



THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SA INC.

# Gazette

May 2026

Patron: Coralie Hills FAOC  
President: Michael Willoughby

## AT A GLANCE

The May Meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club will be held on Wednesday 6th May 2026 at 8.00 pm. Marion - Warradale Uniting Church Hall, Corner of Township Road and Church Crescent, Marion. Our Guest Speaker will be a Neutrog representative speaking about their products and the developments in the Neutrog World.

**LEARNERS' GROUP:** There will be a Learners' Group Meeting at the May Meeting at 7.15pm. All members are welcome to attend. Bring your problems/plants for discussion.

**JUDGING:** Please have your plants benched by 7.40pm so Judging can commence at 7.50pm. If you are running late due to work commitments please phone Phil on 0438 891 612.

**DAYTIME CHAPTER:** The next meeting will be on Thursday 14th May commencing at 2.00pm in our **New Home: the Lounge Hall, Marion Church of Christ, Mitchell Park.** Guest Speaker: to be advised.

**SOUTHERN REGION:** The next meeting will be Sunday 17th May 2026 at 2.00 pm at Carrickalinga House, Victor Harbor. Guest Speaker: to be advised  
Learners' Group will be held at 1.15 pm.

**LUCKY NAME BADGE:** Make sure you wear your Name Badge to meetings, you may win a prize.

**PUBLIC LIABILITY:** Under Insurance Guidelines all members and Committee attending any function or meeting held by the Club must sign and print your name in an Attendance Book.

### **BUNNINGS BARBEQUE**

Friday 29th May 2026 at Marion Bunnings Store

We would like to have two teams to run the BBQ, one in the Morning and the other in the Afternoon.  
If you are able to help please contact Anne Steer



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### **LIFE MEMBERS**

\* denotes Member who has passed away.

1978 Dulcie Grave *	1989 Helen Edwards	2011 John and Bev Gay*
1978 Leora Harvey	1990 Dr, Keith Northcote *	2012 Noel Oliver *
1978 L. & H. Poole *	2003 Norman Gitsham *	2015 Lesley Fenton
1978 Ellie Shaw *	2005 Merve Steele *	2015 Rod McRedmond
1979 Syd Monkhouse	2005 Shirley Steele *	2018 Kevin Western
1979 Bernie Hanson *	Circa Tony and Toshy Deonno *	2020 Malcolm Mangelsdorf
1981 Lois Hanson *	2007 Ron and Irene Parish	2021 Donna Meeuwssen
1981 John Leeder*	2007 Murray Baulderstone *	2025 Michael Willoughby
1985 Brenda Lynch*	2008 Geoff and Lucy Spear	2026 Phil Steer
1985 Bubs Gready *	2009 Don Biebrick *	2026 Christine Robertson
1986 Harry Viney *	2009 Henk Van Leuveren *	
1986 John Nicholls *	2010 Dorothy Carassai	

### **SUBSCRIPTIONS:**

#### **RATES – One membership covers all groups**

Family Membership	\$38.00
Single Membership	\$30.00
Junior Membership	\$22.00

#### **Rural and Interstate Membership**

Family Membership	\$34.00
Single Membership	\$28.00

Account Details: BankSA Glenelg. BSB: 105-145 Account No.: 545457040  
(Use your grower number for Reference)

We do value your membership and seeing you at meetings each month.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you are not sure if you have paid your fees please check with Anne Steer.

## President's Message



The Show Season is upon us yet again, with our Autumn show being held on 8th and 9th May at the Seaford Central Shopping Centre. Put in will be Thursday 7th May from 5pm, hot on the heels of our monthly meeting (the previous evening). We ask you to bring your flowering plants so as we can put on an appealing display for the public. Also, any of your plants in your collection that are 'extras' can be put on the sales bench for sale.

The South Australian Orchid Fair 2026 will be held at the Campbelltown Function Centre, Montacute Road, Rostrevor over the Saturday & Sunday of the June King's Birthday long weekend. More details are given later in this Gazette.

The Australian Orchid Foundation conducts an essay competition each year. This year's topic is "Your first venture into growing orchids". There are prizes for first, second and third. So how about it! Details are provided on page 6 of this Gazette.

A new book is now available entitled "Growing Australian Terrestrial Orchids": Through the Australian Orchid Foundation is costs \$45.00. Written by three skilled Australian terrestrial orchid growers with decades of experience and with contributions from expert growers worldwide. It provides novice and expert hobby growers alike with clear steps for success. Includes: detailed step by step instructions, full colour throughout with over 200 photos, growing notes for all major genera, See page 17 for details

In Autumn it is most important to keep the water up to our plants as many genera are still in growth stage and building up reserves for their rest and flowering later in the year, and the warm weather can extend well into April as is evident this year. Fertilize your orchids weekly, (a weak solution of fertilizer) and make sure they are all protected from the elements as they still need fresh air around them.

It is always prudent to place snail bait on your pots to ward off the little critters (albeit not to close to young spikes as the snails/slugs may choose these over the bait). Also place a stake by your flowering spike to protect it from being damaged as it grows. Rats can be a problem as they are looking for a source of moisture during this very dry Autumn. They do like to chew into pseudobulbs and also nip off flowering spikes looking for a 'drink'.

Finally lets us think of those members who are sick or in hospital. We wish you a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing you again at Meetings.

As Michael would say "Successful growing & showing"

*Christine Robertson* For the President



## Happy Birthday .....

**GEOFF SPEAR, ANITA BUGDEN,  
JOHN HARRIS, ALAN MILLER,  
RUTH CREEDY, FRAN HARLOW**



Is your name in the Birthday Book ?? Please see - **Anne Steer**



## ORCHID CALENDAR 2026

<b><u>MAIN MEETING:</u></b>	Wednesday 6th May, 2026 8.00 pm Marion-Warradale Uniting Church Hall, Corner of Township Road and Church Crescent. Guest Speaker: Neutrog. Learners Group Meeting at 7.15 pm
<b><u>AUTUMN SHOW</u></b>	Thursday 7th May (Put In) to Saturday 9th May 2026 Seaford Shopping Centre Details in this Gazette
<b><u>COMMITTEE MEETING</u></b>	Wednesday 13th May, 2026 7.30 pm The Southern, South Road, St. Marys
<b><u>DAYTIME CHAPTER</u></b>	Thursday 14th May, 2026 at 2.00pm Lounge Hall, Marion Church of Christ, corner Marion Road and Alawoona Avenue, Mitchell Park. Guest Speaker: To be advised
<b><u>SOUTHERN REGION MEETING</u></b>	Sunday 17th May, 2026 2.00 pm Carrickalinga House, Victor Harbor. Guest Speaker: To Be advised Learners Group 1.15 pm
<b><u>BBQ BUNNINGS</u></b>	Friday 29th May 2026 Marion Bunnings Store Two Teams required to man the BBQ (one for morning and the other for the afternoon)
<b><u>WINTER SHOW</u></b>	Friday 24th July (Put In) to Sunday 26th July 2026 Marion Warradale Uniting Church Hall, corner of Township Road and Church Crescent, Marion
<b><u>SOUTHERN REGION SHOW</u></b>	Wednesday 19th August (Put In) to Friday 21st August 2026 Victor Central Shopping Centre, Victor Harbor
<b><u>SPRING SHOW</u></b>	Friday 25th September (Put In) to Sunday 27th September 2026 Marion Warradale Uniting Church Hall, corner of Township Road and Church Crescent, Marion
<b><u>CHRISTMAS DINNER:</u></b>	Friday 4th December 2026

### Product Program



Neutrog has advised of the online ordering cut off dates for **2026**

#### **SPRING 2026**

Cut off for online orders July 13th 2026 at 8 am.

#### **SUMMER 2026**

Cut off for online orders October 12th 2026 at 8 am.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

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# SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ORCHID FAIR 2026



**Campbelltown  
Community Centre**  
172 Montacute Road,  
Rostrevor

**Saturday 6th June**  
9.00 am - 4.00 pm  
**Sunday 7th June**  
9.00 am - 4.00 pm

- Orchid Displays by SA's Orchid Clubs
- Raffles of Orchids and related products
- Sales from Leading Orchid Growers from SA and Interstate
- Free advice from experienced growers
- Re-potting demonstrations
- Light Lunches, Devonshire Teas, and Refreshments available



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This includes a free cup of Tea or Coffee  
[Free admission on Sunday for members of  
SAROC Clubs wearing their club badges.]

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## 2026 AOF Essay Prize

The AOF Essay Prize is an annual writing competition, established with a generous endowment by the Slade family.

There will be three prizes –

<b>1st</b>	<b>Prize</b>	<b>\$350.00</b>
<b>2nd</b>	<b>Prize</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>
<b>3rd</b>	<b>Prize</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>

The Foundation invites all Australian orchid growers to consider the topic for 2026 and submit an entry.

### ESSAY TOPIC FOR 2026:

## ***Your first venture into growing orchids***

In 1893, Frederick Boyle wrote a book "About Orchids – A Chat".

Boyle wrote about a plant of *Cattleya mossiae* he bought at a local auction house.

*"That Cattleya mossiae, was my first orchid, bought in 1884. It dwindled away, and many another followed it to limbo; but I knew enough, as has been said, to feel neither surprised nor angry. First of all, it is necessary to understand the general conditions, and to secure them. Books give little help in this stage of education; they all lack detail in the preliminaries. I had not the good fortune to come across a friend or a gardener who grasped what was wrong until I found out for myself."*

Describe your initial venture into growing orchids; your successes/failures as you embarked on your journey.

### **The deadline for receipt of all entries is 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026**

Send your entry electronically to:

[aof@australianorchidfoundation.org.au](mailto:aof@australianorchidfoundation.org.au)

or post to:

AOF Essay Prize P.O. Box 440, Yarra Glen Vic. 3775

Please include your name, address and telephone contact.

#### Entry Rules:

- This competition is open to Australian residents only.
- The essay will be an original article, not previously published.
- The essay must be no more than 4,000 words, short essays are most welcome.
- The essay is to be in English and typewritten.
- Entries may include artwork or images.
- The authors of the essays will remain undisclosed to the judges, whose decision will be final. If in the opinion of the judges, no worthy essays are received, there will be no award that year.
- Non-winning entries will be returned to the sender if requested. These entries may be submitted to the editors of Australian orchid periodicals for publication, with permission from the author.
- The winning essay will be announced at the AGM of the Foundation in October 2026
- The winning entries will be placed on the AOF web site and maybe published in Australian orchid periodicals.

## NOARLUNGA ORCHIDS AND ROSE NURSERY

180 Commercial Road Seaford Meadows

Phone: 0431 694 905.



Carol and Malcolm have a fantastic collection of roses and orchids, especially Cymbidiums and Sarcochilus. They are very knowledgeable and helpful. Visit them for your orchid and rose needs.

## AUTUMN SHOW

Friday 8th May to Saturday 9th May 2026  
SEAFORD CENTRAL SHOPPING CENTRE

The Committee needs the assistance of the members to volunteer to help on the Trading Table. Sell your surplus plants on the Trading Table, ask Anne for swing tickets and selling sheets.

**Reminder:** to sell your plants at the Show and to display your plants you must be a financial member and you must have owned your plant for a least 6 months.

**PUT IN:** Thursday 7th May, 5.00 pm for set up of display area - help is needed.  
Plants for Display and Plants for Trading Table when set up is completed.

**TAKE OUT:** Saturday 9th May at 5.00 pm.

**JUDGING:** The plants will be judged in-situ in the display.

Please help make our Autumn Show a success by bringing in all your flowering plants. Ribbons and prize money are back.

**MOST IMPORTANT:** The Show Marshall will ring any member if for some reason he feels that any plant may be showing signs of distress.

**TRADING TABLE:** As well as members' plants for sale, we will have a range of Phalaenopsis, Oncidium, and Australian Native Orchids for sale.

## AUTUMN SHOW SCHEDULE 2026

CARD CLASSES NOT FOR PROMOTION – CARD ONLY	PROMOTIONAL CLASS	GENERA & DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONS (PRIZE MONEY)
<b>Australian Native.</b> Epiphyte Species. Epiphyte Hybrid. Terrestrial Species. Terrestrial Hybrid. Specimen, Seedling.	Best Australian Native	Champion Australian Native
<b>Cymbidium.</b> Majority of flowers > 90mm. Majority of flowers 60-90mm. Majority of flowers <60mm. Species, Specimen, Seedling.	Best <i>Cymbidium</i>	Champion <i>Cymbidium</i>
<b>Paphiopedilum.</b> Standard. Non Standard. Species, Specimen, Seedling.	Best <i>Paphiopedilum</i>	Champion <i>Paphiopedilum</i>
<b>Laeliinae.</b> Standard >100mm. Standard <100mm. Cluster. Non Standard. Species, Specimen, Seedling.	Best Laeliinae	Champion Laeliinae
<b>Oncidiinae.</b> Oncidium Hybrid <60mm. <i>Oncidium</i> . Hybrid >60mm. Species, Specimen, Seedling.	Best Oncidiinae	Champion Oncidiinae
<b>Zygopetalinae.</b> Zygopetalinae Hybrid. Zygopetalinae Species. Specimen, Seedling.	Best Zygopetalinae	Champion Zygopetalinae
<b>Phalaenopsis.</b> Standard. Non Standard. Species, Seedling.	Best <i>Phalaenopsis</i>	Champion <i>Phalaenopsis</i>
<b>Dendrobium.</b> <b>(other than Aust. Native)</b> Hybrid, Species, Seedling.	Best <i>Dendrobium</i>	Champion Any Other Genus
<b>Vandaeae.</b> Standard. Non Standard. Species, Seedling.	Best Vandaeae	
<b>Any Other Genus.</b> Hybrid. Species, Specimen, Seedling.	Best Any Other Genus	
<b>THE GRAND CHAMPION IS SELECTED FROM GENERA CHAMPIONS</b>		
Trophies :		Champion Seedling
<b>W A Young : Trophy for Grand Champion</b>		Champion Species
<b>H &amp; B Viney : Trophy for Champion Laeliinae</b>		Champion Specimen
<b>P C Loke : Trophy for highest aggregate at 3 Shows</b>		Division Champions

## EXHIBITORS' RULES FOR SHOWS

1. All exhibitors must be financial members of the South Coast Orchid Club of South Australia Incorporated, and you must have owned your plant for at least 6 months..
2. Entries are free.
3. Exhibitors are bound by the Constitution, Rules, By-Laws and Special Show Rules of the Club.
4. The opinion of the judges is final and binding and no objections or discussions regarding results will be considered, with one exception, which is an infringement by an Exhibitor of any of the Club's Rules, By-Laws or Show Rules. Any objection in this case must be lodged with the Club Show Marshall/Secretary.
5. The Club accepts no responsibility for any loss, damage or infection suffered by any plant or blooms exhibited.
6. The Club reserves the right to photograph any of the exhibits.
7. In all matters regarding the arrangement and conduct of the show (with exception of judging) the Show Marshall/Secretary is the ruling authority.
8. No plants suspected by the Club Virus adjudicators of being infected with virus will be eligible for competition and such plants will be completely isolated from all other plants.
9. The exhibition areas will be closed during the judging. No exhibitors, the public or members other than the Show Marshall/Secretary, Judges of the Club, Associate Judges and other persons appointed to assist in judging will be allowed to remain in the exhibition area during this period.
10. Non-exhibitors are requested not to congregate in the exhibition area prior to judging so that officials can arrange plants and perform other necessary duties.
11. Plants must be labelled with the coloured labels provided by the Club with the exhibitor's number and name of plant. These are available from the Show Marshall/Secretary or his/her nominee.
12. Exhibitors are to ensure that all labelling be neatly and correctly performed in accordance with the procedure laid down on orchid Nomenclature and Registration.
13. All plants benched for judging at the show must be made available to be in the Club display.
14. All exhibits must be benched by the nominated time on the nominated day for judging. The nominated day and time will be published in the Club Gazette in the month prior to the Show.
15. Exhibits must not be removed before nominated time on the nominated day at the end of the Display. The nominated day and time will be published in the Club Gazette in the month prior to the Show.
16. Exhibitors unable to remove their own plants from the show should provide the person so doing with a letter of authorization.
17. Damage caused in transit to the show should be reported to the Show Marshall/Secretary or Registrar of Judges prior to judging.
18. If, in the opinion of the judges, a plant is not worthy of an award or prize in any specified section, then none shall be given.

## PREPARING ORCHIDS FOR SALE

1. Select the plants that you want to let go.
2. Clean all pots. Wipe them over with a damp cloth to remove all white residue or salt from the pots. If these pots have been recycled from somewhere else, please make sure all advertising and price stickers are all cleaned off.
3. Check all stakes and add more if necessary and re-tie.
4. Remove old brown husks from bulbs and remove weeds, snails, scale etc.
5. Remove all dry ends on the leaves and shape to a point.
6. Wipe leaves over with a mixture of milk and water (1 part milk to 10 parts water). Do not overdo the milk by adding extra as the fat in the milk will clog the pores in the leaves which will then yellow off and die.
7. Water all plants 2-3 days before, not on the morning that you are bringing them in. This water really makes a mess on our clothes, tablecloths and the floor.
8. Get plant sales sheets and plant price tags from Treasurer before hand. The sales sheet is a carbonless duplicated sheet, so both sheets are to be used together. Press down firmly on a hard surface to imprint on the second page. The original and duplicated sheets must be lodged with plants. On the top left hand corner of the page, print your name. On the right hand side write in your club member number, Rule a narrow column down the left side of the page. This column is for the plant number 1-30. On the right hand side you need a column a bit wider for the selling price of the plant. The centre section is for the name and colour eg *Cym*. Without Peer 'Soft Touch' (pink). Be reasonable with the pricing, not greedy. Either you want to sell it or you don't. Take into account the number of spikes and condition of the plant. If you are not sure of pricing, ask some one.
9. Next write your labels. It's a good idea to do both sides of the tag. Your member number goes on the left hand side and the plant number on the right hand side. Circle the plant number. Write your price under these numbers. As you put your tags on the plants, double check that the prices and numbers on the tags match those on your sales sheets.
10. When you bring your plants in, they must be checked off by another person against what you have written on your sheets. You will be given one sheet back along with payment for sales but you may wish to write out another copy for yourself to keep in the meantime. You can help with the checking off by reading out the numbers and price while the person checking checks this information off against what is on your sheets. If there is a discrepancy, it needs to be attended to and another ticket written out if need be.



# April Results List

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

## Open Division

### Laeliinae - Cluster

735 Ctt. Towering Inferno John Seidel (101) 3

### Laeliinae - Non Standard

736 Rby. Hsinying Green Gem John Seidel (101) 3

### Laeliinae - Species

737 Psh. cochleata Alba Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 3

### Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm

734 C. Rosella's Angel John Seidel (101) 3

### Oncidiinae - Species

744 Milt. clowesii Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 3

### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

740 Paph. moquetteanum John Seidel (101) 3

741 Paph. Hung Shen Grand Swell John Seidel (101) 2

742 Paph. liemianum 'Z2' John Seidel (101) 1

### Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

745 Paph. Hung Sheng Grand Swell John Seidel (101) 3

### Paphiopedilum - Species

746 Paph. liemianum 'Z2' John Seidel (101) 3

747 Paph. moquetteanum John Seidel (101) 2

748 Paph. helenae John Seidel (101) 1

### Phalaenopsis Species

739 Phal. fasciata Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3

### Phalaenopsis Standard

738 Phal. Fancy Fire Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3

### Specimen Species or Hybrid

743 Milt. clowesii Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 3

### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

749 Z. Artur Elle 'Essendon' Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3

## First Division

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

719 Cym. Enzan Summer Michael Gray (135) 2

### Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std

720 Cym. Zig-Zag 'Kiwi' Michael Gray (135) 3

721 Cym. Billion Dollar Baby Michael Gray (135) 2

### Laeliinae - Cluster

728 Ctt. Mary Elizabeth Bohn Joe & Denise Cassar & Ray Huddleston 3

729 Ctt. Browniae 'Riga' Joe & Denise Cassar & Ray Huddleston 2

### Laeliinae - Non Standard

730 C. Hawaiian Wedding Song 'Virgin' Phil and Anne Steer (514) 3

731 C. Topaz Pennymezzy Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2

732 C. Aqua Tint Michael Gray (135) 1

### Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm

726 C. Herbie Poole Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

727 C. Herbie Poole Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2

### Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

722 Gom. Alosuka 'Claire' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

723 Ons. Warm Memories Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2

724 Onc. Aka Baby Joe & Denise Cassar & Ray Huddleston 1

### Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

725 Paph. Unknown Joe & Denise Cassar & Ray Huddleston 2

## Second Division

### Laeliinae - Species

716 C. purpurata Dora Schrapel (200) 3

717 Psh. cochleata Helen McIntosh (299) 2

### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

718 Blc. Sea Urchin Dora Schrapel (200) 3

### Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

714 Osp. Sunkissed Helen McIntosh (299) 3

715 Onc. Hawaiian Sunset Ralf Brandt (159) 2

## BUNNINGS BARBEQUE

Friday 29th May 2026 at Marion Bunnings Store

We would like to have two teams to run the BBQ, one in the Morning and the other in the Afternoon. If you are able to help please contact Anne Steer

## PLANT COMMENTARY FOR APRIL

A good start to the year with increasing plant numbers. I think the very mild summer has seen plants coming into bud earlier than usual.

### Orchid of First Division and Plant of the Night

The plant of First Division was grown by Laurie & Sue Carter and was *Gom. Alosuka* 'Claire'.

A lovely clean plant with a full head of yellow and brown flowers. The yellow labellum really stood out from the smaller brown inner sections of the flower. Bright and very attractive.

(*Gomesa* is the genus previously known as *Oncidesa*.)

Well done Laurie & Sue



**PLANT OF FIRST DIVISION  
PLANT OF THE NIGHT**  
***Gom. Alosuka* 'Claire'**  
Grown by Laurie & Sue Carter  
Photos Neil Cooper

### Plant of Open Division

The plant of Open Division was C. Rosella's Angel, grown by John Seidel.

A small plant with one delightful flower of soft pink around a white inner sections on the segments. The labellum showed a darker pink front with a soft lemon inner section.

Congratulations John.



**PLANT OF OPEN DIVISION**  
**C. Rosella's Angel**  
Grown by John Seidel  
Photo Neil Cooper



**SEEDLING OF THE NIGHT**  
***Paph. moquetteanum***  
Grown by John Seidel  
Photo Neil Cooper

## PLANT COMMENTARY FOR APRIL Cont...

### Orchid of Second Division

The plant chosen by the Judges was a lovely *Osp.* (*Oncostelopsis*) *Sunkissed* 'Buttercup' grown by Helen McIntosh.

This was a smallish plant in a mesh pot with one inflorescence standing out from the lovely green foliage. The flowers were a lovely golden brown with a contrasting lighter tan labellum. The flowers were nicely ranked on the spike giving a lovely display. (One of the parents of this hybrid is *Ons. Catatante* which has passed on the darker brown segments.)  
Congratulations Helen.



#### PLANT OF SECOND DIVISION

*Osp. Sunkissed* 'Buttercup'

Grown by Helen McIntosh

Photos Neil Cooper

Thank you to our Judges for a job well done.  
Good Growing !

*Phil Steer*  
REGISTRAR

#### EDITORS NOTE

Quite a number of our members receive this Gazette in black and white by mail. Others have elected to have the Gazette directly emailed to them. They receive the Gazette in full colour and have the benefit of beautiful photographs of very colourful orchids and additional articles. They also receive the Gazette up to a week before the mail can deliver it to you others. If you would like to have the colourful version emailed to you send me an email so that I receive your correct email.

**Please don't forget that this is your Gazette.** If there is anything you would like to see covered or anything you would like to see changed, please let me know. I especially like photographs to include and details of your successes with your orchids.

You can contact me, **Christine Robertson,**

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Mobile: 0438 363 940

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**DAYTIME CHAPTER**  
**Thursday 9th April 2026**



**Hi Everyone,**

Thirteen members attending the Daytime Meeting welcomed our guest speaker Coralie Hills, who followed up her April main meeting presentation with a different presentation sharing details of her orchid collection.

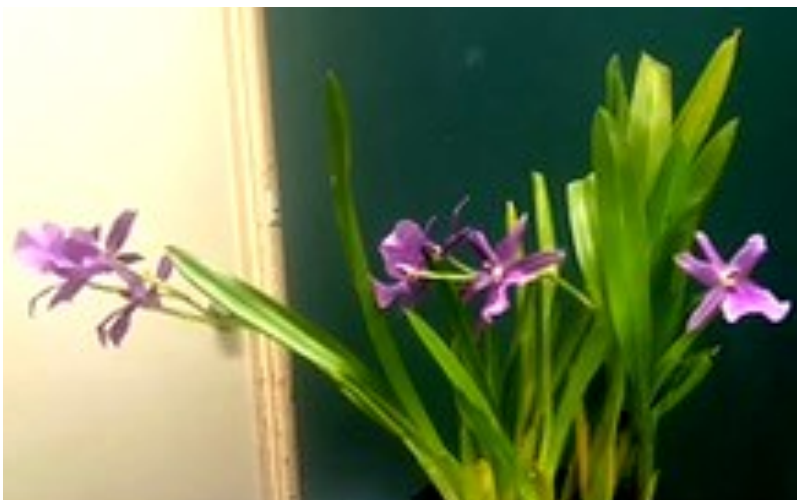
Coralie's PowerPoint presentation provided an insight into how she successfully manages her orchid collection within the confines of her unit including various shade applications, plant positioning, hooks and mounts. Members were grateful for the many helpful tips and advice Coralie provided including her strongest suggestion – "Perseverance is a must"

**Apologies:** Josie Ogrowski and Veronica Walsh

**Lucky Door Prize:** Margie Brown

**Birthday of the Month:** Margie Brown

Many thanks to Coralie also to our generous members providing items for the raffle table and to Coral for her valuable assistance.



**Popular Plant of the Day:**  
***Milt. Guanabara***  
 grown by Bev Mitchell

*Alan Miller*

0434 052 676

**Next Meeting :**  
**Thursday May 14th - 2.00 pm**  
**Guest Speaker: to be advised**

**VIRUS TEST KITS AVAILABLE**

The Club now has Virus Test Kits available for sale to our members. They cost \$9.00 They will be available at the meetings.



## SOUTHERN REGION MEETING Sunday 19th April 2026

The meeting was opened at 2pm to a much larger group with some returning from sickness. Pauline Hockey was on hand today with a large selection of various orchids for sale.

**Guest Speaker:** Our speaker this month was none other than Chris Heysen who spoke about his and Lyn's journey into the orchid world commencing in 1963, when Chris worked in agricultural science based in Papua New Guinea. He proposed to a young blonde haired, blue eyed girl named Lyn who had travelled to New Guinea to be with him (what else could a bloke do after a lass travels to cannibal country to be with her beau), and then their journey back to Australia. Chris showed us many species of orchids on a slide show and it was a truly interesting 60 year trip down memory lane with so much experience being gathered on their way, along with some magnificent orchid specimens.

**Birthday draw** went to Chris Heysen which seemed so appropriate after their presentation.

**Lucky name badge** went to Bob Clayton.

**Judging** was carried out by Jane and Don Higgs with plant commentary by the club registrar Phil Steer.

**Popular vote** for today went to a beautiful blue Vanda Somsri Glory 'Blue No. 2' grown by Janette and Graham Smith.

Meeting closed at 3 pm.

*Graham Smith*

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**NEXT MEETING – Sunday, 17th May 2026 at 2.00 pm**  
**Guest speaker: to be advised**

### WANTED



### DATA ENTRY PERSONS

If you would like to learn how to enter the data for the Club's Judging Results please talk to Michael Willoughby

# April Results Southern Region List

Ref. No.			Points Awarded
<b>First Division</b>			
<b>Laeliinae - Non Standard</b>			
827	Lc. Angel Heart 'Pink Cloud'	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
828	C. Browniae 'Riga'	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	2
829	Rlc. (Lucky Strike x Dark Waters)	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	1
<b>Ondina - Hybrid &lt; 60mm</b>			
831	Ons. Everglades Elegance 'Nancy Lee'	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	3
<b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &gt; 60mm</b>			
830	Brat. Aztec 'Toni'	Graham & Janette Smith (217)	3
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid</b>			
832	V. Somsri Glory 'Blue'	Graham & Janette Smith (217)	3
833	Den. Pink Ballerina	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	2
834	V. Gracie's Heartthrob	Graham & Janette Smith (217)	1
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species</b>			
835	Coel. massangeana	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	3

## Second Division

<b>Laeliinae - Non Standard</b>			
820	Lc. Unknown 'Coerulea'	Margaret & Warren Yelland (350)	3
821	C. Cornelis' Love 'Jules'	Bob Clayton (143)	2
822	Bct. Empress Worsley 'Roman Holiday'	Heather & Ruth McDonald & Creedy (300)	1
<b>Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm</b>			
819	Rlc. Nakonchaisri Red	Margaret & Warren Yelland (350)	3
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid</b>			
826	Phal. Unknown	Margaret & Warren Yelland (350)	3
<b>Paphiopedilum - Non Standard</b>			
823	Paph. Albion	Heather & Ruth McDonald & Creedy (300)	3
<b>Zygopetalinae - Hybrid</b>			
824	Npp. Adelaide Jester x Z Artur Elle	Heather & Ruth McDonald & Creedy (300)	3
825	Gptm. Arlene Armour	Heather & Ruth McDonald & Creedy (300)	2

## SOUTHERN REGION PLANT COMMENTARY– APRIL

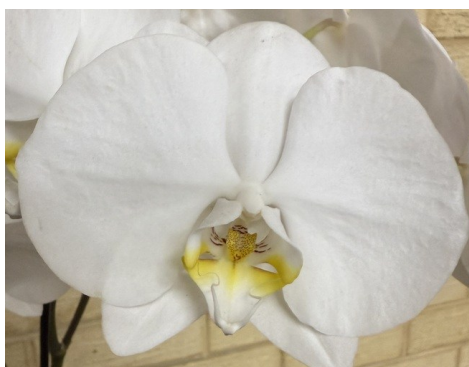
This month saw a noticeable increase in plant numbers. The Laeliinae alliance (Cattleya) certainly was out in force but overall a wide selection with great colour.

### ORCHID OF SECOND DIVISION

The plant chosen by the Judges was a lovely Phalaenopsis Unknown grown by Margaret & Warren Yelland.

This was a stunning plant with pristine white flowers on multiple branches coming of the main inflorescence. The flowers were well ranked on each branch and were very showy.

Congratulations Margaret & Warren.



### ORCHID OF SECOND DIVISION

**Phal. Unknown**

Grown by

Margaret & Warren Yelland

Photos Jane Higgs

## SOUTHERN REGION PLANT COMMENTARY– APRIL cont ...

### ORCHID OF FIRST DIVISION & PLANT OF THE DAY

The plant of First Division was *V. Somsri Glory 'Blue'*, grown by Graham & Jeanette Smith. A stunning plant with a tall inflorescence of Blue (almost violet) flowers. The flowers showed themselves well as they were evenly ranked on the tall spike.

This hybrid has *V. coerulea* & *V. sanderiana* as the two main species in its breeding (94 %). The natural habitat for *V. coerulea* is northeast India, Burma, through Thailand and south-west China. They usually grow high up in rough-barked trees that are not exceedingly leafy so that the plants are fully exposed to the sun, rain, and wind. The roots sprawl over the dry rough bark with no moss or lichen present. Therefore, they are able to dry very rapidly after becoming wet. In Thailand cultivated plants reportedly grow well under natural conditions in Chiang Mai which is at 340 m above sea level.

The species *V. sanderiana* is found in the Philippine Islands, where it is endemic to Mindanao Island in the provinces of Davao, Cotabato, and Zamboanga. Plants are normally found on the trunks of dipterocarp trees at low elevations, usually below 500 m. This species has been over-collected and is considered rare in nature.

Well done Graham & Jeanette.



**ORCHID OF FIRST DIVISION  
PLANT OF THE DAY  
POPULAR VOTE  
*Vanda Somsri Glory 'Blue'*  
Grown by Graham & Janette Smith  
Photo Jane Higgs**

Thank you to our Judges Jane and Don for a job well!

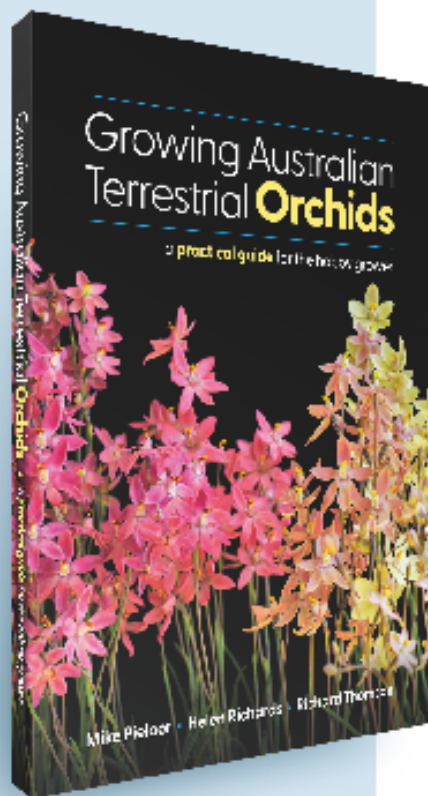
Good Growing

*Phil Steer*  
REGISTRAR

**Editor's Note:** Exhibitors are advised to check the list on page 15 for their plant names as several of them have been changed.

Exhibitor No 143	C. Cornelis' Love 'Jules'
Exhibitor No 350	Rlc. Nakonchaisri Red
Exhibitor No 1140	Rlc. (Lucky Strike x Dark Waters)

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## HARVESTING TIMES FOR CAPSULES OF SOME ORCHID GENERA

Genus	Range of Harvest Times (days)	Genus	Range of Harvest Times (days)
Aerides	150 - 180	Encyclia	210 - 250
Ansellia	120 - 180	Epidendrum	100 - 120
Ascocentrum	110 - 180	Laelia	120 - 180
Brassovola	120 - 150	Masdevallia	80 - 90
Bulbophyllum	140 - 180	Maxillaria 1	20 - 140
Cattleya		Miltonia	130 - 150
• labiate	130 - 180	Odontoglossum	210 - 270
• bifoliolate	200 - 250	Oncidium	70 - 240
Cirrhopetalum	140 - 180	Paphiopedilum	180 - 440
Cymbidium	270 - 350	Phaius	120 - 150
Dendrobium		Phalaenopsis	200 - 220
• devonianium, latifolium, superbum	150 - 250	Pleione	150 - 180
• nobile	150 - 180	Sarcochilus	300 - 360
• phalaenopsis	120 - 140	Sophronitis	75 - 100
• Australian species	60 - 150	Vanda	150 - 195
Disa	35 - 45	Vandopsis	160 - 180

## TWO COOL-GROWING LAELIAS by Brian Milligan

**The genus Laelia.** There are about 75 species in the genus *Laelia*. Most epiphytic species of *Laelia* grow in Mexico while the rupicolous laelias (those that grow on rocks) grow in Brazil. The Mexican species, *Laelia anceps* and *Laelia gouldiana*, are arguably the easiest to grow under cool conditions, especially if you have a shadehouse with a fibreglass roof, so that the plants can be kept fairly dry in winter. *Laelia anceps* has been cultivated in Europe for over 150 years. Over twenty different varieties were then cultivated but only a few are common in Melbourne today.

***Laelia anceps* in Nature.** In its native habitat *Laelia anceps* grows on tree trunks or branches on the edge of forests at altitudes of 1500-2000 m. The plants are often exposed to full sun and strong winds, with hot days and cold nights. Summer (the main growing season) is very wet and the plants receive heavy rain each evening and remain wet overnight. The next morning strong winds and sunshine quickly dry the plants before rain falls again in the evening. By contrast, the weather is cool and dry in winter and the plants receive little water until misty rain arrives in spring. New growths begin at this time with the new flower spike emerging from the centre of the new growth during summer. The flowers open as the new growth matures in late autumn.

**Cultivation of *Laelia anceps*.** Based on the above information, it would seem reasonable to:

1. grow *L. anceps* on a mount (e.g. tree-fern slab or a rough, long-lasting branch of oak or Casuarina, in my experience, cork mounts do not suit *L. anceps*).
2. hang the plant where it receives good air movement and good light (30-50%) shade in summer, less or none in winter).
3. water heavily in summer and early autumn, preferably in the evening, applying liquid fertiliser occasionally.



***Laelia anceps* growing on trees**



4. after the plant has flowered (usually in late autumn), water only occasionally until spring.
5. then mist the plant daily until new growth appears. At this stage begin the cycle again with heavy watering each evening.

*Laelia anceps* can also be grown in a pot, using coarse bark as the potting medium. Because each year's new growth is separated from the previous year's growth by about 50 mm on the ascending rhizome, the plant soon climbs out of its pot and the new roots hang over the edge. Although the plant grows happily like this, it soon becomes top-heavy and will then probably need to be broken up and repotted.

The flowers are usually rose, pink, violet or white in colour, with a darker labellum carrying a central yellow spot. The tall stem usually carries two to six flowers. Chamberlain's variety has larger, more deeply coloured flowers than most.



***Laelia anceps* comes in a range of colours**

*Laelia gouldiana* occurs in the same habitat as *L. anceps* and it can also be grown and flowered in an unheated shadehouse. It usually carries more flowers of deeper colour than *L. anceps* but they are slightly smaller (about 75 mm across). Some botanists once believed that *L. gouldiana* is not a true species but a natural hybrid between *L. anceps* and *L. autumnalis*. All three grow together in the same mountainous regions of Mexico. However most authorities today regard *L. gouldiana* as a species and it should therefore be benched in the class Any Other Species or Species Any Genus.



***Laelia gouldiana***



Both *Laelia anceps* and *L. gouldiana* grow readily from leafless pseudo-bulbs in the same manner as cymbidiums do from their backbulbs. They 'strike' better if left in pairs. Many plants grown in Melbourne are probably divisions of older plants. Small divisions occasionally appear on the sales bench at meetings and shows. Small plants raised from seed can sometimes be found in orchid nurseries – these may produce flowers of higher quality, if they have been bred from selected parent plants.

## CULTIVATING THE GENUS *Pterostylis* by Rex Johnson

Commonly known as greenhoods, rusty hoods or maroon hoods, members of the genus *Pterostylis* seem to be the unlikeliest flowers to be called orchids, but orchids they are. There are more than 120 species in Australia, more than 60 of them in Victoria and 37 in Tasmania, although many are common to both states. A peculiar characteristic of *Pterostylis* is the fused lateral sepals that rise from the base of the flower before separating to form two tails above a dorsal sepal. Together they form a hood (botanically known as a galea) above the column and lateral sepals.

Depending upon the species, the genus *Pterostylis* can be found in nature from sea level to alpine areas and in all types of terrain and climates. Most species have only one flower per stem but some multi-flowered species have as many as 24. Although they are commonly known as greenhoods, the colour of the flowers may range from green to brown, some species having reddish brown or maroon flowers. Green is by far the most common colour, although it may vary from light to dark green, often with white or translucent stripes. Flower size may vary from quite small (e.g. *Ptst. parviflora*) to relatively large (e.g. *Ptst. baptistii*). All are terrestrial orchids that become deciduous each year, usually in summer.

Growing *Pterostylis* species or hybrids is so easy that many growers do not consider it to be sufficiently challenging. However, there are so many greenhoods that one could make an extensive collection of this genus alone. Many books and

orchid society bulletins provide recipes for special terrestrial orchid potting mixes but some growers have excellent results using general potting mixes from their local nursery. Greenhoods are unsuitable for indoor culture but grow happily outdoors under shade cloth, preferably with a wire netting cover to keep blackbirds from digging out the plants in their search for worms.

Greenhoods commence growth from a subterranean tuber, usually in late winter, in many cases producing a rosette of leaves from which the flower stem emerges. In some cases the flower stem emerges beside the leaf rosette, while in a few cases the rosette withers before the flower buds open. All species may be propagated from seed but many also develop extra tubers, and thus form large colonies. If undisturbed, ten or a dozen tubers in a six-inch pot may multiply to a crowded potful within a few years.

When grown outdoors the plants need little more water than provided by general rainfall, except in periods of drought. The plants should be kept quite dry during the dormant period. Fertiliser should be used sparingly and only when the leaf rosettes are developing.

The easiest species for the beginner to grow are *Pterostylis curta*, *Ptst. nana* and *Ptst. pedunculata*, while the most attractive, easily grown hybrids are *Ptst. Cutie*, *Ptst. Ingens* and *Ptst. Jack Warcup*.

***Pterostylis curta* 'Betty'**  
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***Pterostylis baptistii* 'Bunna'**  
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## Orchid Culture Notes for May

May usually sees the true break in season when the warm balmy days of autumn are replaced by the cold of winter. Weather can be erratic this month with temperatures up in the high 20's down to the low teens. Usually the first frosts happen this month especially if the air remains dry. I do remember one May where we had an exceptional run of days over 25 °C with light winds but in general May is the one month where the north westerlies increase and rainfall becomes more reliable towards the end of the month. This means provision of additional cover should now be a consideration. Ideally most enclosures for our plants should have a section with a hard roof to keep plants dry or at least some plastic sheeting to provide some level of cover. I opt for the opal colour polycarbonate sheet that provides 55% shade cover as the next few months sees the sun low in the sky and light levels need to be maximised for most genera this time of year. Solar weave is a useful temporary cover as well.

Another recommendation for the cover is that many of our plants are now in or about to go into spike. Wet developing flower heads will mark or be affected with various fungal problems so that little extra cover will make all the difference and you have the added bonus that you can work with your plants even if it is raining.

Also inspect your plants and make adjustments to those that are unstable as we do not want that nice specimen covered in flower spikes falling over during the next gale do we? Check hanging plants next time you water or it rains and take notice where the water drips down as you do not want it dripping onto another plant below or eroding the soil based mix that homes the terrestrials. Even dew condensing off a hard roof can cause issues for the unfortunate plants below it.

Watering should be reduced now as the cooler weather and higher humidity means our pots do not dry out so fast and secondly many plants are now entering a rest phase. Typical genera that require resting periods are the native epiphytes, Cattleyas and Oncidiums. Many other genera continue to grow, albeit a little more slowly, and these include Cyms, Zygoes, Sarcochilus and Paphiopedilums to name a few. Resting plants should receive little or no water for long periods during their rest, depending on the genera, and no fertiliser as they will not use it. If anything, feeding a resting plant may prove a disaster to the root system so when the plant breaks dormancy in spring it uses up all energy into replacing the lost root system at the expense of strong new growth.

You will find many resting plants bulbs and canes will shrivel, some quite markedly. This is quite normal. Some lose their leaves entirely. For example Catasetums and some Lycastes. These stay fully dry as they grow a new root system every year.

If I do water any of the resting plants I will give them a little drink and only in the mornings on a rising temperature. The bulbs and canes fill out quite quickly again. In nature despite enduring up to 6 months without any rain they do experience heavy dews at night that moistens the bark and mosses they attach to so they never really go totally without a drink. Those plants that are always on the move can continue to be fed and watered at a reduced rate to that which applies during the main growing season.

Feeding wise should be reduced to fortnightly and again in the mornings so plants are dry by nightfall. May usually gives us a good indication of what will flower winter and spring and most plants are fed with the high potash, blossom booster feeds to strengthen the racemes and help bring out the colours.

Slugs and snails are now on the move so particular attention to a baiting programme should now be in place especially for those pots full of spikes. Use the blue pellets as they last longer and do not turn into a hairy monster within a few days. There is usually an autumn flush of looper caterpillars as well so ensure you have some Dipel at hand if their numbers are out of hand, otherwise learn to observe the damage they cause to the under-sides of the plants leaves and squish them. Soft leaved plants such as Zygopetalums and Phaius are prone to attack. I have heard that it is best to spray Dipel in the evenings as



## Orchid Culture Notes for May cont...

the grubs continue to feed at night and the spray stays wet much longer giving a more effective result. Ensure both sides of the leaves are covered. If the solution will not stick because the plants leaves have a waxy coating then add a few drops of dishwashing detergent as a wetting agent. Keep an eye out for any ant movements now as well. These little up to no good critters are most likely introducing some unwanted pests into our collection. Soft scale is one which can be fixed up with Malathion and white oil or a product called Malascale cleans them up nicely. Spray the Cyms now before the spikes emerge from their protective sheaths for those that flower for the spring shows.

Mealy bugs are the other problem that once in the collection are very hard to eradicate as apart from living in the leaves and bracts they also move into the potting mix where they avoid sprays. Confidor will clean them up. If you have mealies then I suggest you keep the plants isolated from the rest of the collection and very clean; meaning ensure all leaf bracts are inspected and persistent leaf bases are removed as these are prime hiding places. In severe cases of infestation it is easier to ditch the whole plant rather than try and control it and have it transfer to other plants in the collection. Other chores for May are the cleaning up of our plants and weeding. I find after a rain, removal of leaf bracts from my Cymbidiums and Zygopetalums is much easier. Be careful you do not damage the new growths that start showing this time of year.

Many flowering plants now needing staking but ensure they are not tightly tied to the stakes as the spikes are usually growing quickly and need not be fully restricted by ties. Also once staked in position it is important not to move the plants around as the spikes will twist and contort trying to follow the sun if they keep getting moved around. A spray with Mancozeb is always a good bet this time of year to help eliminate some fungal problems associated with this time of year and don't forget foliar feeding either. Even though a plant's roots have gone into dormancy, the plant will still accept nourishment via its leaves.

It is now time to inspect the natives. Most of them will now begin to show the start of their flowering buds. It is certainly a time of year I get excited. Remove any dead leaves and hang them high and dry.

Many plants will shed a few leaves and Cymbidiums are no exception. Mostly it is the odd leaf on an old matured growth. If there are many yellowing leaves on the one plant it would pay to feel the bulb. Bulb rot has been common this year given the heat of summer and the extended Indian Summer of March and April. A soft bulb is a dead give away of bulb rot and more often than not it is fatal, especially on smaller plants. It would pay to dispose of any plants where the rot is significant unless it is a prized plant in which case you do what you can to save it. Place the pot and the mix into the rubbish and not the compost heap, otherwise the problem will spread. Spread the plants out and spray with a preventative fungicide, plants, pots and benches in the immediate area where the infection was noticed. Poor air movement from overcrowding is a common cause of this problem.

*Steve Howard*

### LEARNERS' GROUPS

Prior to the Main Meeting and the Southern Region Group Meeting there is a Learners' Group meeting. These meetings are designed for members to bring their problems with their plants for discussion. And also bring along plants for comments on them. Are you excited about something that has happened? Have you done something that really works?

You do not have to be a beginner to attend. They are open to all members. Come along and listen or contribute your knowledge. You will learn a lot, help someone else with a problem, and make new friends.

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

**THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** The Club meets at the Marion - Warradale Uniting Church Hall, Cnr. Township Road and Church Crescent, Marion. at 8.00p.m. on the first Wednesday of the Month

**THE DAYTIME CHAPTER:** meets at the Lounge Hall, Marion Church of Christ, corner Marion Road and Alawoona Avenue, Mitchell Park. on the second Thursday of the month at 2.00p.m.

**THE SOUTHERN REGION:** meets at Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor at 2.00p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

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

**Daytime Group:** meets from 2.00p.m. to 4.00p.m. 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 1.45pm in the Seventh Day Adventist Hall, corner Myall Avenue and Standen Street, Murray Bridge on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

**THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ORCHIDACEOUS SOCIETY:** Meets at the Plympton Community Centre, 34 Long Street, Plympton from 7.30p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

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

**THE CYMBIDIUM CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** Meets at 7.30p.m. at Burnside Community Centre, 401 Greenhill Road, Tasmore on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month.

**THE GAWLER DISTRICTS ORCHID CLUB:** meets at the Elderly Centre 37 Fourteenth Street, Gawler at 8 pm on the 2nd Thursday of the Month.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN REGIONAL ORCHID COUNCIL:** Represents all clubs in South Australia on the Australian Orchid Council. Meets three or four times a year, at which meetings all clubs are represented by a delegate or a proxy delegate. SAROC conducts the **SA Orchid Fair** in June each year.



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