

Eastern District Orchid Society Inc

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NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2018

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Members are invited to attend the next General Meeting to be held on **Thursday 25 October, 2018**, commencing at 8 pm, at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

RED SPOTTERS CLUB

Commencing at 7.30 pm, Red Spotters for this month will be presented by Ken Webster. Ken will be talking about "Some interesting large Orchids"

FEATURE ITEM

The Feature Item for this month will be presented by John Robertson from Robertson Orchids. John will be talking about Paphiopedilums and Phragmipediums.

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

Judges: Jan Heitman, Les Vickers, John Rooks, John Rees (Reserves Trevor Heitman, Eric Locke, Brent Nicoll)

Associate Judges: Kev Hamment, Ray Girdlestone

Scribes: Volunteers required please.

Supper Stewards: Ian Want and Bill Sedgwick plus a volunteer

Hostesses: Dot Rooks and Margaret Rieck

Library: Helen Vickers

Plant Registrar: Ann Kable

Plants Worth Noting: Selected on the night.

Trade Table: Greg Webb

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Committee Meeting will be held at 7.00 pm on **Thursday 1 November, 2018**, at the Bayside Uniting Church Hall, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West.

New Innovation for EDOS Inc

EDOS Inc now has an EFTPOS machine available for any payments our members wish to make for items such as Memberships, payment of social activities, Trade Table and also for use at our Plant Sales at our Shows.

EDOS Inc 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The **Annual General Meeting** of Eastern District Orchid Society Inc (EDOS Inc) will be held on **Thursday 22 November 2018** at the Bayside Uniting Church, 420 Wondall Road, Manly West at 8.00 pm.

All members are invited to attend. The election will follow the procedures as stated in The Constitution of the Society.

All positions will be declared vacant and nominations / appointments are invited from interested members for the various positions of the society.

Nominations Forms will be available from The Secretary at the October General Meeting on Thursday 25 October 2018.

Members are reminded that the nominations need to be in writing and signed by the nominated member and his / her proposer and seconder, and **be lodged with The Secretary at least fourteen (14) days before the Annual General Meeting** at which the election is to take place (**ie by Wednesday 7 November 2018**).

Nominations will only be taken from the floor at the Annual General Meeting if The Secretary has not received any previous nomination for that particular position.

All members need to be financial to be eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting in November 2018.

M Ludlow, Secretary EDOS Inc



Are you enjoying being part of EDOS?? Do you have any interesting ideas to share with other members? Do you think you could make the Society better???

As always, the Committee will be looking for new enthusiastic faces to fill positions on the Committee.

Some of our current Committee have been there a long time, and would like a break.

If you are interested in becoming part of the Management, please feel free to talk to any of our Committee members for further information. Job Descriptions are available for anyone who may be interested in taking on a position.

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52nd EDOS SPRING SHOW

15 & 16 September, 2018

Did we have a successful Spring Show???

We sure did!!! Another Fantastic Show!! The new venue proved to be a great success, with a much larger Plant Sales area to work in, and also a larger show area. President Barry Kable would like to congratulate EDOS Inc members on having once again excelled themselves, in putting on a very successful Spring Show. We had a fantastic display of orchids on the benches (total of 378 plants), exhibited by 45 exhibitors.

Plant Sales were also fantastic, with record sales. It's great to see more of our growers putting plants in Sales. The Bar Coding System made it so much easier, with Dick and his team handling the system extremely well, making their job (and Treasurer John's) so much easier.

Plants Sales Convenor Dick would like to thank all those who helped out in Plant Sales over the weekend, especially those behind the counter, and those experienced growers who made themselves available to provide advice about the plants people were looking at purchasing. Thanks also to the growers who were able to assist in replenishing the Sales Benches Saturday night as most of the plants were sold out on Saturday!

Our Kitchen Convenor Margaret would like to say a BIG THANKS to everyone who helped in the Kitchen, it makes it so much easier when there are willing volunteers, especially when they were very busy. Thanks also to those who donated cakes, slices etc., it was a great response from the members.

Hostess Dot Rooks would also like to thank those who assisted on the Front Door, welcoming those who attended the Show, and selling Raffle tickets. Cheerful, smiling faces always help to make the public welcome. Thanks to Margaret Rieck for putting the major raffle together – it proved to be very popular.

The Craft Table and the Floral Art Ladies were also kept very busy all weekend. I believe that they ran out of orchids at one stage to put in their arrangements.

Our Thanks also to **Rob Kerr** for his work doing the **Potting Demonstrations**. Rob never seemed to be without a crowd. It proved to be a very popular area. (I believe that he struggled to find time for a coffee)

One new innovation for EDOS Inc for this Show was the Plant Minding Area. This also proved to be an excellent addition, and was very busy. **Thanks to those who manned this area.**

The VMR Sign at the front gate and the directional signs made by member Kev Horsey made it easy for everyone to find their way into the venue. **Thanks to Kev** for his work in making the signs, and also helping Barry put them out.

Thanks also to anyone else who helped out with setting up on Friday, during the weekend, and cleaning up on Sunday. All efforts are greatly appreciated

Spring Show Sponsors

EDOS Inc would like to Acknowledge and Thank our Sponsors for our 2018 Spring Show:

Bendigo Bank
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M Ludlow

Acknowledgement

We would also like to acknowledge the Support of the Lord Mayor's Suburban Initiative Fund and in particular Councillors Adrian Schrinner and Ryan Murphy for their assistance in Supporting EDOS.

It was great to see both of these gentlemen at the Show, along with Councillor Peter Cummings, and Gary White from Bendigo Bank.



EDOS Inc Christmas Party 2018

The 2018 EDOS Inc Christmas Party will be held on 8th December 2018 at the **Wynnum Manly Leagues Club**. (Please note change of Venue from last year)

Doors will open at 6.30 pm for Nibbles at 7.00 pm, and Main at 7.45 pm. Cost will be \$25 for Members and \$50 for Non Members. Beer, Wine and Soft drinks will be included, any other drinks will be at the Member's cost.

Tickets will be available at the October and November meetings. For catering purposes, management would prefer members to notify of

attendance at the October meeting. EFTPOS will be available.

We will also be having a Rolling Raffle, so on the night please remember to bring along a gift to include on the table (one per person please, and something you would be happy to receive yourself).

There will also be a "Popular Vote" for those who wish to bring along a flowering orchid.

The Jack Feige Memorial Trophy for the Plant of the Year, which is judged from photographs of the plants chosen as Plant of the Night at each monthly meeting, will be finalised by our Judges on the night.

Please come along and enjoy a great evening and the company of your fellow EDOS Inc members.

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UPCOMING SHOWS

What: North Moreton Orchid Show
Where: Auditorium, Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha
When: 27 and 28 October, 2018

What: Nambour Orchid Species Society
Where: Uniting Church Hall, Coronation Ave, Nambour
When: 2 and 3 November, 2018

What: Tweed District Orchid Fair
Where: Tweed Civic Centre, Wharf St, Tweed Heads
When: 3 and 4 November, 2018

Date Claimer

Brendan Larkin from Botanic Ridge Orchids will be our Guest Speaker at our November Meeting.

More Information to follow.

Meeting Night Assistance

Our Meeting Night Kitchen Convenor is looking for some assistance on Meeting Nights. If you are able to assist please let either President Barry Kable or Secretary Milton know.

EDOS Inc Show Vouchers

For those Members who are lucky enough to win Prize Vouchers at any of our EDOS Shows, please be assured that these vouchers CAN be used at the EDOS Inc Trade Table at any time **before the expiry date shown**, or at any of the Sponsors noted on the vouchers.

Cultural Notes September 18

Den. farmeri

Den. farmeri is an easy orchid to grow if you stick to the basic rules of culture. For most of the so called group of Indian dendrobiums, I do try to keep them in a bright airy spot during the winter with minimal water. Some growers say no water at all, but I have found that a bit hard so if it gets a splash of water when I am watering other plants it does not matter. I do have a sheet of clear plastic roofing on the top of my orchid house to keep the orchid and its roof dry.

Fertilizer is often discussed in what we use etc. Growing conditions are far more important, especially the amount of shade and air movement, with higher humidity in growing season. I do use Duet part A & B Fertilizer weekly in tap water. It must be pointed out

that tap water contains some nutrients, some good and some bad. Using only 25 mls per 100 litres it is very weak but I fertilize every time I water. (it works for me) My *Den. farmeri* is potted every 20 odd years, so maybe I could be forgiven for not remembering what is in the exact mix. Potting is best just after flowering has finished, there is absolutely no room left in the pot for the orchid to keep growing so my choice of weapon will be the axe three good blows should do it.

"A clean orchid house is a happy orchid house."

Brent Nicoll

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