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**NEXT MEMBERS'  
MEETING**  
23<sup>rd</sup> Oct 2025 at the  
Cromer Community  
Centre @ 8pm  
(benching from 7:30).

**NEXT COMMITTEE  
MEETING – Thursday**  
6nd Nov 2025.  
Contact secretary for  
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## President's Report

At our last meeting, we had our AGM and I would like to welcome Olivia Zandstra as our new Secretary. She has big shoes to fill following on from many years of service from Tinka but I'm sure she will do an admirable job. The rest of the meeting went well with a fabulous benching of beautiful plants and some light discussion and plant descriptions. This month Bill Dobson will be giving a presentation on this year's trip to Queensland, and this is not to be missed. See you at the meeting.

## What's On This Month:

### Supper Volunteers for 23rd October:

#### Emilia Henwood and the Zandstra's



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Attention! Please check your diaries for when you can sign up for at least one date on the circulated **2026 Supper Roster** this month. Store bought items are fine; they don't need to be home made. As always, thanks to all who help set up supper and clean up afterwards. Your assistance anytime is always greatly appreciated!

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### 23rd Oct Speaker:

#### Our very own Bill Dobson: Torpedo Bay Walk FNQ – a Walk Full of Surprises

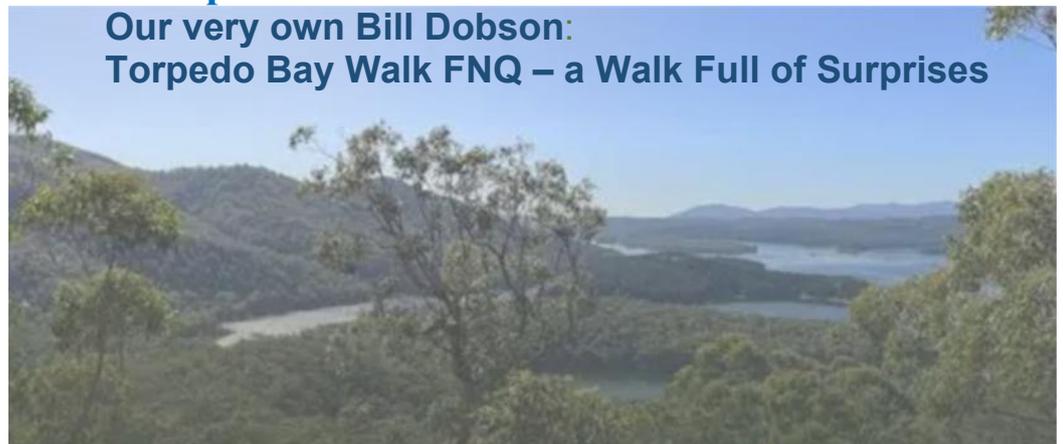


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## SEPTEMBER 2025 BENCHING POINT SCORE

Total plants benched: 200!

### OPEN DIVISION

#### 1. Sarcophilus Hybrid

1. *Sarc.* unknown

#### 2. Australian Native Hybrid

1. *Den.* Greta Snow
2. *Den.* Ivory x Gracilacaule
3. *Den.* Kingianum Bardo Rose 'Jayhurst'HCC

#### 3. Australasian

1. *Den* Pacific Pride

#### 4. Dockrillia Hybrid

1. *Dock.* Stephen 'Pink'
2. *Dock.* Waverly Gem x Grumpy Cronulla
3. *Dock.* 'Dainty Cascades x pugioniforme'

#### 5. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) >120mm

1. *C.* Lynn Spencer 'Cha'
2. *Blc.* Rose Whisper 'Susei' SM/TOGA
3. *Lc.* Mildred Rivers 'Orchidglades'

#### 6. Laeliinae Hybrid (Exhibition) <120mm

1. *Rlc.* Hsinying Aloha 'C.H.Super'
2. *Rlc.* Dal's Grace x Pot Dal's Moon

#### 7. Laeliinae Hybrid (Multifloral/Novelty)

1. *Cat.* Splash of Port

#### 7A. Laeliinae (Novelty Type Hybrid)

1. *Lc.* Mini Purple Jessica
2. *Cat.* Best friend Cleopatra
3. *Rlc.* Donna Kimura x Coconut Ice

#### 8. Laeliinae Miniature

#### 8A.Laeliinae Epidendrum

1. *Epi.* Wedding Valley 'Sakura'
2. *Epi.* Bright Sun
3. *Epi.* Wedding Song 'Sakura'

#### 9. Cymbidium Standard

1. *Cym.* Atlantic Crossing x Eight Carat #1

#### 10. Cymbidium Intermediate

1. *Cym.* Gladys Whitesell Heavenly

#### 11. Cymbidium Miniature

1. *Cym.* Dr Len Ruby Sunset
2. *Cym.* unknown
3. *Cym.* Pee Wee 'Dr Baker'

#### 12.Dendrobium

1. *Den.* Yukidaruma 'King'
2. *Den.* Frosty Maree 'Peach'
3. *Den.* Roongkamool Vejvart x Den. Schuratti

#### 13. Oncidiinae 30mm and less

1. *Onc.* Splinter

#### 14. Oncidiiae 30mm - 60mm

1. *Odcdm.* unknown
2. *Odcm.* Cherry Fudge

#### 15. Oncidiiae 60mm and above

1. *Odcdm.* Dorothy Wisnom Golden Gate

#### 16. Paphiopedilum Exhibition

1. *Paph.* Two for Tea x  
*Paph.* Candelo x Vision 'Oliver'

#### 17A. Paphiopedilum Novelty

#### 17. Cypridpedioideae (Paphs and Prags)

1. *Paph.* Quirola
2. *Paph.* Quirola
3. *Paph.* Lady Light

#### 18. Phalaenopsis Exhibition

1. *Phal.* Funky Love
2. *Phal.* unknown
3. *Phal.* King Car Lollipop

#### 19. Phalaenopsis Novelty

1. *Phal.* unknown

#### 19A. Phalaenopsis Miniature

1. *Phal.* Eiderstedt

#### 20. Vandaceous >51mm

1. *V.* (Wirrat x Madam Ratten 'Pink')
2. *V.* unknown
3. *V.* Kasem's Delight 'Big Red'

#### 21.Vandaceous/Ascocendas

1. *Vandopsis* Pinky

1 Plant

N. Macri

8 Plants

G. Russell  
S. Torrissi  
R. Mathews

1 Plant

A. Sulfaro

5 Plants

R.G.Blaxland  
R. Mathews  
Cary Polis

6 Plants

G. & A.Cushway  
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G. & A.Cushway

2 Plants

G. & A.Cushway  
A. Sulfaro

1 Plant

N. Macri

5 Plants

A. Sulfaro

A. Sulfaro

A. Sulfaro

0 Plants

4 Plants

C. Polis

C. Polis

A. Sulfaro

1 Plant

S. Torrissi

1 Plants

A. Sulfaro

3 Plants

A. Sulfaro

R. Mathews

R. Mathews

7 Plants

T. Riddell

R.G. Blaxland

R.G. Blaxland

1 Plants

N. Macri

2 Plants

A. Sulfaro

C. Polis

1 Plant

A. Sulfaro

1 Plant

A. Sulfaro

0 Plants

3 Plants

A. Sulfaro

A. Sulfaro

C. Polis

4 Plants

G. & A.Cushway

P. Johnson

C. Polis

1 Plant

N. Macri

1 Plant

C. Polis

3 Plants

C. Polis

C. Polis

C. Polis

1 Plant

C. Polis

#### 22. Other Orchid Hybrid

1. *Lyc.* Shaolhaven
2. *Lyc.* Aquila
3. *Zygo.* Elle

### SPECIES

#### 38. Sarcophilus Species

1. *Sarc. falcatus*
2. *Sarc. aequalis*

#### 39. Australian Epiphyte Species

1. *Den. kingianum*
2. *Den. gracilicaule*
3. *Bulbo.wadsworthii*

#### 40. Australasian Epiphyte Species

1. *Den. bilobum*
2. *Den. bracteosum*
3. *Den. mohlianum*

#### 41. Dockrillia

1. *Doc. calmiformis*
2. *Doc. striolata 'Neville' x self*
3. *Doc striolata 'Neville' x self*

#### 42. Australasian Terrestrial

1. *Pterostylis curta*
2. *Pterostylis baptistii*

#### 43. Laeliinae Alliance (cattleya & laelia)

1. *Cat. aurantica 'yellow' x self*
2. *Cat. skinneri 'Casa Luna'*
3. *Cat. skinneri alba*

#### 44. Laeliinae Alliancexima

1. *Ryncolaelia glauca*
2. *Epi stanfordianum*
3. *Ryncolaelia glauca*

#### 45. Oncidiiae Alliance Species

1. *Onc. maculatum*
2. *Onc. maculatum*
3. *Onc. maculatum*

#### 46. Maxillaria Species

1. *Max. porphyrostele*
2. *Max. porphyrostele*
3. *Max. variabilis 'Red'*

#### 47. Other Species 'The Americas'

#### Species Rest of the World

#### 48. Dendrobium Species

1. *Den. linawianum*
2. *Den. nobile 'Sunny Eye'*
3. *Den. cooksonii*

#### 49. Cypridpedioideae (Paph and Prag)Species

#### 50. Phalaenopsis species

1. *Paph. javanica*
2. *Paph. mannii*
3. *Paph. mannii*

#### 51. Vandaceous Species

1. *Vanda ustii*
2. *Vanda denisoniana*
3. *Renanthera imschootiana*

#### 52. Dendrochilum Species

1. *Ddc. cobbianum*
2. *Ddc. cobbianum*
3. *Ddc. cobbianum*

#### 53. Coelogyne Species

1. *Coel. lawrenceana* EOC Paris
2. *Coel. cristata*
3. *Coel. flaccida*

#### 54. Other Species 'Asia & the Rest of World

1. *Cym. lowianum*
2. *Bulbo.mastersianum*
3. *Cym. eburneum*

#### 55. Miniature-maximum height

(excluding raceme)of 150mm (6 inches)

1. *Den. lichenstrum*
2. *Den. lichenstrum*
3. *Max. variabilis*

#### 56. First Flowering Seedling Species

1. *Vanda foetida x sib*

#### 57. First Flowering Seedling Hybrid

5 Plants

A. Sulfaro

A. Sulfaro

S. Torrissi

2 Plants

L. & B. Dobson

L. & B. Dobson

12 Plants

I. Tanner

I. Tanner

L. & B. Dobson

7 Plants

G. Cantor

A. Sulfaro

G. Cantor

14 Plants

L. & B. Dobson

L. & B. Dobson

L. & B. Dobson

2 Plants

R.G.Blaxland

R.G.Blaxland

6 Plants

C. Polis

C. Polis

C. Polis

3 Plants

A. Sulfaro

C. Polis

P. McDonough

3 Plants

C. Polis

C. Polis

P. McDonough

5 Plants

P. McDonough

R. Mathews

I. Tanner

0 Plants

5 Plants

M. Asbury

N. Macri

T. Riddell

0 Plants

3 Plants

C. Polis

C. Polis

C. Polis

5 Plants

C. Polis

C. Polis

C. Polis

4 Plants

A. Sulfaro

T. Riddell

M. Asbury

12 Plants

R.G. Blaxland

N. Macri

C. Polis

6 Plants

R. Mathews

C. Polis

P. McDonough

4 Plants

C. Polis

C. Polis

R.G.Blaxland

1 Plant

C. Polis

0 Plants

## NOVICE

### 23. Australasian Species

1. *Den.* unknown
2. *Den. kingianum* 'Freckles'
3. *Den. falcorostrum*

### 24. Laeliinae

### 25. Oncidiiae

### 26. Any other Species of Americas

1. *Max. cucullata*

### 27. Species Rest of the World

1. *Holcoglossum flavascens*
2. *Coel.lawrenceana mooreana*
3. *Bletilla striata*

### 28. Australasian Hybrids

1. *Den. Delicatum*
2. *Dock. Striolata* Tassie Gold x 'Gold Strike'

### 29. Cymbidium Standard

### 30. Cymbidium Intermediate & Miniature

1. *Cym.* Daytime 'Bumble Bee'
2. *Cym.* Bulbarroa 'Waikeanda'

### 3 Plants

- G. Wassermeyer  
O. & J. Zandstra  
O. & J. Zandstra

### 0 Plants

### 0 Plants

### 1 Plant

- K. Nelson

### 4 Plants

- S. Thompson  
S. Kirk  
S. Kirk

### 2 Plants

- K. Nelson  
O. & J. Zandstra

### 0 Plants

### 2 Plants

- S. Kirk  
S. Kirk

### 31. Paphiopedilum Hybrid

1. *Paph.* Doya Impulse
2. *Paph.* Winston Churchill 'Indomitable' x Laketta

### 32. Dendrobium Hybrid

1. *Den.* Nobile hybrid
2. *Den.* Bird of Paradise 'Red Beauty'
3. *Den.* unknown

### 33. Laeliinae Hybrid

1. *Rlc.* Orglade's Grand x Mt Hood
2. *Epi.* Wedding Valley 'Sakura'
3. *Rth* Shin fong Little Sun Young Min-Golden Boy

### 34. Oncidiiae Allied Intergenerics Hybrid

### 35. Hybrid of Americas All Other

### 36. Other Orchid Hybrid

1. *Phal.* unknown
2. *Dtps* Tzu Chiang Orange #1
3. *Phal.* unknown (yellow and white)

### 2 Plants

- S. Kirk  
S. Kirk

### 5 Plants

- A. & T. Evans  
S. Kirk  
O. & J. Zandstra

### 7 Plants

- S. Kirk  
S. Kirk

- S. Thompson

### 0 Plants

### 0 Plants

### 12 Plants

- S. Thompson  
S. Thompson  
S. Thompson



## DIARY DATES 2025

23 Oct	Members' Meeting
9 Nov	MWOS Auction
27 Nov	Members' Meeting
7 Dec	MWOS Christmas Party
18 Dec	Members' Meeting



Got 1 hour to 1 day free on **Sun. 9 Nov?**  
Help is needed at the **MWOS Auction** from  
7:30am to late afternoon.  
Bring snacks or a lunch to keep the energy up!

**NOTE: All growers are to set up their plants  
on the designated tables before 9am!**

## IS YOUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT ARE OVERDUE??

Pay at the 23 Oct meeting or by direct  
deposit, noting who it is from.

Account No. 00906498 BSB 062155

Example:

For Single \$15: A. Evans 2025Subs

For Family \$18: A. & T. Evans 2025Subs

## MWOS Executive and Committee for 2025-26

President:	Cary Polis
Vice-president 1:	Angie Sulfaro
Vice-president 2:	Kathleen Nelson
Secretary:	Olivia Zandstra
Treasurer:	Sophia Kirk
Committee	
Members:	Mark Asbury Guy Cantor Tricia Hamilton Roslyn Mathews Matthew Roberts

Be sure to thank the above members for  
volunteering to steer us into another successful and  
fulfilling year!



# Congratulations to all the September winners!

Photos by B. Dobson

## Hybrid of the Night



***Cattleya Lyn Spencer 'Cha'***  
Grown by Gloria and Allan Cushway

## Species of the Night



***Cattleya aurantica* yellow x self**  
Grown by Cary Polis

## Specimen of the Night



***Dockrillia calamiformis***  
Grown by Lorraine and Bill Dobson



**Novice of the Night**  
***Phalaenopsis* unknown**  
Grown by Stephanie Thompson



## President's Report from 2025 AGM (delivered 25 Sept 2025)

Once again, the MWOS has had a successful year. Our monthly meetings continue to be well attended, well benched, and once again, we had a good mix of speakers and culture sessions. Our two shows were very successful, and we are lucky to have the Home Co Centre at Belrose as our venue. Once again, we had so many entries on both occasions, that it was extremely difficult to accommodate all the plants.

The St Ives Orchid Fair continues to be hugely successful, and we are proud, indeed fortunate, to be involved with this as a founding society. As far as the display judging went, we had our most successful year ever, coming in second.

Due to a number of circumstances resulting in a perfect storm, we decided to cancel the November auction. No-one does auctions better than us, so we were not going to compromise ourselves with substandard entries. We also had Tinka laid up extremely ill in India and this certainly didn't help. Fortunately, most of the vendors took the hint regarding the quality of their entries, resulting in a fabulous March auction, and if not mistaken, bringing in a record return. We had the luxury of having about 80 entries above the ideal number, but the job of culling was made very difficult, due to the high quality of the entries.

Our Christmas party again was a great event where annual prizes were given out, a donation to the Fisher Road School was made, and great food was eaten.

Now, I want to thank all those who have helped during the year. I'm not going to start mentioning names because I would probably leave someone out. I also want to thank my committee and executive for the hard work that they have put in.

Hopefully you have read what I had to say in the last Bulletin about the secretary position being vacant after Tinka's many years of service. If this society is to continue thriving, we need new people to step up and be more active in running this society. To be honest, most of us on the executive, in particular, have been in their roles for way too long. As far as I'm concerned, this will be my last year as president. We have presidential terms of up to five years, so it's time for someone else to step in. The future of this society is completely dependent upon renewal, not only the president, secretary, etc., but even in the committee. So come on, how about it?

Thanks everyone.

### The In-Betweeners

This space will feature plants that didn't make it to the monthly benchings for various reasons. Send your photo, with your and your orchid's name to: [Whatstheproblem.mwos@gmail.com](mailto:Whatstheproblem.mwos@gmail.com).

Emilia Hensood and Anne Evans share some of what's been blooming this past month in some heavy pots at their homes.



Coel flaccida grown by Emilia



2 pots of Cym Kulnura Tawny 'Burnt Tan' grown by Anne

## Tuesday 13th October, What a great morning!

Nice blue sky gentle breeze and I'm off for a walk to the beach and rock pool.

When I got back from my walk and while I was having some brekkie, I decided that today was too good to waste. Bugger the dishes, the washing, and ironing. I'm off!

I decided to go where some of my early interest in terrestrial orchids began, mainly: *Diuris aurea* .

I grabbed my cap, phone and car keys and I'm gone. After a short drive to the sandstone ridges above Narrabeen and Elanora, I arrived at a spot that I remember that they lived. It had changed, or was it my memory? Anyway, after a short walk, I found some *Diuris* that had finished flowering.

A bit disappointed, I thought that I had missed the flowering. A short walk further on and to my relief, there they were. Scattered, but about a dozen in flower. Not good for a group photo, but thrilled to see that they were still there after all these years. Believe me it was such a tonic. I really had a wonderful morning. All about thirty minutes from home.

Now for the downside, the dishes the washing and the ironing...

Regards Mick Korzenowski.

(Editor's note: Interested in submitting your own "Ramble"? Send it along to [anneatMWOS@gmail.com](mailto:anneatMWOS@gmail.com), (with or without photos).

