

Autumn Show Schedule 2025
15-17 May, Lidcombe Shopping Centre

Setup Details

- **Table Setup:** Thursday 15 May from 7.00 am
- **Plant Benching & Show Set Up:** Thursday 15 May until 12 noon
- **Judging:** Friday 16 May at 9.30 a.m
- **Dismantling** Saturday 17 May from 2pm at the President's discretion (please be present before 2pm)

Prizes

- Grand Champion:** \$75 and Sash
- Reserve Champion:** \$50 and Sash
- Champions:** \$20 and Sash
- Prize Money all Classes:** 1st \$10.00 | 2nd \$5.00

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MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT YOUR ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED FOR SHOW SECURITY!!!

Grand Champion

Reserve Champion

- Champion Laeliinae /species or hybrid
- Champion Cyripedioideae/species or hybrid
- Champion Oncidiinae/species or hybrid
- Champion Monopodial/species or hybrid
- Champion Any Other Genera/species or hybrid
- Champion Species
- Champion Specimen
- Champion Seedling
- Champion Novice

Open Classes

- Class 1 Best Cymbidium greater than 90mm
- Class 2 Best Cymbidium 60mm to 90mm
- Class 3 Best Cymbidium up to 60mm
- Class 4 Best Laeliinae over 110mm
- Class 5 Best Laeliinae 65-109mm
- Class 6 Best Laeliinae 64mm or less
- Class 7 Best Laeliinae Cluster Type
- Class 8 Best Laeliinae any other
- Class 9 Best Monopodial 80mm and over
- Class 10 Best Monopodial up to 79mm
- Class 11 Best Oncidiinae hybrid over 65mm
- Class 12 Best Oncidiinae hybrid up to 64mm
- Class 13 Best Cyripedioideae hybrid (Paphs/Phrags)
- Class 14 Best Cyripedioideae (Novelty/Primary Hybrid)
- Class 15 Best Dendrobium hybrid/species (other than Australian/Australasian)
- Class 16 Best Pleurothallidinae hybrid/species
- Class 17 Best Any Other Genera
- Class 18 Best Seedling to be nominated
- Class 19 Best Species Cattleya
- Class 20 Best Species Oncidinae
- Class 21 Best Species Cyripedioideae
- Class 22 Best Species Monopodial
- Class 23 Best Species Asia
- Class 24 Best species other
- Class 25 Best Australian/Australasian native species or hybrid

Novice Classes

- Class 26 Best Species
- Class 27 Best any other Genera

Conditions

1. Initial class places are tentative until all results are collated and finalised the following day.
2. Entries are received upon the basis that the Society and/or its sponsors shall not be responsible for any loss, destruction nor damage to such exhibits and the exhibitor shall have no claim against the Society or Sponsors.
3. Entries are accepted on condition that they are disease free. The decision of the President or Show Marshal shall be final.
4. All competitive entries shall have been owned and in the possession of the exhibitor for the preceding six months.
5. All competitive entries should be correctly and clearly labelled with the name of the plant.
6. There shall be no restriction to the number of entries by an exhibitor in any class. Entries in joint names will be accepted. Only financial members may exhibit.
7. The Show Marshall and Committee reserve the right to reject, remove or rearrange any exhibit without giving any reason for that action and to reclassify any plant if necessary, prior to judging.
8. All plants shall be booked in and in position ready for judging by 12 noon on the day of set-up.
9. Entries are eligible for judging in one class only, except where stated otherwise in the schedule.
10. Only active financial members (attended 6 or more monthly meetings of BOS in each financial year) will be eligible to participate in competition or sales at BOS events.
11. If in the opinion of the Judges no exhibit in any class warrants a prize, none may be given. At the discretion of the Show Marshall additional classes may be created where warranted.
12. Plants for special prizes shall be selected from all exhibits in the show unless otherwise specified.
13. Judging shall be by a panel of Judges nominated by the O.S.N.S.W. Registrar and shall be in accordance with the standards and by-laws laid down by the O.S.N.S.W. Inc. The Judges decision shall be final.
14. No exhibit may be dismantled or removed prior to closing time of the show at 2pm on the final day of show.
15. 'Novice' shall mean: Any exhibitor until she/he has won either a champion award in one of our society shows, the yearly point score in the monthly competition of this society, or becomes an open class competitor in any other society.
16. 'Seedling' shall mean the complete plant grown from seed and flowered for the first time. Plants that have been grown on or divided prior to being exhibited on the show bench are not eligible to be shown as seedlings. For exhibition purposes seedlings shall retain their status of 'Seedling' throughout the flowering season in which they first flower. Mericlones are not eligible as seedlings.
17. 'Miniature species' are defined as Orchids with flowers 15mm or under in size across the widest part of the flower, regardless of the number of flowers, and distance of <200 from 1st to last flower. All miniature species will be judged in this class.
18. 'Miniature Cymbidium Hybrids' are defined for the purpose of this schedule as Cymbidiums where the flowers are 55mm or less, to be measured horizontally across the visible limits of the flower without manipulation and are also miniature in habit.
19. 'Laeliinae Alliance' classes shall include all combinations and not only those hybrids with Cattleya in their parentage. E.g. Epidendrum, Sophronitis, Laelia, Hawkinsara, Cattleyatonia, Leptotes etc.
20. Staking shall be in accordance with the rules of O.S.N.S.W. i.e. flowers may be supported in the best possible manner for presentation. This supporting should be in such a manner so as not to be obtrusive and distract from the overall beauty and charm of the plant. With single flowered genera e.g. Paphiopedilum, Lycaste, etc., ties or support shall be no higher than immediately below the ovary. If it is necessary to tie above the bottom flower or top branch, the judges are permitted to penalise, or temporarily remove such tie for the purpose of judging.
21. The cover for plants under protection for humidity must be transparent.
22. Champion seedling is not to be considered for Grand Champion unless it has already won the Champion in its class.
23. Plants offered for sale at the show must be free of disease and pests, offered at a maximum rate of \$150 or less and sold or rejected for sale at the discretion of the President or the President's representative.
24. Only members who have benched a suitable number of plants in this show (at the discretion of the President or representative) may offer plants for sale. The commission charged by the Bankstown Orchid Society for the sale of member's plants will be 15% from those members who provide a minimum of 4 hours supervision at the venue, or 25% from members who do not attend for the required length of time. The supervision required to avoid the extra commission will not include the day of set up or the day of dismantling. Please ensure that you sign on and off in the attendance book, and report to the Committee member 'in charge' at that time.
25. Members attending BOS shows must be wearing an identifiable BOS name badge.
26. **NO NAMES PLEASE**: As with our monthly benching each exhibitor is issued with plant numbers. These numbers are used by the Show Marshal to identify the winners after judging has taken place. It is not an advantage to allow judges to identify owners of plants during or before judging. Please ensure this rule is observed.