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

March 2021



Dendrobium smillieae Cary Polis



Dendrobium affine Cameron Lanceley



Bulbophyllum exiguum L & B Dobson

Tuesday 16th March 2021
Mystery Auction

Dear Members

It is now a year since all our lives were impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic, and it is pleasing to report that we are slowly getting back to a relatively 'normal' life.

Our monthly meetings are being well attended and we are happy to welcome new members to our Group.

- At our March meeting we will be holding our annual 'Mystery Auction' and you will be pleased to hear that tea and coffee will be available at supper time.
- Our Sales Table will be up and running again and we are asking members to remember 'social distancing' and not crowd the area. Please make sure your items are clearly marked with your name and the price, and please also provide a list of the items you are selling.

We hope to see you on Tuesday!

Kind regards Trish

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

There are a number of precautions which must be observed by all attendees at our meetings:

DO NOT COME IF YOU ARE UNWELL or have had recent contact with anyone who has symptoms of cold or flu.

- Supper: Tea, coffee and a biscuit will be provided to members!
- Members to use hand sanitiser on arrival/leaving
- QR code to be scanned on arrival with your smart phone and please remember to also sign the Contact Tracing Sheet at the front desk
- George to record all attendees – contact details to be checked including phone numbers
- Masks – the wearing of masks is at your discretion
- Social distancing to be observed at all times
- Please avoid congregating at check-in, benching tables etc.
- Please do not touch plants belonging to other members

- Tables/chairs and other touch points to be wiped down before and after the meeting
- Chairs to be placed at a 'social distance' – 1 person/2sq.metres

We would like to see you at our meetings however we are aware of the risks of Covid-19 and understand that you may not wish to attend. Be assured that we will be taking all appropriate precautions to keep everyone safe and ask for your co-operation in managing the situation. Hand sanitiser, antiseptic wipes, Glen 20, masks and gloves will be available for use by members.

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Dendrobium Hibiki Trish Peterson

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE ANOS WARRINGAH GROUP

HELD ON TUESDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2021

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville on Tuesday 16 February 2021.

The Meeting was opened at 8.18pm by Trish Peterson who welcomed members and visitors.

Guest Speaker: Bill Dobson, topic Dockrillia species

Visitors: Marie Spurrs, Helen Manning (returned former member), Guy Cantor (President Manly/Warringah OS), Robbie McKenzie.

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

Apologies: Jan & Geoff Duggin, Lynne Lane

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 December 2020 as published in the Bulletin were accepted as a true record on the motion of Trish Peterson seconded by Ian Tanner.

Matters Arising: Nil

Correspondence:

Incoming:

Northern Beaches Council

Notice dated 17 Dec 2020 re immediate closure of Council Community Centres.

Notice dated 11 Feb 2021 re easing of Covid restrictions in use of Community Centres.

Bendigo Bank

Notice of closure of Willoughby North branch

Statements for two fixed deposit accounts to end December 2020

Maturity and renewal advice re Term Deposit Account 150554319 maturing 21 February

ANOS Inc. The Orchadian Dec 2020 issue together with renewal subscription form.

DUNO Nursery 2021 Catalogues for flasks and kingianum divisions.

Manly/Warringah Orchid Society - notice of auction to be held on 18 April.

Outgoing:

- Department of Fair Trading - lodgement of Forms A12-Annual Summary of Financial Affairs for 2018 and 2019 together with lodgement fee \$84 x 2 = \$168.
- Member Notices: January Bulletin and reminder that no meeting in January due to hall maintenance. Auction of Garry Williams' orchid collection on 14 February. February bulletin with reminder of eased Covid-19 precautions.

Moved for acceptance Ela Kielich seconded by Peter Dunstan

General Business:

- Photo benching to be continued. Please send Photos to Bill Dobson early but no later than the Friday before the date of the next meeting.
- Trish called for suggestions for guest speakers.
- Next Meeting in March will be a Mystery Auction.
- Catalogues from Down Under Native Orchids for flasks and divisions of *Den. kingianum*

to be sent to members.

- Sydney ANOS to have AGM next Friday 19 February with guest speaker Mike Harrison who will give a presentation on *Dendrobium tetragonum*. Everyone welcome.
- Sunday Auction of Garry Williams' orchid collection. Guy Cantor (President Manly/Warringah OS) reported on a very successful auction which raised almost \$15000. Guy thanked all those from ANOS Warringah who assisted or attended the auction for their support.

Patron Mick Korzenowski - In Your Bushhouse

Mick showed two *Den. speciosum pedunculatum* plants demonstrating different growth habits and a plant of *Den. gracilicaule* which had defoliated in the extreme heat but had already started to recover. Mick reminded all to participate in the Popular Vote competition.

Trish thanked Mick for his usual interesting talk.

Australian Orchid Foundation Essay Competition 2020

On behalf of the Society, Richard Blaxland congratulated Trish Peterson on winning First Place in the AOF essay competition. The essay is published in the latest issue of Orchids Australia.

Guest Speaker - Bill Dobson

The subject of Bill's presentation was the genus Dockrillia. The genus was created by Brieger in 1981 to accommodate the fleshy-leaved species previously contained in Dendrobium Section Rhizobium commonly known as "pencil orchids". The name commemorates Alick Dockrill, the Australian orchidologist and author.

Bill's talk covered most of the species in the genus found in Australia. He provided details of their growth habits, habitats, cultural requirements and flower descriptions illustrating many with excellent photos.

Trish thanked Bill for his presentation which was much appreciated by all.

Judges Report: Bill Dobson & Erik Lielkajis

Plant of the Evening: *Dendrochilum longifolium* David Hemmings

Other Plants of Interest: *Dendrobium bowmanii* David Hemmings

Dendrobium smillieae Cary Polis

Dendrobium mirbelianum Erik Lielkajis

Lucky Door Prize Winners: Ian Chalmers and Nel Davis

Raffle Prizes Winner: Richard Blaxland, Judith Barry, James Litten, Ted Shaw, Cameron Lanceley, Roslyn Matthews, Matthew Roberts

Trish thanked everyone for coming to the meeting, wished all a safe trip home and looked forward to seeing all at next month's meeting (Mystery Auction)

The Meeting was closed at 10.00pm.



Dendrobium Hilda Poxon L & B Dobson



Bulbophyllum grandiflorum I & I Chalmers



Bulbophyllum macphersonii L & B Dobson



Cadetia taylorii Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium atroviolaceum Ela Kielich



Dendrobium Red Ballerina Ela Kielich



Dockrillia rigida Trish Peterson



Dockrillia bowmanii David Hemmings



Dendrobium mirbellianum Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium Engagement Margaret David Hemmings



Dendrochilum longifolia David Hemmings



Dendrochilum longifolia David Hemmings



Liparis coelogynoides Erik Lielkajis



Dockrillia Tweetie x Martin David Hemmings



Dockrillia bowmanii x brevicauda David Hemmings

ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - February 2021

1. Dockrillia species

1 st	<i>Dockrillia bowmanii</i>	David Hemmings
2 nd	<i>Dockrillia bowmanii</i>	David Hemmings
3 rd	<i>Dockrillia rigida</i>	Trish Peterson

2. Dendrobium species

1 st	<i>Dendrobium mirbellianum</i>	Erik Lielkajis
2 nd	<i>Dendrobium smillieae</i>	Cary Polis
3 rd	<i>Dendrobium tetragonum</i>	David Hemmings

3. Sarcanthinae species

1 st	<i>Luisia teretifolia</i>	Erik Lielkajis
2 nd	<i>Sarcochilus ceciliae</i>	L & B Dobson
3 rd	Nil	

4. Bulbophyllum species

1 st	<i>Bulbophyllum macphersonii</i>	L & B Dobson
2 nd	<i>Bulbophyllum macphersonii</i>	L & B Dobson
3 rd	<i>Bulbophyllum exiguum</i>	L & B Dobson

5. Miscellaneous species

1 st	<i>Cadetia taylorii</i>	Erik Lielkajis
2 nd	<i>Liparis coelogynoides</i>	Erik Lielkajis
3 rd	<i>Oberonia complanata</i>	Trish Peterson

6. Dendrobium Hybrids

1 st	<i>Dendrobium Hilda Poxon</i>	L & B Dobson
2 nd	<i>Dendrobium Red Ballerina</i>	Ela Kielich
3 rd	Nil	

7. Sarcanthinae Hybrids

1 st	Nil
2 nd	Nil
3 rd	Nil

8. Miscellaneous Hybrids

1 st	<i>Dockrillia bowmanii</i> x <i>brevicauda</i>	David Hemmings
2 nd	Nil	
3 rd	Nil	

9. Australasian species

1 st	<i>Dendrochilum longifolium</i>	David Hemmings
2 nd	<i>Bulbophyllum grandiflorum</i>	I & I Chalmers
3 rd	<i>Dendrobium atrovioleaceum</i>	Ela Kielich

10. Australasian Hybrids

1 st	<i>Dendrobium</i> Engagement 'Margaret'	Steve Dunstan
2 nd	<i>Dendrobium</i> Anne's Rainbow 'Surprise'	David Hemmings
3 rd	<i>Dendrobium</i> Nora Tokunaga x <i>aberrans</i>	Ela Kielich

11. Novice & Junior

1 st	Nil
2 nd	Nil
3 rd	Nil

12. Pterostylis species

1 st	Nil
2 nd	Nil
3 rd	Nil

13. Other terrestrials

1 st	Nil
2 nd	Nil
3 rd	Nil

14. Terrestrial hybrids

1 st	Nil
2 nd	Nil
3 rd	Nil

15. Best specimen

1 st	Nil
2 nd	Nil
3 rd	Nil

16. Best First Flowering seedling

1 st	<i>Dockrillia</i> Tweetie x Martin	David Hemmings
2 nd	<i>Dockrillia bowmanii</i>	David Hemmings
3 rd	Nil	

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Popular Vote

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1 st	David Hemmings	<i>Dendrochilum longifolium</i>
2 nd	David Hemmings	<i>Dockrillia bowmanii</i>
3 rd	Cary Polis	<i>Dendrobium smillieae</i>

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Oberonia complanata Trish Peterson



Luisia teretifolia Erik Lielkajis

In My Bushhouse

So currently it is the little gems that are in flower *Bulbophyllum macphersonii*, *Cadetia taylori* that seems to spot flower throughout the year, and *Dendrobium prenticei*. *Dockrillia rigida* is in flower in the bushhouse and looking good. Another in flower again is *Dockrillia cucumerina* which will spot flower 2 to 3 times. *Dockrillia hercoglossum* has been in and out of flower, quite a beautiful sight and worth it in your collection.

After the blazing hot conditions late last year and early this year when I kept picking up leaves fallen from all plants. However, these natives are survivors, and have to be given the conditions in this often-harsh land. Nearly all plants have pushed thru new growths which is delightful to see. But, with all the new growths coming there are a few thoughts; continue back on the fertilizer after the rain as you need to push those growths to the maximum. With all the rain that prevented fertilizing as it was silly to water when we had centimeters each week and this is where the use of slow release fertilizer comes into its own.

With the rain and humid conditions 2 dangers exist: rots due to fungal infections so you can use Eco fungicide, and the second is it's still warm and I have noticed some aphids persisting so check the new growth and keep them strong. Same with all my *Den speciosum* that are outside the bushhouse and to keep the *Dendrobium* beetle away. I spray every 2-3 weeks with 2ml/lit of Bugmaster® (Carbaryl) and 10ml/lit EcoOil. Remember you do **not** have to 'dose' the plant just the new growths.

I have been growing some *Bulbophyllum newportii*, and *Bulbophyllum exiguum* in saucers with a mix of fine bark and river pebbles. I always struggled with these on mounts or on rafts and now they seem to be growing really well with the retained extra moisture. Something worth thinking about.

Happy gardening.

Bill Dobson



Bulbophyllum newportii L & B Dobson



Bulbophyllum exiguum L & B Dobson



Dockrillia hercoglossum L & B Dobson

In My Bushhouse with Mick Korzenowski

Hi everyone, good to chat to you again.

How old is your favourite Orchid ? One of mine is pictured, *Den. speciosum* var. *grandiflorum* 'Kroombit Gold'. This orchid came to prominence in the 1980s for its golden color together with 'Mt.Larcom Gold' They were Most desirable. The orchid pictured started as 3 cane piece of the original plant. My 7 year old grandson Toby Is standing on his toes beside the plant to show the size.

I was rewarded with 12 new growths this year (because I deserved them) and most of them bigger than the previous year. This makes the plant a 68 cane Veteran.

When the local Council had there bi-annual clean ups, I would have a stroll around the neighbourhood and bring home discarded Garden Chairs which I converted to plant containers. This *Den. speciosum* var. *grandiflorum* is in one of them. I had it growing in a 250mm port pot when decided to place it in its outdoor setting home. That was 20 years ago. The POT that it is growing in is 350mm x 450mm. Well confined, yet it is growing stronger than ever. It was placed in very large landscape bark. I think the secret is good air movement around the plant.

Last year i wondered if I should put the axe to it. One more year was my decision, and if the new growths were smaller and stunted I certainly would. Huge 600mm new growths this year ,bigger than ever. Let s see what happens next year. It is fed annually with a handful of low nitrogen slow release Osmacote Exact.

You know *Den. speciosum* is a very rewarding old friend if treated with respect. This plant is about 40 years old when you consider the 3 canes came off the original plant which was found in the 1980s. Try one. You won t regret it . Treat it right. It will last for ages.

See you next meeting and we can talk some more about long lived plants and containers.

Regards Mick.



Den. speciosum var. *grandiflorum* 'Kroombit Gold'



Den. speciosum var. *grandiflorum* 'Kroombit Gold'



Dendrobium monophyllum Trish Peterson



Dockrillia rigida Trish Peterson



Dockrillia Limestone Trish Peterson



Dockrillia rigida Trish Peterson