



Eastern District Orchid Society Inc

Founded 1966

Patron Neil Symes MP



E.D.O.S. NEWSLETTER

Print Post Approved PP405737/00004

PO Box 60 WYNNUM CENTRAL QLD 4178

The equipment used to publish this Newsletter funded by



Funded by

Gambling

Community Benefit Fund

Queensland Government

This newsletter is kindly photo copied in the office of Neil Symes MP

JANUARY 2014

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 23 January, 2014** commencing at **8.00 pm** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on **Thursday, 6 February, 2014** at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

RED SPOTTERS CLUB

Ken Webster will be presenting Red Spotters at 7.30 pm at the rear of the Hall, and will be introducing and distributing the updated EDOS Inc New Members Handbook.

2014 ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

FEATURE ITEM

Peter Mannen will be doing a presentation on "African and Madagascan Orchids". This should be very interesting as many of the orchids we grow originate from here.

Members are reminded that Annual Subscriptions are now due – Family \$16, Single \$15. They can be paid at the January General Meeting, or a cheque can be mailed to the Secretary, PO Box 60, Wynnum Central Q 4178.

The following members are requested to make themselves available for the next meeting:

It is great to see that EDOS Inc Fees have not increased for many years, thanks to the hard work put in by our members at our Autumn and Spring Shows, and other fund-raising events.

Judges: Eric Locke plus others co-opted from members present

Please take note that any members who have not paid their Subscriptions when the March Newsletter is due will not receive their copy, as they will be deemed to be unfinancial at the end of February (as per our Constitution).

Observers: Please see Eric Locke if you are interested

Scribes: Volunteers required please.

Supper Steward: Colin Samuels plus helper

Hostesses: Margaret Rieck, Dot Rooks

Library : Helen Vickers

Plant Registrar: Ann Kable

Plants Worth Noting: Ken Webster

Trade Table: Michael and Nikki Tervo

Please also remember that you need to be a financial member to be able to table plants or have plants in Plant Sales at the upcoming Autumn Show.

Get Well Wishes

The Committee and members would like to wish our Kitchen Convenor, Marian, a Speedy Recovery from her recent "mishap". Marian will be missing from the Kitchen at our first meeting of the year, but will be back by our Autumn Show (I am sure to everyone's relief!!).

Expressions of Interest

EDOS Inc is looking to organise a Bus Trip to Ballina on Saturday, 10 May for their Show, with a visit to Easy Orchids on the way home. Lunch location is yet to be determined, possibly a Barbeque lunch at Easy Orchids.

It would be great if we could fill the bus, as Ballina have for the last few years, attended our Shows, and we would like to return the interest. Easy Orchids is also "worth a look", as Murray has an extremely large and diverse variety of plants.

If you are interested can you please let either Barry, Ken, John or Allan McKell know as soon as possible, so that plans can be set in place.

HORTICULTURAL SOLUTIONS

ORCHID FOOD
WITH *ATTITUDE*
AND EXTREME ADDITIVES
◀ *DUETTA Plus B* ▶

MORE THAN JUST A FERTILISER

Horticultural Solutions, P O Box 213, Capalaba Qld 4157
Ph/Fax (07) 3206 0037 – Mob. 0419 710 634

Executive and Committee for 2014

Readers of this Newsletter will find attached a "Rogues Gallery" of those members who have volunteered their services to EDOS Inc for 2014. There are a few faces missing in this issue, but they will appear next month.

Hopefully this will help our newer members identify those who are "Managing" the Society for 2014.

We congratulate these people on their elections and hope that all members offer as much assistance throughout the year as possible to keep the Society

running as smoothly and successfully as it has in past years.



Attention Recent New Members

Would any of our members who have joined EDOS in the past 6 months or so please make themselves known to our President Barry at the next meeting, in order to collect their name badges.

Fame *Orchids* Nursery

119 Boundary Road Thornlands Q 4164

Ph 3206 4385 Open 7 days 8 am - 4 pm

Email fameorch@bigpond.net.au

- Huge range of Flowering Orchids
- Thousands of new release Seedlings
- Shade Houses and Plant Stands
- Orchid Barks and Potting Mixes
- Pots, Hangers, Hardwood Baskets
- Fertilizers, Chemicals, Fungicides
- Cutters, Stakes, Labels, Tie wire

www.fameorchids.com

Jack Feige Memorial Trophy



**Congratulations to the Winner for
2013 - T & L Beck for a well
presented Phrag Don Wimber**

UPCOMING EVENTS

What: Aspley Orchid Society Inc
Where: Mt Coot-tha Auditorium
When: 15 and 16 February, 2014

What: Queensland International Orchid Fair
Where: Beenleigh Show Grounds, Beenleigh
When: 7 to 9 March, 2014

What: Redlands Orchid Society Autumn Show
Where: Donald Simpson Centre, Cleveland
When: Saturday 29 March, 2014

What: EDOS Inc Autumn Show
Where: Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West
When: 5 & 6 April, 2014

What: Brisbane Orchid Society Inc Show
Where: Mt Gravatt State School, 1263 Logan Rd Mt Gravatt
When: 12 and 13 April, 2014

What: EDOS Beginning With Orchids
Where: Gordon's Oz Orchids
When: Saturday, 12 April, 2014

along with some other information (where and when to send to Editor etc). We are looking for some new ideas and opinions from our members, so don't be afraid to give it a go!

If you have any suggestions for a topic for discussion, or you are prepared to spend a small amount of time on any of these sessions at our meetings, please speak to one of our Committee members.

Red Spotters is generally a more informal presentation, and only needs to be 15-20 minutes, and is usually to a smaller audience, most of whom are our newer growers.

Remember, knowledge shared is knowledge gained.

48th EDOS AUTUMN SHOW

Don't forget that our Autumn Show will be held on 5 and 6 April, 2014, with judging on Friday night 4 April 2014.

The Show Schedule is attached to this Newsletter so that members can start planning and organising the plants they may want to bench or sell.

There have been some changes made to the Show Schedule (in particular the Classes, where amongst other changes, a class for species *Bulbophyllum* has been added) and General Conditions, so it would be timely for ALL members, old and new, to have a read of these to ensure that they are aware of any changes that have been made.

AOC President's Report

Hi everybody,

Welcome to 2014. I hope that you all had a good Christmas and New Year.

There were many suggestions made at the Board of Management meeting in October to improve the running of the AOC, communication between the AOC and the AOC finances, and some of these are expected to be implemented during this year. One of the most important suggestions is that each club keeps in contact with their State Delegate and feeds him/her any thoughts or ideas that you may have towards helping the AOC, as the Council can only operate successfully if each and every club supports it. I have heard this question from many clubs: "What does the AOC do for us?" May I suggest that this be a two-way street so that the question is also asked: "What can I do to assist the AOC?" Much work is done by the Officers of Council at no cost to the AOC and considerable time and effort to see that everything runs smoothly. There are only four people involved in the day-to-day running of the AOC, though at least another four are heavily involved in behind-the-scenes work at their own expense. Some



**PETER'S GLEN
SHADE HOUSES**

Manufacturing Queensland's Favourite Shadehouses Since 1976

*Providing Closed Units, Open Units, Patio
Units, Awnings, Holders, Planter Steps and
Shadehouses Made to order*

Units are on display at 1/132 South Pine Road, Brendale Q 4500
M: 0451 551 850 Ph: -07 3205 9378 Fax: 07 3889 6720
info@petersglen.com.au www.petersglen.com.au

CALL FOR HELP - Red Spotters, Guest Speakers and Plants Worth Noting

We are looking for some ideas and also people to help out with the above on Meeting nights.

We are particularly looking for volunteers to cover "Plants Worth Noting" It would only be required one month a year, and we now have a Template if you need it, to help volunteers create their articles,

of these are listed on the letterhead for this newsletter. In addition there are the seven State Delegates who form the Board of Management who assist us where possible.

Some suggestions that have already been forwarded from some of the States to assist with finances of Council include having raffles at some of their major shows and making direct donations to the AOC (and some have done this). Our aim is to keep the running costs down, which has already happened in many ways, with significant reductions, but more has to be done. It is your organisation – we are only the elected people to improve orchid growing people throughout the country. You will find in the introduction the name of your State Delegate with a contact email address. Please support him/her as the ears and eyes of the Council in your State and a direct door to the Council.

One way that I can assist you is to pass on suggestions for club activities from the Delegates' reports at the Board of Management Meeting or from club newsletters. The ideas from the 2013 BOM Meeting included:

From WA: The Inter-society Challenge gives social contacts and gets the public involved in joining clubs. The President suggested an AOC stall or raffle as an AOC fundraiser. Instead of selling stock, could have samples of what is available and take orders.

From TAS: Compost mix day is a good day where all clubs get together and there is a job for everyone. Devonport had a buy, sell & swap day which attracted buyers from all over the state. A suggestion for a possible fundraiser was a raffle with a trip to the World Orchid Conference as a prize.

From NT – has two clubs. Both held successful auctions to raise funds. Items had a reserve price and all amounts above the reserve prices went to the club.

From SA: OCSA, the founding club has members who work with students from 3 high schools - they learn how to grow orchids and have their own section at shows. Substantial fundraisers are sausage sizzles at Bunnings.

Thea and I will be doing some travelling this year as time and circumstances permit to other states. I already have commitments to Queensland and would like to visit some parts of Victoria and NSW if possible. We thank the many clubs who are sending us their club newsletter or bulletin as this gives us direct contact with your club. If you are not already sending us your newsletter or bulletin, please consider doing so.

Kind regards,
Jim Shaughnessy
AOC President

BURBANK ORCHID NURSERY

1330 Mt Gravatt-Capalaba Road

BURBANK QLD 4156

Ph/Fax: 07 3849 8277

Web: www.burbankorchids.com.au

Email: sales@burbankorchids.com.au

OPEN FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MONDAY

9.00 am to 4.00 pm

Specialising in CATTLEYAS

Also Growing many other Genera

SUPPLIERS OF: Ausgro Orchid Bark

Searles Orchid Mixes Orchid Pot Co Pots

Stakes Pencils Tags

Scorio Sphagnum Charcoal Perlite

Proprietors: Steve & Wendy Swan

WEBSITE

www.edos.org.au. Our Webmaster Ray Girdlestone would like you to have a look at our EDOS website and make comment – remember it is still a work in progress and any suggestions will be appreciated. If you have any Cultural advice you think may be useful to others please pass it on to Ray for inclusion on the website.

Ray can be contacted on email webmaster@edos.org.au or phone 3823 4277

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

If anyone has any articles they would be interested in having included in the Newsletter please let me know
For anyone who is interested in receiving their Newsletter electronically, please let me know your email address and I will include you in our email group. My email address is editor@edos.org.au

GENERAL NOTICE

Members who wish to record change of address or other membership particulars – please advise the Secretary. **Note:** Your Exhibitor and Plant Sales Number appears on the right of your Surname on the Newsletter envelope. **Disclaimer:** While the Management Committee and the Editor of the E.D.O.S Newsletter endeavour to assure the reliability of material and advertising printed in the Newsletter, (subject to areas specifically identified by the Secretary) neither E.D.O.S or the Editor can assume any responsibility for the views expressed in the Newsletter. Editors of other Newsletters are advised that E.D.O.S will be happy if they decide to use material printed herein. Contributors please note: Actual printing occurs 14 days before the monthly meeting. You are invited to have material available for publication in the hands of the Editor before that date if possible. If delay is unavoidable please advise Secretary (3286 4910) or email: secretary@edos.org.au and/or Editor (3823 4277) or email: editor@edos.org.au