



It was good news for regular contributors this month as the boiling hot weather, a couple of wild storms and end of year ennui meant only 37 entries came in – meaning there were 4 sections of 'black' with 3 or less entries and just 6 in the biggest sections. As a result we had just 7 different winners this month.

**SEC. 1 – DESERT ROSE X 4**

**Denise Narramore** – a lovely deep 'reddish' coloured variety.



**SEC. 2  
ORCHIDS (x3)**

**Laurie Baxter** – this beauty is *Cattleya purpurata* var. *Carnea*. One of the best we have seen in this section.



**SEC. 3 - FOLIAGE ONLY  
PLANT/S (x6)**

**Trevor Hicks** – A bright pink caladium that grows well in shallower containers.



**SEC. 7 - A CUT (x 6)**

**Trevor Hicks** – one of the more compact. gladiolus



**STEWARD'S PRIZE**

**Maxine Cochrane** – chosen for it being rarely seen here – *Rehmannia elata* or Chinese Fox Glove.



Our annual Benching Trophy were awarded at our X-Mas Party. 1<sup>st</sup> = \$50, 2<sup>nd</sup> = \$30 plus 2 x \$10 special Encouragement Awards. 2026 points start in January

**SEC. 5 – A SINGLE BLOOM (x4)**

**Trevor Hicks** – one of the smaller Dahlias.



**SEC. 10  
DECORATIVE DISPLAY (x2)**

**Trevor Hicks** – in honour of Christmas.



**SEC. 6 – PRODUCE (x1)**

**Anita Flawler** – a great mix of onions, string beans, cucumber and echinacea.



**SEC. 8 – VASE OF FLOWERS (x4)**

**Trevor Hicks** – potato vine, pentas, hydrangea, roses and gladioli.



**SEC. 4  
FLOWERING PLANT (x2)**

**Lesley Wilkinson** – a great example of a begonia.



**SEC 9  
SMALL POT PLANT (x5)**

**Wendy Clear** – a very well grown small caladium.

