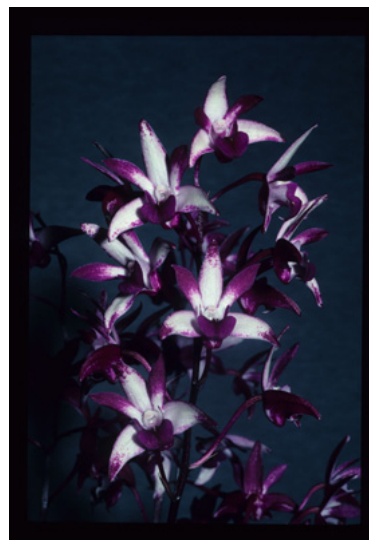
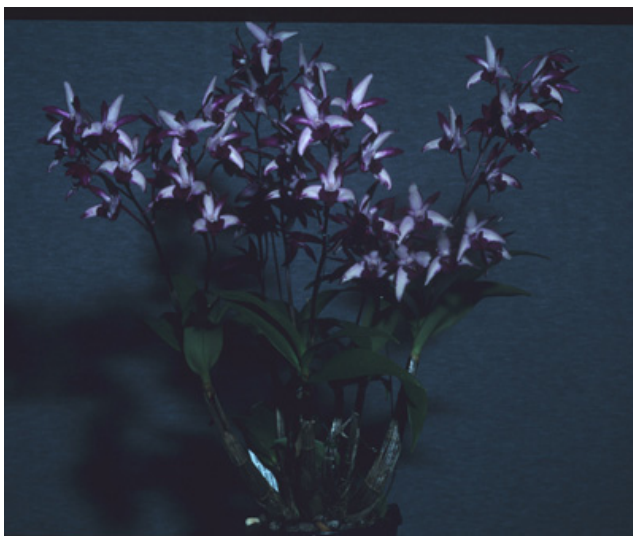


Ira Butler Trophy 2002

The Gold Ira Butler Trophy 2002 for the Champion Australian Native Orchid Hybrid of the Year was awarded to *Den. Warragul 'Magenta'* HCC-AD/OSCOV.

This fine orchid, owned by Philip Grech, was Champion Australian Native Orchid Hybrid at the West Gippsland Orchid Club Show, and also received a Highly Commended Certificate and an Award of Distinction from OSCOV. The sepals and petals have a pure white base, with the tips of the petals and margins of the sepals magenta and the labellum a solid magenta with a fine yellow keel.

The grex was recently registered by Philip Grech. It is *Den. Tie-Dye* x *Rutherford Sunspot*, and was hybridised by Down Under Native Orchids.



Of the 24 nominations this year, 7 were from ANOS groups, 1 from NOSSA, 15 from State or AOC or OSCOV Affiliated Societies and 1 from the Tinonee Open Day and Show. Nominated plants had also received a total of 4 quality awards during the year and one Award of Distinction. Again the overwhelming majority of entries were dendrobiums. No terrestrials were nominated.

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

- *Dendrobium* Avril's Gold 'Brandon' AM/AOC-VOC 2002 - Michael Drobski (Hybridist: Ray Hill)
- *Dendrobium* Graeme Banks 'Greta' - Don Cruickshanks
- *Dendrobium* Graham Hewitt 'Dee Pee' - David & Pat Harmer (Hybridist: Neville Roper)
- *Dendrobium* Hewitt Glow 'Cobina' HCC/AOC-VOC 2002 - Joseph W. Crawford
- *Dendrobium* Ivory 'Buttercup' - Down Under Native Orchids (Hybridist: D.U.N.O.)
- *Dendrobium* Kayla 'Longlast' - Colin bRandon (Hybridist: Colin Brandon)
- *Dendrobium* Tie-Dye 'Magic Moment' - Norm & Kay Mitchell [Hybridist: N&M Finch (D.U.N.O.)]
- *Dendrobium* Vivkay 'Jessie' HCC/AOC-NSW 2002 - Don Cruickshanks (Hybridist: D.U.N.O.)
- *Sarcochilus* First Light - Rob Lewry [Hybridist: N&M Finch (D.U.N.O.)]
- *Sarcochilus* Fitzhart 'Jack' - Albie Sherwood [Hybridist: N&M Finch (D.U.N.O.)]

The following will receive an **Ira Butler Certificate**

- *Dendrobium* Anne's Rainbow Surprise 'Tim' - Shirley Bedingfield
- *Dendrobium* Avrils' Gold - Reg & Gill Shooter
- *Dendrobium* Berserker 'Lee' - Helen & Greg McCourt

- *Dendrobium* (Brinawa Charm 'Lucky's Toy' AM/ANOS 1992 x *speciosum* var. *curvicaule* 'TB') - Laurie Mountford
- *Dendrobium* Golden Nugget 'Elsie' - Norm & Kay Mitchell
- *Dendrobium* Hilda Poxon - John & Bev Gay
- *Dendrobium* (*johannis* x *canaliculatum*) - Harold Gepperd
- *Dendrobium* Karsun 'Kylie' - Henk van den Berg
- *Dendrobium* Kayla - I&J Morschel
- *Dendrobium* Quell - Eric Bailey
- *Dendrobium* Stunning - G&M Hazeldine
- *Dendrobium* Sunstar - Rito Silvestr
- *Dendrobium* Ivory 'Gold' - Down Under Native Orchids