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Bribie Island Orchid Society

Celebrating 39 Years

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Patron	Cr Brooke Savige	Next New Growers Meeting SATURDAY, 11 APRIL 2026 Next Birthday Lunch TUESDAY, 21 APRIL 2026 Next Cultural Meeting TUESDAY, 28 APRIL 2026
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A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello and welcome to our revised newsletter.

Unfortunately our Editor has had an accident and is waiting for surgery on her shoulder. Sandy has done a fantastic job on our newsletters up to date and we wish her a speedy recovery. Thank you to Julie Bacon for helping Sandy out with this edition.

Trusting that all your orchids are doing well. It is lovely to have our cooler weather. We are having a bus trip to Esk Garden Fair and we hope that you will all come along and enjoy it.

Happy growing!

Diann Sirett
President of BIOS

Ring in Editor's note – I don't have Publisher, nor Sandy's artistic skills, so this issue will be smaller and less attractive. Hopefully it will be informative though.

Members are invited to bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea at meetings however, please note that all food will be served, along with tea and coffee, by appointed Society members.

Now that Covid restrictions have been lifted, QR scanning is no longer required, however Members must still sign the Attendance Book which is on display at the front of the hall for insurance/attendance purposes.

MARCH 2026 NEW GROWERS

At the March New Growers Zelda took apart a plant of Stephanie's that had not been repotted for at least fifteen years. The Miltonia pieces were then sold for \$5 each and the buyer's potted them up under Zelda and Tony's supervision. People who chose to take just a cutting paid \$2. It was Stephanie's wish that following her passing her orchids be given to the Society to raise funds. Some \$90 was raised in March and the exercise will be repeated in April. Come along and receive expert advice and buy a plant or cutting.

APRIL SHOW DATES

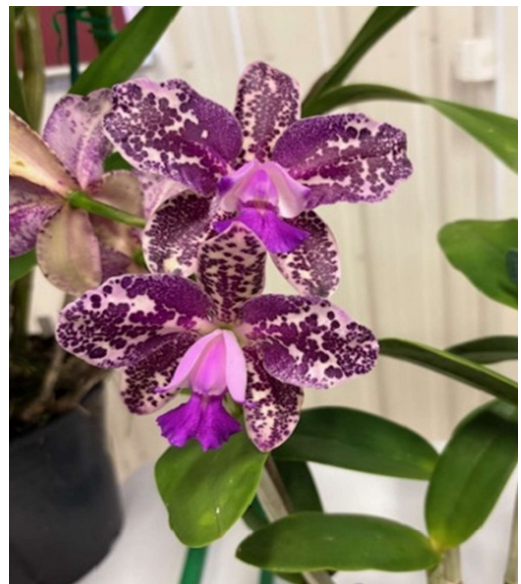
A P R I L	3-4 April	Gladstone Orchid Society Show	
	11 April	ANOS KABI Bigibbum Show, Geebung RSL	Saturday
	11 April	Glasshouse Country Orchid Society Show (Closed) Glasshouse Community Hall, Coonowrin Road, Glasshouse Mountains	Saturday only
	11-12 April	Pine Rivers Orchid Society Autumn Show Kallangur School Hall, Old Gympie Road (near Storey Road corner)	Sat, 8.30am-2pm Sun, 8.30am-1pm
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MARCH 2026 CULTURAL MEETING

Our Cultural Meeting was held on Tuesday, 24 March and members attending enjoyed a very educational question and answer session with Jill from Searles. Those who got in early with questions were duly rewarded with Searles bags and also the club received quite a number of donations towards our raffle. Four Searles items were included this month and there were more to be added to a future raffle.

The hall smelled beautiful with a wonderful array of orchids, however, the foliage was down in numbers. The results are included later in this bulletin.

The club is still looking for a new Treasurer. Could members give serious consideration to helping out in this position.



March 2026 RESULTS - CULTURAL MEETING

CLASS	No.	PLANT NAME	GROWER/S
Cattleya Exhibition (Lavender/Mauve/Purple)	1st	<i>Rlc. Mem. Susan Hawkins</i>	D & Z Holm
	2nd	<i>C. Dinard 'Blue Heaven'</i>	D & Z Holm
	3rd	<i>C. Dinard 'Blue Heaven'</i>	D & Z Holm
Cattleya Exhibition - White	1st	<i>C. Unknown</i>	P & D Firth
Cattleya Exhibition - Any other colour	1st	<i>Rlc. Pamela Lee Moller 'Beautiful'</i>	D & Z Holm
	2nd	<i>Rlc. Stephanie Maller 'Happy 80th'</i>	D & Z Holm
	3rd	<i>Rlc. Zelda's Star</i>	D & Z Holm
Cattleya 75 – 110mm	1st	<i>Rth. Yuan Dung Crazy</i>	D & Z Holm
	2nd	<i>C. Rainbow Red ??</i>	J & T Watson
	3rd	<i>Rlc. Peach Cobbler X Rlc. Village Chief North</i>	P & D Firth
Cattleya Non Exhibition	1st	<i>C. Caudebec Candy 'Burgundy'</i>	J & T Watson
	2nd	<i>C. unknown</i>	J & T Watson
Cattleya Cluster	1st	<i>Lnt. Splendid Bow</i>	R Russell
	2nd	<i>Lnt. Splendid Bow</i>	S Linsley
	3rd	<i>C. unknown</i>	J & T Watson
Cattleya Species	1st	<i>Gur. bowringiana h.f. corealea</i>	D & Z Holm
	2nd	<i>Gur. bowringiana</i>	S Linsley
	3rd	<i>Gur. bowringiana</i>	S Linsley
Dendrobium Species	1st	<i>Den. macrophyllum</i>	M Gunther
	2nd	<i>Den. cochliodes</i>	M Gunther
Dendrobium Spatulata/ Intermediate	1st	<i>Den. mem. Kip McKillop X Den. canaliculatum</i>	R Russell
	2nd	<i>Den. Airy Crimson</i>	P & D Firth
Dendrobium any other	1st	<i>(Den. macrophyllum x Den finisterael) x Den. shiraishii</i>	M Gunther
	2nd	<i>Den. Blue Horn x Den. Sakol Blue</i>	J & T Watson
	3rd	<i>Den. unknown</i>	M Gunther
Vanda over 60mm	1st	<i>V. Pachard Delight 'Blue'</i>	J & T Watson
Vanda Under 60mm	1st	<i>Asco. Oriental Rebecca X V. sanderiana</i>	J & T Watson
	2nd	<i>V. Princess Mikasa 'Pink'</i>	
Vanda Species	1st	<i>Trgl. atropurpurea</i>	J & T Watson
Phalaenopsis Any Type	1st	<i>Phal. unknown</i>	D & Z Holm
	2nd	<i>Phal. Long Pride Flash</i>	J & T Watson
Oncidium Any Other	1st	<i>Onc. Heaven Scent 'Redolence'</i>	J & T Watson
Miscellaneous Hybrid - Any Other	1st	<i>Brsdm. Golden Gamine 'White Knight'</i>	J & T Watson
	2nd	<i>Brat. Charles M Fitch 'Izumi'</i>	P & D Firth
	3rd	<i>Bulb. pingtungensis X Bulb. echinoialium</i>	J & T Watson
Miscellaneous Species	1st	<i>Bulb. pascinator alba</i>	J & T Watson
	2nd	<i>Bulb. odoratissimum</i>	R Grant
	3rd	<i>Orpha. radicans</i>	J & T Watson
Cymbidium	1st	<i>Cym. dayanum</i>	M Gunther

Australian Native Species	1st	<i>Den. bigibbum</i> var <i>compactum</i> 'Bleeding Heart'	R Russell
	2nd	<i>Den. bigibbum</i>	M Gunther
	3rd	<i>Den. bigibbum</i> var <i>compactum</i> <i>alba</i>	R. Russell
Native Species or hybrid	1st	<i>Spath. Mellow Yellow</i>	J & T Watson
NEW GROWERS			
Cattleya	1st	C. unknown	R & S Berg
Dendrobium	1st	<i>Den. Shavina</i> White	R & S Berg
Other Hybrids	1st	<i>Wils. Pacific Panache</i> 'Foreside Fever'	R & S Berg
Judges Choice - Open	44	C. unknown	P & D Firth
Judges Choice - Novice	146	C. unknown	R & S Berg
Judges Choice - Foliage		Anth. White Princess	J & T Watson
Popular Vote - Orchid			M. Gunther
Popular Vote - Foliage			J & T Watson
CLASS	No.	PLANT NAME	GROWER/S
FOLIAGE			Denotes New Grower
Bromeliad	1st	<i>Neoregetta neoregelia</i> <i>tigrima</i>	P & D Firth
Tillandsia	1st	<i>Till. Kimberley</i>	J & T Watson
	2nd	<i>Till. Disticha</i>	J & T Watson
	3rd	<i>Till. Schiedeana</i>	J & T Watson
Anthurium	1st	White Princess	J & T Watson
	2nd	<i>Andraeanum</i>	P & D Firth
	3rd	Black Queen	J & T Watson
Foliage with Flowers	1st	African Violet	S Linsley

NEW GROWERS : BENCH YOUR ORCHIDS AT CULTURAL MEETINGS AND ANY PLACINGS RESULT IN POINTS FOR THE YEAR'S AWARDS.

NB Corrections in red have been made after checking with OrchidWiz. Please change tags for new registrations and correct spellings....Zelda Holm

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NEW GROWERS			
Cattleya	1st	<i>Ctt. Susan Holcombe</i>	Bruce Kiepert
	2nd	<i>Rlc. Bernadine Kennedy</i> 'White Jewel'	Sue Harrison
	3rd	Mexican Heather = <i>Gur. bowringiana</i>	Leone Strasser
Novice Hybrid	1st	<i>Spa. Lion of Singapore</i>	Rainie Daniels
	2nd	<i>Onc. Twinkle</i>	Bruce Keipert
Novice Species	1st	<i>Er. hyacinthioids</i> 'Snow Flakes'	Margaret Swensson
Judges Choice - Novice		<i>Spa. Lion of Singapore</i>	Raine Daniels

FEBRUARY/MARCH BIRTHDAY LUNCHES

For February's Birthday Lunch we headed across the Island to the Bribie Island Surf Club at Woorim. It was very well attended **with 26 members and guests present**. One Birthday person was in attendance, (Bob Bimrose). Rainie is organising a new Birthday Book so please make sure your Birthday is recorded (the year's not required if you're shy) and put your name on the Birthday Lunch list each month if you are going to attend. Should you be unable to attend, please let Rainie know on Mobile 0414 802 733 for catering purposes.

March's Birthday lunch was held at the Bribie Island Bowls Club with numbers down a bit. Despite the lack of numbers, a lot due to illness, those present had a fabulous time. There were two birthday people being celebrated, Sandra Berg and new member Paula.

Thanks again to Di F for the photos and Rainie for doing the organizing.

The next Birthday Lunch venue on Tuesday **21 April** will be at the **Woorim Golf Club**. Please come along and join in the celebrations!

The party animals



The birthday girls



You're Invited

Redcliffe District Orchid Society Inc.
2026 Autumn Orchid Show

Friday 17th April doors open 8.30am – 3.00pm
Saturday 18th April doors open 8.30am – 3.00pm

Webb Hall, Redcliffe Show Grounds
Scarborough Road, Redcliffe

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Friday 17 April
9am - 4pm

Saturday 18 April
9am - 2pm

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2pm Saturday

ENQUIRIES CONTACT MARY 0407 651 678

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11th April 2026 8:30am – 3:00pm
12th April 2026 9:00am – 1:00pm

Silkstone State School
Prospect Street, Silkstone

Admission = \$5.00
Under 18's = FREE

Questions? Email us at ipswichorchidsociety@gmail.com

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April Birthdays



Our next Birthday Lunch will be held on

Tuesday : 21st April

Time : 12 noon

Venue : Woorim Golf Club

Links Parade, Woorim

Please contact Rainie on 0414 802 733 if you are going to attend, if you have not already put your name on the list and please remember to let Rainie know if you are unable to attend after accepting.

**Many Happy Returns to our members
celebrating their Birthdays in April**

Bev Birt 10th April

Julie de Haviland 22nd April

Barry Svensson 24th April

Di Kennedy 27th April



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