GENERAL CONDITIONS

**1**.Entries are free and open to all members of Orchid Societies

**2.**Entries will be accepted from 4pm and shall be benched by 7pm and available for judging by 7.30 pm on the day of setup. All persons not involved with the judging must leave the hall by 7.30 pm.

**3**. The Queensland Orchid Society Inc. or its agents will accept no responsibility for theft, loss, destruction of plants or damage of any kind occasioned to plants, either during transport to and from the show venue or while at the show venue. This includes all plants submitted for sale.

**4.** All exhibits and exhibitors shall conform to the Rules and By-laws of the Society.

**5.** The President in conjunction with the Chief Steward shall have the right to refuse the exhibition of any plant, which in their opinion, appears diseased.

**6.**All plants entered shall be the property of the exhibitor. The plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession for the preceding six (6) months.

**7**.Individual plants may be entered in only one class. All entries of plants shall be in show condition.

**8**. Exhibitors are responsible to see that all plants are correctly labelled with benching cards provided by the Society.

**9**. Although it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to enter the plant in the correct class and place it in a suitable position on the competitive bench, the Chief Steward has the right to determine the class in which any plant may be exhibited; to reject, remove or re-arrange any entry; to combine (less than three plants) and/or establish extra classes if needed.

**10**. A Novice shall mean any exhibitor who has not been classified other than a Novice. A QOS member may remain Novice for up to 2 years from joining regardless of whether or not they have won a Novice section at a QOS Show. A Novice entry is eligible to be judged for any Champion.

**11.** Plants to be judged in accordance with AOC standards, however, QOS staking and tying rules apply as follows - Staking and tying to support the inflorescence will be permitted. On all inflorescences, no staking or ties are allowed on or above the pedicle or ovary of the flower. On multi-flowered unbranched inflorescences, staking and ties are allowed up to but not above half way along that portion of the inflorescences carrying flowers and buds. On branched inflorescences, the main branch may be staked or tied up to but not above the uppermost branch. Parafilm or florist tape is not allowed as ties.

**12**.Seedling - Flowering for the first time - No Mericlones. First place in this class to be considered as Section Champion in the appropriate Species or Hybrid Champion Section with in the Show Schedule.

**13**. Miniature - Species or Hybrid – Maximum bloom size 15mm First place in this class to be considered as Section Champion in the appropriate Species or Hybrid Champion Section with in the Show Schedule.

14 The judges shall select the winners of the Champion Awards from benched plants, OR by prior arrangement with the Show Marshal, nominated plants in displays.

**15**. The Grand Champion Orchid of the show shall be selected from the winners of the Class Champion.

**16**.The Reserve Champion Orchid of the show shall be selected from the remaining winners of the Class Champions plus the second-best orchid chosen from the class from which the Grand Champion Orchid was chosen.

**17**.The Judges Decision Shall Be Final

**18.** No bloom may be removed from a plant, even though spent, or plants or blooms interfered with, without the permission of the Chief Steward or other Official appointed by him.

**19**.No plant shall be removed from the show until the termination of the show. Any plant removed shall cause the owner to forfeit any rights to the prize in that class. Withdrawal of a plant without permission may lead to the exhibitor's disqualification at any future show.

**20**.Stealing of blooms or pollen may lead to the initiation of legal action.

**21** Photographs may be taken at any time, but not at the inconvenience of the show patrons.

**22**. Members of any Orchid Society and Sponsors are entitled to sell plants using Society approved Barcodes, with those members benching a minimum of 2 Orchids. QOS Members only may offer 10 foliage plants for sale. Visiting members benching and/or selling orchids are obliged to give at least 4 hours work assisting with the running of the show

**23**. Fire Ant Regulations must be adhered to.

**24**.Acceptance of any Entry shall be Conditional on the Exhibitor Agreeing to be Bound by the Conditions set out Above.

**25**The plant sales supervisor, or his representative, will have total authority to accept or reject any plant submitted for sale.

***Queensland Orchid Society Inc.***

***Autumn Show***

**Belmont Shooting Complex**

**1485 Old Cleveland Road Belmont**

**Setup Friday 26th April 2.00pm –**

**Benching 4.00pm to 7.00pm -**

**Judging commencing at 7.30pm**

**Show open Saturday 27th April 2024 8.30am - 3.00pm Sunday 28th April 2024 8.30am - 2.00pm**

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***Champion Placings***

Grand Champion (Brisbane Orchid Suppliers) $150.00

Reserve Champion $100.00

Champion Specimen $75.00

Champion Species Exotic (Rolin Farms) $50.00

Champion Cattleya Alliance Hybrid $50.00

Champion Australian Native - (Rolin Farms) $50.00

Champion Dendrobium bigibbum $50.00

Champion Dendrobium Hybrid Exotic $50.00

Champion Oncidiinae Hybrid $50.00

Champion Paphiopedilum & Phragmipedium Hybrid $50.00

Champion Vandaceous Alliance Hybrid Including Phalaenopsis

(Rolin Farms) $50.00

Champion Other Genera Hybrid $50.00

Champion Novice (Fame Orchids Trophy $50.00

**Frist in class $25.00 Second in class $15.00 Third in class $10.00**

***Champion Cattleya Hybrid***

***Notes:* Classes1 -9 with exception of classes 9 include Cattleya, Laelia, Brassavola Guarianthe & Rhyncholaelia ONLY in any combination of these Genera.**

A1 Cattleya Alliance Hybrid Standard Type Purple, Lavender, or Mauve (Over 120mm

A2 Cattleya Alliance Hybrid Standard Type Predominantly White (Over 120mm)

A3 Cattleya Alliance Hybrid Standard Type Predominantly Yellow or Green (Over 120mm)

A4 Cattleya Alliance Hybrid Standard Type - Any Other Colour including Splash Petals (Over 120mm)

A5 Cattleya Alliance Hybrid - Cluster Type At least 1 inflorescence must comprise of 5 fully open blooms

A6 Cattleya Alliance Hybrid - Miniature (under 70mm)

A7 Cattleya Alliance Hybrid Standard Type - (70mm - 120mm)

A8 Cattleya Alliance Hybrid within Epidendrum Encyclia & Anachellium Group Including Crucifix

A9 Cattleya Allied Genera Hybrid - Any Other Type

***Champion Dendrobium Hybrid Exotic***

***Notes:*** Blooms are to be measured horizontally across the visible limits of the flower where size restrictions apply. Dendrobium classes exclude Australian Native Dendrobium Hybrids

B1 Dendrobium Phalaenanthe Hybrid Red/Purple, Pink Toning’s

B2 Dendrobium Phalaenanthe Hybrid - Bi-Colour

B3 Dendrobium Phalaenanthe Hybrid - White

B4 Dendrobium Phalaenanthe Type Miniature (under 60mm)

B5 Dendrobium Hybrid Intermediate, tending towards Phalaenanthe Type Dendrobium Hybrid

B6 Intermediate, tending towards Spatulata Type

B7 Dendrobium Hybrid Spatulata Type

B8 Dendrobium Hybrid not included elsewhere

***Champion Vandaceous Alliance Hybrid including Phalaenopses***

D1 Vanda Hybrid (under 60mm)

D2 Vanda Hybrid (60mm & over)

D3 Vandachostylis Intergeneric Type Hybrid

D4 Vandaceous Hybrid - Any Other

D5 Phalaenopsis Hybrid - Standard Type (Over 50 mm)

D6 Phalaenopsis Hybrid - Miniature Type (Under 50mm)

***Champion Oncidiinea Hybrids***

E1 Oncidium / Gomesa / Zelenkoa Hybrid

E2 Oncidiinae Hybrid - Tolumnia & other hybrids

E3 Oncidiinae Hybrid (other than E1 or E2)

***Champion Paphiopedilum & Phragmipedium***

***Notes:*** Parentage to be shown on Plant Exhibition Label for Primary Hybrid class

F1 Paphiopedilum Hybrid Complex Type

F2 Paphiopedilum Hybrid - Non-Standard Type other than Primary Hybrid

F3 Paphiopedilum Primary Hybrid (species parents must be identified)

F4 Phragmipedium Hybrid

***Champion Species Exotic***

G1 Laeliinae Alliance Species

G2 Vandaceous Species (Including Phalaenopsis)

G3 Oncidiinae Species

G4 Paphiopedilum Species

G5 Bulbophyllum Species

G6 Dendrobium Species other than Australian Native

G7 Species Orchids not included elsewhere

***Champion Australian Native Species or Hybrid excluding Den bigibbum***

***Notes:*** Australian Native Orchid Hybrids shall be the progeny exclusively of Australian Native orchids or their hybrids. This section does not include Den. bigibbum

M1 Australian Native Orchid Hybrid

M2 Australian Native Orchid Species other than Dendrobium *bigibbum*

***Champion Dendrobium bigibbum***

***Notes:*** Includes any variety

N1 Dendrobium *bigibbum* - Any Variety

***Champion Other Genera Hybrid***

O1 Any Other Genera Hybrid not listed elsewhere

***Novice***

***Notes:*** Open to QOS Novice growers (Refer to condition 11)

P1 Novice Hybrid Orchid

P2 Novice Species Orchid

Q1 Seedling – First Flowering -Any Genera – Species or Hybrid (Refer to condition 12)

Q2 Miniature - Species or Hybrid – Maximum bloom size 15mm (Refer to condition 13)