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May 2024



Dockrillia rigida David Hemmings



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Dendrobium bigibbum 'Compact Cookies' G & S Russell

Tuesday 21st May
Starkey Street, Forestville
Presentation
by
Jane & Peter D'Olier

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Yoyo's Community Centre, Forestville on Tuesday, April 17, 2024

The meeting was opened at 8.05pm by Bill Dobson

Guest Speaker:

Bill Dobson to present a culture class on a variety of matters concerning the placing of orchids on mounts.

Committee members present:

Bill Dobson, Trish Peterson, Bill Saunderson, Ela Kielich, Jane & Peter D'Olier

Apologies: Guy Cantor, John McAuley, Barry Moore, Ian Tanner, Cary Polis, Judith Barry were amongst the formal notifications.

Visitors: Abby (surname details lost owing to stupidity of secretary)

The minutes of the previous meeting as published in the Bulletin were accepted as a true record on the motion of Trish Peterson, seconded by Ela Kielich.

Matters arising:

A passing moment of tranquillity replaced any active participation by anyone at this point.

Correspondence:

- Yet another missive from the Commonwealth Bank regarding the Society's account
- A variety of bulletins from orchid societies, including MANOS, MWOS, ANOS Newcastle, North Shore Orchid Society, WANOSCG, ANOS Sydney Group, OSNSW.
- Notification of the temporary closure of our usual meeting venue from the Northern Beaches Council which necessitated the April meeting being held at the Yoyos venue.
- Apology from Ian Tanner for the April meeting.
- A letter from the Orchid Central Committee enquiring as to our desire to produce a display for their upcoming October show.

General Business:

- Bill Dobson reminded/informed members about the plethora of upcoming orchid-related events that may be of interest.
- The Members' Auction will be held at the June meeting and thus no guest speaker is envisaged for this particular meeting

Mick's Rambles:

Patron Mick Korzenowski enlightened the assembled members with an interesting discussion regarding *Phaius australis* var. *bernaysii*. Mick regards this orchid as an absolute pest magnet and showed an example which has produced rootless keikis. He noted that it was also partly deciduous. He prefers to grow this orchid in a medium comprised of cactus/succulent mix and bark.

Judges Report: Trish Peterson

Plant of the Evening:

Dockrillia rigida – A very covetable example was produced by David Hemmings, which both impressed and demoralised many of the members present at the same time.

Other Plants of Interest:

Dockrillia Lee-Anne x *hepatica* – David Hemmings was the grower here.

Liparis swenssonii – David Hemmings again

Erik Lielkajis was summoned to the floor and gave an informative dissertation regarding *Liparis swenssonii* and *L. reflexa*.

Guest Speaker

Bill Dobson presented a particularly interesting culture class on the mounting of orchids. The differing materials for this were outlined, including cork, tree fern, hardwood, cypress pine, and gutter guard pockets containing media such as bark, clay balls, etc. An impressive array of different examples was displayed. He stated that it was prudent to create score lines in certain mounting materials to facilitate guided root growth and suggested means by which this may be achieved. A Multitool was proffered as being quite suitable for this. Bill prefers to leave the mount in a horizontal position for the first six months or so to aid in healthy establishment and connection to the mount, prior to a more traditional vertical orientation. The discussion concluded with a mention of the problem of pests getting between the orchid and the mount and possible means of dealing with this.

Finally, an example of a *D. speciosum* was shown which had been on a mount but required intervention due to disintegration of its original mount. The plant was assessed and suggested to be divided into several sections for eventual remounting/potting.

Lucky Door Prizes - nil

Raffle Prizes - nil

This usual part of the meeting was not held due to the change of venue.

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

The Meeting closed at 9.45pm



Dendrobium bigibbum 'Compact Cookies' David Hemmings

In My Bush House

The weather continues to cool as we head into Autumn now. The nights have started to drop below 15°, and if you have any Hot/Cold crosses they may have to be moved into protection for the winter. This week in Sydney has seen massive deluge of rain and my rain gauge was just emptied yesterday morning when it started to empty over the top.

There are still aphids about so keep up inspections and sprays for this little pest. I have had to venture out into the bushhouse between showers to check and spray for these pests. Just not cold enough for them to be gone for the season and with some new growth emerging you have to be vigilant. I have spotted only one Dendrobium beetle, so I have either beaten them off with the regular spraying of EcoOil® and Carbaryl® or the cold weather has started to see them off for the season.

Dendrobium speciosum have started to show buds but too early to say what season we will have. However, I have some *Den. speciosum* var. *capricornicum* that are almost ready to burst into flower even on small plants. In the wild these flower May-July.

I have taken the last weekend to tidy up the bush house pulling out weeds and tidying up plants for the coming flowering season. Any new growths that have appeared I turn the plant around so they face north to get the maximum sunlight. It's also an opportunity to train some growths that are sticking out in the wrong direction using tie wire gradually tighten the wire over a couple of weeks until you get it where you want it and then leave it for a few months and it should stay there. Also if required stake up growths that require it, as it's easier to do now than later when there is a flower inflorescence that you may break off, and if the stake is in now it will be easier to train the inflorescence when it comes.

This is a good time to pot-up as roots are still moving and before June appears the plants will settle in. *Sarcochilus* roots are moving and can be potted on if required. Tidy up your plants and remove old spikes that you should have done last year. Don't worry I still found some.


In flower in the bushhouse I have *Cadetia taylori*, *Dendrobium prenticei*, *Dockrillia calami-formis*. Interestingly I have found many of my *Bulbophyllum macphersonii* that had flowered are now supporting many seed pods and I wonder if these have self pollinated by the rain as most of these I left as horizontal rafts.

Good growing

Bill Dobson



ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - January 2023

1. Dockrillia species		11. Novice & Junior	
1 st <i>Dockrillia rigida</i>	David Hemmings	1 st Nil	
2 nd <i>Dendrobium prenticei</i>	Jim Hemmings	2 nd Nil	
3 rd Nil		3 rd Nil	
2. Dendrobium species		12. Pterostylis species	
1 st <i>Dendrobium d'albertisii</i>	Erik Lielkajis	1 st <i>Pterostylis longipetala</i>	R G Blaxland
2 nd <i>Dendrobium bigibbum</i> 'Compact Cookies'	G & S Russell	2 nd Nil	
	G & S Russell	3 rd Nil	
3 rd <i>Dendrobium bigibbum</i>		13. Other terrestrials	
3. Sarcanthinae species		1 st Nil	
1 st <i>Sarcochilus dilatatus</i>	Erik Lielkajis	2 nd Nil	
2 nd <i>Luisia teretifolia</i>	Erik Lielkajis	3 rd Nil	
3 rd Nil		14. Terrestrial hybrids	
4. Bulbophyllum species		1 st Nil	
1 st Nil		2 nd Nil	
2 nd Nil		3 rd Nil	
3 rd Nil		15. Best specimen	
5. Miscellaneous species		1 st <i>Liparis swenssonii</i>	David Hemmings
1 st <i>Oberonia</i> sp.	Erik Lielkajis	2 nd Nil	
2 nd <i>Liparis swenssonii</i>	David Hemmings	3 rd Nil	
3 rd <i>Oberonia crateriformis</i>	Trish Peterson	16. Best First Flowering seedling	
6. Dendrobium Hybrids		1 st Nil	
1 st <i>Den.</i> Rutherford Starburst 'Tinonee'	Ela Kielich	2 nd Nil	
2 nd <i>Den.</i> <i>bigibbum</i> hybrid	Ela Kielich	3 rd Nil	
3 rd <i>Den.</i> <i>bigibbum</i> hybrid	Ela Kielich		
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7. Sarcanthinae Hybrids			
1 st Nil			
2 nd Nil			
3 rd Nil		October	
8. Miscellaneous Hybrids		12, 13 th ANOS Central Coast Group Inc. Sarcochilus Show, Narara Valley Nursery.	
1 st Nil		15 th Monthly Meeting – Members only Sarcochilus Show - Iris Pendle Memorial Trophy.	
2 nd Nil		19-20 th ANOS Sydney Group Sarcochilus Show.	
3 rd Nil		North Rocks Shopping Centre, North Rocks Road, North Rocks 2151	
9. Australasian species		19 th ANOS Macarthur Late Spring & Sarcochilus Show.	
1 st <i>Liparis condylobulbon</i>	Trish Peterson	19, 20 th ANOS Newcastle Late Spring & Sarcochilus Show.	
2 nd <i>Bulbophyllum grandiflorum</i> var. <i>marmoratum</i>	P & J D'Olier		
	I & I Chalmers		
3 rd <i>Bulbophyllum grandiflorum</i>		November	
10. Australasian Hybrids		19 th 20 th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.	
1 st <i>Dockrillia</i> Lee-Anne x <i>hepatica</i>	David Hemmings	December	
2 nd <i>Dendrobium</i> Lime Delight	Li Shan	17 th Christmas Meeting.	
3 rd <i>Dockrillia</i> Tweetie 'Red Lip' x <i>cucumerina</i>	Joy	-o0o-	

Diary Dates

May

17, 19th Orchids Out West @ Hawkesbury Showground, Clarendon.
21st ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.

June

18th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.
29, 30th Mingara Orchid Club Show and Fair
Mingara Recreation Club.

July

16th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.

August

16, 17, 18th St Ives Orchid Fair.
20th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.
24, 25th ANOS Newcastle Spring Show.
24, 25th ANOS Central Coast Group Inc.
Spring Orchid Show, Narara Valley Nursery
31st Aug. 1st Sept ANOS Sydney Group Spring Show.
North Rocks Shopping Ctr, North Rocks Rd,
North Rocks 2151
31st Aug. 1st Sept Crescent Head Orchid Show.

September

7, 8th ANOS Warringah Group Spring Show.
14, 15th Central Coast Spring Orchid Show
Anglican Church Hall, Bateau Bay.
14th ANOS Macarthur Spring Show.
17th 20th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting –
Members only Show – Joan Cook Memorial Trophy.

October

12, 13th ANOS Central Coast Group Inc. Sarcochilus Show, Narara Valley Nursery.
15th Monthly Meeting – Members only Sarcochilus Show - Iris Pendle Memorial Trophy.
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November

19th 20th ANOS Warringah Monthly Meeting.

December

17th Christmas Meeting.

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Dendrobium bigibbum hybrid Ela Kielich

St Ives Orchid Fair

'The Big One'

ST IVES SHOWGROUND, Mona Vale Road, St Ives

Friday 16th August 2024 9 am to 4 pm
Saturday 17th August 2024 9 am to 4 pm
Sunday 18th August 2024 9 am to 3 pm

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Sarcophilus dilatatus Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium d'albertisii Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium prenticei Jim Hemmings



Dendrobium bigibbum G & S Russell



Den bigibbum hybrid Ela Kielich



Luisia teretifolia Erik Lielkajis



Den. Rutherford Starburst 'Tinonee' Ela Kielich



Oberonia crateriformis Trish Peterson



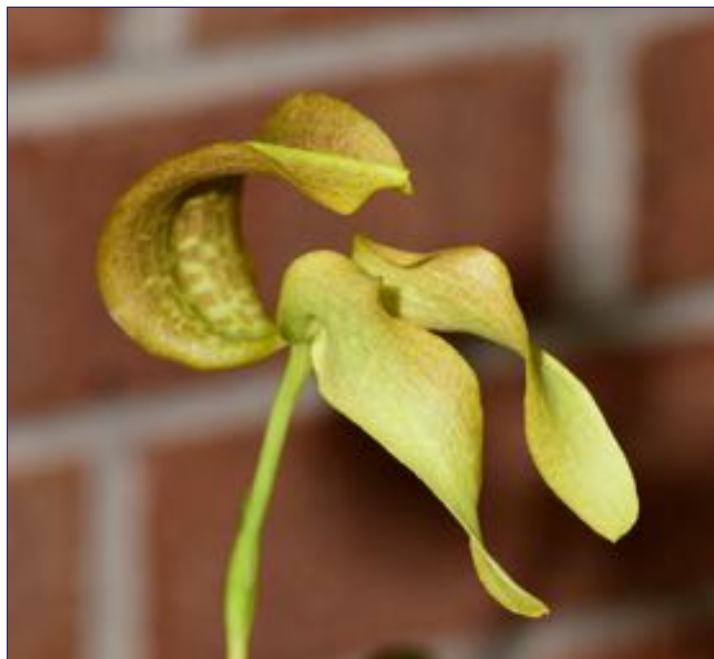
Liparis condylobulbon Trish Peterson



Liparis condylobulbon Trish Peterson



Bulbophyllum var. *marmoratum* P & J D'Olier



Bulbophyllum grandiflorum I & I Chalmers

A Bush Walk with Chris Murray

I enjoyed a very quick trip to New England earlier this month and could not resist squeezing in a bushwalk. I was rewarded with a new find for me, *Bulbophyllum elisae*, which was growing in good numbers. Quite a lot of *Dendrobium cucumerinum* on the She-oaks beside the river and on surrounding boulders. Strange how *Dendrobium pugioniforme* is restricted to rainforest areas in the Blue Mountains, but seems at home on exposed granite boulders in inland NSW. On the way back in a petrol station forecourt I found this enormous Batwing Moth having a rest.

Photos:

Chiloglottis diphylla

Bulbophyllum elisae

Dendrobium pugioniforme

Dendrobium cucumerinum

Pterostylis torquata

Chelepteryx collesi (Batwing Moth)

Regards Chris



Chiloglottis diphylla



Bulbophyllum elisae



Dendrobium pugioniforme



Dendrobium cucumerinum



Pterostylis torquata



Chelepteryx collesi

Chelepteryx collesi, the batwing moth or white stemmed gum moth, is a moth of the family Anthelidae. The species was first described by John Edward Gray in 1835. It is found in Australasia.

The wingspan of the female can range up to 160 mm; the male has a wingspan that ranges to about 140 mm.

The larvae feed on *Myrtaceae* species. They are the largest caterpillars in Australia, growing to a length of 15 cm, and they have many sharp urticating hairs. The hairs are sharp and very difficult to dislodge once embedded in the skin. The cocoons are also large and are similarly protected by stinging hairs.