

Benching Classes for the Annual Points Score Competition for 2008

SECTION : OPEN Division : Hybrids

1 Sarcochilus Hybrid

2 Australian Native Hybrid

This must be a hybrid made from Australian main land parents including Tasmania.

3 AUSTRALASIAN Hybrid

This class comprises hybrids of species from Australasia, Papua New Guinea and New Zealand.

4 Dockrillia Hybrid

5 Laeliinae (Exhibition) Hybrid

This class includes hybrids of species in the genera Laeliinae group, with flower size of 120mm or greater

6 Laeliinae (Exhibition) Hybrid (Intermediate Exhibition)

As 5. but flowers must be exhibition type with flower size greater than 75mm and less than 120mm and plants should carry less than 5 flowers per raceme.

7 Laeliinae (Multifloral / Novelty type) Hybrid

This class covers multi-flowered plants (more than 5 flowers) with medium size flowers, and Novelty type flowers, one or more flowers not included in sections 5 or 6 bred from species in the Laeliinae group

8 MINIATURE Laeliinae Hybrid

Flowers must be less than 75mm

9 Cymbidium (Standard)

The requirement here is for flower size of 90mm or greater

10 Cymbidium (Intermediate)

In this class the flower size must be 60mm and less than 90mm

11 Cymbidium (Miniature)

In this class the flower size must be less than 60mm

12 Dendrobium Hybrid

(excluding Class 2, 3 and 4). The hybrids of Australasian native Dendrobium species must be exhibited in Class 2, 3 or 4

13 Oncidium

This class does not include the Intergeneric hybrids

14 Oncidiinae Alliance

Includes Odontoglossum, Odontioda, Odontonia, and Vuylstekeara only

15 Oncidiiae Allied Genera Intergenerics

This all other Oncidiiae not included in 13 and 14

16 Paphiopedilum (exhibition)

17 Paphiopedilum (novelty)

This class includes the primary hybrids and other novelty type Paphiopedilums

18 Phalaenopsis (exhibition)

19 Phalaenopsis (novelty)

This class includes hybrids with the smaller Phalaenopsis species such as P. violacea and P. schilleriana

20 VANDACEOUS Hybrid

This class includes all the vandaceous genera with flowers over 51mm excepting those otherwise occurring in classes 1, 18, and 19

21 VANDACEOUS / ASCOCENDAS

As class 20 but with flower size less than 50mm

22 OTHER ORCHID HYBRIDS

Only those plants, which do not come within the specification of any other class, can be exhibited in this class

SECTION : NOVICE

Species

23 SPECIES AUSTRALASIAN

Includes as species from Australia and New Guinea, New Zealand, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Soloman Islands, West Irian

Species of America's

24 Laeliinae

This class includes all Laeliinae species

25 Oncidiiae

This class includes all the species in the genera

26 Any other species of the America's

This class is any other not included in classes 24 or 25

27 Species Rest of the World

This class includes only those species, which do not fall within the specs of Classes 23 to 26 inclusive

28 AUSTRALASIAN HYBRID

This class comprises hybrids of species from Australasia, Papua New Guinea and New Zealand. This class includes the same specification as Class 1. 2. 3.4.

29 Cymbidium HYBRID (standard)

Standard size is flower size greater than 90mm

30 Cymbidium HYBRID (intermediate & miniature)

Flower size is less than 90mm

31 Paphiopedilum HYBRID

Includes both exhibition and novelty types.

32 Dendrobium Hybrid other than Australasian

This class includes only those hybrids, which do not fall within the specs of Classes 23

Hybrid of America's

33 Laeliinea HYBRID

This class includes both exhibition / novelty types / multi flower/ miniature. .

34 Oncidiiae Allied Genera Intergenerics Hybrid

This section includes all hybrids in the Oncidiiae Alliance

35 Hybrid of America's All others

This class includes only those hybrids, which do not fall within the specs of Classes 33 to 34 inclusive

36 OTHER ORCHID HYBRID

This class includes only those hybrids, which do not fall within the specs of Classes 28 to 35 inclusive

SECTION : JUNIOR

37 ANY ORCHID

Includes all orchid species and hybrids.

SECTION: OPEN Division : Species

Species Australasian

38 Sarcochilus species

39 Australian Epiphyte species

As from main land Australia

40 Australasian Epiphyte Species

Any orchid species from New Guinea, New Zealand, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, West Irian

41 Dockrillia Species Australasian

Includes Australia, New Guinea, New Zealand, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, West Irian

42 Australasian Terrestrial

Includes Australia, New Guinea, New Zealand, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, and West Irian

Species “The Americas”.

43 Laeliinae Alliance

This class includes the genera Cattleya and Laelia species only.

44 Laeliinae Alliance

This class includes Laeliinae species other than Cattleya & Laelia

45 Oncidiinae Alliance Species

This class includes all the species in the genera

46 Other Species “The Americas”.

This class includes all genera other than those in Classes 43 to 45 inclusive, which are native to the Americas

Species Rest of the World

47 Dendrobium Species

This class includes all those Dendrobiums that are not described as Australian or Australasian

48 Paphiopedilum species

This class does not include either of the genera Phragmipedium or Cypripedium.

49 Phalaenopsis species

50 Vandaceous Species

This class includes all those monopodial orchids except Phalaenopsis species and Australasian natives. Note that this class is a much broader definition than the analogous class in hybrids division

51 Dendrochilum Species

52 Other Species “Asia & the Rest of the World”.

This class includes all those species not coming within the definition of Classes 46 to 50 inclusive

53 Miniature “maximum height (excluding raceme) of 150mm (6 inches)

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55 First Flowering Seedling Species

(This class is open to all growers.) This will include any orchid species raised from seed; it specifically excludes Mericlone from meristem propagation. If you are unsure if your plant qualifies then please ask

56 First Flowering Seedling Hybrid

(This class is open to all growers) This will include any orchid hybrids raised from seed; it specifically excludes Mericlone from meristem propagation. If you are unsure if your plant qualifies then please ask

57 FOLIAGE (This class is open to all growers.)

This section includes species and hybrids of foliage plants. Flowers attached to the foliage will not be considered in the judging This section includes species and hybrids of foliage plants. Flowers attached to the foliage will not be considered in the judging.

NOTES

- A) Species may be benched only in the species sections.
- B) If the definitions of the various classes are studied carefully, it will be seen that with one possible exception, any particular plant may only be exhibited in one class. The possible exception is in the species section where a miniature Oncidium, for example, could be exhibited in either "Oncidium alliance" or "Miniature Species".
- C) At each month's meeting, judges will award prizes, to each of the following: "Best of the Evening" – Open, "Best of the Evening" - Novice, "Best Specimen".

POINTSCORE RULES

Points Allocation:

- 1 1st in any Class - 4 points
2nd in any Class - 3 points
3rd in any Class - 2 points
- 2 Benching points: For each entry exhibited in each month, the exhibitor will receive 1 point; however, no more than two benching points may be awarded to each exhibitor in any one Class. Therefore the maximum number of points received a night, for any one exhibitor, per class is 11.
- 3 Where quality is inadequate, the judges may, at their own discretion; decline to award 1st, 2nd or 3rd place and such entries shall be eligible for benching points only.
- 4 Total points in ALL classes will determine the overall winner in Open and Novice Sections.
- 5 **Plants benched must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least six months.**