

Gazette

June
2016



PRESIDENT: Michael Willoughby
PATRON: Sydney Monkhouse

AT A GLANCE

The next meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club will be held at 8.00 pm. on Wednesday 1st June 2016 at St Bernadette's Church Hall, corner of Walsh Avenue and South Road, St. Marys. The guest speaker will be Stephen Monkhouse who will talk on Zygotetals and Bali.

- **JUDGING:** Please have plants benched by 7.40 pm so judging can commence at 7.50pm. If you are running late because of work commitments please phone Phil on 0438 891 612
- **BEGINNERS' GROUP:** Next meeting June 1st at 7.20 pm with Geoff Spear. Please support the Beginners Group. The presenters have put a lot of effort into their presentations and you will certainly learn a lot.

DAYTIME CHAPTER: The next meeting will be held at Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton on Thursday, 9th June 2016 at 2.00 pm. Our Guest Speaker will be Geoff Spear talking about Cymbidiums. Beginners' Group at 1.30 pm.

SOUTHERN REGION GROUP: The next meeting will be held at 2 pm. on Sunday 19th June 2016 in Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor. Guest speaker will be Des Bettcher.

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

NEW MEMBERS: The President and Committee of S.C.O.C.S.A. welcome the following new member: **Andrew Dean**. We hope you have a very rewarding time with our Club.



Happy Birthday

JENNY CIPLYS, ALAN MYREN
HENK VANLOUVERAN, JAN SAXON
LOUISE ELLIOTT, BRIAN OSBORNE



Is your name in the Birthday Book ?? Please see - Heather Wright

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CLUB MEETING DATES FOR 2016

June 2016

01 Main meeting - Stephen Monkhouse
08 Committee Meeting
09 Daytime Chapter - Geoff Spear
19 Southern Region Group - Des Bettcher

July 2016

06 Main meeting - Steve Howard on Catasetums
13 Committee Meeting
14 Daytime Chapter
17 Southern Region Group -
Peter Hall on Bromeliads

August 2016

03 Main meeting - Lesley Gunn on Thailand
10 Committee Meeting
11 Daytime Chapter - Pauline Hockey
21 Southern Region Group - Graham Zerbe
on Thailand

September 2016

07 Main Meeting - Nicky Zurcher
08 Committee Meeting

September 2016 cont.

14 Daytime Chapter
18 Southern Region Group

October 2016

05 Main meeting - Ron Parish on Species
12 Committee Meeting
13 Daytime Chapter
16 Southern Region Group - George Abell on Sarcs

November 2016

02 Main Meeting– Kevin Western on Sarcs.
SARC Night
09 Committee Meeting
10 Daytime Chapter
20 Southern Region Group - Chris & Lyn Heysen on
Phalaenopsis

December 2016

07 Main Meeting – Syd Monkhouse on World
Conference
08 Daytime Chapter - Noel Oliver Christmas
18 Southern Region Group - Graham Zerbe

MAIN MEETING BEGINNERS' GROUP 2016 PROGRAMME

Date	Speaker	Subject
June 1st	Geoff Spear	TBA
July 6 th	TBA	TBA

SOUTHERN REGION GROUP 2016 PROGRAMME

Date	Speaker	Subject
June 19th	Des Bettcher	TBA
July 17th	Peter Hall	Bromeliads
August 21st	Jane Higgs	Thailand
September 18th	TBA	TBA
October 16th	George Abel	Sarcophilus
November 20th	Chris & Lyn Heysen	Phalaenopsis
December 18th	Graham Zerbe	TBA

BUNNINGS BBQ DAY 16TH APRIL 2016



SHIRLEY, DAVID, GEOFF, HEATHER, LUCY & DOROTHY

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to all the Champions, prize winners and exhibitors at our Autumn Show, a job well done. The display was a credit to the club, looking pleasing to the eye, particularly coming up the escalator. The Autumn Show signifies the beginning of our show season, with SAROC, and the Winter and Spring Shows to keep us busy with preparing plants for showing. SAROC this year will not be held on the June long weekend as usual, instead being a week later, Sat. 18th & Sun. 19th of June (please note).



May has already given us a window on winter with a week of wintry weather. Milder weather is required so that many plants can finish maturing new growths before a winter rest period. This is also the time to be finishing potting on and dividing of plants should also be finished, this is also the time to be on the lookout for the nasties that love new growth and spikes on our plants. I have already noticed caterpillars, snails, slugs and earwigs on the move as well as ants which can transfer scale from plant to plant.

We look forward to this month's talk, to be given by Stephen Monkhouse on the Zygopetalum alliance and more, do not miss this as it will be most interesting. How are your seedlings Zga.(Freestyle Meadows 'Tiya' x Holdfast Bay 'Meadows Mist') growing for the seedling competition that you purchased last year?, remembering that the first member to bring in a flowering seedling will win the \$50 prize.

Successful growing and showing

Michael

Congratulations to these Growers for their recent successes

A.O.C. & IRA BUTLER

AUSTRALIAN NATIVE HYBRID CERTIFICATES

Grower: **Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju**

Awarded to:	Dendrobium Tyabb 'Young Splendour'	HCC/AOC 79.4 pts
	Dendrobium Tyabb 'Young Splendour'	ACM/AOC 80.1 pts

A.O.C. SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CULTURAL AWARD

Grower: **Geoff & Lucy Spear**

Awarded to: Dendrobium teretifolium 'Emily' ACM HCC – A.O.C.

BILL MURDOCH AUSTRALIAN NATIVE ORCHID SPECIES

Grower: **Geoff & Lucy Spear**

Awarded to: Dendrobium striolatum 'Leedham'

BILL MURDOCH AUSTRALIAN NATIVE ORCHID SPECIES

Grower: **Reg & Elsie Clifford**

Awarded to: Pterostylis curta

ORCHID CALENDAR FOR 2016

S.A.R.O.C. FAIR

Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th June at Torrens Parade Ground Drill Hall, King William Street, Adelaide

WINTER SHOW

Sunday 24th July to Saturday 30th July at the Hallett Cove Shopping Centre, Lonsdale Highway, Lonsdale.

SOUTHERN REGION GROUP SHOW

Thursday 25th August to Sunday 28th August at the R.S.L. Hall, Coral Street, Victor Harbor.

SPRING SHOW

Sunday 25th September to Saturday 1st October at the Seaford Rise Shopping Centre, Commercial Road, Seaford

YOUR 2016 COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT:	Michael Willoughby
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT:	Geoffrey Spear
VICE PRESIDENT:	Donna Meeuwssen
SECRETARY:	Lucy Spear
TREASURER:	Barbara Almond
COMMITTEE:	Dorothy Carassai, Oui Ju, Heather Wright, Christine Robertson, Shirley Greig, Don Greig, David Hayhurst
NON COMMITTEE POSITIONS:	
Registrar	Phillip Steer
Editor	Christine Robertson
Web Master	Michael Willoughby

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

LIFE MEMBERS - * denotes Member who has passed away.

1978 Dulcie Grave
1978 Leora Harvey
1978 L. & H. Poole*
1978 Ellie Shaw*
1979 Syd Monkhouse
1979 Bernie Hanson*
1981 Lois Hanson*
1981 John Leader*
1985 Brenda Lynch
1985 Bubs Gready *
1986 Harry Viney *
1986 John Nichols
1989 Helen Edwards
2003 Norman Gitcham

2005 Merve Steele*
2005 Shirley Steele
Circa Tony and Toshy Deonno*
2007 Ron and Irene Parish
2007 Murray Boulderstone *
2008 Geoff and Lucy Spear
2009 Don Biebrick
2009 Henk Van Leuveran
2010 Dorothy Carassai
2011 John and Bev Gay
2012 Noel Oliver
2015 Lesley Fenton
2015 Rod McRedmond
2015 Lesley Fenton
This list is still being compiled.

WINTER SHOW
HALLETT COVE SHOPPING CENTRE
SUNDAY 24TH JULY TO SATURDAY 30TH JULY

VENUE: Hallett Cove Shopping Centre , Lonsdale Highway, Lonsdale

JUDGING: Saturday 23rd July at Hamilton Secondary School, 815 Marion Road, Mitchell Park in the Basketball Stadium. **PUT IN TIME:** 11.30a.m. to 12.45p.m. JUDGING: 1.00p.m. Sharp. After judging, plants are to be taken to Hallett Cove Shopping Centre. Please make prior arrangements if you need your plants transported.

TRADING TABLE: Set Up Saturday 23rd July after 5.00p.m. Please note PLANTS CANNOT BE TAKEN INTO THE STORE BEFORE 5.00p.m. The Committee needs the assistance of members to volunteer help on the Trading Table. Sell your surplus plants on the Trading Table, ask Dorothy for swing tickets and selling sheets. **RE-MINDER:** To sell your plants at the Show you must be a financial member.



2016 SAROC ORCHID FAIR
NOTE CHANGE OF DATE TO 18TH AND 19TH JUNE

VENUE: The Drill Hall, Torrens Parade Ground, North Terrace, Adelaide at the rear of Government House. Free Parking on the parade grounds.

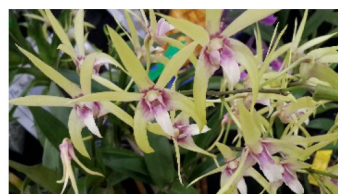
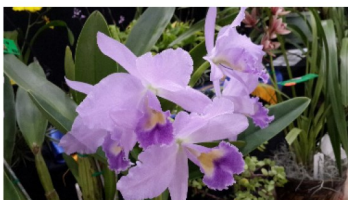
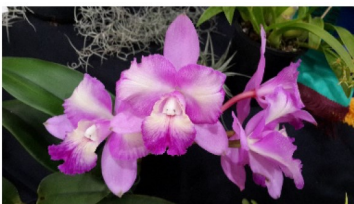
FRIDAY 17TH June: Hall opens for set up at 10.00 am. Area for display etc. will be ready by 12 noon. Helpers are required to help with display and set up. Displays are to be completed by 5.00 pm.

JUDGING: Judging will commence at 6.00 pm. If you have a plant worthy of an award, you should notify Roger Rankin by Wednesday 15th June 6.00 pm

OPEN HOURS FOR FAIR : Saturday 18th June 9.00 am to 5.00 pm
 Sunday 19th June 10.00 am to 4.00 pm

SAROC DINNER: Hampstead Hotel, 143 North East Road, Collinswood, Commencing at 6.30 pm. Pay on the night. Ring Lucy to book a table on 8381 4420. Members this is an exciting night. Lets organize a group of South Coast Members to attend.

Pasadena Autumn Show 2016



AUTUMN SHOW GRAND CHAMPION

CHAMPION OF OPEN DIVISION
CHAMPION LAELIINAE

H & B VINEY TROPHY
CHAMPION SPECIES

Psh. Cochleata 'Rita' - Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby

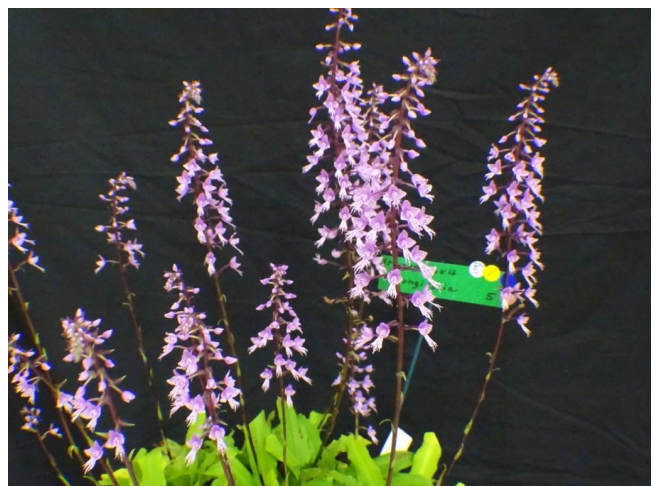


CHAMPION ZYGOPETALUM

**Z. Advance Australia 'Michael' -
Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby**

CHAMPION OTHER GENERA

**Sngl. Longifolia -
Geoff & Lucy Spear**



Show Placings Results List - Open Division

Australian Native epiphyte - Species		Points
Liparis swensonii	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid		
Den. Beryl Wuth 'Watts'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Australian Native - Specimen		
Liparis swensonii	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE		
Liparis swensonii	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Cymbidium - All sizes and colours		
Cym. Sundaani's Love 'Tess'	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	3
Cym. Sundaani Valley	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	2
Cymbidium Species		
Cym. dayanum 'Colin Grigg'	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	3
Cymbidium - Seedling		
Cym. Sundaani's Love 'Tess'	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	3
Cym. Sundaani Valley	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	2
Cymbidium - Specimen		
Cym. dayanum 'Colin Grigg'	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	3
BEST CYMBIDIUM		
Cym. dayanum 'Colin Grigg'	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	3
Laeliinae - species		
Prs. cochleata 'Rita'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Laeliinae Standard Hybrid under		
C. Lavender Ice	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Laeliinae Standard Hybrid over 100mm		
Ctt. Portiata 'coerulea'	Richard & Beryl Wilson (321)	3
Laeliinae Cluster		
C. Portiata 'Mel'	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424)	3
C. Rose Drop	Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)	2
Laeliinae Non-Standard Cluster		
C. Deception Palouse	Noel Oliver (102)	3
Laeliinae - Seedling		
C. Deception Palouse	Noel Oliver (102)	3
Laeliinae - Specimen		
Prs. cochleata 'Rita'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
BEST LAELIINAE		
Prs. cochleata 'Rita'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Oncidiinae - Species		
Milt. clowesii	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Oncidiinae Hybrid >60mm		
Alcra Samurai	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
Hwra. Lava Burst 'Pacific Sunrise'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	2
BEST ONCIDIINAE		
Alcra. Samurai	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
Zygopetalum - Hybrid		
Z. Advance Australia 'Michael'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Zygopetalum - Hybrid (inc.		
Z. Conways Choice x Zba. Adelaide City	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424)	3
Z. Purple Panther x Hmsa. Aussie Charm	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424)	2
Zygopetalum - Seedling		
Z. Conways Choice x Zba. Adelaide City	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424)	3
BEST Zygopetalum		
Z. Advance Australia 'Michael'	Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby (1252)	3
Any Other Genus - Species		
Sngl. longifolia	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
Any Other Genus - Specimen		
Sngl. longifolia	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
BEST ORCHID ANY OTHER GENUS		
Sngl. longifolia	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
CHAMPION SEEDLING		
C. Deception Palouse	Noel Oliver (102)	0

Show Placings Results List - First Division

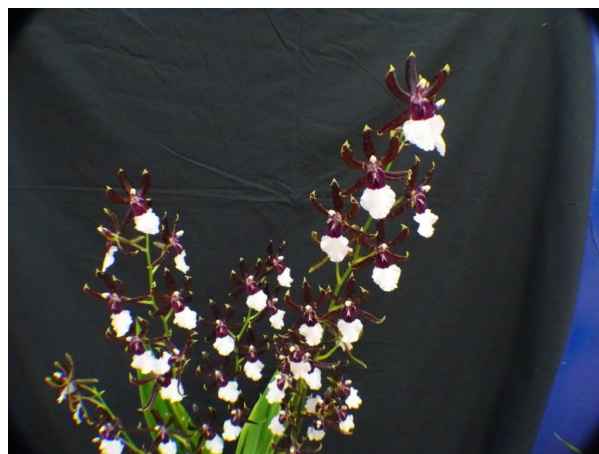
Cymbidium - All sizes and colours

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Cym. Valley Freestyle 'Heaven Scent'	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
BEST CYMBIDIUM		
Cym. Valley Freestyle 'Heaven Scent'	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
Laeliinae - species		
Psh. Cochleata 'Rita'	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
Laeliinae Standard Hybrid under		
Lc. Aloha Song 'Painted Lady'	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
Laeliinae Standard Hybrid over 100mm		
Rlc. Tribute X C. Mini Purple	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
Laeliinae Cluster		
C. Rose Drop	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
Laeliinae Non-Standard Cluster		
Slc. Precious Jewel x L. Nemesis	Shirley & Don Greig (1128)	3
Laeliinae - Seedling		
Lc. Aloha Song 'Painted Lady'	Bill Jayne (1180)	3
Laeliinae - Specimen		
C. Rose Drop	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
BEST LAELIINAE		
C. Rose Drop	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
Oncidiinae Hybrid >60mm		
Bilra. Spiderman 'Teflon'	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
Onc. Uniflora	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
BEST ONCIDIINAE		
Onc. uniflora	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3



CHAMPION FIRST DIVISION CHAMPION SPECIMEN

Ctt. Rose Drop—Paul & Donja Hayes



CHAMPION ONCIDIINAE Alcra. Samurai - Geoff & Lucy Spear



CHAMPION AUSTRALIAN NATIVE Den Hilda Poxon 'Nailsworth' - Phil & Anne Steer

Show Placings Result List - Second Division

Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid		Points
Den. Hilda Poxon 'Nailsworth'	Phil & Anne Steer (514)	3
Australian Native - Specimen		
Den. Hilda Poxon 'Nailsworth'	Phil & Anne Steer (514)	3
BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE		
Den. Hilda Poxon 'Nailsworth'	Phil & Anne Steer (514)	3
Cymbidium - All sizes and colours		
Cym. Artful Magic 'Martina'	Phil & Anne Steer (514)	3
Cym. Unknown	Sid James (170)	2
BEST CYMBIDIUM		
Cym. Artful Magic 'Martina'	Phil & Anne Steer (514)	3
Dendrobium (not Aust Native) -		
Mingle's Sapphire	Sid James (170)	3
Laeliinae - species		
Psh. cochleata	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	3
Laeliinae Standard Hybrid over 100mm		
Bc. Donna Kimura 'Paradisise Tami'	Vera Bastian (978)	3
Laeliinae Non-Standard Cluster		
C. Unknown	Beth Stronach (836)	3
BEST LAELIINAE		
Bc. Donna Kimura 'Paradisise Tami'	Vera Bastian (978)	3
Oncidiinae Hybrid >60mm		
Brat. Aztec 'Toni'	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	3
Pgp. Kalihi 'Orange Fireglow'	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	2
Oncidiinae Hybrid <60mm		
Onc. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar'	Sid James (170)	3
BEST ONCIDIINAE		
Brat. Aztec 'Toni'	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	3
Zygopetalum - Hybrid		
Z. Carew's Fields 'Concorde'	George & Patricia Abell (99)	3
Z. Blue Lake	Sid James (170)	2
Zygopetalum - Hybrid (inc.		
Npp. Beverly Lou	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	3
Any Other Genus - Species		
Maxillaria irrorata	Sid James (170)	3
Coel. fimbriata	Rowan Crowhurst (763)	2
BEST ORCHID ANY OTHER GENUS		
Max. irrorata	Sid James (170)	2



CHAMPION SECOND DIVISION
Brat. Aztec 'Toni' -
Rowan Crowhurst



CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM Under 60mm
Cym. Dayanum 'Colin Grigg' -
Pauline & Mark Hockey

May Results List

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

Open Division

Cymbidium over 90mm White Cream Yellow Green

474	Cym. Isle 'Flamingo'	Pauline & Mark Hockey (1556)	3
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Laeliinae - Non Standard

472	Blc.(Clouds Candy Corn x Toshie Flare)	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424)	3
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473	Bpl. Freya	Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)	2
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Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

471	Rlc. Petch Sayam	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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Oncidiinae - Species

475	Brs. gireouldiena	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
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Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

479	Phal. pulchra	Peter & Geraldine Flavel (487)	3
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480	Sngl. longifolia	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424)	2
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Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

476	Paph. Crossianum 'Album'	Geoff & Lucy Spear (5)	3
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Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

477	Z. Conways Choice x Zba. Adelaide City	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424)	3
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478	Z. (Artur Elle x Jade Dragon)	Robert & Lesley Gunn (424)	2
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First Division

Australian Native Epiphyte - Species

463	Liparis reflexa	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	3
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Laeliinae - Species

464	L. anceps var Chamberlains	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302)	3
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465	Psh. cochleata	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302)	2
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Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

467	Oncsa. Sweet Sugar	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302)	3
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468	Brsdm. Hawaii	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	2
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Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm

466	Milt. Aztec 'Toni'	Eileen Pinnock (519)	3
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Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

469	Sngl. longifolia	Rito & Rosetta Silvestri (302)	3
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470	Grastrochilus retrocallus	Paul & Donja Hayes (1129)	2
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Second Division

Cymbidium under 60- any other colour

460	Cym. Morialta 'Morialta Falls'	David Williams (1351)	3
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Laeliinae - Non Standard

461	C. Carousel	Suzy Bratuz (381)	3
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Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

462	Ddc. cobbianum 'Weise'	Beth Stronach (836)	3
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EDITORS NOTE:

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.

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Christine

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MAY PLANT COMMENTARY

There were not as many plants benched at this meeting, however, the plants that were benched were of a high standard. Congratulations to the members with plants entered into the show at Pasadena, even though it was a small show it still made a beautiful display with a wide range of orchid genera represented; congratulations to Michael and Oui on Grand Champion of the show with their *Prosthechea cochleata* 'Rita'. This is a plant that once belonged to Tony De Ionno and was awarded a HCC/AOC in 2000. It is interesting to also note this month that of the three divisions, two of them were species plants that were picked as the best of the division. Also the more unusual species; a *Dendrochilum* was grown by a second division grower. It is encouraging to see them growing unusual species and different plants rather than the stock standard plants we see.

Orchid of Open Division:

Rlc. Petch Sayam, grown by Michael Willoughby and Oui Ju.

John Gay gave a very interesting and enlightening commentary for this plant and some valuable advice for us all about the presentation of plants. This plant had one inflorescence and with two large white flowers. What was impressive was, that seeing as it is white, that there were minimal markings where the plant had been transported, sometimes hard to achieve with white flowering plants. The flowers were of standard shape, being large, well rounded and filled in flowers. The white labellum was quite large with yellow towards the column. Some quick facts about this plant: it was purchased in 2009 as a mini flask in Thailand. The plant is grown in cool conditions and under a solid roof and 70% shade cloth. It is grown in medium bark and is watered every 7 to 10 days in Winter and at least 2 times a week in Summer and more as the weather dictates. The plant is fertilized at every second watering. Well done Michael and Oui, you are growing your plants very well.



Orchid of Open Division

Rlc. Petch Sayam -
Michael Willoughby and Oui Ju

Orchid of First Division and Plant of the Night:

Laelia anceps var. *chamberlains*, grown by Rito and Rosetta Silvestri.

I was fortunate enough to carry out the commentary for this plant. It had 5 inflorescences, with 9 flowers in total and 2 buds. The reason this plant was chosen as plant of division and of the night was because it had quite large flowers for this species and of a good shape. The *chamberlains* variety tends to have longer inflorescences and larger flowers. This species is found Mexico, Guatemala and Honduras, where it can be found growing on trees and sometimes on rocks. This species is very easy to grow in shade house conditions and treated like Cymbidiums but preferably hung up. It can be grown on a mount or in a pot; pot culture is best in South Australia's harsh and dry climate. There are several varieties of *Laelia anceps* that are worth growing if you can get them, including this variety *chamberlains*. Other varieties include: var. *lineata*, which has feathered petals and needs some protection during winter. There is also var. *vietchiana* which has white flowers with a bluish/purple labellum 'Fort Caroline' is one of the better cultivars of this variety. Another one is var. *oaxaquena*, which has completely white flowers. There are some other forms of this species as well and now there are better forms around through line breeding. Congratulations Rito and Rosetta on a fantastic and well grown specimen plant.



**Flower of the Night
and
Orchid of First Division**

***Laelia anceps* var *Chamberlains*
- Rito and Rosetta Silvestri**

Orchid of second division:

Dendrochilum cobbianum 'Weise', grown by Beth Stronach.

Noel Oliver gave an interesting commentary on a genus we rarely see benched in SA. It is mainly seen interstate as quite large specimens with a large number of inflorescences. Thus it was fantastic to see a second division grower growing this *Dendrochilum*. It was a small plant with just the one nicely presented inflorescence. Would you believe this plant actually had 32 flowers on that one inflorescence! This species is found in the Philippines, it prefers a warmer climate and grows on rocks in its original habitat. Beth passed on the following information on how this species grows for her: it grows indoors alongside her Phalaenopsis on a windowsill. The plant is fertilized weakly weekly with watering reduced during the cooler months and depending on the weather at least once a week over summer. This species can also be grown outdoors in a greenhouse but needs a fair amount of shade and some protection overwinter. A dry rest is needed when the bulbs are mature, this will induce flowering. With the old adage of weakly weekly $\frac{1}{4}$ strength fertilizing at every watering. Congratulations Beth on bringing in an unusual orchid species from what we usually see, as a judge we like to see unusual genera benched. It is very encouraging when a second division grower is growing usual genera for us to all enjoy.



Orchid of Second Division

*Dendrochilum
Cobbianum* 'Weise'

- Beth Stronach

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank my three pencilers I had for the meeting: Beth Stronach, Helen McIntosh and David Hayhurst. Not only did you three share the pencilling across all three divisions you also carried around the plants for us judges, you also put out the prize cards of each division. As well as Susy Bratuz the four of you also did a fantastic job of pencilling at our autumn show. Noel, John and I were very pleased with your terrific effort in helping us out. Now is the time to start to look at what will plants could possibly be open for the SAROC fair orchid show on the 17th of June.

Good growing!
Rowan Crowhurst (Relieving for Phil)

N.B. Phil wishes to thank Rohan for standing in for him this month and to commend him on his excellent commentary.

DAYTIME CHAPTER

Hi Everyone,

Another great meeting again today. Phil Steer was our Guest Speaker with a beautiful presentation of Orchids and other genera of plants in the Marina Bay Sands Garden, Singapore, which he visited on his holiday with his



wife, Anne. This particular garden was only 10 years old and the growth in that time was incredible. They do have their own nursery for plants which probably helps heaps. This area was huge and the garden is a credit to all involved, a real showplace in architecture. At one point, the Dome was five stories high, all steel, glass and amazing with walkways just under the ceiling for patrons to walk along and look down. There were also high walkways outside. The layout, care and tidiness was perfect, not a blade of grass out of place. The Orchids were of such intense colour it was really lovely to see. The Phallies and Dens were fantastic, but not so much the Cyms, they seemed to be struggling a bit. This would be a great place to visit, put it on your list. Thanks Phil, well done.

Our Beginners Group, half an hour before the main meeting, was well attended with Geoff Spear in charge. Geoff, as do other Guest Speakers, did a fantastic job. Everyone was inspired again to learn more about the Orchid genera, their care and maintenance. Thank you Geoff.

A big welcome also to a new member to our Club, Andrew Dean, a gentleman who lives locally, not far from our meeting place. Welcome Andrew, we hope you enjoy your time with us.



Apologies today from Reg and Helen, Patty and George and Jan. We missed you all, take care and hope to catch up again soon.

David Williams was the owner of the plant voted best in display today, *Cattleya Browniae* 'Riga' with two lovely flower spikes with many flowers. Congratulations David, well done.



Lesley Gunn did our plant commentary today, as always a great learning exercise as Lesley explains in depth about each plant, Thanks Lesley, much appreciated. Thanks also to the other members for bringing in their lovely plants to share with us all. Thanks also to everyone who helped in the kitchen and cleaning up after the meeting. It was lovely to see everyone pitching in, and we certainly got out a lot earlier.

Our Show at Pasadena was great, a small display but quality was the go. We met some really nice people once again, perhaps a few new members for the Club.

The Meeting was closed thanking all in attendance. Bye

Dorothy 8277 1793



SOUTHERN REGION GROUP MEETING **SUNDAY 15TH MAY**

Beginners Group: John Gay, a very popular speaker, gave a very interesting talk covering topics needed for this time of the year. He answered many questions at the end of the beginners group. Thank you John.

The Southern Region Convenor, Geoff Spear, opened the meeting at 2 pm. welcoming members and visitors. Geoff spoke about the SAROC Fair, the put in times, and help needed. He expressed thanks to the members who offered to help in the kitchen, the busiest place at the Fair.

A New Judge Training program is being set in place for July this year. Names and contact details are being taken.

Reg and Elsie Clifford were presented with the Bill Murdoch Australian Native Orchid Species Certificate for their plant of *Pterostylis curta*. Congratulations Reg and Elsie.

Guest Speaker: Geoff Spear spoke on Cymbidiums. He did a potting demonstration of an orchid in spike as several members had asked him how this was done. He said it is not the best time but with care it can be done. He also showed how to prepare a plant for the show bench. Thank you Geoff.



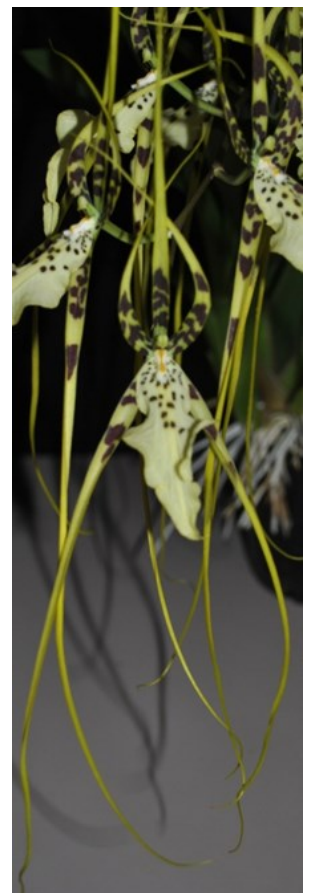
Birthday Draw: Geoff Spear

Door Prize: John Gay

Name Badge: Veronica Walsh

Plant Commentary: Noel Oliver

Popular Vote: *Brassia* Eduah Loo 'Vera Cruz' -
Ruth and Keven Tugwell



**Plant of the Day and
Orchid of First Division:**

Coelogyne tomentosa - Chris and Lyn Heysen



Next meeting: Sunday 19th June 2016, time 1.30p.m. Noel Oliver will chair the meeting and the guest speaker will be Des Bettcher.

SRG May Results List

Second Division

Ref.No.

Points Awarded

Australian Native Epiphyte – species

504 Den. biggibum

Marilyn Jelfs

3

Laeliinae Standard Over 100 mm.

505 C. unknown

Joan McMahon

3

Laeliinae – Cluster

506 Ctt. Browniae 'Riga'

Reg & Elsie Clifford

3

Laeliinae – Non Standard

507 C. Portiata

Joan McMahon

3

Cymbidium 60-90 White Cream Yellow

508 Cym. Artful Magic 'Martina'

Grace Noll

3

509 Cym. (Valley Splash x Cronulla)

Grace Noll

2

Cymbidium under 60 mm – Red Pink

510 Cym. Renmark 'Little Pink'

Sid James

3

Cymbidium 60-90 mm Any other colour

511 Cym. Stone Free 'Lochie'

Grace Noll

3

Oncidiinae – Hybrid < 60 mm

- 512 Onc. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar'
 513 Onc. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar'
 514 Milt. Rosy Sunset

Sid James	3
Sid James	2
Sid James	1

Oncidiinae – Hybrid > 60 mm

- 515 Milt. Unknown

Marilyn Jelfs	3
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Paphiopedilum – Non Standard

- 516 Paph. (Pat Hart x Maudiae Gothic)

Joan McMahon	3
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Paphiopedilum – Species

- 517 Paph. insigne

Gary Clark	3
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Orchid Genera not listed Elsewhere – Hybrid

- 518 Den. Mingle's Sapphire

Sid James	3
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Orchid Genera not listed Elsewhere – Species

- 519 Sngl. longifolia

Marilyn Jelfs	3
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**Orchid of Second Division**

Onc. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar' - Sid James

First Division**Australian Native Epiphyte – Hybrid**

- 523 Den. Hilda Poxon 'Ern'
 524 Den. Virginia Jupp
 525 Den. Aussie Ruby

Eileen Pinnock	3
Ruth & Keven Tugwell	2
Shirley & Don Greig	1

Laeliinae – Cluster

- 526 C. Portiata 'Mel'
 527 Lc. Angel Heart 'Hihimanu'
 528 Slc. Kauai ('Starbright' x 'Hospol Spots') x
 Epi. Vienna Woods

Ruth & Keven Tugwell	3
Chris & Lyn Heysen	2
Chris & Lyn Heysen	1

Laeliinae – Non Standard

- 529 Lc. Intercepts 'Hindmarsh'
 530 Ctt. Browniae 'Riga'
 531 Slc. Precious Jewel x Lc. Rojo

Shirley & Don Greig	3
Chris & Lyn Heysen	2
Shirley & Don Greig	1

Laeliinae – Species

- 532 L. purpurata

Chris & Lyn Heysen	3
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Cymbidium over 90 mm – Species

- 533 Cym. dayanum

Shirley & Don Greig	3
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Oncidiinae – Hybrid < 60 mm

- 537 Onc. Sharpy Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'

Ruth & Keven Tugwell	3
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Oncidiinae – Hybrid > 60 mm

- 534 Brs. Eduah Loo 'Vera Cruz'
 535 Aliceara Jaqui Louise
 536 Milt. Aztec 'Toni'

Ruth & Keven Tugwell	3
Eileen Pinnock	2
Eileen Pinnock	1

Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

- 538 Paph. (villosum x China Pink)

Ruth & Keven Tugwell	3
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Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

- 539 Z. Kiwi Choice 'Eileen'

Eileen Pinnock	3
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Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

- 540 Coel. tomentosa

Chris & Lyn Heysen	3
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Orchid Culture Notes for June

June marks the beginning of winter yet by month end we have our days lengthening out again. June typically sees the first of the frosts in Adelaide. The air tends to be a bit drier at times, and calm clear nights provide the perfect conditions for frost to settle. Fortunately severe frosts in suburbia are rare and most shade houses do provide sufficient protection. By July and August the wind picks up and rain tends to keep frost away, not saying we don't get them. On the subject of cover we should all have at least some additional protection for our more tender orchids. Rain, hail, the wind and just the plain cold all have a detrimental effect on our plants. The colder it is the drier our plants must be to cope. It is best to water only when it is fine and preferably mid morning on a rising temperature with the plan to have all the plants leaves dry by nightfall. Plants in shade houses generally get enough moisture with the natural rainfall anyway. Cover can be as easy as a sheet of plastic or solaweave over a section of your enclosure or placing plants under a sheltered veranda. Use clear plastic as light levels must be as high as possible this time of year. If you are starting to build a new enclosure try to have the minimum amount of shade possible. You can always add shade but you cannot take it away if your roof cover is too shady to start with. Ensure all pots are secured to cope with the winds of winter. Move smaller plants and seedlings to a protected area if you can. Seedlings especially cannot handle the extreme conditions as well as mature plants. The same applies to recently divided plants.

Watering will now be quite infrequent. Cymbidiums, Zygopetalums and Sarcocylus are happy enough to receive normal winter rain. If you grow them under cover then water when they need it. Keep up a regular feeding programme to your Sarcocylus as this their growing season and shortly spikes will show. Also feed up your Zygopetalums as well using a fertiliser with a higher nitrogen component. With many finishing flowering we need to build up those new growths for next season. Many of my orchids are now resting. In particular it's my Cattleyas, Laelias and Ocidiums. There are orchids within this group that will continue to grow through winter as well and these are treated accordingly. I separate them from the resting ones.

Terrestrials are mostly in full growth now and the numbers of flowering plants will begin to increase on the show bench towards the end of the month. Keep an eye out for fungal diseases, caterpillars and water dripping from above eroding your pots. 50% shade is OK to grow most terrestrials but if you have any Diuris then try and give them some full sun. They will reward you for it.

Winter usually means standard shaped Paphiopedilums will start flowering. This is a critical time watering wise as any water that lodges near the embryo flower can cause the whole flower to collapse and rot and that's it until next year. It is wise to give them cover and water by standing the pot in water and let the pot soak it up. That or water the pot, not the plants leaves.

In winter only feed those orchids that appear in active growth. Developing leaves and green root tips are always good indicators of a plant still on the move. When you do feed keep in mind their metabolism has slowed down with the cold and they won't take up as much as they do in the warmer months.

Make it a habit to inspect at least a third of your pots every month. That way they all get picked up at least three times a year. You can then inspect the plant more carefully. Check the undersides of leaves that may harbour a small colony of soft scale or mealy bugs. Feel the weight of the pot. Is it light?

Despite your best intentions regarding watering the fact is that big cymbidium next to it has hogged all the water and hardly any has reached the one you are holding. Occasionally a grower will forget about a plant for ages and then just before a show see it poking its head up and take it in. Of course it wins the show which goes to prove that maybe some plants will only grow good if you forget about them. We all tend to over care for our plants. I've seen a Dendrobium speciosum growing on rocks in full sun most of the day with not a tree within 100 yards. And the rocks were hot to touch and that was April so what extremes does this plant experience in mid-summer! It was perfectly healthy with no signs of scorching.

Flowering wise will see more and more cymbidium gracing the show bench. Continue to train your spikes and leave any manipulation of the spikes to the warmer part of the day when they are supple. Several adjustments may be required before they are ready to show. Native epiphytes will still mostly be showing growth nodes with some having small spikes poking through. Some cover is good for natives as the immature new spikes are very prone to rotting off or experiencing bud drop if kept wet. The cover will also stop them getting too waterlogged when the rains set in.

Be vigilant with the blue snail pellets from now. Any plant in spike should have a few sprinkled on the surface as a precaution. Also watch out for little green looper caterpillars on those orchids with broad and soft leaves and my favourite woolly bears will soon be on the march. The initial hatch can see up to 50 of the little buggers chewing away at a new growth or spike. One day is all they need. The onset of the cold will drive rats and mice into the protection of our orchid houses. Look out for signs of chewed canes, spikes and the odd dropping. If you had issues with them last year, don't wait till they cause damage this year. Get them before they get the plants.

Winter time is now the time to start weeding pots. Oxalis once established is very hard to pull out yet very easy at the 2 leaf stage. Thistles and milkweed are a little easier. Thistles attract aphids and we don't need that. That's it for June. Basically reduce watering, increase light and provide cover and keep warm!!

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. Mary's. Beginners Class starts at 7.15p.m., meeting at 8.00p.m.

THE DAYTIME CHAPTER: meets at the Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton on the second Thursday of the month at 2.00p.m.

THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL GROUP: meets at Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor at 2.00p.m. on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

THE ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA: meets at 8pm in The Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Road, Enfield on the 1st 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 2nd 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 4th Sunday of the month.

NORTHERN AND EASTERN DISTRICTS ORCHID SOCIETY: meets in St. Philip's Church Hall, Galway Avenue, Broadview from 7.30p.m. on the 3rd 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 7.30p.m. on the 3rd 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 4th 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 4th Wednesday of the month.

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