



THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SA INC.

# Gazette

August 2025

Patron: Coralie Hills FAOC  
President: Michael Willoughby

## AT A GLANCE

The August General Meeting of the South Coast Orchid Club will be held on Wednesday 6th August 2025 at 8.00 pm. at the Marion-Warradale Uniting Church Hall, Corner of Township Road and Church Crescent. Our Guest Speaker will be Callyn Farrell from Down Under Native Orchids talking on *Dendrobium* section *Rhizobium* which the terete leaved *Dendrobium* fall into. Callyn is bringing plants for sale.

**LEARNERS' GROUP:** There will be a Learners' Group Meeting at the August 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 held on Thursday 14th August 2025 at 2.00pm at the Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton. Our Guest Speaker will be Anne Steer demonstrating various methods to prepare plants and tags for shows and judging.

**SOUTHERN REGION:** The next meeting will be Sunday 17th July 2025 2.00 pm at Carrickalinga House, Victor Harbor. Guest Speaker will be Ron Parish who will be talking about the orchids that he grows. Learners' Group will start at 1:15pm

**NEW MEMBERS:** The Club would like to welcome three new members Ivonne Allen, Wah Wah Naw, and Peter Schammer. We hope that your time with the Club will be a happy one and that you learn a lot about the orchids that we all love so much.

**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.



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### **LIFE MEMBERS**

\* denotes Member who has passed away.

1978 Dulcie Grave *	1986 Harry Viney *	2009 Don Biebrick *
1978 Leora Harvey	1986 John Nicholls *	2009 Henk Van Leuveren *
1978 L. & H. Poole *	1989 Helen Edwards	2010 Dorothy Carassai
1978 Ellie Shaw *	1990 Dr, Keith Northcote *	2011 John and Bev Gay*
1979 Syd Monkhouse	2003 Norman Gitsham *	2012 Noel Oliver *
1979 Bernie Hanson *	2005 Merve Steele *	2015 Lesley Fenton
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1985 Brenda Lynch	2007 Ron and Irene Parish	2020 Malcolm Mangelsdorf
1985 Bubs Gready *	2007 Murray Baulderstone *	2021 Donna Meeuwssen
	2008 Geoff and Lucy Spear	2025 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

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 (Use your grower number for Reference)

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

## President's Message



Once again at the July main meeting the club held a successful plant auction as it was well supported by the members, as well as having a few laughs. It was another enjoyable event with the Auction run by guest Auctioneer Graham Fear and his sidekick. This was followed with a supper enjoyed by all members including a Birthday Cake for the 60th Anniversary of the Club.

The Winter Show, held at the Warradale Marion Uniting Church Hall proved to be a very successful show this year with the great space and light inside to show off the two displays. Plant numbers were a little down on the 2024 Show. This is indicative that our plants don't always flower at the same time each year. Congratulations to those involved in the wonderful displays.

Congratulations to Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju for their Grand Champion, *Dendrobium* Australian Mia's World, a spectacular specimen plant. This was also Champion Open Division. Congratulations are in order for Laurie & Susan Carter, Champion of First Division with *Oncsa*. Aloha Iwanaga and Janet Adams and Gordon Ninnes, Champion Second Division with their *Paphiopedilum* Leeannum which seems to double in size each year. More results for the Winter Show appear later in our Gazette.

This month we again welcome back Callyn Farrell from Down Under Native Orchids to the Club to share his knowledge on the *Dendrobium* section *Rhizobium* which the terete leaved *Dendrobium* fall into. Callyn is bringing plants for sale. You never know you may purchase a future champion plant.

This month the Daytime Chapter will have a presentation by Anne Steer demonstrating various methods to prepare plants and tags for shows and judging and the Southern Region Group will hear from Ron Parish who will bring a selection of his Orchids and talk about how he grows them.

The Southern Region Show is being held at the Victor Central Shopping Centre, 274 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor and is on from the 21st to 22nd August this year (put in on the 20th) and our growers from the Southern Region always put on a great spectacle. Make a day of it to see the show and visit Victor, you may even see a visitor in the bay.

The Spring Show will be held over the weekend of September 27th & 28th in the Warradale Marion Uniting Church Hall with put in on Friday 26th September.

All our thoughts and best wishes are for those on the sick list, Get well soon.

Successful growing & showing

*Michael Willoughby*



## Happy Birthday .....

**GRAHAM ZERBE, WALLY WALLOSCHECK,  
JEANETTE BECK, MICHAEL HOLMES,  
GLEN WALDRON, ELSIE CLIFFORD,  
VERONICA WALSH, HEATHER MCDONALD,  
BEV MITCHELL**



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





## **ORCHID CALENDAR 2025**



### **MAIN MEETING**

Wednesday 6th August 2025 at 8.00 pm  
Marion-Warradale Uniting Church Hall, Cnr of Township Rd and Church Crescent, Marion. Our Guest Speaker will be Callyn Farrell from Down Under Native Orchids talking on den-rhizobium "terete form".

### **COMMITTEE MEETING**

Wednesday 13th August 2025 7.30 pm  
The Southern, South Road, St. Marys

### **DAYTIME CHAPTER**

Thursday 14th August 2025 at 2.00pm  
Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton.  
Guest Speaker: Anne Steer demonstrating various methods to prepare plants/tags for shows and judging.

### **SOUTHERN REGION MEETING**

Sunday 17th August 2025 2.00 pm  
Carrickalinga House, Victor Harbor  
Guest Speaker: Ron Parish who will be talking about the orchids that he grows. Learners' Group will start at 1:15pm

### **SOUTHERN REGION SHOW**

Wednesday (Put In) 20th August to Friday 22nd August 2025  
Victor Central Shopping Centre, Victor Harbor

### **SPRING SHOW**

Friday (Put In) 26th September to Sunday 28 September 2025  
Marion-Warradale Uniting Church Hall. Cnr Township Rd and Church Crescent, Marion.

### **Visit to Myponga Property of Don and Jane Higgs.**

**Thank you** to Jane and Don Higgs for their hospitality in allowing us to visit their property to view their wonderful collection of orchids. It was wonderful to have so many members attend. In spite of the weather a great day was had by all. A special thanks to those who helped Don cook the BBQ

**Thank you.**

### **The Winter Show**

was very successful.

**Thank You**

**Thank you** to those who helped unload the trailer and van quickly allowing the display and trading table to be set up in record time.

**Thank you** to the Judges and to the members who provided plants for the display and plants for sale.

**Thank you** to the members who manned the trading table sharing their excellent knowledge with the public.

Fundraising is important for our Club, we really appreciate the help given by many of our members, **Thank you.**



**WINTER  
SHOW 2025**



**Coralie Hills cutting the  
60th Birthday for the Club**



## 2025 WINTER SHOW CHAMPIONS

### GRAND CHAMPION CHAMPION OPEN DIVISION

Den. Australian Mia's World

### CHAMPION OTHER GENERA CHAMPION SPECIMEN

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

### CHAMPION FIRST DIVISION

Oncsa. Aloha Iwanaga

Laurie & Sue Carter (1303)

### CHAMPION SECOND DIVISION

Paph. Leeanum

### CHAMPION PAPHIOPEDILUM

Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195)

### CHAMPION CYMBIDIUM Over 90 mm

Cym. Arachnid 'Seaview'

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

### CHAMPION SPECIES

Paph. primulinum

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

### CHAMPION LAELIINAE

C. Dal's Elite 'B & J'

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

### CHAMPION PHALAENOPSIS

Phal. Ice Whisper

Graham & Jeanette Smith (217)

### CHAMPION ZYGOPETALUM

Z. Unknown

Graham & Jeanette Smith (217)

### CHAMPION AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. Hilda Poxon 'Josephine'

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

### CHAMPION SEEDLING

Paph. Fair Yerba

John Seidel (101)

### CHAMPION ONCIDIINAE

Gom. ;(barbata x varicose) x forbesii'

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

### Roy Hill Trophy - Best Novelty 60-90mm Cymbidium

Cym. Death Wish 'Speckled Spectre'

John Seidel (101)

### Garard Western Trophy Nomination

Cym. (Khairpour x erythraeum)

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR CHAMPION WINNERS**

# WINTER SHOW RESULTS LIST

## OPEN DIVISION

### Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid

Den. Hilda Poxon 'Josephine' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. Hilda Poxon 'Josephine' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### Cymbidium over 90mm - Species

Cym. tracyanum 'Tamborine' Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3

#### Cymbidium over 90mm - Non Standard

Cym. Arachnid 'Seaview' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Cym. Death Wish 'Speckled Spectre' John Seidel (101) 2

#### BEST CYMBIDIUM - over 90mm

Cym. Arachnid 'Seaview' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - Red/ Pink

Cym. Marilyn Levy 'Wedding Buttons' Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3

#### Cymbidium under 60mm - Brown/Any

Cym. Unknown Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 3

Cym. Another World Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 2

#### Cymbidium under 60mm - Seedling

Cym. (Khairpour x erythraeum) Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### Dendrobium (not Aust Native) - Hybrid

Den. Australian Mia's World Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### Dendrobium (not Aust Native) - Specimen

Den. Australian Mia's World Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### BEST DENDROBIUM - (Not Aust Native)

Den. Australian Mia's World Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### Laeliinae - species

C. percivaliana 'Summit' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

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#### Laeliinae Standard Hybrid under 100mm

C. Dal's Elite 'B & J' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

C. Mini Purple 'Lea' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2

#### Laeliinae Standard Hybrid over 100mm

Rlc. Burdekin Dream 'DJ' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### Laeliinae Cluster

Ctt. Rose Drop Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119) 3

Ctt. Little Fairy Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2

#### Laeliinae Non-Standard

Lc. Australian Frangipani John Seidel (101) 3

Lc. Australian Frangipani 'Zodiac' John Seidel (101) 2

#### Laeliinae - Specimen

C. percivaliana 'Summit' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### BEST LAELIINAE

C. Dal's Elite 'B & J' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### Oncidiinae Hybrid <60mm

Gom. [(barbata x varicosa) x forbesii] Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Pasr. Chian-Tzy Lovely 'CT Goldmine' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2

#### BEST ONCIDIINAE

Gom. [(barbata x varicosa) x forbesii] Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

#### Paphiopedilum - Species

Paph. primulinum Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

Paph. spicerianum 'Petite' Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2

#### Paphiopedilum - Standard

Paph. CRB'S Global Passport John Seidel (101) 3

Paph. (Yi-Ying Violet Crown x In-Charm) John Seidel (101) 2

#### Paphiopedilum - Nonstandard

Paph. Chouvetii 'van Dyke' Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3

Paph. Fair Yerba John Seidel (101) 2

#### Paphiopedilum - Seedling

Paph. Fair Yerba John Seidel (101) 3

#### Paphiopedilum - Specimen

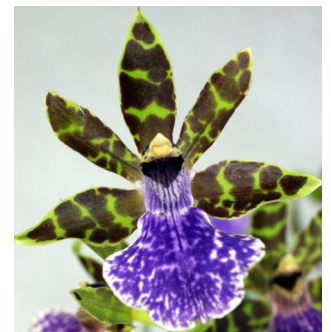
Paph. Chouvetii 'van Dyke' Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3

#### BEST PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph. Chouvetii 'van Dyke' Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3



**CHAMP**  
**PHALAENOPSIS**  
**Phal. Ice Whisper**  
Graham & Jeanette  
Smith



**CHAMP**  
**ZYGOPETALUM**  
**Z. Unknown**  
Graham & Jeanette  
Smith



**CHAMP**  
**PAPHIOPEDILUM**  
**CHAMP**  
**SECOND DIVISION**  
**Paph. Leeaunum**  
Janet Adams &  
Gordon Ninnes



# WINTER SHOW RESULTS LIST Cont . . .

## Any other genus - Species

Ludisia discolor Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 3

## BEST Any other genus

Den. Australian Mia's World Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3

## FIRST DIVISION

### Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid

Den. Australian Tiger Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

Den. Hilda Poxon '#2 Stevie' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2

## BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. Australian Tiger Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

### Cymbidium under 60mm -Yellow/Green

Cym. Thumbs Up 'Tamera' Phil and Anne Steer (514) 3

## BEST CYMBIDIUM - under 60mm

Cym. Thumbs Up 'Tamera' Phil and Anne Steer (514) 3

### Dendrobium (not Aust Native) - Hybrid

Den. Amphion Miletus Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

## BEST DENDROBIUM - (Not Aust Native)

Den. Amphion Miletus Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

### Laeliinae - species

L. anceps 'Chamberlainiana' Phil and Anne Steer (514) 3

Psh. cochleata Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2

## Laeliinae Cluster

Ctt. Porcia 'Cannizaro' Phil and Anne Steer (514) 3

## Laeliinae Non-Standard

Ctt. Portia 'Baronessa' Phil and Anne Steer (514) 3

## BEST LAELIINAE

Ctt. Porcia 'Cannizaro' Phil and Anne Steer (514) 3

### Oncidiinae Hybrid >60mm

Brat. Aztec 'Toni' Beth Stronach (836) 3

Brat. Aztec 'Toni' Phil and Anne Steer (514) 2

### Oncidiinae Hybrid <60mm

Oncsa. Aloha Iwanaga Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

Oncsa. Sweet Sugar Phil and Anne Steer (514) 2

## BEST ONCIDIINAE

Oncsa. Aloha Iwanaga Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

### Paphiopedilum - Species

Paph. insigne Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

### Paphiopedilum -Nonstandard

Paph. Leeanum Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

## BEST PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph. insigne Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

### Zygopetalinae - intergeneric

Gptm. Arlene Armour 'Conching' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

## BEST ZYGOPETALUM

Gptm. Arlene Armour 'Conching' Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

## BEST Any other genus

Den. Amphion Miletus Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3

## SECOND DIVISION

### Australian Native epiphyte - Hybrid

Den. Limestone x brevicaudum Helen McIntosh (299) 3

## BEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE

Den. Limestone x brevicaudum Helen McIntosh (299) 3

### Cymbidium over 90mm - Yellow/Green

Cym. Rosefieldense Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) 2

### Cymbidium over 90mm - Seedling

Cym. (Cronulla Star x McClure's Quest) Pauline McLean (1053) 3

## BEST CYMBIDIUM - over 90mm

Cym. (Cronulla Star x McClure's Quest) Pauline McLean (1053) 3

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - Yellow/Green

Cym. Celtic Imp 'Caprice' Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) 3

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - Brown/Any other

Cym. Unknown Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) 2

### Cymbidium under 60mm - White/Cream

Cym. Gowlings Gem 'Snow Queen' Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) 3

Cym. Unknown 'Seventeen' Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) 2

## Laeliinae Non-Standard

C. Unknown Ralf Brandt (159) 3



**CHAMP  
ONCIDIINAE**  
*Gom. [(barbata x  
varicosa) x forbesii]*  
Oui Ju & Michael  
Willoughby



**CHAMP  
LAELIINAE**  
*C. Dal's Elite 'B&J'*  
Oui Ju & Michael  
Willoughby



**CHAMP  
FIRST DIVISION**  
*Oncsa. Aloha  
Iwanaga*  
Laurie & Sue Carter



**CHAMP SPECIES**  
*Paph. primulinum*  
Oui Ju & Michael  
Willoughby

## WINTER SHOW RESULTS LIST Cont . . .

### Oncidiinae Hybrid >60mm

Aru. Sea Snake 'Unforgettable' Pauline McLean (1053) 3

Aru. Sea Snake 'Unforgettable' Ralf Brandt (159) 2

### BEST ONCIDIINAE

Aru. Sea Snake 'Unforgettable' Pauline McLean (1053) 3

### Paphiopedilum - Nonstandard

Paph. LEEANUM Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195) 3

### Paphiopedilum - Specimen

Paph. LEEANUM Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnes (1195) 3

### Phalaenopsis Nonstandard

Phal. ICE WHISPER Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) 3

### BEST PHALAENOPSIS

Phal. ICE WHISPER Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) 3

### Zygopetalum - Hybrid

Z. UNKNOWN Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) 3

### BEST ZYGOPETALUM

Z. UNKNOWN Graham & Jeanette Smith (217) 3



**GRAND CHAMPION**  
**CHAMP OPEN DIVISION, CHAMP SPECIMEN,**  
**CHAMP, OTHER GENERA**  
**Den. Australian Mia's World**  
 Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby



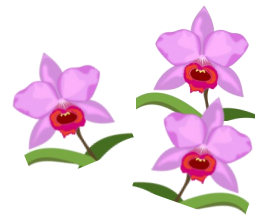
**CHAMP CYMBIDIUM Over 90mm**  
**Cym. Arachnid 'Seaview'**  
 Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby



**CHAMP AUSTRALIAN NATIVE**  
**Den. Hilda Poxon 'Josephine'**  
 Oui Ju & Michael Willoughby

All Photographs taken of the Winter  
 Show by Neil Cooper





## June Results List

Ref. No.	Points Awarded
<b>Open Division</b>	
<b>Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid</b>	
203 Den. Hilda Poxon 'Josephine'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
<b>Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std</b>	
213 Cym. (Khairpour x erythraeum)	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
<b>Cymbidium over 90mm - Species</b>	
212 Cym. iridioides	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
<b>Garard / Western Trophy</b>	
233 Cym (Khairpour x erythraeum)	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
<b>Laeliinae - Cluster</b>	
207 Ctt. Porcia 'Cannizaro'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
208 Bc. Binosa 'K&R'	John Seidel (101) 2
<b>Laeliinae - Species</b>	
209 C. wittigiana	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
210 Arpo. giganteum subsp. alpinum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2
211 L. rubescens	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 1
<b>Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm</b>	
204 Rlc. Burdekin Dream 'DJ'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
205 Rlc. George King 'Serendipity'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2
<b>Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm</b>	
206 Rlc. Rosella's Red Gem	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
<b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &lt; 60mm</b>	
216 Gom. [(barbata x varicosa) x forbesii]	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
<b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &gt; 60mm</b>	
214 Brsdm. Pagan Lovesong 'Ruby Charles'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
215 Bcd. Gilded Tower 'Mystic Maze'	Jane & Don Higgs (1302) 2
<b>Oncidiinae - Species</b>	
217 Milt. moreliana	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
218 Pasr. Chian-Tzy Lovely 'CT Goldmine'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid</b>	
226 Ctsm. Lovena 'Cassidy'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
227 Fdk. Darkest Desire	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2
228 Fdk. After Dark 'Lachlan'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 1
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species</b>	
232 Max. picta	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
<b>Orchid Seedling - any Genera</b>	
229 Fdk. Beverley Danielson	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
230 Zga. Grenfell's Choice	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2
231 Paph. Lone Hill	John Seidel (101) 1
<b>Paphiopedilum - Non Standard</b>	
219 Paph. Giant Spice	John Seidel (101) 3
220 Paph. Pinnocchio 'Seaview'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2
221 Paph. (Maudiae x Hsinying Cyber Leopard)	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 1
<b>Paphiopedilum - Species</b>	
222 Paph. spicerianum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
223 Paph. primulinum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 2
224 Paph. wardii	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 1
<b>Zygopetalinae - Hybrid</b>	
225 Zga. Grenfell's Choice	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252) 3
<b>First Division</b>	
<b>Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid</b>	
187 Den. Saigon Dreamworld	John & Robyn Dunn (600) 3
188 De. Hilda Poxon '#2 Stevie'	John & Robyn Dunn (600) 2
<b>Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std</b>	
192 Cym. Bennett Poei	Michael Gray (135) 3
<b>Laeliinae - Species</b>	
191 L. anceps	Michael Gray (135) 3
<b>Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm</b>	
189 Rlc. Siam Treasure 'No. 2'	Michael Gray (135) 3
<b>Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm</b>	
190 Rlc. Deception Penny	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 3
<b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &lt; 60mm</b>	
195 Ons. Wildcat 'Bloodshot Ruby'	Phil and Anne Steer (514) 3
196 Oncsa. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollars'	Phil and Anne Steer (514) 2
197 Rnc. Pacific Paranoia	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 1
<b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &gt; 60mm</b>	
193 Brsdm. Spiderman 'Teflon 2'	Phil and Anne Steer (514) 3
194 Alcra. Winter Wonderland	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid</b>	
199 Den. Tweetas 'Red Lip'	John & Robyn Dunn (600) 3
200 Sarts. Toowoomba Sparkle	John & Robyn Dunn (600) 2
<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species</b>	
201 Ptst. repanda	John & Robyn Dunn (600) 3
202 SDngl. longifolia	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303) 2
<b>Zygopetalinae - Hybrid</b>	
198 Z. Pine Road x Zga. Kosciuszko	John & Robyn Dunn (600) 3
<b>Second Division</b>	
<b>Cymbidium 60 - 90mm - Species</b>	
176 Cym. Cherry Cola	Graham & Janette Smith (217) 2
177 Cym. Pearl Flor	Coral Tillmanns (212) 1
<b>Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std</b>	
178 Cym. Harvest Queen	Coral Tillmanns (212) 3
179 Cym. Osborn	Helen McIntosh (299) 2
<b>Laeliinae - Non Standard</b>	
173 Ctt. Unknown 'Candy'	Graham & Janette Smith (217) 3
<b>Laeliinae - Species</b>	
174 Psh. cochleata 'Rita'	Graham & Janette Smith (217) 3
<b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &lt; 60mm</b>	
181 Oncsa. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollars'	Jim Fogarasi (150) 3
182 Oncsa. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollars'	Jim Fogarasi (150) 2
183 Oncsa. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollars'	Graham & Janette Smith (217) 1
<b>Oncidiinae - Hybrid &gt; 60mm</b>	
180 Arthurara Sea Snake 'Unforgettable'	Ralf Brandt (159) 3
<b>Phalaenopsis Standard</b>	
186 Phal. Fancy Freckles	Graham & Janette Smith (217) 3
<b>Zygopetalinae - Hybrid</b>	
184 Z. Unknown	Graham & Janette Smith (217) 3
185 Zga. Happy Bay 'Winter Green'	Ralf Brandt (159) 2



# July Results List

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Points Awarded

## Open Division

### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

269	Den. Hilda Poxon 'Josephine'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Australian Native Epiphyte - Species

267	Acianthus pusillus Green Form	Jane & Don Higgs (1302)	3
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268	Corybas hispidus	Jane & Don Higgs (1302)	2
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### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

280	Cym. Arachnid 'Seaview'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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281	Cym. Arachnid	Peter Haltis (442)	2
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282	Cym. (Khairpour x erythraeum)	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	1
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### Cymbidium over 90mm - Species

279	Cym. iridioides	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

278	Cym. Tracey Reddaway	Peter Haltis (442)	3
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### Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std

283	Cym. Katydid	Peter Haltis (442)	3
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284	Cym. Another World	Peter Haltis (442)	2
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### Laeliinae - Non Standard

273	Lc. Australian Frangipani	Peter Haltis (442)	3
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274	Ctt. Little Fairy	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
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275	Lc. Australian Frangipani	Peter Haltis (442)	1
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### Laeliinae - Species

276	C. percivaliana 'Summit'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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277	C. percivaliana 'Summit'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
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### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

270	Rlc. Burdekin Dream 'DJ'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm

271	Rth. Dal's Elite	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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272	C. Mini Purple 'Lea'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
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### Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

285	Gom. [(barbata x varicosa) x forbesii]	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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286	Pasr. Chian-Tzy Lovely 'CT Goldmine'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
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### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

291	Fdk. Darkest Desire	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

292	Gchls. odorata	Jane & Don Higgs (1302)	3
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### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

293	Paph. primulinum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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294	Cym. (Khairpour x erythraeum)	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
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### Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

287	Paph. (Imperial Jade x Golddollar)	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Paphiopedilum - Species

288	Paph. spicerianum 'Petite'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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289	Paph. primulinum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
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### Specimen Species or Hybrid

295	C. percivaliana 'Summit'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

290	Npp. Woody's Surprise	Peter Haltis (442)	3
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## First Division

### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

246	Den. Hilda Poxon 'Stevie'	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
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### Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std

256	Cym. Butterfly Kisses 'Splashette'	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
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257	Cym. Thumbs Up 'Tamera'	Beth Stronach (836)	2
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### Laeliinae - Cluster

252	Ctt. Porcia 'Cannizaro'	Phil and Anne Steer (514)	3
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### Laeliinae - Species

253	L. anceps 'Lynette'	Phil and Anne Steer (514)	3
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254	L. anceps 'Green Throat'	Michael Gray (135)	2
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255	C. percivaliana 'Summit'	Phil and Anne Steer (514)	1
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### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

247	Rlc. Pastoral 'Innocence'	Michael Gray (135)	3
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248	Rlc. Myanmar Sunset	Michael Gray (135)	2
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### Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm

249	Lc. Dorothy Elliott 'Fuschia Fire'	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
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250	[Ctt. Memoria Evelyn Paquette x (C. Mark Jones	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	2
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251	Lil. Sea Urchin	Beth Stronach (836)	1
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### Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

259	Oncsa. Sweet Sugar	Phil and Anne Steer (514)	3
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260	Oncsa. Sweet Sugar 'Million Dollar'	John & Robyn Dunn (600)	2
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261	Ons. Everglades Elegance	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	1
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### Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm

258	Brat. Aztec 'Toni'	Beth Stronach (836)	3
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<b>Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species</b>			
264	Ptst. repanda	John & Robyn Dunn (600)	3
<b>Orchid Seedling - any Genera</b>			
265	[Ctt. Memoria Evelyn Paquette x (C. Mark Jones	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
<b>Paphiopedilum - Species</b>			
262	Paph. insigne 'Ros'	John & Robyn Dunn (600)	3
263	Paph. insigne var. Sanderæ	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	2
<b>Specimen Species or Hybrid</b>			
266	Brat. Aztec 'Toni'	Beth Stronach (836)	3

## Second Division

### Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid

239	Den. Anthedon Magic	Helen McIntosh (299)	3
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### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std

242	Cym. Pharaoh's Dream 'Dural'	Helen McIntosh (299)	3
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### Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std

241	Cym. (Cronulla Star x McClure's Quest)	Pauline McLean (1053)	3
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### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

240	C. Unknown	Ralf Brandt (159)	3
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### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

245	Cym. (Cronulla Star x McClure's Quest)	Pauline McLean (1053)	3
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### Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

243	Paph. Leeaunum	Janet Adams & Gordon Ninnies (1195)	3
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### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

244	Z. Unknown	Helen McIntosh (299)	3
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## PLANT COMMENTARY JULY 2025

There were fifty eight orchids benched at the July Meeting. The majority of Orchids were benched in Open Division with an even spread across First and Second Divisions..

### PLANT OF SECOND DIVISION

The Plant of Second Division was *Den. Anthedon Magic* (Limestone x brevicaudum).grown by Helen McIntosh

This was a lovely mounted Den, (previously known as a *Dockrillia*), a small plant with lovely cream/white flowers on long pendulous terete leaves.

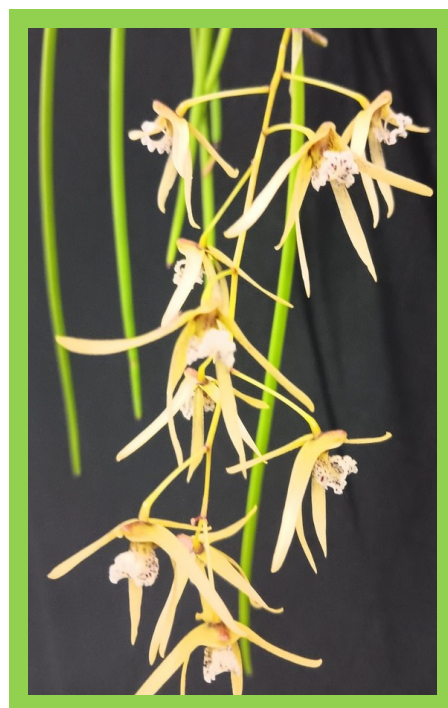
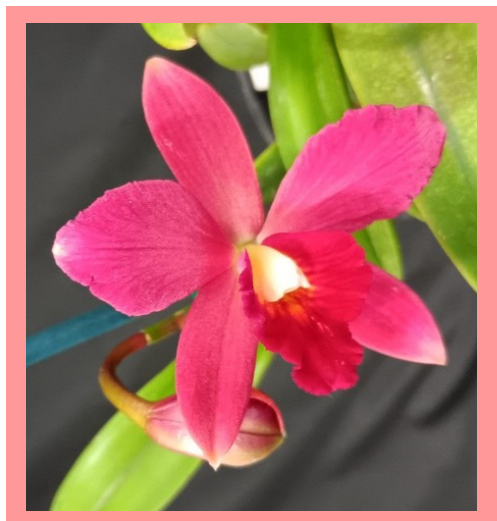
Well done Helen

### PLANT OF SECOND DIVISION

#### *Den. Anthedon Magic*

Grown by Helen McIntosh

Photo Don & Jane Higgs



### SEEDLING OF THE NIGHT *Ctt. Memoria Evelyn Parquette x* *(C. Mark Jones x Rlc. Sunspots)*

Laurie & Sue Carter

Photo Don & Jane Higgs



## ORCHID OF FIRST DIVISION

The First Division plant was grown by Beth Stronach and was a delightful specimen of *Bratonia* Aztec 'Toni'.

The flowers were a dark purple with a dark overlay of purple spotting. The flowers were evenly spaced around the plant and stood out from the foliage.

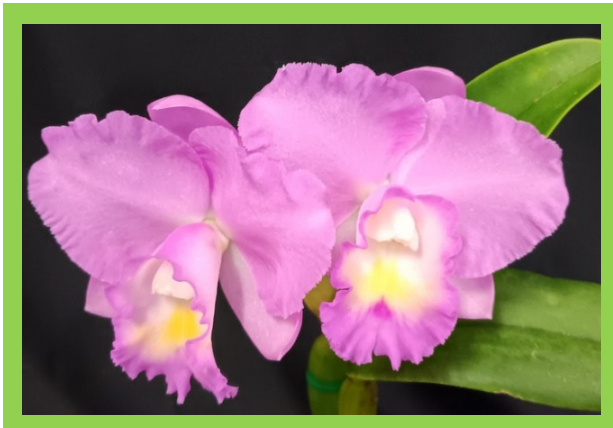
Congratulations Beth.

### ORCHID OF FIRST DIVISION

*Brat. Aztec 'Toni'*

Grown by Beth Stronach

Photo Don & Jane Higgs



### ORCHID OF OPEN DIVISION

#### PLANT OF THE NIGHT

*Rth. Dal's Elite 'B & J'*

Grown by

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju

Photo Don & Jane Higgs

## ORCHID OF OPEN DIVISION & PLANT OF THE NIGHT

The Plant of Open Division and Plant of the Night was *Rth. Dal's Elite 'B & J'* grown by Michael Willoughby and Oui Ju.

This was a stunning small *Cattleya* with two light mauve flowers. The flowers were a standard shape and were what I consider to be a small standard. The flowers were on a small plant and the light mauve shaded in the centre of the segments. The labellum showed white outlined by the mauve shadings. A very attractive plant.

Congratulations Michael & Oui.

*Phil Steer*

REGISTRAR

### **"PITY THE POOR EXECUTIVE"**

An Article from the Club's Gazette of January 1975

***A Manager of a firm has practically nothing to do except to decide what is to be done; to tell someone to do it; to listen to reasons why it should not be done; or should be done by someone else, or done in a different way; to follow up to see if the thing has been done; to discover that it has not; to ask why; to listen to excuses from the person who should have done it; to follow up to see if the work has been done properly at last, only to discover that it was done incorrectly; to point out how it should have been done; to conclude that as long as the work has been done to let it stay as it is; to wonder if it isn't time to get rid of a person who cannot do a thing right, but also to reflect that he probably has a wife and ten children, and that anyway someone else would be just as bad if not worse; to consider how much simpler and better the work would have been done if one had done it himself in the first place; to reflect sadly that one could have done it right in 20 minutes and that, as things turned out, one has had to spend two days to find out why it has taken three weeks for someone else to do the work the wrong way.***



## DAYTIME CHAPTER

### Thursday 10th July 2025



**Hi Everyone,**

17 members attending the Daytime Meeting and welcomed back our guest speaker Kevin Western and first-time visitor Peter Schammer who then joined our Club at the Winter Show, welcome Peter.

Members greatly appreciated Kevin Western's presentation including a demonstration of the different potting methods he uses for the variety of species he has amassed over many years. Kevin freely shared his vast experiences in seedling propagation explaining his preference for plant quality and species lineage.

Many questions followed his presentation and well into the afternoon tea chat. Thankyou Kevin for another great presentation. Feedback suggests members hope to have you back again.



**Kevin Western demonstrates different potting methods**



**Lucky Name Badge:** Jeanette Beck

**Lucky Door Prize:** Coral Tillmanns

Many thanks to our generous members providing items for the raffle table. And to Coral and Josie for their assistance ensuring all attending received a slice of the Clubs 60<sup>th</sup> birthday cake.

**Popular Plant of the Day:**

*Masd.* Curacao 'Hamish'  
grown by Kevin Western

*Alan Miller*

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**Next Meeting : Thursday August 14th - 2.00 pm**

**Lou Kesting Hall, Off Broadway, South Brighton**

**Guest Speaker: Anne Steer** demonstrating various methods to prepare plants and tags for shows and judging.



## SOUTHERN REGION MEETING Sunday 20<sup>TH</sup> July 2025

Following our “Christmas in July” luncheon, Convenor, Chris Heysen, opened the main meeting at 2:10 pm welcoming the 20 members present. A special welcome to Liam and Amelia (Phil and Anne’s grandchildren). And welcome back to Marg Yelland who has had several long months of illness and extended recovery.

Welcome to our guest speaker, Graham Smith, who will be talking today about *Phalaenopsis*. We’ve all seen some of the spectacular Phallies that Graham and Jeanette bring to our meetings so it will be very interesting to hear how they grow these beauties.

**Apologies:** Elsie Clifford.

**Guest Speaker:** Graham gave us a very detailed and clear talk about his techniques for growing *Phalaenopsis*. As these orchids originally come from tropical jungles where they grow on tree trunks and branches, usually high above the ground, they need moisture and humidity but also very good drainage – and very good light (but not direct sunlight). Interestingly Graham grows his Phallies without supplementary heat in winter. (In my experience that is not possible here on the South Coast but his conditions on the other side of the range would be warmer than ours.) Maintaining as much humidity as possible when the weather is hot is very important. He uses an open potting mix – including about 10% perlite in the mix. He fertilises whenever the plants are watered – and uses Wain’s special orchid fertiliser. Many thanks, Graham, for a great presentation.

This is also a good time to announce that from next year Graham will be taking over from me as Convenor of the Southern Region meetings. As I will be 83 next year it is time to reduce my responsibilities. I am sure Graham will bring new energy and ideas to the role which will be great for our group.

**Lucky Name Badge:** Veronica Walsh

**Lucky Door Prize:** Lynn Heysen.

### **Announcements:**

- This month is our Southern Region Show - once again in Victor Central. Put-in will be at 5pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August with Take-out at 5pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

We need helpers to setup the display and sales area prior to the Show and to take it down on completion. We also need assistance with both selling plants and keeping the display secure during the show period from 7 am to 9pm at night. A roster is circulating – please consider where you can help and add your name to the list.



- Can the holders of the Trophies that are awarded at the Southern Region Show please return them at our next meeting (August 17<sup>th</sup>).

**The raffle** was held as usual and Chris thanked the donors of raffle prizes.

**Judging:** was carried out by Phil Steer and Jane and Don Higgs.

**Judges Commentary:** Phil Steer.

The meeting closed at 3:20 pm and was followed by everyone joining in to share a cuppa and a selection of cakes and biscuits.

*Chris Heysen* 0419 386 769

**NEXT MEETING – Sunday August 17th - 2.00pm** Our Guest Speaker will be **Ron Parish** who will be talking about the orchids that he grows. Ron is an extremely good grower of a range of different and interesting orchids, including many species and genera we don't often see. So this will be a very interesting presentation.

### **SOUTHERN REGION SHOW Thursday 21st to Friday 22nd August**

Don't forget the Southern Region Show which will be held on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd August at the Victor Central Shopping Centre. Put in is on Wednesday 20th August at 5pm and take out is Friday 22nd August at 5pm.

Bring your plants to make a fantastic display for the public.

## **Southern Region July Results List**

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

### **First Division**

#### **Australian Native Epiphyte - Hybrid**

691	Den. (Lorikeet x delicatum)	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	3
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#### **Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All colours in Non-std**

696	Cym. Tommy 'Amy'	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
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#### **Cymbidium over 90mm All colours inc Non-std**

694	Cym. Grand Monarch	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
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695	Cym. Rosefieldense	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	2
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#### **Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std**

697	Cym. Sarah Jean 'Ice Cascade'	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	3
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698	Cym. Penny Serenade	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	2
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#### **Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm**

692	Rlc. Dream Trader 'Hancock'	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	3
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693	C. Marilyn Mckenzie	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	2
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#### **Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid**

700	Den. Wamboral	Eileen Pinnock (519)	3
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699	Phal. Flashdance	Chris and Lyn Heysen (1140)	2
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### **Second Division**

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

687	Cym. (Dolly x Golden Fortune)	Bob Clayton (143)	3
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688	Cym. Celtic Imp 'Caprice'	Graham & Janette Smith (217)	2
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689	Cym. Unknown	Bob Clayton (143)	1
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#### **Cymbidium under 60 All Colours inc Non-std**

690	Cym. Templestowe Opal 'Hearts on Fire'	Graham & Janette Smith (217)	3
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## SOUTHERN REGION PLANT COMMENTARY

We are seeing the start to Cymbidium season with a number of nice examples benched.

### ORCHID OF SECOND DIVISION

The plant chosen by the Judges was a lovely Cymbidium, *Cym.* (Dolly 'Featherhill' x Golden Fortune 'Delight') grown by Bob and Robyn Clayton.

A well grown plant carrying one inflorescence of 14 flowers on a tall upright spike. All flowers were evenly ranked and presented well. Flowers were a lovely green with a nice contrasting labellum of red spots and white background.

Congratulations Bob and Robyn

#### ORCHID OF SECOND DIVISION

*Cym.* (Dolly 'Featherhill' x Golden Fortune 'Delight')

Grown by

Bob & Robyn Clayton

Photo Jane Higgs



### FIRST DIVISION & PLANT OF THE DAY.

The Plant of First Division (and Plant of the Day and Popular Vote) was grown by Eileen Pinnock and was an outstanding specimen of *Den.* Wamberal.

This plant was growing on a large piece of tree fern and well established with long canes and carrying masses of small flowers that were yellow/white with a labellum of red/purple spots.

*Den.* Wamberal is a primary hybrid of *Den. teretifolium* and *Den. fuliginosum*.

Well done Eileen.

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

*Den.* Wamberal

Grown By Eileen Pinnock

Photos Jane Higgs

Thank you to Jane & Don for the judging.  
Good Growing.

**Phil Steer**  
REGISTRAR

## THE INFLUENCE OF *Dendrobium tetragonum* IN AUSTRALIAN NATIVE DENDROBIUM HYBRIDISING by Issy Klein

**Dendrobium tetragonum.** There are four varieties of this Australian native species:



**a. *Dendrobium tetragonum* var. *melaleucaphilum*** occurs from central Queensland to the north coast of New South Wales. It grows in coastal areas, mostly on prickly paperbark trees. The sepals and tepals have red or brown markings

**b. *Dendrobium tetragonum* var. *tetragonum*** occurs from the Fitzroy River in central eastern Queensland to the Illawarra district of New South Wales at altitudes ranging from sea level to about 1000 m. It grows on paperbark trees near or in swamps and is commonly known as the 'spider orchid' because of the shape of its flowers, or as the 'four-angled orchid' from the shape of its four-sided pseudobulbs. The flowers are smaller than those of *Den. tetragonum* var. *melaleucaphilum* and variable in colour; some have beautiful brown, red or purple margins.

**c. *Dendrobium tetragonum* var. *cacatua*** is an eastern tropical variety that occurs at an altitude of about 700 m between the Fitzroy and Annan Rivers. The plant is similar to that of *Den. tetragonum* var. *tetragonum*, but the flowers have no brown or red colour.

**d. *Dendrobium tetragonum* var. *giganteum*** is a tropical variety found from north of the Fitzroy River to Cape York Peninsula. The plant and flowers are similar to (but larger than) those of *Den. tetragonum* var. *tetragonum*. There is also a variety with a pink or 'red' labellum.

At this point I would like to recount the story of the discovery of the 'red lip' form of *Den. tetragonum* var. *giganteum* as told to me by Sid Bachelor, who line-bred it to produce some most desirable cultivars. He told me that a school teacher, Mr. Bas Borger, who taught at a single-teacher school in a little town called Kookaburra, found the red lip form on the Carrai Plateau west of Kempsey. These orchids found their way to Noel Jupp, who crossed one called 'Kennedy's variety' with another called 'Barker's variety'.

Sid Bachelor bought six of these seedlings from Noel and managed to get two of them to breed. Some of the progeny had pink lips, so he tested them in his hybridising program and also used them for line breeding. One plant, *Den. tetragonum* 'Yondi #1', turned out to be prepotent for the red labellum, producing a high percentage of red-lip hybrids. Furthermore, the more he line-bred the more intense the red colour became. In the course of this discussion the red-lipped form of *Den. tetragonum* will crop up time and again.

Some of the hybrids produced from *Den. tetragonum* are:

***Den. speciosum* X *Den. tetragonum* = *Den. Hilda Poxon*.** The most successful hybrids are those made with *Den. tetragonum* var. *giganteum*, using either that with the normal labellum or that with the red lip. The flowers are large and star-shaped; some are plain yellow but the segments of others have beautiful dark red-brown markings. In the better cultivars each spike has up to twenty beautifully presented flowers. A large plant in full flower makes a spectacular display. A big plus for this grex is that the pseudobulbs may each flower twice a year for three or more consecutive years. *Den. Hilda Poxon* is a noteworthy parent of hybrids such as *Den. Pauline Rankin*, *Den. Mem. Bill Jefferies* and *Den. Essie Banks*.





***Dendrobium Hilda Poxon***



***Dendrobium Star of Gold***

***Den. falcorostrum* X *Den. tetragonum* = *Den. Star of Gold*.** I don't think any Australian native dendrobium collection is complete without at least one plant of *Den. Star of Gold*, which has beautiful large star-shaped, golden yellow flowers with red markings and a pleasant fragrance. The spikes may be either upright or attractively pendulous. *Den. Star of Gold* 'Bathurst' owned by Sid Bachelor is a very good parent. He has crossed it with many other species and hybrids and the results are eagerly awaited. I have crossed it with *Den. Colonial Surprise* to make *Den. David's Surprise*, a large deep mauve hybrid with good show potential.

***Den. kingianum* X *Den. tetragonum* = *Den. Ellen*.** In every collection and wherever there is a display of Australian native orchids there are bound to be several clones of this beautiful free-flowering hybrid. The flowers have the characteristic *Den. tetragonum* shape. In the better hybrids five or more flowers are well displayed on upright spikes above the foliage. Each pseudobulb will flower for several years. A well grown plant will be covered with a profusion of flowers and will often be in contention for Best on Show.

The combination of *Den. kingianum* with the red-lip form of *Den. tetragonum* var. *giganteum* has been very successful, giving such well known hybrids as *Den. Ellen* 'Boobyella', *Den. Ellen* 'Lenna' and *Den. Ellen* 'Deloraine'. All these cultivars have in turn become excellent parents. When line-bred with each other they have produced excellent cultivars of *Den. Ellen* with large red labellums and lovely mauve to magenta markings on the other segments. I find those with distinct magenta markings on the segments most attractive. Some of the most notable hybrids produced using *Den. Ellen* as a parent are *Den. Dot Sheen*, *Den. Sofala*, *Den. Warrambool*, *Den. Lorikeet* and *Den. Pinterry*.

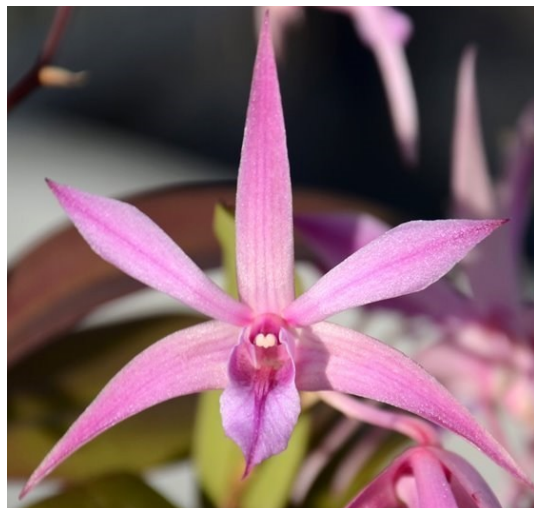


***Dendrobium Ellen***

**Den. Ellen X Den. tetragonum = Den. Aussie Ira.** This hybrid has a 'double dose' of *Den. tetragonum* and it therefore has a low flower count. Nevertheless it is a notable parent. A good clone of *Den. Aussie Ira* is an essential tool in every hybridiser's gene pool. Some of the progeny of *Den. Aussie Ira* have become good parents in their own right. Examples include: *Den. Aussie Ira* X *Den. falcorostrum* (= *Den. Aussie Bonanza*), *Den. Aussie Ira* X *Den. speciosum* (= *Den. Aussie Starlight*), *Den. Aussie Ira* X *Den. Aussie Angel* (= *Den. Colonial Surprise*) and *Den. Aussie Ira* X *Den. Sunglow* (= *Den. Jesmond Dazzler*).



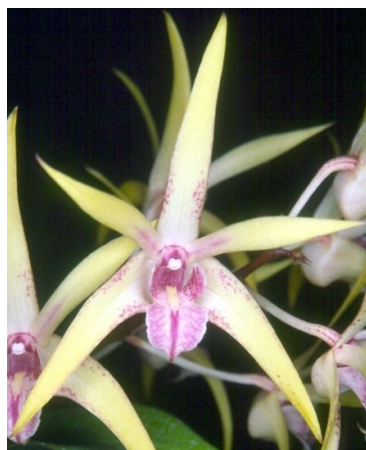
***Dendrobium Aussie Ira***



***Dendrobium Pee wee***

**Den. tetragonum X Den. bigibbum = Den. Pee Wee.** *Den. bigibbum* comes from the far north and is considered a 'hot' grower as are also *Den. discolor* and some others. *Den. Pee Wee* is arguably the most successful parent of the 'hot/cold' Australian dendrobiums and it has been the conduit for the introduction of the highly desirable features of *Den. bigibbum* into these hybrids. *Den. bigibbum* imparts its beautiful solid purple colour, wide labellum and well filled-in segments to its hybrids. The influence of the *Den. bigibbum* genes remain dominant for several generations.

When hybridised with cool-growing species and hybrids, the progeny can be grown in a covered bush-house in Melbourne without any heat. However it is then important to keep the plants rather dry during Winter. Some typical hybrids are: *Den. Pee Wee* X *Den. speciosum* (= *Den. Elegant Heart*), *Den. Pee Wee* X *Den. Star of Gold* (= *Den. Elegant Sunset*), *Den. Pee Wee* X *Den. Hilda Poxon* (= *Den. Brolga*) and *Den. Pee Wee* X *Den. fleckeri* (= *Den. Tegan's Delight*).



***Dendrobium Brolga***

**Conclusion.** There is still much work to be done with *Dendrobium tetragonum*, particularly with the 'red lip' form. It is so attractive that one is tempted to use it often in hybridising. However, it is genetically dominant for the red lip and this dominance is often passed on to its hybrids. It is amazing how much we are attracted to the colour red – it seems to make an immediate impact, so that we overlook the softer colours. If caution is not exercised, it's likely that white, yellow and marked labellums will become rare.



***Den. Elegant Heart***



## ***Angraecum sesquipedale***

**by Hans Proebsting**

The name *Angraecum* derives from Angrek, a Malay word for orchid, and *sesquipedale*, meaning foot-and-a-half, referring to the length of the spur on the abellum of the flower. Its common names include Comet Orchid and Star of Bethlehem.

Found in Madagascar, *Angraecum sesquipedale* is a monopodia epiphyte or lithophyte of the Vanda family. The normally unbranched stem may grow to a metre tall, with leaves up to 35 cm long. The ivory to greenish white flowers are star-shaped, up to 22 cm across, and are produced in winter. The labellum has a tubular spur about 35 cm long, with nectar in the lower 4 cm. The flower is fragrant at night.



In 1850 Charles Darwin surmised that there must be a nocturnal insect in the Madagascan forest with a 35 cm proboscis that was capable of pollinating this orchid. Darwin suffered much ridicule but forty-one years later such an insect was discovered. It was a Madagascan hawk moth, duly named *Xanthopan morgani predicta*.

*Angraecum sesquipedale* needs some shade and should never be grown in direct sunshine. Ideal temperatures are 20-27°C by day and 15-20°C at night. A cooler period is appreciated after flowering but no rest period is needed. Plants do well when grown in either baskets or pots, using bark or Sphagnum moss as the potting medium, which should be kept moist; a relative humidity of at least 60% is essential. This species should be watered frequently in summer but less often in cooler weather. Salt build-up should be avoided by using soft water or by leaching regularly. Weekly feeding with quarter-strength liquid fertiliser is appropriate during summer but it should be less frequent at other times. Root disturbance should be kept to a minimum when re-potting.

*Angraecum sesquipedale* is capable of carrying several racemes, each bearing four flowers. No true angraecums have yet been awarded by the OSCOV Judging Panel – a Highly Commended Certificate was awarded to *Angraecum philippinense* in 1998 but this species was subsequently transferred to the genus *Amesiella*.







## **Orchid Culture Notes for August**

The last month of Winter is already on our doorstep and the Spring shows not that far away. August weather is still cold but we seem to get enough 20°C to remind us that Winter is starting to lose its hold. After a very cold and wet July this is surely a positive to look forward to.

We are nearing the peak months of our flowering season especially for those with collections dominated by natives and cymbidiums. This year displays have seen quite a high percentage of plants showing the effects of cold and exposure. Even when grown under cover effects of botrytis are apparent and although we will soon enter a drying phase, most of our flowering plants will still suffer the effects. The only way to combat this is to remove plants to an area under cover where the air is quite dry. That is why I test the boundaries at home and load up my laundry. Even though I have an 8 x 3 flowering house outside, I too cannot escape the marking of the flowers that is so bad this year. The laundry will provide me the dryness I need: I can always hang my clothes in the flowering house!

Very soon it will be time to look at the annual task of re-potting and division. Whilst still a couple of months away, now is a good time to take stock of the numbers of plants that need work so we can stock up on pots, mix, etc. I usually start looking at the seedling catalogues about now to get my orders in to coincide with Spring. No point really subjecting little plants to our cold Winter unless you have the right protection, so getting them at a time of year with the weather warming and the plants entering new growth is a sound decision if we are to get them underway.

Many orchids are still resting and a keen eye will already see the commencement of new shoots to herald the start of a new season. It is hard to believe but by the end of August we have already put nearly 90 minutes of extra daylight onto the Winter solstice. This is plenty of daylight increase to tell the plants it is time to start moving again soon.

Not all plants rest over winter. Zygopetalums are one orchid that do not appear to have a resting period, as are the cymbidiums. Sure they slow up but never really go dormant. With weather still cool and the humidity high, watering is still infrequent and should be applied only when the plants are dry and ideally left to the warmer days. Zygopetalum new growths should be well advanced so stick with the higher nitrogen to balanced feeds until they bulb up later on.

Those looper caterpillars are quite bad this year and have been all over Winter so regular inspection of any chewing activity under the leaves is a must. The cold and wet of this winter has also taken toll on some of the new growths and they have rotted out or at best lost a few leaves. Either way this growth will be severely restricted and will not build up a new bulb, if it even does so and unlikely to produce a new growth big enough to flower off next year.

Now is the time to reduce the watering on the natives and dry them out somewhat. In the eastern states the Spring months are the driest part of the year and this is where most, if not all our Australian natives come from. Watch out for aphids on the new spikes and keep dry. One cold, wet episode will have buds dropping like flies. If you can, try to maximise light levels as the natives flower to bring out the colour.

Cattleyas will soon show new growth eyes developing from the base of the previous years canes and the sheaths of the spring flowering species and hybrids will start to fill out. If these sheaths show any sign of fungal spots I would be peeling them back to expose the buds and keep the buds dry. Leaving the spots to enlarge will invariably mark or even rot out the buds. A Cattleya will only flower once off a pseudobulb. Watch out for any fungal problems near the growth buds. This is usually indicated by the presence of black sheaths. Preventative sprays of fungicides can certainly reduce this somewhat.



## **Orchid Culture Notes for August cont..**

Oncidiums have now finished their flowering and are generally resting. Those in active growth are only watered if conditions are very dry or the plant grown under cover. Feeding is monthly at my place for these as the cool temperatures slow down the plants metabolism and their need for supplementary feeding. I only feed Oncidiums that show active roots.

Even though the Oncidiums have largely finished there are plenty of Oncidiinae intergenerics around that will grow cold and provide colour for much of the year. Colmanaras, Beallaras, Odontocidiums (now Oncidiums) and Vuylstekearas are just a few of the complex that are quite happy here grown above the Cymbidiums. I also find that these intergenerics are quite variable in their flowering times as well and even have the luxury of sporting a second spike after the first one has died down. A little more cover over Winter will improve your results as these do mark easily.

The majority of the terrestrials we see benched will begin flowering from now on. Starting off with the greenhoods (*Pterostylis*) and later on the donkey orchids (*Diuris*) and the sun orchids (*Thelymytra*). Keep evenly moist and try to keep the light levels up. Weak feeds of organic based feeds like seaweed and fish emulsions will assist growth. Avoid chemical fertilisers. Pull out weeds as they appear and remove any plants that show signs of virus or fungal problems. This is usually identified by odd markings, and yellowing of the leaves. Fungus affected plants literally fall out of the pot when you lift up a leaf. Virus in *Diuris* shows up with brown markings.

Paphiopedilums are well into their flowering season and like many genera are easy to grow once the culture and correct conditions are provided. The large standard Paphiopedilums (standard referring to shape) usually peak this time of year with the smaller novelties later on as the weather warms. The trick with Paphiopedilums is to keep them evenly moist and moving. They don't mind being grown close together and take up little space and are a low light orchid. So for those that have a shady section in the shade house a small collection of cool growing Paphiopedilums is worth a try. They are not a hungry feeder, little and often is the key.

A new crop of Spring and Summer weeds will soon show up and should be removed as soon as they appear. Continue to treat for slugs and snails as many genera are now in flower and these new soft spikes make good tucker. Wrapping some copper strip or even cotton wool around the base of the spikes will deter them. Please remove the cotton wool before you show your orchid. We judges want to judge an orchid and not a poodle.

Observe for any fungal problems. With warming weather this will become a bigger problem over the next few months. Remove dead leaves and flowers as soon as you can as these when wet will attract fungal problems overnight. Some plants that do show signs of rot may be telling you something about your culture as well. Factors such as: I am too wet, too cold, lack of air movement, my mix has broken down, I have been damaged, are just some of the many causes of fungal attack. I have been on many orchid walks in the wild yet have never seen the fungal problems there that we have in our collections. So it is clear that these problems are our doing and we must be able to identify why and act accordingly. It is what makes us a better grower, the ability to observe and act. We will never eradicate these problems given that the majority of the genera we grow are so far removed from the species that make up their background that their own natural defences will not work. The best offence to defence is good culture.

The key to August is to provide flowering and near flowering plants with the cover they need to avoid environmental damage. Pest numbers are still down but it won't be long before their numbers increase. Observe plant resting periods and keep an eye out for any developing problems with fungal issues. September is on our doorstep and with it another growing season ready to begin.

*Steve Howard*

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

**THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** In 2024, the Club will meet 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 Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton 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.

**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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