ANOS Macarthur Spring Show.
 17th 20th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting – Members only Show – Joan Cook Memorial Trophy.

October

12, 13th ANOS Central Coast Group Inc. Sarcochilus Show, Narara Valley Nursery.
 15th Monthly Meeting – Members only Sarcochilus Show - Iris Pendle Memorial Trophy.
 19-20th ANOS Sydney Group Sarcochilus Show. North Rocks Shopping Centre, North Rocks Road, North Rocks 2151
 19th ANOS Macarthur Late Spring & Sarcochilus Show.
 19, 20th ANOS Newcastle Late Spring & Sarcochilus Show.

November

19th 20th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.

December

17th Christmas Meeting.

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Details of awarded plants are readily available on the internet, and I visit quite a few orchid shows, but there are many plants in collections that I will never see, and if a plant has been considered worthy enough to be given a name then it might be used in line breeding, and if that's the case it should be recorded in the list, so please tell me about them. Some people have sent me information since the original list was compiled, and those contributions are much appreciated.

That "Moonmere" problem I addressed back in 2012 continues to vex those of us who believe it is important to avoid confusion of this type. It is not only the Moonmeres that are a worry, but now that a plant named *Dendrobium speciosum* 'Moonmere' has received an Award of Merit from the AOC (in Victoria in 2014) the Moonmeres are the group in which the potential problem has not only crystallised but has escalated. I suspect there could be a number of hobbyists with plants labelled *Dendrobium speciosum* "Moonmere" who will think they have plants of *Dendrobium speciosum* 'Moonmere' AM/AOC 2014 (Vic.).

There are a number of these "breeding groups", for example:

Breeding group name	Parent plants referenced or implied in breeding group
Amymere	'Amy' x 'Windermere'
Beemoon	'Bee Creek' x 'Daylight Moon'
Bustymoon	'Busty' x 'Daylight Moon'
Dave's Moon	'Dave's Gold' x 'Daylight Moon'
Goldimoon	'Goldilocks' x 'Daylight Moon'
Herbmere	'Herberton' x 'Windermere'
Herbmoon	'Herberton' x 'Daylight Moon'
Herbville	'Herberton' x 'Neville'
Larmoon	'Mr Larcom Gold' x 'Daylight Moon'
Larwind	'Mt Larcom Gold' x 'Windermere'
Mistymere	'Misty Mountain' x 'Windermere'
Mistywhite	'Misty Mountain' x 'National White'
Moonmere	'Daylight Moon' x 'Windermere'
Natstar	'National White' x 'North Star'
Two Windy	'Two Up' x 'Windermere'

I have given more thought to how it might be dealt with but haven't come up with anything beyond continuing to draw attention to the existence of the problem and urging all growers to think very carefully before using these "breeding group" or "breeding line" terms such as "Larwind" or "Moonmere" when writing labels for plants bought as seedlings. If you do elect to go for that short-cut, make sure to keep a supplementary record of the plants' precise parentage in a notebook or on computer, and write out a full label for each plant as soon as practicable.

This project continues to be a work in progress and I invite anyone with comments to make about the current list, or additional information, or ideas about the breeding groups naming issue, to contact me by email at capell666@ozemail.com.au or by mail to P.O. Box 1549, Ballina, NSW, 2478.

Roslyn Capell January 2016

Dendrobium speciosum Cultivars – Updated May 2020

This list has finally been updated. All entries added since the February 2017 changes are written in blue text. The introductions to the original list in 2012 and the 2016 revision have been left in as the issues remain the same, and I repeat the plea made previously for growers to be careful with names and avoid using "breeding group" names such as "Herbmere" and "Larwind" on their tags because of the confusion they can cause.

I have received a number of contributions and comments since the last version and there are quite a few additions and some deletions. I deleted the entry I had for 'Triffid' as a cross between 'Herberton' and 'Windermere' and replaced it to note 'Trifid' as a cross between 'Herberton' and 'North Star', which is what DUNO catalogues indicate it actually is. I had attributed the information about 'Triffid' to Bill Dobson but have checked with Bill and he only knows about 'Trifid' and did not give me the other, erroneous, information. I cannot account for the mistake, and I take full responsibility for it. If anyone notices similar errors, please point them out to me so I can fix them.

Some amendments have been made based on information received from Gerry Walsh, and also on input from various other interested persons. I have updated the information about awards and added names from plants I have seen at shows. As stated earlier, information about a plant often comes from a number of different people, but I have not listed every person who informed me of basic details about a plant, only the first source. Where new information leads to an addition to an entry, I have noted the source of that extra information.

I repeat my earlier request for people to tell me if a plant they know to have particular merit or significance has not been included. This is a cooperative effort intended to be of use to everyone, and with your help it can be even better. I thank all the people who have already provided information.

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Ros Capell

<https://anos.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Dendrobium-speciosum-cultivars-V5-updated-May-2020.pdf>



Dendrobium erectifolium Cary Polis



Liparis coelogenoides Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium Engagement R. G. Blaxland



Dendrobium bractescens Cary Polis



Dendrobium Goose Bumps David Hemmings

***Dockrillia* Goose Bumps**

Dockrillia Goose Bumps is a primary hybrid between *Doc. teretifolia* x *cucumerina*. This hybrid was made in 1977 by Noel & Virginia Jupp from Riverdene Nursery near Dungog in NSW. Both parents are common in orchid collections, so Goose Bumps will grow in the same conditions as most of your other natives.



Dendrobium Goose Bumps David Hemmings



Dendrobium Stephen Batchelor Ela Kielich



Dendrobium Pink Glow Li Shan

Dendrobium Pink Glow is a primary Hybrid
between *Dendrobium glomeratum* × *Dendrobium lawesii*

Dendrobium Stephen Batchelor primary Hybrid between *Dendrobium alexandrae* x *Dendrobium johnsoniae*. It is considered a "primary hybrid" because it is a cross between two species.



Dendrochilum longifolium David Hemmings



Dockrillia hepatica Bill Dobson



Dockrillia hepatica Bill Dobson

In my Bushhouse

Well, we are finally into Autumn and that strange summer has come to an end Rain, Humidity but not too many really hot days. The lawn needs mowing again

My plants are growing extremely well, and I still have new growths pushing up on species and what few hybrids I have as well. Even my "exotic" plants are loving this time of year. I continue to feed each weekend with fertilizer, Peters Hi-K Cal-Mag (Finisher), at the rate of 1.5g/litre.

I am spraying Carbaryl and Eco-oil for Dendrobium beetle every 2 weeks and this has kept them quiet, except for an odd one or two. While watering today I disturbed one and caught him on the wing. Ripped his head off, with satisfaction. There are still some aphids around so look to the new growths and at the first sight spray and get rid of them.

I was worried about my *Dendrobium kingianum* plants as they have struggled since I repotted them last year, but in the last 4-6 weeks they have decided to take off and I have lovely new growths come thru not only the ones I put in saucers but the ones in pots as well. I think they loved this hot wet humid weather, although I can't say I have. After a 5-6 km walk each day I'm ringing wet when I get home.

In flower at the moment is *Dockrillia hepatica*, *Dockrillia cucumerina*, *Dendrobium prenticei*, *Liparis fleckeri*, *Cadetia taylora*.

Good growing. BillD



Dockrillia cucumerina Bill Dobson



Dockrillia bowmannii Trish Peterson



Oberonia complanata Trish Peterson



Dendrobium monophyllum Trish Peterson