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Call 0407 939 738

November 2025



Next General Monthly Meeting

Monday 10th November 2025

@7.30pm



Mingara Display

AOC International Conference & Show

Woolgoolga 2025

* Please if you are feeling unwell, have a cough, cold or sore throat, think of your fellow members and their families and stay home.

What's Happening....

Presidents report,
Christmas Party, and what
you need to know before
the AGM next month

BRUCE GRAY

At our October meeting Bruce Gray from North Queensland gave a presentation on native orchids found north of Cooktown.

This was a fascinating insight into where and how these orchids grow, showing the different seasons and the terrain they grow in.

Bruce has identified around 130 species in the area, including *Dockrilla*, *Dendrobium*, *Cymbidium* and *Sarcochilus*

Many thanks Bruce for an entertaining talk.



President's Report.....

MOC November 2025 Presidents Report

Thank you to Bruce Gray for his wonderful presentation on the Native Orchids of North QLD at the MOC October Meeting. Members were provided with some expert information and pictures on some of our beautiful Australian native orchids in situ.

Whilst visiting us on the Central Coast Bruce visited several growers nurseries to see how we do things down here and went on a great bush walk. A big thank you to Yvonne & Phil Spence for your wonderful hospitality providing Bruce with a place to stay and cap off a week of living and breathing orchids.

Thank you.

Steve Dunstan President



This month (November) we don't have a speaker so I will be giving a power point presentation about our experience in Woolgoolga

Just a small note, November Meeting is the last month for Monthly Benching, we don't bench in December as it is our AGM (Annual General Meeting)

Point scores will be announced at either the Xmas party or December meeting.

Points will start to accrue for next year at the January 2026 meeting.

On the next page, I have review of the
AOC International Conference & Show
Woolgoolga 2025

AOC Conference WRAP Woolgoolga October 2025

WOW!!!! What an amazing event hosted by the amazing Woolgoolga Orchid Society and an amazing & friendly group of volunteers ...140 in total!! The camaraderie between the Clubs was to be commended.

From the moment we arrived, everything was so well organised, running like clockwork from Wednesday Displays set up, Thursday Judging, Friday, Saturday & Sunday Show days, which also included 2 days of world class speakers, the whole 5 days was so much fun and enjoyment.

Steve, David Knight, Thuy, Dellas, Peter Brunker, Peter Dunstan, Jake Wanner, Loretta Steers, John & I were involved one way or another in transporting, setting up & dismantling our display.

Steve, Thuy, Anita, John & Marie were members of the 12 Judging panels

Dellas & Peter & David acted as Stewards for our display during Judging.... 7.30am-3pm!!

MOC display results *congratulations & thank you, thank you....*

16 Exhibitors....107 plants entered....30 Certificates

1. Ah-Lea Apel
2. Arnold Lockrey
3. Carole Barnett
4. David Knight
5. David Munro
6. Dellas Johnston
7. Jakob Wanner
8. JoAnn Sherman-Payne
9. John & Marie Bartlett
10. Mark Mathews
11. Paul Eleven
12. Paul Irwin
13. Peter Brunker
14. Phillip Adams
15. Steve Dunstan
16. Thuy Tran



Thank you to George & Virginia, Arnold, Dave Munro, John Bennett, & Mary A for taking the trip north to experience the Conference

The Speakers program included many International and Australian speakers, including:

Chris Cobb (Qld) Dendrobiums of Tropical North Queensland

Fred Clarke (USA) 2 presentations... Catasetum alliance & Mini, Compact & Splashed Cattleyas

Ashley FieldPhalaenopsis rosenstromii

Michael Coker Tips, traps & suggestions

David Banks 2 presentations.....Indian *Dendrobiums* & Rare & Unusual Orchid Species

Ivan Portilla Phragmipedium

Wenqing Perner.... Paphiopedilum & Cypripedium

Scott Barrie Zygopetaliinae

Canh Chu Xuan Slipper Orchids of Vietnam

Marie Bartlett



A Note from the Secretary's Desk

1. At the November General meeting we will also be holding a "Special Meeting" to vote on changes to part of the Mingara Orchid Club Inc. constitution.

The Committee felt it would be easier for members to have our yearly membership renewal starting on 1 January – 31 December.

2. New Bank Details - For Membership Payment

Bendigo Bank – Wyong

BSB 633 000

Acc No 233946797

3. Just a reminder our AGM will be held on 8th December General Meeting.

If you wish to be part of a very hard working committee – Please fill in the a Attached nomination form, and return to me or email, or mail to

PO Box 8028 Tumbi Umbi NSW 2261

NO later than Monday 1 st December.

Take care everyone

Dellas

Congratulations



A well deserved congratulations from Mingara Orchid Club to member **Dave Munro** for being presented with his Highly Commended Certificate (HCC) from the Australian Orchid Council (AOC) at our October meeting for his *Cattleya labiata var. alba* 'Jenna' that was assessed and nominated for award in April 2025



C. labiata alba
David Munro



October meeting Benching

HYBRID OF THE NIGHT



Phalenopsis
Paul Coomber

SPECIES OF THE NIGHT



Den. thrysiflorum
Jorgen Schultz

NOVICE OF THE NIGHT



Den. NOiD
Yolande Baker

SPECIMEN OF THE NIGHT



Den. Hoshimusume Gaming
Paul Erwin

Pictures continued on next page.....

Plants benched for October meeting cont.....



Lycaste Jenny Wren
Jeff Ahern



Arpophyllum giganteum
Paul Eleven



Den. Hamana "Lake Dream"
Yolande Baker



Den. polysema var.
palladin
Arnold Lockrey



Den. NOiD
Yolande Baker



Den. "Stardust"
Yolande Baker



Ctna. Just Because 'Nicci'
Dave Munro



Sarc. Rosella 'Spotty' x
Kulnura Absolute 'Dot'
Mark Mathews



Cat. Trick or Treat
Peter Brunker



Cym. Pied Piper
Rev Peter Dunstan



Den. Bright Eyes
Paul Erwin



Vanda tricolor
Paul Eleven



Phalenopsis NOiD
Janice Matts



Sarc. Roberta Good
Yellow
George & Virginia
Penfold



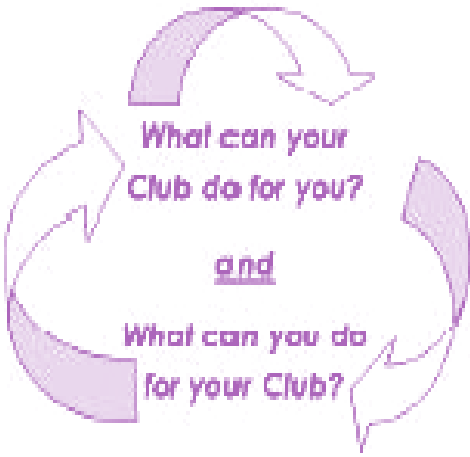
Sarc. Kulnura Festival
'Barrita' x Bunyip 'Barrita'
Mark Mathews



Phaius tankervilleae
Jeff Ahern



Paph. Memoria Jodi Hart
Peter Brunker



Congratulations.....
Winner of the Lucky Door Fruit Box.
John Bennett
Lucky Exhibitor
Peter Dunstan & Paul Coomber

Thank you...to Cresthaven Fresh Fruit Market for their generous donation of our monthly lucky door prize.
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Raffle Winners...

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CLOSED SUNDAYS & MONDAYS

Just a reminder Port Pots are only available to Mingara Orchid Club financial members.

Limited to 5 pots of assorted sizes, per member per month.

Please don't buy for other club members or family members.




2025 - 2026 Meetings and Shows Calendar.....

November

9th Manly-Warringah OS Auction @ Cromer
9am sharp

10th MOC Monthly Meeting
29th Mingara Christmas Party @ Anglican
Church Bateau Bay

December

6th Succulent Show Display and Sales @ Narara
Valley Nursery

8th MOC Monthly Meeting
13th - 14th OSNSW Summer Show, Ermington



2026

January

10-11th Camden Haven OS @ Laurieton
12th MOC Monthly Meeting

February

7th MINGARA OC Bunnings BBQ Tuggerah
9th MOC Monthly Meeting

March

9th MOC Monthly Meeting

April

13th MOC Monthly Meeting
18-19th Collectors Plant Fair @ Penrith

May

11th MOC Monthly Meeting
15-17th Orchids Out West

June

9th MOC Monthly Meeting
19-20th Manning River OS @ Uniting Church Taree
26-28th MINGARA FAIR & SHOW

July

13th MOC Monthly Meeting

August

10th MOC Monthly Meeting
21-22nd Manning River OS @ Uniting
Church Taree

September

11-13th MINGARA SPRING FAIR & SHOW
14th MOC Monthly Meeting
18-20th Orchids Central @ Condell Park

If you have any Orchid Show dates that haven't appeared in this list, please contact Amanda Rounsley our editor to add to the calendar.



When

Saturday 29th November

Where:

Anglican Church
Bateau Bay

Time:

5pm onwards

RSVP: Mon 17th November
(definitely no later)

BYO Alcohol & drinks

Email: secretarymoc08@gmail.com

or

Phone: 0407939738

Fundraising

BBQ

*Bunnings
Tuggerah*



7th February **Bunnings Tuggerah**

2026

Volunteers required ASAP!!!

Come join
us for a
snag and a
chinwag!

STEVE DUNSTAN :- 0411 149 499



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