



# The Australasian Native Orchid Society

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

### Members Please Note!

There will not be a meeting in April  
as the hall is being renovated.

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Evening!

## April 2017



*Dendrobium subuliferum* – Irene & Ian Chalmers



*Oberonia carnosa* – Erik Lielkajis



*Dockrillia cucumerina* – Lorraine & Bill Dobson

Photos – Ela Kielich

**Minutes of the monthly meeting** held at the Senior Citizens' Hall, Sharkey Street, Forestville on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2017.

The meeting was opened by Bill Dobson at 8.10pm who welcomed members, visitor Margaret Barrett and our Guest Speaker, Gerry Walsh.

**Apologies:** Norm Eakins, Ruth Rudkin, Ralph & Joy Lumby, Murray Corrigan, Bill Westwood, Warleiti Jap, Cary Polis and Jim Hemmings.

The minutes of the previous meeting as published in the bulletin were accepted as a true record on the motion of Bryan Spurrs, seconded by Ian Tanner

**Matters arising:** nil

**Correspondence:**

- New cheque book to Treasurer
- Ira Butler Trophy details
- Correspondence from the Australian Taxation Office..
- Advice that the Illawarra Group Field Trip postponed to 1<sup>st</sup> April due to bad weather.
- Flyers for Castle Hill International Orchid Fair.

Moved for acceptance by Bryan Spurrs seconded by Trish Peterson

**General Business:**

1. The ATO requires signed minutes showing that A.B. Spurrs is the current Public Officer.
2. Trish advised the meeting that Bill had been awarded a First Class Certificate by both ANOS and the Australian Orchid Council, plus an ANOS cultural award, (Award of Cultural Commendation) for his magnificent *Sarcochilus dilatatus*.
3. The remainder of Robert Murch's *Dendrobium* collection was brought to the meeting for distribution to members and several were placed in the raffle. Bryan will bring the remaining *Sarcochilus* to future meetings.

**In Your Bushhouse:**

- Mick advised that his stubborn *Dendrobium gracilicaule* (discussed at our last meeting) is now sprouting after he used hormone paste and sphagnum moss.

- He showed the web pots now available from Wayne Turville, and also described the new Popular Vote.
- Mick mentioned how he used an ordinary pencil on labels which can be erased with a rubber, and how liquid paper can be used to write on black plastic pots.
- Ian Chalmers demonstrated how a suspended, moistened sphagnum moss ball (in a jar) could be used for humidity-demanding seedlings.

**Judges Report:** Erik Lielkajis

**Plant of the Evening:**

*Sarcochilus dilatatus* FCC-ACC/ANOS 2017 (NSW), FCC/AOC 2017 (NSW)  
Bill & Lorraine Dobson

**Other Plants of Interest:**

*Dendrobium subuliferum* – Ian & Irene Chalmers

*Dockrillia rigida* – Bryan Spurrs

*Bulbophyllum argyropus* – Erik Lielkajis

*Oberonia carnosus* – Erik Lielkajis

**Guest Speaker – Gerry Walsh**

After supper, Gerry took members on a fascinating orchid tour around Kroombit Tops, showing slides of numerous orchids including *Dendrobium speciosum* var. *grandiflorum*, *Den. aemulum*, *Den. gracilicaule*, *Den. monophyllum*, *Den. teretifolium*, *Doc. nugentii*, *Sarco. ceciliae*, *Sarco. falcatus* and *Diuris sulphurea* in situ. Gerry also stressed the importance of carrying a first aid kit when going bush.

**Lucky Door Prize:** John McAuley

**Raffle Prizes:** Ian Chalmers (2), Jim Moore, Graham Slater, Geoff Duggin, Ian Tanner, Bill Bradley, Bill Dobson (2), Judith Barry, Margaret Barrett.

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

**The meeting closed at 10.15pm.**



## Congratulations to Bill & Lorraine Dobson!

*Sarcochilus dilatatus* 'Lily' FCC-ACC/ANOS 2017 (NSW),  
FCC/AOC 2017 (NSW)

*Sarcochilus dilatatus* occurs mainly in south-eastern Queensland where it is found in semi-dry vine scrubs but may be locally common on humid slopes and ridges. It also occurs to a lesser extent on trees close to streams and in moister rainforests. It is rarely found in northern NSW where it is considered an endangered species. [Bedford 1969; Jones 2006]

Bill has been growing his *Sarco. dilatatus* for around 12 years, and he suggests its current prolific flowering may be due to increased watering over the long hot summer period. It had 27 open flowers and 25 buds on 9 inflorescences.

Bill and Lorraine took their plant to the March meeting of ANOS Sydney Group, and it was judged as being worthy of a First Class Certificate (FCC) which is the highest award attainable in the Australasian Native Orchid Society. To obtain an FCC a plant must score a minimum of 85 points out of 100 with other criteria also being met. Bill was also awarded an Award of Cultural Commendation (ACC) which may be granted to the grower of a plant which exhibits excellence of culture.

It is very rare for any native orchid to be awarded an FCC and this is an exceptional award. In fact, I understand it is only the second FCC to be awarded to an Australian native orchid in the history of ANOS Inc., the other being *Dendrobium* Yondi Tina 'Goliath' FCC/ANOS 1999.

As well as receiving an FCC from ANOS, Bill's plant was also awarded an FCC from the Australian Orchid Council.....so two prestigious awards for a very impressive orchid.

Congratulations again to Bill & Lorraine for their beautifully grown, outstanding orchid.

Trish Peterson

[See ANOS Sydney Group's April newsletter for further reading.]



*Sarcochilus dilatatus* 'Lily' FCC-ACC/ANOS 2017, FCC/AOC 2017

Photo – Ela Kielich

## ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - March 2017

<b>1. Dockrillia species</b>		<b>9. Australasian species</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Doc. cucumerina</i>	L & B Dobson	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dendrochilum subuliferum</i>	I & I Chalmers
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Doc. rigida</i>	Bryan Spurrs	2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Dendrochilum longifolium</i>	David Hemmings
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Den. wassellii</i>	I & I Chalmers	3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Doc. hepatica</i>	David Hemmings
<b>2. Dendrobium species</b>		<b>10. Australasian Hybrids</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Den. bigibbum</i>	Chris Dalrymple	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Den. bowmanii x fuliginosa</i>	David Hemmings
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Den. monophyllum</i>	David Hemmings	2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Doc. cucumerina x hepatica</i>	David Hemmings
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Den. schneiderae</i>	Erik Lielkajis	3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Doc. Tweetas x racemosa x linguiformis</i>	Ela Kielich
<b>3. Sarcantinae species</b>		<b>11. Novice &amp; Junior</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Sarco. dilatatus</i> 'Lily'	L & B Dobson	1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Sarco. ceciliae</i>	David Hemmings	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Sarco. hirticalcar</i>	Trish Peterson	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	
<b>4. Bulbophyllum species</b>		<b>12. Pterostylis species</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Bulb. argyropus</i>	Erik Lielkajis	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Pterostylis alveata</i>	Cameron Lanceley
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Bulb. exiguum</i>	Ted Shaw	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Bulb. shepherdii</i>	Ted Shaw	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	
<b>5. Miscellaneous species</b>		<b>13. Other terrestrials</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Oberonia carnosa</i>	Erik Lielkajis	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Malaxis latifolia</i>	Erik Lielkajis
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Cadetia taylori</i>	Erik Lielkajis	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Cadetia taylori</i>	Erik Lielkajis	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	
<b>6. Dendrobium Hybrids</b>		<b>14. Terrestrial hybrids</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Den. Topaz Dream</i>	Chris Dalrymple	1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Den. Bondi Beach</i>	David Hemmings	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Den. Jonathon's Glory</i>	David Hemmings	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	
<b>7. Sarcantinae Hybrids</b>		<b>15. Best specimen</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Sarco. Melody x Riverdene</i>	David Hemmings	1 <sup>st</sup> Nil	
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Sarco. Melody x</i>	G & H Williams	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nil	
3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Sarco. Freckles</i>	Bryan Spurrs	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	
<b>8. Miscellaneous Hybrids</b>		<b>16. Best First Flowering seedling</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Dockrillia Limestone</i>	David Hemmings	1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Sarco. Velvet</i>	Clover Bradley
2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Doc. dolichophylla x Australian Lemon Pepper</i>	Lemon Pepper	2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Sarco. Bessie</i>	Clover Bradley
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nil	David E. Stiles	3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Sarco. Earth Song</i>	Clover Bradley



*Den. bowmanii x fuliginosa* – David Hemmings

Photo – Ela Kielich

## AON Popular Vote Competition 2017

### Results – March Meeting

1. *Sarcochilus dilatatus* - Lorraine & Bill Dobson
2. *Bulbophyllum argyropus* – Erik Lielkajis
3. Equal third with multiple votes:
  - Oberonia carnosa* – Erik Lielkajis
  - Dendrobium bigibbum* – Chris Dalrymple
  - Dendrobium subuliferum* – Ian & Irene Chalmers
  - Dendrobium bowmanii x fuliginosa* – David Hemmings
  - Dendrobium Tweetas x bowmanii* – David Hemmings

**NOTICE:** The Senior Citizens Hall, Forestville will be closed for refurbishment in April 2017.

Therefore there will be **NO MEETING IN APRIL.**