



Australian Native Orchid Society - Macarthur Group



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Next Meeting: TUESDAY, 18th February, 2020

Life Members: Mr. J. Riley, M. T. Cooke, and W. & M. Southwell, A. & C. Asquith. (J. English)

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Mt. ANNAN.

Doors open 7.15pm, benching closes 7.55pm, meeting starts 8pm

Hi to All

Congratulations to Mike Harrison for plant of the night and Mary-Anne for popular choice, Well done.

Tuber sale night was a great success with lots of tubers on the night, with many other Interesting plants auctioned as well.

How wonderful to see real rain at last, water restrictions should be eased now or in the near future.

Wally

General Meeting – 21 January 2020

7.55pm

Minutes of Meeting

The Chair – welcomed everyone to the January meeting and wished all a Happy New Year.

Attendance: As per the sign on book.

Apologies: Colin Long, Terry Cooke, Diane McDougal, Brian Birch, Marg Yabsley, Jagath Dheersekara.

Acceptance of Previous Minutes: Moved: Ian Lawson Seconded: Don Roberts **Carried**

Business Arising: Carried forwarded to General Business

Correspondence: December Quarter Orchadian

Business Arising from Correspondence: Nil

Treasurer's Report: Various incomes and expenditures Balance - \$4,573.86

Moved: Carol Asquith

Seconded: Phil Griffiths

Carried

General Business

- Update provided by Secretary on Terry Cooke current health issues.
- Margaret thanked everyone for their assistance with the December Xmas function and the provision of food.
- **Discussions around the Kempsey Speciosum Spectacular highlighted that 2020 may be the last owing to an aging group in Kempsey.**
- Water Usage Exemptions – members discussed the application process and subsequent approvals or lack of response received. Exemptions will allow for watering of 15 minutes twice a week prior to 10am or after 5pm.
- Draft 2020 Show Schedules were distributed and will be ratified at February meeting.

Tuber / Plant Sales

President Wal thanked members for their donations --42 packets of tubers / 20 plants

Sales were conducted by Wally and Tony with 98% of lots sold.

Raffles - Michael Harrison, Wally Southwell, Greg Steenbeeke

Meeting Closed at 9.30 pm

In view of the present water restrictions, an article, published in Five Dock Orchid Society's newsletter this January, may help.. (Thanks Robert). [Link to How to Water Orchids](#)

*****Sad to note the final issue of Australian Orchid Review..this was announced in the December-January issue of the magazine.. the first issue was January, 1936...I guess sometimes, the internet has a bit to answer to!!! To David Banks, a special thanks for keeping it going as long as he could!*****

January Benching Results

Class	Place	Plant Name	Owner
Dendrobium species	1	<i>Dendrobium torresae</i>	Michael Harrison
	2	<i>Dendrobium torresae</i>	Michael Harrison
Sarcanthinae species	1	<i>Plecto. Brevilabris</i>	Michael Harrison
	2	<i>Plecto. Tridentate</i>	Michael Harrison
Australian Species Other	1	<i>Cadetia taylori</i>	Michael Harrison
	2	<i>Cadetia taylori</i>	Michael Harrison
Terrestrial E'green Species	1	<i>Cryptostylis erecta</i>	Ross Morrison
	2	<i>Cryptostylis subulata</i>	Ross Morrison
Australasian Hybrid	1	Dendrobium Flirtation	Margaret and Wally Southwell
	2	Dendrobium Aridang Green	Ross Morrison
Novelty	1	Bangkok Fancy	Mary-Anne Warner
Growing Competition	1		Wally Southwell
	2		Ross Morrison
Judge's Choice		<i>Plecto. Brevilabris</i>	Michael Harrison
Popular Choice		Bangkok Fancy	Mary-Anne Warner

(I found this little poem in Kuringai Orchid Society's Newsletter about 2016)

I HAVE A LITTLE SATNAV (Author unknown)

I have a little Satnav, It sits there in my car. A Satnav is a driver's friend, It tells you where you are
 I have a little Satnav, I've had it all my life. It's better than the normal ones, My Satnav is my wife
 It gives me full instructions, especially how to drive "It's thirty miles an hour", it says, "You're doing thirty five"
 It tells me when to stop and start, and when to use the brake -- and tells me that it's never ever, safe to overtake

It tells me when a light is red, and when it goes to green! It seems to know instinctively, Just when to intervene
 It lists the vehicles just in front, and all those to the rear. And taking this into account, It specifies my gear.
 I'm sure no other driver has so helpful a device - for when we leave and lock the car, it still gives its advice
 It fills me up with counseling, each journey's pretty fraught. So why don't I exchange it, And get a quieter sort?

Ah well, you see, it cleans the house, makes sure I'm properly fed, it washes all my shirts and things and -- keeps me warm in bed!

Despite all these advantages and my tendency to scoff, I do wish that once in a while, I could turn the damned thing off!