



**Invitation to attend the Annual General Meeting of**



**The Australian Orchid  
Foundation**

**to hear the guest speaker**



**Ian Hutton**

Ian has called Lord Howe Island home for most of his adult life. Lord Howe Island has a resident population of only 380 people, and the number of tourists is capped at 400 at any one time. He is involved in a range of research projects focussing on the flora, fauna and geology of the island. He spends a lot of time photographing, both above and below the water, and uses these photographs in weekly lectures, and in the books he has published.

In 2002 he was appointed as the part-time curator of the Lord Howe Island Museum and in that role has overseen and co-ordinated many changes during the last twenty years. He has been involved in initiating several conservation projects on the island, including weed and rodent eradication, and studies of climate change.

**His topic: Orchid Fever on Lord Howe Island**

Including a few surprise stories about the island and its orchids

Ian has been involved with the AOF project 349.2022, "*The taxonomic phylogenetic and conservation status of orchids of Lord Howe Island*", with Dr Heidi Zimmer, CSIRO Canberra.

See AOF website for more details of this project.

**Venue: City of Whitehorse Horticultural Centre**

**82 Jolimont Road, Forest Hill Vic. 3131**

**Date: Saturday, 26th October 2024**

**Time: 2 pm for AGM followed by Ian's presentation.**

**Attendance at this meeting will also be possible by Zoom link.**

**Afternoon tea provided Plant sales and book sales**

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