



Parramatta & District Orchid Society News

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Den. Pierardii



Lc. Mildred Rives x C. intermedia



Aerangis ellisii



C. Unknown
(Photos Terry Davis)

Next Meeting –

24th January 2012

**7.30pm @ Banksia Room, Wentworthville
Community Centre
2 Lane Street Wentworthville**

The hall will be open at 6:45pm for benching plants and the meeting will start at 7.30pm.

Best Plants

October

Open Den. Pierardii
T & M Brutto

Novice Lc. Mildred Rives x C. intermedia
M Pusic

November
Open Aerangis ellisii
T Costa & S Crosby

Novice C. Unknown
L Hueston

Remember- membership fees for 2012 are now due
Single \$20 Family \$25 Concession \$15

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October 2011 Meeting

Meeting at Banksia Room, Wentworthville Community Centre, on Tuesday 25th October 2011, at 7.30pm. The President opened the meeting and welcomed all members and two guests, Sylvia & Anne.

Apologies – the Mitchell family, Ana Fuentes, David Nicholson, Christos Patsalou

Confirmation of previous Minutes – No minutes were taken as Secretary on holidays.

Correspondence In –

1. Other Societies' newsletters

Treasurers Report –

Balance 1st Sept 2011	\$2,317.84
Payments Sept 2011	\$1,343.55
Income	\$6,861.00
Balance 1st Oct 2011	\$7,835.29
Correct balance after chqs not presented to bank	\$3,128.29
Seconded – Laurie Treanor	

Supper - Thanks Lauren, Maria & Jessie for October. Don't forget to bring a plate to our Christmas Party celebration at the November meeting.

Norm Shipway gave members an update on the investigation into the sudden die-off of all vegetation in parts of the Girraween area. It has killed 90% of his collection.

Members sang Happy Birthday to Jim Ponton as he celebrated an important birthday in October.

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November 2011 Meeting

Our Christmas Party Meeting was held at the Banksia Room, Wentworthville Community Centre, on Tuesday 22nd November 2011, at 7.30pm. The President opened the meeting and welcomed all members and our visitors Kathy & Nick Koutsoukis, Alan Merriman and Mira & Ray Whitmore.

Apologies: Otilia Maia

Confirmation of previous Minutes: confirmed by Jim Ponton.

President David explained the new Point Score process which will begin from tonight's benching. Basically it will be run as follows:

No longer will we award a point (1) for simply benching a non-winning plant in another class. Only place getters (1st, 2nd, 3rd) will be included in the pointscore. Starting with the November 2011 meeting, it is proposed to allocate points as follows (for both Open and Novice):

1st place will earn 3 points, 2nd place will earn 2 points and 3rd place will earn 1 point.

Best Plant of the Evening (or Grand Champion at our shows) would attract 6 bonus points in that class (6 + 3 for 1st place = 9)

Reserve Champion at our shows would attract 3 bonus points in that class (3 + 3 for Reserve = 6)

This will give a fairer indication of who is dominating classes (and by how much), which classes are being frequently used, and which classes may be combined or withdrawn. It also allows someone who say, only grows cymbidiums and cattleyas a fairer chance of being competitive for the annual point score, whereas before the amount of points available was restricted.

To share the workload, and because this will be a bit more complex to set up on computer, Andrew Locke has agreed to oversee the logistics and recording of the results for the Pointscore. Ken will still collect the benching slips, collate the results (plant names and owners) and provide those to Bev and Jim for printing in the newsletter. Andrew could go off the newsletter results to input the required data onto the computer.

Treasurers Report – Balance 1st October	\$7,835.29	
Payments	\$4,692.75	
Income	\$ 203.84	
Balance 1st November	\$3,346.38	Report seconded by John Keenan

Correspondence In:

- 1 Other Societies' newsletters
2. Flyers for Red Cow Farm – a very beautiful garden at Sutton Forest in the Southern Highlands.

NEW MEMBERS – The Committee has approved the membership of Silvia Paterson and Ann Nuttall. The ladies were not present tonight but we wish them many happy years with our Society.

Thankyou to everyone who prepared and/or served food at our Party – a fun night was enjoyed by about 50 people. Also many thanks to those who provided plants for our 'mega-auction', raffle prizes, to Vivian for making another beautiful crocheted blanket and to Karin for making a wonderful gingerbread house for the raffle.

BEST PLANTS

Open Aerangis ellisii
 T Costa & S Crosby

Novice C. Unknown
 L Hueston

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Welcome back to all our members and we hope you enjoyed your Christmas/New Year break. We look forward to another successful year of benching and judging (using the new method), some social activities, Shows, and great meeting suppers!!

A Calendar, showing our meeting dates, Show dates and Hills District Orchids Open Days, will be handed out to members as they attend meetings. Hopefully these are an asset to your fridge (and a reminder to the memory!)

JOKE CORNER:

GREAT TRUTHS THAT LITTLE CHILDREN HAVE LEARNED:

- 1) No matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats.
- 2) When your Mom is mad at your Dad, don't let her brush your hair.
- 3) If your sister hits you, don't hit her back. They always catch the second person.
- 4) Never ask your 3-year old brother to hold a tomato.
- 5) You can't trust dogs to watch your food.

GREAT TRUTHS THAT ADULTS HAVE LEARNED:

- 1) Raising teenagers is like nailing jelly to a tree.
- 2) Wrinkles don't hurt.
- 3) Families are like fudge...mostly sweet, with a few nuts
- 4) Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground.
- 5) Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.

GREAT TRUTHS ABOUT GROWING OLD

- 1) Growing old is mandatory; growing up is optional.
- 2) Forget the health food. I need all the preservatives I can get.
- 3) When you fall down, you wonder what else you can do while you're down there.
- 4) You're getting old when you get the same sensation from a rocking chair that you once got from a roller coaster.
- 5) It's frustrating when you know all the answers but nobody bothers to ask you the questions.

SUCCESS:

- At age 4 success is Not piddling in your pants.
At age 12 success is . . . Having friends.
At age 17 success is . . . Having a driver's licence.
At age 35 success is . . . Having money.
At age 50 success is . . . Having money..
At age 70 success is . . . Having a driver's licence.
At age 75 success is Having friends.
At age 80 success is . . . Not piddling in your pants.

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October Point Score 2011

OPEN		Point Score	October	2011	
3.	Cymbidium	1.	T Costa & S Crosby		Cym.Cricket
	Miniature	2.	O Maia		Cym.Cricket
	Under 60mm	3.	T Costa & S Crosby		Cym. Tennis
4.	Cattleya	1.	K Harris		Blc.Triumphal Coronation 'Seto'
	Over 110mm	2.	T Costa & S Crosby		Sc. Mini Prophesy
		3.	M & F Ferguson		Blc. Triumphal Coronation 'Seto'
5.	Cattleya	1.	K Ryan		Blc. Love Harmony
	Cluster	2.	A & J Gatt		Dial. Pink Jewel
	5 or > flowers	3.	N & V Shipway		Iwan. Appleblossom
6.	Cattleya	1.	A & J Gatt		Lc. Puppy Love 'True Beauty'
	70 – 110mm	2.	A & J Gatt		C. Monte Elegant x Mini Purple
		3.	N & V Shipway		Epic. Siam Jade
7.	Cattleya	1.	K Massingham		Slc. Dals Nugget
	Under 70mm	2.	N & V Shipway		Bc. Sunny Delight
		3.	A & J Gatt		Lc. Mari's Beat
8.	Native	1.	K Massingham		<i>Sarc. hartmannii</i> 'Sylvan Vale'
	Species -	2.	A Locke		<i>Sarc. hartmannii</i>
	Epiphyte	3.	T & M Brutto		<i>Sarc. hartmannii</i>
10.	Native	1.	T Costa & S Crosby		<i>Sarc. hartmannii</i> 'Jacy' x Snowhart #2
	Hybrid	2.	M & F Ferguson		<i>Sarc. Heidi</i>
		3.	T Costa & S Crosby		<i>Sarc.</i> (Fitzhart Creefer x Lorraine)'#2' x 96 Red Centre
11.	Dendrobium	1.	T Costa & S Crosby		Den.Chorus Girl 'Painted Lady'
	Hybrid -	2.	O Maia		Den.Stardust 'H & R'
	Exotic	3.	K Ryan		Den.White Pearl
12.	Oncidium	1.	O Maia		Onc.Cameo Spring x Nona Myre x Palolo Gold
	Only	2.	K Massingham		Onc.Sharry Baby
13.	Oncidium	1.	T Costa & S Crosby		Wils. Kolobri
	Alliance	2.	T Costa & S Crosby		Colm. Wildcat 'Golden Leopard'
	Other	3.	T Costa & S Crosby		Colm. Wildcat 'Carnival'
14.	Paphiopedilum	1.	K Massingham		<i>Paph.hirsutissimum</i>
	Species	2.	T Costa & S Crosby		<i>Paph.hirsutissimum</i>
		3.	K Massingham		<i>Paph.tonsum</i>
15.	Paphiopedilum	1.	T Costa & S Crosby		Paph.Green Suk
	Novelty	2.	C Nidagal		Paph.Pinnocchio x LEEANUM
	Hybrid	3.	K Massingham		Paph.Holdenii Alba
17.	Vandaeceous	1.	T & M Brutto		Sart.Blue Knob
	Hybrid	2.	C Galea		Aer. Nundyi
18.	Phalaenopsis	1.	K Harris		Phal. Minho Princess 'Watercolour'
	Hybrid	2.	P Yeung & J Keenan		Phal. Malibu Miss x Aswan
		3.	P Yeung & J Keenan		Phal. Hsinying Webber
18a.	Novelty	1.	T & M Brutto		Phal. Golden Sand
	Phalaenopsis	2.	P Yeung & J Keenan		Phal. Taisueo Mickey
	Hybrid	3.	P Yeung & J Keenan		Phal. Texas Sweetheart 'Philomena'
19.	Exotic	1.	T & M Brutto		<i>Den.pierardii</i>
	Species -	2.	K Massingham		<i>Den. Thysoflorum</i>
	Asian	3.	K Massingham		<i>Den.nobile</i> 'Virginalis'
20.	Exotic	1.	K Massingham		<i>Ansellia Africana</i>
	Species -	2.	K Massingham		<i>C. skinneri</i> Alba
	Other	3.	K Massingham		<i>Jumellea arachnanthe</i>
21.	Exotic	1.	K Massingham		<i>Arpophyllum giganteum</i>
	Miniature	2.	K Massingham		<i>Dendrochilum cobbianum</i> 'Gowan'
	Species	3.			

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22.	Miscellaneous	1.	C Nidagal	Lyc. Macama 'Atlantis'
	Hybrid	2.	P Yeung & J Keenan	Masd. Cuzeo Gold
		3.	V & J Andrews	Epi. Salmon Pink
23.	Seedling	1.	T Costa & S Crosby	Paph. John Francis x Hsinying Web
	Hybrid	2.	T Costa & S Crosby	Sarc. Snowhart x Fairy 'Scarlet'
		3.	T Costa & S Crosby	Sarc. Perky x Fitzhart
NOVICE				
26.	Novice	1.	D Brown	Cym.Unknown
	Cymbidium			
	Miniature			
27.	Novice	1.	J Tautz	<i>Sarc.hartmannii</i> 'George' x 'Thn'
	Native			
	Species			
29.	Novice	1.	M Pusic	Lc. Mildred Rives x C.intermedia
	Cattleya	2.	M Pusic	C. Lynn Spencer 'Cha'
	Alliance	3.	R Giles	C skineri Var. Alba 'Jill'
30.	Novice	1.	L Hueston	<i>Den.fimbriatum</i> 'Oculatum'
	Exotic			
	Species			
32.	Novice	1.	L Hueston	Den. Superstar
	Miscellaneous	2.	R Giles	Phal. Unknown
	Hybrid	3.	R Giles	Phal. Lady Ida
BEST PLANTS				
	Open		T & M Brutto	Den. Pierardii
	Novice		M Pusic	Lc. Mildred Rives x C. intermedia

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OPEN	POINT SCORE	NOVEMBER	2011	
4.	Cattleya	1.	K Massingham	Blc. Beautiful Morning
	Over 110mm	2.	K Harris	Bc. Donna Kimura x C Tiffen Bells
		3.	K Massingham	Blc. Mary Putman
5.	Cattleya	1.	K Massingham	Lc. Trick or Treat 'Classic'
	Cluster	2.	K Massingham	Lc. Trick or Treat x Epi. Atropurpureum
	5 or > flowers	3.	A & J Gatt	Lc. Rojo x Enc. Cordigera
6.	Cattleya	1.	K Massingham	(Blc. Susan Hawkins x Lc. Mini Purple)'Burdekin'
	70 – 110mm	2.	N & V Shipway	Lc. Pink Spice
		3.	A & J Gatt	Sc. Lana Coryell x Lc. Aussie Sunset
7.	Cattleya	1.	N & V Shipway	Ctna. Why Not
	Under 70mm	2.	N & V Shipway	Ctna. Why Not
		3.	N & V Shipway	Ctna Capri Lea x Why Not
8.	Native	1.	T Costa & S Crosby	<i>Cym. Suave</i>
	Species -	2.	C Nidagal	<i>Sarc. falcatus</i>
	Epiphyte	3.	T Costa & S Crosby	<i>Sarc. hartmannii</i> (Red heart x Snow white)
10.	Native	1.	A Locke	Cym. Kuranda
	Hybrid	2.	T Costa & S Crosby	Sarc. Fitzhart
11.	Dendrobium	1.	T Costa & S Crosby	Den.New Guinea
	Hybrid -	2.	C Nidagal	Den.Gowan's Tangelo
	Exotic	3.	T Costa	Den.Dawn Maree

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November Point Score 2011 (cont.)**

12.	Oncidium Only	1. N & V Shipway 2. N & V Shipway 3. K Massingham	Onc.Sydney Onc.Sharry Baby Onc.Sharry Baby 'Yellow'
13.	Oncidium Alliance Other	1. T Costa & S Crosby 2. K Massingham 3. T Costa & S Crosby	Colm. Wildcat 'MT-4' Colm.Wildcat 'Gold Lace' Wils.Hilda Plumtree 'Purple Wings'
14.	Paphiopedilum Species	1. K Massingham 2. K Massingham 3. K Massingham	<i>Paph.hirsutissimum</i> <i>Paph.primulinum</i> 'Princess' <i>Paph.tonsum</i>
15.	Paphiopedilum Novelty Hybrid	1. K Massingham 2. K Massingham 3. K Massingham	Paph.Tony Semple Paph.Berince Paph.Grant Szabo
17.	Vandaceous Hybrid	1. T Costa & S Crosby 2. N & V Shipway 3. T Costa & S Crosby	Dip.championii x V. cristata Port. Blue Boy Ascda. Crown Fox 'Red Gem'
18.	Phalaenopsis Hybrid	1. T Costa & S Crosby	Phal. Taida Lawrence x Brother Lawrence
18a.	Novelty Phalaenopsis Hybrid	1. T Costa & S Crosby	Phal. Golden Peoker 'Nan Cho'
19.	Exotic Species - Asian	1. T Costa & S Crosby 2. T & M Brutto 3. K Massingham	<i>Den. Hercoglossum</i> <i>Aer. Oduratum</i> <i>Coel. Fragrans</i>
20.	Exotic Species - Other	1. T Costa & S Crosby 2. K Massingham 3. K Massingham	<i>Aerangis ellisii</i> <i>Epi. Parkinsonianum</i> <i>Paniculatum</i> 'Mitao'
21.	Exotic Miniature Species	1. T Costa & S Crosby	<i>Dendrochilum latifolium</i>
22.	Miscellaneous Hybrid	1. K Massingham 2. T Costa & S Crosby	Epi. Pacific Rose Phrag.Calurum
23.	Seedling Hybrid	1. T Costa & S Crosby 2. T Costa & S Crosby 3. K Massingham	Paph. Ruby Leopard x Flame Arrow Paph.(Purple Velvet x callosum) x Red Pepper 'Red' Paph. Flame Arrow
NOVICE			
24.	Novice Cymbidium	1. 2.	Cym. Cym.
29.	Novice Cattleya Alliance	1. L Hueston	C. Unknown
32.	Novice Miscellaneous Hybrid	1. R Xerri	Unknown
BEST PLANTS			
	Open Novice	T Costa & S Crosby L Hueston	<i>Aerangis ellisii</i> C. Unknown