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Orchid News for Meetings

The next **New and Interested Growers Group (NIGG) Meeting** will be held on 12 November 2023 at Rick and Bronwyn Emmerson's place. Their address will be sent by separate email. Members can bring plants for sale and a plate along to supplement the biscuits that are supplied for morning tea, if you feel like contributing to the day with some of your wonderful home cooking. Remember to also to **bring a chair** and a hat and of course your sense of humour. There **will NOT be a BBQ** at this meeting.

Our last **Monthly General Meeting** for 2023 is on 16 November, starting at 7.00pm. Competition plants must be benched by 6:45pm. Tea, Coffee, and Biscuits will be provided.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 19 OCTOBER 2023

Our **Annual General Meeting** in October was attended by 46 members. The Popular Vote Competition was well supported at this meeting. We are looking to divide the Cattleya Section into two classes and at this stage are looking at using 90mm as the cutoff point. This will commence from our first General Meeting in February 2024.

Lea Crawford gave a very good explanation of her judging at the meeting. The immediate past committee members were re elected unopposed as was a new member on our committee being Lindsay Peterson. Gerry and Rhonda Riemer, we voted in as new Life Members. Congrats to Gerry and Rhonda.



Our New Life Members with El Presidente

NEW AND INTERESTED GROWERS GROUP MEETING **8 OCTOBER 2023**

This meeting was well attended at the home of Leith and John Schouten with 58 members in attendance. John and Leith have a very large collection of orchids with 7 orchid houses. John was kind enough to explain how he grows his orchids and Leith was surprised to hear him talk so much as he is generally a man of few words. The BBQ went down well and Monica Hanlon once again provided some of her magnificent Coleslaw. There were about 16 members who attended the BBQ without letting our caterer Carolyn Smith know that they were attending. They were fortunate that we had sufficient spare for them to enjoy. Please have the courtesy to let Carolyn know that you wish to partake of our magnificent BBQs at these meetings, you might not be so lucky next time.

The Club merchandise is available only to BOSI members not the public.

Please phone Bev on **0427 667 706** or Email aheidke@bigpond.com to arrange a suitable time for you to collect any merchandise you require for your Orchid Potting. If you want to collect items from Bev at the monthly meetings please let her know a few days prior of what you need. Please do not ask for more than what you have ordered when collecting your items as this places our magnificent merchandising lady in an awkward position. Also if you call, use her mobile number above, not the home phone. Bev will be ordering some more bark for a few members that indicated at the AGM that they need more. If you are in this category please let her know ASAP as they have to travel to Maryborough to collect our orders at the moment.

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Some members have failed to renew their Membership prior to our AGM on 19 October less those new members that have joined after 1 July 2023 who are also members for the upcoming year. If you are in this category please pay ASAP or advise the Secretary that you no longer wish to be a Member.

If you wish to attend the Orchid Club Christmas Break-up Party on Friday 24th of November at Rowers on The River, could you please let Carolyn Nielson know on 0428 577 132 before 14th November, the cost is \$40 per person made payable before 14th November for the purpose of catering. Payment can be made via direct deposit to the club bank account BSB 034122 A/C 216227 reference "name & xmas dinner" or in person at next NIGG meeting on 12th November at Rick Emmerson's.

The meal is a smorgasbord with desert as an alternate drop, tea and coffee provided. Arrangements have been made for special dietary requirements if needed. Please let Carolyn Nielson know when booking

Len Johnstone suggested that I put ads in these newsletters to assist members who are trying to source a particular orchid and I am happy to do this. If you are such a person, please send me an email with your contact details and the name of the orchid that you are seeking.

**NEW AND INTERESTED GROWERS GROUP MEETING
8 OCTOBER 2023**



**Our magnificent Host for the
day
John Schouten
(I think Leith was a little
camera shy)**



**The Assembled
Masses**



More of the Assembled Masses



Bev explaining how to deflask seedlings

John and Leith's Very Interesting and Very Healthy Orchids



**POPULAR VOTE COMPETITION AGM ON
19 OCTOBER 2023**



**Cattleya Winner
Slc. Elusive Dream
D & D Searle**



**Cattleya Popular Vote Winner
Lc. Di Ciommo Lina Memoria
M & C Smith**



**Vanda and Popular Vote
Winner
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L Crawford



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