

Ira Butler Trophy 2000

The Gold Ira Butler Trophy 2000 for the Champion Australian Native Orchid Hybrid of the Year was awarded to *Den. Jesmond Glitter* x *Zip*.

This splendid orchid was Champion Australian Native Orchid Hybrid at the Far North Coast ANOS Group show. It was a very floriferous plant with up to twelve beautifully presented flowers to an inflorescence. The Show Marshall described the flowers as having pink mottled edges on a cream background, with a darker mottled labellum to match the rest of the flower.

The plant is owned by Kay and Norm Mitchell of Bellingen and was bred by John Purvis. It comprised 46.875% *Dendrobium kingianum*, 21.875% *D. speciosum*, 18.75% *D. tetragonum*, and 12.5% *D. fleckeri*.



Of the 34 nominations this year, 9 were from ANOS groups. 1 from NOSSA, 18 from State or OSCOV Affiliated societies, 5 from State Societies, and 1 from Ken Russell's Dungong Show. Nominated plants had also received a total of 9 quality awards during the year and three Awards of Distinction. The overwhelming majority of entries were dendrobiums and there were only two terrestrials.

The following ten 'runners up' will receive a **Silver Ira Butler Trophy**

- *Dendrobium* Tie-Dye 'Purple Rain' x *D. Hilda Poxon* 'Cherry Cheer' - Norm & Kay Mitchell (Hybridiser: N&M Finch)
- *Dendrobium* Essie Banks 'Showers of Gold' - Mrs Nessie Follett (Hybridiser: N&M Finch)
- *Dendrobium* Tie-Dye 'Genesis' - Down Under Native Orchids (Hybridiser: Down Under Native Orchids)
- *Dendrobium* Aussie Victory x *D Warrior* - Lloyd Perryman
- *Dendrobium* Elegant Heart 'Corella' - Bruce Mules (Hybridiser: N&M Finch)
- *Dendrobium* Tawhai 'Beattie' - B&B Khann (Hybridiser: Tinonee Orchid Nursery)
- *Dendrobium* Warringah 'Candy' - Henk van den Berg (Hybridiser: Henry Wilson)
- *Dendrobium* Avril's Gold 'Ray' - Henk van den Berg (Hybridiser: Ray Hill)
- *Dendrobium* Kayla - Phil Barrett
- *Dendrobium* Avril's Gold 'Pure Gold' - David Butler (Hybridiser: Ray Hill)

The following will receive an Ira Butler Certificate

- *Dendrobium* Bellinger Surprise 'Fernmount' - Norm & Kay Mitchell (Hybridiser: Norm & Kay Mitchell)
- *Dendrobium* Lynette Banks x *D. Peter* - F&H Vernon
- *Dendrobium* Red River 'Meaty Pink' x *D. speciosum* var. *curvicaule* 'TB' - F&H Vernon (Hybridiser: Down Under Native Orchids)
- *Dendrobium* Class 'Of 98' - Phil Grech (Hybridiser: N&M Finch)
- *Dendrobium* Lorikeet x *D. jonesii* - Noel Oliver
- *Dendrobium* Jesmond Dazzler - Ros & Tom Fitzgerland
- *Pterostylis* Sentinel - A&D Garner
- *Dendrobium* Finlay 'Rippa' - Phil Grech (Hybridiser: N&M Finch)
- *Sarcochilus* Melba 'JOC' - Jon Cannon (Hybridiser: K Russell)
- *Peristerchilus* Olive Grace 'Lavender Mist' - John Cannon
- *Dendrobium* Avril's Gold 'Kerry's Delight' - Malcolm & Kerry Martin (Hybridiser: John Purvis)
- *Dendrobium* Specibil - MJ Britton
- *Dendrobium* Brinawa Sunset - MJ Britton
- *Pterostylis* Cutie 'Harold's Pride' - Less Nesibtt (Hybrider: Harold Goldsack)
- *Dendrobium* Avril's Gold 'Dusty' - Down Under Native Orchids (Hybridiser: Down Under Native Orchids)
- *Dendrobium* Yondi Glow x *D. falorostrum* - Norm & Kay Mitchell (Hybridiser: Sid Batchelor)
- *Dendrobium* Tawhai 'Little Gem' - Norm & Kay Mitchell (Hybridiser: Sid Batchelor)
- *Parachilus* Velvet 'Yannie's Ruby' - D&L Brown (Hybridiser: N&M Finch)
- *Sarcochilus* Cream Cake 'Yannie's Choice' - D&L Brown (Hybridiser: N&M Finch)
- *Dendrobium* Stunning - Down Under Native Orchids (Hybridiser: Down Under Native Orchids)
- *Dendrobium* Avrils' Gold 'Ray' - Henk van den Berg (Hybridier: Ray Hill)
- *Dendrobium* Hilda Poxon 'Travis' - Geoff Milton (Hybridiser: Florafest Orchids)
- *Sarcochilus* Weinhart 'Freckles' - John Cannon