



23rd Australian Orchid Council Conference & Show

VENUE: WIIGULGA SPORTS COMPLEX

Solitary Islands Way, Woolgoolga NSW 2456

BENCHING and DISPLAY SET-UP:

7AM to 7PM, Wednesday, 1 October 2025

JUDGING:

7AM to 3:30PM, Thursday, 2 October 2025

REGISTRANT'S PREVIEW:

4PM to 7PM, Thursday, 2 October 2025

SHOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

9 AM to 3 PM Friday, 3 October 2025

9 AM to 3 PM Saturday, 4 October 2025

9 AM to 2 PM Sunday, 5 October 2025

PRIZE PRESENTATIONS:

2 PM Sunday, 5 October 2025

Dismantlement 2:30 PM to 6PM, Sunday, 5 October 2025

Clean-up - Monday, 6 October 2025

SHOW CHAMPIONS

Best in Show AOC Gold Medal plus \$250.00 Sponsored by

Grand Champion Hybrid	\$750.00
Grand Champion Species	\$750.00
Best Hybrid Specimen	\$200.00
Best Species Specimen	\$200.00

SECTION CHAMPIONS

Champion Australian Native Species (Classes A1 – A9 only)	\$100.00
Champion Australian Native Hybrid (Classes B1 – B17 only)	\$100.00
Champion Laeliinae Hybrid (Classes C1 – J5 only)	\$100.00
Champion Cymbidium Hybrid (Classes K1 – N1 only)	\$100.00
Champion Eugenanthe Hybrid (Classes O1 – O5 only)	\$100.00
Champion Other Dendrobium Hybrid (Classes P1 – P8 only)	\$100.00
Champion Oncidiinae Hybrid (Classes Q1 – T3 only)	\$100.00
Champion Cypripedioideae Hybrid (Classes U1 – V9 only)	\$100.00
Champion Phalaenopsis Hybrid (Classes W1 – Z2 only)	\$100.00
Champion Vandaceous Hybrid (Classes AA1 – AD2 only)	\$100.00
Champion Any Other Hybrid (Classes AE1 – AF6 only)	\$100.00
Champion Other Species (Classes AG1 – AG12 only)	\$100.00
Champion Seedling [Species or Hybrid] (Classes AH1 – AI3 only)	\$100.00
Champion Cut Flower (Classes CA1 – CK2 only)	\$100.00
Champion Foliage Plant (Classes 4.1 – 4.5 only)	\$100.00

Judges Choice - Woolgoolga Dist. OS Members only - Ann Deans Memorial Trophy

Section 1 Displays

Incentive payments, as listed, will be paid to any Societies/Clubs and private individuals/groups of exhibitors by Woolgoolga District Orchid Society Inc., the AOCC 2025 organisers. [Nurseries and commercial growers are eligible to receive prize money only.]

Display incentive payments will be paid to Individuals/Groups/Societies/Clubs as follows:

Class A - Table Top Displays* - One round table (1.8m diameter) OR two rectangular tables (1.8 m x 1.52)	\$100.00
Class B - Small Floor Display* - 3m x 2m <u>OR</u> 3m x 3m	\$150.00
Class C - Large Floor Display* - 4m x 4m	\$400.00

Note: All Displays in Class C must be manned during judging

No specific theme applies – displays may reflect the Show theme or indicate a theme chosen by the exhibitor or exhibiting group/society.

All entries to be judged in any display must be nominated by the exhibitor(s) using the **Exhibitor Show Entry Form**. These forms may be obtained from the AOC 2025 website www.aoc2025.org.au, the Show Marshal (via email origma505@gmail.com) or the Show Registrar, (via email paigesinclair@me.com).

Details of **ALL** entries for judging must be notified to the Show Registrar, (email paigesinclair@me.com), by the Exhibitor, or Exhibitor’s representative, by **12 Noon. 30 September 2025**.

Prize Money for Displays

<u>Tabletop Display*</u> (Area: 1.8m dia. or 1.8mx1.5m rectangle)*	
First Prize	\$ 90.00
Second Prize	\$ 70.00
Third Prize.....	\$ 40.00
<u>Small Floor Display*</u> (Area: 3mx2m or 3mx3m)*	
First Prize	\$120.00
Second Prize	\$100.00
Third Prize	\$ 60.00
<u>Floor Display*</u> (Area: 4mx4m)	
First Prize	\$150.00
Second Prize	\$120.00
Third Prize	\$ 75.00

***Display Exhibitors must confirm their required Display Area to the Show Marshal by 31 August 2025 via email to origma505@gmail.com**

NOTE: FOLIAGE PLANTS MAY ONLY BE ENTERED IN DISPLAYS

Foliage and other embellishments/props may be used in Table and Floor Displays.

Details of **ALL entries** for judging must be **notified to** the **Show Registrar**, (email paigesinclair@me.com), by **12 Noon, 30 September 2025**.

Only **Foliage Plants** in the categories listed below (see also Section 4) may be **nominated** for judging on the **Exhibitor Show Entry Form**.

Section 4 plants must be properly labelled and display an **Exhibit Label** on each plant, each to be nominated for judging on an **Exhibitor Show Entry Form**. These plants will be judged in the appropriate category as listed below:

- 4.1 Ferns &/or Fern Allies
 - 4.2 Bromeliads
 - 4.3 Begonias
 - 4.4 Aroids/Arums
 - 4.5 Anthuriums
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Section 2: Individual Classes

First Prize \$25 - Second Prize \$15 - Third Prize \$10

A. Australian Native Species

- A1. Dendrobium speciosum
- A2. Dendrobium kingianum — Pink/Red/Purple
- A3. Dendrobium kingianum — White
- A4. Dendrobium kingianum — Any Other Colour/s
- A5. Any other Dendrobium Species:
incl. Section Rhizobium (Terete-leafed Dendrobiums)
- A6. Sarcophilus
- A7. Cymbidium
- A8. Terrestrial
- A9. Any Other Australian Native Species

B. Australian Native Hybrid

- B1. Dendrobium over 50mm - Pink/Red/Purple
- B2. Dendrobium over 50mm - White
- B3. Dendrobium over 50mm - Cream/Yellow
- B4. Dendrobium over 50mm - Any Other Colour/s
- B5. Dendrobium 50mm and under - Pink/Red/Purple
- B6. Dendrobium 50mm and under - White
- B7. Dendrobium 50mm and under - Cream/Yellow
- B8. Dendrobium 50mm and under - Any Other Colour/s
- B9. Sarcophilus - Classical White including red-centred or yellow-centred
- B10. Sarcophilus - Classical Red/Pink - solid colour without white
- B11. Sarcophilus - Classical Patterned including Spotted
- B12. Sarcophilus - Classical Yellow - Solid or Patterned, excluding Class B11
- B13. Sarcophilus - Classical - Any Other Colour/s
- B14. Sarcophilus - Non-classical: incl. Novelty and Any Colour/s
- B15. Sarcophilus - Intergeneric
- B16. Terrestrial
- B17. Hybrid not included elsewhere, including Native Cymbidium Hybrids

C. Laeliinae Hybrid Standard Shape: 100mm and over

- C1. Lavender/Mauve/Pink/Red
- C2. White
- C3. Yellow/Orange
- C4. Any Other Colour/s

D. Laeliinae Hybrid Standard Shape: 60mm to under 100mm

- D1. Lavender/Mauve/Pink/Red
- D2. Yellow/Orange
- D3. Any Other Colour/s

E. Laeliinae Hybrid Standard Shape: under 60mm

- E1. Lavender/Mauve/Pink/Red
- E2. Yellow/Orange
- E3. Any Other Colour/s

F. Laeliinae Hybrid Standard Shape Cluster:

(at least 5 fully open flowers on any raceme)

- F1. Lavender/Mauve/Pink/Red
- F2. Yellow/Orange
- F3. Any Other Colour/s

G. Laeliinae Hybrid Non-Standard Shape: 100mm and over

- G1. Lavender/Mauve/Pink/Red
- G2. Yellow/Orange
- G3. Any Other Colour/s

H Laeliinae Hybrid Non-Standard Shape: 60mm and under 100mm

- H1. Lavender/Mauve/Pink/Red
- H2. Yellow/Orange
- H3. Any Other Colour/s

I Laeliinae Hybrid Non-Standard Shape: under 60mm

- I1. Lavender/Mauve/Pink/Red
- I2. Yellow/Orange
- I3. Any Other Colour/s

J. Laeliinae Hybrid Non-Standard Shape Cluster

(at least 5 fully open flowers on any raceme)

- J1. Lavender/Mauve/Pink/Red
- J2. Yellow/Orange
- J3. Spotted/Caudabec-type
- J4. Any Other Colour/s
- J5. Any other Laeliinae Hybrid

K. Cymbidium Hybrid: over 90mm

- K1. Any Colour/s – Standard Shape

L. Cymbidium Hybrid: 60mm - 90mm - Erect/Pendulous/Cascading

- L1. Pink/Red/White/Cream/Yellow – Standard Shape
- L2. Any Other Colour/s – Standard Shape

M. Cymbidium Hybrid: under 60mm - Erect/Pendulous/Cascading

- M1. Pink/Red/White/Cream/Yellow – Standard Shape
- M2. Any Other Colour/s – Standard Shape

N. Cymbidium Hybrid: Other

- N1. Non-Standard Shape, not size dependent

O. Eugenanthe/Nobile Type Dendrobium Hybrid

- O1. Eugenanthe/Nobile Type — White
- O2. Eugenanthe/Nobile Type — Pink
- O3. Eugenanthe/Nobile Type — Red
- O4. Eugenanthe/Nobile Type — Purple/Mauve
- O5. Eugenanthe/Nobile Type — Yellow
- O6. Eugenanthe/Nobile Type — Any Other Colour/s
- O7. Eugenanthe/Nobile Type — Miniature/Novelty

P. Other Dendrobium Hybrid

- P1. Section Spatulata - over 60mm
- P2. Section Spatulata - 60mm and under
- P3. Intermediate type - over 60mm
- P4. Intermediate type - 60mm and under
- P5. Section Phalananthe - Any Colour/s
- P6. Section Latourea - Any Colour/s
- P7. Callista-type Dendrobium - Any Colour/s
- P8. Any Other Dendrobium hybrid not included elsewhere

Q. Oncidiinae Hybrid

- Q1. Tolumnia/Zelemma/Rodriguzia - Any Colour/s
- Q2. Brassia influence - Any Colour/s
- Q3. Miltoniopsis - Any Colour/s

R. Oncidiinae Hybrid Other - 60mm and over

- R1. White/Pink/Red
- R2. Yellow/Brown
- R3. Any Other Colour/s

S. Oncidiinae Hybrid Other – 35mm to under 60mm

- S1. White/Pink/Red
- S2. Yellow/Brown
- S3. Any Other Colour/s

T. Oncidiinae Hybrid Other – under 35mm

- T1. White/Pink/Red
- T2. Yellow/Brown
- T3. Any Other Colour/s

U. Paphiopedilum Hybrid Standard Shape (Complex)

- U1. Single-Flowered - White/Cream/Yellow/Green
- U2. Single-Flowered - Bronze/Brown/Mahogany/Pink/Red/Rose
- U3. Single-Flowered - Spotted
- U4. Single-Flowered - Any Other Colour/s

V. Cypripedioideae Hybrid Non-Standard

- V1. Subgenera Brachypetalum Parentage Only
- V2. Subgenera Parvisepalum Parentage Only
- V3. Maudiae Type
- V4. Simultaneous-flowering Multifloral
- V5. Sequential-flowering Multifloral
- V6. Single-flowered - (Not provided for elsewhere)
- V7. Any Other Type - (Not provided for elsewhere)
- V8. Phragmipedium Hybrid - Any parentage
- V9. Any Other Cypripedioideae, including intersectional crosses

W. Phalaenopsis Standard Shape Hybrid: 80mm and over

- W1. White
- W2. Pink/Mauve/Purple/Red
- W3. Yellow/Green
- W4. Any Other Colour/s including Spotted or Striped

- X. Phalaenopsis Standard Shape Hybrid: 60mm to under 80mm**
 - X1. White
 - X2. Pink/Mauve/Purple/Red
 - X3. Yellow/Green
 - X4. Any Other Colour/s including Spotted or Striped

- Y. Phalaenopsis Standard Shape Hybrid: under 60mm**
 - Y1. White
 - Y2. Pink/Mauve/Purple/Red
 - Y3. Yellow/Green
 - Y4. Any Other Colour/s including Spotted/Striped/Patterned

- Z. Phalaenopsis Non-Standard Shape Hybrid**
 - Z1. Any Colour/s - No stripes, blotches, spots or other markings
 - Z2. Any Colour/s including stripes, blotches, spots or other markings
 - Z3. Any Petal-like Variation (Big-lipped mutations) – over 60mm
 - Z4. Any Petal-like Variation (Big-lipped mutations) – under 60mm

- AA. Vandaceous Standard Hybrid: 65mm and over**
 - AA1. Blue/Purple/Red
 - AA2. Yellow/Orange/White
 - AA3. Any Other Colour/s

- AB. Vandaceous Standard Hybrid: 30mm and under 65mm**
 - AB1. Blue/Purple/Red
 - AB2. Yellow/Orange/White
 - AB3. Any Other Colour/s

- AC. Vandaceous Standard Hybrid: under 30mm**
 - AC1. Blue/Purple/Red
 - AC2. Yellow/Orange/White
 - AC3. Any Other Colour/s

- AD. Vandaceous Non-Standard Hybrid**
 - AD1. Any Colour/s
 - AD2. Any Vandaeae Intergeneric
(incl. Aranda/Aeridachnis/Aeridocanda/Aranthera/Papilionanda/
Renantanda/Rhynchorides/Vandastylis/Vandachostylis/etc.)

- AE. Pleurothallidinae Hybrid**
 - AE1. Masdevallia - White/Cream/Yellow/Orange
 - AE2. Masdevallia - Pink/Mauve/Purple/Red
 - AE3. Masdevallia - Any Other Colour/s incl. stripes
 - AE4. Any Other Pleurothallidinae Hybrid
(incl. Pleurothallis, Restrepia, Lepanthes, Dracula)

- AF. Any Other Hybrid – Not Otherwise Specified**
 - AF1. Bulbophyllum Alliance
 - AF2. Coelogyne Alliance
 - AF3. Lycaste Alliance
 - AF4. Catasetum Alliance
 - AF5. Zygopetalum Alliance
 - AF6. Any Other Hybrid - not included elsewhere

AG. Species

- AG1. Vanda
- AG2. Bulbophyllum
- AG3. Cymbidium
- AG4. Phalaenopsis
- AG5. Dendrobium
- AG6. Coelogyne: flowers measuring less than 20 mm
- AG7. Coelogyne: flowers measuring 20 mm or more
- AG8. Laeliinae
- AG9. Oncidiinae
- AG10. Paphiopedilum/Phragmipedium/Mexipedium
- AG11. Masdevallia, Dracula and Other Pleurothallidinae
- AG12. Any Other Species - not included elsewhere

AH. First Flowering Seedling Hybrid

- AH1 Australian Native
- AH2. Laeliinae
- AH3. Cymbidium
- AH4. Dendrobium
- AH5. Oncidiinae
- AH6. Cypridioideae
- AH7. Vanda
- AH8. Any Other Hybrid

AI. First Flowering Seedling Species

- AI1. Australian Native Species
 - AI2. Any Other Species
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Section 3: **Cut Flower Classes**

First Prize \$25 - Second Prize \$15 - Third Prize \$10
Open only to Overseas Entries and those more than 500 kilometres radius
from Woolgoolga NSW (Post Code 2456),
i.e., beyond Greater Sydney (NSW) and Gympie (Q'land).

Cut Cymbidium

- CA1. Cymbidium Species
- CA2. Cymbidium - Standard Shape Hybrid: over 90mm
- CA3. Cymbidium - Standard Shape Hybrid: under 90mm
- CA4. Cymbidium - Non-Standard Hybrid

Cut Cyripedioideae

- CB1. Cyripedioideae Species
- CB2. Paphiopedilum Hybrid - Standard Shape
- CB3. Paphiopedilum Hybrid - Maudiae
- CB4. Paphiopedilum Hybrid - Multi-floral
- CB5. Any Other Cyripedioideae Hybrid, including intergenerics

Cut Phalaenopsis

- CC1. Species
- CC2. Standard Shape Hybrid: 80mm & over
- CC3. Standard Shape Hybrid: Under 80mm
- CC4. Non-standard Shape incl. Petal-like variations

Cut Vandaceous

- CD1. Vanda Species
- CD2. Vandaceous Hybrid: 65mm and over
- CD3. Vandaceous Hybrid: under 65mm

Cut Oncidiinae

- CE1. Oncidiinae Species
- CE2. Oncidiinae Hybrid

Cut Laeliinae

- CF1. Laeliinae Species
- CF2. Laeliinae Hybrid: 100mm and over
- CF3. Laeliinae Hybrid: Under 100mm
- CF4. Laeliinae Hybrid Cluster
(at least 5 fully open flowers on any raceme)

Cut Dendrobium (Non-Australian)

- CG1. Dendrobium Species
- CG2. Dendrobium Phalananthe Hybrid
- CG3. Dendrobium Intermediate Hybrid
- CG4. Dendrobium Spatulata Hybrid
- CG5. Dendrobium Any Other Hybrid

Cut Pleurothallidinae

- CH1. Pleurothallidinae Species
- CH2. Pleurothallidinae Hybrid

Cut Australian Native

- CJ1. Australian Native Sarcophilus Species
- CJ2. Australian Native Sarcophilus Hybrid
- CJ3. Australian Native Speciosum
- CJ4. Australian Native Any Other Species
- CJ5. Australian Native Any Other Hybrid

Cut Any Other

- CK1. Any Other Species
- CK2. Any Other Hybrid

Section 4: Foliage Plant Classes

First Prize \$25 - Second Prize \$15 - Third Prize \$10

All entries to be judged in any display must be nominated by the Exhibitor(s) using the **Exhibitor Show Entry Form**. These forms may be obtained from the AOC 2025 website www.aoc2025.org.au, the **Show Marshal** (via email origma505@gmail.com) or the **Show Registrar**, (via email paigesinclair@me.com).

- 4.1 Ferns &/or Fern Allies
- 4.2 Bromeliads
- 4.3 Begonias
- 4.4 Aroids/Arums
- 4.5 Anthuriums

JUDGING OF FOLIAGE PLANTS

NOTE: Foliage plants may only be entered in the AOC 2025 Show as embellishments within a Display (see Section 1: Displays).

Subject to Rule 9 only ferns, fern allies, bromeliads, begonias, aroids/arums and or anthuriums may be nominated for judging in Section 4 Classes. Such plants will be considered for judging within the above classes if they are nominated on an **Exhibitor Show Entry Form (see Rule 2)**. Dyed or artificially coloured flowers are not permitted.

An **Exhibit Label** must be securely attached to any nominated plant for it to be judged (see Rule 10 (c)).

Other foliage plants (not in flower) and other embellishments/props are permitted to be used in Table or Floor Displays. Dyed or artificially coloured flowers are not permitted.

* RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY *

These Rules & Conditions of Entry deal with:

- A. Plant Entry Procedures and Show Set-up; and
- B. Other conventions applicable to this Show.

The Show Marshal is responsible for the management of all aspects of the Conference Show including co-ordination of the judging program. The Show Marshal's decision on the interpretation of these rules shall be final. The Show Registrar assists the Show Marshal with entry registration and record-keeping.

A. Plant Entry Procedures and Show Set-up

1. Entries are free and open to any member of the Australian Orchid Council Inc., AOC affiliated societies, overseas orchid societies and the Australasian Native Orchid Society.
2. All entries (orchids and Section 4 foliage) to be judged must be nominated using an Exhibitor Show Entry Form. These forms may be obtained from the AOC 2025 website, www.aoc2025.org.au, the **Show Marshal** (email origma505@gmail.com), the **Show Registrar**, (email paigesinclair@me.com) **or** forms and Instructions on Form Completion may be collected from the Show Registrar at the Show from 7:30 AM on 1 October 2025.
3. **Lodgement of Exhibitor Show Entry Form closes at 2:00 PM, Wednesday, 1 October 2025.** Copies of the AOC 2025 Show Schedule, Exhibitor Show Entry Forms and 'Instructions on how to complete the Exhibitor Show Entry Form' (see Rules 5) may be downloaded from the AOC 2025 website, www.aoc2025.org.au. Although Exhibitor Show Entry Forms must be lodged with the Show Registrar before 2:00 PM, Wednesday, 1 October 2025, it would assist the Show Team if completed Exhibitor Show Entry Forms are emailed to the Show Registrar (paigesinclair@me.com) **before** 12 Noon, on 30 September 2025 or earlier if possible.

If you are unable to complete an electronic version of the entry form you can email the Show Registrar (paigesinclair@me.com) a list of your entries - one per line - along with the details required for each show entry (see Rules 4 & 5). Please separate each detail with a comma. Use a separate line for each plant. Alternatively, you can submit a Handwritten version of the Exhibitor Show Entry Forms **provided it is legible to the Show Registrar before 2:00 PM, Wednesday, 1 October 2025.**

4. Each Exhibitor Show Entry Form must correctly list the exhibitor(s) name, the complete name of each plant, the Class Number entered for each plant and, if entered in any Display, the name of the Display/s. Entries as First Flowering Seedlings and Species must also be nominated (Rule 8). Nominated Foliage Plants are as listed in Section 4.
5. **Instructions on how to complete a 'Exhibitor Show Entry Form' on-line:**
 - (a) Open the Word document after downloading it onto your device;
 - (b) Save the document to your Document Folder using your name, e.g. 'MarciaSmith AOC 2025-1';
 - (c) If you wish to enter more than 20 plants, save a second copy of the document using your name and separate number, for example: 'MarciaSmith AOC 2025-2';
 - (d) Start by entering your Name in the space provided and then, using **Column 1**, type the complete name of each plant to be entered using upper-and lower-case letters, e.g. Cymbidium Marcia Pettijohn 'Long Legs', Cattleya Mari's Beat 'Michaela' HCC/OSCOV, Paphiopedilum Orchilla 'Chilton' AM/AOC, etc., etc. Where possible, CHECK the accuracy of each plant's name and spelling through the RHS websites (Royal

Horticultural Society, Kew), Orchidwiz or another appropriate website. If a hybrid plant is unregistered, please list the complete parental combination that produced that plant, e.g. Den. kingianum x Den. speciosum. If you don't know the parentage, record the genus and add 'No ID' or 'unknown';

(e) Move to **Column 2**, using either the tab key or click your cursor in that field. **Column 2** requires you to nominate the Section and Class in which each plant is to be entered. Use the Section and Class codes in the AOC 2025 Show Schedule, (see AOC 2025 website, www.aoc2025.org.au);

(f) in **Column 3** indicate if the entry is a Species or a Hybrid: enter 'S' or 'H', as appropriate, using CAPITAL LETTERS only. Then, in **Column 4**, if nominating a seedling for a Seedling Class, insert a CAPITAL 'Y' in this column;

(g) For plants that will be included in a Display, insert in **Column 5** either the initials of the society/organisation concerned, or a unique number/letter combination, to identify the display where that/those plants will be located. If displaying plants in more than one Display, you need different, unique, codes for each Display;

(h) Once completed, **SAVE** your file and then email a copy to paigesinclair@me.com please **before 12 Noon, Tuesday, 30th September 2025**; or earlier if possible.

(i) Here is an **example** of a completed **Exhibitor Show Entry Form**:

Please read the instructions on how to complete this Document				
Complete and Email to paigesinclair@me.com as early as Tuesday, 23 rd September 2025 and before 12 Noon on Tuesday, 30th September 2025.				
Your Name				
Marcia Smith				
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
Full name of the plant - please check the name of each of your plants (using Orchidwiz, the RHS or other websites) for correct name and spelling. If a plant is not registered write the parentage that made that plant. If plant name is unknown, insert 'No ID' or 'Unknown' after the genus.	Section and Class	Species or Hybrid (S or H)	Seedling Y	Display Use the initials of your Society
ANY PROBLEMS? CONTACT PAIGE, 0427 591 901				
1 Cymbidium Marcia Pettijohn 'Long Legs'	L2	H		CHOS
2 Cattleya Mari's Beat 'Michaela' HCC/OSCOV	D3	H		
3 Paphiopedilum Orchilla 'Chilton' AM/AOC	U2	H		
4 Phalaenopsis Big Foot Angel	Z3	H		
5 Pholidota articulata	AG7	S		CHOS
6 Rhynchostylis retusa	AG1	S		
7 Tolumnia Golden Sunset x Rodontidium Maggie	T3	H	Y	

- (j) If you have **any questions about, or problems with, the Plant entry Procedures**, contact the Show Registrar, (Paige Sinclair on 0427 591901). Leave a message if it goes to her voicemail, she will call you back as soon as possible.
6. As indicated, entries may be lodged by email or in person **BUT PLEASE do not leave registering your plants until the last minute and do include every plant you hope to enter in the Show. There is no requirement to bench every plant listed on your Exhibitor Show Entry Form – it is easier to delete entries on the day rather than add them.**
7. If you are unable to complete the 'Exhibitor Show Entry Form' on-line, you can either download a copy from the website OR obtain a copy of the documents from the Show Registrar. Note that **Handwritten versions must be legible.**
8. (a) **For any entry in any Species Class or First Flowering Seedling Class**, the Show Marshal &/or NSW State Registrar will decide if the entry may be judged as such. Note that **Species or First Flowering Seedlings entries** must be nominated on the **Exhibitor Show Entry Form** and entered in the relevant Section 2 competition class.
- (b) Orchids developed from the meristem process/cloned are excluded from judging in a Seedling class. A seedling means the complete plant grown from seed and flowering for the first time. Any plant divided prior to being exhibited is not eligible.
9. For Show judging purposes, approved foliage plants used in any display must be nominated on an **Exhibitor Show Entry Form**.
10. **Labelling Your Plants:**
- (a) **Exhibit Labels** for all listed plants will be issued by the Show Registrar at the venue on Wednesday, 1st October 2025. The Show Marshall/Show Register may exercise discretion regarding acceptance of late entries: for such plants Exhibit Labels will be issued as soon as practicable.
- (b) For each plant to be benched, as nominated on your **Exhibitor Show Entry Form**, the **Exhibit Label** is to be affixed to the relevant plant and the plant placed on the Benching Table within the Registration area. Plants to be benched will be delivered and positioned by the Show Marshal's assistants.
- (c) For plants to be judged in any Display, the Show Registrar will provide the Exhibitor with an **Exhibit Label** and an **Exhibit Label Holder**. The **Exhibit Label** is to be placed in the **Exhibit Label Holder** and in/on the relevant plant container/mount. These plants will be positioned by Display workers.
- (d) On receiving your Exhibit Labels. Check them against your entry form and return any labels not to be used to the Show Registrar. Also check them for accuracy and advise the Show Registrar of any issue.
11. All exhibits for Showbench judging are to be labelled with the **Plant Name**, i.e., genus and species or grex name.

Example of Exhibit Label

2025 KOC		
International Conference & Show		
<small>Woolgoolga District Orchid Society</small>		
Epi. Candy Valley 'Candy Pink'		
Species or Hybrid:	H	
Seedling:	N	Class Number: A4
Exhibitor Code:	J14 Display Y	0259

12. Show Benching and Display set-up will only occur on Wednesday, 1 October 2025, between 7.00 am and 7.00 pm.

B. Other conventions applicable to this Show

13. Judging will be undertaken by panels of Australian Orchid Council Judges and will be carried out in accordance with the Australian Orchid Council Inc. by-laws and the AOC Guidelines for Judging Handbook: the latter is available on the AOC website - http://www.orchidsaustralia.com.au/AOC/AOCdownloads/AOC_judging_handbook_BTb.pdf/
14. Plants competing for prizes must have been owned by the grower and in their possession for the preceding six months.
15. Subject to the number of entries, prizes may be awarded to the first three places in ALL classes. However, judges may elect not to allocate prizes for a prize placing, a Class or a Display if, in the opinion of the judges no prize(s) warrant being given.
16. Judging decisions will be final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
17. Only members of judging panels and other persons authorised by the Show Marshal are permitted to be in the judging area on Thursday 2 October 2025 while judging is in progress. All floor displays must be attended by a Display Steward throughout the period of display judging to assist with the location of plants. Display Exhibitors may elect to appoint their own Display Steward or request the Woolgoolga District Orchid Society Inc. (WDOS) to appoint a Display Steward on the Exhibitor's behalf.

Exhibitors must provide the appointed Display Steward with a list of all plants to be judged (including cut-flowers) in their display, whether orchids or foliage plants.

18. Entries are accepted on condition that they are free from disease and pests. The Show Marshal may reject any plant(s) for any reason and have it removed from the venue.
19. Plant staking and tying must conform to AOC rules as detailed in the AOC Guidelines for Judging Handbook. Plants not staked in accordance with those rules may be penalised. Any support must not be obtrusive or detract from the overall beauty and charm of the plant. For single flowered genera, e.g. Paphiopedilum, Lycaste etc., ties or support shall be no higher than immediately below the ovary. For multi-branched plants, ties or support shall be no higher than immediately below the top branch.
20. For the purposes of this Show, Cyripedioideae includes the genera Cyripedium, Mexipedium, Paphiopedilum, Phragmipedium and Selenium and related intergeneric hybrids (including xCyphiopedilum (Cphd.) (CypropediumxPaphiopedilum), xCyphragmipedium (Cgd.) (Cyripedium x Phragmipedium) and xPhragmipaphium (Phrphm.) (Paphiopedilum x Phragmipedium)].
21. **Definitions:** For this Show, the colour class for any orchid means the predominant colour of the flower(s) as determined. 'Any Other Colour/s' means 'Any Other Colour or combination of colours'. 'Miniature flowers' mean flowers that are compact in size and generally have racemes/s measuring less than 200 mm from the first to last flowers. 'Novelty flowers' may include compact, unusually shaped or unusually marked flowers. A 'Specimen' is defined as a plant which has been grown from a single clone, has a large number of racemes and flowers and shows evidence of good culture over an extended period. The Show Marshall's decision on these and other definition decisions will be final.

22. Only Australian Native species and Australian Native hybrids may be entered into the Australian Native classes of Section 2, Class Group A, Class Group B or Section 3, Class Group CJ of the Schedule.
23. An Australian native orchid species is one only found growing on the Australian mainland, Tasmania' or any island under the political control of an Australian State and excludes natural hybrids. An Australian native orchid hybrid is the progeny exclusively of Australian species or hybrids thereof, i.e. no extralimital orchid(s) may be included in their ancestry.
24. Australasian orchid species and Australasian orchid hybrids are treated as exotic orchids.
25. A specimen plant is defined as a plant which has been grown from a single clone, has a large number of flowers and shows evidence of good culture over an extended period.
26. Entries are received on the basis that the hosts, the Australian Orchid Council Conference & Show 2025 and WDOS will take reasonable care of the exhibits but shall not be responsible for any loss, destruction or damage to such exhibits and the exhibitor shall have no claim whatsoever against the Australian Orchid Council or WDOS, their agents, any of the Societies involved, members or any show sponsor.
27. **For Displays entered in Section 1** - Exhibitors may use any other foliage plants or other embellishments/props in addition to orchids to enhance their displays however only ferns &/or fern allies, bromeliads, begonias, aroids/arums and/or anthuriums will be judged (see Section 4 - Foliage Plant Classes). Five foliage plants classes are provided in the Show Schedule. Except for flowering anthuriums, **only** orchid flowers are permitted in displays.
28. All orchids and foliage exhibits should be correctly and clearly labelled. Whilst labelled plants are to be judged, other plants falling within any appropriate class may be judged at the judges' discretion.
29. In the event of either an insufficient or excess number of entries in any Class then, at the discretion of the Show Marshal, classes may be deleted or added and any affected entries moved to another Class as determined by the Show Marshal. The Show Marshal reserves the right to reject or remove any plant entered in this Show.
30. All entries remain under the control and direction of the Show Marshal from the time of entry until completion of the presentation of awards on 5 October 2025. No exhibit or display may be removed by the Exhibitor, or their agent, without prior permission from the Show Marshal. As a security measure, it is recommended that each exhibitor carry a copy of their **Exhibitor Show Entry Form** when permitted to exit the premises with their plants.
31. **WDOS will provide local mulch for displays.** For further information, contact the organisers on www.aoc2025.org.
32. Display owners are responsible for removing all materials used in their displays at the end of the Show.
33. Cut flowers are eligible for Champion prizes.
34. The Australian Orchid Council and WDOS reserve the right to photograph any exhibit in the Show, for their own purposes.
35. Acceptance of any entry is conditional on Exhibitors agreeing to be bound by the conditions herein.

SHOW CONDITION and GUIDELINES FOR UNIFORM SHOW JUDGING

The following information is provided to intending Exhibitors as a guide to what is meant by Show Condition and the essential requirements sought of plants by judges. Those seeking more in-depth information on these requirements should read the Rules for Uniform (Award) Judging as detailed in the AOC Guidelines for Judging Handbook (refer Rule 13, page 15 of this Schedule).

- A The plant being exhibited should be well established in a pot, basket, similar container or a mount.
- B Any container or mount should be free of weeds.
- C The plant should be clean, free of pests and/or disease and show no symptoms of virus or transmissible bacterial contamination. The flowers must be free of any marks resulting from disease or pests. Dried pseudobulbs and husks should be carefully removed except for Lockhartia, Maxillaria, Dichea or other genera where dead leaves and husks protect the roots from drying out. In these cases, the husks should be left on the plant.
- D It is desirable that the plant and all inflorescences should not exhibit significant mechanical damage or blemish that detracts from the overall effect. Any trimming of damaged leaves should look as if the leaves grew naturally. Excessive grooming or trimming to reveal flowers that would otherwise be hidden will be penalized, based on the severity of the mutilation.
- E Leaves should not be treated to produce an artificial shine.
- F Inflorescences with pollinated flowers will not be judged.
- G Inflorescences may be staked or tied, if appropriate, to meet the needs of the genus, however, such staking or tying must conform to the AOC staking and tying rule (see Rule 19, page 15 of this Schedule). The basic criteria of Stem Habit and Arrangement, as laid down in the AOC Award Judging Guidelines (Page 17) and Rules for Uniform Award Judging (Pages 10-11) form the basis for such definitions. Staking should be as unobtrusive as possible and be capable of being removed without damage to the inflorescence during judging, if necessary, to allow for detailed evaluation. Additional staking and supports used for transportation must be removed prior to entry to the Show area. Shiny stakes, large butterfly clips, excessive ties, etc. and dangerous stakes are not desirable because they detract from the exhibit and show up excessively in photography: accordingly, the use of same may be penalised.
- H Plants/inflorescences/flowers must not exhibit evidence of any attempt to manipulate them by use of aids, including packing material, to mechanically force the flowers to a more desirable form, or to enhance the presentation of individual flowers or their arrangement. Plants which do not meet the above requirements may be penalised and disqualified from Award evaluation. In Show Judging, the degree of penalty will be at the discretion of the judges.

I For the benefit of the viewing public, plants should be clearly and correctly labelled. It is especially important that each plant in Displays include a label clearly showing the correct & current plant name. Labels should be easily read and placed in a prominent position.

J 'Seedling' means the complete plant grown from seed and flowering for the first time. It retains seedling status throughout the flowering season in which it first flowers. Sequential flowering orchids, e.g. some Phalaenopsis, Paphiopedilum in Sections Phragmipedium and Cochlopetalum, Psychopsis Oncidiums, Aeranthes, etc., retain their seedling status only up to and including the third flower. Any orchid developed from the meristem process/cloned or any division of a plant will be excluded from judging in such Classes.

Size measurement is across the horizontal natural spread of the flower without manipulation and the class allocation determined based on the largest flower measurement. All flowers should be well grown for their type.

'Miniature' means a plant with flowers 15 mm or less across the widest part of the flower, regardless of the number of flowers, and having a raceme that is less than 200 mm from the first to the last flower.

L The overall floriferousness of the plant should be considered. That, and the number of flowers carried on each inflorescence should be commensurate with the breeding lines of the plant. The number of flowers and their pattern of opening should be commensurate with that of the parents and comply with any flower count specified in the applicable Judging Guideline.

M Ultimately, allocation of plants to classes is the responsibility of the Show Marshal.

DISPLAYS & DISPLAY JUDGING

All display entries must be nominated by the exhibitor on the **Exhibitor Show Entry Form** (refer Rules 1 – 9, pages 12-14.)

Judging of Displays will occur on 2 October 2025. At the time of judging, all displays must be free from exhibitor or other identifying material and have only the relevant Display Number displayed.

Display Numbers will be positioned by the Show Registrar and must remain in place until judging has been completed to the satisfaction of the NSW Registrar and the Show Marshal. Exhibitor signage may be added afterwards to each display, if desired.

All orchids and foliage plants used in displays are eligible to be entered into Classes as detailed in the Show Schedule: Appropriate Classes are listed in Section 2: INDIVIDUAL Classes, Section 3: CUT FLOWER or Section 4: FOLIAGE PLANTS respectively.

For Show Judging, exhibits in displays must be correctly and clearly labelled as per Rules 10-11, page 14 of this Schedule. For Show Judging, the Show Registrar will provide an Exhibit Label and a Label Holder for each nominated plant. These are to be placed in or on the relevant plant [as per Rule 10 (c)]. The key purpose of the Exhibit Label and Label Holder is to facilitate the judging of Sections 2, 3 and 4. Display Stewards may remove these label(s) and label holder(s) prior to Display Judging.

For Display Judging, those labels are to be removed so as not to detract from any Display and Exhibitors should use their own labels showing the correct Plant Name. A separate plant identifier sticker (with the relevant Entry Number) is to be attached to each pot/mount. These will be provided by the Show Registrar. Display plants must be readily accessible by the judges.

The points scale for display judging are:

Category	Main Criteria	Maximum Points
Use of Orchids	Orchids are the subject of all Displays. Assess each Display in relation to all plants used, considering flower freshness and quality. Reward visibility, numbers and variety of quality plants and their placement and arrangement.	35
Display Appearance	Harmonious visual impact. Assess range of colours, shades and hues and their balance across the display. Originality, novelty of design, creativity, proportion, lines and accessibility are important. Assess ticketing (legibility, accuracy, without being obtrusive). Visibility of pots/stakes/dead leaves are negatives.	30
Display Composition	Assess the artistry and difficulty of design. Flowers, materials, medium and containers must be co-ordinated and consistent.	15
Overall Effect	Display props, background and plants should complement the presentation and theme. Entire display should be well finished.	10
Subjectivity	The Display must reflect the theme and be aesthetically pleasing.	10
	Total -	100

DISPLAYS & DISPLAY JUDGING - Continued

Nurseries and commercial growers are welcome to compete in Section 1: Displays but will not be paid the incentive payments detailed in the Show Schedule but will be eligible for any prize money won.

Only members of the judging panel and nominated Display Stewards will be permitted to be in the judging area while judging is in progress.

<p><u>WATERING OF DISPLAYS IS NOT PERMITTED</u> <u>Early morning light misting may be allowed in the Show Area</u> <u>ONLY if agreed by the Show Marshal.</u></p>
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Nominated display entries, including those by societies, groups, individuals, nurseries and commercial growers, will be judged equally for relevant champions and individual class places.