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Hello once again

Last month was another interesting meeting, with talks by Goff on how to prepare plants for shows and competitions and Nigel on the use of fertilisers.

Our thanks go to Janine and Giles for opening their home at short notice, and I'm sure you'll agree that it was a great venue with some nice cooling sea breezes and beautiful views.

This month's meeting is being held in the Memorial Hall in Main Street Pialba next to the Cenotaph, and Peter Ball from Brisbane will be giving a talk and slideshow presentation on his trip to the 2018 World Conference in the U.S.A. He is an excellent and informative speaker, and this is a meeting you don't want to miss.

The day will start at 12.00 noon with a Sausage Sizzle, and chairs are available at the hall so just bring your mug for tea/coffee. There will also be the usual Plant Of The Month Competition, as well as sale plants and the raffle. Plenty of parking is available behind the shops, in Charles Street at the sea end of the hall, and in Main Street.

It was good to see more members bringing along their plants for Show And Tell, as well as ones they're having problems with, and this is a part of the meetings we'd like to expand on. Seeing what others are growing and how they're doing it is always a good thing, plus getting a chance to see some you may not have or have not seen before.

Have you got your name down yet for the bus trip on May 25th to the Wildfire Nursery at Yandina and John Byth's Alcantarea Nursery at Woodford? It's only \$35 for members and \$45 for non-members and a great day is assured. We will be stopping at the Woodford Hotel for lunch, which will be at your own expense, and if time permits we'll stop at the Yandina Ginger Factory for afternoon tea. If you're going please make sure Sue knows, and payment will also be accepted so that final numbers can be confirmed. Pick-up will be at the Chronicle offices in Pialba at 6.30 and McDowell carpark in Maryborough at 7.00.

From Your Gardens

(If you have any plants you'd like to show off please email me photos and I'll feature them)



Orthophytum
Roberto Menescal
(Greg Menzies)



Vriesea Astrid



Neo Passion x Passion



T. ionantha Large Clone



Vriesea Elfi



T. ionantha Maui



Neo Chirripo



T. Gardneri x Rupicola



Neo Malbec

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS FOR APRIL

Goff Loughran
Max Marskell
Meg Pailthorpe
Karen Thomson

DIARY DATES FOR 2019

BYO chair, mug, plants you need help with, sales plants, plant of the month entries, and raffle donations to our meetings. Please note – unless notified otherwise meetings are on the fourth Saturday of the month, which may not always be the last Saturday.

April 27 th	Pialba Memorial Hall 55 Main Street Pialba
May 25 th	Bus Trip – Destination to be advised
June 22 nd	John & Narelle Hoffmann
July 27 th	Ian & Burnice Fluerty
August 24 th	David & Lorraine Ward
September 21 st	TBA
October 26 th	Ron & Elizabeth Southern
November 2/3	Monster Sale
November 23 rd	Christmas Breakup

Plant Of The Month Winners for March Aechmea

Open – Judge’s Choice – Nigel Thomson

1. Roberto Menescal – Goff Loughran
2. Zebra Crossing – Ian Fluerty
3. Orlandiana Pink Form – Val Honeywood

Member’s Choice

1. Dark Goddess – John Casey
2. Zebra Crossing – Ian Fluerty
3. Roberto Menescal – Goff Loughran

Novice – Judge’s Choice

1. Orlandiana Ensign – David Ward
2. Phanerophlebia – David Ward
3. Bert – David Ward

Member’s Choice

1. Orlandiana Ensign – David Ward
2. Chantinii Samurai – Del Gough
3. Phanerophlebia – David Ward

Plant Of The Month For 2019

January	Non-variegated Neo (Non-mini)
February	Tillandsia
March	Aechmea
<u>April</u>	<u>Foliage Vriesea</u>
May	None
June	Mini Neoregelia (Cluster or single)
July	Sincoregelia
August	Quesnelia
September	Billbergia
October	Variegated Neoregelia

NOTES FROM THE COMMITTEE

Don't forget that unless notified otherwise sales start at 1.00 pm and finish at afternoon tea, and plants travel much better in boxes or recyclable bags than plastic bags.

OUR PRICE LIST EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2019

125MM SQUAT POTS	\$2.90 for 10
140MM SQUAT POTS	\$3.75 for 10
165MM POTS	\$3.00 for 5
200MM POTS	\$3.50 for 5
HANGERS (4 PRONG)	\$3.00 for 10
SMALL WHITE LABELS	\$1.25 for 25
LARGE WHITE LABELS	\$2.00 for 25
YELLOW SALES LABELS	\$6.00 for 100
LABELLING PENCILS	\$3.60 each
FERTILISER	\$2.75 for 500 grams

If you are going to purchase items it would be appreciated if you could ring Maxine on 41245128 prior to the meeting so she can have your order ready on the day. If you discover you need them just prior to the meeting don't worry, there will still be plenty available.

Goff has potting mix for sale at \$8 for a 30 litre bag, and if you ring him on 0416783773 prior to the meeting he will have it there for you.

What's On Around The Traps

Noosa And District Orchid And Foliage Society
2019 Annual Mother's Day Show
CWA Hall Maple Street Cooroy

Friday May 10th 8.30 – 4.00pm and Saturday 11th 8.30 – 2.30

Admission Adults \$3.00 – Children under 16 free

Raffles, plant sales and expert advice on orchids. BYO boxes and bags. EFTPOS available

