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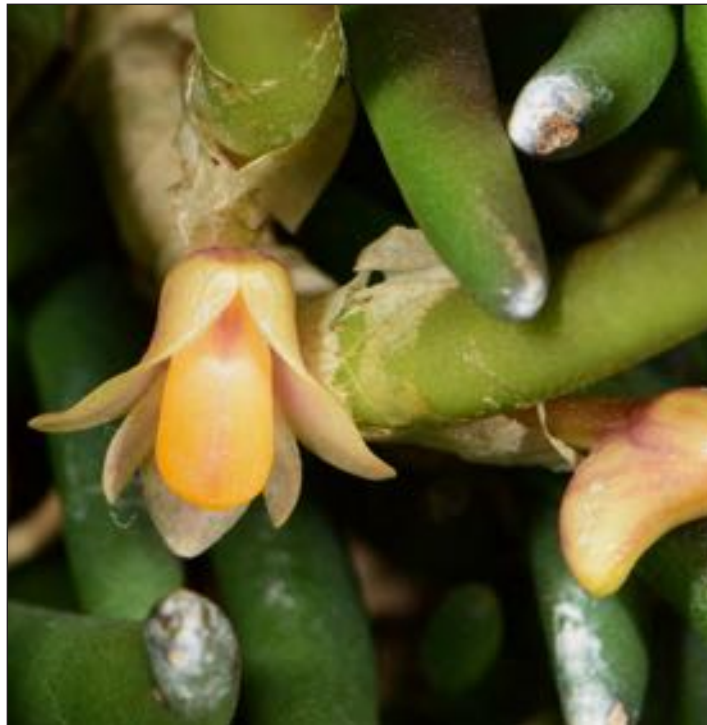
Monthly Meetings: 3rd Tuesday at 8:00 pm - Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville

July 2023

Photos by Jane D'Olier



Dockrillia rigida Cary Polis



Dendrobium prenticei Jim Hemmings



Dockrillia rigida Cary Polis

Tuesday 18th July
AGM
Members Auction

Monthly Meeting minutes June 2023

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville on Tuesday 20/06/2023

The meeting was opened at 8.07pm by Trish Peterson who welcomed members and special guest speaker, David Banks.

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

Guest Speaker: David Banks

Visitors: Lewis Matthews (soon to become a member)

Apologies: Bruce Potter, Ted & Nancy Shaw (doing it tough in the USA), Mick Korzenowski, Chris Murray (hosting 100 of his 18yr old son's post-formal party), Brian Spurrs, John McAuley, Guy Cantor.

There will be no Bushhouse Rambles with Mick tonight as he is visiting his daughter in Singapore.

The minutes of the previous meeting as published in the Bulletin were accepted as a true record on the motion of Bill Saunderson seconded by Ian Tanner.

Matters arising:

Members were reminded of the existing Covid/flu threats and precautions required. Changes to normal meeting protocols tonight (no sales table, virtual raffle prizes to be realised at the next month's meeting) were explained. These were necessitated to allow sufficient time for tonight's talk.

Correspondence:

- A variety of newsletters from other orchid societies.
- Barrita Orchids offers.
- Banner-related correspondence from the Northern Beaches council.
- Details of upcoming shows.
- The Orchadian and the request for potential contributions.
- Bendigo Bank term deposit details.

Outgoing:

Reminder to OSNSW to include our Spring Show in their Coming Events list.

General Business:

Upcoming events were discussed.

- The Mingara show is on next weekend and is well-supported by vendors, etc.
- The St. Ives Orchid Fair is on in August and the need for volunteers is evident. Members of multiple societies were reminded to only volunteer for one society in order to avoid artificial inflation of expected volunteer numbers.
- ANOS Sydney Auction will be held at the Castle Hill Showgrounds on the 22/07/2023. A list of available plants will be circulated shortly.
- David Hemmings has received yet another award, this time it was for his splendid example of *Dockrillia* Saboteur. at the ANOS Sydney Group meeting.
- The forthcoming AGM in July was mentioned and invitations for available committee positions were issued. The Members' Auction will also take place at this meeting.

Judges Report: Erik Lielkajis

Plant of the Evening:

Dockrillia Saboteur- another David Hemmings effort, seven years old, grown under 50 per cent shade cloth. Aptly described as a "Dockrillia waterfall"

Other plants of distinction

Dendrobium Greta Snow - David Hemmings has again worked his magic here
Dockrillia Tweetas Martin Gold – David Hemmings - originally sourced from DUNO

Lucky door prize

The winner was Ian Tanner

Raffle Prizes

Cary Polis, Lynne Lane, Trish Peterson, Mel James, Ros Matthews, Katherine Hsiao, Mark Asbury and Nel Davies were all winning recipients who will receive their prizes at the next meeting.

Guest Speaker:

David Banks delivered a masterful discussion on *Sarcochilus* species. A recognised expert in the field, this presentation impressed all present with its professionalism and ease of comprehension.

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

The Meeting closed at 10.01pm

Annual General Meeting for 2021/2022

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Senior Citizens Hall, Starkey Street, Forestville on 15th November 2022

The Meeting was opened at 8.15pm by President Trish Peterson. Trish noted the current increase in reported Covid cases and reminded those present of the usual precautions.

Tonight's Meeting: No guest speaker as the Annual General Meeting for the year 2021/2022 will be held. There will be a cultural discussion where members will be encouraged to ask advice from experienced growers and Patron Mick Korzenowski will give a short talk as well as acting as Returning Officer for the AGM.

Visitors: No visitors tonight.

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: Cathy Sinclair, Erik Lielkajis, Bryan Spurrs, Lorraine Dobson, Matthew Roberts, Lynne Lane.

Annual General Meeting for 2021/2022

The General Meeting was suspended at 8.20pm and the **Annual General Meeting for the year 2021/2022** was commenced.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 15th March 2022 had been previously circulated and were approved without discussion.

The Financial Report for 2021/2022 was tabled and made available for perusal by members present.

President's Report: President Trish Peterson presented her report. Trish noted that the Group had approved a new Constitution at a Special Meeting held immediately after the 2020/2021 Annual General Meeting.

Election of Committee Members for 2022/2023

Patron Mick Korzenowski acted as Returning Officer and declared all Committee positions vacant. The current Committee members 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 ordinary members of the Committee. There were no nominations from the floor for the office bearer positions on the Committee and accordingly Mick declared the following members elected:

Office Bearers:

President: Trish Peterson

Secretary: Bruce Potter

Treasurer: Ela Kielich

Vice President & Editor: Bill Dobson

Librarian: Judith Barry

Web Administrator: Jane D'Olier

Ordinary Committee Members:

The following current ordinary members of the Committee were re-elected:

Peter D'Olier, Cary Polis, Ian Tanner.

A nomination from the floor for the appointment of Bill Saunderson was unanimously agreed to and Bill Saunderson was elected to the Committee as an ordinary member.

The General Meeting recommenced at 8.25pm

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Medicago decoratum Trish Peterson



Medicago decoratum Trish Peterson

PLANT CARE

During the cooler months of the year, activity in our orchid houses/shelters is a little less frenetic than during the warmer or those months when generally plants are doing most of their growing. However, the colder weather can play havoc with our plants if we don't take appropriate action to help them. Some advice has been received from Ian Wickham, Territory Manager & Crop Nutrition Specialist of AgriBest Australia, in regard to a product called "Envy". This advice is also applicable to plants other than orchids and is of benefit as well for use during the warmer months.

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Sarcophilus micrantha Cary Polis



Bulbophyllum schillerianum David Hemmings



Bulbophyllum weinthalii Trish Peterson

So, what's the correct name for this New Caledonian Greenhood?

There were a couple of confusing and uncommon Australasian orchids at the June 2023 ANOS Warringah Group meeting.

One being superbly cultivated by elite grower David Hemmings. I am sure that bloke won't use bamboo stake for fear of them sprouting! He grows quality orchids very well and develops specimen plants in record time. So, what really is the plant from New Caledonia benched as *Pterostylis tenuicauda*? To answer this properly, we have to go back in time.

Pterostylis ophioglossa was named by Robert Brown back in 1810, from the Sydney district. It occurs throughout eastern New South Wales and southern Queensland. It also occurs in New Caledonia, and the German botanist Friedrich Kraenzlin named plants from there in 1929, as *Pterostylis tenuicauda*, not realising it was the same as the Australian species. ANOS Victorian Group have long distributed tubers through their annual tuber-bank initiative, for many years as *Pterostylis tenuicauda* (New Caledonia).

Australian scientists and botanists Mark Clements and David Jones, through their research into New Caledonia orchids, looked at the Type specimens of *Pterostylis tenuicauda* and confirmed they were the same taxon as the Australian species. So *Pterostylis tenuicauda* becomes a later synonym, due to naming priority, of *Pterostylis ophioglossa*.

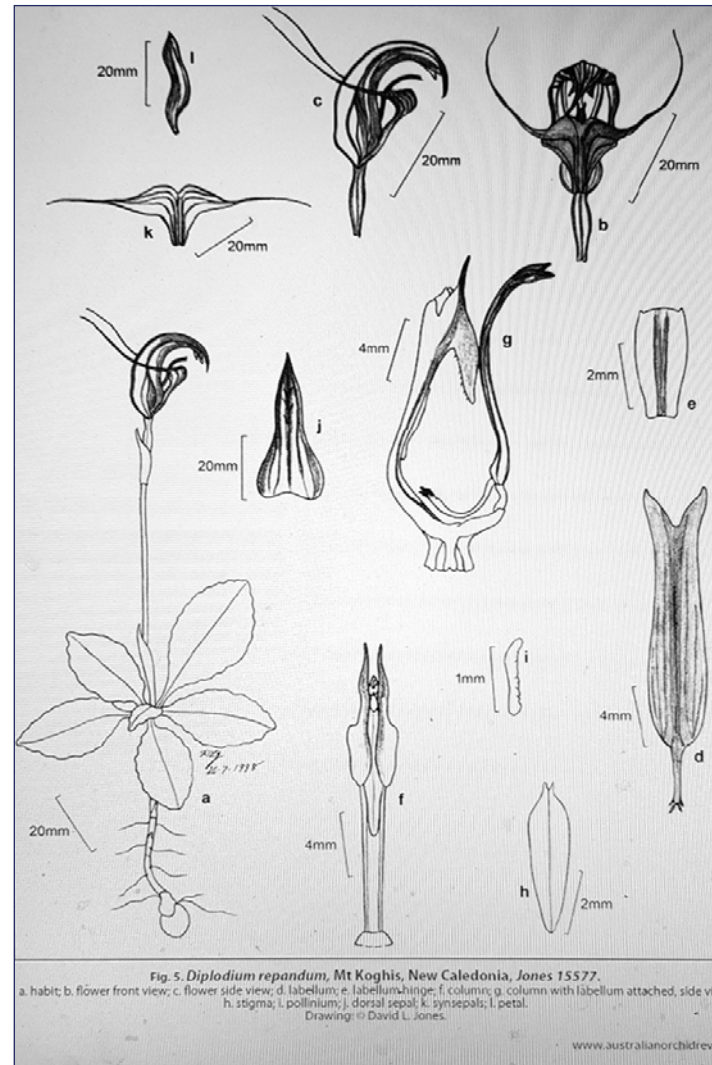
So that left this distinctive New Caledonian greenhood without a name. It is closely related to another New Caledonian endemic, *Pterostylis splendens*, which has narrower blooms with erect lateral sepaline tails. It was subsequently described as *Diplodium repandum* by Clements & Jones in the *Australian Orchid Review* 81(5) in 2016. A year later Julian Shaw from the RHS in London made the combination change to *Pterostylis repanda*.

I have attached photos of David Hemmings' exhibit from the evening, re-labelled as *Pterostylis repanda*. I have also included images of *Pterostylis splendens*, *Pterostylis ophioglossa* and the Type drawing by David Jones as *Diplodium repandum*.

Eric Lielkajis benched a very rare North Queensland species, which I feel went a bit unnoticed. *Liparis fleckeri* is a high elevation epiphytic species restricted to the wet tropics. It is most similar the *Liparis bracteata*, which tends to be restricted to rocks. Both of these orchids are better placed within the genus *Cestichis*, as they are very different to the true terrestrial and deciduous *Liparis* with plicate leaves that are mostly from temperate climates in the Northern Hemisphere.

David Banks

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Pterostylis repanda

Trivia: Dr Hugo Flecker helped develop the taipan antivenine and had the box jellyfish named after him *Chironex fleckeri*...



Pterostylis ophioglossa David Banks



Pterostylis splendens David Banks



Liparis fleckeri (*Cestichis fleckeri*) Eric Lielkajis



Liparis condylobulbon Eric Lielkajis



Oberonia sp. Eric Lielkajis

ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - January 2023

1. Dockrillia species

- 1st *Dockrillia rigida*
 2nd *Dockrillia prenticei*
 3rd *Dockrillia rigida*

2. Dendrobium species

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

3. Sarcanthinae species

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

4. Bulbophyllum species

- 1st *Bulbophyllum schillerianum*
 2nd *Bulbophyllum weinthalii*
 3rd *Bulbophyllum schillerianum*

5. Miscellaneous species

- 1st *Liparis condylobulbon*
 2nd *Oberonia sp.*
 3rd *Cadetia taylori*

6. Dendrobium Hybrids

- 1st *Dendrobium Jayden*
 2nd *Dendrobium Hilda Poxon*
 3rd *Dendrobium Flute*

7. Sarcanthinae Hybrids

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

8. Miscellaneous Hybrids

- 1st *Dockrillia Grimesii*
 2nd *Dockrillia Glenn Wall 'Orange'*
 3rd Nil

9. Australasian species

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

10. Australasian Hybrids

- 1st *Doc. Tweetas 'Neville' x Martin 'Gold'* David Hemmings
 2nd *Doc. Amphion Axios* David Hemmings
 3rd *Doc. teretifolia x Tweetas* David Hemmings

11. Novice & Junior

- Cary Polis 1st Den. Stoney Point 'Holy Sheet' x Jazz 'Windsor Downs' Nel Davies
 Jim Hemmings
 Cary Polis 2nd Doc. (Sultana x Tweetie) x californis Roslyn Mathews
 3rd Den Rutherford Starburst 'Tinonee' Nel Davies

12. Pterostylis species

- 1st *Pterostylis tenuicauda* David Hemmings
 2nd *Pterostylis tenuicauda* Trish Peterson
 3rd Nil

13. Other terrestrials

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

14. Terrestrial hybrids

- 1st Nil
 2nd Nil
 3rd Nil

15. Best specimen

- Erik Lielkajis 1st *Dockrillia Saboteur* David Hemmings
 Erik Lielkajis 2nd *Dockrillia Belmont x Nugentii* David Hemmings
 Erik Lielkajis 3rd Nil

16. Best First Flowering seedling

- Li Shan 1st *Dendrobium Greta Snow* David Hemmings
 David Hemmings 2nd *Dendrobium Hilda Poxon* David Hemmings
 David Hemmings 3rd Nil

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Plant of the Evening

Dockrillia Saboteur David Hemmings



Cadetia taylori Eric Lielkajis



Dockrillia Glen Wall 'Orange' David Hemmings



Dockrillia Glen Wall 'Orange' David Hemmings



Den. Jayden Li Shan



Den. Hilda Poxon David Hemmings



Den. X Grimesii Martin Davies



Dendrobium glomeratum R G Blaxland



Doc. Amphion Axios David Hemmings



Den. Hibiki Ela Kelich



Doc.



Den. Stoney Point 'Holy Sheet' x Jazz 'Windsor Downs' Nel Davies



Doc. Saboteur David Hemmings



Doc. Saboteur David Hemmings



Pterostylis repanda David Hemmings



Pterostylis repanda Trish Peterson



Doc. Belmont x Nugentii David Hemmings



Den. Greta Snow David Hemmings

In My Bushhouse

Well, we do have a winter, as this morning we have 4 deg and I'm now wishing for the spring. We still have rain predicted and I have finally brought my *Cymbidium canaliculatum* under cover. I was tempted to leave them out for the winter as they have been growing really well and still have growth to finish into bulbs but sanity prevailed and I slapped myself in the face and said "this is NOT far north QLD and you know what the climate is up there, plus another 10 degrees a day".

On the upside we have *Dendrobium tetragonum* buds appearing along with *Dendrobium gracilicaule*, both appear to be a little early to me but this has been a crazy year.

Dendrobium speciosum continues to surprise me and chasing the 'what makes it flower' question. We look like having a good year with grandiflorum buds appearing early, but the rest have managed to catch up with *capricornicum* and *pedunculatum* taking over the running.

The surprise is with these that I can have 2 divisions on a bench together with the same, light, water, fertilizer, and equal flower nodes available to turn into 'spikes' whereas one plant has 12 'spikes' and the identical plant next to it has not one!!! Go figure.

We have seen some impressive *Den.* Hilda Poxon plants in flower this season and for a primary hybrid in full flight it is indeed a spectacular sight. Now consider this if we remade it today, and I hope it is, 7 varieties of *speciosum* and 5 varieties of *tetragonum* and what to combine with what. My choice would be *grandiflorum*, or *curvicaule* with *giganteum* or *capitisyork* for large bold colours with broad labellum and a good habit of arrangement. However, I do believe that these are hard plants to get pods on and hard and slow to grow. Although maybe depends on the grower. See David Hemmings seedling opposite.

Plants in flower in my bushhouse at the moment include *Dockrillia Wamberal*, *Dockrillia Amphion Aglaea*, *Den.* Hilda Poxon, *Dendrobium prenticei*, *Bulbophyllum macphersonii*, *Cadetia taylori* and lots of plants in bud waiting for the spring and warmth. Me too.

Start getting your plants ready for the St Ives Orchid Fair and don't forget to help out as this is our show and the committee endeavours to pour all monies received back into the group for the benefit of the members, isn't this what it's all about?

Good growing Bill Dobson



Den. Hilda Poxon David Hemmings



Bulbophyllum schillerianum David Hemmings



Den. Rutherford Starburst Nel Davies



Doc. Amphion Aglea L & B Dobson

Doc. Amphion Aglea

Doc. Amphion Aglea is a hybrid made and registered by George Byrne-Dimos in 2020 It's a cross between *Dockrillia* Rosemary Jupp and Australian Purple Pepper.

Dockrillia Rosemary Jupp was registered in 1975 by Noel Jupp and a cross of *Dockrillia teretifolia* x *teretifolia*

Dockrillia Australian Purple Pepper was registered in 2007 by Wayne Turville of Australian Orchid Nursery and a cross of *Dockrillia fuliginosa* and *Dockrillia nurgentii*.

Virginia and Noel Jupp's RIVERDENE NURSERY is located at East Gresford in the Hunter Valley. The Nursery was established in 1956 and they have over 65 years of experience in growing and propagating plants, supplying to retailers, corporations, Government departments, local councils and even directly to the public. With numerous awards and recognitions for their contributions to the industry, including an OAM awarded to Noel Jupp. One of the pioneers in hybridizing Australian Native Orchids.

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Doc. Amphion Axios

Doc. Amphion Aglea is a hybrid made and registered by George Byrne-Dimos in 2017 It's a cross between *Dockrillia calamiformis* and *Doc. Grumpy*

Dockrillia Grumpy is *Doc. Aussie Phil* (*D. mortii* x *fuliginosa*) x *Dockrillia striolata*.

In the examples here the *Dockrillia striolata* is very evident in both the labellum and the striping on the petals and sepals. While the *Dockrillia calamiformis* gives it size and floriferousness. A good example of breeding.

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Dockrillia Amphion Axios David Hemmings



Den. Tyabb Treasure x Australian Rhubarb Pie David Hemmings



Den. Australian Lollie Shop David Hemmings



Den. Brimbank Jazzy David Hemmings



Den. Flinders x Austalian Rhubarb Pie David Hemmings



Den. Hilda Poxon David Hemmings



Den. Hilda Poxon David Hemmings



Den. Hilda Poxon 'Winfred Mary' David Hemmings



Den. Hilda Poxon David Hemmings



Den. Greta Snow (FFS) David Hemmings



Den. Jazz 'Windsor Downs' David Hemmings



Den. Regal Gilliston x Regal Hilda David Hemmings



Den. Regal Gilleston x Rutherford Starburst David Hemmings



Den. Regal Hilda x Star of Gold David Hemmings



Den. Regal Hilda x Star of Gold David Hemmings



Den. Regal Hilda x Star of Gold David Hemmings



Den. Star Sheen x Rutherford Starburst David Hemmings



Den. Rutherford Starburst 'Tinonee' David Hemmings



Den. Stoney Point 'Denniston Firecracker' David Hemmings



Den. Stoney Point x Jazz David Hemmings



Den. Hilda Poxon David Hemmings



Doc. Tweetas x dolichophylla David Hemmings



Dockrillia Amphin Axios David Hemmings

Bush Walk with Chris Murray

It has been a busy few months for me with work and family commitments, plus I had the joy of contracting COVID for the first time, which has meant that I have not had much of a chance to get out bushwalking as much as usual. Still, I did get out a bit. The past few months have been good for Helmet (*Corybas*), Greenhoods (*Pterostylis*) and Wasp (*Chiloglottis*) orchids. The trick to spotting the *Corybas* and *Chiloglottis* are to look for the leaves rather than look for the flowers. *Corybas*, in particular are tiny. I managed to find another *Dendrobium striolatum* (*Dockrillia striolata*) location, not on Sydneys north shore this time, but not far from it. Excited to go back to both these sites when they are in flower.

Photos:

Corybas aconitiflorus
Corybas pruinosis
Corybas undulatus
Corybas fimbriatus
Pterostylis nutans
Bulbophyllum exiguum (Late flowering)

Regards Chris



Corybas undulatus



Pterostylis nutans

Corybas

Corybas, commonly known as helmet orchids, is a genus of about 120 species of plants in the orchid family. Helmet orchids are small, perennial, deciduous herbs and are nearly always terrestrial. They have a single leaf at their base and a single flower on a short stalk, the flower dominated by its large dorsal sepal and labellum. Species of *Corybas* are found in Australia, New Zealand, New Guinea, Southeast Asia, the Himalayas, southern China, many Pacific islands and a few sub-Antarctic islands.

Corybas aconitiflorus was first formally described by Richard Salisbury, allegedly from a colour plate prepared by Ferdinand Bauer and thus became the type species for the genus.



Pterostylis nutans



Bulbophyllum exiguum



Corybas acutiflorus



Corybas fimbriatus



Corybas pruinosus



Den. Hilda Poxon Trish Peterson



Dendrobium torresae Trish Peterson



Pterostylis repanda Trish Peterson



Doc. Tweetas x Gramma Trish Peterson