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Ron Gresswell's *Phalaeonopsis* Unknown

February 2024 Newsletter

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NEXT MEETING SUNDAY 25th FEBRUARY 2024

1.30 pm	Bench Orchids
2.00 pm	General Meeting
Venue:	Albany Bridge Club, Mill Street Albany

COMPETITION PLANTS FOR February

Cymbidium West Coast x Sara Jean 'Trish'

Dendrobium Rutherford Starburst Tinonee x (Star sheen x Regal Hilda) 'Sunshine'

AOS Calendar 2024

Friday 9 th February	10.00am Cuppa morning at Emu Point Cafe
Friday 9 th February	1.30pm Committee meeting at Vancouver Street Cafe
Wednesday 21 st February	10.00am Potting Morning at Ron Panting's house
Sunday 25 th February	1.30pm Benching 2.00pm General meeting

BENCHING RESULTS FOR JANUARY 2024

1 st <i>Phalaenopsis</i> unknown	3 points	Ron Gresswell
1 st <i>Cattleya</i> Unknown	3 points	Gail Brodziak
1 st <i>Phalaenopsis</i> Unknown	3 points	Gail Brodziak
1 st <i>Encyclia Green Hornet</i> 'Buttons'	3 points	Gail Brodziak
2 nd <i>Oncidium</i> Unknown	2 points	Gail Brodziak
3 rd <i>Beallara</i> 'Pacific Pastel'	1 point	Gail Brodziak
1 st <i>Masdevallia</i> Partizan 'Cinnamom'	3 points	Julie Elliott
2 nd <i>Masdevallia</i> Midas Touch 'Golden Dynasty'	2 points	Julie Elliott
1 st <i>Phragmipedium Longifolium</i>	3 points	Julie Elliott
1 st <i>Dendrobium</i> Rutherford Starburst 'Tinonee'	3 points	Julie Elliott
2 nd <i>Dendrobium</i> Hilda Poxon	2 points	Julie Elliott
1 st <i>Macleanara</i> Yellow Star 'Golden Gambol'	3 points	Edna Murdoch
1 st <i>Colmanara</i> Wildcat 'Bloodshot'	3 points	Edna Murdoch
1 st <i>Sartylis</i> Braveheart 'Sandy'	3 points	Edna Murdoch
1 st <i>Dockrillia</i> Australian Freckles 'Jaguar' x Hot Coals'Liver' Aust. Yum Yum	3 points	Edna Murdoch
2 nd <i>Brassidium</i> Fly Away Miami	2 points	Deidre Black
2 nd <i>Cym.</i> (Golden Elf 'Stardust x Dayanum 'Alba') 'Baby Cakes'	2 points	Mary Warnes
2 nd <i>Epidendrum</i> (Miracle Valley x Cream Valley) 'Sakura'	2 points	Mary Warnes
3 rd <i>Dendrobium</i> Rutherford Starburst 'Tinonee'	1 point	Mary Warnes

NOVICE SECTION

1st *Phalaenopsis* unknown 3 points Lynda Mellows

Most popular orchid in the Open section was *Phalaenopsis* Unknown and was grown by Ron Gresswell
 Most popular orchid in the Novice section was *Phalaenopsis* unknown and was grown by Lynda Mellows
 The member who won the most points in the open section was Julie Elliott with 13 points
 The member who won the most points in the novice section was Lynda Mellows with 3 points

HERE ARE A FEW MORE PHOTOS TAKEN OF THE ORCHIDS BENCHED AT OUR JANUARY MEETING



JANUARY MEETING RAFFLE RESULTS:-

1 st Prize	Sandra Bright
2 nd Prize	Lynda Mellows
Door Prize	Ron Panting

CUPPA MORNING

Our next cuppa morning will be at Emu Point Café, on Friday 9th February, at 10.00 am. Please come along and bring some friends if you would like to.

COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be a committee meeting on 9th February at 1.30pm at Vancouver Street Café

POTTING MORNING

On 21st February at 10am, Ron Panting will be holding a potting morning at his home. All welcome, please bring any plants you consider require potting on or breaking up and repotting. As these sessions are always really informative and lots of fun, even if you don't have plants that require repotting at this time, just turn up. Also bring any plants that are causing you concerns, if these plants appear to have a virus, please leave them outside and Ron will offer advice on suitable treatment. This will be a great opportunity, especially for our newer members to learn a few hints when potting orchids and their future care. Ron's address is 4 Bronte Street Albany. Morning Tea will be provided

SPECIAL GUESTS – FEBRUARY MEETING

Norm Martin and Shirley Anderton will be our special guests at the next meeting. Norm will be speaking on entering plants in "Orchid of the Year" and will have photos from last year's entries to show us. Norm is open to any questions members may have relating to orchid cultivation in general and any issues/problems they might be experiencing, so please have your questions ready. He has also offered to give advice on sick looking/virus infected plants. In case they are infected please ensure you place any leaf samples in a "zip lock" bag, if you prefer to bring the whole plant, please leave them outside the building.

RENEWAL OF CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

All Albany Orchid Society annual memberships are due to be paid by the February meeting. Our AGM is on 24th March. Please note, you must be a financial member to be able to vote at the AGM meeting and to keep receiving this newsletter. Membership is still \$20 each, or \$30 per couple, junior membership is \$15.

If you prefer to pay via direct debit here are the bank details;- Westpac BSB 036168 ACCOUNT No. 216045 Reference: Please use your name or names if a couple. Apart from direct payment to our bank account, cash will be the only payment method, as there will be no EFTPOS payment facility at the February meeting.

HERE ARE A FEW PHOTOS TAKEN OF OUR DISPLAY AT THE ALBANY AGRICULTURE SHOW IN 2023

