

# Gazette

**December  
2014**



**PRESIDENT: Geoff Spear**

**PATRON: Sydney Monkhouse**

## AT A GLANCE

The next meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club will be held at 8pm on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2014 at St. Bernadette's Church Hall corner of Walsh Avenue and South Road, St. Marys.

### Features of the Night

5.30 pm.

Hall opens between 6 and 6.30 pm. Bench plants for judging.

6.30 pm.

Please be seated for dinner. Special guests are our Patron Syd Monkhouse and his wife, Shirley and of course Father Christmas.

The Club will provide fruit cup and nibbles. BYO Wine.

8.00 pm.

Main meeting with guest speaker, Graham Morris who will speak to us about Cymbidiums.

Another popular feature of the night is our Monster Raffle. Please contribute by donating a gift you would like to receive yourself i.e. wine, nuts, ferns, orchids, plants etc. to help make this a night to remember. We also have our Kris Kringle. Please bring a gift (suitable for male or female) and receive a gift in return \$5-\$6 maximum.

### BEGINNERS' GROUP:

No class at the December meeting. The next class will be in February.

### DAYTIME CHAPTER

The next meeting will be held at Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2014 at 2pm. Our guest speaker David Williams will be talking on Bromeliads and Cymbidiums. Please bring a gift (suitable for male or female) and receive a gift in return \$5-\$6 maximum. Please also bring a plate for afternoon tea. A note has been sent to Santa.

### SOUTHERN REGION GROUP

Christmas Lunch 11.30 am. Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2014 at Urimbirra. Pay as you order.

The meeting will be held at 2 pm on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December November 2014 in Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor. The guest speaker will be Graham Zerbe. Father Christmas has been invited. Please bring a gift (suitable for male or female) and receive a gift in return \$5-\$6 maximum.

### MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Please return all library books for annual stock take. Thank you.

All nominations for Committee of Management and Registrar's position are to be in the Secretary's possession by close of the December meeting. There will be no cultural meeting in the month of January 2015 but we will have a friendly BBQ on 7<sup>th</sup> January.

### BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS

Reg Clifford, John Gay, Wendy Lodge, Noel Oliver, Donna Meeuwsen, George Misirlis, Heather Lucas, Pam Sullivan and Erna van Leuven.

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## CLUB MEETING DATES FOR 2015

### February 2015

- 04 AGM then Main Meeting: John Richards on Peat Island orchids
- 11 Committee Meeting
- 12 Daytime Chapter
- 22 Southern Region Group

### March 2015

- 04 Main Meeting: TBA
- 11 Committee Meeting
- 12 Daytime Chapter
- 15 Southern Region Group

### April 2015

- 01 Main Meeting: Coralie Hills on 2014 World Orchid Conference in Johannesburg
- 08 Committee Meeting
- 09 Daytime Chapter
- 19 Southern Region Group

### May 2015

- 06 Main meeting: Neutrog
- 13 Committee Meeting
- 14 Daytime Chapter
- 17 Southern Region Group

### June 2015

- 03 Main meeting: Interstate Speaker Steven Stebbings on Species
- 10 Committee Meeting
- 11 Daytime Chapter
- 21 Southern Region Group

### July 2015

- 01 Main meeting: Kevin Western. Reminiscing on 50 years
- 08 Committee Meeting
- 09 Daytime Chapter
- 19 Southern Region Group

### August 2015

- 05 Main meeting: TBA
- 12 Committee Meeting
- 13 Daytime Chapter
- 16 Southern Region Group

### September 2015

- 02 Main meeting: Smoults
- 09 Committee Meeting
- 10 Daytime Chapter
- 20 Southern Region Group

### October 2015

- 07 Main meeting: TBA on Paphiopedilums
- 08 Committee Meeting
- 14 Daytime Chapter
- 18 Southern Region Group

### November 2015

- 04 Main meeting: Jim Shaunessy on Sarcs
- 11 Committee Meeting
- 12 Daytime Chapter
- 15 Southern Region Group

### December 2015

- 02 Main meeting: TBA
- 10 Daytime Chapter
- 20 Southern Regional Group

### **MAIN MEETING BEGINNERS' GROUP 2015 PROGRAMME**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Subject</b>
February 4th	Kevin Western	Heat Conditions
March 4th	Daniel Lutz	Preparing your plants for shows
April 1st	Geoff Spear	Shade house maintenance
May 6th	TBA	Fertilizing
June 3rd	John Gay	Cattleyas
July 1st	Noel Oliver	Oncidiinae
August 5th	David Williams	Potting
September 2nd	Daniel Lutz	Cymbidiums
October 7th	Kevin Western	Australian Natives
November 4th	George Abel	Sarcochilis

**BIRTHDAY DRAW**

Is your name in the book?

**LUCKY NAME BADGE**

Make sure you wear your Name Badge, you may win a prize.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS AS REQUIRED BY CONSTITUTION.****OFFICERS:**

11. The Officers of the Club shall be a President, two Vice Presidents (one of whom shall be elected Senior Vice President) by the Committee, Honorary Secretary and an Honorary Treasurer, all of whom shall hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting, when they shall retire. All retiring officers shall be eligible for re-election from year to year.
12. Nomination in writing for these offices duly proposed and seconded by two financial members, and accepted by the nominee, shall be lodged with the Honorary Secretary before the close of the Ordinary General meeting in December each year. The election of Officers of the Club shall be by ballot at each Annual General Meeting.

Please use the Nomination Forms to appoint New Committee Members for 2015.

Forms to be handed to Secretary before closing of December Meeting 2014.

**OUTGOING COMMITTEE**

<b>President &amp; Convenor S.R. Group:</b>	<b>Geoffrey Spear</b>
<b>Senior Vice President:</b>	<b>Donna Meeuwsen</b>
<b>Vice President:</b>	<b>Paul Hayes</b>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>Barbara Almond</b>
<b>Secretary and Public Officer:</b>	<b>Lucy Spear</b>

**COMMITTEE:**

**Dorothy Carassai, Andrew Lutz, Heather Wright, Oui Jui, Michael Willoughby, Christine Robertson, Suzy Bratuz.**

**All positions are declared vacant. Please give some consideration to being a committee member. We need to fill three positions.**

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES - One membership covers all groups.**

<b>Family membership</b>	<b>\$33.00</b>
<b>Single membership</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>
<b>Junior membership</b>	<b>\$17.00</b>
<b>Rural and Interstate membership</b>	
<b>Family membership</b>	<b>\$29.00</b>
<b>Single membership</b>	<b>\$23.00</b>

**REGISTRAR — POSITION VACANT**

Sue Zerbe has resigned her position as Registrar with effect the end of 2014. The Committee would like to thank Sue for fitting the Club Registrar's position into her already busy schedule during 2014.

As the Club now needs to appoint a new Registrar, Members are invited to nominate for this position. Nomination forms will be available at the Secretary's table during the December meeting. Please hand forms back to the Secretary by the end of the December meeting when nominations will close.

**FOR SALE**

**Don and Audrey Biebrick have benching and Orchids for sale.**

**Address: 14/3 Stopford Road, Hove.**

**Telephone: 8296 2463**

### **URGENTLY NEEDED**

We urgently need a member with a van or trailer to take show props i.e. crates, trestles bollards etc. to shows. Assistance is required at the following times:

Autumn Show:	Friday	1 <sup>st</sup> May	1 hour
	Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> May	all day
	Saturday	9 <sup>th</sup> May	after 3p.m.
Winter Show:	Friday	24 <sup>th</sup> July	1 hour
	Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup> July	all day
	Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup> August	after 3p.m.
Spring Show:	Friday	18 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	1 hour
	Saturday	19 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	all day
	Saturday	26 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	after 3p.m.

**Please telephone Lucy urgently on 8381 4420 if you are able to assist.**

### **HELP WANTED FOR WORKSHOPS IN 2015 PLEASE**

We seek 6 members with a shed or covered outdoor area to hold workshops for the months of February, April, June, August, October and December. It is anticipated that the workshops would be of two and a half hour duration.

The first half hour would be for socialising with a cuppa and biscuits.

The second half hour would be showing your collection.

The last hour and a half would be for discussing growing orchids, questions and answers and any orchid information.

### **LET'S START 2015 WITH A SOCIAL EVENT**

Our annual January BBQ is very popular and next year we will have it on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at St. Bernadette's Church Hall in the courtyard starting at 6.30p.m. Join us for a great start to the year. Please bring a salad or cake, finger food please.

Following the BBQ Graham Zerbe has again generously agreed to prepare a presentation "Reflections of 2014". Thank you Graham. This gives us the opportunity to reflect on another successful year. Please bring an orchid along for Popular Vote. 50 cents to enter. The winner takes the proceeds.

### **ANNUAL SARCOCHILUS APPRECIATION NIGHT:**

The inaugural winner of our new Sarcochilus Trophy was Kevin Trevan with his Sarc. Olive Grace 'Bambi'. Congratulations Kevin.

Thankyou to George and Patty Abell who have donated the perpetual trophy for the best sarcochilis on the night.



Above: Kevin Trevan after having been presented with the sarcochilos trophy by George and Patty Abel.



Right: The winning plant Sarc. Olive Grace 'Bambi'.

## **ORCHID CALENDAR FOR 2015**

### **BBQ AND SOCIAL NIGHT**

**WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2015 6.30p.m. St. Bernadette's Church Hall.**

### **AUTUMN SHOW**

**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MAY TO SATURDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MAY venue T.B.A.**

### **S.A.R.O.C. FAIR**

**SATURDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE AND SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JUNE venue T.B.A.**

### **WINTER SHOW**

**SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JULY TO SATURDAY 1<sup>st</sup> AUGUST at Arndale Shopping Centre.**

### **SOUTHERN REGION GROUP SHOW**

**THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> AUGUST TO SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> AUGUST at the R.S.L. Hall, Coral Street, Victor Harbor.**

### **SPRING SHOW**

**SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER TO SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER at Federation Colonnades Shopping Centre.**

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2015.**

Trophy presentation and Plant of the Year. Our guest speaker is John Richards whose topic will be Peat Island.

### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

2014 Outgoing Committee 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at 7.30p.m. 2014 Committee members to attend.

2015 Incoming Committee 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.30p.m.

### **DINNER FOR 2014 AND 2015 COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 7p.m. Venue T.B.A.

### **JUDGES ROSTER FOR NOVEMBER MEETING:**

**OPEN DIVISION:** Noel Oliver, Lesley Gunn. **Recorder** Vicky Cooper.

**FIRST DIVISION:** John Gay, Judy McRedmond. **Recorder** Rowan Crowhurst.

**SECOND DIVISION:** Wendy Lodge, Graham Zerbe. **Recorder** Peter Haltis.

*Sue Zerbe*

Registrar of Judges

### **THANKYOU:**

The committee would like to take this opportunity to thank Neil Cooper who volunteered a little while ago to be our photographer. He takes the photos of the flowers at all of our shows and at every Main Group Meeting and does a superb job too.

The photos of the daytime chapter are usually taken by Lucy Spear and the Southern Region Group ones by Graham Zerbe. Thank you both also.



## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

On behalf of the South Coast Orchid Club of S.A. Inc. I would like to extend to you all Seasons Greetings. The Sarcophilus meeting proved to be very successful with 40 plants benched.

Jim Shaughnessy, who was accompanied by his wife Thea, gave a very informative talk on Sarcophilus and I am sure we will all be growing wonderful Sarc's with all this new knowledge.

George Abell took part in the Beginners' Group once again talking about Sarc's. I feel both George and Jim have a few different ideas and I have always said "Go with what works for you"

The inaugural winner of our new Sarcophilus Trophy was Kevin Trevan with his *Sarco*. Olive Grace 'Bambi'. Congratulations Kevin.

The next meeting is our Christmas Dinner which is always a fun time. Graham and Linda Morris have been invited, Graham Zerbe is our guest speaker. Father Christmas has also been invited. I wonder who the lucky person will be to receive a gift from his bag. Father Christmas always has first-hand information about 2 or 3 of our members.

I thank you all for making 2014 a great year. Look after your orchids in all the hot weather. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Good growing,  
Geoff.

## **DAYTIME CHAPTER**

Hi Everyone,

Apologies were received today from Geraldine and Peter Flavel, Margaret Wagner and Reg Foster. Hoping to see you all again very soon.

Our guest speaker today was George Abell who talked to us about the Sarcophilus Orchid. George has a wonderful collection of these orchids in many colours. He thankfully parted with some of his reds today which members were able to purchase. Thanks George. George spoke in depth on his way of growing, fertilising and watering (misting) of these little beauties. He also prefers growing them in small pots. The lovely plant of an intergeneric crossing between Sarcophilus and Rhynchostylis, a plant called *Sartylis* Toowoomba Sparkle 'Coconut Ice' with just one spike with many lovely flowers was voted best in display by the members. This plant is owned by George and Patty Abell. Congratulations to you both, the photo looked great. Lucy and Geoff also brought in some of their Sarcophilus to share with others. A lovely collection, thank you both. The members really had a wonderful opportunity to see many different Sarcophilus plants. Thank you to the other members as well for bringing in their special plants to share with us all.

Next month is our Christmas break-up, so if each Member who attends the Daytime Group could please bring in a plate of goodies to share for afternoon tea that would be great. We will also be having our Kris Kringle segment. Members wanting to participate, please bring in a Christmas gift, nicely wrapped. Something suitable for male or female to the value of \$5-\$6. Suggestions: a plant, chocolate, nuts or something you would like to receive yourself. If you bring a gift, you receive a gift. Everyone seems to enjoy this segment which is fun. We also sing a few carols, without music this year as Bill is no longer here with us, so this will be interesting.

The meeting was closed after another great afternoon, thanking all in attendance.

The subs for your Club Membership are now due.

Bye, Dorothy, Phone: 8277-1793.



Above: George Showing the group the perpetual trophy for sarcs that he and Patty have donated to the club.



Right: George and  
Patty Abel with  
*Sartylis* Toowoomba  
Sparkle 'Coconut  
Ice'



### **SOUTHERN REGION GROUP MEETING SUNDAY 16th NOVEMBER**

**Beginners' Group:** 1.30pm. John Gay spoke on mixed genera.

**Meeting:** President Geoff opened the meeting at 2.00 pm. with 29 members present. He told the members about the McLaren Vale show and workshop and then welcomed guest speaker Steve Howard .

**Lucky name-badge:** winner was Marilyn Jelfs.

**Apologies:** Russ Sutton and Kevin Kennedy.

**Guest Speaker:** Steve Howard gave a brilliant presentation on Oncidiinae.

**Christmas Lunch:** Members who have booked in will meet at Urimbirra at 11.45 am. before the December meeting for Christmas Lunch, cost \$22.00 per head.

**Next meeting:** 21st. December. Meeting starts at 2:00 pm., with guest speaker Graham Zerbe giving a "Funtime" presentation.

**February meeting:** 15th February 2015 is the SRG 10th birthday party. Guest speaker TBA.

**Judges:** Noel Oliver, Graham Zerbe and Associate Rowan Crowhurst.

**Plant of the day:** *Masd.* Copper Angel benched by Ruth Tugwell.

**Popular vote:** *Rlc.* Alexandrina benched by Helen Humphries.

## **SRG November Results List**

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

### **Second Division**

#### **Australian Native Epiphyte – species**

290	<i>Sarco. hartmannii</i> 'Felicity'	Helen Humphrys	3
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#### **Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid**

291	<i>Sarco.</i> Bernice Klein	Bruce Kirk	3
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#### **Laeliinae – Standard - over 100mm.**

292	<i>Bc.</i> Moroniae x <i>Blc.</i> Dundas	Reg & Elsie Clifford	3
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293	<i>Bc.</i> Moroniae x <i>Blc.</i> Dundas	Reg & Elsie Clifford	2
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#### **Laeliinae – Cluster**

294	<i>Lc.</i> (Trick or Treat x Rojo) = <b>Ctt. Blazing Treat</b>	Helen Humphrys	3
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295	<i>Ctt.</i> Trick or Treat 'Orange Delight'	Helen Humphrys	2
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296	<i>Slc.</i> Tropical Gem	Eileen Pinnock	2
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#### **Laeliinae – Non Standard**

297	<i>Rlc.</i> Alexandrina	Helen Humphrys	3
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298	<i>C.</i> unknown	Bruce Kirk	2
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#### **Cymbidium over 90 mm Red/Pink/Brown**

299	<i>Cym.</i> Valley Vampire 'Red'	Helen Humphrys	3
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#### **Cymbidium under 60 White/Cream/Yellow/Green**

300	<i>Cym.</i> Scallywag 'The Crumpet'	Helen Humphrys	3
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#### **Cymbidium under 60 any other colour**

301	<i>Cym.</i> Cricket 'Rosetta'	Eileen Pinnock	3
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#### **Cymbidium under 60 mm – species**

302	<i>Cym. lowianum</i>	Marilyn Jelfs	3
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#### **Zygopetaliinae - Hybrid**

303	<i>Z.</i> Unknown	Marilyn Jelfs	3
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#### **Paphiopedilum – Non Standard**

305	<i>Paph. (insigne x Silver Fleuret)</i>	Ruth Tugwell	3
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#### **Orchid Genera – Not listed Elsewhere – Hybrid**

306	<i>Masd.</i> Copper Angel	Ruth Tugwell	3
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307	<i>Phal.</i> Unknown	Keith & Russ Sutton	2
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## SRG November Results List (cont.)

### Second Division (cont)

Ref. No.

#### Specimen

308 *Cym.* Scallywag 'The Crumpet'

309 *Cym.* Cricket 'Rosetta'

310 *Sarco.* Bernice Klein

#### Plant of the Day

312 *Masdevallia* Copper Angel

#### Popular Vote

311 *Rlc.* Alexandrina

Helen Humphreys

Eileen Pinnock

Bruce Kirk

Ruth Tugwell

Helen Humphreys



Above : Flower of the Day *Masd.* Copper Angel benched by Ruth Tugwell.

Right: Noel Oliver presenting Ruth with her glass .



Above : Popular Vote winner *Rlc.* Alexandrina benched by Helen Humphreys.

Right: Noel Oliver presenting Helen with her glass .



Left: John Gay sharing some cultural tips with the Beginners' Group



# November Results List

Ref. No.		Points Awarded
<b>Open Division</b>		
<b>Australian Native Terrestrial - Species</b>		
515	<i>Phaius tankervilleae</i>	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321) 3
516	<i>Diuris drummondii</i>	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424) 2
<b>Cymbidium under 60- any other colour</b>		
508	<i>Cym.</i> Sweet Devon '1103'	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 3
<b>Cymbidium under 60 Red Pink Brown</b>		
514	<i>Cym.</i> Pied Piper 'Whistle Blower'	Graham & Sue Zerbe (18) 3
<b>Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm</b>		
512	<i>C.</i> Elusive Dream	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424) 3
513	<i>C.</i> Dream Cloud	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424) 2
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species</b>		
505	<i>Arpophyllum giganteum</i>	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 3
506	<i>Arpophyllum giganteum</i>	Noel Oliver (102) 2
507	<i>Arpophyllum spicatum</i>	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5) 1
<b>First Division</b>		
<b>Cymbidium 60 - 90mm Red Pink Brown</b>		
497	<i>Cym.</i> Last Tango 'Geyserland'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
<b>Cymbidium over 90mm Red Pink Brown</b>		
496	<i>Cym.</i> Valley Lara 'Magma'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
<b>Cymbidium under 60- any other colour</b>		
491	<i>Cym.</i> Devon Shell	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)3
492	<i>Cym.</i> Bunyip 'Precious Memories'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 2
<b>Cymbidium under 60 Red Pink Brown</b>		
498	<i>Cym.</i> Sweet Devon 'Fiona'	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 3
499	<i>Cym.</i> Cricket 'Rosetta'	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 2
<b>Cymbidium under 60 White Cream Yellow Green</b>		
489	<i>Cym.</i> Gladys Whitesell 'The Charmer'	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 3
490	<i>Cym.</i> Dean Roesler 'Jaffa'	Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141) 2
<b>Laeliinae - Cluster</b>		
463	<i>Lc.</i> Gold Digger 'Orchidglades'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
466	<i>Ctt.</i> Trick or Treat 'Orange Delight'	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 2
<b>Laeliinae - Non Standard</b>		
465	<i>L. anceps</i> x <i>C.</i> Gaston Bultel	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
464	<i>Slc.</i> Gold Mine 'Corona'	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302) 2
<b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &gt; 60mm</b>		
493	<i>Onc.</i> Tiger Barb	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
<b>Oncidiinae - Species</b>		
494	<i>Onc. leucochilum</i> 'Seaview'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid</b>		
481	<i>Den.</i> (Wandee Sailor x Wandee Classic)	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species</b>		
482	<i>Den. thyrsiflorum</i>	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
483	<i>Phal. sumatrana</i>	Trevor & Helen Stutley (1139) 2
<b>Orchid Seedling - any Genera</b>		
484	<i>Onc. leucochilum</i> 'Seaview'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3
<b>Paphiopedilum - Species</b>		
495	<i>Paph. esquirolei</i>	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252) 3

# November Results List (cont.)

Ref. No.		Points Awarded
<b>Second Division</b>		
<b>Cymbidium over 90mm Red Pink Brown</b>		
474	<i>Cym.</i> (Unknown x Chocolada)	David Williams (1351) 3
<b>Cymbidium under 60- any other colour</b>		
475	<i>Cym.</i> Cricket 'Rosetta'	George Misirlis (1125) 3
476	<i>Cym.</i> Cricket	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 2
<b>Cymbidium under 60 Species</b>		
477	<i>Cym. devonianum</i>	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 3
<b>Laeliinae - Non Standard</b>		
469	<i>C.</i> Margaret Hart	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 3
470	<i>Slc.</i> Jewel Box 'Schzerade'	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 2
471	<i>Lc.</i> Gold Digger 'Orchid Jungle'	Beth Stronach (836) 1
<b>Laeliinae - Species</b>		
472	<i>C. intermedia</i> var. Alba 'Reg'	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3
473	<i>C. intermedia</i> var. Olata 'Crownfox'	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 2
<b>Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm</b>		
467	<i>Blc.</i> Dundas 'Tom's Pride'	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3
<b>Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm</b>		
468	<i>Blc.</i> Hsinying Catherine 'Hakucho'	Bill Jayne (1180) 3
<b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &lt; 60mm</b>		
478	<i>Onc.</i> Splinter	Rowan Crowhurst (763) 3
<b>Oncidiinae - Species</b>		
479	<i>Ionopsis utricularioides</i>	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129) 3
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid</b>		
500	<i>Phal.</i> Unknown 'White'	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 3
501	<i>Phal.</i> Unknown 'Cynamon'	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 2
502	<i>Phal.</i> Unknown	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 1
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species</b>		
503	<i>Den. aphyllum</i>	Rowan Crowhurst (763) 3
<b>Paphiopedilum - Standard</b>		
480	<i>Paph.</i> Pathfinder 'Aloinati'	Bill Jayne (1180) 3

## **November Plant Commentary**

**ORCHID OF FIRST DIVISION AND FLOWER OF THE NIGHT:** *Dendrobium thyrsiflorum* (syn. *D. densiflorum* var *albo-luteum*) found mainly in S.W. China & Indo China. This was grown by Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby. This amazing species orchid had three small gently arching inflorescences, each one carrying 30 plus beautiful white/cream flowers with the deepest gold labellum you ever could see and to top this off, it was slightly frizzy around the edge of the lip. Congratulations Oui & Michael this orchid was a sight to behold and I'm quite sure everyone would love to have this orchid in their collection.



**OPEN DIVISION:** *Arpophyllum giganteum*, This species orchid is commonly found in Mexico & Costa Rica is allied to *Arpophyllum spicatum* which is a smaller plant but florally the two species are practically inseparable. Lucy & Geoff Spear were the proud owners of this lovely species orchid. There were 11 upright inflorescences with 100's and 100's of tiny two toned pink flowers, with a little black dot on the pollen caps and very thick rigid leaves. These cute flowers densely covered the upper inflorescences. It is commonly called the Candle Stick Orchid. A very well grown specimen and a credit to you both.





## **November Plant Commentary (cont.)**

**SECOND DIVISION:** *Cymbidium* Cricket 'Rosetta' grown by George Misirlis. What an incredible specimen boasting approximately 50 inflorescences and too many flowers to count. The flower colour: a green/brown with a velvet deep red labellum. This is a primary hybrid crossing between *Cymbidium madidum* and *Cymbidium devonianum* which results in a very high flower count. The influence of *Cymbidium madidum* in the prod gene imparts petals that jut forward. This orchid was registered by Greenoaks in 1964. Well done George, a wonderful specimen.



**SEEDLING OF THE NIGHT:** *Oncidium leucochilum* 'Sea View' grown by Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby. A very tall branching inflorescence, flowers creamy green with heavy brown markings, and a pristine white labellum with pink smudges and red pollen cap. What a small plant considering the size of inflorescence, with flowers emitting a lovely spicy fragrance. Commonly from Mexico, Honduras and Guatemala, a rare species growing in dry to humid forest, up to 2,000 metres altitude, first collected by George Ure Skinner in Guatemala in 1835 Thank you Oui & Michael for sharing this orchid with us.



*Sue Zerbe*

Registrar of Judges



# Spring Show Results

## Open Division (First Placings)

### Australian Native epiphyte - Species

Den. wassellii

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

### Australian Native - Specimen

Den. gracilicaule

Ron & Irene Parish (477)

### BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. wassellii

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

Cym. Sims Vision 'Barcelona'

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

### Cymbidium over 90mm predominantly Yellow

Cym. Albryant 'Super Star'

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

### Cymbidium over 90mm - any other colour

Cym. Firevieux 'Hadfield Triply'

Ron & Irene Parish (477)

### Cymbidium over 90mm - Seedling

Cym. (Valley Splash x Dorothea Paige)

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

### BEST CYMBIDIUM - over 90mm

Cym. Sims Vision 'Barcelona'

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm predominantly Green

Cym. (Sarah Jean x Fifi)

Ron & Irene Parish (477)

### Cymbidium under 60mm predominantly Pink

Cym. Mary Green 'Nifty Guy'

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

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Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

### Dendrobium (not Aust Native) - Hybrid

Den. [(mortii x fuliginosum) x convulata]

Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)

### BEST DENDROBIUM - (Not Aust Native)

Den. [(mortii x fuliginosum) x convulata]

Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere -

Max. porphyrostele

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

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Max. porphyrostele

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

### BEST ORCHID GENERA - Not Listed

Max. porphyrostele

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

Cym. Albryant 'Superstar'

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

## Open Division (Second Placings)

### Australian Native epiphyte - Species

Den. gracilicaule

Ron & Irene Parish (477)

### Cymbidium over 90mm predominantly Pink

Cym. (Valley Splash x Dorothea Page 'Awesome')

Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm predominantly Green

Cym. Gentle Touch 'Bon Bon'

Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)

### Cymbidium under 60mm - Species

Cym. devonianum 'Sturt'

Ron & Irene Parish (477)

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere -

Max. chrysantha

Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)

## First Division (First Placings)

### Australian Native epiphyte - Species

Den. speciosum var. Curvicaule

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid

Den. Tyabb 'Young Splendour'

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### Australian Native - Specimen

Den. Tyabb 'Young Splendour'

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. Tyabb 'Young Splendour'

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

# Spring Show Results

## First Division (Second Placings [cont.])

### Australian Native epiphyte - Species

Sarco. falcatus

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### Australian Native - Specimen

Den. X delicatum

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### Cymbidium over 90mm predominantly Pink

Cym. (Kirby Lesh x Regal Flames)

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### Cymbidium over 90mm predominantly Red

Cym. Wallamurra 'Jupiter'

Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)

### Cymbidium over 90mm predominantly White

Cym. White Valley 'Becky'

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### Cymbidium over 90mm - any other colour

Cym. Amber Sands 'Harlequin'

Malcolm Young (754)

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - Species

Cym. lowianum 'Beryl'

Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm predominantly Green

Cym. Gentle Touch 'Bon Bon'

Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)

### Dendrobium (not Aust Native) - Hybrid

Den. (Thailand Tomoflake x Thaitom)

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### Oncidiinae - Species

Onc. leucochilum

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### Oncidiinae - Specimen

Onc. leucochilum

Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)

### Paphiopedilum - Novelty

Paph. Chouvetii 'Van Dyke'

Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)

### Phalaenopsis Hybrid

Phal. Jean White x Phal.Vienbank

Rod & Judy McRedmond (1141)

## Second Division (Second Placings)

### Australian Native - Specimen

De. (Victoria Stripe x Victoria Flare)

George Misirlis (1125)

### BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. (Victoria Stripe x Victoria Flare)

George Misirlis (1125)

### Cymbidium over 90mm - Species

Cym. lowianum 'Green'

George Misirlis (1125)

### Cymbidium over 90mm predominantly

Cym. lowianum 'Green'

George Misirlis (1125)

### Cymbidium over 90mm predominantly Pink

Cym. (Lunar Blaze x Flaming Vulcan)

Bill Jayne (1180)

### Cymbidium over 90mm predominantly Yellow

Cym. (Coraki Gold x Golden Fortune)

Bill Jayne (1180)

### Cymbidium over 90mm - Seedling

Cym. (Lunar Blaze x Flaming Vulcan)

Bill Jayne (1180)

### BEST CYMBIDIUM - over 90mm

Cym. lowianum 'Green'

George Misirlis (1125)

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm predominantly Pink

Cym. (Winter Valley x Sleeping Sharon)

Bill Jayne (1180)

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm predominantly Red

Cym. [(Yowie Pepper x Terama) x Valley Regent]

Bill Jayne (1180)

## Orchid Culture Notes for December

Another year has slipped us by. Hopefully this was a better year than last and the coming new year will be even better. This is the key to successful orchid growing and there is the requirement to try and go one up on the previous year. Learning is a never ending process and success is based on lessons learnt.

With the new year beckoning why not try and do something different next year or trying growing a different genera. I picked up an *Aeranthus* at the Festival of Flowers a couple of years ago. No idea about growing it but for \$8 it was worth a try. The books said cooler conditions, lots of shade and humidity. Found that spot in the shade house and presto. It grew and is now in spike. The worst thing that will happen is you will kill it. And if you do, don't give up ( mind you it's three strikes and out in my shade house). Some orchids are not meant to grow here.

Summer is well upon us and the growth season is away. Obviously feeding and watering are they key requirements but there are many other factors. Light levels are now at their peak, humidity levels at the lowest and there is the usual army of bugs out there feasting on the soft new growths. With rapid growth evident in many genera we need to keep them moving but also take into account that they are generally soft at this stage of growth . So caterpillars find a new growth much more tempting than a matured growth, heat damage is more noticeable and much more likely to affect a new growth than an old growth.

Hopefully most of our division etc has been completed by now but alas with so much to do nowadays this is not always the case so we find more and more growers still dividing this late in the season. As long as these plants are well looked after I can see not too many problems dividing this late but I would not expect a premium flowering next year either. Some of the plants that can be done now are the cattleyas and the oncidiums as their new growths have new roots that are not too long and these plants can be divided without too much set back or performance in the flowering stakes. Some of these plants can also be back cut this time of year. Back cutting involves cutting the rhizome of a plant that is intent on growing one forward growth each year and Oncidiums and Cattleyas are classic species that exhibit this behaviour. The cut is made 3 or 4 growths back from the lead with a sterile knife dipped in a fungicide. Then place a plant label in the cut to stop the growth growing back together. The aim is to encourage a dormant eye on the back half of the division to start growing. The plant can then be divided next year and you have 2.

Zygopetalums are growing fast and most new growths will be showing new roots as well. The key to dividing a plant at any time is do it in active growth. If you divide a plant that is resting you may end up with a dead plant or at least a plant suffering a major setback. The old damaged roots won't absorb water or fertilizer very well and there are no new ones to take over. Even when it finally grows new roots it is that far set back it may be years before it returns to normal. All divided plants should be kept shadier, more humid and misted regularly for awhile until they settle down and then returned to their rightful place on the bench. Don't forget a couple of watering with Seasol to assist the recovery of the orchid and the new roots.

Terrestrials are now in the shed stored in a cool shady place. Next month will see the annual task of re potting. There are a couple of evergreen terrestrials we can grow here and as long as you have some cover they won't need too much heat over winter. These are *Phaius tankervilleae* ( aka the swamp orchid) and *Calanthe triplicata* (aka The Christmas orchid). Both are grown under 55% shade at my place and under cover all year in a deep pot with a rich peaty compost. They both have soft wide leaves and look good even out of flower. Caterpillars and scale love them! Both flowers mark badly if they get wet, particularly the *Calanthe* that turns black. It would pay to keep the atmosphere and the plant very dry when flowering. The *Phaius* is out in November and funnily enough the *Calanthe* flowers in December.

Keep up the humidity this time of year as it is you ally when conditions get hot. There are many ways to increase humidity. In my shade house I hang old man's beard everywhere, baby's tears grows under the benches and along the paths, I have some containers of water under the benches and even a few foliage plants scattered about the place. The floor is bark chip that holds moisture. All of these factors improve the humidity. Provide some extra shade if you can when temperatures go through the roof and remove it when conditions cool down. We installed foggers under the covered section and these are very effective at bumping up the humidity and bring the temperatures down on those extreme days. Avoid spraying for pests when temperatures are high. Learn to read the signs of heat and light damage. Die back, pitting, sun burn or scold marks and excessive yellowing of the leaves are clear signs. I also test a few plants leaves and feel how hot they are and if they are I'll try to get the temp down.

Inspect those orchids that do not have psuedobulbs to tide them over the summer. *Paphiopedilums* and *Sarcocylus* come to mind so make sure they are kept evenly moist. They also will show up heat damage via pitting of the leaves and once creamed by the heat will die a slow death. Inspect the roots anytime you feel the plant is struggling. Lifting the plant partly out the pot and back in wont harm it but if the roots have no growth tips then something is wrong and action needs to be taken now. Not later.

## **Orchid Culture Notes for December (cont.)**

Paphs are very sensitive to salt, especially some of the species and regular flushing is essential to remove them. This is why a well drained mix is a must, not only to get valuable air to the roots but to enable a regular flushing. If water drains out slowly then it is unlikely your conditions are very favourable and problems will soon occur if not already evident. They also have low fertiliser requirements.

Pests are plenty and the green loopers are rife. A month ago I couldn't walk outside at night under the street lights because of a moth plague and when there is moth plague there is looper plague behind it. Fortunately I was prepared and I have a few pots of sacrificial foliage plants under the benches and sure enough they are covered in loopers that are easily removed by hand but the orchids apart from my soft leaved *Zygopetalums* and *Lycastes* are untouched. I would still keep an eye out for scale and mites as conditions become drier.

December starts the summer season and there are still plenty that flower this time of year. Many people won't grow summer flowering orchids, maybe it's because there are no shows or club meetings are recessed until the new year, I don't know but I make sure I am not in that minority. *Brassia verrucosa* and *Brassia brachiata* are now out, the spidery flowers making a wonderful display even if their smell leaves much to be desired, there are always a few summer flowering mini *Cattleyas* and *Oncidiums* adding colour. I have always loved the *Oncidiinae* complex. Like the *Laeliinae* group a well thought out collection can usually have at least one member from the group or intergenerics bred from them that flower every month of the year. I have *Encyclias*, Native *Dendrobiums* ( yes, even in summer, but they only last a few days), always *Zygoes* spot flowering, *Sartylis*, *Neofinetia*, *Biffrenaria*, Native *Cymbidiums* ( *madidum* , *canaliculatum* and *suave*) and their hybrids all providing summer colour.

2014 is about to bite the dust and 2015 await. Most of these notes are for the learners in the clubs and hope that these and the beginners group meetings have been useful in helping you under stand and improve your culture.

For the rest of the growers I hope they have been helpful even in a small way. We are all into this together and we all need to interact, share ideas and dare to try something different. All the best for Xmas and may Santa bring you many seedlings.

Steve Howard



### **ORCHID CLUBS IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA – General Meeting Times**

**THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** Meets on the first Wednesday of the month at St. Bernadette's Church Hall corner of Walsh Avenue and South Road, St. Marys. Beginners' Class starts at 7.15 pm. Meeting at 8.00 pm.

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**THE ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** meets at 8 pm in The Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Road, Enfield on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month.

**THE DAYTIME GROUP:** meets from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm in the Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Road, Enfield on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month.

**THE MURRAY BRIDGE AND DISTRICT ORCHID CLUB:** meets at 1.45 pm in the Seventh Day Adventist Hall, corner Myall Avenue and Standen Street, Murray Bridge on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

**NORTHERN AND EASTERN DISTRICTS ORCHID SOCIETY:** meets in St. Philip's Church Hall, Galway Avenue, Broadview from 7.30 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month.

**THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ORCHIDACEOUS SOCIETY:** Meets at the Adelaide West Uniting Church Hall, 312, Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park from 7.30 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

**THE NATIVE ORCHID SOCIETY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** meets at 7.30 pm at St. Matthew's Church Hall, Bridge Street, Kensington on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.

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